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GENIE RIPPED OFF AGAIN

In her second dope-related bust in two weeks, Rainbow Peoples Party member Genie Plamondon was arrested by Kent County Sheriff's deputies the night of Saturday, August 14 just as she was about to visit her partner, Pun Plamondon, at the Kent County Jail in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Held in maximum security until being transported in chains to the Washtenaw Co. Jail in Ann Arbor early Sunday morning, Genie was arraigned in front of Judge Patrick Conlin at the Chelsea courthouse Monday morning and released on a \$500 cash bond shortly thereafter.

The charge against Genie this time was "possession of narcotics"--to wit, the single joint that local police say they found on Genie during a "weapons search" when she was popped in front of the Rainbow House three weeks ago for allegedly "conspiring to possess marijuana and hashish" in Kent County. Members of the Rainbow Peoples'

Party first learned of the bust shortly after it occurred (at about 8 pm) Saturday when they received a call from fellow RPP member Bill Goodson who had gone with Genie to Grand Rapids. The visit that was thwarted by the police nab scene was to be the first time that Genie had seen Pun in two weeks. (Pun's being held four floors underground at the Kent County Jail while awaiting trial for alleged possession of two phony draft cards.)

When Genie arrived at the Jail she stepped to the desk to register, at which point Deputies instructed her to step into a side room. Genie was instructed that Kent County police had received a telegram authorizing them to hold her on a possessions warrant issued in Washtenaw County. Refusing to let Genie see Pun, deputies placed her in a "maximum security" cell in which she was in full view under the 24-hour glare of bright light bulbs, until

her transfer at 2 am Sunday morning.

Investigation by the RPP had revealed that the warrant used to arrest her 150 miles from home was issued shortly after the bizarre "conspiracy" bust and had been in effect at least ten days, during which Genie had been at her home on Hill Street or out in the Ann Arbor community, totally accessible to the local police who held the despicable document.

For the ride back to Ann Arbor Genie was treated to the back seat of the shiny black Buick Elektra that is the personal property of Washtenaw County Sheriff Douglas Harvey.

"The detectives told me it was 'Number One's car'," Genie recounted, "and they asked me if I knew who 'Number One' was." Genie's feet were shackled together and her arms chained to her side throughout the ride, including during a stop for coffee when the chains made it impossible for

Genie to hold her cup.

At Washtenaw County Jail Plamondon was placed in a dormitory cell with four black sisters, one of whom had been there since June because she couldn't post a \$5,000 bond.

People's lawyer Denny Hayes represented Genie at the Chelsea arraignment Monday morning, where she appeared chained at the arms again.

"The cops really were pissed when Judge Conlin gave Genie such a low bond," Hayes said.

A bondsman posted the \$500 shortly after Genie was returned to the Washtenaw County Jail. The bond previous was paid out of the money collected for Genie in an un-precedented-this-year move by the Park Program Committee of the Ann Arbor Tribal Council at the Sunday park concert bucket drive (which went to something other than expenses for the Park Program itself).

Genie is free again!

MORE MARIJUANA REPRESSION

Snakes, dogs, tapeworms, pigs, vampires, rats, roaches, three-toed sloths, centipedes, jackals, and ugly-snouted tapirs, all disguised as human beings, have been hard at work in the state the last few weeks as undercover anti-marijuana agents for various Michigan police agencies hysterically dedicated to repressing the youth colony and its sacraments.

In addition to the despicable harrassment of Genie Plamondon and the Rainbow People's Party by Washtenaw and Kent County police (detailed on page 1), other snake action in the state included:

*The bust of a brother named Cadillac Joe at the home of Ann Arbor Community Park Program activist Terry Hobbs. Joe is out on \$10,000 ransom on charges of sales and possession of between 5 and 10 pounds of reefer after allegedly making a sale to a State Police undercover agent disguised as a rational, sacrament-smoking human being.

*The unconscionable round-up of some 97 young freeks at the home of brothers Chris Keyes and Rudy Marquart in Livonia two weeks ago. In this case, police used an arrest warrant on a sales charge obtained by an undercover snake by means of illegal entrapment as an excuse to rip apart the house and detain many of its occupants, who were partying hard at the time.

*The Nazi-like railroading of brother Karl Poole of Ann Arbor in Sandusky up in the thumb of Michigan. Karl was stopped for a motor vehicle inspection and pulled from his car, (after it passed inspection), searched thoroughly, and arrested for possessing three joints alleged to have been in his pockets. Inside of 2-1/2 hours, Karl was tried and convicted of use of marijuana and sentenced to 20 days in jail without being allowed to make even one phone call and without saying a word in the courtroom or agreeing to enter any plea at all. (When a defendant stands mute, a plea of not guilty is automatically supposed to be entered for him or her.) Karl was also denied the right to consult an

attorney.

Meanwhile, Washtenaw County Prosecutor William Delhey (known as "Dufus" to intimates) admits that all marijuana prosecutions here have been under the state "Ten Years for Two



Joints" law and none under the 6-month old city ordinance making possession a 90-day misdemeanor. "Dufus" Delhey obviously feels that 90 days is not a big enough bomb to drop on young people, and he wants that 10-year bomb with which to rehabilitate more dangerous marijuana criminals.

So as the time approaches when the state legislature will compromise with reality and reduce marijuana offenses to a misdemeanor on the state level, the various police agencies are escalating the war on the youth movement to wreak as much carnage and economic piracy as possible with that 10-year bomb.

In the youth colony, we need to be more careful when holding the sacrament, always conscious of what to do if the police ride down on us, and we got to stop selling to strangers with weird vibes, period. And remember those words of Chairman Mao, "Fight, fail, fight again, fail again, fight on to final victory."

Power to the sisters and brothers who risk their freedom to bring the sacrament into the community!

Abortion Suit and Rally in Detroit

Fifty-one years ago, women in this country won their first victory--the right to vote. We are now within reach of a second victory--the right to control our own bodies. By working together and using a variety of tactics we will win this essential right.

The Michigan's Women's Abortion Suit demanding the repeal of all abortion laws will be filed August 31 in Detroit. There will be a rally with prominent speakers and guerrilla theater at Kennedy Square at noon. After the rally the plaintiffs and supporters will march to the City County Building to file the suit in the Wayne County Circuit Court. The Michigan Women's Abortion Suit wants to show the state of Michigan that the class action suit

really represents all the women of Michigan so an impressive turnout is needed and as many plaintiffs as possible are urged to participate in the filing.

There are now over 700 women plaintiffs who have signed the Suit--all from Michigan, and the goal is 1000 by the time it has to be filed. If you are interested in doing so call the Detroit office at 577-3409, women are also needed to testify in court about their own experiences and first hand accounts. If you believe women have the right to determine their own destinies and control their own bodies, come to Detroit at noon August 31, for a rally at Kennedy Square and then march with your sisters to file the Michigan Women's Abortion Suit.

Help Brother Calvin

About 8 months ago, another killer brother was ripped off from his people by a couple of Harveys Hogs. Calvin Franklin got ahold of some of this shit being sold as Mescaline, freaked out, and got picked up by Washtenaw County Staff Captain, Fredland. Calvin yelled that he was NOT going to jail for dope (he had three charges already). But instead he slashed Fredland's face with a 3 in. blade pocket knife and then Calvin was "finally subdued" after getting hit on the head with a 5 cell flashlight.

Fredland received 17 stitches on his face and temple, and Calvin received 7 stitches on his head and \$35,000.00 bond! (Which nobody could post). After five months at the County jail, he was sent to Ypsi State Hospital, until he is "Sane enough to stand trial." That de-

cision is left up to the doctors. By the sounds of some of his letters, that might be quite a while! Calvin's brain is slowly being drained and filled up with all of the honky brainwash bullshit that the pigs can feed him. One factor that is contributing to this is not enough support from his brothers and sisters! Now I know that he kept a lot of you people high and had some pretty good times with everyone. His parents and I are the only ones that write to him. If you know Calvin, or even if you don't take some of your spare time to tell him to Keep the Faith, and Keep it Together!

Write to:

Calvin Franklin
Box A
Ypsilanti State Hospital
Ypsilanti, Mich. 48197

--Debbie Falk

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

HOW DID YOU REACT TO THE LATEST APOLLO MOON LANDING?

BOB DRUMMOND: gas station attendant.

It's like the re-run of an old movie, I've seen it before. It didn't prove anything this time, like it proved the time Apollo 11 landed. It's all sorts dull really. I think we ought to stop sending up missions. All they've done so far is bring back a bunch of landscape and leave a lot of garbage up there. The money undoubtedly could go to better causes.



GLEN DEIBERT: medical student.

The moon landing was of course a fantastic effort scientifically. However, I think the scientific exploration to the moon is much less important than scientific exploration in other areas like medicine and urbanology. Too much attention has been applied to the areas where there is a great deal of national spirit, I wonder if that type of national spirit is more important than the type of real accomplishment we could make in the cities.



MRS. WALTER HINDER: housewife.

I admire how far science has gone, i.e. driving a land vehicle on the moon. But I do think that it is a terribly expensive program. The money should be used to help people. They should take care of their people first. It's an un-unifying thing. It's just another race for power.



LINDA PNG: student.

I think the rockets we shoot off should come from firmer ground. I think it should be a united effort and not just the United States. I think they should solve the earth's problems before going out to look for more. Science is greatly mis-used these days and should be used for domestic purposes. We have our hands full already.



Dear David, Lennie, Genie & People of the Rainbow Peoples Party: Enclosed are three Ozone tee shirts. This is all we have available now, but we hope to send you more when Paramount prints them up for promotion. The band is mixing down the album this week and next week. We hope it is released by the end of August or the beginning of September. The band has been playing a lot of small nice clubs around Santa Cruz and Stinson Beach. There were a lot of people in the park on July 4th for the Youngblood-Cody free concert--over 10,000 we think. Thanks for sending us the Sun and also we did receive the package with the Free John Literature and buttons. We sure hope that everything is going good to free John as well as Pun, Jack, and Skip. We've been getting the Sun a month after they come out. Is that because of the mailing hang ups or government intervention?

I'm going to get this mailed right now so I get it out today.
Love,
Bonnie, Joe, Commander Cody and all the Lost Planet Airmen and family.

To UP, c/o Frank Bach:

This is going to be a criticism of your band. Mainly because I think that criticisms make things better. Because afterwards they try to make them better.

Your sound is very muggy, like you can hardly hear the lead guitar and what you can hear is pretty scratchy sounding. Maybe it's because of the amps but I've never heard any other band sound like it.

I think you will take this to mind because the UP want to reach masses of people and don't want to turn them off because of a shitty sound.

Also--wanted to thank you for havin' that nice rap with you Wednesday. I started reading the Autobiography of Malcolm X. It's really good.

Here's some books I've read and dug a lot: Che Guevara Speaks and Diary of Che Guevara (very strange man...!), Is Paris Burning? (a great book)... 1984....

FREE JOHN!
Dave Koepf
Toledo, Ohio

Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to tell you about a recent experience of mine.

There is a school a few blocks from my house that holds a summer recreation program for kids up to the average age of 10. Well, one day I got my "FREE JOHN NOW" buttons in the mail and I handed them out to a bunch of friends. So we went into this school to play a little basketball and the organizer of this program stopped us and said to get out cause we were too old (we are 14) then he asked where we got the buttons and I spoke up. He started pushing me around yelling, "John Sinclair is an ass-hole and a little baby who wants attention." I don't argue with dumbasses so I left.

Later on that night (3:00 am) we all came up and painted on the bricks of the school, "FREE JOHN NOW", and "LEGALIZE GRASS."

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Letters

All together we used 4 gallons of paint. And now, 2 weeks later they have made attempts to remove this but have failed. Thank you for listening.

FREE JOHN NOW!
BRING PUN HOME!
Larry Fowler

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Hi, well here I am up in Alaska and it's 59°. How about that? It's beautiful up here tho, especially the mountains. The sun doesn't set until around 10:30 at nite and even after it sets it still never really gets dark. The people up here are really nice, especially the natives (Eskimos) who are a beautiful people. Quite a few freeks but being so far North they are naturally behind and out of touch with things that we think of as being quite natural. Like new music and groups, politics, etc. The only thing bad about living up here is that everything, especially food, is so damned expensive, because it has to be shipped in. Butter is \$1.50 a lb., and milk is 98¢ for 1/2 gal. And meat is outrageous even chicken! I will be taking some canoeing trips with Kyle's family to really remote places. It should be fun.

The trip across country was really far-out. We met a lot of nice people and were really surprised by the acception of us by people we expected to be hostile. Especially in Iowa and Nebraska. In fact, people were nicer to us all the way until we got to Portland, Oregon. And there, even the freeks were either hostile or indifferent. We went and saw Carnal Knowledge (a killer flick) and when we were walking back to the car we jay walked across the street and sure enough a cop car comes up. He was real young and I'm sure he hadn't been a cop more than a month. Anyway we got a "pedestrian citation" and the dumb thing is, that if you're out of state they don't enforce it. (You're supposed to go see a movie on pedestrian safety for the fine.) But still he made us stand out in the rain while he wrote each of us a separate ticket. The only nice thing is I got the feeling that he felt he was just doing his duty and would have given anybody a ticket who was breaking the law. Oh well, it was bizzar anyway.

Not much else to say. There is dope up here (weed, but no hash) not a lot but enough. I don't think there is near the bogus or smack drug problem up here which is OK. But a lot of kids up here do smoke dope. That's all for now. I'm really having a killer time!
Love,
Andy Fulton
PS I'll try to send an underground newspaper--if they have one!

