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claptrap

a short manifesto & warning of what is to come from

The University has approximately 10,000 students. Maybe each one of those students knows by sight up to a hundred other students. Maybe that one student knows about twenty people to talk to. Maybe he/she feels he/she really knows and can talk with five people.

Maybe that person feels vaguely out of place at the university—everyone around him/her looks happy and busy and clever-but after all it doesn't matter cos he/she is only going to be there for a couple of years, and then can start doing what he/she really wants to do.

Maybe that person gets involved with one of the big clubs-a sports club. Maybe that person reads the noticeboard but doesn't see anything that he/she is particularly interested in, because he/she has heard from someone that this club is run by so'n'so who doesn't care too much for newcomers. Maybe that person reads the newspaper and wants to say something too. Maybe one day he/she goes up to the office and looks in, sees people talking and working together & feels they would not welcome

Maybe when he/she graduates, he/she looks back and says his/her university years were the happiest of his/her life. And recount lovingly the exploits of the capping clique (of which of course they were not a member), remember with contempt the professor, or with warmth a tutor. But what does he/she remember of his/her contemporaries. What can he/she say other than "ooo yes so'n'so went into public service, made quite a name for him/herslef."

The point really is that although people who are not involved with a university talk about "the university community", they are talking about a fiction in their own heads. The university is fragmented, made up of cliques-the crappum clique, the student politician clique, the druggie clique, the artie clique-even the sports clubs are run by cliques. And maybe those cliques make up 1% of the student

This could well be because people don't believe in the university structure & don't think it's worth changing or even participating in. But I don't believe that political consciousness is that advanced. I don't believe it exists at all. And I think that is because people are too scared to become involved. Their first excuse is that they must devote most of their time to their studies. (I don't know if they really believe that). The excuses go on to say the shit-stirrers always spoil things-but no counterplots are conceived. That would indicate there was some life there.

My point has been made if you feel angry about this. My point has been made if you recognise someone to whom this could apply. Perhaps that helps you to understand what I'm

What I want us to do with crappum is to try & involve the voiceless people, the lonely people, the scared people-and that means about 9897½ of you all. Let us try to make this campus an exercise in living together & learning to live. You can be good at physics or psychology but probably you'll be no good at living. You'll vegetate, measure out your lives in coffee spoons and units, no doubt propagate at some stage, but never participate. That is the probability, and I refuse to take sociology to learn that. All I need is my eyes & ears & gut. All anyone needs to learn with is what they were born with but has been progressively squashed out of them-energy feelings imagination. I hope crappum this year can become a forum for your feelings & an excuse to all get together. Ultimately to do away with the need for excuses. I want to see the demarcations between editing and drawing and typing done away with-everyone should participate at all levels of this newspaper.

One of the ways we're going to attempt this is by opening up the crappum office, at least once a month, for a day/week/as long as you want to stay around, & having a type of media factory here.

The basic concept of a recent Media Factory was that participants should explore methods other than spoken/shrieked/whispered words to communicate thoughts and feelings to other participants. People soon realise that there is no such thing as a standard for a "good" photograph/painting/music. That its value lies solely in the fact that it is; that it is a message from someone/two/seven to someone/eighty/thousand else.

Crappum media factories will obviously be to produce the next week's newspaper. And if you contribute by painting the walls or dancing in the rubbish tin-well, I guess that'll 2 help too.

Come up to crappum office TODAY-

... or how the hell did Shadbolt get to be Crappum editor?

The only body we have that is supposed to weld the mass of shark is a 1 individually oriented students into a healthy and thriving to the A

What is a m

commmunity is the AUSA. But the AUSA is a bureaucra organisation consisting of demoralised radicals, budding politicianly just a nar ambitious ego-hunters, and even more tragically, a few idealists. Thiple where general apathy and cynicism of the student body soon demoralishers are con the executive who in their frustration become introverted and involved in petty bickering, power struggles, and stab in the badre. Several fi

Aims of Craccum: to weld the students into a community to avoid as much as possible becoming involved in the quicksand of student power struggles and petty politics to smash the mair

problem of student apathy Craccum is vital as it is the only contact many students have of you don' their association. To involve them in student life, Craccum musnes K. Baxte keep in touch constant with all the action, action being more ever the Big 1). important than theory (e.g. if there was space for one article and wared that it had a choice between an essay on the philosophical and sociological that it impact of rowing across Cook Strait, and an article about a studening anyway. that had rowed across Cook Strait, we'd be more inclined toward the latter.)

Content: (1) The University; how much do we know ... about our ow Tomorrow i university. What are our suicide rates. How many students a yearnel discussir end up in mental hospitals. How many gain criminal convictionserwards, he How many get hooked on marryjewarna. What is our dropout ratin and the Pland why. How many students graduate overseas. Why are we are

(2) Political Social, and Moral issues; students have become political pressure group in N.Z. society, and it is important that they know about, but don't get a gut full of, the major issues of today

(3) Art reviews, Poetry; we won't spend too much time on the Tomorrow 1 topics. Maybe a couple of poems and what's worth seeing at theace to be. 7 flicks, but nothing on the scale of Stephen Chan's artistic ctors, presen panoramas.

(4) Being a senior rugby player, I'd like to give a bit more roomen five Auck to sport than is, usually in Craccum, and make it interesting. (5) Personal; perhaps the most popular section of the N.2 od evening. Herald is the personal. column. This is because we are interested in'n't worry. T what people are doing. Like Phil O'Carroll having a baby. Those esday and W

who go to prison. Those who go to the library and love it.

Firstly I'd keep layout as simple as possible. I believe impact should be achieved by the topic rather than the way in which it is Dave Feary, typeset. A good way to make extra money and expand the value of a student paper would be to sell it outside the university (pubs, emendous pr parks, streets). Selling 2000 at 10c, and giving 5c to the seller would low Subma mean Craccum would make \$100 and four students would have a wboy on N part time job earning \$25 per week.

I believe that Craccum-being the most vital link the association lintines Day has with the student body, should not have to be in the least bit and Friday night economic proposition, however to keep the bureaucrats at bay, So far the Craccum must not overspend.

Craccum should be an alive provocative, stimulating, and leatre. informative student news paper reflecting the tidal waves of Incidentally intellectual questioning, joyful emotions, freedom and social awareness political that continually sweep the student body the Registr onwards. Having enrolled in 1965 and keeping in touch with the Iman beings university ever since, completing my unit in history and spending aperb projecto term on exec., I am obviously the ideal man for the job.

Hello. My name is Tim Shadbolt, one or your new editors. My advice is that you drop out, bum around the country, get involved in everything you bump into (up to the hilt) and come back and re-enrol for a degree when you're about 22. By that age you'll be intelligent enough to realise you don't need one-or stupid enough to get one if you think you do.

A survey conducted by Father Donnelly found that the main problem facing students was loneliness. Besides the obvious reason that we live in a selfish materialistic capitalist society, the fact is that university has become a massive stainless steel glass concrete and plastic institution. Last year at Victoria there were seven suicides in the first term. The exact figures are difficult to obtain but roughly five students commit suicide each term, and there are dozens of attempts. About ten students per term are committed to mental hospitals and there are literally hundreds of nervous breakdowns. And it's you-the budding young ulcer freaks of the -that are trying to work it all out, jostled along by parental pressure, bursary blackmail, Piggy Muldoon and a number of other

On application for editorship, you have to face the humiliation of submitting a policy statement to a committee of idiots who judge you. The whole process is one great bureaucratic cow dung which usually results in the worst guy getting the job. My statement was simple and lacked grease



On the strength of this policy statement, the committee decided I was not the ideal man for the job. They preferred someone weak they could push around and persecute. The problem was they guy they picked was so weak he cracked up under the strain before the first issue. And so the reject returned. And thus it was that Heater, Earl of Earwig, Gordon Prince of Cock, and Bishop Shadbolt of Bullshit and Jellybeans have returned to the womb via Craccum. For a secure year with Judas Lank, Leo the Christian Eater, and Paul Carew Superstar - those famous characters from the bibilical fables of the dynamic very reverend Jon 'lens' Miller. We are all members of the Craccum clique, and that's just what we don't want running Craccum. So come and smash us. We want to make editors redundant and publications committees irrelevant. You are Craccum, Craccum is a means of expression for every single student on campus and not some 'in-crowd' elite like us. You are responsible for your own environment-Craccum is a part of that environment. Every Thursday we are having a media factory where you can create Craccum we'll just sit up there and write and read out articles and record events, and ideas, and paint and draw and eat fish and chips and review records and talk and listen. The days are over when an editor can use Craccum as a vehicle for his/her own prejudices or when students can set up some 'editor' on a pedestal and ditch their own responsibilities for creating. If you don't express yourselves, then we just print a blank paper with just adverts. Craccum is your paper and the editors are only the will and energy of the student masses. All power to the student masses. You are Craccum. Make it what you think it ought to be.

