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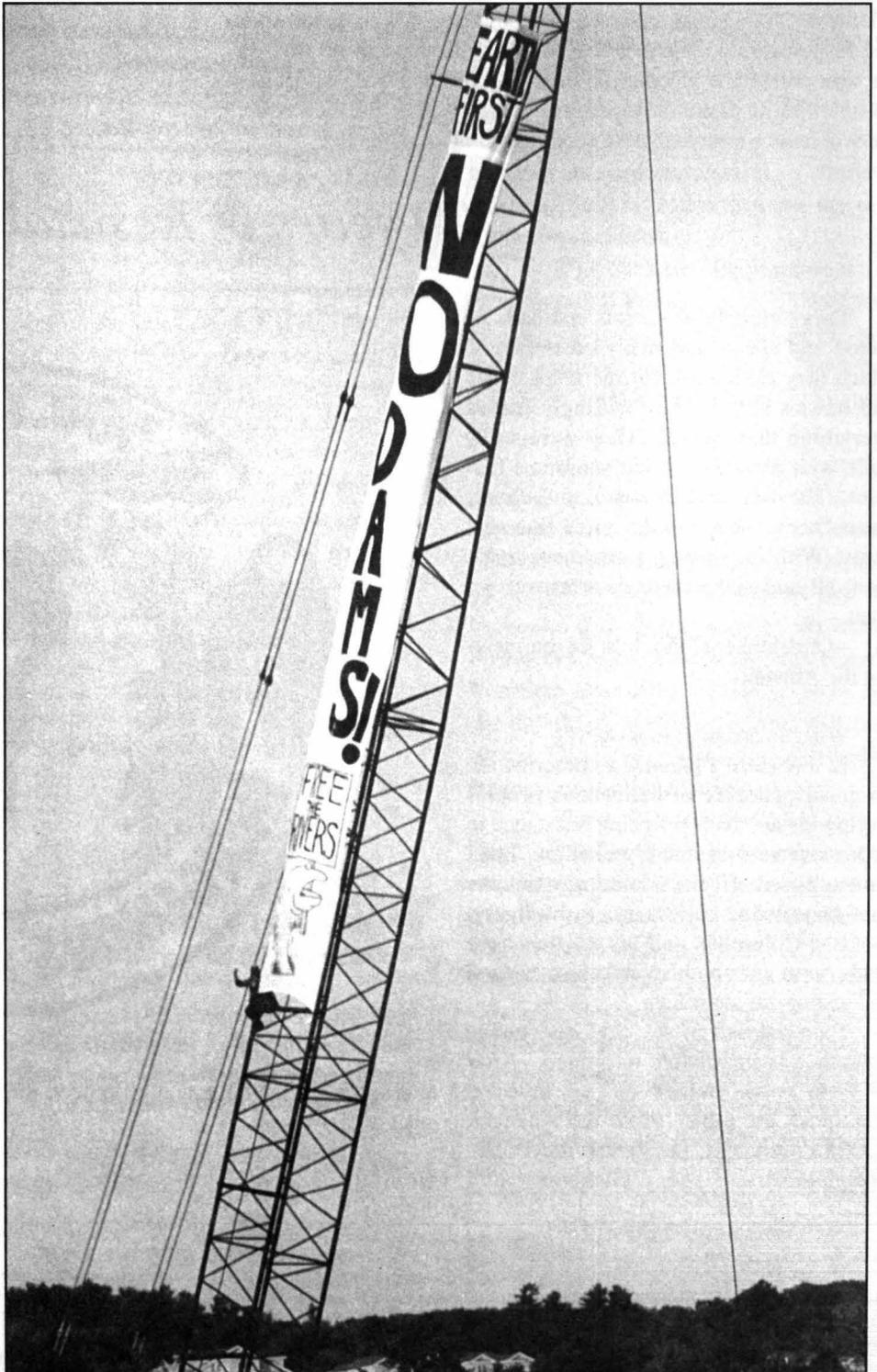


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About this Issue

Welcome to issue #4 of the ALARM! As you can see the format has changed slightly and we've greatly expanded the size of our publication. This has led to a couple of dilemmas. The first crisis we are trying to solve is the money thing. Production for this issue skyrocketed and we had to go into debt to publish. An attempt to solve this is putting a newsstand and subscription price on our rag (see back page). Believe us, it's very hard to be against the concept of money and then have to ask for it. The second crisis we've encountered is editorial work and responsibility. We're trying to deal with that. In no way do we want to assume an editorial hierarchy. Thus far we've operated on editorial vision. Hopefully, by the Winter Solstice issue, we will have a more cohesive working group or collective.



This issue finds many articles on water, land and air abuse. We present these issues not for armchair discussion, but rather as a catalyst to foster direct action to deal with the mess that plagues our planet. The Alarm! is trying to present many ideas that when we put together, expose the real enemies of existence. When we identify the enemy, then we can strip them of their clothes and watch them walk around naked. Sounds like fun!

Until next time, give the bastards the hell they deserve. On this 500th Year of Resistance, let's pay heed to a Cree prophecy: "Only after the last tree has been cut down, only after the last river has been poisoned, only after the last fish has been caught, only then will you find that money cannot be eaten."

The Alarmists

500 years of Resistance

They...brought us parrots and balls of cotton and spears and many other things, which they exchanged for the glass beads and hawk's bells. They willingly traded everything they owned...They were well-built, with good bodies and handsome features...They do not bear arms, and do not know them...They would make fine servants...With fifty men we could subjugate them all and make them do whatever we want.

--Christopher Columbus' log on meeting the Arawaks

What an arrogant fuckwad.

In this piece I planned to describe the on-going genocide of indigenous peoples worldwide and their on-going resistance to oppressive euro-centric domination. But I am too pissed off, and admittedly lack the true knowledge necessary, to bludgeon fuckster Columbus and his ilk that have made north and south amerikkka a cultural and ecological nightmare.

I am pleased to say that indigenous resistance is impossible to crunch. After all these years "civilization" has failed to extinguish the pipe. From the Abenaki, the Oka Mohawks, the Penan, the Peigan Lonefighters, the Gitksan and

Wet'suwet'en, the Cree and all others, the struggle carries on.

For anyone who puts the Earth first, we must understand the spirit of Crazy

Graphic by Gord H., the meeting of the Condor and Eagle, representing North and South-Mesoamerica.



Horse, the spirit of Tupac Katari, and we must be in total resistance.

--Orin Langelle

One of Webster's definitions of alarm is "a mechanism that warns of danger, arouses from sleep, etc." With the ALARM we hope to arouse the human species from mental hibernation. With awakening, hopefully empowerment will follow to prevent the further desecration of Gaia.

The ALARM intends to be a revolutionary ecological news quarterly published by Earth First! groups in the northeast region. The ALARM is part of the international direct action movement that takes a no compromise stance in defense of Mother Earth. Responsibility in this publication rests with the individual authors and correspondents. The contents do not necessarily represent the viewpoints of this publication, the EF! movement, local EF! groups or individual EF!ers. Although the ALARM does not accept the authority of the hierarchical and patriarchal state, nothing herein is intended to run anyone associated with the ALARM afoul of any government's police power.

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The Action Page

COLUMBUS SUCKS ACTIONS

Unfortunately we don't have the power to go back 500 years and sink the Nina, Pinta, and Santa Maria or pants Columbus, but we can be involved in making Columbus Day a pain in the arse for those who glorify it. Hayduke says, "What to do, what to do?"

It's evident to even us that a quincennial celebration comes only once in a lifetime. Has there ever been a more appropriate time to show our disrespect? Northeast EF!ers have joined a broad coalition of activists to oppose any type of celebration that the fascist state implies.

If you haven't figured it out by now, euro-centric kulture has just about destroyed any ecological chance for sanity. If you can't make it to the rotten apple of NY and demand indigenous peoples rights to have a seat in the United Nations, or creatively counter a local Columbus glorification ceremony, please join us in direct actions opposing 500 years of forced domination of Native everything, October 9-12 and beyond. We're pissed and it must show. Contact the Alarm immediately if you really want to make a difference.

COUNCIL FIRE COLUMBUS DAY ALTERNATIVE

On the weekend of October 10 and 11, people are invited to take part in two events in western Massachusetts that will celebrate the earth and her inhabitants and as a reflection upon the real history of the past 500 years.

On Saturday the 10th, a theatrical procession will pass through the towns of Northampton and Springfield. This procession promises to enlighten and entertain by honoring the spirits of the native people of the Connecticut River Valley. A ritual form of street theater will also dramatically bring forth the issues of these people. For time and place contact the number below.

On Sunday the 11th at 3pm at

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Woolman Hill, Keats road in Deerfield MA, a council fire ceremony lead by spiritual leaders from surrounding indigenous nations will be held as a recognition of all beings in the valley and their relationship to the earth. It will be a place to express our concerns for the present and our visions for the future. With "Unity under the creation" in mind, a ceremony of the four directions (or colors) as well as the active presence of numerous valley activists will be integrated into the event. The council fire will be hosted by mem-

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bers of the Pocumtuck Nation, the original people of the valley who were long presumed to be extinct. The event will mark the reemergence of the Pocumtuck Nation, a truly historic event.

Both events are open, accessible and free to the public, though donations are greatly appreciated. Signers will be on hand for the hearing impaired and child-care will be available. Call Don at (413) 367-9352 for more info.

JAMES BAY PICNIC AND GATHERING

James Bay supporters are invited to attend a picnic on Saturday 10/3 beginning at noon at the Unitarian Universalist Church 21 Fairground Rd Springfield, VT (802) 885-3327.

Come celebrate successes, share stories and updates as well as strategize on what we can do next to aid in the struggle.

Bring James Bay articles, videos, slides etc.

Bring food and drink to share. For those coming from a distance or who would like to stay overnight, there is camping and some floorspace.

For more information call (802) 899-3687 or (802) 885-3327.

MAINE'S PAPER INDUSTRY WANTS APPROVAL TO POLLUTE MORE

The Maine paper industry and Governor John McKernan (whose brother is a lobbyist for the paper industry) want to raise allowable dioxin discharge into the water from .013 parts per quadrillion (current federal standard) to .5 parts per quadrillion -- an amazing 38.5% increase. Water quality in Maine has improved so much recently that in some rivers its deemed permissible to consume a fish per year instead of just one per year for health standards.

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) will hold hearings to discuss both sides of the proposed increase in November. The tentative dates are the 5th and 6th in Augusta, ME.

At question will be the amount of dioxine the paper industry will be able to spew in Maine's rivers when the chlorine bleaching process is used. A reliable source has informed the Alarm! that the backroom deals being made by the Maine Forest Products Council and the Natural Resource Council of Maine to work out the details of how the hearing will proceed. Those two groups are described as key players in a "high stakes game."

Earth First! agree that this is "high stakes" but not a game and feel that environmental quality and biological integrity are more important than the key players mentioned back room deals or the wishes of industry and their stooge, Governor McKernan. If you are interested in attending and/or want to be involved in a direct action concerning this event please call Solon EF! (207)643-2732 or write them at POB#4025, Solon ME 04979.

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EARTH FIRST! PROTESTS HYDRO POWER***AT SITE OF WINOOSKI RIVER'S NEWEST DAM*****EF!er hangs banner off construction crane**

Early in the morning of August 24th, an Earth First! climber scaled a 180 foot crane to unfurl a 64 foot banner which read "Earth First! NO DAMS! Free the Rivers".

