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A SUPPORT NETWORK FOR JAILED AND IMPRISONED ANTI-NUCLEAR ACTIVISTS

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EASTER PEACE ACTION IN MONTANA

"Malstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls is the command center for 200 Minuteman missiles waiting to ignite hundreds of Hiroshima firestorms and incinerate countless millions of innocents. We trespassed across the narrow white line at Malstrom because it divides international law from universal bloodshed. That white line symbolically divides civil disobedience from complicity in war crimes, divides our reverence for life from nuclear megadeath, divides our dreams for our children's future from our despair that radioactivity will poison the gene pool and threaten our children's children's children with birth defects and mutations."

Terry Messman-Rucker

Darla Messman-Rucker--wife of Terry, who is still at FBI Boron--shared the witness of jail with her husband over Easter, after she and Mark Anderlik crossed the boundary line at Malstrom and poured their own blood on the ground on Good Friday, April 17. They were immediately arrested by federal marshals and held for several days, charged with malicious mischief.

Two days later, on Easter Sunday, 68 Montanans crossed the same boundary at Malstrom for a celebration of "the redemption and resurrection of

Easter," and praying "for a redemption of a war-torn world from the horrors of the arms race and a resurrection into a world of lasting peace." Later, ten people returned and were arrested. Trial for the group is scheduled for June 4.

The following is taken from the statement distributed by Darla and Mark.

"The sign at the boundary of Malstrom AFB proclaims "peace is our profession". We have tried to awaken people by our act of civil disobedience that death and bloodshed is the true profession of the military.

"How can the threat of universal bloodshed promote peace?

"We choose to spill our blood on this sign so that our children's blood may not have to be spilled by Malstrom's tools of death.

"Our blood spilling is a warning to all Montanans that Malstrom AFB makes central Montana a prime target for nuclear missiles and may soon rain bloodshed down on the heads of all Montanans.

"Our guides in this act of civil disobedience include Martin Luther King and Mahatma Gandhi, who

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a call to action

From Montana to Texas, California to Connecticut, people are putting their freedom on the line to resist the threat of nuclear destruction. Whether we obliterate humanity in a nuclear war, or slowly poison ourselves in a graveyard of reactor waste and mine tailings, the result will be equally tragic.

Many times we despair, and say to ourselves it is already too late to save the world from this fate. But save it we must--and will.

The people whose actions are featured in this newsletter have realized that the loss of a few months of freedom now is a small price to pay, for the reward of a peaceful, safer future for our children and our children's to come.

Altho the response to our publicizing these actions and facilitation support has been enthusiastic and gratifying, the message from those in jail comes thru clearly--the strongest form of support is for others to, in Peter De Mott's words (borrowed from a first-century resister), "go out and do likewise".

We must each ask ourselves this question, and ask it soon: Is giving a few months of my life and liberty now, worth the chance of preserving a few more years of life--all life--later? We urge everyone to seriously consider this question, as those of us involved with the production of the newsletter are also doing. And it is clear from the response to our work that those who do take action will not be forgotten. Support exists for those who resist a nuclear death; resist at the mines and at the power plants, at the missile sites and the waste-dumps. NNNPSC is only one of many growing support networks; networks including activist groups, farmers, religious communities, native Americans, students, production workers, wealthy and poor, mothers and fathers, you and I. Together, supporting each other, our actions will not go unreported or unappreciated.

Acts of resistance to the nuclear threat--from crossing a property line or blockading a nuclear shipment, to a presence at the Pentagon, or actually beating swords into plowshares, spears into pruning hooks--require careful planning to protect lives and thoughtful consideration of the personal consequences. But remember that the consequences of NOT resisting are certainly greater.

In many areas of the country, civil disobedience is scorned by many local activists as too radical or blatant a tactic. Overshadowing this concern is the reality that some among us will always be committing civil disobedience. And while not all can join them, those who engage in C.D. must have our strong vocal and moral support, lest the value to the movement of their commitment is locked away from us by the same prison walls which hold their bodies.

Other forms of direct action exist, more potent than letter-writing and button wearing, for those who cannot commit civil disobedience, for example; political fasting, canvassing affected communities and long-term vigils, like the one that has been sustained at the Pentagon for over a year now.