DEMONSTRATION WASHDYKE: MT. JOHN against **U.S military bases**

NEXT WEEKEND MARCH

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What is a mud shark? A wella mama... ma... ahhm the mass of shark is a maah ahm. You may see one or three if you and thrive to the Arts Centre tonight at 8. "Rock on Grass" is g politicianly just a name for the evening so people can tell other idealists. Thiple where they're going tonight. Cruise Lane from demoralishers are coming up for a while, the Original Sin will be in the badre. Several films and nice grass—to sit on. So come and et a mud shark at the Arts Centre, 8 pm.

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lents have of f you don't like Rocks or Grass, don't just go home. accum musnes K. Baxter is reading his poetry at Newman Hall (next g more ever the Big I). If you have never heard him read, then be ticle and word that it is beautiful. If you have heard him you'll be out a studening anyway.

out our own Tomorrow in the Quad at 1 p.m. Brian Edwards is on a dents a yearel discussing the health of the Labour Party. And convictions erwards, he will be interviewed on Radio Bosom about his Iropout rait, n and the Party's aspirations. So listen to Bosom, Friday y are we a refunch for the "mean doctor"

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more roomen five Auckland poets will read their work. It will be a ing. of the N.Z od evening. Friday 8 p.m. If you can't make it tomorrow, nterested in two worry. The programme is on again, Saturday, Monday, paby. Thosesday and Wednesday at 8.

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which it is Dave Feary, our great Film Society leader has landed us a the value of rsity (pubsemendous program for Orientation. If you missed seeing seller would llow Submarine on Tuesday, be early for Midnight ould have as whoy on Monday night. Also next week, he's got St association lintines Day Massacre on Thursday, and Vanishing Point

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ats at bay, So far the University gods have refused to let him use

28, so we may all have to crowd into the Lower Lecture
lating, and leatre.

waves of Incidentally how about getting up a petition or marching and social dent body the Registry to demand that students be treated as real h with the man beings and allowed to use facilities like B28 and its spending a perb projector room—they were built for US after all.

You should go to as many of the things in the Orientation rogram as you can. Its a good time of the year. Its warm, ne days are long, and the Blue Meanies aren't pressing you or Varsity work yet. And its a good time to make friends, oz everyones more outward-looking than usual. They settle own into their cliques surprisingly quickly and you never se them again.

Get involved and stay sane.

Ficket 2 Ride

The New Zealand Universities Arts Council are starting neir series of campus tours this year with a group from hristchurch called TICKET.

In New Zealand, TICKET have played with several verseas groups, including Elton John, Daddy Cool and lungo Jerry. Now they are off overseas themselves, and ave the country on 14th March.

TICKET have been together for about two years. There re four in the group—TREVOR TOMBLESON, ocalist—EDDIE HANSEN, lead guitar and some ocals—PAUL WOOLWRIGHT, bass guitar—RICKY BALL, rums. They pool together their talents as writers, and now lay nearly all their own songs. Their first single—COUNTRY IIGH—reached the Top 10 in New Zealand.

Over the past year the group has been touring New tealand's main centres giving a number of concert erformances, and working in the larger music clubs. Now ney will say farewell to the country by doing the I.Z.U.A.C. campus tour, beginning in Dunedin on March 1st and working through Christchurch, Wellington, Palmerston Jorth, Hamilton and Auckland.

So come and hear TICKET at their last concert in New ealand—in the University Cafeteria on Saturday 11th March.



"Five years ago I was all for peaceful negotiation. Today I am ready to go in and fight as a guerilla,"—African Rhodesian Mrs Sekai Holland.

Sekai Holland, daughter of the first African MP in Rhodesia, will speak in the Quad, TODAY at 1 p.m.

"Until now, all dealings have been with the British Government and the White Government in Rhodesia, and they have told the outside world that the Africans are happy with the situation." This is a blatant lie, as has been shown by the "No" replies to the Pearce Commission at present gauging African opinion to the new proposed constitution.

Sekai Holland is married to an Australian scientist. Rhodesian 'law' would prevent her and her husband from living together in Rhodesia.

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DISNEY DOWN THE DRAIN

steve ballantyne at disney on parade



We wouldn't have gone if it wasn't for Al's relatives and his cheek. The relatives, small ones, probably easily impressed, told Al that they'd been to the show, and liked it, thus planting the idea in Al's mind in the first place; and the cheek provided Al with the ability to ring up the Disney people and demand a couple of free tickets to the Mickey Mouse show on behalf of Craccum and the freedom of the press. They said Al could pick up his tickets, at the show the following Monday.

Monday night we had to decide who was going to go with Al, but really it was all pre-ordained. George had to get up early the next day to go to work, and Sonja wouldn't go unless it was with me, but didn't mind if I left her at home-so that settled it. After dinner we had a smoke and rang for a taxi.

Michael Edgeley International Pty Ltd had hired Orakei Domain once before for the Russian Circus. The City Council had liked the fat rental they'd got, so having assured everyone that the Circus wasn't a precedent, they again scrambled to find a loophole in the law against private enterprise using public parks. So the Mickey Mouse gang got it six days a week, and the public were free to use it on the

The original inhabitants of the Domain area, the Ngatiawa, had had a village on the site till the Crown managed to get hold of it back in the thirties by convincing the people it was a health hazard. It was drained and made into a park. Although the Ngatiawa feel strong ties with the domain area, they weren't all against its use because it was tapu. Much of the shouting was done by Pakeha locals who cartoon heritage almost entirely. Instead'we got a platoon of and limes on Michael Edgeley International Pty. Ltd didn't want the noise and traffic.

Allan, the American who played Mickey Mouse boarded in Kitemoana St with the Ngatiawa. It is possible, I suppose, that he was an amateur urban anthropologist, but it struck me as more plausible that he was working part time for the P.R. team, especially since he arranged for the kids who werent selling programs, hats, badges etc to get in free when

Most of the rest of the cast lived at the White Heron.

Arriving at the gate, we paid off the taxi driver and got out. Now picture if you will a tent, a big tent, done up with flags and light bulbs like a great green pudding studded with glow worms. Add a queue of traffic half a mile long, two thousand mums and dads with their offspring, and a vast assemblage of commercial vultures of assorted ages and sizes, and you'll know just how it was. Now are you glad you weren't there?

The selling of the show was on a scale not often seen here. Mickey Mouse T-shirts, piggy banks, lamp shades, badges, books and balloons. Lavish advertising effectively bought plenty of "news" and "human interest" stories, and This Day coverage. An image more suited to a President than a comic strip character was created, but it did highlight for me the way information can be controlled and disseminated if you there. have money and know how to use it. Even to the extent of giving away free tickets, so as to present the Press with a full house at the premiere. Not to orphans as Jeni King, PR lady told me, but to doctors. One house surgeon got 14-about \$56 worth. Presumably word of mouth recommendations are more use with doctors' friends than orphans, when seats cost

The show probably did cost a lot to produce-costumes, transport, electronics, advertising and so on. But at say \$4 a seat with 3500 seats and two shows a day (sold out), \$28,000 as one day's takings is to my mind excessive.

The Edgeleys strike a hard bargain too. They fired most of the Australian tour cast in Sydney before coming to New for talent. Some of the costumes in the Alice in Wonders Zealand because they asked for a rise.

We were a little shy about picking up the tickets, because there to push them around. we had finally reached the eye-ball-to-eye-ball-confrontation stage. All did the deed, because he knows how to front up to tent and I suspect from their actions that they knew a people without wavering. I can't, but maybe if I practice a about our labour laws and union system. They emplo lot . . . Anyway, the lady at the box office handed over our some people full time at between two and four dollar tickets without a murmur. They were five-dollar ones in DAY. After a while the Labourer's Union got in touch, Donald Duck Block, which, since I have always preferred Mr Bullen was unfortunately in Melbourne for a couple Donald to Mickey, seemed to me to be a favourable sign.