The purpose of this dramatic banner hanging was not only to protest the Winooski One hydro-project which the crane was being used to build, but also every dam in Vermont that is up for relicensing or proposed for expansion.

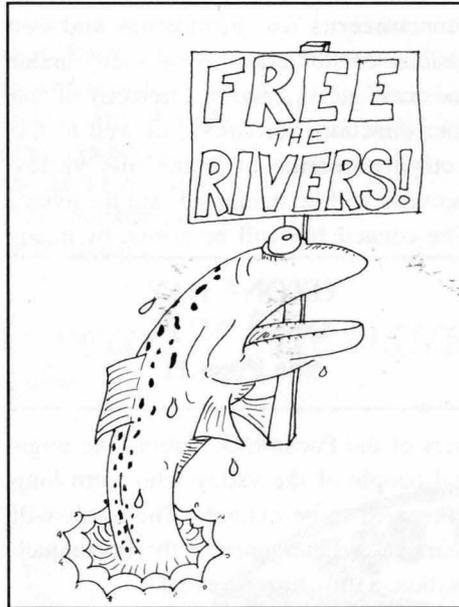
In addition, this protest was aimed at the James Bay project, the mega hydro-project in northern Quebec which not only threatens an area nearly one tenth the size of the US, and all the critters who live there with biological extermination, but also threatens the native Cree and Inuit people with genocide through the flooding of their land and the subsequent poisoning of their food and water supplies.

Half an hour after the banner was fully unfurled, police and project head honcho, John Warshow arrived and the crane was quickly lowered and the banner ripped down. EF! climber Snaggletooth jumped off of the crane and into the custody of Winooski Police Officers to shouts of protest from the other EF!ers on the scene.

Biodiversity Liberation Front EF!'s presence continued after Snaggletooth was hauled off. Upon his return an exchange of words took place between two EF!ers and Warshow, an anti-nuclear activist sell-out, when Warshow insisted that, not only did the project, which had blasted huge holes in the river's bedrock, not harm the river, it was actually benefitting it by allowing the upstream passage of fish, an event that had not occurred there for two hundred years. The method employed to facilitate this miraculous event is forced fish busing. With this, hatchery-raised fish are loaded into trucks below the dam and trucked upstream to be released so that sports fishermen can catch them.

Such bandaid reform measures can only fail as they attempt to solve the problems of technology through the application of additional technology, a method which has never served any purpose other than to require even more technology in the

future. If these people truly care about the spawning of fish (which of course they do not, it is merely tourist dollars about



which they are concerned) they will remove the dams and allow the fish to spawn up the free flowing rivers as they had for thousands of years before the

ivers were severed.

BLF has been publicly slammed for performing such an uneducated and downright ignorant protest of such a benign power source as small-scale hydro. However, when told about the protest and its negative reactions, James Bay Great Whale Chief Matthew Mukash said, "There is no good hydro."

All in all, we succeeded in our goal of heightening the debate about hydro-power by drawing people's attention to the negative impacts it has and Snaggletooth was even quoted in the paper hoping that the people of Winooski get enlightened enough to invite him back to help blow up the dam. Perhaps this will inspire the critters of the river to do just that.

Funding for this direct action was provided by the EF! Direct Action Fund (DAF).

ON GETTING HIGH

by Snaggletooth

As I can hear the air conditioners hum in the distance, a lone shot cries in the night...

4am: I've made my way to the foot of the crane. I see two flags almost hanging in the air. American over Vermont. Tempting bait but up I go. 168 feet later its 4:45. I've taken my time. Safety First! The day is just beginning and the pollution in the air makes great colors, the smell of dead fish is everywhere as the banner unfurled, 64 feet of social comment "Earth First! No Dams! Free the Rivers". In the hour and a half that I have been tying the banner down, the traffic has been building to a dull roar. As I approached tying off the last corners, the first workmen showed up. Within twenty to thirty minutes, a dozen and a half workers and two police cars had arrived (from two blocks away). I didn't bother taking the banner down like they suggested, so they lowered the crane

and I jumped off ready to flee but surrendered. I relaxed as the banner was cut off the rig. The fat cop, smiley lieutenant, and Police Chief Steve McQueen thank me for brightening up their day. They snapped on the cuffs and drove me two blocks into a big garage with powered reinforced overhead doors, through the door on the left, chained to a bench and released an hour and a half later (they let me nap). After giving pertinent information (shoe size, occupation, etc) I walked out to news channel three with the scoop. The day is hot, and the ozone thick in my throat but thin up above. I'm all greasy and dirty and I tell 'em when the people get a little more enlightened they'll be asking me to come back and blow up that dam! History proves that dams kill!

ATTACKS ON BIO-TECHNOLOGY IN THE NETHERLANDS

On the weekend of July 27/28, 1991 3 fields of genetically manipulated plants in The Netherlands were destroyed by a clandestine action group calling itself the Razende Rooiers, (the Raging Diggers). In the town of Rilland, a field of genetically manipulated corn, owned by a subsidiary of the Dutch corporation Suikerunie, was razed while fields of genetically altered potatoes, from the Belgian firm Plant Genetic Systems, were destroyed in the towns of Wageningen and Bant. These two last fields were operated by the Hettema corporation in conjunction with Prosperina BV. In total, the attacks caused tens of thousands of dollars damage and set back the genetic tests by one to two years.

The Dutch press, of course, reacted furiously to the attacks. What's more, they made note of the fact that the Dutch autonomist paper NN had listed the addresses of corporate testing fields of genetically manipulated plants in its issue No. 89.

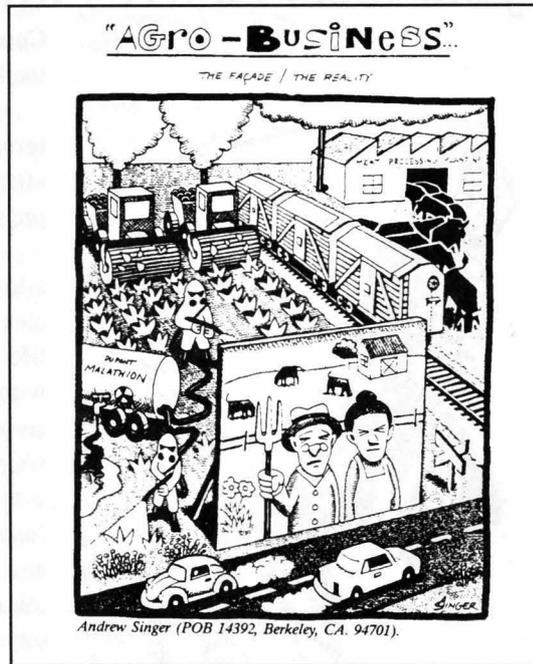
To explain their actions, the Razende Rooiers issued a lengthy communique which was likewise published in NN. The Razende Rooiers defend their militant approach in their communique:

"The destruction of a test field is designed to both start a discussion on the subject of biotechnology, as well as to offer a direct counter to pro-biotech propaganda in the form of sabotage.

Resistance-in whatever form-to biotechnology is not only necessary, it is also legitimate.

But the group not only defended their tactics in the communique, they go on to further discuss the theoretical necessities of offering concrete resistance to biotechnology.

Technology is playing an increasingly greater role in food production. This means multi-national corporations are controlling a greater and greater share of the world's essential resources. At the same time, the uses of biotechnology reduce the multi-national's dependence on local resources, thus opening the door to



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total artificial food production. Thus, local populations become increasingly dependent on the products of multi-nationals. But do consumers really want food production to be entirely artificial and thus, corporate owned? To ensure that the public does wish such a 'luxury', biotech multi-nationals spend millions of dollars annually on their public relations/propaganda budgets.

Just as with the Green revolution, the use of biotechnology will bring great gains to the food production sector, yet it will also carry with it newer and bigger problems. Far from solving the world's hunger problem, (which actually stems from unequal distribution and not from under-production) biotechnology will simply serve to further marginalize the Third World. The use of biotechnology will be destructive to the environment, as genetically manipulated fields require certain 'necessary' chemical applications, (which the multi-nationals can themselves gladly supply). What's more, the proliferation of manipulated plants will result in a drastic loss of genetic diversity. Already, 50% of the world's population are fed by three plants: wheat, rice, and corn. Biotech would drastically reduce the number of naturally occurring varieties of these plants. Also, 93% of the present world's supply of genetic data is stored in the gene

banks of Western corporations and scientific institutes.

What will result from this, of course, is a highly paternalistic and grossly racist attitude on the part of multi-nationals towards indigenous farming peoples. The use of biotechnology is racist against the Third World, because societies which had long since grown accustomed to reaping harvests with locally available labour and with tried and trusted farming techniques will be cast off as primitive and inefficient. For in comes the 'benevolent' multi-national with its highly-skilled staff of white Western employees, its stocks of chemicals, and its immense reserves of capital . . . All of this will result in the environmental, economic, political, and cultural marginalization of Third World societies.

The topic of biotechnology has not, as yet, become a central focus for the environmental movement or the autonomous-left in North America. And yet, because of the diverse issues which are related to bio-technology -environmental, political, social - it is an issue which will become increasingly significant in the years ahead. Indeed, the threatened destruction of the Audobon Ballroom in New York City, (the site of Malcolm X's assassination) and its replacement with a multi-million dollar Columbia University genetic research facility has started raising the awareness of both environmental and social-activist groups of their common ground on this issue.

It is important that both the autonomous-left and the radical environmental movement begin to formulate a coherent critique of biotechnology and begin to work out an effective and concrete strategy to resist its implementation. Though the Razende Rooiers attacks were carried out in Europe, the relevance of their message and the issues raised in their communique are clearly just as relevant to our movement here in North America.

And after all, you don't have to be an expert of use a shovel . . .

submitted by autonome forum

ITS ALMOST ANTI-COLUMBUS DAY...**Do you know where your local Native Americans are?***by Abbey Edwards*

First of all, I want to make it clear that, because I live on the American continent, and am relatively ignorant of the native customs in countries other than North, Central and South America, Canada and Mexico, this article is necessarily ethnocentric. However, what little I know of other places, such as Africa, New Zealand and Australia, it seems clear that wherever you go, the Natives know what's best for the land, and the white European invaders know best how to destroy it. Why are the Natives so much smarter than the whites? Is it genetic? Or is it experience? I hope it is experience, because then there is hope, and because then I don't have to hate myself. I don't have answers, but I certainly have my opinions.

Native American Land Ethic

I am going to assume the readers of this paper know roughly what I mean by Native American land ethic. But in summary, it is respect and understanding for the land, the fungus, plants and animals living on the land, and all of the interactions within and between the land, fungus, plants, and animals. I admit it is a somewhat glorified view of numerous and complex cultures, but this is a philosophical piece, so give me some slack.

The people who were here before Columbus had lived here for thousands of years. They had fun, fell in love, killed each other in wars, told stories, made art, believed in spirits, worked hard and relaxed whenever they could. But I assume the first people had some troubles. They probably ate things that killed them, froze to death because they were ill-prepared for winter, and took too many fish from a river so there were none the next year and their families starved. But they learned, and they passed the experience on to the next generation. A few thousand years is a long time for a culture to exist. They did something right. And of course, a healthy respect for the power and authority vested in Nature, kept them from overpopulating their land. Some even prac-



We were kept outside of the antiwar movement and on the fringe of the civil rights movement. When human rights were the big thing, they never mentioned Indians. Now, with the advent of the environmental and anti-nuke movements, most people would still prefer to ignore us. Indians just don't fit in anywhere.

