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INFORMATION ABOUT AND SUPPORT FOR JAILED AND IMPRISONED ANTI-NUCLEAR ACTIVISTS

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Euromissile Protest Continues at Home

As the mid-December operational date for the cruise and Pershing II missiles neared, opposition in this country continued to mount. Particularly on the weekend of December 10-12, demonstrations occurred at nuclear sites across the country. Arrests occurred at six places during this time.

TUCSON

At Davis Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson, Arizona, a total of 19 people were arrested on December 12 in opposition to cruise training there. Three former peace campers scaled a communications tower near the site of the peace camp, and from the top unfurled a banner opposing the cruise missile. Lillian Hall and Deb Barnabee face federal trespass charges and Meg Fox faces a re-entry charge. Seven people were arrested on county charges as they walked in the front gate. Nine women entered the base on the side opposite the camp location. One group leafletted personnel for half an hour before being arrested, while the other group planted a tree and settled down to a picnic lunch before their arrest. Everyone arrested on this day was released on their own recognizance.

For more information, please contact the Tucson Peace Camp; c/o Casa Maria; 401 E. 26th St.; Tucson AZ 85713.

BOSTON

In Boston, a conference titled "New Trends In...Missiles, Systems and Technology" was the scene of large protests on December 12 and 13. The New England Campaign to Stop the Euromissiles coordinated an affinity group based action at the meeting of industry researchers teaching business managers how to sell their deadly wares to the Pentagon.

On the morning of December 12, demonstrators gathered outside the hotel that was hosting the conference. They picketed, painted shadows of nuclear victims on the sidewalk, sang and chanted. When police charged the crowd with horses, many in the group responded nonviolently by sitting down. More than 30 people were dragged away and arrested, including one reporter, a legal observer and one person pulled from the crowd nearby. During the day, several groups of people attempted to gain entrance into the sixth floor conference rooms or leaflet inside the hotel lobby. At least two dozen were arrested inside the hotel as a result. In the afternoon, four musicians and a clown, part of a moving picket in front of the hotel, were arrested on disorderly conduct charges. The ACLU has agreed to take up their defense.

A total of 70 people were arrested during the day, charged with disorderly conduct or trespass. All held solidarity, demanding group processing before their release. Authorities had tried to separate seven women who gave their name as "Karen Silkwood", but the crowd would not allow it. As the court neared its closing time, 100 people standing vigil in the hallway outside refused to leave until all those arrested had been released. Officials finally conceded. The last people to be released were the musicians and the clowns, who came out with their instruments playing and singing "down by the riverside". The vigilers joined in and everyone exited the building singing and dancing.

The next day a man dressed as a clown made his way to the podium of the conference. Holding up a large zucchini, he implored those attending to stop building weapons and grow zucchini instead. He was also arrested and released that day.

In related actions, at least 40 physicians, members of the New England Medical Center, phoned the hotel to express their displeasure with the conference. The medical center, which has traditionally held its Christmas parties there, informed the hotel that it would never do business there again. A group of activists who had reserved a room in the hotel during the conference released 1000 cockroaches inside, and with leaflets and stickers reminded conferees that only cockroaches will survive their technology. The presence of the demonstrators was nervously alluded to by participants throughout the conference.

Two juveniles who were arrested were

given trial dates of January 9. Those charged with trespass were given trial dates of January 25 or 27, and those arrested for disorderly conduct will be tried on January 26.

For more information, contact the New England Campaign to Stop the Euromissile; 2161 Massachusetts Ave.; Cambridge MA 02140; (617)492-6446.

SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA

On December 12, five people were arrested at Motorola in Scottsdale, Arizona. Among other military contracts, Motorola produces components for Pershing II missiles.

The affinity group which the five activists belong to has attempted since this past June to talk with James Linncicome, vice-president and general manager of the Motorola plant. After letters and repeated phone calls brought no results, a more direct approach was decided upon. Ken Seaman, Murray Tepp, Leroy Mason, Rob Van Nutt and Sharon Harrington attempted

to enter the Motorola building to speak with Linncicome. Sharon and her eight-year old daughter Maggie tried to present Linncicome with a copy of the Dr. Suess book "The Lorax".

"The Lorax" is a long verse about a factory owner (the Onceler) who hoards valuable resources (a certain tree) for the production of useless products, polluting the planet in the process. The Lorax pleads with the Onceler to stop, finally touching his conscience as the last of the trees is consumed. The Onceler entrusts the last tree seed to a friend of the Lorax, bidding that it be nurtured until the trees repopulate the planet and can be used to meet the true needs of the people.

The five were arrested and charged with third degree criminal trespass. They were held all day and then released on their own recognizance. Their pre-trial is scheduled for December 27. For more information, write to the affinity group c/o the Nuclear Resister; Box 37, Tempe, AZ 85281.

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Refuse the Cruise Canada ~ U.S. Solidarity Days



There were protests in most states and provinces of North America on December 2-3, at about 80 locations across the continent during Canada--U.S. Solidarity Days. A total of more than 100 arrests took place in Oregon, Arizona, California, Michigan and New York.

At the Canada--U.S. border station known as Peace Arch (Washington State/British Columbia), Canadian and U.S. activists set up a peace camp for the two days. On the afternoon of December 3, 153 citizens from both countries crossed the border into Canada. Border authorities ordered them to stop and comply with legal entry procedures. The groups declined to do so, and the authorities allowed the international delegation to proceed. Once inside Canada, the group declared the area to be a Cruise Free Zone.

Most of the early December protests stressed opposition to planned flight testing of air-launched cruise missiles in western Canada, scheduled to begin in January, 1984. Numerous protests, while opposing U.S. leadership in the nuclear arms race, also wove in opposition to military intervention in Central America, the Caribbean and the Middle East.

For more information on these events, contact the People's National Clearinghouse (formerly People's Test Ban Clearinghouse) coordinators of the events, at Box 42430; Portland OR 97242; (503)227-5102.

SEAL BEACH

On December 5, two days after a massive die-in during pouring rain at the Seal Beach Naval Weapons Station in California, 13 people were arrested as three waves blockaded the main gate. Four men arrested were released on their own recognizance the same day, while eight women and one man, including two septuagenarians, remained in jail for three days. At the group's arraignment all thirteen pleaded no contest and received time served. Before

sentencing, many in the group made statements of their faith in God rather than weapons.

Seal Beach arms the entire Pacific fleet, conventional and nuclear, including the 16' shells recently fired at Syrian troops from the battleship New Jersey.

MICHIGAN

A week of protest and resistance at Williams International in Walled Lake, Michigan began on Sunday, November 27 with an interfaith prayer service. Nearly 1500 people from Michigan, Ohio and other states attended the service at the manufacturer of turbine engines for the U.S. cruise missile arsenal. For each of the following five days, 200-350 people gathered each morning to leaflet and support small groups engaging in civil disobedience. Groups participating during the week-long blockades included the Detroit Peace Community, a senior citizens group and several Michigan towns and cities.

Matt Goodheart wrote from jail: "Several actions were well planned. The Detroit Peace Community tried to chain the gates closed but the guards stopped them before they could lock the chain. The group from Milwaukee chained themselves to a cruise missile model 20 feet long and sat down in the driveway. To sum up the week, Covenant for Peace blockaded the driveway with children's toys, with me dressed in a clown costume riding a large rocking horse. It was great! A real week long celebration of life."

Nightly programs were held for participants. On Thursday evening sheriff's officers came with a search warrant and removed literature, mailing lists, film and cameras and a video-tape. It has since been revealed that at least three and possibly six police undercover agents attended some of the sessions.