The show was rather strange—in fact. I've never seen anything like it. There weren't any people involved in it at minimum wage. Shortz, the foreman, said that what all, just a whole lot of costumes and bits of machinery. Image being paid was an advance on wages (Hmmm). The act was the main concern. The costume standards were written wage was \$9 a day which is still exploitative. into the copyright contract, as was the prohibition of press photos of any costumes without people in them and in a Place of Amusement didn't quite make it. Front interviews with the humans inside about the parts they House awards dipped out, and the Construction Act does

The audience loved it. When the curtain opened the gasps and ooohs came from all over the tent, even though nothing was happening. When I was a little boy I underwent a to work from 10.30 pm after the last show to 8.30 f traumatic experience, in the shape of the Farmers Santa Parade. The sight of all those big papier-mache heads scared taken. Steel poles 20 feet high fell where they liked. No hi the wits out of me, since I had in my three years of hats were issued. experience, only encountered small, mobile heads. Since then, I have been prejudiced against larger than life artificial refused to take this man to hospital. heads, and the sight of about a hundred Aussie ballet students wearing big fibreglass ones left me feeling a little less abrasions.

the Flower Ballet/Alice in Wonderland and the Jungle Book case the police were called. sequences struck me as being successful. This was, I think, because they escaped pretty well from the pitfalls associated up and gone home by six o'clock without their wages. with trying to imitate in the flesh a very un-imitatable style of cartooning. Basically, the proportions of the human body with dogs. are just too different from those of a pre-nineteen-sixties Disney character for a satisfactory impersonation to be gone so well up till then he would ring up Michael Edgley possible. The guy that did Donald Duck had legs that were fiancee Jeni King and ask her for a date. It turned out the far too thick, much thicker than the real Donalds pipe she was otherwise occupied that night, but she agreed to cleaner gams, while Mickey's legs were rather too think and invite us up to the White Heron the following day. We we bony, like most human legs. Really, it would have been back to the flat in high spirits. The next day we hopped o better had they got a seven foot basketball champion to play, our bikes and peddled down St Stephens Ave to the mote Donald, and maybe a dwarf to play Mickey. The relative sizes the Edgley crowd was staying at. would be out, but the physical proportions would have been

chicks wearing big clumpy boots and pretending to be stalks expense account. Jeni King was wearing the biggest diamond of asparagus, closely followed by a delightful bunch of I've ever seen outside a museum case on her left hand rin pansies. The whole campy business was figured out by finger, and was sucking something alcoholic that had a lot of Vander Barbette, one of the most famous drag queens of the fruit salad in it. 'twenties and a close friend of Cocteau. The best part was when a flight of butterflies ran on and started waving their dilemmas in the process of staging the show. After I had wings the girls were wearing on their arms were painted with We didn't get a terrible lot out of the interview; the man powerful set of U.V. lamps. Some of the butterflies were to him. But we did manage to fix up for Al to shake hands during the tour in Australia and came close to killing the girls in Disney-freak relations. It was a sop, though. Basically we hanging from it, but on this occasion all the machinery weren't wanted, once it was discovered that we didn't fall depended entirely on bits of cloth glowing in the dark, would actually told to piss off, but the message came through just probably have gone quite well with acid.

Disney studios now use a slightly more realistic style, thanks entitled to. The ride back home that afternoon was uphill all to recent advances in animation techniques fostered by the wav.

XErox. Baloo the bear can be impersonated by anyl strong enough to carry a gigantic furry blue bear suit an under stage lights.

At half time we went outside to see how the audience taking it. By and large, they were a pretty straight bu and as might be expected, pretty uncommunicative Donald Duck impressions drew little response, as did urgent cry "Excuse me, how are you enjoying the sho (best reply: "Aw, it's okay, I s'ppose") The ice ca turned out to be twenty cents a time, so I couldn't commyself with one of those as I would normally have done, the ushers tried to make us feel as if we had no right

The Cinderella and the Babes in Toyland sequences the ones that worked in part two, because as before, were the sections that got furthest away from carto Cinderella had dancers in nylon wigs twirling around battery powered lights glowing all over their schma eighteenth century gear; very festive. Babes in Toy wasn't a cartoon film in the first place, so it comparitively easy to make the cast look like the mo they had animated by-frame-by-frame photography in first place. The only trouble was that most of the tin sold weren't nearly as-snappy and co-ordinated as those in original film. In fact, that was the trouble right through entire show: the producers had tried to substitute costu section even had castors on them, and the girls were of

Bullens, the Circus people were contracted to supply

The Union suggested that \$1.24 an hour should be

In fact the workers weren't covered by any award. We

When it came to pulling down the Big Top, Bullens we just as cunning. They hired about 70 men at \$1.50 an ho following morning. No safety precautions whatsoever we

The worst accident involved a gouged foot. Buller

There was no first aid. Most men received bruises a

There were no rest breaks, not even a Smoko. One m Of all the acts presented in the first half of the show, only was actually assaulted for not working hard enough. In the

The work was so hard that about half the men had give

This final performance was watched over by security me

Anyway after the show Al decided that since things he

When we got there, we found that we were unable to have Miss King to ourselves—a reporter from the Dominion wa The Flower Ballet got off to a good start by junking its' already sitting in the lounge with her quietly consuming girls

I asked her whether they had experienced any mora wings around: the whole scene was quite: freaky, because the explained what I meant she replied. "No, none whatsoever." flourescent dye, and the spot lights had been replaced by a from the Dom became quite taciturn when we tried to speak attached to a spinning mechanism that had collapsed earlier with Mickey Mouse, which must be some kind of milestone worked as it was intended to. The total effect, which within the range of the standard reporter type. We weren't the same. You really have to work for a metropolitan daily The Jungle Book section succeeded mostly because to get anything like the fawning attention a reporter is ed by anyl bear suit an

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So ya wanna be a student

The only valid reason for being at university is to destroy it. Thus spake Abbie Hoffman, and he's right about that, even if you don't agree with him on other points.

Perhaps the view is a little radical for you; you who came here with dreams of gaining academic acclaim, broadening your mind, discovering the wit and wisdom of the ages through reading, discussion and the counsel of learned men. Well that's the sort of come-on that might go on the prospectus if the university were a public company, but it's a and is not valid today.

However, there's another, more modern, misconception about the university which is held, oddly enough, by an unholy alliance of liberals (derogatorily) and Muldoons (approvingly). This is the one which says the university is a simply by glancing at the newspapers. No-one hires graduates these days. The number of unemployed people with degrees is rising all the time. Should you be unlucky enough to acquire a degree, you'll find at the end that an intimate acquaintance with the structure of the English sentence and a deep knowledge of the influence of T'ang pottery on 17th century music simply don't qualify you for a job in this society. (That's not such a bad thing, but we won't go into it

Your choice then, lies between discarding your knowledge and learning something useful or becoming an academic (thereby ensuring your investment isn't wasted). Both courses are survival techniques, and, as the second is more appropriate to your present situation, we shall study it more closely.

We start with the basic assumption that everybody's job at university is to survive. For you, that means preserving your mind, your independence and your anger. Blowing up the university is one way to do this, but if you don't feel up to

that, then the next best way is to be aware of the sources of

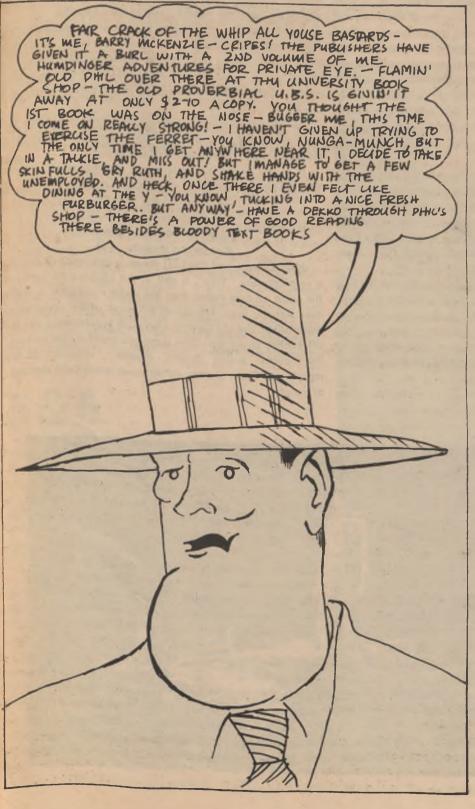
The major source is the academic who lectures and tutors you. You see, once the graduate is admitted to the halls of academe, he realizes his carefully-preserved knowledge isn't worth a thing and he panics. How will he survive? What is there to stop him joining the unemployed graduates not fortunate enough to be called academics? Desperation born of need quickly shows him how. He must acquire a camouflage, a means of not standing out so that his lack of knowledge won't become noticeable, so that he can preserve his facade of being educated, even knowledgeable.