-Russel Means

ticed infanticide in hard times.

The Native Americans and other indigenous cultures have respect for knowledge gained over time. When there was a problem with love, with fishing, with the storms, the elders would sit and tell of times past when they went through such things. Knowing you are not alone in your experience is empowering, and when people include the land and all other creatures in their community, the evidence shows that the results are good: a land ethic that is healthy for all.

Euro-American Land Ethic. NOT.

The world's troubles began when white people learned how to sail overseas.

Combined with a propensity for greed, and the Biblical mandate

to put people before all other creatures, the invaders spread like fireweed after a big fire, only they weren't nearly as pretty.

White attitudes are reflected best in adolescents of our culture: Youth are charged with the euphoric discovery that life is challenging, fun, and their's to do with as they please. Elders are oppressive, stupid and to be avoided at all costs. And it's no wonder. As a rite of passage kids get driving lessons and meaningless jobs. Instead of an appreciation for the beauty and magic of life and the Earth they get television and an understanding that five days a week adults do something they hate, and don't have time for their kids, and two days a week they get to have fun. . . like riding around burning old dinosaurs on a jetski or snowmobile, while their kids watch or stay at home with a babysitter. No wonder there is no respect.

When a kid begins to have questions, but the parents aren't there to answer, and community is nonexistent, the answers are nowhere. They think they are the only ones who ever thought of such things, and they had better be like everyone else because acceptance is a necessary human comfort.

Our adolescent rebellion against the authority in our culture is a good thing. It seems to me a result of our lack of community. But that disrespect is inappropriately directed at Nature, too. I think this is because there are really very few role models. We don't have elders with enough experience in the ways of the land to teach an appreciation, and those white's who try to teach their kids something about the land mostly have experience in agriculture. . . farming trees or food crops. Unfortunately, most of the early settlers chose to ignore the warnings of the elders that were here before they arrived. It seems as though our culture has at its foundation that adolescent energy, still unharnessed, without the comfort of community, and therefore destructive.

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In some aspects of our society we are finally beginning to appreciate the teachings of Native Americans. While we can still go into many a store and see books and trinkets from tribal cultures there are some folks who want the respect of Native peoples, and a few even earn it. The Biodiversity Liberation Front's affiliation with the Abenaki is a shining example. This is not a Native American Wannabee syndrome-it's an understanding and acknowledgement of respect for our elders.

Beyond Humans

Land too, like elders, has the benefit of experience over time. The fire, rain and wind teach the forests how to survive. Collectively we have not learned to listen to or respect the elders of the land, either. Ancient forests still fall prey to corporate saws, and wars are still waged over the rights to cut the last of them. Economics based on nothing but paper and trust in God, (no mention of the Goddess, the vital second half of the equation: either alone is dangerous and incomplete) continue to strive for patriarchal power. . . defined by who can wreak the most havoc on that wench nature. But these economies are collapsing, and taking with them in a whirlpool of loss the owls, the salmon, the catamount, wolves, cedars, fungus and the list goes on into the millions. And so here we are in a hurry-a hurry to stop this crazy, careless disrespect.

So what to do? Well, simultaneous with working full-time to facilitate the downfall of western civilization, we need to bring respect into our lives, and the lives of others, in any way we can. We need to begin using the word everywhere. In our scientific papers, in our pleas to protect habitats, in our proposals for funding and on our banners. We need to form alliances with Native Americans wherever and however we can, so we can understand respect as it applies to the place where we live. In the spirit of anti-Columbus Day, DO SOMETHING. Begin organizing now. Ed Abbey said: "There comes a time when we must act on our ideals, or forgo them." Let's act!

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Indigenous Abenaki and Earth First! form Northeast Alliance

by Orin Langelle

Biodiversity Liberation Front

From the federal and state occupied bioregion of the Dawnland:

"We were nations before they got here. They raped our land, murdered our people and we're supposed to sit here and say nothing?"

Chief Homer St. Francis

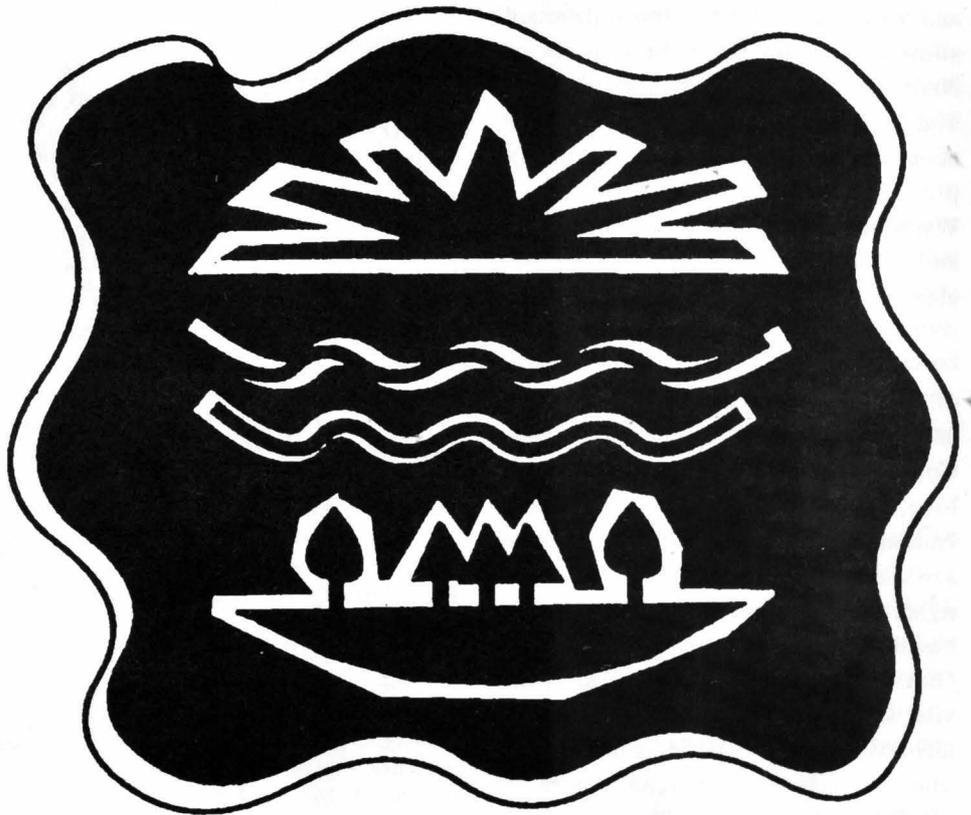
On the quincentennial of the discovery of Columbus by the Native Americans, Earth First! has formed an alliance with the Abenaki; the traditional guardians of the eastern gate.

The Abenaki of the Dawnland, although respecting peace and all creatures that inhabit Mother Earth, welcomed Giovanni da Verrazano's landing party in 1524 with a shower of arrows. Unfortunately that self-defense attempt was not enough to stop the invasion and Euro-centric onslaught that followed.

Abenaki oral legend says contact with Europeans first began over 900 years ago when Norsemen visited the eastern shores. Even though interaction with the invaders has been going on for centuries and the foreign occupation has raped the land and attempted to wipe out the indigenous people's culture through war, disease, repression, and most recently a Vermont Supreme Court ruling, the Abenaki today are still fighting the occupiers.

"We're fighting a paper war," says outspoken Chief Homer St. Francis. Although the Abenaki do not believe in the jurisdiction of the United States or Vermont's legal system, they are using the courts to fight the paper war. The Abenaki have signed no treaties with any government, nor have they ceded any land to Vermont. The paper war is to try and re-establish their right to self-determination and sovereignty in an illegally occupied bioregion. Because of these efforts, repression and violence have shown their ugly faces.

In December of 1991, the personal camp of Chief St. Francis was burned



down near Swanton, VT. Although there were no human physical injuries (this time), irreplaceable artifacts were destroyed in the conflagration. Some of the artifacts were the chief's headdress, talking sticks and lithographs. An oil can was found on the scene and arson is more than suspected. Twenty days after the burning of the camp, Chief St. Francis was indicted on a bogus felony charge.

These attacks are part of a pattern of the powers-that-be attempting to put down the Abenaki self-determination movement. The present pattern began with their fishing rights being violated and then harassment by the authorities for their display of Native American license plates on their vehicles. The situation escalated to violent attacks on Chief St. Francis, and other members of the tribe were brutalised by state and local law officials. As testimony to this, Swanton Village police have been issued numchucks, a dangerous hand-held martial arts weapon that has been used by police against the Abenaki.

None of this is particularly new to the

Native American population of this country or to other indigenous peoples throughout the world. The American Indian Movement (AIM) had tremendous violence levelled on them through FBI instigation, and a number of AIM's leaders were assassinated in a US government attempt to break the potentially powerful Native American sovereignty movement. The offensive against AIM culminated with the massacre at Wounded Knee, South Dakota in 1973, and the political imprisonment of AIM's Leonard Peltier.

"Well, hell, that's the same thing going on here," said Chief St. Francis. "They're trying to get us to shoot one of their cops so it would give them the authority to move the army in, or whatever, to exterminate us."

Besides numerous death threats to Chief St. Francis, he says there is a two and a half million dollar price tag on his head issued by the governor and state of VT. When asked about that type of intimidation, Chief St. Francis replied,

Earth First! will be called on to help tear down the man-made dams that plague the Missisquoi River.

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"Well, as long as I got the Great Spirit on my side and the truth, I will prevail no matter what. They may shoot me, but I got a dozen others ready to take my place. We only put a few on the front line at one time."

In a further act of repression the Vermont Supreme Court ruled this June that Abenaki aboriginal rights had been extinguished "by the increasing weight of history." The ruling was immediately denounced by the Abenaki and their supporters. "We're headed for the US Supreme Court on this one," Chief St. Francis said.

One of the most heinous acts of intimidation and attempted genocide apparently occurred earlier this century, relates Chief St. Francis. Under the guise of Zoology, a eugenics study was done concerning the Abenaki and other indigenous people by certain factions in the United States. "Their main object," says Chief St. Francis, "was to get rid of all the aboriginal people by any means possible: castration, guinea pigs in mental hospitals, jail and murder." Chief St. Francis produced a letter that was sent from a professor at Ohio State University to the director of the eugenics study at the University of Vermont dated 1/27/1934. An excerpt read, "If Hitler succeeds in his wholesale sterilization of Europe, it will be a demonstration that will carry eugenics further than a hundred Eugenics Societies ever could." Currently the Abenaki are trying to raise the money it will take to open all of the eugenics files for public scrutiny. It is certain that the Abenaki would like to have the facts of why certain members of their tribe disappeared during this time period.

THE ALLIANCE

Although the 1991 Round River Rendezvous (EF! national annual gathering) was held in the Green Mountains of the Dawnland, the beginnings of the Abenaki/EF! alliance occurred when EF!ers visited the Tribal Council office

last October to discuss a mini-hydro project on the Missisquoi River. The addition to the dam at Highgate Center will result in more habitat destruction and further destroy the ecological balance of the ecosystem as well as flood Abenaki sacred burial grounds.

We were told that the Abenaki were not working with any environmental groups because the only time environmentalists came to them is when they needed something. Since EF! has a radical reputation and was known to take measures of defending the Earth that no other environmental group seemed willing to take, the Abenaki took time to listen to us. And we took the time to listen to them.