Participants and organizers of the action gathered in the face of an injunction which prohibited civil disobedience at the plant, and under the threat of conspiracy charges being filed. During the week, a total of 53 people were arrested and charged with from two to seven charges-- in all cases including either conspiracy to trespass, conspiracy to disturb the peace, and/or conspiracy to obstruct an entrance in addition to the charges of trespass, disturbing the peace and obstruction. The conspiracy charges carry a maximum penalty of one year in jail. All but one were also charged with contempt for violating the injunction. On that charge, about 40 people pleaded guilty and were sentenced to thirty days in jail. One man, Maurice McCrackin, was held for ten days because of his total non-cooperation. At that time, he was released after a not-guilty plea had been entered on his behalf. Four of those in jail were released on December 12, 13 and 14 when the

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Resistance Reflections

Felice and Jack Cohen-Joppa, editors

1983. The Fast for Life. Persistent resistance to Trident across the country. Prayers made and wheat planted at missile silos. Protest against the cruise and Pershing II soared toward the end of the year. Doors and gates woven shut. The Nuclear Train meets resistance in many towns and cities along the tracks. Political repression in Canada on the rise. Peace camps spring up in desert and countryside and cities, nurturing local activism. People bringing the commitment to resist home from mass actions to local representatives of the death machine. At the same time, regular presences continue at the Pentagon, Rocky Flats, Livermore Labs and elsewhere. Security is placed in question at nuclear facilities all over the country, as nonviolent protesters make their way into supposedly secure areas. Protesters trek into the backcountry of Vandenberg Air Force Base to stop the first MX test flight. A "Death Factory" flag is raised inside Rocky Flats. More swords are beaten into plowshares, more blood is spilled, more webs are woven among us. You can't kill the Spirit!

Civil disobedience against nuclear power and weapons increased dramatically this year. As we look back on 1983, we note over 5,300 women and men arrested during at least 140 actions at over 60 different sites across the continent. This is a significant increase over the 1982 total of about 4,500 arrests, because it involves so many more individual actions at so many more new locations.



A special thanks to Mom for watching Cassidy and keeping us fed while we worked on the last two issues!

Resistance has also taken on a more global perspective in 1983. There were three different international days of protest this year, all involving a great deal of nonviolent civil disobedience. The U.S. deployment of cruise and Pershing II missiles in Europe has helped to create a more unified effort between peace movements in different countries, as the realization grows of our common peril and responsibility. American women joined their British sisters at Greenham Common, and Greenham women came to spread their commitment in the United

States. Americans have also engaged in civil disobedience in West Germany, including a recent plowshares action which damaged Pershing support equipment there. And Canadians and Americans have both ignored the border when engaging in resistance in either country.

What shape will resistance take in 1984? It is up to each of us to take individual action and responsibility for our future. We are creating another page in the history of nonviolent resistance--let's make sure it is not the last.

Joyous Winter Solstice

Merry Christmas



Happy Hanukkah

A peace-filled New Year

Greetings of hope as we approach this new year, 1984, to all of our friends, old and new, and to those we have yet to meet!

Love, Jack, Felice and Cassidy

Refuse the Cruise (cont.)

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sentencing judge ordered them released on their own recognizance. At press time, 34 remained in jail, expecting to be released after serving 25 days of their sentence.

Jean Hutchison, a woman from Greenham Common, was arrested on Friday and charged only with three counts of conspiracy. Another man who objected to her arrest was cited for interference but his charges were later dropped. Finally, one young blind woman had all charges against her dropped. She is working on a discrimination suit to be filed against Oakland County authorities in association with the National Association of the Blind.

Contempt hearings for those pleading not guilty to violation of the injunction, and pre-trials on the other criminal charges have been scheduled for various dates through the end of December. At one hearing already held, a judge dismissed charges of disturbing the peace and conspiracy to disturb the peace, saying that they applied only to disturbing meetings. He also gave his opinion that charges of obstruction and conspiracy to obstruct may only apply to labor law. He instructed defense attorneys to file briefs on the matter, which the attorneys feel could be successful in removing those charges.

On December 14, Prosecutor Brooks Paterson asked all three Walled Lake judges to disqualify themselves from the cases. No decision is expected on that request until next week.

Meanwhile, regular vigils are continuing at Williams International.

For more information and to express support please contact Covenant for Peace; Box 1831; E. Lansing MI 48823; (517)485-2828, (517)337-7301, or in Detroit, (313)824-6865.



Covenant for Peace is asking that letters demanding an end to cruise missile engine production be sent to Sam Williams, President; Williams International Corporation; 2280 West Maple Rd.; Walled Lake MI 48088. Also, letters supporting the resistance at Williams International should be directed to Brooks Paterson, Oakland County Prosecutors Office; Courthouse Tower; Pontiac MI 48053.

SENECA

At the Seneca Army Depot, five women were charged with re-entry on the base on December 3. Two pleaded no contest and were fined \$50, and the other three face trial on December 17 and 23.

LIVERMORE

Nine persons arrested following a die-in outside Livermore Labs on December 2 had their charges dismissed. Two others, arrested for assault as they were supporting the action, have pleaded not guilty and await trial.

TUCSON

In Tucson, eight people were arrested during a demonstration at the gates of Davis Monthan Air Force Base, where cruise operators are trained. Six walked across the line onto the base and were arrested for trespass. Two women, photographers for the local press, were also arrested when they did not move quickly enough to satisfy D-M security. Authorities offered to drop their charges if they promised not to file suit against the county. Of the other six, two pleaded no contest and were sentenced to write letters to U.S. and Soviet officials. The others await trial. In the aftermath of the action, the county sheriff announced his displeasure at being forced to do the "dirty work" for the Air Force and arrest the protesters.

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LIVERMORE

Clancy Dunnigan, Charles Meyer's, Todd Mitchell, Laura Magnani and Anne Bucher were arrested December 12 at Livermore Labs, and charged with trespass. All pleaded no contest and were sentenced to 24 days in jail. Due to good time allowance, all are likely to serve about 15 days. The women are to report for jail on January 9 and the men on January 5.



Letters can be sent to the five individually at Santa Rita County Jail; Box 87; Pleasanton CA 94556.

GRIFFISS AFB

On December 10, at Griffiss Air Force Base in nearby Rome, New York, 16 people received ban and bar letters for a blockade of the gate. Five returned immediately after their release and were charged with re-entry and disorderly conduct. Arraignment is scheduled for December 15. On December 12, five persons were charged with disorderly conduct at Griffiss, and four of the group were also charged with blocking an entrance. Three pleaded guilty to their charges and were fined

PORTLAND

Many employees of Precision Castparts Corporation were late for work on December 2, as people blocked the entrance gates to the Portland manufacturer of titanium castings for air-launched cruise missiles. A few miles away, two affinity groups paid a surprise visit to the Precision Castparts corporate offices. A total of 58 people were arrested for trespass at the two sites. More than 40 of those arrested remained in jail for five days, refusing to identify themselves or giving other names.

On December 7, prosecutors dropped charges against 49 of those arrested, citing a lack of "sufficient evidence". Of the other nine, six, including three grandparents, pleaded no contest and were sentenced to 40 hours of community service. Two more are expected to enter the same plea on December 15. One woman, Martha Odum, told the judge she was not guilty of anything, that she did not build nuclear weapons. A pre-trial for Martha is scheduled in January.

For more information, contact Northwest Action for Disarmament; Box 4202; Portland OR 97208; (503)222-7293.

\$20, which they refused to pay. Trial and arraignment for the other two is scheduled for December 15.

Karen Bettle, a supporter, was arrested for disorderly conduct as she drove away from the action site. A judge found her guilty and sentenced her to a \$35 fine plus \$15 court costs. Karen refused to pay, and appears for sentencing December 14.

SENECA

Several arrests have taken place recently during small actions at the Seneca Army Depot and in nearby Geneva, New York. On December 6, one person was arrested at the Depot. Scheduled to be arraigned on December 12, the person returned on that day to the gates of the depot instead.