The camouflage, brothers and sisters, means getting you. Your mind must become indistinguishable from his, you must not leave his tutelage with any vestiges of misconception which dates from the mediaeval universities independence, and, particularly, your anger must be dulled, replaced, dispersed.

This is the academic's method of surviving and it clashes with yours, so it must be resisted. How you do that is your affair, this is just a warning,

A final cheery note for those who wish to escape from meal-ticket factory. You can test the fallacy of this opinion university with as few wounds as possible-there are exceptions to the general mediocre herd of academics. Unlike the majority, they don't claim papal infallibility and can be distinguished by this characteristic alone. Again, how you find them is your affair, but an attitude of humility, not obsequiousness, is a start.







Led Zeppelin



LED ZEPPELIN - WESTERN SPRINGS - 25 FEBRUARY 1972.

COURTESY ROBERT RAYMOND AND RADIO HAURAKI

LED ZEPPELIN unleashed their Blitzkreig last Friday night with a ferocious firepower that would have done the S.S. "Deathshead" Panzer Division proud.

A roar went up from the crowd at 2 minutes past 8, as the group-Jimmy Page, John Paul Jones, John Bonham and Robert Plant-took the stage and blasted into the "Immigrant Song". Suddenly the hours of waiting, the discomfort, the hype and ripoffs in the form of posters, T-shirts and high ticket prices were all forgotten. Page made a few volume adjustments and "Heartbreaker", "Black Dog" and "Celebration Day" followed. These songs are typical Zeppelin. That is riff-based songs with the bass and guitar playing in unison at maximum volume. Sure it's formula rock and it is not particularly progressive, but then the group does not have any pretensions to being "progressive" or "experimental" like the heavy German groups "Amon Duhl 2" and "The Can". Their aim is simply to generate excitement and this they do extremely well.

A change of pace was provided by "Since I've Been Loving You"-a slow 12-bar blues with an unusual chord change at the end of each sequence. Page played his odd twin-necked Gibson (a 12-strung neck and a 6-strung neck attached to the same body) and Jones dropped his bass and played organ and electric piano. A good atmospheric number which illustrated Robert Plant's amazingly powerful voice, and stamina that would put a marathon runner to shame. Indeed, his voice appeared to become increasingly stronger as the night wore on.

The accoustic set which followed and included "Travelling to California", "Thats the Way", "Tangerine" and "Bron your Stomp" was not received with much enthusiasm by the crowd. Perhaps such numbers weren't expected from such a heavy group, even though most of these tunes appeared on side two of "Led Zeppelin 3"

With the return of the electrics we were treated to the Indian influenced piece "Dazed and Confused" in which Page extracted some extraordinary sounds out of his Les Paul by using a violin bow. In "Stairway to Heaven", possibly the best track on the fourth Zeppelin L.P., Jones played keyboards once more and Page utilized his double-necked Gibson to great effect. This tune had an incredible build-up and showed Zeppelin in a more melodic mood than usual. "Rock 'N Roll", "Out on the Tiles," "What is and Should Never Be" (the last using slide) revealed Page's amazing speed and dexterity and the white-hot excitement he can extract from his guitar. He does not have the ability to develop and extend a solo logically as Zappa, for example, can do so effectively. Rather he relies on piecing together isolated phrases which range from growling bass runs to high pitched screams in the treble. "Moby Dick" saw drummer John Bonham swing into action. His solo was most remarkable as he used his bare hands to hit not only the skins of the drums but the metal cymbals and the huge gong which stood behind him. He is not a particularly "technical" drummer but is a powerful propelling force in the group and his solo was rightfully applauded as one of the high spots of the evening.

The audience leapt to its feet as "Whole Lotta Love", with a medley of John Lee Hooker's "Boogie Chillun", the Everly Brothers' "Hello Mary Lou" and "Lets Have a Party", pushed the show to an ever higher peak. Howling Wolf's "Going Down Slow" came next and the show closed with an encore of "Communication Breakdown."

Overall, a most remarkable concert,

HENRY JACKSON.



DIRECTED BY DON FARR-MERCURY

Or: Never have I been so bored in my life. At the end of the performance, the after-show, trendy chit-chat was painful, and the reviews twenty four hours later were painfully predictable. Guevara as a copywriter's dream, was presented and ridiculed; so much for the glossy red and stage to have a chat with the directorblack posters of Che-we all know the man was as much bastard as anyone else. But everyone was taking it all so seriously! As if their casual flirtation with radicalism had been artfully undermined-their possession of the appropriate poster and the appropriate Penguin reprints, betrayed—and in the name of serious theatre moreover! Guevara's faithful will not enjoy this play, screamed

Oh well, there you have it-to have such glibness screeding out from assorted mouths and pens, is to judge the audience, not the production. B ut the production itself was lacklustre, and it never achieved author John Spurling's Place. The legend deserved to be undermined. Spurling set theatre, and his own play. Oh, but everyone soldiered work on-bravo for the polite but confused reviews, for the

On and on. Ladies and gentlemen, here we have the end of revolution (dying with Scotch asthma), and the Western Springs Speedway of theatre. beginning of the feeble attempts at revolt. Albert Camus would have been proud. Then, the second half of the play set out to destroy its introduction, but all and sundry knew they had to be transfixed by THE MESSAGE (!) as if any writer could have been so clumsy.

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Stephen Chan of youth.

You can shit on about Peace You can shit on about Pollution But you aint saying nothing Till your talking Revolution Tim Shadbabout grass a

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I wandered up to 'His Majesty's' expecting to be greete by young revolutionaries giving clenched fist salutes and 'Right on Brohter Tim', but all I got was 'the caretake holding a broom and telling me that under regulation 14 Dogs were not allowed in.

So Brutus sat outside, Miriam went to the toilet and wandered in holding Reuben—our 4 month old nipple-suckt radicals dar who's been involving me in a lot of shit-wiping instead dancing-but shit-stirring since he's been on earth. Everyone goe types dancin 'oooooooohhhhhhhh! what a lovely baby!" and this youn'cool' to dar negro girl comes and holds and snuggles him so I wander of and have liv

"Gooday, I'm John Banks". His stoned eyes let me know dancing. he hated formalities. "Now listen, man, let's just get the straight-it's a show to turn on middle class New York-that's marches, me

He seems to be apologising to me for putting on a libera

In came 'the caretaker' again and ordered all members of the cast who were smoking to go outside. So while they were going over their lines about Freedom, they all huddled outside the door, taking last desperate puffs on half-smoked cigarettes under the watchful eye of the caretaker.

Lights, sirens, a brilliant backdrop of mangled cars aim: certainly Guevara's trendy legend has about as much nightclubs, and an old truck parked on stage! A spiritual substance as a Hollywood musical, or a rerun of Peyton circle of life ripples out into the audience, swirling, dancing giving the audience flowers. Height Ashbury may be an old out to do this, while undermining art, criticism, critics, scene but it still hasn't been done in NZ theatre-yes, it will

As the dancing and singing moves on, I become less seriousness with which old, strained, 'artistic' cliches were cynical and analytical, drawn in by the energy and expression and movement. It's exciting. It's exhilarating.

It looks good; it smells good; it feels good. It's the

'Aint got no Pot -busted Aint got no faith - Catholic Aint got no God - Good Aint got no smokes - shit.'

John Lennon said the LSD dream is over and he's become There you have it: my chief complaint against the play a revolutionary. "Hair" is still in the LSD era the battle of was its turgid clumsiness. Your editor asked for a slightly the spirit of man rather than the social conditions in which longer review (bash bash) when he waved tickets under my man actually lives. The satires are good; of the conservative carnivorous nose two hours before the curtain rose, but materialistic uptight parents who push lawnmowers and reel why congratulate stupidity by adding to it. You can all off cliches about how "the army will make a man of you." open up your dull little ORIENTATION HANDBOOKS for The corny avante guarde movies. Pollution. SExual inhibitions. These themes are wrapped around the depravity

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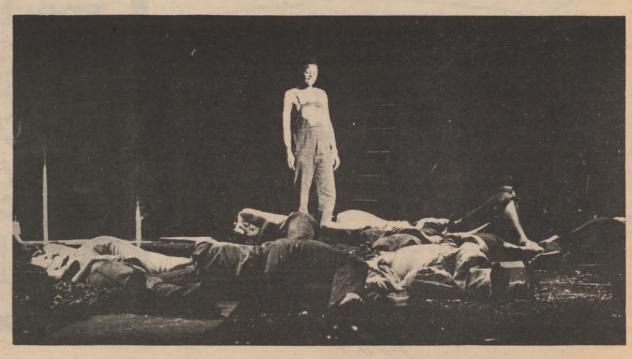
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nto the audience. I began reading them. Most of them were im Shadblbout grass and acid. So far from being a protest scene. Others read: "Fighting for peace is like fucking for chastity". had realised all along that "Hair" was a commercial show. It truck me then that it was also an anti-revolutionary show,

It's not that the caste aren't great people. Of course most f the men are camp but they seem much happier and less pitchy and tense than most theatre people. It just hurts me to see young kids paying 5 dollars a ticket to watch other young kids sing and dance while fat cat Miller rakes in more oot. Still I suppose many young singers and dancers get sucked in at wages between \$80 and \$130 dollars a week. The wages vary according to how strong your union is.