People (Freeks, anyone)
I need a person to find a guy for me. His name is Tym Wallace. He's the leader of the White Panthers Chapter in Ohio. I know him and I've got to find out where he is. Could any of you

find him and tell him to contact me? And like I'm really down, I don't know where my head is at and I really need people now. Could you have some freeks who wouldn't mind write me. Right on People! Please write back.

Tracey Scott
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Troy, MI
648-1982

Love People, After receiving your paper on Monday and reading many times over the past week it is great enjoyment knowing that I am reading something that is relevant to change and caught up in that day to day struggle of destruction that is perpetuated by the life-denying system that trys to destroy our lives with death-giving commodities (food, cars, TV.) I really grooved behind your paper especially the articles by Brother John and the two sisters which was very informative, especially Across the Great Divide. I read them with much interest because I have always understood that before anyone can be free there must be total liberation of the people from their life-denying classifications of sex, race, and ideologies that refuse to allow the people to seek out their own life-giving forces. What I liked about Bro. John's article is that he was not afraid to look at all the male chauvinism that we are trapped in from habit of being our fathers sons, in this John Wayne society right out of Mad comic books. The two sisters struck me hard by my being Black and having not analyzed the problem from that perspective, though I have looked at racial divisions many times to see what is meant by change. Do we mean the exchange of power, which is not change but another form of subjugation. If one hates slavery, he cannot like it for someone else, this is what made me change my outlook towards women. But to say again those two articles laid me in the aisle.

About your music, I can see the relation of music to the Liberation of the People, because music has always played a part in the People's lives, until they took it, sterilized it, and placed it in a hospital for people to watch it heal; instead of allowing them to have it for their praise of love and life. Because music has the ability to release the fears, anguish, frustrations, inhibitions, ignorance, and prejudice that fills our daily lives. Music, if given the chance, is able to change the false ideologies of superiority, and give them a life-style unhindered by any class, race, sex or church. Yes, music purifies.

Yes, your astrology section was great, it makes the shit you read in the daily paper stink like most shit does. It was like going to school because I learn more from it than I have from all those commercial books I have read that only said the same thing the last book said. You are right on with your paper and I dig it the most.

Rainbow love,
Wesley Tekka Harris

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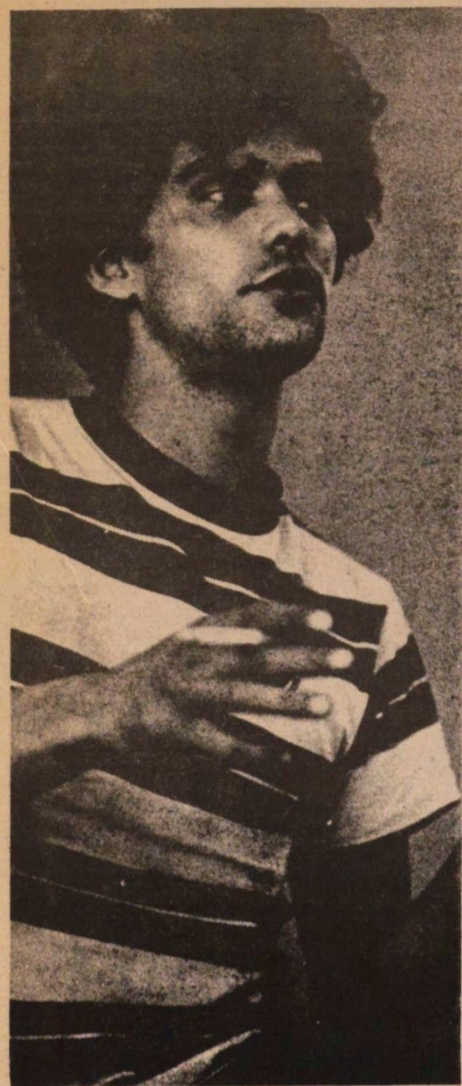
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PUN ON THE VOTE

We all know by now that it is Federal Law that all 18 year olds have the right to vote in all elections, State and Federal. What all of us don't know however, is that all 18 year olds who register to vote have the right to sit on juries in all State and Federal court trials. Jury lists are made up of voters registration lists, so if we want to sit on juries (I think we get paid \$15 a day for sitting on a jury) we got to register to vote.

The power structure, through the mass media, is going to try to hoodwink us, get us all wrapped up and excited about some foggy, old time, drag ass politicians. Old wine in new bottles. They'll parade musky Muskie in front of us, try to get us all trippin' over each other to vote in the national elections.

But that ain't where it's at, national elections ain't. Its very important that we understand that all men and women at the top of the political ladder are in agreement on one particular point, that is, they are each totally dedicated to preserving the present system of control, competition and greed. The top rats are committed to preserving, at all costs, the present distribution of wealth, the existing class divisions. They may disagree on certain tactics or political

manouvers, but they all belong to the same fraternity of mad doctors trying to keep a dying octopus alive.

The Republican Party will put all the weight of our national problems on the stooped shoulders of the Democrats. The Democratic Party will front off the important Republicans. But that stuff is all cold now, it may have worked on our parents, but we're hip to 'em. There is only one party in Babylon, the Property Party. The vampires who own property--land, factories, natural resources, these are the beasts who control the top rat politicians, whether they're Democrats or Republicans, they are all dedicated to keeping the peoples blood flowing to the vampires. We don't need a war on poverty, we need a war on the rich, Eldridge said. We need an Anti-Property Party.

Now that we have the 18 year old vote the power structure has made it possible for us to choose, every few years, which rats are going to set us up to be victims of the blood sucking vampires. What's the difference between Harry the Rat Truman and Ike Easyhower, or Barry Asswater and Lynchin' Johnson, or Hubert Minnesota Muskrat Humphrey and Richard the Rat-hearted Nixon? There has

been no real difference in the past, and there will be no real difference now.

We shouldn't get tricked into the power structure's game. But what we can do is start taking control of our immediate local communities. That's when we'll be dangerous, when we start choosing our own mayor, city council-men and women. When we get some of our own people on the County Board of Commissioners (the Board of Commissioners control the money of the county). Or the Sheriff (he controls the guns of the county), or the Board of Education, then we'll be as dangerous as dynamite. Of course when we start getting some brothers and sisters from the Rainbow Colony on our juries we can start getting some justice in the snake pit court rooms. We have a chance now to start seizing control of the institutions that affect our everyday lives.

We must sieze the time and seize this tool and use it to beat those vampires, rats, and pigs to death.

Power to the People--Seize the Time Register to Vote!

Pun Plamondon
Central Commitee
Rainbow Peoples Party

FILMGOER'S BOYCOTT CALLED BY ARM

A PEOPLE'S BOYCOTT against the so-called Orson Welles Film series has been called by ARM, a commune of sisters and brothers who show films on campus. ARM charges that Arthur Maurello, the capitalist founder and first "president" of Orson Welles, is behind the eight-month series of attacks on at least five other people's organizations showing films on campus: ARM, the old Radical Film Series at Canterbury House, the Radical Independent Party, and the New University Conference, and the Tenants Union.

In addition to plain capitalist greed, the motive for these attacks, according to ARM, is Maurello's far Rightwing

politics. He is a supporter of the so-called Young Americans for Freedom, the neo-fascist group that elected four candidates to the Student Government Council in the spring, running behind the "Student Caucus" front.

One of those elected, Brad Taylor, recently testified as a "friendly witness" before the infamous House Internal Security Committee, formerly HUAC, House UnAmerican Activities Committee. Taylor testified against the People's Peace Treaty movement, whose national conference in Ann Arbor last February he attended as a "journalist."

Maurello and the Orson Welles group have been under investigation by Student Government council since last spring,

when a People's Peace Treaty benefit showing of **THEY SHOOT HORSES, DON'T THEY?** was cancelled because of Maurello's pressure with the film's distributor, and vandalism against the Natural Science Auditorium, where the film was to have been shown. Immediately after that, the Welles groups advertised **THEY SHOOT HORSES, DON'T THEY?** in their summer series.

Information linking Maurello with the attacks has been supplied to ARM and the SGC by several former employees of the Orson Welles series, including several freeks, who were ripped off for their pay by Maurello.

ARM has called for the release of

the SGC investigation of the Orson Welles group, and demands--as conditions for ending the boycott. Orson Welles must sever all connections with Arthur Maurello and Ed Crossmore, the groups current president and Maurello's close associate; and a public statement in the Michigan Daily of those actions and their opposition to attacks on other groups by the Rightwing action group calling itself DisARM, which carried out the attacks.

SUPPORT THE BOYCOTT! DON'T GO TO ORSON WELLES MOVIES in Auditorium "A" Thursday and Friday nights. All Power to an Aware and Active People!



FLASH!... At the free park concert this Sunday in Diana Oughton Memorial Park will be UP, Guardian Angel, Bob Goldfarb's Blues Band, and Iron Horse Exchange. See you there!... FLASH!... No significant new developments on the Angela Davis Case since last ish--stay tuned for stuff as it happens... FLASH!... When a reporter called the Alma City Clerk's office to find out if 18 year old students who attended Alma College but whose parents resided elsewhere would be allowed to register to vote this fall, the office secretary replied: "I don't know if we can legally deny them the right to vote, but we're going to try".... FLASH!... The People's Food Coop has weekly meetings every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. on the third floor of the S.A.B. Come on over if you are interested in working with us or have any suggestions about what we can do and would like to help implement them. We also need recipes to share with the brothers and sisters in the Co-op. Bring any you have over to the SUN or call it in at 761-1709... FLASH!... Women's Liberation is apparently having its impact. Earth News reports that a special Gallup poll this week shows that two out of every three--or 66%--of all Amerikans would vote for a women for President. Two

years ago, only 54% of the registered voters who were questioned said they would vote for a woman. The first Gallup poll on a woman president taken in 1937 showed that only 31%--or 3 in 10--of Amerikans were willing to vote for a female candidate... FLASH!... Business Hours for the Rainbow House (communal headquarters and offices of the Rainbow People's Party, Ann Arbor SUN, and Up Rock and Roll Company) are from 10 in the morning till 10 at night. Please don't bang on our doors (unless it's something urgent of course, since there are workers here at all times) before or after then. People's Food Co-op participants especially please note: no biz before 10 a.m. or after 10 p.m.... FLASH!... The Rolling Stones next tour of the States, originally planned for this September and then postponed for January of '72, has been cancelled indefinitely. Work permits have been denied to Mick Jagger because he's a convicted dope "criminal." This one was going to really rake in the coin, with several closed-circuit television performances (just like the boxing matches and Indy races) planned by the tour's promoter... FLASH!... A couple of mistakes in past issues need correcting--the tenor saxophone player for the Carnal

Kitchen who did that killer interview on the new music in SUN #11 spells his name Mackay (not McKay, as we had it). Sorry Steve! And apologies to Hawg Tate (who manages the Alley as well as playing killer harp and singing for his new blues group), too, whose first name ain't Hog... FLASH!... The Ypsi Food Co-op is now a reality through self-determination. Take each \$4.00 order to 127 College Place before Thursday night. Pick up the goodies at 501 North Adams between 2 and 6 p.m. on Saturday. They need people to help bag the food plus they really need a van (theirs is falling into the junkyard ozone). For info call Nancy at 482-5942. Remember: the more people the better!... FLASH!... There's some bad acid around that looks like good old pink barrels, but it's got some weird shit in it that for some reason makes you feel just like you took some strychnine, Dealers and buyers beware!... FLASH!... The former business manager of the Grateful Dead will appear in court on September 14th to face charges of embezzling \$77,000 from the rock and roll band's accounts. Two felony counts have been filed against Leonard Hart who allegedly moved money and checks belonging to

the Grateful Dead to his own private company accounts. The Marin County (California) district attorney's office, which is prosecuting the case, said that most of the alleged check exchanges took place in 1969 and 1970. District attorney Gary Thomas said that one check for \$11,000--a payment from MGM to the Dead--was never received by Jerry Garcia or other members of the group. Hart is free on \$31,000 bail pending his September court appearance... FLASH!... If you take pictures in the community, bring them by the SUN for possible use, and if all you have are negatives, we can do a limited amount of printing in our tiny darkroom. We're constantly looking for more photographs for our local news and rock and roll pages, and would like to see what you're doing... FLASH!... Here's an important message passed on to us by a frecky friend: If you plan to travel west this summer, especially hitchhiking, beware of Colorado. As is Amerikan tradition, all that is not white and "respectable" is hidden or destroyed. In this case the target is "hippies." I just returned from jail in Boulder for picking up a hitchhiker--caught in a trap similar to a speed trap--and want to spread the warning. Hitchhiking is legal

there, due to a loop-hole in the "law," BUT! (1) You cannot be on the roadway (roadway being fence to fence on an expressway or highway or up to the curb on any other road) and (2) you cannot stop your car on these roadways. You are taken straight to jail, Assembly line bonded at \$50, and trial is about 1 month later. There are people in jail there waiting 30 days for trial for "walking on the wrong side of the road." The hassle with pigs is amazing, we were stopped in every town we went to... FLASH!... the Ann Arbor SUN is YOUR paper, and we urge everyone out there who's ever had an itching to pick up the typewriter and write to get down their raps and bring them by. We'd like to expand the local news section and cover everything that concerns all the different kinds of people that live in town. In order to grow properly the community needs information, so that everyone will know what's going on and where they can fit in. If you come across anything that might be of interest, get it down on paper and bring it by our commune at 1520 Hill Street. Writing might seem like an impossible task, but if you just figure out what you want and DO IT, you'll find it a lot easier than you thought it would be...