On December 8, three women were arrested and charged with mischief for plastering anti-war stickers and painting the windows of the Geneva Recruitment Center. All spent one night in jail and are to be tried December 14.

On Saturday, December 10, ten people walked onto the depot's airstrip shortly after a transport plane had left, presumably for Europe, and held a candlelight vigil there. Seven were charged with re-entry that day and the rest received ban and bar letters.

On Monday, December 12, nineteen people entered the depot, and ten were charged with re-entry. Arraignments for these two groups is scheduled for December 19.

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Thanksgiving at Griffiss AFB

At about 4:30 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Jackie Allen, Clare Grady, Dean Hammer, Karl Smith, Elizabeth McAlister, Vernon Rossman and Kathleen Rumpf entered Griffiss Air Force Base at Rome, New York to voice their emphatic opposition to the first strike cruise missiles deployed there. They found an open hangar, and inside, a B-52 bomber and cruise missile support equipment.

The group hammered and poured their blood on the bomb bay doors of the B-52 and 6 B-52 engines to show their determination to bring about disarmament one dent at a time. In addition they acted to show their belief in taking personal responsibility for ending the nuclear arms race in face of governmental unwillingness and inability to do so. They spray painted the words "Stop Cruise" and "320 Hiroshimas" (in reference to the destructive capability of a B-52 armed with a full complement of cruise missiles) on the aircraft. The seven anti-nuclear protesters also pasted pictures of children to its fuselage, thereby calling to mind the innocent victims of war. They were also able to make a phone call to friends, telling them of their action, using a phone inside the hangar.

When the seven had completed their work inside the hangar, they went and stood outside, holding banners and praying. They waited there for an hour and finally had to go flag down a security car and explain what they had done. At that point, they were put aboard an Air Force bus for some four to five hours with their hands cuffed behind their backs. The handcuffs remained on for eight hours.

When the Plowshares' lawyers entered the base to see their clients they were humiliated and threatened. One of them was handcuffed, threatened with conspiracy charges and searched. The other lawyer, an older woman, was also threatened and harassed. They were not permitted to see their clients and were told to leave.

The initial hearing was held the next day in Syracuse. They were charged with intentional destruction of national defense material, destruction of government property with damage over \$100 (a felony), and conspiracy to commit the above-mentioned acts. They asked the judge not to set bail, stating that instead Ronald Reagan and many others should be served with an indictment the group had written, charging Reagan et al., with breaking international law through supporting the current arms buildup.

The seven stayed in the Syracuse City Jail until their arraignment on December 12. They all entered creative pleas and were released on their own recognizance until their next court appearance on January 23.

This Plowshares action was the sixth in a series which was begun in September of 1980. It brings to life the scriptural passage "and they shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks" (Is.2:4). The actions come about after much prayer and many meetings together. The groups are motivated by biblical visions of peace and justice, and feel strongly the presence of the Holy Spirit in their work.

For more information about the Griffiss Plowshares, to express support or to donate financially, contact Ellen Grady or Mary Loehr; c/o Peacework; Triphammer Mall; Box 4793; Ithaca NY 14852; (607)257-1852.



What Child Is This?

Canadian Resistance

Canadians continued to protest their government's complicity in cruise missile production and testing. One man, Peter Grayson, faces up to seven years in jail for pouring red dye on one of two signed copies of Canada's new constitution. He explained that the document had already been sullied by the agreement to allow cruise testing.

Near Toronto, a rally and three days of civil disobedience in front of the Litton Systems factory which manufactures cruise components resulted in over 140 people being charged, most for trespass. Twenty-nine women were arrested during the first action on November 14. On the 16th, 34 more were arrested in an action linking Litton to the construction of counter-insurgency training camps in Honduras. On Friday, November 18, at least 30 more arrests were made in front of Litton, including some people who had also been arrested earlier in the week. All but three of those arrested were released the same day.

Joanne Young and two others arrested on the 18th refused to cooperate and were held in jail, fasting. The two were released on November 23 when, after receiving threats of violence, they identified themselves to authorities. Joanne was held until a trial on November 30 when she was convicted. Sentencing is scheduled for January 11. Joanne, a math teacher, has since been suspended from her job by the Board of Education. Although her contract allows her to take ten days off for unspecified reasons at her discretion, the Board ruled that demonstrating for peace was not an appropriate excuse.

Most of those arrested appeared in court again on December 12, to have a date set for trial. The court sought to set separate dates for all, but the group countered with a demand for a group trial and total non-cooperation with the court. Singing, dancing, web-weaving, etc. filled the courtroom and the judge was finally forced to retreat and adjourn the hearing until December 19.

In Ottawa, three members of the peace camp on the front lawn of Parliament Hill locked themselves inside a war memorial chapel there on November 29. Jack Savage, Stephanie Coe and Jonathan Levett were arrested after nearly 2½ hours and charged with trespassing. They are free awaiting trial.

For more information, contact the Against Cruise Testing Coalition; 112 Danforth Ave.; Toronto, Ontario M4K 1W1 CANADA; (416)461-7003.

Minnesota Women Peace Campers Build Bloodied Cairn

The Minnesota Women's Peace Camp was established early this fall on the front lawn of Sperry-Univac, a St. Paul manufacturer of fiber-optic data transmission systems for ground launched cruise missiles. On November 9, women from the camp were joined by others at the St. Paul federal building in support of British women who, on that day, filed suit in the U.S. to try and stop the illegal deployment of cruise nuclear missiles on their soil.

For part of the action, the name of each U.S. military base in Europe was read aloud, while a rock representing the base was dipped in blood. The crowd responded with "the blood of the world is on our hands". Then the rocks were piled to build a cairn, or burial mound.

Women who pitched tents were immediately arrested. Others were able to finish the blood and rocks action, but were arrested when they began to weave yarn around pillars in front of the federal building.

Amy Gardner, Sharon Jaffe, Zoe Nichol, Nancy Johnson, Shayna Berkowitz, Julie Derby, Drake McTavish, Nancy Mosier, Kate Weise and Phyllis Wiener were arrested and dragged into a small room in the federal building where they were detained for about an hour and a half without being told their charges or having their rights read. They were eventually charged with disorderly conduct, but as yet have not been contacted for an arraignment date.

On December 4, the yurt which served as home at Sperry was burned to the ground. Arson was suspected but not certain. On December 9, 10 and 11, women attempted to pitch camp again at Sperry but were prevented from doing so and arrested for trespass. Over the three days, 21 women were arrested. Finally, on the 11th, the women pitched camp across the street on a small strip of state-owned land. Two days later, the state informed them that they would be arrested if they did not leave within three days.

For more information, and to express support, please contact the Minnesota Women's Peace Camp; c/o Women Against Military Madness; 3255 Hennepin Ave. South; Minneapolis MN 55408.

Inside & Out



(release date if known, in parentheses)

Leonard Peltier 89673-132, Box 1000, Marion IL 62959.

Helen Woodson (Feb. '84), D.C. Jail, 1901 D St. SE, Washington, D.C. 20003.

David Moody (in Jan. 15, out Jan. 24), Ventura County Jail, Victoria Ave., Ventura CA 93001.

Ladon Sheats (Jan. or Feb. '84), Box 7, San Pedro CA 90731.

Linda Ventimiglia #81023-202 (fall '84), Veritas Unit, Box 2000, Leestown KY 40511.

Roy Bourgeois #10890-083 (Feb. '85), Federal Prison Camp, Box 33, Terre Haute IN 47808.

Larry Rosebaugh #81020-020 (fall '84), U.S. Federal Prison, La Tuna TX 88021.

Many dozens more people have served from one to thirty days since the last issue of the Nuclear Resister.

Will Kerling (Jan. 22, '84), Southwest Multi-County Jail, Box 1887, Dickinson ND 58601.

Tom Cordaro (early Jan.), Federal Correctional Institution, Sandstone MN 55072.