When we spoke about the dam, biodiversity and the equality of all species, Chief St. Francis said, "What's more sacred than water? It's holy water. If you don't have water, you don't have life. They're polluting so fast now that you're not going to have anything shortly. If it ain't up to us and you people (to stop the destruction) well, the corporations don't give a shit. So, who does?" He said the birds go south and they are poisoned off because they eat the crops and then people holler about the mosquitos here. He responded, "Who the hell eats the mosquitos in the first place. It's common sense."

As time passed the alliance grew. When Chief St. Francis' camp was burned down EF! immediately issued a press release publicly stating our solidarity with the sovereign Abenaki tribe and condemned that act and opposed all acts of genocide toward native peoples. We also stated that we "view those atrocities as another act by a predominant greedy white corporate power structure which senses itself on the verge of toppling and strikes out senselessly in an attempt to right itself." We further pledged our assistance and resistance for the Abenaki, all native heritage cultures, and all species of Mother Earth that are under attack.

EF! in the northeast region has tried to assist the Abenaki in many ways. Besides organizing rides to, and showing up for

court hearings, we've held emergency meetings of solidarity in crisis situations and have tried to involve various communities in resistance through education and information.

Because of all this, gifts were exchanged between the Abenaki and Earth First! in the Abenaki traditional way to further seal the bond. In addition, Abenaki Tribal Judge Michael Delaney recently told a reporter from Akwasasne Notes, of the Mohawk Nation, that when the Abenaki regain their sovereignty, Earth First! will be called on to help tear down the man-made dams that plague the Missisquoi River.

This solidarity is important not just to our bioregion, but to others as well as the alliances grow. The Cree have said they will succeed from Quebec if Quebec succeeds from Canada. One can visualize what could become of Quebecois Premiere Bourassa's hideous dream: the nightmare of the James Bay Hydro-Quebec travesty. The Abenaki also have a strong alliance with the Cree.

We must remember that the indigenous people were here living in a balance with the natural world before Columbus rammed the western hemisphere. As one Abenaki told me, "This Struggle.....it's all about Mother Earth." "The history wants to forget," said Tribal Judge Delaney, "but we can't forget."

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Disrupt every Columbus quincennial celebration with the truth and creative theatre.

Write letters of protest to:

- 1. Vermont Supreme Court, 111 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602**
- 2. Governor Howard Dean, 109 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05602**
- 3. Governor's Advisory Commission on Native American Affairs, c/o Jeff Benay, 17 Grand St, Swanton, VT 05488.**

Please send much needed donations to the Sovereign Abenaki Tribe, POB 276, Missisquoi, Vt. 05488.

IF VOTING COULD CHANGE THINGS THEY'D MAKE IT ILLEGAL

by Anne Petermann

There are a great many environmental activists who continue to have faith in the system of this country. They feel no need to work toward a revolution. They work rather toward a reforming of government believing that if we only had better people in office that things would be just fine. We wouldn't even need to discard capitalism.

With this in mind, they lobby for "eco-friendly" legislation or encourage people to vote for whichever candidate happens to be the lesser of two evils. They offer numerous justifications for this decision--He will appoint ecologically-oriented people/ He will be opposed to this particular bill while favoring these bills/ He will strengthen environmental regulations. Never mind that this particular candidate has had a horrendous environmental record thusfar. BUT! He is better than the other guy!

Some activists have even been very upfront in stating that talk of revolution is mere rhetoric. In that case, let us examine what is really needed for ecological sanity with a discussion on how this can be achieved.

Most environmental activists would agree that a biocentric viewpoint for all people is necessary in achieving a healthy planet. Do they, however, realize that biocentrism and capitalism are two world-views that can never be reconciled? That assigning a dollar value to something automatically strips it of any inherent worth. If people continue to be forced to be slaves to the almighty dollar under the assumptions that they can "own" property or resources and thereby sell them, transforming them into capital, then ecological sanity can never be achieved. It would take capital out of the system which would make it much to costly. Our government is rooted firmly in a capitalist philosophy and could not function without it. As John Locke so precisely put it "Government was created for the protection of property". To do away with "property" as a biocentrist must, one must also do away with all governments and all borders. This

includes state-fortified communist governments and any governments that set up an artificial hierarchy to oppress.

It is similarly for this reason also that this government can never pass any truly meaningful environmental legislation. Already we have enough ecologically favorable legislation on the books that we should be able to preserve vast tracts of

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wilderness, outlaw clearcutting and save all biologically threatened species from going extinct and yet the devastation continues. This is simply due to the fact that if this government was created to protect the property of industry as Locke states then it cannot protect the environment.

An essential step toward converting people to the necessary biocentric worldview suggested is an overall end to the social ills plaguing the human race. It is extremely difficult to be concerned with the other species on the planet when your own day-to-day survival cannot be guaranteed. Be you the mother of a dying child in Iraq or Yugoslavia or El Salvador or Somalia or inner city USA, basic immediate survival instincts of oneself and one's family come before the survival instinct toward the planet. A necessity toward the solution of the problems of the oppressed (people and species) the world over is the redistribution of ecological "wealth" now being hoarded and squandered by an elite few. Such an equal distribution can never be achieved in a capitalist system where the rule is whomever has the most wins. Again the only solution is an abandonment of government for a collectively run free and equitable society.

This type of society must be rooted in community control and self-sustainability. Indeed there are reformists who believe that we can achieve this type of communi-

ty control without first dissolving the present system. Some may even believe that the two can peacefully co-exist. Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney, two EF! activists in Northern California, were blown up by a pipebomb in an assassination attempt for their highly successful work to unite the timberworkers and environmentalists which they saw as the only way to achieve community control of production thus preserving the redwood ecosystem into perpetuity. Industry worked to eliminate them and the FBI aided and abetted by destroying evidence and launching a smear campaign to make it appear that the two had bombed themselves.

With Corporate and government links that run so deep it becomes obvious that anything that threatens industry will be put down by government forces. Witness the Persian Gulf war where the US sent troops over to slaughter hundred's of thousands of Iraqis to protect oil interests. Around the turn of the century the FBI was created to deal with the Industrial Workers of the World which threatened to unite all workers giving them the power to sieze control of production. Wobbly organizers were shot, hanged, had their throats slit, were castrated or sent to prison.

In short, this government, with its duty to protect the wealthy elite, will go to great and violent lengths to insure that the control of production lies in the hands of a few. Given this fact, we can see that reform of a corruption this thorough and complete is impossible. The only means toward an ecologically and socially just world is to make a fresh start without the burden of these completely insane people.

Accomplishing this goal will be a bit more difficult than writing about it but if we, the oppressed people of this earth, can give up the pipe dream of reform and see that we all have a common oppressor, be we people of colour, women, homosexuals, "disabled", workers or poor folk then, as we realize that we outnumber the bastards by about 250 to 1, we will gain the courage necessary to dismantle the system.

INTERNATIONAL OZONE DEMO KICK-OFF**Several eco groups to participate Oct.28**

There really is a fire out there...

Wednesday, October 28, 1992 will mark the international kick-off of demonstrations protesting the ever increasing Ozone Hole. From that day onward, people everywhere are urged to don radiation suits every Wednesday to call for a ban on the manufacture of ozone depleting chemicals and for the containment and neutralization of those already made. This campaign, which has been initiated by Greenpeace, and most recently by No Sweat, SeacRet, Earth First!, and the Industrial Workers of the Worlds (IWW), is called Radiation Suit Wednesday, or "Rad Wednesday" for short.

Ozone Hole

Reports from NASA and the United Nations assert the ozone hole is indeed for real and is now growing rapidly in size. The effects are catastrophic and include skin cancer, blindness, crop failure, dying oceans, and immune system deficiencies. An ozone "hole" is defined as a 50% reduction in the normal density of ozone molecules in the stratosphere and the one over Anarctica now covers an area three times the size of the United States.

The Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 state: Effective July 1, 1992, it shall be unlawful for any person...to knowingly vent...release or dispose of any....substance used as a refrigerant...in a manner which permits such substance to enter the environment." In other words, it's illegal to further destroy the ozone layer.

Chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's) are extensively used as refrigerants in refrigerators and air conditioners. It's the chlorine atom from the chlorofluorocarbon molecule that catalyzes ozone destruction after it has floated up into the stratosphere. Carbon tetrachloride which is mainly used as a cleaning solvent, and methyl chloroform used mainly in industrial processes are other widely employed ozone depleting chemicals containing chlorine.

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nantly in fire extinguishers, and methyl bromide, extensively used as a soil fumigant, both contain the element bromine instead of chlorine, but the ozone depleting potential of these chemicals is just as great. It can take up to 20 years for the chemicals to float high enough to do their damage. The effects we're seeing now are only the beginning.

Environmental War Crimes

Is the EPA going to enforce the Clean Air Act amendment? NO! The time has come for people to make citizen

arrests, hold Environmental War Tribunals, and try the corporate executives who fail to obey the law. The charge: Premeditated mass murder of life on this planet.

Direct Action

Wearing radiation suits as a protest has been tried in seven countries with great success. Greenpeace has even canvassed in them. Although wearing radiation suits is a first step in public awareness, direct action, shut downs of CFC manufacturers at the point of production must be the cornerstone of this campaign.

What You Can Do

Don rad suits on October 28th while helping to shut down production at a CFC plant near you and keep wearing those suits every Wednesday until its safe to go outside. Unfortunately, as we go to press, we don't know where in the northeast a major action will occur but a safe bet would be the E.I. DuPont facility in Wilmington, DE. Call or write the Alarm for further details or contact the following agitators:

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attn"Mark Glyde
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Olympia, WA 98502
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ALBION UPRISING

A COMMUNITY VICTORY

By Judi Bari

After eight weeks of continuous tree-sits, logging blockades and civil disobedience actions, Ecotopia EF! is celebrating a victory in our struggle to save the last of the redwoods in Northern California. To even our own surprise, we have succeeded in shutting down Louisiana Pacific, the biggest landowner and corporate power in our area, in an entire watershed along the Albion River. And, although this victory may not be permanent, (court orders can be overturned and corporate promises broken), it shows the power of community based direct action.

The Albion uprising began in late April, when the small rural community of Albion got fed up with watching their forestlands being devoured by L-P. Neighbors had been working for years, filing lawsuits to try to protect the redwoods, which grow on steep slopes leading down to the Albion River. But when the system inevitably failed them and the courts ruled to ignore environmental regulations and let L-P cut, the people of Albion did not give up. They went in to the forest to save the trees themselves, and they called on Earth First! to show them how. We showed up with our music, our tree-climbing gear and our years of experience in forest actions, and joined with Albion's sense of community and intimate love and knowledge of the forest they live in. The combination proved dynamic, and the Albion Uprising was on.

The actions we staged together have been phenomenal for their spirit, creativity and non-violence. We put up and maintained eleven tree-sits (including Dark Moon, who stayed up for 31 days!) and managed to resupply them and even switch sitters under the nose of L-P's 24-hour security guards. We have also held regular blatant occupations of L-P land, with the Albion Navy coming up the river in canoes and rowboats while other community members hiked down to join them from the homestead lands that surround the L-P cut. Neighbors have confronted neighbors in the woods, calling them by



Women warriors assist a wounded comrade, Judi Bari, center.

name and asking them to stop cutting the trees. Local teenagers, born and raised in the area, blockaded heavy equipment that was being brought in to destroy the land that they grew up in and love.