WHERE IT'S AT

One of the most important features of the rock and roll pages of the SUN since our first issue in April has been the up-to-date calender of Michigan bands that we call WHERE IT'S AT. Until recently we found WHERE IT'S AT to be one of the most popular parts of the paper--people around here cut out the calender to keep for reference as to where to go to hear the jams, and subscribers who got the paper all across Amerika got an idea of what kind of music scene we really had in Michigan and what bands were working the hardest.

Recently we've had to cancel WHERE IT'S AT because it's been impossible to find out where our bands are playing without actually calling them all up one by one and asking them. The reason? We used to get most of the listings from two booking agencies in Detroit by simply calling them up and writing them down; the long phone calls became too costly to us so we asked the agents if we could call them "collect." DMA, the biggest agency refused.

Yes, the people who make money off of our bands' jobs actually refused to pay for the phone calls that would allow all of you to know where "their bands" are playing! It doesn't make much sense, but it's just one indication of the outright stupidity of some of the people in the music biz--no wonder the music scene has gotten to be such a mess.

All this aside, we intend to keep WHERE IT'S AT alive because we feel it's an important service to music lovers and musicians alike, even if the music businessmen are too cheap to care. What we're asking is that individual band members, their

managers, or their agents call us every other week (before our 5:00 Monday deadline). Tell us when and where your jobs are at and we'll publish it here--if you don't care enough about your people to call then, of course, we won't.

What else can we say except that we hope to have a big WHERE IT'S AT (like not too long ago) again in the next issue. See you then.

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GOLD**
ROLLING PAPER



TUNE-IN

WABX/99.5 fm/961-8888

("The Big X" is on a rotating schedule now, so you never know who you'll get out of the list below...)

Jerry Goodwin
Dave Dixon
Mark Parenteau
Dennis Frawley
Ann Christ
Jim Dulzo
Larry Monroe
Dick Thyne

WDET/101.9 fm/577-4147

Bud Spangler--Mon 9-11:30 pm
Thurs 10-11:30 pm
Sat 9-midnight
Stew House--Wed 10-11:30 pm
Kenny Cox--Sat 5-8 pm
Charles Moore--Tues 10:30-2 am

WNRZ/102.9 fm/663-0569

Monday thru Saturday
Tiny Hughes--6 am-noon

Robert Young--noon-6 pm
Jon Citron--6 pm-midnight
Sid Clemons--midnight-6 am

WPAG/107.1 fm/662-5517

Bob Greenwood--8 pm-1 am
City Council Meeting (A²)--
Monday 8 pm

WRIF/101.1 fm/DJ4-WRIF

Monday thru Friday
Hank Malone--7 pm-11 am
Art Penhallow--11 am-3pm
Dan Carlisle--3 pm-7 pm
Paul Greiner--7 pm-11 pm
Peter Werbe--11 pm-3 am
Barbara Holliday--3 am-7 am
(Jerry Lubin is on vacation)
Saturday
Art Penhallow--11 am-4 pm
Peter Werbe--4 pm-9 pm
Dan Carlisle--9 pm-2 am
Sunday
Barbara Holliday--2 am-5 am
Paul Greiner--2 pm-5 pm
Barbara Holliday--5 pm-9 pm
Peter Werbe--9 pm-11 pm



WABX

99.5 FM

DIXON

PARENTAEU

FRAWLEY

GOODWIN

CHRIST

DULZO

(This issue I'm suspending my ROCK AND ROLL DOPE column in favor of the following statement, which is at least as important as anything I could fill this space with. It's the first formal statement of the PEOPLE'S BALLROOM project workers--originally intended to be ready for distribution at the People's Ballroom/Free John Now! benefit at the Grande Ballroom August 5, it didn't get together in enough time to be printed as a flyer so we're running it here. Stay tuned to the SUN for further developments... Frank Bach)

The People's Ballroom is a non-profit corporation organized by a number of people in the Detroit/Ann Arbor youth community with the purpose of creating a real alternative to the existing entertainment scene in this area. Our immediate objective is to open a People's Ballroom and cultural center for the community by the first of the year--a place where our people can come together to dance and listen to music in the highest possible environment at the lowest possible prices. We don't want anything less than a true people's ballroom which is completely controlled by the people of the community and operated in the people's best interests. That's why we have organized a non-profit corporation, because we want everybody to know that the day of the rip-off is over. And that's why we are holding a series of benefits, of which the dance/concert of Thursday, August 5 was the first, because the money for the People's Ballroom must come from the people themselves or else we won't be able to keep the control of our Ballroom in our own hands.

We believe that the near disintegration of our community has been a result of our not having any place of our own to go to where we can dance and get down in the music like we used to; we believe this is one of the main reasons why so many of our people are shooting death drugs and why so many of our bands have such a hard time staying together. We believe that our culture has been perverted and exploited by people who only want to make money off of us and who have no interest in seeing our community grow stronger and more together so we can control our own lives. We can't expect these greed-heads to make their phony entertain-

ment palaces into real community centers, because that would be contrary to their purpose of using our music and our lives to make themselves rich. But we can create the kind of place we need by and for ourselves if we can continue to get together like this, with the bands contributing their music and the people contributing their time, energy and money for the benefit of the whole community.

What's happening at benefits is what we want to happen all the time in the People's Ballroom--good music by our own bands, low prices for the people, dancing and carrying on the way we were created to do it. The proceeds from the first benefit will go toward financing the next two or three dances in this series so we can raise enough money to get our program started. Later this fall we hope to put on a big benefit concert at

PEOPLE'S BALLROOM



Cobo Hall or some other big place like that, so we can make a down payment on a building we can use for our community center. It's going to take a lot of work and a lot of money to get this project off the ground, but we know we can do it with the people behind it and we know the people are ready to move! Everybody's had enough of the way things are, but the only way we can change things is to get together and work together to create what we need for ourselves.

We hope to be able to tell you a lot more about our plans by the next benefit dance/concert, and we want to hear from as many of you as possible about what you want the People's Ballroom to be and what you can do to help make it real. We're just getting started now, so we don't have anyplace where you can come and see us, or call us up, but by the next dance we hope to have at least that much together. In the meantime, be thinking about what we're trying to do and what you might be able to do to help get this thing off the ground. We will be printing regular progress reports in our community newspapers, the Fifth Estate and the Ann Arbor Sun, from now on, and we hope to have a full report ready by the next time we all get together like this. We want all of you to know everything we're doing because this will be your Ballroom and it's up to all of us to make sure it's done right.

We want to thank the bands who have contributed their music to the People's Ballroom, and radio stations WRIF and WABX for helping get the word around, and all of you for coming here tonight to help get things started. This is just an example of what we can do when we work together to get what we need. All Power to the People!

Board of Directors, People's Ballroom Inc.

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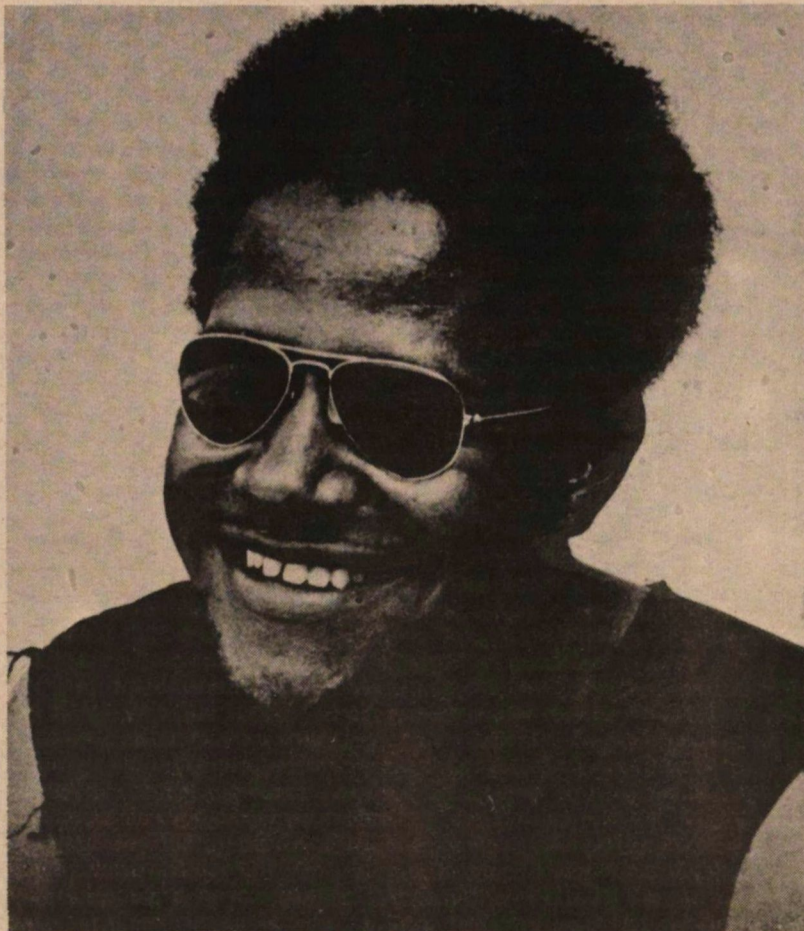
Rainbow People of Ann Arbor should check out Sid Clemens. Sid's the all-night DJ at WNRZ-FM. He's on six nights a week, six hours a night, which is a heavy schedule, 36 hours a week spinning records, rapping and carrying on.

"Anybody who'd be into radio for the 'glamor' of it is in trouble, because once you get into it you see that it's often a lot of work and not too much glamor. But it's good to have the opportunity to play the music for the people." So says Sid, who's been working on the all-night slot at WNRZ for a couple of months now, and who's been working out at NRZ in different capacities for almost two years.

Sid plays a lot of high energy music, a lot of Hendrix, Stones, Beatles, Who, and so forth, as well as a lot of local rock and roll. Oftentimes he dips into the oldies too, just to remind us of where all this sound is coming from.

I asked Sid what he'd done in radio and music previous to coming to NRZ and was surprised to learn he'd started on the airwaves in Indianapolis on station WGEE, doing AM R & B, and later some Top 40. And guess who was doing a country and western show on the all-night slot of the same station... Larry Monroe! "Larry came up to Ann Arbor first and hipped me to it, and I came up soon afterwards," explained Sid. "At first I was doing AM Top 40 when WNRZ was into that."

WNRZ is the AM station and WNRZ is the FM station that both come out of



a little green building across the road from a cattle ranch about five miles out South Main St. WNRZ recently went country and western, before that it broadcasted the same programming as the FM station did, which made it unique in my knowledge as the only AM station with a so-called "progressive" format. It was good to hear all that rock and roll coming out of the car radio without obscene commercials and screaming amphetamine raps between every tune, while you're cruising around town. Now it's all shitkick-in' music (with occasional Bob Dylan, Flying Burrito Brothers, etc. thrown in), and the thrill is gone; but now that the FM track isn't on AM all day long, it has become a lot looser.

And it really gets loose on Sid's show. With only a few commercials and a handfull of Public Service Announcements to spew off during his six hour stint, he's free to smoke. His telephone is within easy reach and is usually answered promptly, so feel free to call him up and tell him what you'd like to hear. The number is 663-0569.

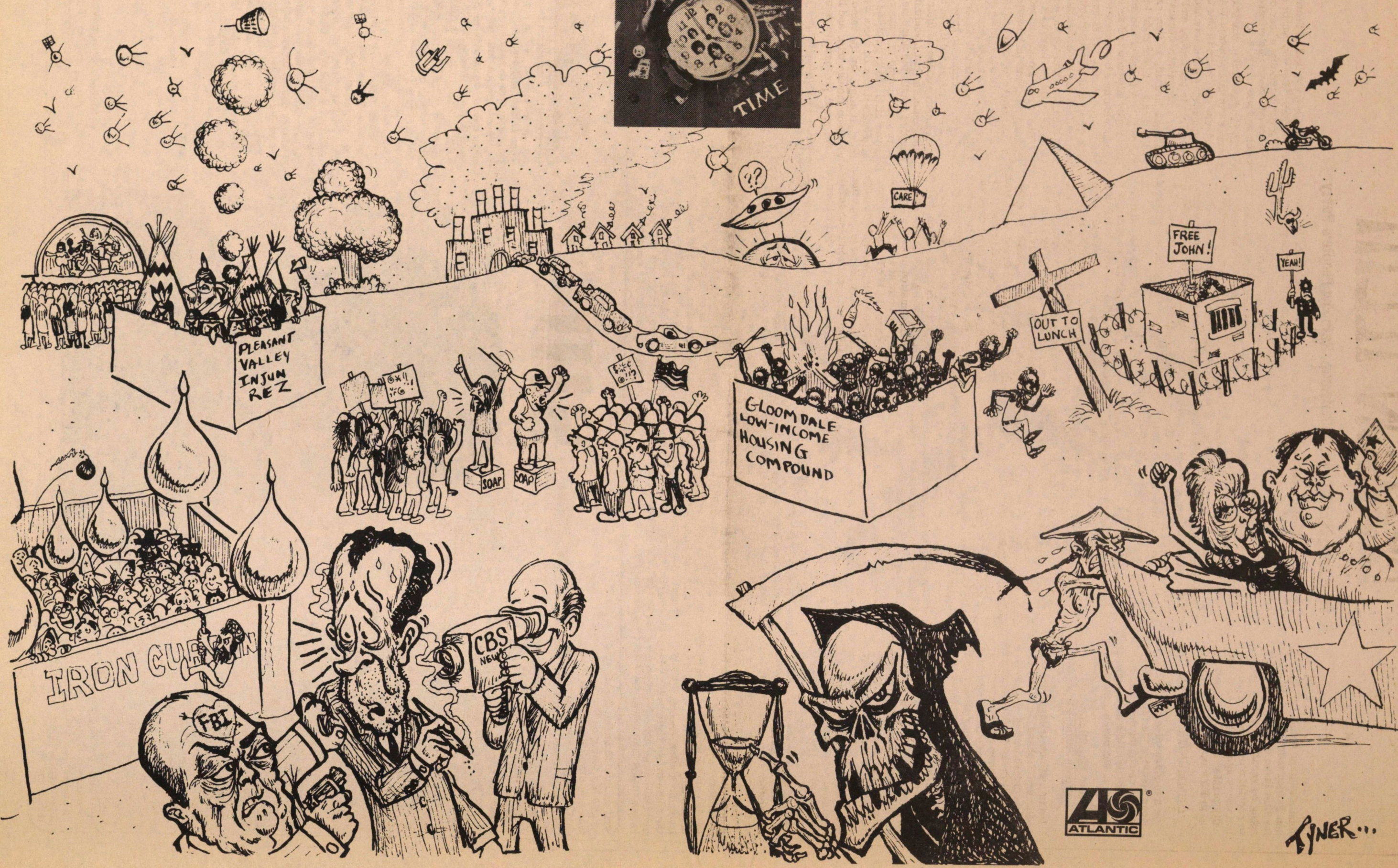
Oh, before I wrap this up, I'd like to suggest that WNRZ check out alternative news services, like Earth News, Liberation News Service, and especially, local staff reporters. Right now they depend solely on AP wire services and, during the day, some weird honk prattle called "Mutual News". It's a shame to hear that mixed in with all that good music.