Whatever the form, direct acts of resistance are needed, now as ever, now or never. "Go out and do likewise" We can support each other, and also live to tell our grandchildren about it.

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TRIDENT RESISTANCE

LOCKHEED

Larry Purcell, Dan Delany, Kris Selvig and Larry Ferlazzo, are Bay-area activists who walked into a supposedly secure Lockheed assembly plant last March 11 and assembly plant in Sunnyvale, California, last March 11 and poured their own blood on inter-stage sections for Trident missiles. (NNNPSC#4) On March 26 they pleaded 'no contest' to conspiracy with intent to commit vandalism (a felony) and trespass. Only Larry Purcell was convicted of the felony--the other three's charges were reduced by the judge to misdemeanors. The judge took prior convictions into account in sentencing, and with the warning that each time the defendants returned they would face stiffer sentences, he handed down the following terms on April 24: Larry Purcell, six months (plus two years suspended); Larry Ferlazzo, four months; Dan Delaney, three months; Kris Selvig, 45 days. Kris should be released by the time this Newsletter reaches you, and the other three men can be found at Elmwood Correctional Facility for Men, 701 S. Able St; Milpitas, CA 95035.

They've asked that we send their thanks to all the folks who have written in support of their action at Lockheed, and regret they are not in a position to respond to all of you.

Jim Douglass's inspirational book, Lightening East to West, is available for \$4.50 + 60¢ postage from Sunburst Press, Box 6, 4610 SE Belmont, Portland, OR 97215.



PERSPECTIVE ON 'DOING TIME'

Fear of going to jail or prison is perhaps the most commonly cited excuse for not taking part in civil disobedience against the nuclear threat. Indeed, this is exactly as the state desires things to be. Imprisonment and the threat thereof is calculated to drive the mass of otherwise kind and humane people into passive acceptance of our nation's suicidal nuclear policies.

As activists, we must each overcome this fear with the inner strength of our conviction that a peaceful world is possible, and accept that time behind bars may be a necessary and perhaps inevitable part of our struggle to rid the earth of nuclear weapons and nuclear power plant. As an aid to overcoming this fear of imprisonment, and towards understanding the position and role of the prisoner of conscience, we are including with this issue a reprint of an essay by John Schuchardt of the Plowshares 8, on going to jail for civil disobedience. It is reprinted from the book Conscience and the Law -- a Court Guide for the Civilly Disobedient, edited by William Durland. More reprints of this essay are available on request from NNNPSC.

We are anxious to share with the Collective other activists' perspectives on going to jail for conscience acts of resistance. Please write if you'd like to contribute to this dialogue.

BANGOR

Jim Douglass and Terry Messman-Rucker are still behind bars at the Federal Correctional Institution; Box 1000; Boron, CA 93516. Karl Zanzig, who was released from Boron on April 23 after serving six months for a trespass conviction at Trident-Bangor wrote that "the time at Boron was a great experience. Jim Douglass ran a course called 'Jesus's Teachings in the Nuclear Age.' We had some fine discussions. I would like to share a poem I wrote three weeks before my release. It is abstract but yet reflects the growth and strength a prison sentence provides. It is personal, yet has universal aspects."

Boron Butterfly

From the depths of depravity
It had risen
nurtured on the taste to be free
while in a prison

A Soul searching for Eternity
muddling through the dungeon of doubt
vibrating between glimpses of infinity
and wondering what it is all about

The questions of why
were asked no more
when one begins to fly
they leave what entangled them before

Flying higher & higher
beyond the mere ascetism
gliding through the fierce fire
of the introductory Baptism

Soaring high in the sky
yet remaining on earth
witnessing the death of the "I"
transmuted into a collective rebirth

The caterpillar crawled along
until it shedded its skin
A moist fresh Butterfly flew where it belong
and always had been

Prison locked one inside
like a cocoon catacomb
where growth burst one outside
to return to the eternal home

One had to die first
in order to live
and to quench that thirst
of sisterly/brotherly LOVE to give.

by Karl Zanzig

PLOWSHARES 8

We intended to include a fuller account of the Plowshares 8 trial in this issue. However, because the movement press has covered the trial so thoroughly over the last month, we've decided to use our space for news of other equally significant actions which have not received the same coverage.