Fr. Darrell Rupiper (mid-Jan.), Douglas County Jail, 710 S. 17th St., Omaha NE 68102.

Mary Stair (Jan. 2), Boone County Jail, E. Ash St., Columbia MO 65201.

Clancy Dunnigan, Charles Meyers, Todd Mitchell (all in on Jan. 5), Laura Magnani and Anne Bucher (both in on Jan. 9), Santa Rita County Jail, Box 87, Pleasanton CA 94556. All in for 24 days.

Julie Belmas, Ann Hansen, Gerry Hannah, Doug Stewart and Brent Taylor, Oakalla Prison, Drawer 0, Burnaby, B.C. V5H 3N4 CANADA.

RECENTLY RELEASED:

Kathy Jennings, Ron Krum, Peter Carmen, Steve Marsden (out Dec. 28), Rob Whiffen, Mike Mather, Diane Reinhardt, Ken Dudek, Kevin Kroll and Kevin McGuire.

Tucson Peace Camp Evicted

The Tucson Peace Camp, which has been a provocative thorn outside Davis Monthan Air Force Base since tents were first pitched last June 20, was forced to close on November 28. Before and since then, however, the camp has helped to inspire many acts of creative resistance to the training of cruise missile operators there, while also gathering the support of the Tucson city council and both of the city's daily newspapers.

On November 11, six members of St. Michael's and All Angels Episcopal Church in Tucson, including the junior clergyman, were arrested as they attempted to enter Davis Monthan. Charged with trespass, five of the group pleaded guilty and were sentenced to write letters to U.S. and Soviet officials about the arms race. Joel Ireland, the clergyman, pleaded not guilty and faces trial in January.

On November 21, the Air Force asked the city council to evict the campers, who had lately been living on Air Force land which had been eased to the city for road construction. Only the mayor publicly supported the Air Force. One council member said he personally supported the encampment but felt bound by his constituents to support the mayor. The rest of the council voted in favor of the camp remaining.

The mayor himself sent a letter to the county sheriff asking him to remove the camp. The county attorney advised that the Air Force did still have the right to ask that the camp be removed. A decision was then made to evict the campers on Monday, November 28.

Early in the morning of the 28th, unaware that the camp was to be broken that day, Rhea

Miller and Meg Fox scaled the fence and proceeded towards the cruise training buildings. They carried with them a bag of items representing typical American Christmas presents--a Cub Scout scarf, apron, toys, etc. They set the contents ablaze, a reminder of the reality of nuclear fire. A second bag containing a live Christmas tree, presents, a creche and Advent messages was also emptied and displayed as a hopeful reminder of how Christmas should be. Meg and Rhea then chained themselves to the door of the training building where they remained for 1 3/4 hours before being discovered and arrested for trespass. Both were released that day on their own recognizance until their trial on December 30.

Later that day, sheriff's deputies, supported by Air Force security, arrived to evict the campers. A local Justice of the Peace had previously offered to act as a mediator between Davis Monthan, the sheriff and the campers, but Davis Monthan refused. Camp was broken, culminating in the arrest of seven people for trespass. Jim Walsh, Brian Flagg, Karen Raymond, Faith Roseberry, Valerie Townsley, Jim Orlando and Steve Kyllonen were released that day, and returned on December 7 and 8 for arraignment. Four pleaded not guilty--two will be tried January 7 and two on January 17. Two pleaded no contest and were sentenced to write letters to Soviet and U.S. officials. Brian pleaded no contest and was excused from court without being sentenced.

Arrests made at Davis Monthan on December 3 and December 12 are noted elsewhere in this issue, as is the address to contact for more information.

Greenham Women's U.N. Action

On November 14, the day the first cruise missiles arrived at Greenham Common Royal Air Base in England, eleven women were arrested as they spread a banner reading "In the name of humanity--HELP--Cruise will kill us all" across the steps up to the United Nations Plaza in New York City. Four British women and seven American women were charged with resisting arrest, criminal trespass and disorderly behavior by New York City police.

After spreading the banner, the group was informed they were on U.S. property within the United Nations, and asked to leave. They offered a straight swap--cruise off British territory for peace women off U.S. territory. No deal. All were strip searched before charges had formally been brought, and released the same day. All cases have been shelved pending dismissal in six months.

Nuclear Train Blocked Three Times



A recent shipment of Trident missile motors from Utah to Sub base Bangor met resistance in at least three communities. On November 7, groups of people blocked the railroad tracks in front of the trains in Rochester, and Elma, Washington, and were removed without being arrested.

Outside the gates of the Trident base later in the day, Joyce Sundin, Lisa Morrow, John Williams and Don Whitman were arrested and charged with "blocking a legally operated train" after being removed from the tracks. Trial for the four is scheduled for January 3, 1984.

For more information about the ongoing Nuclear Train campaign, and to express support for the four, write to Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action; 16159 Clear Creek Rd. NW; Poulsbo, WA 98370.

Franciscan Witness at R.C.A.

Last August 9, ten members of St. Francis Inn Franciscan community in Philadelphia went to the R.C.A. plant in Morrestown, New Jersey, where components for the Navy's Aegis weapons systems are made. They knelt on the steps of the V.I.P. entrance with banners and leaflets, where they remained until the next morning. Then four of the group entered the lobby and were promptly arrested. Charged with "the usual assorted misdemeanors", Rick Sieber, Pat Sieber, Margaret Rumsey and Tom Innis were given a seven day suspended sentence and one year of supervised probation on September 20 at the Morrestown Municipal Court.

For more information on joining with this community for future nonviolent direct action at R.C.A., contact Rick or Pat Sieber at St. Francis Inn; 2441 Kensington Ave.; Philadelphia PA 19125; (215)423-5845.

OCTOBER DAYS OF PROTEST

In an action we missed in our last issue, eight members of the Quad City War Resistance Community were arrested and released on October 24 as they blocked the entry of the Rock Island, Illinois Arsenal. Charges of blocking an entrance, re-entry, disobeying an officer and crossing at other than a crosswalk were dropped in early December. Rock Island Arsenal is home to the U.S. Army Armament Material Readiness Command (ARRCOM), which is responsible for, among other tasks, managing the "transfer, accountability and direct assembly action" of our nation's nuclear arsenal. For more information, contact the Davenport Catholic Worker; 806 W. 5th; Davenport IA 52802.

G.E. Walk-On

In Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, 48 people were arrested on November 22 as they and their supporters took "another step for peace" during an ecumenical prayer service and walk-on at the General Electric Space Division headquarters there. People willing to risk arrest walked onto GE in pairs or small groups, stopping to pray, hold communion, release balloons, hold a Hebrew prayer service, etc. As each group entered the property, a ram's horn trumpet was sounded. The walk-on concluded with blood being poured on the GE logo and sign at the site entrance.

All those arrested were released that day, after being issued a citation for trespass. Twenty-nine of the group requested a hearing date. They were fined \$100 plus \$43 court costs to be paid within 30 days or appealed. The group is considering an appeal. The other 19 people did not respond to their citation and are waiting to hear from the court.

For more information on the continuing six-year campaign at GE Space Division, please contact the Brandywine Peace Community; Box 81; Swarthmore PA 19081; (215)544-1818.

St. Louis Students Arrested

On November 11, a group of students from St. Louis and Washington Universities entered the corporate headquarters of General Dynamics corporation in St. Louis. Calling themselves "Citizens for a Safer World", the group went to the executive offices on the 23rd floor. They asked to see the officers of the company, intent on asking their help in achieving the student's objective of a safer world. The company refused to meet with the group--perhaps aware that the group would ask General Dynamics to refuse military work. General Dynamics is a major supplier of nuclear weapons.

The eleven then sat in the foyer until police arrested them for trespass. All were released that day, and are awaiting a trial date. For more information, contact Citizens for a Safer World; c/o CALC; 3753 W. Pine Blvd.; St. Louis MO 63108; (314)535-2252.