--Gary Grimshaw, RPP

"HIGH TIME"



MC5 On Atlantic Records & Tapes
[Tapes Distributed by Ampex]



DRAGON TEETH

A column by John Sinclair, Chairman, Rainbow People's Party

John's regular column from Jackson Prison didn't arrive in time for this issue due to the censor being on vacation. So we decided to reprint a column he wrote over two years ago, which was originally printed in the Ann Arbor Argus in February 1969

COMMUNITY RADIO

"In a modern telecommunications society, the radio station is one of the real seats of authority, its seizure the seal of a successful revolution."

--Red Flag/Black Flag:
French Revolution 1968

I was just now talking with my good friend Richard Stoneman about the subversiveness of what is so glibly called the "underground radio" or "progressive rock" scene. We listen to the radio consciously, i.e., we know what's being aired and we seek it out, and if the people who run the station aren't getting down then we call them up and tell them what's happening--and they listen to us, because they want to find out, for whatever reason. The customer's always right, if only on that level. But there are stations that are different, where subversives are at work, and they're in the business of turning people on to the cultural revolution in its various manifestations.

With these new radio people, their consideration is the brothers and sisters who are listening to them on the air, and they're starting to realize that they have a tremendous responsibility to those people because they haven't any other access to the natural facts--the real thing--unless they get it from their community radio station. People depend on the radio to hip them to the whole cultural scene: not only the new records, but all the news of what's going down in the immediate area as well as around the global village, what's happening on the music scene, who's in town this week, and like that. The people want to know who got busted, when, where, and how, they want to know where they can find free medical care, food, entertainment, materials, energies, whatever--just the things that are important to them in their daily lives.

For those of us who read--a minority I'm sure--the community newspaper fills in the details and expands the context (visually too!) on a periodic basis, but the radio is on every minute and has that further possibility of absolute currency--the electric right now! And that's what we're trying to get at in our lives--the absolute quick of things, that will put us right on time and in the middle of the flow.

Radio is really subversive as it acts on straight people because they think they're "just listening to the radio." As if the songs weren't coursing through their cells! As if they couldn't hear and feel our strange voices and our various energy constructs! As if this shit had no effect on them, the saviors of the western world! What a bunch of chomps! But they don't know any better, because they haven't had access to the information before in any other media. They don't know any better, and the way they'll find out is by being exposed to the information. No matter how long it might take, no matter how long, it's happening to them every second even if they don't think so. The music is fucking them right in their tracks, and they don't even think it has any effect on them. "Oh yes,

rock and roll. Hmm. Where did I put the cat food. Oh dear." And off into the kitchen, with Jimi Hendrix blasting through the radio walls. She never knew what hit her, but that weekend she went to a rock and roll dance and she threw away her brassiere. No shit. I think it was the MC5 that was playing, and she got turned onto some mellow weed for the first time, too. Outasight. The next week she quit her job and went to California. Hmm. Did this really happen? Who do you know?

Listen to the radio right now--turn on the FM while you're reading this, wherever you are, and check out what those people are doing on the air. If they're bullshitting and shucking and jiving, call them up and tell them to get down. You know what you want to hear. It's your radio, don't ever forget that. And I'm not just talking about requests, I'm talking about community radio--media for the people. If you don't know quite what you want, just tell them to do something else, you can't get next to what's going down right now and you want to hear something different, so you can educate yourselves. It's always nice to hear what you know, but it's more fun to find out something new.

Radio should be done as a conscious educational tool, a weapon of cultural revolution, to turn people on and charge them with energy and in-

aries themselves, wherever they are. As we start to define this space for ourselves through our people in the media--our media--we help create a situation in which people who get our information start to act in the desired manner, i.e., in a revolutionary way. They start acting for themselves, moving to control their own lives--though not in any sense of freeing themselves from the consumer death ruse.

As we begin to infiltrate and destroy the straight media and straight culture in general we start to set people free who have been trapped inside the pigpen without any information on how to get out. When people see that our newspapers come out every two weeks, or that the music goes on no matter what, that our lives go on too. No one can act without the specific information that would make such action possible. Remember that. It does not do any good to come down on people for their ignorance--let them know what's happening and they'll at least have a chance to do the right thing. Without the information they can't get anywhere. The radio provides the information in a super-direct and very entertaining form so it can't be missed. If only the music. The radio subverts people, because they have not been taught to grant the music its rightful and complete legitimacy as a prime term in their lives.

you have a great deal of control over the outcome. But now we're starting to do a little defining of our own, and it will have its certain effect--just watch and see.

The radio--and in our particular instance I'm talking about WABX-FM* in Detroit--the radio is now beginning to respond very precisely and very accurately to our needs, and we can grow as a community because of it. News gets around, as they say, and with the radio it gets right where it has to go. A sense of community is based upon adequate and accurate communications between the people and the community, whatever its specific geographical specifications. Our culture has needed radio for a long time, and now we have it, or at least we're in the process of getting it. But our own communication with the media have to improve too, just as theirs have to, and are improving. When you know some news and want other people to know it too, call your radio station and tell people there what you want them to know. Sometimes they might not listen to you, having heavy duties on their minds and shoulders, but I would mostly say that you'll find someone listening to you and spreading your word if you're after the good of the community and not just on some weird ego trip. It might be the radio worker who's on the ego trip, and in that case you'll just have to demand some-



WABX staff in 1969: LUBIN, DIXON, MILLER, FRAWLEY, CARLISLE, & RUDNICK

Photo: Leni Sinclair

formation so they can change their world. Don't settle for a hip 24-hour-a-day jukebox like so many stations try to be. Every program should be an educational experience for all listeners, and if they aren't giving you that then you give them some hell until they start meeting their responsibilities to the community.

Radio is our cultural communications system, and we have the information. We have to have the music--the strongest and purest music being made everywhere on earth, all the time. We can't do without it, and we don't have to anymore. We have to have news of our brothers and sisters too, wherever they are, whatever they are doing, we have to know about it so we can grow with them and be them, so they can be us, so we will be united as a people in knowledge, culture and action.

When the barricades go up in Paris or Berkeley or Columbia University, we have to know about it so we can spread the word in our communities and act on that information. When people get kidnapped by the police on phony dope busts and held for ransom we have to know this stuff, all the time, and the radio can do it.

The duty of the revolutionary media is to communicate the news of the revolution--to get the dope to the people who need the information so they can act on it and become revolution-

Straight people have been taught that they are complete entities, in complete control of their little lives, given a free will that permits them to choose what they want to affect them. They live in their heads and see the world through their minds eyes instead of their real ones. Their vision is clouded by what's been shoved into their heads, and what they "think" is always more important to them than what's actually happening in the world. They'll do anything to preserve their illusions. In fact, to me that's precisely what makes the difference between someone who's straight and someone who's down, straight people have "made up their minds" as to what will happen to them, and their lives try to be precisely regulated in terms of these decisions, in terms of what they "think the world's all about." Actually, that's only how they're messed up--why it's that way is something else again. People are the way they are because their economy demands it. In order to maintain a consumer economy like America's the people in power have to keep a strict brainwash on the other people so they'll keep doing all the stupid things that are necessary to a consumer culture. Information has to be strictly limited--you have power over someone when you control the information they receive. When you can define the terms of a situation then

one else. It's your radio, after all, and you have to act like it when they get too weird on you.

That's our radio, but you know we aren't the only ones listening to it. By virtue of its very definition, radio reaches thousands and thousands of people who only have to turn on their receivers, which are standard gear now in most of our people's homes and automobiles. AM is next. Television is next. But with FM radio we have gone so much further than with any of the print media we have invented for ourselves--any of them. And we have the possibility of reaching lots of "neutral" people--people who wouldn't otherwise be exposed to our culture except through crazed articles in the kept press of the greed culture. "Hippies" and all that bullshit, which doesn't do anybody any good.

What we want is for these other people, just as ourselves, to get the information now! The real news, of what's happening in our lives. We want them to know, so they can change freely as they are--they learn that they can do it too. They can see that they can get away with it. And that's precisely the information they need.

*Remember that this was in 1969. Now there is also WRIF in Detroit and WNRZ in Ann Arbor. Tune in.

LEGALIZE ALL DRUGS!

HOUSE BILL No. 5487

June 25, 1971, Introduced by Rep. Vaughn and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

A bill to repeal certain acts relating to narcotic and dangerous drugs.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 1. Act No. 343 of the Public Acts of 1937, as amended, being sections 335.51 to 335.78 of the Compiled Laws of 1948 and Act No. 266 of the Public Acts of 1952, as amended, being sections 335.151 to 335.157 of the Compiled Laws of 1948, are repealed.



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In this country, one huge exploitative industry will never answer to Ralph Nader. Its consumers receive no product guarantee, it supplies no warranties, its products are immune from Federal Trade Commission scrutiny and Pure Food and Drug Laws. Yet throughout the Sixties and on into the Seventies, U.S. citizens have become its customers in droves.

The industry is organized crime; the products, illegal drugs and narcotics; its customers, narcotics addicts and drug users--the nation's pariahs.

Within the nebulous confines of extra-legal business, the narcotic drug traffickers are the champions of commerce. They need no public relations agency to spruce up their images; business is thriving. The customer-victims of this industry are our only clue to what transpires in that other world; what they suffer is reason enough that this industry should be nationalized, but the government can do nothing... or won't. And the victims multiply. Even those who are not addicted to a narcotic, but merely prefer the use of marijuana to another means of pleasure-seeking, are branded by the rest of American society.

Presently, a heroin addict and a marijuana user face the same problems: it is a crime to secure the drug. The addict or user faces social degradation. The crime syndicate they both buy from exacts a huge toll from their addiction or, in the case of marijuana, the decision to use. Apply these distasteful realities to the statistics of drug use: in the City of Detroit, for example, arrests for marijuana offenses increased 400% between 1958 and 1968. It has been estimated that over 20 million people--citizens--in this country use marijuana (compared with over 90 million drinkers, 6.5 million of whom are alcoholics). California has reported that at least one third of its high school students use marijuana; in Michigan up to 34% of the high school graduates have had some drug experience. Colleges across the country, unable to secure exact figures, estimate that one quarter to one half of their students are drug users. The penalty for possession of narcotic drugs--which, under the uniform drug laws, includes marijuana--is a felony; conviction in Michigan means imprisonment of not more than ten years and a fine of not more than \$5,000.00. Sale of a narcotic nets the vendor not less than 20 years imprisonment or more than life.

Only first degree murder and treason require a greater punishment in Michigan.

In this country, then, over 20 million marijuana users and countless thousands of narcotic addicts are criminals. Their crimes are, for the most part, against themselves. A marijuana user violates the accepted boundaries of pleasure-seeking; he or she does not drink. A heroin addict, though he or she must usually commit crimes against property to support the incredible cost of the habit, suffers a physical dependence

on a substance. They are much like the alcoholic, but alcoholism in this country is sanctioned addiction, not punishable by law. Use of alcohol, a central nervous system depressant, which has produced physical dependence in an estimated 6.5 million Americans and psychological dependence in perhaps five times that number is not only free of penalty, but its use is even encouraged by our society to such a degree that nonusers of the drug are regarded by most as being somewhat peculiar.

Although drug addiction de facto is not to be condoned, it seems ridiculous to compound the misery and the real physical anguish of heroin addicts by persecuting them under the law. Americans have proven themselves to be curiously susceptible to dependence on substances to ease their pain and increase their pleasure. The potential for addiction is woven into the fabric of American life; to punish one kind of addiction is immeasurably cruel.