No sentencing date has yet been set for the Plowshares 8, but it is expected anytime within the next month. Meanwhile, the 8 are enjoying their freedom--travelling to speak and agitate to action, taking more action, spreading the word. We'll keep you informed of further developments in the next issue.

Contributions for their legal fund and support activities are still needed, and can be sent to Plowshares 8 Support Committee; 168 West 100th St; New York, NY 10025.

"Above all," urges their support newsletter, "devise your own form of resistance."

S.A.C. RESISTANCE

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showed that non-violent resistance can arouse a nation's conscience to change social injustice.

"Our act, and our willingness to go to jail, is an attempt to encourage serious dialogue within the community about our nuclear weapons threat that people for too long have denied responsibility for. We are afraid to go to jail and do not take lightly the consequences, but there is little choice left. Appeals to rationality have fallen on deaf ears. It has become necessary to be willing to go to jail in order to stir consciences to action.

"We act in solidarity with all those who struggle for peace and justice."

Please send letters of support to Easter Peace
Effinity Group; Box 9203; Missoula, MT 59807.

GROTON

On Saturday, April 25, another nuclear powered fast-attack sub was ceremoniously pushed down the skids at the Electric Boat shipyards in Groton, Connecticut. Navy Secretary John Lehman, who picked the sub's name, "Corpus Christi" - latin for 'Body of Christ' - defended this blasphemous christening at the launching by saying that "military force, in church teachings, is looked upon and held as an instrument of peace, justice and freedom."

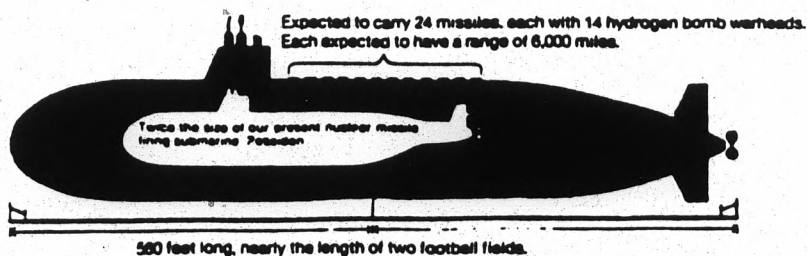
Peace and anti-nuclear activists take a different view, as evidenced by the fact that on the same day over 1000 people, representing more than 30 New England peace and anti-nuclear groups, joined together in a march to the main gates of Electric Boat to protest the launching. Their action was part of launching. Their demonstration was one of over 60 held at nuclear weapons related facilities on April 25, all protesting the nuclear arms race.

A small group laid a cross in front of the Electric Boat administration building, and poured their own blood upon it as a gesture symbolic of the blood which will spill all over the earth if nuclear war becomes a reality. For this act, and for blocking a sidewalk during an accompanying prayer service, 21 people were arrested, charged with disorderly conduct. 14 were released immediately, and the charges against them eventually dismissed. The remaining seven were held over the weekend for refusing to give their ages to authorities. Two of the seven gave their ages on Monday, and the charges against them were also dropped. The other five - Liz Lynam of Norwich and Christopher Grannis, Vicki Kroon, Arthur Luffin, and Elaine Martin, all of New Haven, still refused to cooperate on Monday, with Lynam noting that the 'issue is the proliferation of nuclear weapons, and not the birth dates of the individual protestors.' They were initially found in contempt by New London Superior Court Judge Francis Quinn, and sentenced to 30 days. After some discussion, agreement was reached to release the five on their own recognizance.

They have been granted a jury trial, and are to appear in court May 7 for a pre-trial hearing. Letters of support can be directed to the five in care of the Dorothy Day Community; Box 1093; Norwich, CT 06360.

Peter's adversary:

AT \$1.8 billion each, two Tridents equal the total federal funds for education spent in the U.S.



NEBRASKA

SAC stands for Strategic Air Command, the nation's major nuclear strike force with bombers, tankers, reconnaissance aircraft, and intercontinental ballistic missiles at its disposal. Their headquarters are at Offutt Air Force Base, south of Omaha, Nebraska. According to the sign at Offutt, the SAC considers that "Peace is our Profession".