WRITINGS FROM JAIL THE INSIDE LINE

Paul Hood was released from jail on November 24 after serving a 30-day sentence for his part in the Nagasaki Day offering of peace doves to the workers of Draper Lab in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The following is from a letter he wrote to supporters on October 27, shortly after he entered jail.

"The jury found us guilty of criminal trespass for kneeling in prayer, for bringing a gift of peace doves to the employees and for refusing to leave the property being occupied by Draper Weapons Laboratory.

"But did their 'verdict' (speaking the truth) touch the real guilt of all of us? As preparations continue unabated for the wholesale slaughter of all of God's children in the world, why do we fail to do a single blessed thing of any significance that poses a risk to our personal comfort or our profligate way of life amidst suffering throughout the world?

"Thirty days in jail... little more than the average vacation we take for fun... is a small first step in the face of monstrous evil. But what can I do? What can we do? I honestly do not know...

"...Clearly, my time here is meant for preparation, for opening myself more fully to the Spirit's leadings. So while I am here I will fast, praying only to be open to God's will."

For more information on regular vigiling at Draper, contact the Ailanthus Community; 23 Dartmouth St.; Boston MA 02116.



Marion Lock-Down Permanent Letters Needed for Peltier

For some time now on these pages we have encouraged readers to support Leonard Peltier. Leonard is a Native American political prisoner whose case represents opposition to the foundation of the nuclear industry--the mining of uranium from the earth. (Readers unfamiliar with the case of Leonard Peltier are urged to contact the Leonard Peltier Defense Committee; Box 1492; Rapid City SD 57709 for details.)

By acknowledging Leonard as an imprisoned anti-nuclear activist, we are failing to acknowledge many other Native Americans imprisoned because of their defense of native lands and culture. It is not because we feel the cases of Richard Marshall, Dino and Gary Butler and other Native American activists are less important. They are not. But because other publications provide a better focus on native issues than we can, we leave more extensive coverage to them.

Leonard's particular circumstances are directly related to a secret deal by Sioux tribal officials who signed away substantial native lands in South Dakota for mineral development--including uranium. For this reason, and because of our belief that the struggle for peace and justice in this country will soon involve greater civil (and we hope nonviolent) resistance on native lands, we again appeal to our readers to support Leonard by writing letters on his behalf.

Currently, Leonard and the entire Marion Federal Prison population have been on lockdown since October 28. The deaths of two guards and a prisoner in the segregation unit led to the lock-down, and recent statements from prison officials indicate that what was initially an emergency response to a tense situation has now become the standard procedure. Prisoners report that for some time, the administration has been looking to manufacture a pretext for bringing on the lock-down. From now on, prisoners will be kept in their cells up to 23½ hours per day, visits have been curtailed and forty new guards, brought in as a "security squad" are roaming the prison, physically abusing and intimidating the prisoners.

For one month after the lockdown began, Leonard fasted. He had heard persistent rumors that he was to be poisoned. His fast ended when the commissary was re-opened and he is now eating only pre-packaged foods.

The Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals, which is currently considering an appeal of Peltier's request for a new trial, seems to be leaning in the direction of granting his petition. As the possibility of a new trial, and the embarrassment it would bring to the government grows larger, Leonard's life is in greater danger.



The Leonard Peltier Defense Committee is asking people to write at least three letters in support of Leonard. They remind us that a large volume of letters, as well as phone calls to the prison expressing concern have already helped. On several occasions, public pressure has kept Leonard from being placed in the control unit at Marion, where the "suicide" rate is greatly higher than in the prison population as a whole.

First, letters are needed supporting Leonard's bid for a new trial. The motion is based on 12,000 pages of recently released FBI material which clearly demonstrated how they fabricated their case. Write to Judges Donald Ross, Gerald Heaney and John Gibson; Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals; 1114 Market St., Rm 511; St. Louis MO 63101.

Second, letters demanding that Leonard be transferred from Marion to a federal prison closer to his family in North Dakota or Minnesota should be sent to Norman Carlson, Director; U.S. Bureau of Prisons; 320 First St. NW; Washington, D.C. 20534 and Harold Miller, Warden; Marion Federal Prison; Box 1000; Marion IL 62959.

Third, please also write to your congressional representatives and ask them to press for a full accounting of activities taking place at Marion.

Also, please spend a few minutes and phone Marion at (618)964-1441 during this holiday season, just to remind them that you are concerned and monitoring the situation of Leonard Peltier and the lock-down. If you have written letters, please let the prison know this, too.

When you do write letters to officials about Leonard's case, please send a copy to the Leonard Peltier Defense Committee; Box 1492; Rapid City SD 57709.

More SAC Resisters Jailed

Seven more people were sentenced on November 15 for their repeated acts of entering the grounds of the Strategic Air Command Headquarters at Offutt Air Force Base near Omaha, Nebraska. Joyce Glenn, Rich Koeppen and Mike Palecek served sentences of ten days (one day off good time) from November 28-December 6. Sr. Joyce Horbach began serving a 25-day sentence on November 28. Margaret Olsen began serving a 30-day sentence on November 29. Fr. Darrell Rupiper began serving a 50-day sentence on November 28, and Tom Cordaro began a 55-day sentence on November 15.



Please send a note of support to the following people who are likely to be in jail until the new year. Fr. Darrell Rupiper; Douglas County Jail; 710 S. 17th St.; Omaha NE 68102. Rupiper may soon be transferred to the Metropolitan Correctional Center; 71 W. VanBuren; Chicago IL 60605. Tom Cordaro; Federal Correctional Institution; Sandstone MN 55072.

Southern California Blues

Following the arrests October 24 of 71 people at various El Segundo, California arms contractors and an Air Force division there, all but five of the protesters pleaded out of the system with sentences of time served. Abby Kirk, Colleen Ashly and Jack Nounan pleaded not guilty and face a pre-trial in mid-December.

The most shocking outcome was following the trial on November 15 and 16 of Sanderson Beck and Glafko Sikelianos. Both represented themselves in front of a jury, which convicted them of their charges. They were given a sentence of 60 days plus three years of probation. When both refused probation, Judge Roosevelt Robinson ordered them to serve 120 days in the county jail.

Judge Robinson responded to the pressure of letters earlier this year by releasing Jeff Dietrich after 30 days of a six-month sentence had been served. That sentence had been imposed for a case that was over one year old and Robinson had never dealt with before.

At a hearing on the matter on December 12, Robinson refused to modify the sentence. A lawyer for the two requested that they be released pending appeal of the sentence, and the judge responded by setting an appeal bond of \$3000 each. Normal appeal bonds on misdemeanor charges are set at \$500, with the defendant needing only to come up with 10% of the total in cash to be released. In this case, Robinson added to the insult by refusing to accept 10% (or \$600) and demanding full payment. Supporters are contributing to a bail fund, and the two were to be bailed out pending the sentencing appeal on December 14.

Sanderson and Glafko will face a bench warrant from another court as soon as they are released. Along with David Moody, the two were to appear in court on December 9 in Ventura County. The three refused a sentence of three years probation for obstruction at the Pt. Magu Pacific Missile Test Center on June 20, 1983. David was sentenced to 15 days in jail. Having already served eight, he will turn himself in on January 15 to serve the remaining seven days.



Letters of support can be sent at that time to David Moody; Ventura County Jail; Victoria Ave.; Ventura CA 93001.

On Tuesday, November 15, Bill Phipps appeared in San Diego municipal court on charges dating from a June 20 action at the Ballast Point sub base. In court, Judge Ronald Mayo called Bill and other activists "lousy rats who lie in the street and foster civil disobedience" and threatened to throw him in jail if Bill so much as mentioned nuclear war in his defense. Bill pleaded no contest, but the next day asked to change his plea to not guilty and demanded a jury trial. He also asked that Mayo remove himself from the case. Mayo replied, "I believe I could give you a fair trial" but removed himself anyway. Phipps new trial on those charges has been scheduled for January 16.