Drug use is a legal-criminal problem only because there are laws forbidding it. Until the 1930's for instance, federal narcotic prohibitions did not include marijuana. In fact, 19th Century physicians used marijuana as an anti-depressant, a pain reliever, and occasionally as an anesthetic. By the 1930's, however, federal officials were eyeing marijuana with suspicion. They classified it as a narcotic, and instituted special federal tax and license procedures to govern its distribution and use. Each of the states in turn passed legislation banning marijuana within its boundaries, until it was nationally illegal by the end of the decade. It is interesting to note that marijuana prohibition was invented directly after the repeal of the Volstead Act, which prohibited the manufacture, distribution, sale and use of alcohol. It seems incredible that our federal government would not have learned a lesson from attempting to ban the use of alcohol. Prohibition effectively created a criminal class composed of citizens who did not agree that alcohol consumption was immoral. Rather than examining the pitfalls of morality legislation, the government turned from an unpopular moral code upon all the people at once, its awesome shortcomings have become apparent.

Obviously great differences exist between alcohol and the whole range of drugs and narcotics currently illegal in this country. Nevertheless, one of the more basic issues in both cases remains the same: ATTEMPTING TO BAN THE GOODS SPREADS A THICK FOG OVER THE HEALTH PROBLEMS OF THE USERS AND CREATES AN ARTIFICIAL CLIMATE IN WHICH THE MAIN DEBATE RAGES OVER THE CRIMINAL ASPECTS OF THE PROBLEM. As under alcohol prohibition, a giant illegal machinery runs smoothly night and day to provide the people with illegal goods under narcotic and drug prohibition. The size of its client

tele has not resulted, as a rational person would expect, in the re-examination of the laws governing production, distribution, transfer, sale, use, and possession of narcotics and drugs. Rather, the universality of drug use--and its seepage from the black inner-city to the white suburbs--has triggered a wave of repression initiated by government officials at all levels, attempting to stamp out the problem by means that threaten the basic constitutional rights of all citizens. Such means include strengthening the investigative powers of various law enforcement agencies. However, it must be pointed out that illicit trade in narcotics could not flourish without police collusion. In this regard, the efforts of law enforcement agencies have been a failure, a monumental waste of time and money. It is about time for politicians, the press and the public to calm down and rethink the problem with some composure. By legalizing drugs, you will break the organized crime-police-law collaboration. This is an interlocking system generated by the enormous profits that allow the corruption of government officials by organized crime. The brunt of criminal prosecution should be shifted from the addict to the crime syndicate. Presently, drug users are vulnerable to exploitation by powerful criminal organizations. When prohibition proved to be a fiasco, creating more criminals than it eliminated, the federal government saw its error, lifted the ban and began to regulate

the alcohol content of various liquors sold by now-legal producers and distributors. Why is this same approach so unthinkable in the case of illegal narcotics?

Many citizens would shudder at the thought of legalized drugs, believing that for the United States to go into the narcotics business is tantamount to permitting drug addiction. Perhaps what they don't understand is that this country played the only trump card it held by rendering narcotics illegal. This has not been an effective means of eliminating or even controlling drug use, sale and production. Thus it seems only reasonable that another approach is to be attempted and that this approach should include some method by which the government could have control over the narcotic and drug traffic. It is impossible to have this control while the business is dominated by the crime syndicate.

A panoply of drug abuse control programs has sprung up across the country to deal with the health problems of the users and addicts. Although their methods differ, they are all similar to the extent that they attempt to bring as much humaneness to the problem as is possible under the present set of drugs laws.

Methodone clinics in major cities attempt rehabilitation of heroin addicts. Students, with their allies in the medical profession, are aiding young drug abusers in treatment centers specifically designed to reflect

the alternative culture of which many young users consider themselves a part. These programs represent a valiant effort to check the epidemic of drug abuse sweeping the country through accurate drug information, straight talk and no-nonsense treatment--a method certainly not prevalent among the responsible legal and educational institutions, which still rely on scare talk and misinformation to keep its children away from the "noxious weed" and the other drugs that marijuana supposedly "leads to." Now that the federal government has indisputable evidence that many veterans returning from Vietnam are heroin addicts, that problem can be considered "officially recognized," and the President has proposed a mammoth program to "cure" drug addicts, at a cost of \$371 million annually.

To an increasing number of citizens, who view heroin addiction and massive drug use as a symptom of the current problems which plague our society, and rightly so, the President's program is merely the proposal to create another bureaucracy. All the drug abuse control programs invented and all the ringing denunciations of drug pushers in legislative chambers across the country can only nick the surface of the problem. Like the drug control acts, the only persons they address are the "little people"--the addicts, the abusers and users, the street pushers. Only when the government has complete control over the production and distribution of the goods can the problem be solved. The simplest, fastest, thrickest and safest method by which this goal can be realized is to repeal all laws restricting and prohibiting the use, possession, distribution, sale and production of narcotics and drugs, thereby putting the drug battle on a whole new set of ground rules.

This would accomplish the following: (1) Devastate the crime syndicate's illegal narcotic business, and provide for the establishment of legitimate sources of drugs, including marijuana, which would be subject to federal regulation of the content, potency, adulteration of the drugs provided for legal sale. This in itself would preclude widespread usage of drugs, particularly by adolescents. It is presently easier for the very young to obtain drugs than to purchase a package of cigarettes or alcohol. (2) Drive the sinister criminal element out of the drug picture. Drug users would not have to rely on underworld or other illegal sources to support their drug habits, removing the "forbidden fruit" aura surrounding the illegality of drug use. (3) Minimize the harm done by drugs by allowing society, i.e., doctors, teacher, psychologists, social workers, ministers, etc. to intensify preventive educational and rehabilitative programs. It has already been demonstrated that law enforcement agencies have failed in their efforts to eliminate drug use. Drug use is a societal

problem and it is necessary to remove the social stigma attached to drug use. (4) Allow millions of drug users to stop being criminals, thereby regenerating the law in new potency... millions might cease to violate it with impunity. Removal of youthful hostility to present repressive drug penalty laws could undoubtedly result in the respect for the law enforcement by the young. Punishment by law is a highly specialized tool of social control--its use may prove more harmful than the problem it addresses itself to.

The repeal of the narcotic-drug laws would sweep away that class of American criminals who prefer marijuana use to liquor use for relieving tensions and obtaining a pleasurable state of mind. Health officials could begin in earnest to solve the health problems of heroin addicts and abusers of other drugs, without the criminal penalties compounding their miseries. Once again, this solution does not include a sanction of heroin addiction, but merely clears the path toward control of the problem, unhampered by laws that do not do the job they were meant to do.

A massive drug education program, based on accurate information about all drugs and narcotics, minus the hypocrisy and fear-mongering that typifies many such programs today should supplement the repeal of narcotics-drug laws. Such a program should reach children in the primary school grades, but even age six may be too late for a child who has learned about addiction from watching its parents smoke, drink, take sleeping pills, pep pills, diet pills...

We live in an addicted society; a culture devoted to alleviating the tensions generated by living and working at fever pitch, by beating the Joneses, by enduring a war no one wants, by confusion. In the agony of our confusion, we must realize that repression and the refusal to admit the existence of another opinion, another politics, another life style, will not cause the offensive element to succumb. The legal-political furor over drug abuse is symptomatic of the terrifying mood creeping into our society--the wish to stamp out the accoutrements of non-conformity by punishing the non-conformists. If we are to remain true to the principles we shout about, we must begin to realize where we have bastardized them and re-examine our motives and our fears.

A nationwide repeal of the narcotic-drug laws could be a step toward the rational re-examination of the ills of contemporary American society. If we could begin now, we might avert a crisis not only in the burgeoning drug culture, but in the substance of our society.

Jackie Vaughn III
State Representative
23rd District



People's Astrology:

ASTROLOGY WITHOUT TABLES

(Note: Kee Dewdney is a killer filmmaker who used to live in Ann Arbor. Last time he came through he took me outside and showed me what he describes in this article by him--everyone should do it and try to sense this planet as the cosmic community it could and should be. And anyone else who is interested in writing astrology columns for the people should feel welcome--Genie P.)

You don't need a lot of tables of planetary motions to be an astrologer--at least not if you're casting horoscopes around present day events. Wondering what sign Jupiter is in? (Maybe you have a pressing money-matter at hand). All you have to do is walk outside! Well, that's not all you have to do right now, but that's all you'll have to do once you have:

- (1) learned how to identify the various planets
- (2) learned how to recognize the signs of the Zodiac

The Ann Arbor library has lots of easy to read books on popular astronomy. The best of these contain both descriptions of the planets and diagrams of the constellations visible in the northern hemisphere for this time of year. Take the book out at night, and using a soft light, (a candle is best if the wind is not blowing) try to locate as many constellations as you can. You can have a very good stone if you concentrate on the constellations of the Zodiac--but here there is certain knowledge which will put it all together beautifully in your mind.

(1) All the planets, the sun, earth, and moon lie in the same place (the ecliptic). This means that, as seen from the earth, there is a straight line (in the sense that the horizon is a straight line) along which the sun, moon, and all planets must be found. Half of this line lies above the horizon and the other half below.

(2) The constellations which lie on this line are called the constellations of the Zodiac and there are exactly twelve of them. So the constellation Scorpio, say, lies on this line but the constellation Cassiopeia does not.

(3) As the various planets go around the sun, they move in an "orderly" progression from sign to sign as seen from the earth. Since it is now August, the sun is in Leo and you will not see this sign at night since it only comes above the horizon when the sun does. In February, Leo will be visible at the top of the ecliptic around midnight.

Aquarius (opposite to Leo) presently occupies this position on the ecliptic at midnight. (CHECK IT OUT).

(4) To locate the ecliptic, all you have to do is find Polaris, the "pole star". If you were standing on the north pole, Polaris would be directly overhead

and the constellations of the Zodiac would almost all be visible above the horizon (an ideal place to cast horoscopes--the north pole). Since you're not on the north pole, look for the big dipper and locate the side opposite the handle. If the big dipper were full of water, a few drops might trickle down this side--draw an imaginary line in a direction opposite to these drops right across the sky and stop at the first reasonably bright star--this is Polaris. Now point at Polaris with your left arm and drop it about a foot at your hand. Then holding your left arm steadily in this direction make a right angle to your left arm with your right arm and rotate your right arm constantly preserving the right angle. As you do this, you will trace out the ecliptic. Your right arm will intersect the horizon, pass below it and continue around to the other horizon and pass above it. Almost any bright steady object you find along this line will be a planet. About one o'clock in the morning you will find Jupiter in the western part of the visible ecliptic and Mars in the eastern part.

(5) Mercury, Neptune, Uranus, and Pluto are all either difficult or impossible to find. For these you will need tables in any case. Venus is always close to the sun since it is a very "inner" planet and this is why it always sets just after the sun sets or rises just before the sun rises. Whenever there is a total eclipse of the sun you will see the sun, (a bit), the moon covering it, and Venus, all on the ecliptic of course, with Venus either east or west of the Sun, depending on whether it is currently an evening or morning "star". (SEE?)

To keep all this (and much, much more) together in your head, you should try to feel the massive planet Earth below your feet. Try to sense its rotation and how this makes the sky appear to move as the day (or night) progresses. Now see if you can feel the earth moving in an incredibly vast circle around the sun (95,000,000 miles away), slowly enough to require an entire year for one revolution. Now feel the presence of all the other planets and the moon, as they too circle the sun. This is the living, breathing, ever-changing horoscope of your stellar environment. The less you need books (once you have REALLY USED them) the more real it will all be.

How beautiful to be able to step outside at night and say "Oh wow! The moon is in Capricorn, Venus is in Sagittarius, and...hm...let's see... Mars is in Aquarius and...oh yeah, Jupiter's in Pisces and Taurus is rising." This would be the major part of the horoscope of any baby born in Ann Arbor that night. Far out.

THE SOLEDAD BROTHERS DESPERATELY NEED CASH!

With the trial finally about to start, the Soledad Brothers Legal Defense team is on the verge of total bankruptcy. The outcome of the trial hangs in the balance. The Soledad Brothers have been under indictment since February 1970 (more than 18 months). The massive pre-trial assaults by the prosecution (changes of venue, gag rules, harassment, endless pre-trial hearings) have almost completely exhausted every penny raised by the defense.

The trial is now scheduled to start on August 9, 1971.

Defense attorneys expect it to last 5 months. Conservative estimates put the cost of the defense (expert witnesses, special investigators, travel expenses for witness interviews from all over the state, the bare necessities for supporting three attorneys and their staff during the trial, etc.) at \$125,000. The state will be spending many times this amount in its ruthless attempt to railroad the Soledad Brothers to the gas chamber. Your money is urgently needed to prevent a legal lynching. Please send your contribution immediately to:

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DOPE-O-SCOPE by MATT LAMPE

IN MEMORIAM

JOHN POLLARD

Instead of talking about dope this week, I want to talk about a man who was very involved in the scene. Dr. Pollard, better known as Dr. John, died Sunday at a meeting in Cincinnati. He was a psychiatrist at the U Hospital, working at NPL. But he moved out of the hospital when it was necessary, to where people were having trouble.

Dr. Pollard was the last person at Michigan to experiment with acid on people, and this got him into the drug business. He took the drugs once before he used them in the experiments (LSD, Psilocybin, and PCP), which led to an "expose" by the Detroit Free Press of the "admitted drug user" in psychiatry at Michigan. He began to get calls to do drug education, and he responded, with honest answers always pointing out the great numbers of barbiturates and amphetamines that are "legally" produced in this country each year.

Dr. John came with us (Drug Help) to Kickapoo Creek last year. Saturday afternoon he was a little overwhelmed by the bizarreness of the rock festival scene, but Saturday night he was in the trip tent, not trying to run things, but sitting down and just talking to trippers, being a friend.