Though they talk like poor hippies and look like poor n some helpipies and sing about poor hippies, the young girl I talked lood slogar to lived at the Intercontinental which cost her 84 dollars a week, but said she would have to move because this only left could knower with 50 dollars a week spending money and she 'couldn't) be greete manage' on that.

Its true they are a happy tribe—like a bunch of young kids on a big hippy trip . . . Its just that everything they portray is the opposite to reality. The hippies they portray on stage are ulation 14 happy and singing and dancing. But hippies in reality are often bored, unhappy, poverty-stricken people. I can remember during the Albert Park days, it was easy to get the pple-sucktradicals dancing and it was easy to get the liberals instead dancing-but it was impossible to get the hippie, druggy yone goe types dancing. They were usually too 'hung up' cynical or this youn cool' to dance. I went several times to Baxter's Jerusalem wander of and have lived on almost every commune in NZ but never have I seen in any of the communes or tribes anyone et me know dancing,

ust get the It has only been with the protest groups; during street 'ork-that marches, mobilisation buildups, Woodburne campaigns and guerilla theatre, that I have seen anyone dancing and singing. It is this aspect of youthful exhuberance that "Hair" seems to ridicule, while concentrating on the pseudo-spiritual, druggy, hippie, flower culture.

As far as relevance to NZ is concerned, I preferred ill huddle watching the Brian Edwards show. It was good local satire alf-smoke and good music. It wasn't as professional as "Hair" and few people went and saw it, so you'd better buy lots of books from the University Bookshop so Noonan can survive next winter. I suppose its because Kiwis are such insecure audiences. They like to know exactly what product they are be an old buying for their money and no one knew what the Brian -yes, it will Edwards Show was all about. But everyone knows "Hair". They have all heard the record and the big media publicity. They know exactly what they're getting and will undoubtedly feel secure enough to pack out His Majesty's d. It's the theatre.

"Hair" is exotic. There's only one Kiwi in the caste-his father is a scout leader and loved the show which is a good indication of its political impact. Still I'm always an optimist. It's good just to see a happy group of people and even if it just makes a long hair a little more tolerable, this may make life easier for some frustrated schoolboy or bank clerk.

Yes, it's a good show. Singing beautiful. Dancing spirited. Music brilliant. Direction excellent. It's a fully professional show. Songs about masturbation being fun may blow a few Kiwi minds and will cause a big sensation. So if you've five bucks to blow, and feel curious, go and see it-but don't expect to get anything out of "Hair" except entertainment.

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being at. It's the Orientation Arts production at the University Arts Centre and it's a mixture of theatre and poetry. It will be worth being at because its different. On the one hand there are the poets: Arthur Baysting, Murray Edmond, Russell Haley, David Mitchell, Robert Orr and Ian Wedde, all pioneers of radical poetry readings, and on the other there's Theatre Action the international theatre group led by Francis Batten.

Theatre Action makes great use of improvisation in developing their material. It's a difficult but creative approach to more experimental theatre. Now the audience will be able to test the actors' skill in this delicate art by suggesting at one point in the programme, subjects for them to improvise on. And it won't be all one-sided. The actors will be dragging the audience into the action too. There'll back from the famous Basle Festival in Switzerland.

Theatre Action is one of the very few theatrical groups in just what theatre is all about. Their background training has been rigorous-two years studying mime under Jacque Lecoq

Then come the placards. The placard bearers move out tradition in that he advocates a fuller, more rounded kind of program on the present closed-circuit system. Bosom is then theatre. You won't see any white painted faces in Theatre likely to be granted a licence to broadcast in a radius of five them. They use words, masks and conventional theatre broadcasting into the heart of the city. techniques where the occasion demands.

'5 + 5' isn't the first time Baysting, Edmond, Haley, Mitchell, Orr and Wedde have read together. Last year they office and right down the end of the passage. gave a reading at the Arts Centre in June, and toured to Downstage in Wellington where they packed out the late broadcast licence at the end of the first term. night show that busy Friday when the beer strike broke. What interests them in reading poetry in public is the performance aspect of a reading. A poem read is a unique momentary even like a theatrical performance or a musical concert. The second aspect of the reading that they have chosen to develop is the 'group reading'. Poems are shared and swapped at a reading; magical chance poems are created on the spot in what the poets call 'circular poems'-each poet in turn contributes a line and thus a totally new poem is

As a group these poets represent the most exciting young poets working in New Zealand. Their work has been published together in an irreverent little magazine called The Word Is Freed. In many ways this reading marks a point of transition for these poets. Robert Orr has just had a book, Blue Footpaths, published in England which will be on sale here shortly; a collection of Russell Haley's work, Walled Garden, will be published at the beginning of March; similarly David Mitchell's book, Pipe Dreams in Ponsonby, will be in the shops very soon; and Arthur Baysting and Murray Edmond along with Alan Brunton, the founder of The Word Is Freed who now lives in England, are collaborating on a book titled Three Audiences which will be out later in the year. Ian Wedde, who recently returned from overseas brought out a book Homage to Matisse, at the end of last year. Thus this reading will mark the transition from little magazine publication to something more substantial and permanent.



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This year Selwyn Jones, Bosom's driving force promises us in Paris. Lecoq differs from the Marcel Marceau type mime better quality and continuity, to get a smooth running daily

Action-in fact you'd have a job to pin the label 'mime' on miles round the University. We will have our own station,

So there is a lot of work to be done, Selwyn needs people From their Lecoq background, Theatre Action are now to compile programmes, people to report events and research branching out to see what discoveries they can make, If you information. Most of all, he needs technicians, especially asked them just what their scene is, they would probably tell from the engineering school, who are willing to help build you they're doing theatre research. Come along and see the and operate equipment to complement the excellent gear Bosom already has.

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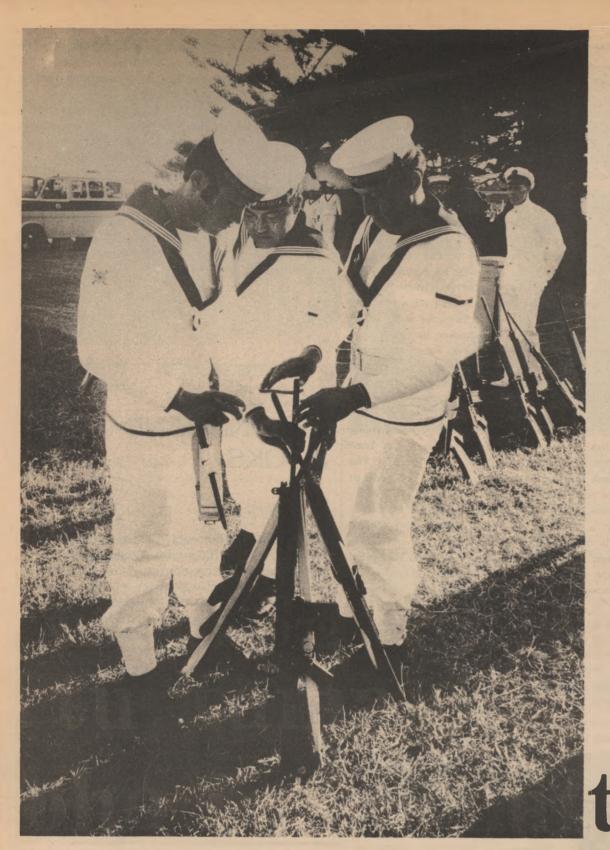
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Waita 19 Tama tu ai tama nohoa

I noticed an incongruity almost at once: the kids in the back of the bus, going to Waitangi, singing kitsch popular songs, and the kuia (respected old women) singing old Maori and religious songs, in the front. It was like that all the way there. The gap was bridged by Tame, Rua's grandson; and he looked it. He was the only young Maori who had a great knowledge of his culture.

incidentally is not the treaty area. We were led onto the marae by Kawiti, a chief, and strong opponent of the pakeha celebrations. We were ignored by the tangata whenua, the people whose marae it is. We were a bit upset, but they they didn't fall over backwards welcoming Dougie McIntyre, the pakeha Minister for Maori and Island Affairs either.