In a related case, Adam Weber was sentenced to 90 days in jail for his part in the June 20 blockade. Adam had refused probation and a fine, and when jailed commenced a total waterless fast. After five days and with his health deteriorating, Adam was taken before the judge. At this time, he accepted a sentence of probation only.

Also on Wednesday, November 16, Bill Phipps and Barbara and David Owens appeared before Judge Richard Curran for trial on a charge of trespass at General Dynamic's Convair plant following an August 6-9 prayer service there. All were found guilty and given the unusually harsh sentence of six months in jail. Curran suspended one day of Phipps' sentence and 45 days of the Owens' sentence, and placed David and Barbara on three years probation. Upon hearing of the sentence and the group's plan to appeal it, Judge Mayo, despite his criticism the previous day, posted Bill's \$250 bond. Bond was also posted for David and Barbara, and all are now free on appeal.

Art Casey, also arrested on August 9 at General Dynamics, was tried November 11. Found guilty, he was sentenced to two days of community service and a \$100 fine.

As a final update on General Dynamics protests, 20 people arrested there on October 24 will be tried on December 16 in San Diego.

For more information, contact the Catholic Worker; 2232 Island Ave; San Diego CA 92102 or Ballast Point Organizing Project; c/o CEAN; Box 33686; San Diego CA 92103.

UPDATES

Twenty Crawdads AVCO Trial Jury Out Jailed

The Missouri Court of Appeals recently confirmed the sentence of 21 opponents of the Calloway nuclear power plant in that state. All are members of the Crawdad Alliance. Small groups, totalling 18 people, have been following one another into the county jail system to serve the remaining nine days of the 14-day, \$200 fine and two year probation sentence. During that time, two other Crawdads, Rose Levering and Willie Maxwell, served sentences of 45 and 30 days respectively. Rose Wise, who had been sentenced only to pay a fine, must now do so. The final person to serve nine days is Mary Stair, who will begin to serve her time on December 24.



Letters of support can be sent immediately to Mary Stair; Boone County Jail; E. Ash St.; Columbia MO 65201.

Silence One Silo

On November 15, Will Kerling was sentenced to 90 days in jail for his October 24 entry on the Minuteman III missile silo near Conrad, Montana. He told the judge he was once a strong supporter of the government and its defense policy. A part of him still is, he added. Referring to his conviction that the arms race is out of control, he went on to say "there's another part of me that will resist like hell, and that's the better part of me."



Please send a note of support to Will Kerling; Southwest Multi-County Jail; Box 1887; Dickinson ND 58601.

Quonset Point Update

Five Rhode Islanders appeared in court in early December on charges resulting from their Nagasaki Day action at the Electric Boat facility at Quonset Point, Rhode Island. Joyce Katzberg and Sam Rose pleaded not guilty and in separate trials were found guilty. Their next appearance in court has been set for January 4. The cases against Kate Champa and Karen Topakian were nollied (suspended pending dismissal).

Bill Boston changed his plea to no contest to the charges of disorderly conduct and malicious mischief. When he refused to pay court costs and \$5 restitution to Electric Boat, the judge declared he had "spit on the constitution" and ordered him jailed without bond on December 9 until he paid the fine. He was also charged with contempt. On December 12, Bill's fine was anonymously paid and he was released from jail.

Blockaders Acquitted, Cops Accused

At trials on December 12 in New Hampshire, two groups of people who participated in the October 22 blockade at Pease Air Force Base were acquitted when public defenders proved that in fact the police, and not the demonstrators, had blocked the road. These groups had blockaded only one side of the entrance road, and the police line had extended across the entire gate. Five people who had been arrested before the police created this line have had their cases moved to Superior Court for a jury trial. A small number who pleaded no contest were sentenced to perform community service, and one group from Vermont could not attend the trial due to bad weather. Diane Reinhardt, who had gone to jail November 7, served only one week of her 22-day sentence before being released.

Trial began on December 6 for the AVCO Plowshares in Lowell, Massachusetts. Last summer, the seven had entered the AVCO Systems Division in Wilmington, Massachusetts and hammered and poured blood on missile components and blueprints.

The judge refused to hear testimony relating to International Law, but did allow expert testimony in front of the jury addressing a defense of justification. As a result of his rejection of International Law, testimony of biologist George Wald and survivors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki were excluded. In the case of the latter, the judge remarked that the "history of 1945 is not relevant here". Historian Howard Zinn, defense analyst Paul Walker, former Admiral Gene LaRocque, Richard Falk (who had to convince the judge he would speak as a political scientist rather than as an expert on International Law) and Daniel Ellsberg were permitted to speak to the full court, as were defendants Agnes Bauerlein, Jean Holladay, Mary Lyons, Macy Morse, Frank Panopoulos, John Pendleton and John Schuchardt.

After the defense had rested its case on December 14, the judge announced that they had failed to prove the necessary requirements for a claim of justification, and informed the jury to disregard all testimony on that point. During an emotionally charged moment near the end of the trial, the judge engaged in a bit of dialogue with supporters in the courtroom. During the exchange he remarked, "You have to understand...I'm being directed by higher ups".

The judge also changed the charge of "malicious destruction" of property to one of "wanton destruction". As we go to press, we are still awaiting news of the verdict. For more information, contact Centerpeace; 550 High St.; W. Melford MA 02156; (617)488-0376.



Bay Area Resistance

Following up on the court cases resulting from resistance in the San Francisco/Livermore area has become challenging even for lawyers involved in the defense work. Below is our best effort at updating these cases.

On November 14, eleven people, representing about 240 defendants from the June 20 civil disobedience action at Livermore Labs, went on trial. The judge disallowed any testimony on International Law, defense of necessity or the "malice" component of the law. One prosecutor remarked, during the debate on International Law, that "If this argument were true, we'd all be war criminals". Some of the jury, after delivering a guilty verdict, announced their displeasure at not being allowed to hear the arguments. "We felt like mushrooms, being kept in the dark with manure spread on top of us", remarked one.

First offenders were sentenced to time served in jail. Defendants with two or three previous arrests were sentenced to an additional 15 days. One person, with five previous arrests, was sentenced to 30 more days in jail. All sentences have been stayed pending appeal.

On the last day of the trial, ten of the defendants and five spectators were charged with contempt for refusing to remove black armbands in court. The spectators were held for the day at Santa Rita Jail, and the defendants sentenced to 16 hours of community service.

Following a series of civil disobedience actions in San Francisco's financial district on October 24, charges pending against most of the group have been dismissed. Two men still await a trial date on charges of resisting arrest, and two women still face trial on the original infraction. About 15 people, part of last April's Good Friday action at Livermore Lab, are scheduled for trial sometime in January.

If you are in need of more information or a contact address about the actions updated on these pages, please write to us and we will provide it.