Dr. Pollard was also the first doctor to publicly agree to support and back-up Drug Help, when the whole idea was viewed with skepticism by the general community. Sitting at a Mayor's committee meeting, reviewing the first Drug Help proposal, when asked who were the doctors who are going to support this service, Dr. John quipped, "I am!". It ended the discussion and the proposal was passed moments later.

Dr. John was also a common visitor to the Sunday concerts, whether or not he was asked to work in the medical tent. He would always come by and see how things were going and if there was anything we needed him for. Also when we asked if he would be the doctor in the park on a given week, he was always willing if he did not already have a commitment.

When Drug Help recently held a Drug education training retreat, Dr. John spent Friday afternoon and evening and all day Saturday with us, even though he was only scheduled for Saturday morning, talking about his experiences, suggesting means of handling sticky and hostile questions, talking about the first time he talked someone down in the early days of his experimentation, back in the early 60's. He talked about counselling and therapy, how he gave up psychoanalysis, even though that was how he was trained, for a gestalt therapy approach, because psychoanalysis took so "bloody long".

But for all the things Dr. John did, the most important was the example, the model he set. While he was a tough therapist, he was ready to really help someone get it together if they were ready. The honesty and the willingness to take risks for things he thought were right, and the ability to listen and trust others, whether they were his professional colleagues or street freaks, marked Dr. John's style.

The heart attack that took Dr. Pollard's life marked a real loss for the Ann Arbor community, especially for the youth community of whose endeavors to grow he was a most avid supporter.



ARM AT THE ALLEY

FEDERICO FELLINI'S

JULIET OF THE SPIRITS

IN TECHNICOLOR!

During the filming, Fellini remarked: "the cinema is the unique and perfect tool to explore with precision the inner landscapes of the human being. I've always wanted to do a tale born entirely of the imagination."

JULIET OF THE SPIRITS is it. A wife is having her mind blown, her entire identity thrown into question, by the infidelities of her business--executive husband. She increasingly withdraws into fantasy. She is a naive woman, but clairvoyant. Her mind trips are progressively rich, gorgeous, and overwhelming.

Fellini's sets and costumes are stunning, his "scenes" entralling: an Arabian beach tent, an art-nouveau brothel, a pleasure raft. Fellini's obsession in JULIET OF THE SPIRITS is women: on swings, trapezes, horses, beds, branches; and the "plot" of the film is one woman's self-discovery in fantasy. Giumetta Masina, an incredibly talented mime, plays the self-enchanted wife.

"The extraordinary pictorial beauty is due to the skill with which -- and for the first time in a full-length film--Fellini makes use of the resources of color film. I'm fairly sure you will never have looked on a more ravishing picture. Fellini's vision has always been lyrical, and whatever the rest of us do, it is plain that he dreams in color, and that his palette is exceptionally bold and delicate."

-- NEW YORKER

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Birth Control part 2

VARIOUS TECHNIQUES

Spermicidal creams, jellies and foams have a spermicidal chemical designed to kill sperm cells deposited in the vagina. There's a bulky base that blocks the cervix so sperms cannot enter the cervical canal. Sometimes it's difficult for the chemical to stop the sperm cells before they penetrate the cervix, and enter the uterus, since they move **FAST!** Therefore, spermicides should be used with condoms or diaphragms to be effective.

This method of birth control is easy to obtain, inexpensive, easy to use, but can be messy. It's preparations are harmless to women, it neither causes cancer or diseases, although some women are allergic to it. If the woman does become pregnant there's no harm to the newborn.

Use of the foam is easy. After shaking it, you push the applicator in the vagina as far as it will go. Then pull back about half an inch and push down on the plunger, and the foam will flow into the cervix. This has to be done one hour prior to each act of intercourse. Creams and jellies are not as reliable as foams as they have difficulty spreading.

A condom is a sheath piece of material made from rubber or animal membrane, that fits tightly over the man's penis, with some room to receive and hold ejaculation semen. Because condoms are considerably elastic they come in one size. Condoms are simple to use, easily available, inexpensive, harmless and help in the prevention of spreading diseases. Condoms are unpopular as both men and women say it dulls their sexual pleasures. If not lubricated

well the condom can irritate the woman's vagina, because of its dryness. Unless fitted firmly to the man's penis and room left for semen, the condom is likely to slip off. If this occurs the man should hold the condom against his penis and immediately withdraw from the vagina, holding the opened end closed so no semen seeps out. To be safe and sure the woman should use foam after this happens. Using the foam afterwards will not guarantee that sperms haven't already entered the cervix. If properly washed, checked for leaks, and stored properly, the condom can be used a few times and is as effective as using a diaphragm.

Coitus interruptus (withdraw) is the oldest form of birth control and most difficult to use properly. During sexual intercourse when the man feels his ejaculation coming he withdraws his penis from the woman's vagina. This must be done carefully, as sperm cells move fast, and if deposited on the lips of the vagina they are able to continue up the vagina and into the uterus.

The penis should be carefully wiped off so no semen remains on the penis before resuming intercourse. Men alone determine how effective withdrawing can be and not all men are trustworthy to do this and some don't feel the ejaculation coming on soon enough to withdraw.

This is physically harmless, but has its psychological drawbacks because sometimes withdraw involves withdrawing before the woman can reach orgasm, leaving her very frustrated. Since both man and woman may fear the unwanted pregnancy their hard concentration can interfere

with pleasurable sexual intercourse. The rhythm method is most difficult to use, especially for irregular women, women that have just given birth, or women that are going into menopause. Rhythm is a method that involves knowing the exact date of ovulation. This (ovulation) occurs approximately 12 to 16 days before the next menstrual cycle begins. At this time the egg drops into a position, waiting to be fertilized. Although an egg lives for several days without fertilization, if it doesn't unite with a sperm(s) before it reaches the uterus, fertilization will not occur and the egg dies. Intercourse should be prohibited 2 days before this 5 day span and 1 day afterwards, to account for the egg survival. Sperm only live for approximately 1 day inside the woman and dies almost immediately if left in the air.

In order for rhythm to work a record of menstrual cycles should be kept for 8 months, marking the first day of the cycle (bleeding) as 1, and counting the number of days until the beginning of the next cycle. To calculate the unsafe period for the 9th month, 19 is subtracted from the length of the shortest cycle to find the 1st unsafe day and 11 is subtracted from the longest cycle to find the last unsafe day. The unsafe period for the 10th month is calculated from the longest and shortest cycle between the 2nd and 9th months, etc. for the months after.

This can be checked by keeping a record of body temperatures, as women's temperatures rise during ovulation. A thermometer more sensitive than a regular fever thermometer should be used and these can be obtained from most pharmacies.

Sterilization is available to both men and women, and is the most effective method of birth control, having an error of zero.

The method most commonly used on women is tubal ligation. A small incision is made in the abdominal wall and the tubes that lead from the ovaries to the uterus are cut and tied. This highly successful operation effectively prevents the egg from reaching the uterus and the sperm from traveling through the tube. This operation does not effect the menstrual cycle, nor are there any other side effects from it.

Men can be sterilized by a vasectomy. An incision is made in the upper part of the scrotum and the spermatic cord is cut and the tubes are separated from the blood vessels and nerves. Two legatures are put a small distance apart around the tubes and the portion between is cut out.

Sperm produced before the operation



may still be present in the semen, so actual contraception cannot be depended on for about three weeks after the vasectomy. After this time a semen test is taken to check for sperm. This test should be done every six weeks for the next six months because the tubes sometimes grow back together. This operation has no effect on sexual desires or orgasm, only the sperm is removed from the semen.

Women should have the freedom to determine their own destinies! For too long women have been told that their role in life was to be "mother" and "housewife", meaning stay home and have babies and wait for her old man. Women are not Baby Machines! They are intelligent human beings who should have the right to determine where their energies will go. Let's break loose from the honko ruse of "mommy and daddy" and "husband and wife", and start relating to each other as brothers and sisters, sharing the work that is needed to build an alternative society, one where everyone can determine his or her own destiny.

Sisters and Brothers Unite!!
Dare to Struggle! Dare to Win!
Bonnie Bach

LEGAL SELF DEFENSE: The Credit Ruse

One of the nastiest schemes of credit companies and local stores is called claim and delivery. It is actually repossession of something they have sold you even though you may have already paid a lot of bread for it.

It works like this. When a poor person wants to buy something like a stove or refrigerator or a lot of smaller stuff, the store gets them to sign a retail installment contract. This means the store owns whatever is being bought until all the monthly payments (which include a maximum amount of interest) are completely paid. If you buy more than one thing then the contract is written so that you own none of them until you pay them all off.

If something happens that you fall behind on the payments whoever holds the contract can go to a court with a copy of the contract, give their word that you are behind and put up bond for twice the amount of the contract. A clerk stamps their papers and ZAP! they can break into your house and remove whatever it is that you bought. Without any notice at all you come home to find the front door broken open and your refrigerator and stove gone. Nice, especially if you have hungry kids and are on ADC.

What can you do to prevent this collusion of the courts and rip-off merchants? Read the contract they ask you to sign. Try crossing off the section which gives them the right to enter you house without notice. Demand that separate contracts be writ-

ten for separate items. They might not sell to you if you do these things but they are worth the try.

Notice if the contract has in big print the actual annual interest rate and the total amount of interest to be paid. If it does not, it violates the Truth in Lending Act and the contract is void.

Cases challenging this claim and delivery procedure are the United States Supreme Court (a Florida law) and the Michigan Court of Appeals (the Michigan law). Until they are decided local courts will still rubber stamp claim and delivery requests.

The law also provides that if you post bond for the items you can get them back. (Of course if you had the money you would have paid for them in the first place, so this obviously cannot help poor people). The court will hold a hearing after the items are repossessed where you can show that the contract is illegal or you did not owe the money. If you do successfully defend yourself and get a judgment for the items, you have a right to damages caused by the repossession. In addition you should always counter-claim for the damages they did in breaking in.

Finally let your friends know which merchants are ripping people off in this way so they will know where money counts more than people.

Death to the Death Culture!
Life to the Life Culture!

--Jim Florey

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RAINBOW*NATION*NEWS

Tim's Free Again

Dr. Timothy Leary was released from jail in Lausanne, Switzerland on Friday, August 6.

Leary, who had been locked in solitary confinement for 37 days, was released on bail pending a full hearing on his request for political asylum in Switzerland. The hearing on Leary's request for political asylum could take a year--or longer.

Radio newsman Peter Laufer of station KSAN-FM in San Francisco, who is in Europe on assignment, was in Lausanne to interview Leary within minutes after his release. Leary acknowledged that he had suffered a heart illness while in jail--but added with a laugh that he was recovering soon after his release from prison.

The so-called "high priest of LSD" reported that he had received thousands of messages of support from admirers while locked in the Swiss jail. He announced that he intended to fight for his permanent freedom in Switzerland--adding that, if successful, he plans to settle in Switzerland with his wife Rosemary to raise children.

The state of California is asking that Leary be extradited to the United States and be returned to the prison from which he escaped last year. He had been convicted of possessing marijuana.

Leary told Laufer: "Rosemary and I are free once again, due to an enormous network of love and trust."

--Earth News

BPP Fights Sickle Cell Anemia

Sickle cell anemia is a life-shortening, painful blood cell disease that is carried almost exclusively by blacks. It is genetically transferred from parent to child. The disease causes the red cells in blood to change from a circular shape to the shape of a sickle; the result often is the clogging of blood vessels, causing severe pain, weakness and even death.

Researchers have found that 99 per cent of all people afflicted with the disease are black. Statistics from Africa indicate that at least 80,000 people on that continent died of sickle cell anemia in 1970. The U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare estimates that there are over two million blacks carrying the genetic disorder in the U. S., and most carriers are unaware that they may transmit the disease or the trait to their children.

It's not very surprising that most people who carry the disease are unaware of it. Black people in Amerika

PSYCHOLOGICAL TRICK



photo: David Fenton

Last Wednesday night consumer crusader Ralph Nader had this to say about President Nixon's latest economic stunts: "The President's economic policy amounts to a giant Christmas gift for industry that he hopes will somehow drift down to the working man."

Nader said that the 10% hike in the price of imported goods will "particularly hurt poor people accustomed to buying lower-priced foreign-made products. The Nixon policy to cure the ailing dollar is really a psychological trick since it's wholly unenforceable. It's en-

forcement would make Prohibition look like kindergarten.

"Why is there no freeze on profits? Why is there no freeze on interest rates? Why are tuition fees in some areas allowed to go up even as the freeze is in effect?" Why indeed.

Nader goes on to say: "An economic plan designed more sincerely to help the consumer would cut taxes at the lower levels, impose stringent profit taxes on industry, and apply more strictly to anti-trust laws." Right on Ralph!

suffer from grossly inadequate medical care, because they cannot afford to pay for it, and the conditions of most free city hospitals are often unsafe. To help fight this disease, the Black Panther Party has launched an anti-sickle cell anemia campaign. The BPP has had operating sickle cell clinics in Oakland, California and in Chicago for the past two years. In Chicago alone, the Panthers have checked the students at 10 different schools, as well as more than 3500 people at their clinic.

Until recently there's been no cure for sickle cell--all that could be done was to notify the carriers so they'd be aware of what they were possibly passing on to their offspring. But last week a Grand Rapids medical researcher reported that he has developed a cure for sickle cell, which calls for stricken patients to drink quantities of "urea" four times a day--a process which he says causes the painful symptoms of the disease to disappear. All of his studies, including tests on 5,000 black students in Grand Rapids' schools, indicate that his cure works--with no harmful medical side-effects whatsoever.