The Maori Council was there for one of its Meet the People chats. This partly occupied our Saturday morning. The idea is that the average chap can ask the Council questions about what it is doing. This meeting seemed pretty much a waste of time, with the Council seemingly determined to skirt every major issue. A number of speakers pressed home points on language and education:

- That the education system at present is racist.
- That Maori language and culture are not taught enough in this country.
- Until there is equality in the education system, there will never be equality.

Then we all had lunch. Waiting for Dougie McIntyre. I'm very ambivalent in attitude towards him. He's probably just the best of a bad bunch. Well he arrives, gives his speech. But he has learnt something from last year. He's learnt that there is more unity amongst Maori people, he's learnt that it is not much point playing one tribe off against another which is what he tried to do last year. This year he tried another trick-the bribe. The people of the Waitangi marae are expected to feed many hundreds of visitors. While the visitors will give donations these never cover the costs. For some time now, the people have been asking for

rock, which he has brought for the purpose.

And the questioning of the MInister began, Shellfish . . . the buck was passed to another Minister. Maoris have been fined for taking more than their quota. The point that shellfish beds are being depleted by commercial ventures, not The next day we fronted to Waitangi marae, which ordinary people, seems not to be understood by McIntyre,

Then Nga Tamatoa spoke. Dr Doug Sinclair is middled aged, balding, a doctor, middle class, and absolutely a man with a gut and heart. He gave Nga Tamatoa mana. He knows the traditions of his people and speaks the language. He asked a question that made everybody doubt-the government had just taken some Maori land at Greymouth under the Public Works Act, and had put it up for sale. He asked McIntyre why Maoris weren't allowed to buy this land? He asked why pakehas were the group permitted to this land? No answer. Perhaps if Mr McIntyre had a number of letters asking him about this land, he might just have to find an answer to this discrimination.

So many points were raised with McIntyre, who was now visibly shaken each time a Nga Tamatoa speaker got up. Questions like

- why wasn't there a Maori Minister of Maori Affairs?
- why was the Race Relations Act passed for reasons of international prestige, rather than for the welfare of the people of this country.
- why was this Bill introduced without any consultation with the Maori people?
- why were the hearings of the Parliamentary Subcommittee held in secret, chaired by 'Gin' Monroe? Evasions. That's all the Minister gave out.

Hana Jackson gets very impassioned very quickly. She pleads from her heart which sometimes makes people very uptight. Dr Pei Jones the chairman of the NZ Maori Council asked her to sit down. She wouldn't. She said her piece and then sat down. Things became more impassioned so a little officious man named Jack King, a north Auckland delegate

contributions from the government to help these costs. And to the Maori Council tried to stop Tamatoa by closing domonoured Tr there is Dougie, flourishing a cheque, which he leaves under a the meeting. Some 40 minutes before the official programm are ashame ended the meeting.

> So we decided, some of us, that the best thing to do tressive. Nob dinner was to go to the pub, i.e. the Waitangi Hotel, witance on last whites in one bar and Maoris in the other. used for rei

And that was where we met the Stormtroopers.

ter clash betv We were pretty shy, pretty self-conscious, but after ies got up an while it was ok. A couple of Stormies were pretty interesta Treaty, pet to know what the hell we were doing up there. Talk, drinliament. Yet and back to the marae.

That evening before the long korero on the celebrations to last 130 ye take place the next day. Old man Harawira spoke eloquentlas,

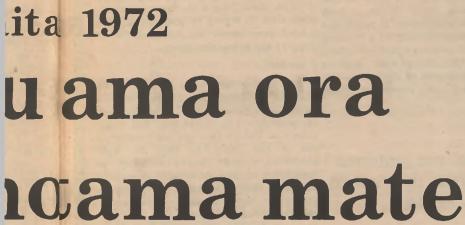
on time, the value and quality of work and how the Rata kaumatua (elders) hear only what they want to hear. He saliause by this Nga Tamatoa would not succeed because it has no faith inds either to the church. He is a Methodist minister.

Then Syd Jackson spoke. He asked that the celebration and then he the next day be boycotted. His main reason for this: the Friends

- That the government should recognise that the so-caller a Maori co 'special measures' which Maoris have, such as the to South Department of Maori Affairs, be regarded as rights notionary whit eting house
- That the government should immediately repeal the 1967 eha celebra Maori Affairs Amendment Act and make legislation tolcation. I s replace it after consultation with the Maori people. npensation.
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- The government must make an extensive reorganisation of sible. I sugg the prison and judicial systems in this country. Pat Hohepa:
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- The government should provide the finance to suitably s because of qualified Maoris to study the pakeha problem. at the kaur

Syd: "We're asking for your guidance and help. Why douple who will we have to be divided? How can we progress together? Stand are not will together, Maoris! Today we ask that you support us." e to the Gre







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At this stage of the evening, things were beginning to look
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the Friends of South Africa to be their national president. he so-called a Maori could consider it disgusts me. He is going on a ich as the to South Africa this year. I hope he enjoys being an sights notorary white for a few weeks. His exhibition in the ating house was disgusting. He said he was going to the all the 1967 eha celebrations because he was grateful for a pakeha gislation tocation. I suggest that he looks on his education as apple.

pensation. Compensation for stolen land. Compensation e action to stolen language. Compensation for a bastardised Rotorua ibal fishingrist culture. For shellfish. Compensation for the 50% of prison population being Maori. Compensation for a anisation of sible. I suggest you anglicise your surname.

Pat Hohepa: "Your own land has been rated out of hand. In ancing of is not Tamatoa, but the government who wants you to suitably is because of pakeha commercialism worth \$1,000,000. at the kaumatua are facing is the new wave of young Ip. Why dople who will not go through the things you have suffered. Ther? Stand are not willing to go to Wellington with a huge petition to us."

e to the Great White Fathers. The hard line is coming."

The meeting closed, tempers were high, and Nga Tamatoa were pretty unhappy. We went back to Te Rapunga, Kawiti's marae, feeling heavy and dispirited. But there was one thing that made Nga Tamatoa happy. On the way to our bus after the korero, somebody noticed the Stormtroopers who had come to help with the cleaning were sleeping on bare boards in the huge entertainment marquee. It appears that they had not been invited to sleep in the house with the other visitors. So off they came with us. We talked with them and they said that even though they themselves wanted to join us, they were from only one chapter (Otara) and would have to consult with the other three chapters in Auckland.

We couldn't decide what to do the next day, but Doug Sinclair talked about pschological warfare i.e. they expect us to do something violent so we would not inform them that we would be doing the exact opposite

We started talking about tactics again, but still couldn't decide precisely what would be done. We had decided to give the cops their money's worth.

Pat Hohepa arrived, saw we were despondent and talked to us and began to elevate our spirits a bit. He pointed out to us that the main chiefs and kuia of this land don't go to the ceremony. Only two important chiefs were there this weekend. These important chiefs, simply do not support the ceremony, but this is not well known because they have not made public statements. Hohepa said that Nga Tamatoa must do what is right even if it annoyed the kaumatua.

And the protest itself. The ceremony starts at 7 pm. We arrived at 5 pm. We went off into groups and measured, checked, watched, wrote, drew maps, photographed between three photographers every cop and meatwagon. After half an hour of this we went to the meeting house there and began to sing. Small foray groups going and coming with "information". About 5.45 we went right down to the back of the Treaty area. We heard a copy radio saying "They're coming" and felt that our plan was succeeding. We decided that what would be done would be to walk in a dignified manner out of the celebrations after having shitted the cops.

The Stormies, who had been with us till now, walked out. Despondency. But a few more 'spies' went out bringing back false information and some true facts eg. there were 100 cops, many of them from Auckland, including a sweet little poleazeman Sergeant N31, the notorious bail refuser. There were, at this stage 100 sailors.

At about 6.25 we began to feel vindicated, We were pretty quiet, and suddenly two more busloads of sailors arrived ie there were now 200 sailors to protect god knows what. Ratio 6 of them for everyone of us.

The ceremony started. We got some support from an unexpected quarter—from some people in the navy!

We stood up. The cops moved in, trying to close us in. The Stormies returned looking fantastic. We turned on our heel and walked out. We even managed to sit down for the Anthem.