In an action called the Albion Vehicle Abatement Program, innumerable junk cars, trucks and even a travel trailer have shown up abandoned in front of L-P logging gates. In another action, while L-P security stood on a log truck to video the crowd (who were singing and playing music), a demonstrator snuck under the truck and locked himself to an axle, way-laying the truck and the six others behind it. A new tactic introduced in Albion is spiderwebbing, in which brightly colored yarn is densely woven in and out of the trees to block roads and logging sites. The yarn cannot be cut with a chainsaw as it wraps up in the chain, and cannot be cut with a knife or logger's axe because it is too flexible. The only efficient way to remove it is with a decidedly un-macho tool--a scissors.

The Albion Uprising has cut across traditional divisions in the environmental movement. We have had Native American and Lesbian tree-sitters, and women's civil disobedience and spiderwebbing actions. Two L-P millworkers

spoke at one of our rallies and denounced the companies lies that we are to blame for their mill closures. Another worker at an L-P mill wore an EF! shirt to work (and got away with it!) in solidarity with our actions. A long-time logger helped rig one of the tree-sits, and another fifth generation logger whose uncle is in charge of the Albion cut has publicly joined our protest against the corporation.

Goliath Sues David

In the face of such overwhelming community opposition, L-P has turned to the legal system to try and bully us into submission. They got a restraining order and an injunction against our protests, and filed a SLAPP suit against us. Their legal harassment has included overly enthusiastic process servers chasing us around trying to serve legal papers on us. One even crashed a private party, disguising himself as a party-goer, and tried to serve the people there.

At one peaceful demonstration an L-P security man suddenly began pointing out "leaders" on our side, ordering our arrests for supposedly violating their injunction, even though we were breaking no laws. Police lunged into the crowd at L-P's orders and summarily hauled four of us

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over the L-P property line, including myself. Despite the fact that I am disabled (having been crippled by the timber industry's 1990 car bomb assassination attempt on me), I was pushed to the ground, then lifted up and force walked over the L-P line. At this the other demonstrators sat down in the road and blockaded the police from taking us to jail, until they finally admitted it was a false arrest and had to release us.

Throughout all this, we stayed together and refused to be intimidated. There have been 92 arrests in the course of these demonstrations, some deliberate and some unintended. But the most serious legal assault that L-P has subjected us to is their SLAPP suit (Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation). These lawsuits are being increasingly used by earth raping corporations to try and stop people from exercising their right to protest the destruction of the planet. L-P is suing three groups (including EF!) and 115 individuals, seeking damages for the supposedly irreparable harm our protests have caused this huge multi-national corporation. And suddenly people who merely trespassed or in some cases just came to a rally have found their homes and livelihoods at stake.

TURNAROUND AND VICTORY

This SLAPP suit is still hanging over our heads, forcing us to spend our time and resources mounting a legal defense against L-P's indefensible tactics. But even the SLAPP suit failed to stop our demonstrations or break our will to save the redwoods. And when it finally became clear to the powers-that-be that we



were not going to back down, things suddenly began to change. In one week's time, three separate judges handed down favorable court rulings stopping L-P from cutting on six different timber plans along the Albion, and L-P "voluntarily" withdrew a seventh plan. These were the same judges that had been ruling against us for the last three years. And now there was only one active cut left, a relatively small clearcut near the ridge top.

Meanwhile, unable to stop our ragtag band of hippies, EF!ers and community members, L-P was thrown into internal turmoil. L-P President Harry Merlo shocked us all by suddenly and without notice firing his top corporate executive and chief henchman in our area, and hiring the 33-year old son of another Vice President to replace him as head of L-P's Western Division. The new L-P exec, Bobby Simpson, offered to meet with us demonstrators on our terms, in a place chosen by us. We chose a log deck in the middle of their devastated cut area, and just to show what we thought of their negotia-

tions, we blockaded that one remaining active clearcut the day before the meeting.

Bob Simpson, the boy wonder corporate exec, turned out to be a smiling liar and an inexperienced fool. But he did something unprecedented in our local timber wars. He withdrew the timber plan and shut down that last clearcut in direct response to EF!, with no court order or legislative directive making him do so. Like a union that wins recognition from a company after a strike, we have gained

real political power through our actions.

So for now the chainsaws are silent along the Albion River, and, with the winter rainy season approaching, this area is safe until at least next spring. Some of the 600-year-old redwoods are lying on the ground, victims of L-P's assault, but we have saved the area from the total devastation L-P had planned for it. And if they try again to take the rest, you can be sure that we will be there to meet them again.

WHY WE WON'T GIVE IN

Much is at stake in the Albion Uprising. Our constitutional rights have been violated with their SLAPP suit, and brave local people are being bullied by a scoundrel corporation. But most important is the trees. The redwood ecosystem is dying from the south due to liquidation logging practices, and the Albion River is one of the last relatively intact watersheds in Mendocino County. It is a tidal estuary, where fresh and salt water mix to form critical spawning grounds for many marine species.

In response to our Albion actions, L-P admitted that in the few short years that they have been here they have already logged 90% of their trees in this county. That's not 90% of the old-growth, that's 90% of the trees. These last remnants of mature second growth and residual old growth hold the genetic code for any hope of eventual recovery for this once magnificent forest ecosystem.

In the course of hearing our case against L-P, one of our local judges was so impressed by our numbers and dedication that he decided to tour the forest to see the area whose fate he was deciding. After seeing the area, the judge said that the Albion is "one of the half dozen most beautiful places in Mendocino County." L-P's attorney cynically replied, "Yes, it is beautiful, but its not a park. It's zoned for timber production." Well we in Ecotopia EF! have rezoned this land for forest and habitat restoration. And too many trees have already gone down.

For more information please call the Mendocino Environmental Center at (707) 468-1660.

To send donations please make checks payable to Albion Defense Fund at 106 W. Standley, Ukiah, CA 95482



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**"The trail is in better condition now than it was before the cut"
Green Mountain National Forest Planner Mary Jeanne Packer**

US FOREST SERVICE AND A. JOHNSON CO. CLEARCUT ON THE EMILY PROCTOR TRAIL, GMNF

Over 80 acres of Green Mountain National Forest land alongside the Emily Proctor Recreation Trail were cut down this summer by the A. Johnson Company. This logging took place with the illegal cooperation of the US Forest Service.

To cut this trail, the Forest Service did not even follow their own Environmental Assessment and rather than having the A. Johnson Co. use an old existing logging road, they allowed them to transform the Emily Proctor hiking trail, a spur to the Long Trail, into a skid road three to four times as wide.

The clearcuts themselves are also outrageous and criminal. They violate the National Forest Management Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the Forest Plan. These lands are public lands. They are supposed to be managed by the Forest Service for the public. No one in the public was notified of this timber sale before a decision was made. This

violates Federal law!

Laws broken by this sale:

National Environmental Policy Act which requires a scoping process, whereby members of the public are asked to submit their concerns on a proposed action. No scoping occurred for this sale.

After the decision was made, the Forest Service announced the sale to a very limited segment of the public. In the decision notice, the Forest Service failed to mention that the sale would take place adjacent to the Emily Proctor Trail.

The Forest Service also failed to consider effects to the New Haven River, whose headwaters will be degraded by the sale, in their Environmental Assessment. The New Haven is classified as a Significant river and is a potential National Wild and Scenic River.

The maps on the Environmental Assessment stated that one of the stands to

be cut (the Shelterwood) would be 47 acres. The stand sold by the USFS to A. Johnson was 65 acres.

The clearcuts were supposed to be 2 to 3 acres each, scattered over 20 acres. This was a 20 acre clearcut.

Over the past 18 months, every single timber sale offered on the GMNF has been reversed for failure to comply with Federal laws, after actions were taken by PAW.

Even the Forest Service admitted that every one of their timber sales last year was in violation of the law. This is an example of a timber sale from three years ago before PAW began appealing illegal sales. Who knows what else is out there about to be cut down!!!

The Forest Service had agreed to meet with concerned members of the public regarding the last uncut section of this timber sale but as Biodiversity Liberation

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Front Earth First! stated in a press release, "We have previously stated that we will not negotiate with terrorists like the USFS or the A. Johnson Co. Our position has not changed and the construction of the log skid road, formerly known as the Emily Proctor trail, further justifies our stance. The USFS is nothing more than agents of piracy, whose booty are the National Forests, which are being raped and pillaged. Earth First! believes that all civilized people have the right to repel pirates and will understand concerned citizens' actions to defend mother earth by

necessary non-violent means as the USFS and A. Johnson raise the stakes in their attempt to destroy wildlife and their habitats through piracy and terrorism."

So instead of attending their meeting, Earth First! dropped a banner at the meeting site which read "Forests not Stumps! Earth First! Groups attending this meeting with the Forest Service included the Sierra Club, the Green Mountain Club and the A. Johnson Co. The "compromise" reached by these groups was that A. Johnson could go ahead and cut the final cut using the Emily Proctor as a skid road as soon as possible so the trail could be

reseeded. EF! informed PAW of this who then called the Forest Service to remind them that if the area was cut before the ground froze, it would further violate the law and their own Environmental Assessment due to the presence of an intermittent stream which could not be travelled across until it was frozen to protect the soil.

BLF is mounting a direct action campaign to save this last section of the forest from being cut. If you would be interested in participating, contact the Alarm.

OPEN PIT MINE PLANNED FOR NOVA SCOTIA

Recently in Pictou County, Nova Scotia, 26 miners died in the underground Plymouth mine owned by Westray Coal of the Cullagh Resources Co. Some of the bodies have yet to be recovered.

Because of this tragedy, Westray was forced to shut the mine down.

The tragedy occurred because, in Westray's push for profits, they had ignored warnings about the lethality of the mixture of coal dust and methane, a problem that had been noted in the Plymouth mine.

To recoup some of the losses incurred in the shutting down of the Plymouth mine, Westray now wants to begin operating an open pit mine in the nearby town of Stellerton.

The Federal and Provincial governments were ready to allow the new mine to begin production with no environmental assessments (E.A.'s). People of the town, in coalition with seasoned environmental activists and the Stellerton Town Council, have created enough public pressure that the Provincial government is now requiring Westray to complete an E.A. before

they will be permitted to open the mine. The coalition does not believe that this will be any sort of an answer due to the fact that these E.A.'s are often used as a "shield for industry...to mislead the public" as stated by activist David Orton. The requirement of the E.A. will, however, buy additional time to formulate a plan of opposition. The people in the town are claiming a victory for now with the realization that the battle is nowhere near over.

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ALERT!!! PROPOSED MINING OPERATION TO BE TAKING PLACE IN THE WEST FORKS FORTY-FIVE MILES NORTH OF SKOWHEGAN, MAINE. INFORMATION BEING COMPILED. STAY TUNED TO THE NEXT ALARM.

SHAWNEE UPDATE

(Silence of the Sallee)

By Steve Taylor

Big River Earth First! (in exile)

Amidst an air of apparent calm - various legal motions, criminal trials, and congressional initiatives edge toward radical reform in the Shawnee National Forest. In recent years the Shawnee forest in southern Illinois has provided some of the most progressive management plan revisions and federal legislative reform in the national forest system. Despite the fact that a few arrogant humans still demand that it be "managed", (forests need guidance you know - you don't want them growing up all old, decadent, and full of bark and stuff) the Forest Service has been forced to publicly re-evaluate and even revise their mismanagement policies.

Although rare and beautiful habitat was lost through the logging of the Fairview sale in August of last year, the Forest Service may have sealed their own fate by cutting in defiance of congressional and public appeal.