SAC also stands for Strategies and Actions for Conversion, a coalition of peace activists from the mid-west who are working for the conversion of the other SAC's headquarters to a truly peaceful use.

On December 28, 1980, ten members of the group took a little action in this direction by substituting a truthful word for a deceitful one on the headquarters sign. They painted out "peace" and in red paint scrawled "WAR" in its place. The sign then correctly read "WAR is our profession."

After this public service had been rendered, the ten sat down in front of the sign, and three of those involved were arrested--the only three the police could positively identify as having taken part in the 'correction'. The three, Frank Cordaro, William Douglass and John Hutchens were charged in Sarpy County Court with felony criminal mischief. On March 31, Sarpy County Court Judge Ronald Reagan (no kidding) dismissed the charges when it was shown that the sign was on federal property, giving the feds exclusive jurisdiction to prosecute the case.

On April 15, U.S. Attorney Thomas Thalken filed federal misdemeanor charges of destroying government property against the three. Two days later the federal government also charged Frank Cordaro and two other men, Jim Dubert and Brett Vanderlinden, with violating the "ban and barring" letters each has received as a result of previous demonstrations at the Air Force base.

The five men involved have pleaded innocent to all the charges, and all are free on their own recognizance. The three charged with correcting the SAC slogan are to stand trial June 10 in Omaha.

Letters supporting their action should be sent to United States District Court; District of Nebraska; Magistrate's Courtroom 8325; US Post Office and Courthouse; 215 N. 17th St; Omaha, NE 68101. Please refer at the head of your letter to case #81-0-27.

Send a copy to Acting US Attorney Thomas Thalken; Omaha; NE 68101.

For more information about the SAC which can truly claim that "Peace is our Profession", write SAC Strategies and Actions for Conversion; Box 285; Omaha, NE 68101 (402)341-1218.

Meanwhile, Peter De Mott, who rammed a Trident under construction at Electric Boat with a 'borrowed' van last December has been moved to J. Bernard Gates Corrections Unit; Box 456; Niantic, CT 06357.

Echoing deep feelings shared by many jailed activists, Peter writes "the type of support that means the most is to have others 'go out and do likewise', and not just to write letters while retaining comfortable seats in the system."

Corrections: The USS Baltimore - at the launching of which Peter rammed the Trident - is a nuclear powered fast-attack sub, not a Trident missile-launching sub. The van he used was a Ford and he believes the sub didn't receive much more than a scratch.

AT THE BOSS'S DOOR

UTC / HARTFORD

On Tuesday, April 14, United Technologies Corporation (UTC) held its annual stockholders' meeting at the Hartford Civic Center in Hartford, Conn. UTC is the third largest "defense" contractor in the United States, producing \$923.3 million worth of weapons in 1980 alone. UTC's chairman, Harvey Gray, received a total salary of about \$1,307,000 in that year.

That morning about 25 people, members of the Hartford Peace Coalition, the Storrs Peace, Education and Action Committee, the New Haven Covenant Peace Community, the Bristol Peace Coalition and a member of the Plowshares Eight, gathered at the civic center and started to leaflet both inside and outside the building. The leaflets focused on the morality, or lack of it, between UTC's weapons production and unmet human needs.

After about 20 minutes, security told us that we would have to move outside of the building if we were to continue to leaflet. It was explained that in the face of the immense threat to life and peace due to UTC's world-wide weapons sales, we were compelled to stay and continue to leaflet, which we did.

Due to the heavy pedestrian traffic in the Civic Center, several hundred leaflets were passed out (mostly to stockholders entering the meeting) before the private security people and the Hartford City Police began to concentrate near us. At this point seven of us sat down in the doorways to the meeting, blocking the entrances and unfurled banners. One was a peace symbol; another, in Spanish, said: "for the children to live in Peace", and another which urged: "UTC stockholder, invest in: the needs of the poor, housing, solar energy, mass transit; instead of: military jet engines, Black Hawk combat helicopters, researching the first-strike Trident".