After Tamatoa had left the ceremony, Tame Iti, complete with moko on his face and black flag in his hand, stepped forward on to the marae. As he stepped over the rope, a few cops tried to pull him back. He told them he was going to speak on the marae, that surely he had more right to speak there than the governor general, and that in fact MacIntyre had told tem that the previous day. Although the cops got progressively more pissed off, they did not try to remove him again. While the Governor General was wishing everyone happy birthday or whatever, Tame did a haka, then spoke in Maori, directing his comments especially to Bishop Bennett and Kingi Ihaka, calling them traitors for entertaining the pakeha like this. He waved his black flag and pointed to the Union Jack, saying it should be pulled down, and used to wipe their snotty noses. He continued to haka and whai korero throughout the length of the ceremony.

Most us felt the protest was a success. Many people noticed us, but probably because the Stormtroopers looked so mean. The greatest victory is that Nga Tamatoa has shown the elders and the Maori Councils that it can make a dignified and peaceful protest, and that it is determined to fight every injustice with the tactics it sees fit.

THE STUDENT AS A

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Past the Bullshit

Students are niggers. When you get that straight, our schools begin to make sense. It's more important though, to understand why they're niggers. If we follow that question seriously enough, it will lead up past the zone of academic bullshit, where School becomes more and more obviously dedicated teachers pass their knowledge on a prison. Last year I spoke to a student to a new generation, and to the nitty-gritty assembly and then couldn't get out of the of human needs and hang-ups. And from there we can go on to consider whether it Locked doors, High fences. One of the might even be possible for students to come up from slavery. First let's see what's happening now. Let's look at the role For a moment I expected sirens, a rattle of students play in what we like to call bullets, and him clawing the fence. education.

Into the Cafeteria

dining facilities. I am not allowed to take looks too short, you have to kneel before them into the staff club, and if I eat at the the principal, in a brief allegory of fellatio. student cafeteria, I become known as the If the hem doesn't reach the floor, you go educational equivalent of a nigger-lover. In home to change while he, presumably jacks at least one building there are even rest off. Boys in high school can't be too rooms which students may not use.

Academic Mississippi

Students are politically disenfranchised. They are in an academic Mississippi. Many of them can vote in the national elections. their average age is about 21 - but they have no voice in the decisions which affect their academic lives. The students are, it is true, allowed to have toy government run for the most part by bureaucrats and concerned principally with trivia. The faculty and administration decide what course will be offered; the students get to choose their own toy parliaments. Occasionally when studetns get uppity and rebellious, they're either ignored, put off with trivial concessions, or get manouvered expertly out of position.

He'll Fail Your Ass

A student is expected to know his place. He calls a faculty member "Sir" or As do black slaves, students vary in their As Judy Eisenstein has eloquently pointed might as well stay and raise hell. professor's office waiting for permission to enter. The faculty tell him what courses to take; they tell him what to read, what to margins on his typewriter. They tell him insist that they encourage dissent but student knows it. Tell the man what he wants to hear or he'll fail you out of the course.

Lobotomised

Even more discouraging than this Auschthe students take it. They haven't gone know perfectly well what's happening. for nothing. They've learned one thing and on the old plantations alternatively laugh- and 91. their poor tortured heads.

Two Truths

Students don't ask that orders make sense. They give up expecting things to make school. Things are true because the teacher and student slaves are the ones who have so Respect for authority. That's what, It's the all learn to accept "two truths", as did that their anger is all turned inward. These

lines. And that's where it's been ever since. Nothing changes except to get worse. school. I mean there was NO WAY OUT. inmates was trying to make it over the fence when he saw me and froze in panic.

No Spades in Pointy Shoes

Then there's the infamouse "code of Here at Vic the students have separate dress". In some high schools, if your skirt sloppy and they can't even be too sharp. You'd think the P.T.A. would be delighted to see all the spades trooping to school in pointy shoes suits, ties and stingy brims. Uh-uh. They're too visible. What school amounts to, then is a 12-year course in how to be slaves. What else could explain what I see in a first year class? They've got that slave mentality; obliging and ingratiating on the surface and hostile and resistant underneath.

is a person, place or thing. So let it be. The faces are festooned with fresh pimples; parade a slender learning. The teacher's important thing is to please here. Back in their bowels boil audibly across the room. fear is mixed with an understandable desire kindergarten, you found out that teachers If there really is a Last Judgement, then to be admired and to feel superior - a need love children that stand in nice straight the parents and teachers who created these which also makes him sling to his "white wrecks are going to burn in hell. So supremacy". Ideally, a teacher should students are niggers. It's time to find out minimise the distance between himself and

A Cattle Stampede

undergraduate during the McCarthy era; it was like a cattle stampede as they rushed to cop out. And in more recent years, I found that my being arrested at demonstrations brought from my colleagues not between the desire to free his students and so much approval or condemnation as open-mouthed astonishment. "You could lose your job!"

Now of course, there's the Vietnamese war, when they graduate. As a matter of fact, It gets some opposition from a few we don't let them graduate until they've teachers. Some support it. But a vast demonstrated their willingness - over 15 number of professors who know perfectly years - to remain slaves. And for important well what's happening, are copping out jobs like teaching, we make them go again. And in the high schools you can through more years just to make sure. forget it. Stillness reigns, I'm not sure why teachers are so chikenshit. It could be that or less niggers and slaves, teachers and academic training itself forces a split students alike. This is the fact you want to be that the tenured security of a teaching school phenomena, say, politics, in our job attracts timid persons and, furthermore country and in our countries. that teaching, like police work, pulls in Raise Hell. persons who are unsure of themselves and Educational oppression is trickier to fight of authority.

". . . the classroom offers an artificial and protected environment in which teachers can exercise their will to power . . . students do what you say - or else . . ."

pushed round. They're like those old grey-haired house niggers you can still find in the South who don't see what all the real good".

perhaps only one thing during those twelve ling and cursing as they play the game. If Irrational Authority years. They've forgotten their algebra, their egos are strong enough they cheat a They write like they've been lobotomised. lot. And, of course, even the Toms are But, Jesus, can they follow orders. Freshers angry down deep somewhere. But it comes come up to me with an essay and ask if I out in passive rather than active aggression. want it folded, and whether their name They're unexplainably thick-witted and should be in the upper right-hand conrner, subject to frequent spells of laziness. They And I want to cry and kiss them and caress misread simple questions. They spend their nights mechanically outlining history chapters while meticulously failing to comprehend a word of what's in front of them.

Fresh Pimples

long before they leave primary The saddest case among both black slaves

"Doctor" or "Professor" - and he smiles awareness of what's going on. Some out, the classroom offers an artificial and flow do you raise hell? That's a whole

The general timidity which cuases teachers to make niggers of their students usually includes a more specific fear - fear of the students themselves. After all, students are different, just like black people. You stand exposed in front of them, knowing that their interests, their values and their languages, are different from yours. To make matters worse, you may suspect that you yourself are not the most engaging of persons. What can protect you from their ridicule and scorn?

says they're true. At a very early stage we thoroughly introjected their masters' values policeman's gun again. The white bwana's pith helmet. So you flaunt that authority. certain medieval churchmen. Outside of are the students for whom every low grade You wither whispers with a murderous class, things are true to your tongue, your is torture, who stammer and shake when glance. You crush objectors with erudition fingers, your stomach, your heart. Inside they speak to the professor, who go and heavy irony. And, worse of all, you class things are true by reason of authority. through an emotional crisis every time make your own attainments seem most And that's just fine because you don't care they're called upon in class. You can accessible but awesomely remote. You

anyway. Miss Widemeyer tells you a noun recognise them easily at finals time. Their conceal your massive ignorance - and his students. He should encourage them not to need him - eventually or even immediately. But this is rarely the case. Professors were no different when I was an Teachers make themselves high priests of arcane mysteries. They become masters of mumbo-jumbo. Even a more or less conscientious teacher may be torn between the need to give and the need to hold back, the desire to hold them in bondage to him.