Right on time as usual, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare announced last week the formation of a national committee to begin immediate "accelerated research" into the disease.

Look Ma, No Gums

Are you brushing after every meal? Does the toothpaste you use make your mouth brighter and whiter, give your mouth (zing!) sex-appeal, or clean your breath while it cleans your teeth? Has it been approved by the American Dental Association (remember them?) ? Did your group have 27 per cent fewer cavities? Well, look closer, people, because you may have a recently discovered side-effect from your heavily recommended product--you may have gival stomatitis!

Researchers for the Army Institute of Dental Research have concluded that several popular brands of toothpaste may cause painful soreness and swelling of the gums, according to an unpublished Pentagon study released by Senator Clairborne Pell, D-R. I. The condition is known as gival stomatitis, and was found among users of Colgate, Crest, McLean, Plus White, Ultra-Brite, Vote and Gleem.

The clinical survey showed that users of Crest and Colgate suffered from the ailment less frequently than those brushing with the others. Its conclusions are based on tests on a total of 1,057 patients and laboratory tests with 30 hamsters. Hamsters treated with the toothpastes lost sheen in

their hair, behaved lethargically, suffered loss of appetite and developed diarrhea.

Senator Pell said he will sponsor legislation authorizing the Food and Drug Administration to require cautionary labels on toothpastes found to have possible harmful effects, and to "restore the balance of truth in toothpaste advertising."

There are alternatives to the gum-destroying profit-making gook that the corporations responsible for this madness want you to use on your teeth. New Concept is an organic toothpaste made by Shaklee products. It's available at health-food stores all over town and from Ann Hoover at 1520 Hill St. Self Determination on all levels!

Pun's Judge Cited

Damon J. Keith, Federal District Judge in Detroit, has been unanimously chosen to receive the Judicial award presented annually by the National Bar Association.

"The award to Judge Keith is in recognition of his brilliant and courageous decisions in the Plamondon wiretapping case and the Pontiac school desegregation case, both of which have been upheld on appeal", said Judge George Crockett Jr., who along with NBA president Judge Edward Bell, made the presentation.

Keith's decision on the wiretap in the CIA Conspiracy trial was upheld by the appellate court but Nixon and Mitchell, being extremely unhappy that they can't play "BIG BROTHER", have taken the case to the U. S. Supreme Court, where it has not been ruled on at this time.

OZ Found Guilty

The three editors of "OZ"--England's leading underground publication--were sentenced to jail last week after being found guilty of violating Britain's obscenity laws.

Twenty-nine-year-old editor Richard Neville was sentenced to 15 months in prison and was ordered deported. Neville is a native of Australia. The two other "OZ" editors, James Anderson and Felix Dennis, were sentenced to terms of 9 months and 12 months respectively.

In addition, "OZ" was slapped with a fine of \$2440, and has been required to pay court costs of \$2750. The size of the fines is expected to bankrupt the company, bringing to an end the publication of "OZ."

The publication had been on trial for four weeks on charges of printing obscene matter considered harmful to young people. The edition in question had been put together by British high school students--and had depicted several leading English cartoon characters in drawings which police considered "obscene and degrading."

A protest against the stiff sentences by several hundred young demonstrators outside the courtroom was broken up by police.

--Earth News

7 Presidents Smoked It!

Marijuana smoking is quite popular in the U. S. today, but few people realize that grass was once so popular in the country that 7 U. S. presidents used it.

Dr. Burke, president of the American Historical Reference Society and consultant for the Smithsonian Institute, included the following U. S. presidents as marijuana users:

George Washington
Thomas Jefferson
James Madison
James Monroe
Andrew Jackson
Zachary Taylor
Franklin Pierce

Weed was common among tobacco growers, for when it was mixed with tobacco, it gave a mild intoxicating effect. The leaves and resins (hashish) were used to season food and as medicine.

Prior to the Civil War, pot was a very successful drug when used to cure insomnia and impotence. It was used primarily to reduce tension.



RAINBOW NATION NEWS

"Early letters from our founding fathers often refer to the pleasures of hemp smoking," said Dr. Burke. There are even references to it in the Congressional Records.

Marijuana never became a commercial industry because the plant was too easy to grow.

George Washington, James Madison, and Thomas Jefferson all cultivated weed on their plantations. George Washington is said to have preferred a good pipeful of the "leaves of hemp" to any alcoholic drink.

Thomas Jefferson and George Washington often corresponded about the virtues of smoking hemp and are said to have traded parcels of it as gestures of friendship.

James Madison once remarked that had it not been for hemp, he would not have had the insights he had in the work of creating a new and democratic nation.

James Monroe, creator of the Monroe Doctrine, smoked both grass and hashish. Madison brought back the habit of smoking hashish from France and continued smoking till he was 73.

Pierce, Taylor and Jackson, all military men, smoked with their troops. As popular as weed smoking is today in Vietnam, it was twice as popular among our soldiers in the Mexican War. Pierce wrote home to his family that it was about the only thing good about the war.

Huey Newton Trial

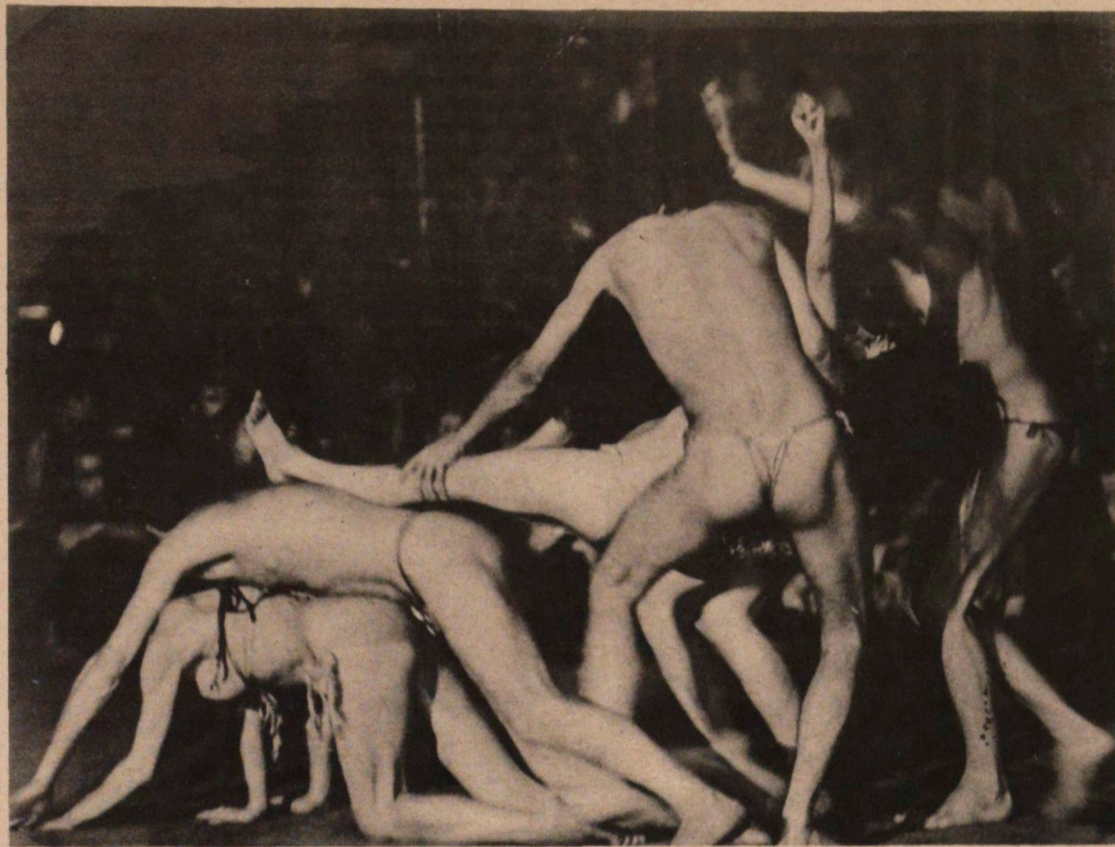
The third trial of Black Panther co-founder Huey P. Newton on charges of shooting a policeman has been scheduled for October 12th in Oakland, California. This will be the second retrial on this charge since Huey's conviction in 1968 of manslaughter.

The first retrial, which started on August 3rd, ended in a hung jury, 11 to 1 in favor of his conviction. This may or may not be representative of the fact that there were 11 whites on the jury and only one black.

In his closing remarks during the retrial, DA Donald Whyte depicted Huey on the night of the shootout celebrating the last day of a three year probationary period for assault by purchasing matchboxes of marijuana and driving around with a 9mm automatic in his car. When stopped by the cops, the DA said that Huey shot patrolman Frey because he was frightened that the grass and gun would be discovered.

Whyte implied that Huey was a vicious criminal because there were a few grains of marijuana found in his clothing and warned the jury not to "forget that Newton was out there blowing a little pot on the last night of his probation." Marijuana was believed at one time to cause crime, murder and rape, but scientific study has proven that there is no connection whatsoever between them.

Charles Garry, Huey's lawyer, then presented the defense



Living Theatre Busted in Brazil

Support in this country is growing for the Living Theatre, a high-energy group/grope street-theatre group that has been imprisoned in a Brazilian prison since July 1.

The Living Theatre's 15 members are charged with the trafficking of marijuana, though one member of the troupe who escaped the country says that the grass bust is a set-up. He says the group was arrested once but then quickly released. They were arrested again when police returned with their own marijuana.

The group is best known in New York and San Francisco, for its involvement of the audience in the performance. Living Theatre performances included scenes where half the audience would walk on stage, people would take off their clothes, dance, fuck, smoke hashish, and generally get it on.

According to Allen Ginsberg, who is coordinating a movement in San Francisco to free the group, the Living Theatre had been playing successful engagements in Europe

for several years, until recently when they were invited to appear in Sao Paulo, Brazil at a festival. During a dress rehearsal before their appearance the festival manager decided against allowing the troupe to perform.

The Living Theatre left Brazil's largest city and took up residence in the country where they played street performances to the peasantry. After a couple of months a complaint was lodged against the group by a Catholic priest and the president of a local mining company and the Living Theatre was jailed, all together.

The group was jailed and questioned by the Brazilian secret police, called the Department of Political and Social Order (D.O.P.). U.S. funds were used to train the D.O.P. and the man who trained the very police who arrested the Living Theatre was Dan Mitrone, a C.I.A. employee who was kidnapped several months ago by the Brazilian underground revolutionary group, the Tupamaros, and assassinated after the Brazilian govern-

ment refused to meet ransom demands of the group.

According to the only member of the Theatre to escape Brazil, Stephen Ben-Israel, two Brazilian members of the company were tortured by the D.O.P. agents until all of the American members agreed to sign confessions. The other troupe members were physically abused.

Ginsberg believes that the 15 Theatre members will be brought to trial as subversives to the Brazilian government, which brings severe penalties. Ginsberg and others in San Francisco and New York have been trying to get the Brazilian government to release the 15. Demonstrations were held last week outside of the Varig Brazilian Airways offices to protest their imprisonment, and a group of famous writers, poets and theatre people have signed petitions and sent them to the Brazilian government asking for the release of the company. **FREE THE LIVING THEATRE!** Further information can be had by writing c/o Beck, 800 West End Ave., New York, NY 10025

argument. He said that police stopped Huey's car because it was a known Panther car; that Frey frisked him in a degrading manner; and then struck and shot him when Huey began to read his rights from a first year law book that he kept in his car.

Garry emphasized the fact that the law book, an important piece of evidence in the 1968 trial had been mysteriously "lost" by the government. The book was covered with Huey's blood, which would help prove that he was shot while reading. He also pointed out that Huey's gun and Frey's gun (which the prosecution claims Huey grabbed from Frey's holster when his gun didn't work) were never found.

In the middle of Garry's remarks about life in the ghetto, one juror, the only non-white began to cry and

the judge immediately called a recess.

Garry said that he was disappointed that Huey had not been acquitted. He said the decision shows that "racism permeates the courts and there is no question that a Black Panther Party member, especially the minister of defense, cannot get a fair trial."

When asked if the case would be tried again, DA Jensen replied, "We would retry a case like this under any circumstances; a case like this is not a normal case. It involves the slaying of a police officer--about the most serious offense we can think of."

But Charles Garry doesn't seem to be worried about another trial. "It should be obvious to Mr. Jensen by now that no jury is going to swallow a story that Huey Newton is guilty of anything but having

been in the wrong place at the wrong time; Officer Frey shot Huey... Huey never shot anyone."

Garry said that during the new retrial he will spend a much longer time selecting a "jury of peers," in that the average jury is white and 50 years old. Jury members are picked from voter registration lists, and now that 18 year olds have been given the right to vote the average age of the juror should be under the 50 year average.

Garry said, "When we started the trial last month, there were 2,800 18-year-olds registered and none of them were on the panel. We hope there will be many thousand more on the rolls by the October trial." He added that he thought he had made a mistake in selecting the jury too quickly during the recently concluded trial.

Dare To Think, Dare To Act

(Editorial note: the following are excerpts from an article by Dr. Signer, biologist at M.I.T. and Dr. Galston, botanist at Yale. They traveled to Peking May 10--the first American scientists in over 20 years to visit the People's Republic of China.)

PEKING (LNS)--Lying flat on her back on the operating table the young Chinese woman smiled up at us as the surgeon deftly sliced into her abdomen. It was hard to keep in mind that the only anesthetic was a set of four long, thin needles we had seen inserted into the calves of her legs a half hour before.