The doors to the blocked doorways were quickly closed and another door was opened, which was immediately blocked by another of us, lying limp in the doorway.

The police then quickly began arrests with three people walking with the police and five of us going limp; one of us being dragged commenting: "We cannot walk away from this". Those participating in the civil disobedience were: Mary Corcoran, Jane Quinn, Tim Quinn, Peter Severance, John Bach, Vincent Kay, Elmer Maas, and Jim Phoenix; aged 18 through 49.

After being processed at the Hartford Police Station (fingerprints, photos, etc.), all but two were released on personal recognizance; the two being released within two hours when \$100 was posted for one and photo I.D. was produced for the other. The original charge for all was "breach of peace" at the time of arrest, but changed to "disorderly conduct" at the arraignment, where six pleaded "not guilty" and opted for a trial by jury, one pleaded "not guilty" and opted for a trial by judge, and one was absent due to illness. The pre-trial date has been set for May 7th, to take place in the Morgan St. courthouse in Hartford.

Jim Phoenix writes, "I urge all people aware of the grave situation concerning the nuclear arms race, indiscriminate sales of weapons world-wide, especially to El Salvador, etc., to muster the energy and courage to take direct action in your own areas to stop the madness." Letters of support should be sent to: the Hartford Peace Coalition, 23 May Street, Hartford, Connecticut, 06105.



ROCKWELL / EL SEGUNDO

51 people were arrested on Monday, April 27, at the western corporate headquarters of Rockwell International in El Segundo, California. Rockwell is prime contractor at the Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons plant in Colorado, and active in breeder reactor research, among other defense and nuclear-related profiteering.

All were charged with four offenses--trespass, blocking public access, disturbing the peace and failure to disperse. Forty were released immediately on their own recognizance, and the other 11 were held for three days before being released. Some have asked for trials by jury, some by judge. Trials are expected to begin in June. More information can be obtained from the Catholic Worker House; 652 N. Britannia St.; Los Angeles, CA 90035 (213) 267-8789.

ROCKWELL / PITTSBURGH

And in Pittsburgh, at an April 24 demonstration in front of Rockwell International Headquarters there, two members of the Pittsburgh War Resisters League were arrested when they entered the building. Tim Sperry and Jesse Hunter were charged with a summary offense of trespass. In an unusual hearing before a local magistrate that day, during which they were not even asked how they plead to the charge, each was sentenced to three days in jail, with sentence delayed for 30 days. They were then released, and their lawyers are now trying to make sense of the 'trial' and secure another trial which might give Tim and Jesse slightly more convincing demonstration of American justice.

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For more information, please contact the Thomas Merton Center; 1111 E. Carson St.; Pittsburgh, PA 15203.

STOP CALLOWAY!

57 people were arrested at a March 27 demonstration at the Calloway Nuclear Power Plant under construction near Fulton, Missouri. The planned non-violent civil disobedience action occurred at a rally and march sponsored by the Breaker Alliance, one of dozens around the country commemorating the 25th anniversary of the accident at Three Mile Island.

Most of those arrested passively resisted arrest, and were dragged or carried to waiting buses. All were charged with first degree criminal trespass before being split up and transported to five different jails around the state, with one \$1,000 bond each. The state had put off plans to put them in the Missouri State Penitentiary until the same day and all charges against them dropped.

To protest the high bail, those jailed managed to stage a three day hunger strike until their release on Tuesday afternoon, March 31. The hunger strike did fail to persuade officials to lower the bail, but supporters came through with a single check for the court--\$10,500 in stock from the electric power of the Calloway site. All were then freed.

At their arraignment, three persons plead guilty and were fined \$100 each. The other thirty plead not guilty and asked for a jury trial. Thirty separate trial dates have been set in Calloway county court from July 12 until the end of August. Current plans are to present a defense of justification for their actions. A petition is now being circulated in Missouri in support of the motives of those arrested.

For more information

Letters of support for the action can be sent to Breaker Alliance; 438 N. Skinker; St. Louis, MO 63101.

(314) 461-0022

PRISON LIT

If you have never been inside a jail or prison, the best introduction to life inside is to correspond with a prisoner. There are thousands of men and women in American jails and prisons who receive no mail, no visits, but who have moving stories to tell of how life is daily destroyed behind the concrete walls and steel bars.