Update Files



We had the pleasure of attending the trial of Felton Davis III in federal court in Newark, New Jersey on December 13. Felton was found guilty in a 30-minute bench trial for trespassing at PICATINNY ARSENAL in NEW JERSEY. Apparently recognizing that Felton would not accept probation, pay a fine, perform community service or be deterred by a jail sentence, the judge sentenced him to one week in jail, which he is now serving...Arguments in favor of various defenses, including international law, will be heard on January 3 in the cases of seven people arrested October 24 at LITTON in GRANTS PASS, OREGON. A trial is expected sometime in late January. Regarding 13 Litton defendants who refused to pay fines imposed for a June 20 action, no action is expected until the end of their probation period, in May, 1984...In MINNEAPOLIS, hundreds of people arrested on October 24 at HONEYWELL have been given individual trial dates beginning in January, 1984 and extending into 1985. Persons appearing in the last few weeks for pre-trial hearings have been told to wait until April for their case to proceed when the Supreme Court of Minnesota is expected to hand down its ruling on the "claim of right" defense which led to the acquittal of some Honeywell defendants last summer. Trials scheduled to begin early next year are expected to be delayed until April for the same reason... Nigel Cottier's trial for a SILENCE ONE SILO action in MONTANA last October 24 has been postponed until December 15. A former Nebraska governor, Jack Morrison, is representing Nigel...At the scheduled date, a Rhode Island judge refused to consolidate the trials of eight WOMEN OF FAITH. Two of the Trident resisters were tried separately on December 12. The judge first issued his decision that intent did not pertain to the case, and that any mention of Trident or International Law would be forbidden. Joan Ballas was found guilty by a jury of 12, and will be sentenced on January 5. Francis Crowe, whose jury panel contained six of the twelve who had just heard Joan's case, told the judge that she did not think a fair trial was possible with his restrictions. Francis chose to remain in "prayerful silence" for the duration of her trial. She too was convicted and will be sentenced January 6. The other four women begin their trials on January 17...Scott Gesner, arrested October 9 at ROCKY FLATS, was found guilty of trespass. He is out of jail awaiting his sentencing on December 19. Jay Hamburger, arrested at the nuclear weapons factory on October 24, will be tried on December 28...Michael Stewart recently served five days in jail in NEW MEXICO for his part in the October 24 blockade action at the LOS ALAMOS NUCLEAR WEAPONS LABORATORY. Several people fined for "concealing" their identity have not yet paid their fines, and one woman still awaits trial after pleading not guilty to concealing her identity...Six women were convicted on November 16 of re-entering the SENECA ARMY DEPOT and fined \$50 plus put on three months probation. All refused to pay the fine. Action is expected soon against at least two dozen women who have refused to pay fines imposed for protest at Seneca...Dan Enright and Les Donher, who appealed their conviction following an action last June 20 at KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE in ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO have been granted a new trial, set to begin January 30. No trial date has been set yet for their part in a similar action on October 24. Two others who pleaded not guilty following the October action at Kirtland are scheduled to be tried in mid-January...Sister Pat Mahoney, who was supposed to be reporting to her probation officer after her release from jail for ROCKY FLATS protests, has recently reached an agreement with the judge on the matter. Pat observed that "for me, to willingly go to that probation office would be an act of contrition. I'm not sorry for what I did and I'm not sorry for calling Rocky Flats a death factory. I'm not going to the probation office because I don't want to disavow what I did... They have gotten their pound of flesh". Judge Zita Weinshienk asked to meet personally with Pat, and out of that meeting came an agreement that Pat would write the judge four times a year for the duration of her probation, giving her current address and stating whether she has been arrested again...Five members of the Puget Sound Women's Peace Camp who had entered a GOEING CRUISE MISSILE ASSEMBLY PLANT in KENT, WASHINGTON to talk with workers on September 27 were convicted in early December on charges of trespass and criminal impersonation. Sentencing is scheduled for January 25, 1984...

Update Files



At a court appearance in CHICAGO, people arrested at MOTOROLA during the October 24 protests took several different routes through the legal labyrinth. Charges against one juvenile were dropped. Several people stipulated to the facts and, along with a smaller number who were convicted during bench trials that day, were sentenced to three months supervised probation and a \$50 fine, due by February. About six people have a trial date set in January, and several support people who were unintentionally arrested will be tried later in December. This group intends to contest the legality of their arrest. Rich Hutchison and Aaron Lisec, charged while leafletting at NORTHROP CORPORATION on October 21, paid a \$40 fine imposed for their offense. Neil Dunaetz and Danny Rochman have gotten a continuance for their trial until January. They had received their summonses in the mail long after the incident in question. Finally, one woman who was arrested last June 20 has had her case dismissed because of her poor health... Trial for Molly Rush and Liane Norman for their action at ROCKWELL INTERNATIONAL HEAD-QUARTERS in PITTSBURGH last April has been postponed until the first week of February... Contrary to our previous reports, the August 6-9 and October legal protests and civil disobedience in PITTSBURGH were organized by the Thomas Merton Center, and not the River City Nonviolent Resistance Campaign. River City has sponsored weekly vigils alternating at the offices of Westinghouse and Rockwell in Pittsburgh, as well as other civil disobedience at the two locations... At the last minute, after expert witnesses had already arrived in town to testify, trial was postponed for the Peace Blockade Eight, the group of FT. COLLINS, COLORADO activists who laid their bodies in front of a train carrying fully assembled nuclear warheads through their town last March 19. Citing what he viewed as more important cases on his docket, the judge put the trial date off until January, 1984... Jim Mullin was recently convicted of trespassing at the FERNALD, OHIO NUCLEAR FUEL PLANT last July 23. He received a sentence of two days in jail, which he had already served, plus 20 hours of charity work which he was allowed to complete at the Catholic Worker House where he works... Pat Coy is appealing his conviction for trespass at the GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATE HEAD-QUARTERS in ST. LOUIS, and so is not facing jail for his refusal to pay a fine imposed on him... Those of you who have gotten this far reading "Update Files" must certainly appreciate the organization necessary for the two of us editors to keep track of all this information. Our thanks to you! It would be impossible to do so without the assistance of friends involved in the struggle locally who keep us up to date... Six members of Salem Resistance were sentenced November 28 for refusing to pay fines imposed after their action at VITRO LABORATORIES in MARYLAND last spring... Jill Colman must perform 40 hours of community service. Scott Duffy, Paul Magno, Rick and Gay Sanseverino and Claire Schaffer all served three days in the Montgomery County, Maryland Detention Center. At the sentencing, Paul Magno noted "we are today being jailed... for our faith. World events of recent weeks underscore the urgency and rightness of our act. If anything, our act was not enough"... For their protests at the PENTAGON, Andrea Primdahl and Jim Perkins are to be tried December 16 (postponed from November 18). Charges of blockading against four of five people who appeared in court November 18 were dropped, and a bench warrant was issued for John Sheil, who did not show. Charges were also dismissed on the same charges for seven persons who appeared on December 2. Several German nationals arrested on October 24 with the others do not plan to answer their charges in court, having returned to Germany. Brigitte Cook has yet to be tried for her part in a blood-pouring action with Helen Woodson at the AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM on August 8... After his pre-trial ruling against the use of a justification defense, a judge in Pennsylvania acknowledged that the defense had raised significant points and ordered the issue to a higher court for a ruling. Consequently, trial has been delayed for 12 people who blockaded the THREE MILE ISLAND NUCLEAR POWER PLANT last May... Some of the

FUTURE ACTIONS

DIABLO CANYON

After Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approval, a last minute stay from the courts and the loss of the legal appeal, Pacific Gas and Electric began loading their Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant on November 15. As a result, the Diablo Site Collective has decided that the "People's Emergency Response Plan" will begin on Friday, January 13, 1984. This is the starting date of what will be an extended campaign of nonviolent direct action at the plant, involving affinity groups acting autonomously in the back-country, around the plant, in front of the gates or doing support work of many sorts in San Luis Obispo.

In order to maintain a strong presence for as long as possible around the site, the Travel Agency Collective, (805)541-6217, must be contacted prior to the planned arrival of individuals and affinity groups. They will facilitate housing arrangements and the scheduling of different actions at the plant.

For more information on participating in this final effort to stop Diablo Canyon before it "goes critical", contact the Diablo Project Office; 452 Higuera St.; San Luis Obispo CA 93401; (805)543-6614.

CALLOWAY

The Calloway nuclear power plant in Missouri is scheduled to go on line this spring. Civil disobedience is planned. Contact the Crawford Alliance; Box 2041; St. Louis MO 63158.