Acupuncture--piercing the body with needles at specified points--has been used in China for many hundreds of years in dealing with minor ailments such as headaches, insomnia, colds, and backaches. Now the Chinese are developing new uses for acupuncture, among them anesthesia.

We were visiting Number 3 Hospital of Peking Medical College located in the pleasantly wooded university quarter on the northwest outskirts of Peking. Four major operations were underway with acupuncture as the only anesthetic: the removal of part of the stomach, a hernia, excision of a thyroid tumor, and removal of an ovarian cyst.

All four patients were conscious throughout the operations. The stomach patient sipped tea as the incision was being made. The thin needles, about 2 to 3 inches long for these operations, were thrust up to their handles into the body at spots marked with mercurochrome, and a report of numbness by the patient indicated successful placement.

The insertion points are found empirically, since anatomical research in progress has not yet revealed the physiological basis for anesthesia. The use of acupuncture is still considered experimental, and has only partly replaced traditional anesthesia so far.

"The advantages of acupuncture," Dr. Chu, the chief of surgery said, "are that the patient can communicate with the doctor during the operation, and that complicated equipment is not needed. Also there are none of the complications of chemical anesthesia so the patients recover more quickly, and the technique is very safe, especially for old and weak patients."

The more than 3000 operations done under acupuncture anesthesia in this hospital since its founding in 1958 include removal of eyeball, lung, spleen and amputation of limbs. "Based on Chairman Mao's saying, 'Dare to think, dare to act', Kuo Fashang, Chairman of the hospital's Revolutionary Committee, told us, 'the doctors in this hospital have created new applications of acupuncture by experimenting on their own bodies.'"

Free People's Clinic Grows On

Many changes have occurred in the Free People's Clinic, since the last article in the Sun, so we thought a progress report to the people of the community is in order. The growth of the clinic has been considerable, with great community support. When the clinic started out in January, we were seeing 12-15 patients per night. Now the clinic sees 25-35 patients per night regularly. There are over 1600 different patients registered in the clinic now.

Our services have expanded too. When we first opened up, we had the idea of nights with specialty clinics. Now these specialty nights are a reality, with an Obstetrics-gynecology night every Thursday, a pediatrics clinic every other Saturday afternoon, and a dermatology clinic once every month. Future service expansions are hoped to include a dentistry program, as soon as we can get the equipment together, and a psychological counseling program for general problems.

With all this growth have come many problems. The first has been overcrowding. We opened with only two examining rooms, an aspect of the general space limitation of the clinic, which caused long delays for patients. People were good about the long waits, but they caused some problems. At one point a couple months ago, when the number of patients that we were seeing was climbing, we found that the staff couldn't get done until after midnights most of the time. That caused a lot of problems as the staff is all volunteer and many have to work very early in their other jobs. So we had to back down our closing hours from 9:30 to 8:45 in the evenings

and 3:30 to 2:45 in the afternoon on Saturday. Now, with a reorganization of the Ozone House, the clinic could move some of its patients who were waiting back to the ground floor, allowing us to build a third examining room out of part of the old waiting room. This has markedly sped up the service delivery to clinic patients, reducing waits and reducing staff frustration.

The second problem has been money. The clinic's first six months of operation cost almost \$4,000 for supplies, drugs, rent, phone, and utilities. This comes to a little less than \$2 per patient visit, for both diagnosis and treatment. But our financial situation now does not look good. We came very close to not being able to meet our bills a couple months ago, but some money from the county for past services in population planning saved us. Just as in the park program it is important here that the patients donate something if they can. We do not expect that they can support the clinic entirely, but some more show of support may be necessary to keep the clinic functioning. Applications have been made for more money to different organizations.

What does all this mean in general terms of service to the community? The clinic does provide a very important service of giving the people free medical care if they cannot afford good medical care, including in the definition of good medical care being treated by staff and doctors who know where you are coming from and can relate to it, or at least not hassle you about it. The clinic has provided other services too. The medical unit at the park is one such service. The education of doctors as to what is going down in the youth

community is a second important thing that the clinic does. And the clinic is starting to get recognition from the County Health department for its work as we are now getting money back for population planning services and may soon get some repayment for treatment of VD. These are very positive, even revolutionary aspects of the clinic's work. There are other positive things that we are not yet doing. The biggest one here is health education in the community, something we hope to start doing from the community center when it gets together.

There are some negative aspects to the clinic also, and these can be minimized if they are understood. The medical care delivery system in the country is inadequate if you are not affluent. And the only way that this delivery system will become adequate is if some form of national socialized medicine or national health insurance is instituted. This would allow a good portion of all that tax money we pay to come back to serve our people's medical needs. Before the clinic opened, there were a lot of people who were getting inadequate medical care and knew it. Now with the opening of the clinic, many of their health needs can be taken care of, but the clinic is very limited in its scope of services and anything beyond routine, doctor's office type problems is beyond the scope of the clinic, beyond the diagnostic ability of our lab, beyond the treatment potential of our equipment. If someone needs these more critical services, such as x-rays, hospitalization, surgery, etc. the clinic really cannot help them and they are at the mercy of the medical establishment again,

which has very little mercy. The bills from these more complicated services are astronomical. In this perspective the clinic is almost in a pacification role, soothing the people's smaller needs (most common) but leaving them unprotected against the big problems. The patients of the clinic have to start to see how this situation is in need of change, not through the mechanism of expanding the clinic to cover these things, as that is not feasible at this time, but rather by continuing to put pressure on to change the health care delivery system in this country. This is a long slow process, like any revolutionary process, but is very necessary. We cannot allow the clinic to be a pacification instrument, hiding a very serious problem. Rather it has to be an instrument of education on both health issues and on health care delivery issues.

The clinic has in its design some very interesting things to give patients some say in what is going on there. The most important of these is the ability of any patient to become a voting member of the clinic corporation merely by indicating that he wants to be, six weeks after his initial registration in the clinic. This is a new possibility that has not yet been widely exercised by patients, probably because they did not know it was there. Free People's Clinic was started to serve the people and we hope to continue to do so. We have ideas on how to better do so, but we need the support of the community to keep on keeping on.

Mat Lampe
President
Free People's Clinic Inc.

Rock & Roll Mania

About 900 frenzied rock and roll freeks made it on down to the Grande Ballroom Thursday, August 5 for yet another in the series of on going dance/concert benefits to Free John Now! The Iron Horse Exchange, Pride, Third Power, and Up all rocked out in fine Motor City tradition, but even more significant than the good old time that was had by all was the fact that the right people of the Rainbow Colony had come together to wage the first real battle in the fight for permanent, year-round self-determination for our music.

That evening the Committee to Free John Sinclair split the profits from the benefit 50-50 with a new organization called the PEOPLE'S BALLROOM. Already incorporated as a non-profit Michigan corporation, the People's Ballroom is attempting to buy a building in Detroit for the purpose of staging rock and roll dances, film showings, poetry readings, and all other kinds of multi-media events, totally community-run and community controlled. (See People's Ballroom Statement, page 5.)

Despite the fact that attendance at the benefit was not as big as in the last two or three Free John Now! events, and despite the fact top-billed Detroit's Mitch Ryder was laid up in the hospital with stomach flu (keeping Detroit from doing their set) the folks who did show up had a killer time anyway. Young Iron Horse Exchange opened the show with a tight set of all-original rockers and the Pride of Women (who seemed to have finally found a lead singer that fits them well) played at an energy level that easily surpassed most male bands around besides showing them off

as the best all-sister group anywhere.

Third Power, together again with their original drummer, played a LOUD set that had Detroiters demanding an encore, and Up finished off the crowd with a long show of the familiar Upster material played at peak intensity. Those who were left at the end said it was their best ever.

It was another historic night for Michigan music, and with the vision of a People's Ballroom now closer to reality, a promise of lots more to come.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 20

FILMS
 "Big Jake" State: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9p. m.
 "Five Easy Pieces", "I never Sang for My Father" Campus: 7:30.
 "Carnel Knowledge" Michigan: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9p. m.
 "Right On" Alley: 7:30, 9:30, \$1.00 (ARM)

MUSIC
 Terry Tate, Mr. Flood's Party. Pun & Genie & Coalition for Peace and Justice Benefit, Union Ballroom: 7:00, \$.75-\$1.50.
EVENTS
 Summer City Bus leaves N.U. and State, 12:00.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

FILMS
 Same as Friday except:
 "Ugetsu" First Baptist Church, 502 E. Huron: 7:30, 9:30, \$1 (ARM)
MUSIC
 Terry Tate, Mr. Flood's Party.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

FILMS
 "Big Jake" State: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9p. m.
 "Five Easy Pieces", "I Never Sang for My Father" Campus: 7:30.
 "Carnel Knowledge" Michigan: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9p. m.
MUSIC
 Ann Arbor Free Concert, Diana Oughton Memorial Park, 2-6pm

MONDAY, AUGUST 23

FILMS
 Same as Sunday
EVENTS
 Bus leaves for Portage Lake, N.U. and State, Noon (Summer City.)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

FILMS
 Same as Sunday, except:

"Zulu" First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw: 7:30, 9:30 \$1.
MUSIC
 Tom Crocker, Odyssey Jam with Ann Arbor Musicians, Alley: 8:00, \$.75.
EVENTS
 Leather Workshop, Ozone House, 8p. m.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

FILMS
 Same as Sunday, except:
 "Juliet of the Spirits", "Chien Andalou", Alley: 7:30, \$1.00 (ARM)
MUSIC
 Buddies In the Saddle, Odyssey Kodi Road, Peoples Plaza: 12 - 1 (Summer City.)
EVENTS
 Bus leaves for Silver Lake, Peoples Plaza: 1p. m. (Summer City.)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

FILMS
 Same as Wednesday
MUSIC
 Buddies In the Saddle, Mr. Floods Party.
EVENTS
 Yoga and Macrame, Ozone House: 8p. m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

FILMS
 Same as Wednesday
MUSIC
 Same as Wednesday
EVENTS
 Bus leaves for Detroit Zoo, N.U. and State, 12 p. m. (Summer City.)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

FILMS
 Same as Wednesday except:
 "Asphalt Jungle," First Baptist Church, 502 E. Huron: 7:30 9:30, \$1.00 (ARM)
MUSIC
 Same as Wednesday

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

FILMS
 "Big Jake" State: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9p. m.
 "Five Easy Pieces," "I Never Sang for My Father" Campus, 7:30.
 "Carnel Knowledge" Michigan, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9p. m.
MUSIC
 Ann Arbor Free Concert, Diana Oughton Memorial Park, 2-6.

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

FILMS
 Same as Sunday
EVENTS
 Summer City Bus leaves N.U. and State: Noon

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

FILMS
 Same as Sunday except:
 "Laughter In the Dark" First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw: 7:30, 9:30 \$1.00
MUSIC
 Tom Crocker, Odyssey Jam of Ann Arbor Musicians, Alley, 8:00, \$.75.
EVENTS
 Leather Workshop, Ozone House, 8:00p. m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

FILMS
 Same as Sunday
MUSIC
 Buddies In the Saddle, Odyssey. Concert at Peoples Plaza, Noon.
EVENTS
 Summer City Bus leaves Peoples Plaza, 1 p. m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

FILMS
 Same as Sunday
MUSIC
 Phil Wood, Mr. Flood's Party.
EVENTS
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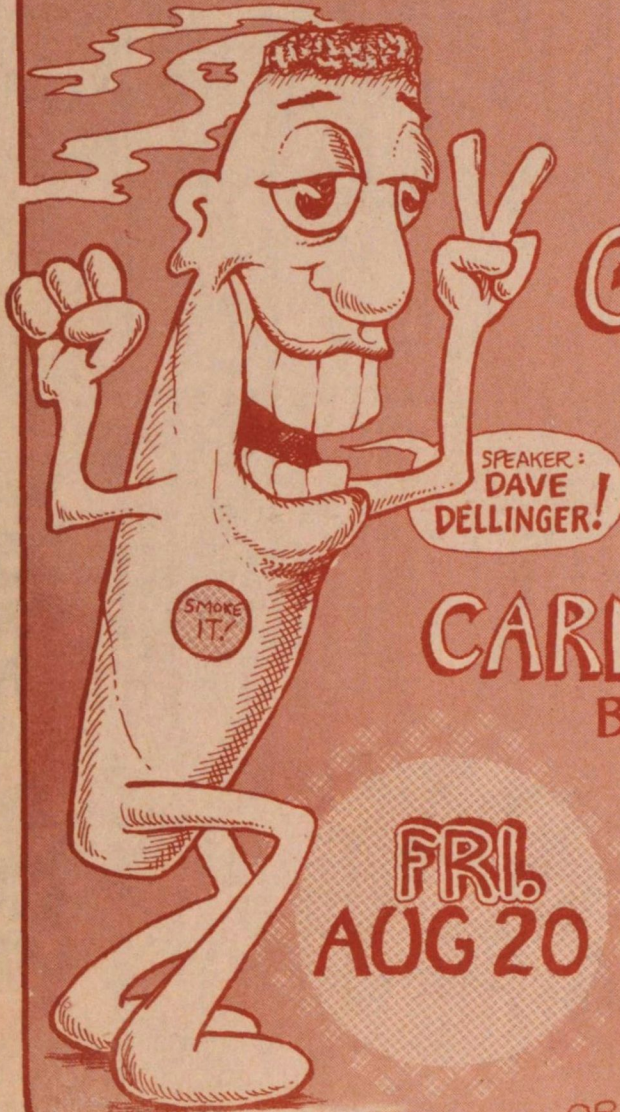
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