The next best introduction is the writings of prisoners. Love and Rage - Entries in a Prison Diary is a slim gem in the genre. The author, Carl Harp, is serving four consecutive life terms in Washington State Prison in Walla Walla for crimes he did not commit. While inside he helped form the "Men Against Sexism" group which awakened the conscience of many inside Walla Walla and provided protection for prisoners intimidated by homosexual rapists. He also took part in a non-violent take-over of the Walla Walla administration building for twelve hours in May, 1979, to publicize gross abuses within the prison. He was rewarded for this action by being locked in the hole, severely beaten and raped with a guard's nightstick. The book is a document of the day to day struggle of a man trying to maintain his humanity under the most violent conditions of life to be found anywhere on this continent. Love and Rage, \$3.95 from Pulp Press; Box 3868 MPO; Vancouver, BC; Canada.

Words from the House of the Dead: Prison Writings from Soledad, is a "facsimile version of a book produced INSIDE Soledad prison and SMUGGLED OUT." It is a collection of poems, prose and graphics, reproduced directly from the hand-written and typed copy made by the men at Soledad. Published in 1974, the book sells for \$3.95. NNNPSC has a few copies obtained from a bookstore going out of business, available for \$3.50, postage paid. Please send cash, check, stamps or money order to Box 1812, Madison, WI 53701.

PANTEX PRAYER PILGRIMS SENTENCED

After a one-day trial in Federal Court in Amarillo, Texas, the six prayer pilgrims to Pantex were sentenced to varying lengths of time, depending on their prior record. Larry Rosebaugh and Ladon Sheats have previously been involved in criminal actions on viously been involved in 'criminal action' on behalf of peace and so earned the maximum sentence of one year



FOR SALE

2 ROOM 6x10 COMBINATION KITCHEN
TOILET BEDROOM DINING ROOM GARAGE !
WALL TO WALL CEMENT - STEEL BARS - BED

NO PETS NO KIDS NO WOMEN NO LOVE
NO PRIVACY NO HEAT NO NOTHING...

LONG TERM FINANCING !!!

FRIENDLY KIND UNDERSTANDING LANDLORDS

in jail. Kathy Jennings and Mary Spunger-Froese each received an 8-month sentence, while Steve Clemens and Vince Scotti Eirene got six months each. Currently, all are still being held in the Amarillo area--Ladon, Larry, Kathy and Mary are at Potter County Correctional Facility; Box 11135; Amarillo, TX 79111. Steve and Vince are at Potter County Jail; Box 1328; Amarillo, TX 79105.

Transfers to Federal prisons are expected soon, but letters of support can still be addressed to them in Amarillo.

SUPPORT NNNPSC

In any significant movement for social change, many committed activists are jailed or imprisoned, thereby isolating them from their supporters and possibly limiting their own activity. By working to build a viable support network, nationwide, for all jailed radioactivists, we can

help maximize the valuable contribution of the womyn and men inside. We also are working to become a conduit of information about nuclear issues to all prisoners who want to know nukes.

USE THE COUPON BELOW, AND LET US KNOW HOW YOU CAN HELP!

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- ☐ I want to receive the NNNPSC Newsletter and and take part in the support actions mentioned there
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- ☐ I can help coordinate support activities in my area.
- ☐ I can provide NNNPSC with information about future actions and jailings in my area.

☐ I want to pledge \$ _____ per month to support NNNPSC (printing, postage and telephone expenses, stationary and supplies--all labor is voluntary)

☐ Here's my donation of \$5 \$10 \$20 \$ _____

☐ I'm interested in working much more with NNNPSC. Talents/skills/ideas to share? Please note below.