Riding a wave of public debate inspired by dozens of arrests last year, Representative Sidney Yates (D-Chicago) has introduced a directive into the 1993 F.S. budget that would ban all timber sales in the Illinois National Forest. The measure passed the House on July 23rd, but was not included in the Senate version of the bill. The fate of the directive will be debated by both the House and Senate as the bill goes to committee. The agencies renegade style of corporate welfare logging had already been cramped by provisions in the 1991 Interior Appropriations Bill which outlaws clear cutting in the Shawnee.

Tensions run high in the corporate logging community. As reported by Associated Press Washington Bureau,

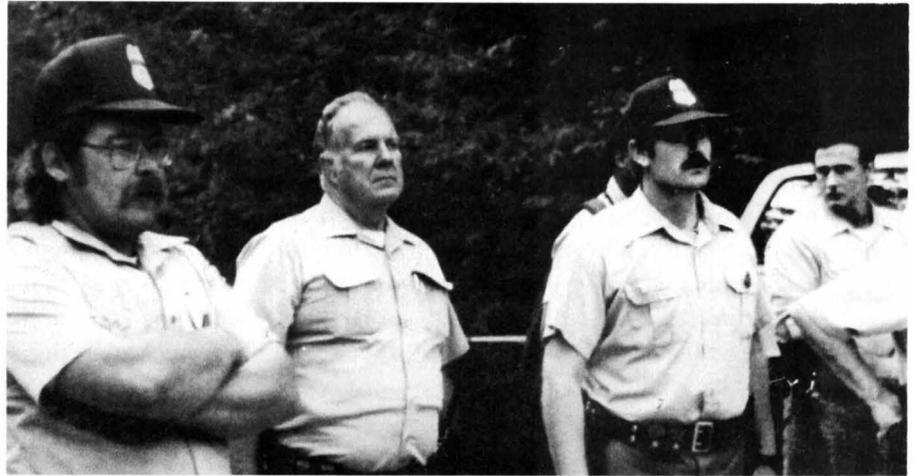


photo Curt Carter

In Aug. '91 The Shawnee FS imported special law enforcement from around the nation, further indicating that the agency needs to trim some fat.

Chuck Daugherty, a spokesman for the timber lobby states, "The Shawnee is a test case because more radical environmentalists believe that if they can stop the harvest here, they can stop it across the nation."

Yet the Forest Service seeks still more deceptive means to "get the cut out". Even though their new Draft Forest Management Plan allows for only two thirds less timbering (by board feet), the agency has proposed an increase in cutting for alleged "wildlife" openings, along with the removal of thousands of acres of pines under the guise of "ecological restoration".

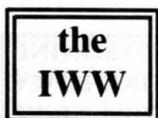
Recently both Joe Glisson, and Bill Cronin of R.A.C.E filed appeals challenging these policies. Stays were granted by the regional forester Floyd Marita, virtually bringing to a halt timber sale preparation of the forest.

"We have them by the gonads, and they want to talk". said Glisson, referring to a phone conversation he recently conducted with Norbert Boe, the new acting manager of the Shawnee. Glisson reports that Boe wishes to meet with both litigants to discuss possible concessions. Glisson

also stated that Boe has replaced former forest manager Sallee until his permanent replacement arrives. Earth First! has long demanded Sallee's dismissal. Also communicated by Glisson, was that the new acting manager had indicated that there would be no cutting this election year due to concerns in "Washington" of noisy protests. As reported by the A. P., the Forest Service spent in excess of 315,000 dollars in law enforcement alone to defend against Earth First's interference with last year's cut.

As this goes to press Earth First!er John Wallace prepares for jury trial early this September. Wallace, one of nine forest defenders still to be tried from the original 34 arrested in August of last year, will defend himself against charges of mob action and loaded log trucks when Earth First!ers coupled themselves to the vehicles with (Gorilla Brand) kryptonite locks around their necks.

This forest update brought to you by Gorilla Brand Bicycle locks "THE BEST DANG LOCKS AROUND".

**THEY WOBBLED**

J.R. the terrierist, Orin Langelles and Anne

Petermann represented the northeast EF! movement at the annual Assembly of the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW or Wobblies) held over the Labor Day week-

end in Ann Arbor, MI. The Wobs have been very supportive of EF! actions, especially during Redwood Summer and the EF! occupation of the Shawnee National Forest in Southern Illinois.

Anne facilitated a labor-environmental workshop and was a co-facilitator in a direct action workshop. Orin co-facilitat-

ed the main meeting on day one and J.R. piddled and sniffed and made friends with a poodle named Molly Maguire.

on the labor-environmental scene progress was discussed concerning the IWW-EF! work with the logging community in Northern California against

THROUGH THE HINTERLANDS

by Roadblock

OK, forget grammar and syntax. Style? I haven't got any. But we just finished this 8,000 mile elipse through Amerika. The thoughts I've had have been painful some, but all real enough. I don't necessarily want to involve anyone else, but I think, maybe, that I'm possibly living in my own fool's paradise. It's worse than we dare admit.

Now I don't know, I guess a strong stomach isn't one of my belongings. This nonculture of the late 20th century is fiercely relentless. The fascists have nearly all angles covered. They created most of the angles just to confuse and control. Very tricky. And dangerous.

Be careful all my relatives, it's important for us to survive.

Back to our trip. What we whitessed was a passive and obedient death (suicide) march. ["Marching diverts people's thoughts. Marching kills thought. Marching makes an end of individuality. Marching is the indispensible magic stroke performed in order to accustom people to a mechanistic, quasi-ritualistic activity until it becomes second nature" - Friendly Fascism B. Gross]

Subtly gaining complete control. In the military (basic training) you march everywhere. In Amerika you march everywhere. There's even a cadence in succumbing.

And everyone's dressed the same. At rest areas across the country the same neon bright white socks, sneakers, shorts and striped (going up and down) shirts from K Mart (Walmart). These people



don't have a clue. Putty in the hands of - who? Maybe we could use that to our advantage? Hah, not likely, at least not to an anarchistically bent bunch like us.

Amerika is a showcase for fascist success. Every power freak, greed-head in the world can look to this country and dream of getting a part of the action, anywhere. Manipulation well on the way to its evil end.

OK, I'll admit suffering from the culture shock of going "out there" and returning. When I get out of the woods its into the still negotiable back waters of New England (hate that name). But look at all these people not shocked but numb for all this shit.

I'm not well. Amerika is in remission in me. So I'll continue this activism that is long on truth but short on success. But maybe there's more. Techno greed, techno death. The inseparableness of the two will

undoubtedly save the day. We hope.

So I'm guessing that if you're like me you know we (all Species) will survive this holocaust in some form or another. But it's also possible that homosapien may survive in a small presence. So who might survive, us or them?

It occurred to me at the rendezvous how little we know about the natural history of the very Earth we are a part of. Some of us spend too much time writing and not enough time feeling. Even simple tree identification can't be assumed. It also occurs that "low impact use" forgets don't pack it in. Homosapiens may be part of most ecosystems, but campstoves and freeze dried food aren't.

I need to know how to be part of the out back without hauling all kinds of shit out and back. Even back at my roost the ongoing lessons of meeting my own needs can't wait.

Shit, I just had a major scare. I don't ever want to slip back into Amerika. And I don't want you to either. That's why we need to create an opportunity for EF!ers and other radical slime to learn how to survive with the Earth. Not along the edge of wasteful overdone Amerika, but in the absence of all those high calorie table scraps. Anyone out there interested and knowledgeable should contact me through the ALARM! Industrial collapse will have some very ugly consequences. When our population collapses I want to see your smiling faces.

VERMONT CIVIL COALITION AGAINST PROHIBITION

A Hemp Legalization rally was held in City Hall Park in Burlington, Vermont on September 5, 1992. An estimated crowd of over 200 people attended.

Hemp has a long and glorious history of use in this country. The constitution of the United States was written on hemp paper! Several of our Presidents farmed hemp and some are believed to have smoked it.

The Hemp plant can be used for fuel, for fiber (cloth, thread, rope, fiberboard), and for medicinal purposes. The seeds can be used as a protein source for people, pets, and livestock. And last, but not least, it

can be used as a pleasant mind altering recreational drug.

The interest that the end of cannabis prohibition should hold for Earth First!ers is that it can completely replace trees as a source of paper and fossil fuels as a source of heating and transportation fuels.

Also there is the issue of government control and prohibition over what should be each individual's personal choice. You can go out and buy a six-pack of beer and get drunk, but you can't grow a harmless herb in your yard.

There are several political candidates in

the state of Vermont who are running on a pro-cannabis platform. Anyone interested in more information can contact: Vermont Civil Coalition Against Prohibition (VCCAP), 209 Church St. #13, Burlington, VT 05401 (phone # 802-864-7107)/// Business Alliance for Commerce in Hemp (BACH), POB 71093, L.A. CA 90071-0093 (phone # 213-288-4152) /or/ BACH - VT, RFD 1 Box 140A, Newport, VT 05855.

The Alarm Presents its Second "It's All Bullshit" Award

This quarter's award was a tough decision between state's attorney Howard Van Benthuysen, Green Mountain National Forest Service Planner Mary Jeanne Packer, and Winooski One hydro-project developer John Warshow. Congrats, Mr. Warshow! For all you do, this bullshit award is for you.

Warshow, while developing his dam(n) project on the Winooski River in VT, claims to be a conservationist because of a half a million dollar "trap and truck" structure which will transport salmon via truck from downriver to upriver from the dam.

Technology to the rescue. This stupid

idea is no more than forced bussing for Salmon. Warshow also claims that his dam is a clean environmentally safe producer of energy. Seems like John-Boy needs a refresher course in Ecology 101.

Warshow got his start in hydro because he opposes nuclear power. Among other anti-nuclear activities, he was even arrested in 1977 for trespassing during a sit-in outside the Vermont Yankee nuclear power plant in Vernon, VT.

We're not sure how Warshow's environmental reasoning developed. One Alarmist theory is that while protesting Vermont Yankee he sat too close to a

nuclear fuel rod that was radiating. Another idea is that during his hydro study his head was under water so long he forgot to come up for air thus damaging needed flows of oxygen necessary for logical thought.

So, John, frame this award and wear your silly little hard hat to protect you when the salmon unite and tear down your dam.

To runner ups, Howard and Mary Jeanne, take some reality pills and watch this space in the next Alarm!

FREDDIES SUCK

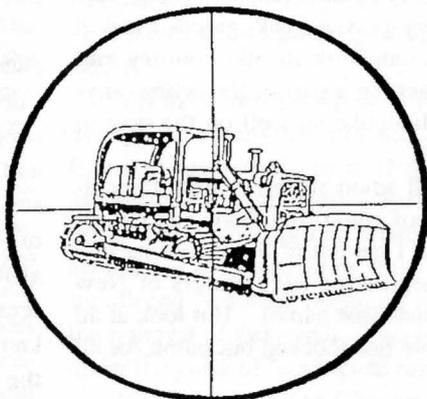
Throughout the summer of 1992, Earth First! has been actively opposing two massive timber sales on Idaho's Nez Perce National Forest. EF!ers have set up base camps, blockaded, locked on, been harrassed and ultimately arrested in an attempt to defend the largest roadless wilderness complex in the lower 48 states.

EF! targeted these sales as examples of what is happening to the virgin forests of the Wild Rockies due to the scale of the planned destruction, the importance of the affected areas as wildlife habitat and migration corridors, and the fact that the areas in question are entirely roadless. EF!'s goal has been to oppose in every possible way the construction of roads into these pristine forests.