TMI

A major civil disobedience action is being planned at Three Mile Island in March, since restart of the undamaged Unit 1 looks imminent. For more information, contact the TMI Public Interest Resource Center; 1037 acelay St.; Harrisburg PA 17103; (717)233-4241.

A MODEST PROPOSAL

"A Modest Proposal" is being circulated by the Atlantic Life Community for a continuous human presence at the Pentagon for the entire year of 1984, day and night, fair weather or foul--"fasting, praying, being a sentry for peace and justice". If you wish to make a commitment for one or several days of presence at the Pentagon in 1984, please contact Jonah House; 1933 Park Ave; Baltimore MD 21217; (301)669-6265.

PROJECT E.L.F.

An extended civil disobedience campaign is being planned in opposition to the Navy's Project ELF in northern Wisconsin and under construction in Michigan's upper peninsula. Citizens Against Trident/ELF (CATE) will be holding a vigil at the Wisconsin site monthly after January 1, and will engage in community education and outreach prior to beginning a series of civil disobedience actions in mid-April. For more information, contact CATE; Box 364; Webster WI 54893; (715)866-8322.

WITHOUT LOVE, LAW ALONE

Without love, law alone
Remains unaltered, unimpressed
By the atom and Hiroshima's echoes.

Without love, law
Remembers legal precedent alone
(outside the Decalogue)
Which hasn't prevented barbarism
Nor kept even itself from dealing death.

Without love, law
Labels criminal the acts of peace
Contravening itself!
Entrenching its authority to coerce,
Imprison, murder.

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Sanctions the apocalypse
Legitimizes the abandonment of reform
Agrees with capital that life's value
has limits.

Without love, law alone
Acknowledges no superior
Short of the universal death that it
Breathes without saying and
Speaks without naming
For fear of its truth:
Omnicide is legal.

March '82
by J. M. LaForge

fifteen people who face federal charges following the October 22 civil disobedience action at DAVIS MONTHAN AIR FORCE BASE in TUCSON have had their charges dropped. Others have had their trial postponed until December 28. Winnie Hall, Rhea Miller, Karen Raymond and Brian Flagg also face trial that day on charges of re-entry of the base... Seven women arrested as they wailed and mourned German complicity with American nuclear policy during the visit of West German president Carstens in PHILADELPHIA were convicted on November 25 of four of the five charges against them. They received a suspended sentence... Angela Brown and Bert Keser's trial was postponed from December 13 until February 13, 1984, on charges filed after they organized a march which took a forbidden route. Both face additional charges of the same nature for a march which took place on December 3 in TORONTO... Ken Deyarmond's trial for allegedly attempting to assault Margaret Thatcher in TORONTO has been postponed until mid-January. Witnesses to the event say Ken was clearly shoved into Thatcher's path and then violently subdued by police... Brian Burch has had a December 15 trial rescheduled sometime in February, and has also learned that a warrant has been issued charging him, with willful violation of probation imposed after his conviction for pouring blood at the Canadian consulates of the nuclear nations in TORONTO.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

...The Waukegan Catholic Worker community is compiling a free directory of groups and individuals that would be interested in offering overnight hospitality to folks involved in peace and justice ministries throughout the world. To be included in the directory, send in your name, address and phone number. They will send a copy of the directory to everyone listed. Those interested should write to tom merrigan; Anawim House; 509 N. Genesee; Waukegan IL 60085.

...August 5-9, 1984, The Black Hills, South Dakota--a national networking conference, "Non-violence in Education and Action". From their current proposal:

"We are right now engaged in discussions with many sorts of people and organizations about the conference. We do come to them with a set of identifying concepts: nonviolence, education, networking. But we are sincere in saying that we want the precise shape of the conference to emerge from these discussions. We do not wish to approach interested parties

with a finalized agenda, seeking only their support..."

For more information, contact Greg Spanton; Conference on Nonviolence; 802 11th Ave.; Brookings SD 57006; (605)688-4518.

...1984 War Resisters League Calendar and Appointment Book "Against the Tide", Pacifist Resistance in the Second World War, An Oral History. This attractive desk calendar has 128 pages (5 1/2 x 8 1/2) and is wirebound for convenient opening. This handsome and informative calendar is only \$5 each, or four for \$18. Make check payable to War Resisters League; 604 W. Chapel Hill St.; Durham NC 27701 or War Resisters League; 339 Lafayette; NY NY 10012.

Vigil Directory Planned; Contributions Needed

At the suggestion of a reader, the editors of the Nuclear Resister are assembling a directory of regular presences at nuclear-related sites. We believe that such presences are an essential means of support and nurturance for a growing resistance movement.

We ask that all readers please contribute to this listing by sending us information about any regular presence--daily, weekly, monthly or seasonally--at nuclear-related sites. Let us know the nature of the presence--peace camp, picketing, silent vigil, prayer service, leafletting, etc.--the frequency, time of day and place, plus an address and/or phone number for interested persons to contact if they wish to take part in the presence.

If you know of a vigil in another town, or of one sponsored by another group, please contact the vigilers and ask them to get in touch with us. Or gather the information from them and send it on to us yourself. We need your help to make such a resource happen!

Please send this information as soon as possible to Box 37; Tempe AZ 85281.

ACTION REPORT FORMS AVAILABLE

As resistance continues to grow and intensify, our task of chronicling actions and following up to keep track of people who might be in jail for extended periods of time grows increasingly difficult. In this regard, we rely very heavily on the support of readers. If you are a member of an affinity group or organization involved in civil disobedience, please, take the personal responsibility to keep us informed as actions occur and the resultant cases progress through the courts.

To make the reporting of actions easier, we have a special "action and jail report form" which we will gladly send to anyone on request. These are invaluable aids to those in your group doing support and media tasks. Please do not hesitate to request a supply of these forms for possible future use. Please help us help you!

Networking Itinerary

As we travel back to Arizona, we will be stopping in some cities along the way to speak with activists about civil disobedience. We have confirmed a date in St. Louis, Missouri for Friday, January 13, 1984. The following week we will be in Columbia, Missouri and Kansas City. Please contact CALC; 3753 W. Pine Blvd.; St. Louis MO 63108; (314)535-2252 for more information.

NEXT ISSUE - FEBRUARY

As we prepare to leave the east coast and journey back west to Arizona, we are feeling more than a little burned out. It has been very valuable for us to meet with resisters and their supporters as we travel, but the lack of personal space to retreat to for necessary revitalization, and the intensity of producing three information-packed newsletters while on the road have taken their toll. Consequently, we will not be publishing again until early February, after we return to Arizona.

HELP!

Our trusty old typewriter is broken. The last few issues have proved to be too much for it, we're afraid. The one we are using for this issue is rented, and that can become expensive. We very much need to purchase a new typewriter for the Nuclear Resister. Please, if you can afford to do so, send us money for this extremely important and necessary item. Make checks out to the Nuclear Resister; Box 37; Tempe AZ 85281, and note that it is for the typewriter fund. Thanks!



Tom Keough

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Who we are, what we do

The Nuclear Resister is published about every six weeks to help support jailed and imprisoned anti-nuclear activists. We encourage active support for these people, primarily by asking readers to write letters of support to those behind bars, and when desired, letters supporting resisters to industry officials, judges and prosecutors.

The National No-Nukes Prison Support Collective was founded in 1980. As stated then, our goals are:
--to foster a wider public awareness of imprisoned nuclear resisters, their motivations and their actions.
--to build a link between the anti-nuclear movement and the prison movement, with the aim of educating anti-nuclear activists about the daily destruction of lives in the prisons of this country.

We believe that in any significant movement for social change, many committed individuals are imprisoned. Behind bars, they are physically isolated from their supporters and their own resistance activity is limited. We believe that support for the imprisoned activist is essential to the success of the movement for a nuclear-free future.

Our information comes from a variety of sources--movement publications, the resisters themselves and local activists. We are deeply indebted to all who send us information. Please help by sharing information about actions with us.

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