☐ I'd like to correspond with other prisoners (other than radioactivists)

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Return Coupon to:

NNNPSC
Box 1812
Madison, WI 53701

or
Box 1221
Eugene, OR 97440

PELTIER UPDATE

A California Appeals court has ruled that Indian activist Leonard Peltier (see NNNPSC #4) did not receive a fair trial before federal judge Lawrence Lydick when he was convicted of escape from prison and possession of an illegal weapon in December 1979. During that trial, Peltier claimed he had escaped from Lompoc Federal prison because he had learned of a plot to murder him inside the prison. Judge Lydick, however, refused to allow evidence of the murder plot before the jury, including the testimony of 12 inmates who offered first-hand knowledge of the plot. The three-judge panel of the 9th circuit court of appeals, Central District of California, voted 3-0 in favor of a new trial for Leonard. They ruled that he was denied the right to base a defense on 'duress' because of the murder threat, that he was not given the opportunity to prove the murder plot, and that he had been denied the right to cross-examine FBI agents who "may have been interested in prosecuting the defendant for reasons other than violation of the law." If the government does not consent to a new trial, then the charges against Peltier must be dismissed. His lawyers predict that the government will choose to let the matter drop rather than re-open the potentially embarrassing case.

Meanwhile, Peltier sits and waits in the hole at Marion Federal Prison; Box 1000; Marion, IL 62959. The Leonard Peltier Defense Committee newsletter carried this message from Leonard. "Greetings and thanks to you my friends and supporters. I want to tell you all that on March 5 my visiting status was changed and I was allowed to visit in the regular visiting room with my son and daughter for the first time since my return to Marion in February of 1980. I want to thank you all for the letters that were sent and continued vigilance which has reaffirmed my belief in the power and strength of people united to struggle against political repression which comes in many ways and forms."

Toxology reports indicate that Bobby Garcia, prison mate and strong supporter of Leonard Peltier from Lompoc Prison who was found dead in his cell at Terre Haute Federal Prison on Dec. 13, 1980, was loaded with 'phenobarbital, and other barbiturates such as Doriden, Librium, Valium and Quaalude.' The reports confirm the feelings of supporters that Bobby was drugged beyond his ability to resist, and then beaten to death by guards/staff at Terre Haute. Bobby was known NOT to have used drugs, and otherwise would certainly have resisted his death if he had not been forcibly drugged first. Supporters are calling for a coroner's inquest. For more information, please contact the LP Defense Committee; Box 3936, Los Angeles, CA 90051.

Please help the Leonard Peltier Support Group by ordering a copy of In Total Resistance: Statements and poetry from Leonard Peltier, Bobby Garcia and Standing Deer. Send \$2.00 plus \$.50 for postage and handling to Leonard Peltier Support Group; Box 176; Mohican Lake, NY 10547.

TWO YEARS FOR SURRY NUKE SABOTAGE

Bill Kuykendall and Jim Merrill began serving two-year sentences last October for sabotaging fuel rods at the Surry, Virginia nuke where they were employed. They were originally held at the same state prison, but were soon split up and transferred around several times each. Parole was denied each at a hearing in early March, and if each is awarded the statutory allowances for "good time", they will be released this coming October. Their current addresses are:
Bill Kuykendall #122617; New Kent Correctional Unit #16; Star Rt; Box 80A, Barhansville, VA 23011.
Jim Merrill #122618, State Correctional Unit; Chesterfield, VA.

Please drop both of these men a note of support for their action, which was intended to highlight poor safety and security procedures at the plant which management had downplayed or ignored.

WHY WE SHOULD DROP THE BOMBS

it would be so exciting
it would be so powerful
it would punish us for our sins
things wouldn't be so boring anymore
we could get back to basics
we could remember who we love
it would be so loud
it would be so hot
the mushroom clouds would rise up
we could start over
we wouldn't have to be afraid of it anymore
we wouldn't have to be afraid anymore
we would finally have done it
better than Raskolnikov
it would release our anger
in the ultimate tantrum
then we could rest

-Alia Johnson

WANTED: Original graphics and drawings, preferably movement oriented, by persons who have been jailed for anti-nuclear activity.

NNNPSC desires donations from activist/artists to illustrate notecards for a fundraising project. Our Newsletter is free and we'd like to keep it that way!

For more information and to donate work, write:

NNNPSC
Box 1812
Madison, WI 53701

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PRISON SUPPORT COLLECTIVE
BOX 1812
MADISON, WI 53701

-OR-

Box 1221
EUGENE, OR 97440

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