As usual the Forest (dis)Service lied and mislead the activists in various ways, with one freddie assuring them that road-building crews would survey possible wolf den sites as they built roads. To this, EF!er Randall Restless replied, "Sure, and the Pope uses condoms."

The sleaziness of head Forest Service magnate and voyeur, F. Dale Robertson, was realized when armed FS employees in camoflage were discovered taking photographs of wild womyn warriors bathing.

EARTH FIRST!



TERRA-IST

Maine EF! organizer, Billi Barker, was arrested when she pressed the camo boys to turn over their film. Billi was released on \$100 bond (more later on her second arrest) and Gaia only knows what pervert Robertson is doing while reviewing the candid snaps.

Billi's second arrest was much more threatening to the powers that be. Billi and Erik Ryberg were looking for the rare plant, *Allotropa virgata*, also known as candystick. This is a serious offense in Idaho. The activists refused to walk out and had to be carried on litters. Billi and Erik are free on bond and rumored to be in Lithuania peddling *Allotropa virgata*. International reports state that Billi and Erik are having no luck peddling candy-

sticks to children.

Then other serious direct action occurred. Three activists shut down road production for almost seven hours. Two locked on with bicycle locks around their necks while a forest defender climbed and occupied a tripod (not to be confused with a camera holding device). The locks had to be cut off while the two and a cherry picker rescued the tripod sitter from bonding with the tripod. The arrestees were given a \$50,000 bond, which was later reduced to \$1000. They went to jail for a while, hunger struck, and were released.

The most bizarre aspect of the EF! rescue muffins was made clear by Idaho County Sheriff of Grangerville who indicated that EF! protesters will be held liable for any injuries which occur in the area, be they injured protestors, workers, or FS personnel. EF! will also be held liable for any malfunctioning machinery. The sheriff also indicated that he has no control over vigilante actions and that locals would be encouraged to take the law into their own hands, with the sheriffs blessing.

WHAT YOU CAN DO--Nationwide occupations of Freddie offices seem appropo. Contact the ALARM for details.

--contact: William Roberts (406)549-4336, John Lilburn (406)721-4255, Wild Rockies EF!, POB 9286, Missoula, MT 59806, or Randall Restless (406)585-9211, Yellowstone EF!, POB 6151, Bozeman, MT 59715.

EF! POLITICAL PRISONERS**Support Mark Davis and Peg Millett**

By Roadblock

At this year's Round River Rendezvous (RRR) in Colorado, the names Peg Millett and Mark Davis came up a number of times. For those that don't know who they are, I'll get to that in the next paragraph. For some detailed articles about the Arizona 5 see the EF! Journals from 1991 (sorry I'm vague about which ones).

Peg and Mark are our sister and brother, our kindred spirit alter egos who were entrapped by the Nazi FBI and now are in federal prison for their courage and commitment to Mother Earth.* Since their incarceration last fall an on-going appeal has been requesting all of us to write to them and help them in our own way. At the RRR, the appeal continued and a large newsprint with hundreds of messages was collected and sent to them.

Solon EF!ers have been writing to Mark since last fall. We hadn't met him before but over this past year we have discovered a kinship that I'm sure we all share. We decided to write Mark because of his longer sentence. So first of all this is an appeal to everyone to write our friends. That it's them in jail instead of us is purely circumstantial.

Which brings me to the next point... The FBI and their Nazi masters. Many of us (most) are white Americans who in spite of what economic level we were raised at, still enjoy a certain privilege granted to white folks. This includes 'going peaceably'. At any time we can drop back into a brain dead society with-

out much notice or consequence. Another 'privilege' we have is to indulge in fantasy. The general masses don't think that anything is so wrong that even more of the same can't fix it. And us? We suspect that the ecological holocaust might be even worse than we feared. But we think that in this country we're both free and safe to sound the alarm. WRONG! Need proof? Write to Peg and Mark or any of the thousands of political prisoners in this country.

I'm not suggesting that ultimately we can avoid the knock at the door in the middle of the night or possibly the sound of the door being knocked off its hinges: Amerika's Kristalnacht. What we can do is know what's going on and use every available means to evade and turn back this repression. Though remote, it's still possible for our growing minority to help avert the disaster that is the apparent goal of the Nazi capitalists.

Back to Peg and Mark. These people need support. They need to know and feel our presence there in prison. 112

Both of them have special needs that some contribution\$ could help with: mail money, phone money, attorney's fees, good books and periodicals, etc. Mark has two daughters. It costs money to transport them for visits.

Mark's hope for an early release (6 yr sentence) through the parole process has hit a snag. After a reasonably good first hearing in June, the federal prosecutors have convinced the parole board to listen to 'evidence' never heard at the trial that

claims Mark was/is part of an 'ongoing conspiracy'. So what was that fantasy about due process? The intent of the fascist government is to punish Mark beyond anything his plea bargaining set out. And of course we're all supposed to know about it and be deterred from stepping outside the constantly narrowing lines of "the law".

So what can we do? As earlier mentioned, know the danger we're all in for being who we are. Maintain our solidarity. Our collective strength is our collective courage. Write to Peg and Mark and offer whatever help you can. Mark feels that public pressure in whatever form possible might be his only hope to avoid a railroading.

Lastly, be careful and be full of the strength one has in the knowledge that we are all part of this living planet and the universe it is a part of.

*Please send letters of support to:
Peg Millett, #23 1 1 8-008, 37900
No. 45th Ave., Dept. 1785
Phoenix, AZ 85027
Mark Davis, #23 1 06-008, FPC
Box 1000 MB064
Boron, CA 93516*

*(Alarm note: They were caught in a FBI COINTELPRO type operation. The purpose was to discredit the radical environmental movement and bust Dave Foreman for publishing the book "Eco-Defense- A field guide to monkeywrenching")

A SHORT QUIZ on ORV use in the GMNF

(Green Mountain National Forest)

TRUE OR FALSE:

- 1) While ORV's are NOT currently allowed in the GMNF during the summer, the Forest Plan (Foreplan) does allow for their eventual invasion.
- 2) ORV users are worried about degrading the environment in the GMNF.
- 3) When "man" enters the wilderness on foot, he enters as an enemy but when he travels on motorized vehicles the animals

can hear him and are not afraid or bothered.

- 4) Special interest groups are rewriting the foreplan guidelines regulating ORV use and are attempting to change even the flimsiest of environmental standards.
- 5) ORVing is a traditional American Sport dating back to Pre-Columbian times.
- 6) The NFS, with few exceptions, seems bound to catering to the whims of fossil-fueled recreationists, and lacks the guts to defend their own environmental standards.
- 7) The working group that is writing the

guidelines has way too many environmentalists as members.

For the answers to the above questions, call the National Forest Service at 802-773-0300 and ask for Ann Mates and get on the working group - it only meets once a month in Rutland, VT or give me a call at 802-649-2940 for more info - Mike Z - Earth First! - Admittedly a Special Interest Group!

The Marketplace or Yuppie Hell

The street teems with Yuppies- a sea of white faces
It's western-theme weekend!

Stiff gleaming white cowboy hats

Polished perfect snakeskin boots and new red bandanas

Celebration of the massacres

Native American communities

Dead in the dirt.

Horses in bondage drag lazy bored people
back and forth on "hay rides--Free 10 to 4"

Shit sacks dangle beneath the horses' tails
children scream horses plod.

Execu-Gold card buys

Hip Guatemalan handiwork

Deadhead Heaven

From Sweatshop Hell.

A dollar for the man

Driven crazy by the sickness

Of this society.

Clear conscience

Happy consumption.

Balloons for the kiddies

Brightly colored "Shop at Woolworth's"

National Guardsmen

Camo-Buddies all

Evidence of the Police State

Blatantly shown

That no-one sees.

Shoppers speak English, some French

Swedish, Russian, Japanese, Spanish, German

Yet all are identical

Homogenized into one

Consumptive greedy culture.

The old man pushes a shopping cart

Picking 5 cent cans from the trash

Recycle or Die!

His life's motto.

Completely controlled environment

Clean swept bricks and dying trees

This is the world you have created

You are doomed to walk these

Dead barren streets

Seeking to buy happiness.

It will not replace the sacred

You will remain empty

And dead.

This is your Hell.

Enjoy.

Anne Petermann

I AM A BITCH

I trot down the path.

My teats swing side to side.

As I gain speed they squirt,

Jetting out my rich milk into the grassland.

They are full after my hunt.

My young pups yelp in the den.

Mama, mama! Yip! Yip! Yip!

I hear their cries on the hillside.

My kill hangs from my jaw, bloody and fresh.

The wind covers my tail from the others.

At the hill's crest my mate, my sister, my
daughter from two Springs ago call and greet me.

We nod, sniff, lick each other with joy and knowing.

I drop the prey, take my share to the den
where the little ones squeal.

I chew and then give to them.

After their meat they suck my nourishment.

Full, they lick my face with dripping lips.

They roll and wimper and love each other.

They sleep in a warm, soft pile,

head on belly, feet on ear, tail in face.

Safe...

I leave the den giving the pack the sign.

My sister and daughter follow into the grasslands.

The hunt is on again.

The mates stay.

All is good.

Days of my heat will come again.

We will mount with blood and cries

to make new life.

I am she-wolf.

I am coyote.

I am bitchmother, protector,

elder clan leader, seer.

The wind calls us as we hunt

in the full moon's light.

Micha de Luida

another letter to the editor

Dear Alarm

Thanks for taking time to write back to me
and send me that Alarm. I loved it.

Propaganda is one of the great legal highs.

Anyway, I'd like to help with getting

Alarm published or with any other EF!

business, but school is about to start.

If there is anything I can do on weekends
or from home, that would be great. I'm

also planning to see if any of my class-
mates are interested in that sort of thing.

I'm sending a little guilt money, hopefully

enough to at least cover sending me a few
more issues of the Alarm. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

Livia Gershon

The Northern Forest Land Scam

By Roadblock

Do you know anyone who is in favor of the Northern Forest Land Study (NFLS), the NFL Council (NFLC), the NF Alliance (NFA)? Maybe you know someone who's part of this process or these groups, or a member of the newly appointed citizens advisory committees (CAC).

If you do, kick their asses until they either come back to their senses or get off the planet. These people must be crazy! Or fucked up. Probably the latter. And they think (do they really?) that we're too stupid to see this on-going scam.

A little background for those new to this issue... In 1988 the U.S. Congress commissioned a study (NFLS) to develop strategies for the future of the huge area stretching from the Adirondacks to northern Maine. So the politically appointed task force produced a study that created a

politically appointed NFLC that has been working on 'strategies'. An alliance of 'environmentalists' have been monitoring the NFLC, and now, a politically appointed CAC.

We should all know what happens when politics meets the forests. And it has!

Oh yeah, all this under the guise of the potential loss of 'traditional land uses' to development

This is a revolting subject... difficult to write about without puking on this reused paper. Another reason I'm glad I don't have a computer is I'd have to clean up the partially digested garden fresh lunch I just enjoyed.

What it boils down to is that the industry controlled government has appointed industry shits and sympathizers to recommend ways to keep the industry

form selling off their land holdings. That's read, incentives, and we all know what turns industry's heads.

So now there's all this tax money being spent on these people (salaries), some of whom have made it a career of cashing regular government checks. Do they want to study it some more? You bet! And what do they recommend in the short term? Tax incentives to the industries so they can finish their goal of stripping the northern forests before they sell their land.

What a brilliant strategy! It's the same problem of the rich monitoring the rich. So what's to be done? Well, call a spade a spade and a scam a scam. Do not support the NFLS/NFLC. If you've got it in you, work against it. And if you know or meet someone participating in this process, kick their ass!

Northeast Earth First! Activist Conference coming this October

Earth First!ers are organizing a northeast EF! activist conference in Binghamton, NY on the weekend of 10/30-11/1.

Planned for this weekend will be guest speakers on a variety of topics from litigation to direct action. Also planned is a major strategizing session for EF!

activists around the northeast to plan how to activate and mobilize people here. We will also have a discussion of issues worthy of our attention as well as inform one another of upcoming events.

Plan for camping at least one day. How food will be handled is yet to be deter-

mined.

If you are interested in attending this conference contact either the Alarm or Scott Thiele at (717) 278-1396.

CALNDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

October 3, Sat.

James Bay supporters will be holding a picnic at the Unitarian Church in Springfield, VT. See related article for details.

October 9, Friday

Earth First! northeast direct actions in solidarity with 500 years of resistance. Contact the Alarm for details.

October 10 & 11, Sat & Sun.

Street theater and other educational activities planned for the Burlington, VT area to oppose the Columbus Day celebration. Contact the Peace and Justice Center (802) 863-2345 for details.

Theatrical processions and a council fire will celebrate Native American history in western MA. The Pokumtuck nation, believed extinct will publicly re-emerge.

See related article this issue for details.

October 12, Mon.

Activists will be headed to NYC to demand a seat for Native Americans on the United Nations General Assembly. For more info contact (212)732-0485

October 28, Wed.

Radiation Suit Wednesday activities planned nation-wide to protest ozone-depleting chemical production. See related article for details.

October 30-Nov 1, Fri-Sun

Northeast EF! activist conference to be held in Binghamton, NY. See related article or call Scott Thiele at (717) 278-1396 for details.

November 5&6, Thur&Fri

Hearings will be happening in ME to determine whether the paper industry there should be allowed to dump more dioxin into the rivers.

Solon EF! is calling for direct action to

coincide with these hearings. See related article for details.

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THEY WOBBLED

the Louisiana-Pacific Corporation (see Judi Bari's piece in this issue). The Wobs also pledged support for actions concerning the loss of ozone (see related story this issue).

A proposal by Orin was passed on the last day of the Assembly where the Wobs next year and at all subsequent Assemblies will incorporate a direct action as a part of the Assembly just like EF! does after each Round River Rendezvous (the EF! National Gathering).

No Wobs were arrested, died, gave

Fowler Brook Timber Sale Reoffered

The Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) Service is reoffering the successfully appealed Fowler Brook Timber Sale. This sale, which is blatantly illegal, appears to have been chosen by the Forest Service (FS) as a test case to see what they can get away with on the GMNF. They brought in experts from Washington, DC and Wisconsin to help write the new Environmental Assessments (EA)s for the sale. Their goal: To provide enough documentation to make this timber sale unappealable even though it was taking place in an area that was never intended for timber production, namely the White Rocks National Recreation Area (NRA)

Their own Forest Plan states "The White Rocks NRA represents a large remote habitat in the GMNF. This habitat is important to Bobcat, Black Bear, and Fisher which require varying degrees of remoteness for food, denning and rearing of young.

The Green Mountain ecosystem is being impacted by... home... and recreational development. The quality of remoteness is being downgraded rapidly...The NRA provides a stable environment where research results are needed to forecast habitat trends for deep woods species on the NF." It also states, "No timber management will occur in backcountry areas where we would like to offer opportunities for primitive recreation." In the Fowler Brook EA. however, they have translated this to mean "Congressional direction for managing the White Rocks NRA calls for the cutting of trees to maintain, improve or increase habitat for edge species." This is an outright lie. Public law is quite specific in stating that the purpose of the NRA is to "Preserve and protect the existing wilderness and wild values and to promote wild forest and aquatic habitat for wildlife, watershed protection, opportunities for primitive and semi-primitive recreation, and scenic, ecological, and scientific values."

As usual, however, the FS is managing for those species which like clearcuts

as a justification for the further fragmenting and degrading of the forest while causing the certain demise of those creatures that require remote interior tracts of forestland for survival.

Forest Supervisor Terry Hoffman has even publicly admitted that the Forest Plan is being implemented in an unbalanced fashion. He promised to write a letter to the FS regional office and congressional delegates due to the fact that he blamed the problem on their allocation of funds to him. He lied, of course, and at the next public meeting announced that he had "changed his mind" and that the Forest

stitute for informed decision making based on EA's which provide an understanding of environmental consequences. If a team of biologists had been sent up instead of a team of NEPA experts, this appeal might have been avoided."

PAW's response to the challenge of the new and improved EA was to submit a new and improved 70 page appeal (the average appeal runs 10-15 pages) which has undoubtedly ruffled feathers all the way up to head honcho, FS Chief and friend of timber barons everywhere, F. Dale Robertson.

The politics of this timber sale make its outcome very intriguing. If the FS agrees with PAW and remands the sale a second time then precedent will be set to ban all cutting in the NRA (a very large land area) which would certainly piss off the timber lords. The FS would also be faced with the embarrassment of having their "experts" be defeated by grassroots activists.

If they go ahead and approve the sale, however, they risk the wrath of the public. Especially since their recent highly publicized Emily Proctor fiasco (see related article). More importantly, they risk the wrath of the environmental community and with PAW undoubtedly ready to take this one all the way- very publicly, of course- to the top, and with EF! strategizing in the wings to take over with direct action when the legal process breaks down, this sale could prove, like the Fairview Sale in the Shawnee NF, to be politically deadly and very expensive (the Fairview cost over \$350,000 in law enforcement alone).

Fowler Brook is not the only sale like this, there are possibly up to 40 other equally illegal sales ready to be cut in the GMNF. Stay tuned to future issues for updates. For more info contact PAW at (802) 297-1022 or write POBox 52A Bondville, VT 05340. To be added to the GMNF direct action list, contact the Alarm.



Plan was indeed being implemented properly even though there are stacks of documentation to the contrary.

The GMNF Service in their promise to "Improve the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process" has interpreted that to mean bringing in NEPA experts to teach the FS how to write EA's in such a way that they can continue to cut and violate their own laws, but with enough documentation that they can get away with it as they have done with the Fowler Brook sale.

Preserve Appalachian Wilderness (PAW) project Coordinator Buck Young who has filed both of the appeals on the Fowler Brook sale responded to this "improvement in NEPA" by stating, "The Fowler Brook II documents show that some progress has been made toward better paperwork, but no amount of paperwork--even excellent paperwork--can sub-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Hi Alarm,

Thanks for sending the copy of ALARM - looks pretty good, better than the average enviro grass-roots stuff. Please extend my appreciation to all the fine folks carrying on the battle in the Northeast. You've all got my support and love.

I'm waiting to hear from the National Parole Commission - the local guys gave me a thirty month incarceration, but when the written Notice of Action came back it was different; said that the case had been referred to the National level for final disposition. So I don't know what my fate is yet. I had some sort of naive idea that once you were sentenced and in then things would sort of settle down . . . Hah! I'm having to fight like hell to try and get out in a reasonable amount of time. The things the lawyers told me to get me to take the plea agreements were mostly lies. Oh, well.

Keep up - don't let the bastards kill the planet without a good fight.

in Her service,

Mark Davis 23106-008

FPC

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Dear Alarm,

Roslyn Christiano Payne sent me a copy of your newspaper - issue #3. Congratulations! I wish you well.

I am going to publish your editorial "Why We Publish" in the next issue of THE STARK TRUTH.

I write a monthly column for The Speedy Bee, the newspaper for the American Beekeeping Association. My column in the June issue begins with a biographical description of myself which I think your readers will find interesting. Please ask them to send for that copy from:

THE SPEEDY BEE

P.O. Box 998

JESUP, GA. 31545

(The price is \$1.75 a copy but you should send 50 cents to cover postage and handling.)

Beekeepers are on the front line in that vital symbiotic relationship so essential to environmental protection. In fact, they are among the very first environmentalists and ecologists.

Anyone wishing a copy of my own

newspaper THE STARK TRUTH should send \$10 for the first three issues. This barely covers the cost of printing and mailing -- as you probably know from your own balance sheet.

I also have one of the largest collections of the Haldeman-Julius Little Blue Books which I am now in the process of selling. I am offering five of these books for twenty-five dollars plus five dollars shipping and handling.

By the way, back during the late 1950s I taught the sciences at Woodstock Union High School in Woodstock, Vermont.

Please publish this letter and ask your readers to copy it and give copies to their friends, asking them to do the same.

Cordially and fraternally,
YOURS FOR A TRULY FREE PRESS

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Dear Alarm,

Thanks for the mailing. I've been away. I am interested in the publication and would

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be willing to submit info on energy-- Hydro-Quebec and the corporate connections, etc.

We could be listed as well. NEW ENGLAND COALITION FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND THE ENVIRONMENT (NECE 3).

NECE3 promotes:

- 1) Small local electrical generation
- 2) Energy efficiency / conservation
- 3) Democratic control and citizen participation in energy discussion.
- 4) Opposes: Buying electricity from Quebec and the rest of Canada as its generation is based on nuclear sources or on massive hydroelectricity projects which are destroying whole wilderness ecosystems and degrading native peoples.

-Jim Higgins

Dear Alarm folks,

Thanks for sending us the ALARM! At last, an EF! voice with fresh ideas. I think a critical action to overcome the problems in "the movement" and the Journal is to have many small, decentralized publications. Shit, you folks are doing a great job. I've enclosed a small publication of our own. Keep it up! The @nti-STATE/POLICE stuff is right on!

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-Modern Citizen magazine

or

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tion, inspires folks to empower themselves to take direct action. We're not the Sierra Club and we don't collaborate. We don't believe in compromise and we do need your subscription to continue to provide a voice of the northeast Earth First! movement. If you wish to continue to receive the Alarm please fill out the form. Most of you probably hate the concept of money. We're here to help. Let us take some of that filthy lucre off your hands. Subscribe or stay where you are.

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For the contributor to the Alarm that means quite simply, no later than December 1st, 1992. On December the 2nd, all those who are insane enough to attempt this publishing endeavor will start to edit the artwork, Mac Discs, double-spaced typed, and handwritten chicken-scratched submissions that come to our POB or FAX#. The Alarm welcomes any and all submissions as long as they meet the deadline. You can tell us to go to hell, but be prompt about your inferno suggestions.

You see, we're not paid professionals who get their kicks from waiting on your last minute whim or coherence. In fact, we're just grass root volunteers dedicated to provide some necessary info that can help you organize a demo, give you an excuse for why you didn't come home last night, or help in that crucial doctoral research on "Why my Poop-

stain Bridges the Gap Between Social and Deep Ecology."

Above all we need facts of the reality that make this existence challenging. News, documentaries, poetry, artwork (no Elvis on velvet, please), including black and white photographs, letters and your vision of the ever-important dance are requested to make the Alarm what it can be. The Alarm, with your help will be on the streets and around the campfire on the Winter Solstice, December 21st, 1992.

Please send contributions to Alarm, POB 804, Burlington, VT or FAX (attn: EF!) 802-863-2532. Th@nx & read the part about deadlines and poop-stains one more time.

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