> Another result of student slavery is equally serious. Students don't get emancipated between thought and action. It might also start with in trying to understand wider

need weapons and other external trappings than racial oppression. If you're a black rebel, they can't exile you. they either have to intimidate you or kill you. But in high school or Varsity they can just bounce you out of the fold. And they do. Rebel students, renegade faculty members, get smothered or shot down with devastating accuracy. Others get tired of fighting and voluntarily leave the system. This may be a mistake though. Dropping out of Varsityfor a rebel is like going north for a Negro. You can't really get away from it so you

and shuffles some as he stands outside the recognise their own put-on for what it is protected environment in which teachers other article. But, just for a start, why not and even let their rebellion break through can exercise their will to power. You stay with the anology? What have black to the surface now and then. Others - neighbours might drive a better car; gas people done? They have, first of all, faced including most of the "good students" - staion attendants may intimidate you; your the fact of their slavery. They've stopped write, and frequently, where to set the have been more deeply brainwashed. They wife may dominate your; the State kidding themselves about an eventual in swallow the bullshit with greedy mouths. Legislature may shit on you; but in the the Great Watermelon Patch in the sky. what's true and what isn't. Some teachers They honest-to-God believe in grades, in classroom, by God, students do what you They've organised; they've decided to get busy work, in General Education require- say - or else. The grade is a hell of a freedom now, and they've started taking it. they're almost always jiving and every ments. They're pathetically eager to be weapon. It may not rest on your hip, Students, like black people have immense potent and rigid like a cop's gun, but in the unused power. They could, theoretically, long run it's more powerful. At your insist on participating in their own personal whim - anytime you choose - you education. They could make academic fuss is about because Mr Chairlie "treats us can keep 35 students up for nights and freedom bilaterial. They could teach their have the pleasure of seeing them walk into teachers to thrive on love and admiration witz approach to education is the fact that Some students are expert con artists who the classroom pasty-faced and red-eyed rather than fear and respect, and, lay down carrying a sheaf of typewritten pages, with their weapons. Students could discover through twelve years of seconary school They want a degree and spend their years title page, footnotes and margins set at 15 community. They could learn to dance by dancing on IBM cards. They could make colouring books out of calendars and they could put the grading system in a museum. They could raze one set of walls and let life come blowing into the classroom. They could turn the classroom into where it's at a "field of action" as Peter Marin describes it. And believe it or not they could study eagerly and learn prodigiously for the best of all possible reasons - their own reasons.

> They could. Theoretically. They have the power. But only in very few places, like Berkeley, have they even begun to think about using it. For students, as for black people, the hardest battle isn't with the system. It's with what the system has done to your mind.

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Just a description of new Union facilities for the benefit those who haven't seen Handbook, or an apology for ose who have and can't find the services described in it. First the cafeteria extensions: the ground floor is now pen providing a lot more tables and the new servery will en when necessary. Sorry about the chairs—we inherited em and couldn't sell them to anyone so we'll just have to

In an effort to save money we have hired no staff to ear tables this year-please take your own plates etc.back the places indicated when you leave.

The hamburger bar on the first floor should be open ow-at present it can be reached by the bridge from the d mezzanine floor or by the temporary wooden staircase itside the cafe. This serves hamburgers and toasted ndwiches and will be open 10.00 am to 4 pm. The staurant has been extended considerably and while no nger serving hamburgers it now has available a good ham lad (70 cents), flounder (\$1) and a very nice meal of fish eces and salad (60 cents), each with free coffee, and this addition to the existing lines of seafood, grilled steak or If chicken (\$1). Well worth a visit when you're feeling ingry and/or affluent (though its still the cheapest in uckland). We are trying to get a licence, but until then ou are welcome to bring your own grog.

The other catering facilities are pretty much as before cept that the snackbar is now serving soft ice cream as ell as milk shakes etc. With one or two small exceptions ie prices throughout the catering complex are unchanged. nd it is hoped that we can maintain these right through is vear

The top floor of the extension is unlikely to be finished or several weeks, but it will cater for outside functions, eddings etc and anyone thinking of getting married should e the Catering Manager, since the service is good and

As for the rest of the Union-an Information Office will ortly be constructed next to the Bookshop (where the formation Desk is at present). This will be run by ontact, and will provide a comprehensive service, anything om where to get an Aspro to who to see about a Rhodes cholarship and will hopefully relieve the pressure on the ain office. Until the room is built the desk may remain d Contact will operate from the old Vice Presidents' ffice (next to the Employment Bureau).

The small meeting room on the top floor by Legal Aid is being converted into an overseas students room though anyone will be welcome to use it and it is hoped to have a supply of overseas papers and magazines available. The adjacent former Newspaper Room is in the throes of being converted for use by the Chaplains, and the reading desks have been shifted to the main common room and should be

As mentioned in Handbook plans are underway for the Lack, the real Mans' Vice President.

establishment of a Games Room in the old Table Tennis Room, but this could take some time and meanwhile the pool tables are available as before,

Other possible ventures including a wholesale meat outlet and a vegetable co-op are under consideration. More details will be given if they come to fruition. Any suggestions or complaints anyone may have about the running of the Union or the Catering should be made to the Union Manager or Bob

grapevine

their affairs" and 'massive tight as a lawyer's safe, financial incompetence.' (Actually they have cost forget about money last year, for example).

Then Tombstone Garlick, Treasurer, and his money-minded gravediggers, passing a rule that no theatre can be performed on campus Friday nights. by anyone, unless they first make themselves incorporated society before they ask for students' finance. This means paying a law-shark \$60.00 to set up some legalistic shit-pile of Tombstone and his boys can legally screw you into the audience and pay them back. In effect no group of people

Two weeks ago, your interested in theatre will get executive had a meeting at any of your money out of the which they wound up the Executive unless they can University Theatre Company, show that they're run by 'gross mismanagement of bureaucrats with minds as

Tombstone can probably Studass some \$800.00 over theatre until he hears from the last four years, not an the league of tired old unreasonble subsidy, when gentlemen who will run the the Cafeteria lost \$18,000.00 New "Students" Theatre in about three year's time.

> A guerrilla theatre troupe the body, meets each Tuesday night at 7 pm outside the Museum. Everybody is welcome. They perform around town on

Those who saw the Chicago trials on TV will be going!' pleased to hear that Judge Julius Jennings Hoffman, 76, a fight eh mate!' the Circus master at the of black bizarrely topped with an make a packet out of its last retiring from the bench. rushing in

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Fuzz join theatre

liberal prick out of yourself but roughly the scene was of life went on. The two main about two bashers getting actors had disappeared 5 arrested put in stocks and minutes before the play but given a public birching.

'Hey watch where your can't stop street theatre.

conspiracy trial who was About 200 people gather described as "a diminutive around. Terrific we have a laundry crowd. The fighting looked tremendously realistic-too in stocks. ground if your play doesn't over-ripe watermelon" is at realistic—these two guys came throwing punches-real punches. Then in came the theatre troupes innocent!' 'Guilty!' roars the After the success of police armed with batons and Bullshit and Jellybeans, (1st making violent arrests. I issue sold out in 2 months), glanced across at my fellow there anyone here prepared Alister Taylor, a past cops and thought how to birch them?' President of NZUSA and ex realistic we were looking. member of the Young Jesus it was the cops. The look interested in Law and Nationals is Publishing the cops were breaking up what order'. Little Red Schoolbook, they thought was a real fight. Publishers in Britain and Suddenly it clicked and these birch them so a man is hired. Europe have been jailed for two poor cops suddenly up to 6 months for releasing realised it was just a play, birching is executed, this book. It will be Then the whole audience just interesting to see what the laughed and laughed. Old and we don't want stocks. We reaction is in NZ to this ladies were wiping the tears want dancing and poetry and

You can't review street throw back their heads and theatre without making a roar for so long and so loud.

And so the chaotic theatre thin minor setbacks like that

In to the stocks went the 'Eh what? Ey, looking for bashers. Two plants in the audience threw eggs at them Mock punches are thrown, but plants weren't even delightfully hurled at the men

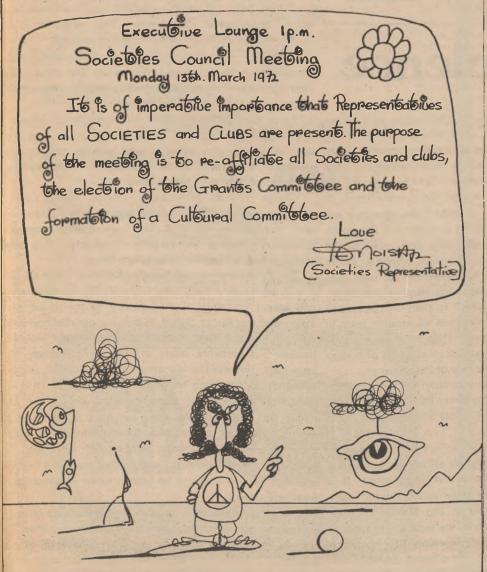
> 'People of Auckland! We have here two bashers-do you find them guilty or not crowd. 'Birch them!'

'People of Auckland, is

'Perhaps you madam-you

But no-one is prepared to With sensual groans the

We don't want birching manual for High School from their eyes. Never have I freedom. The streets belong seen so many people just to the people.





One of the more interesting experiences you will have as you struggle to topple the New Zealand government and bring about the revolution in NZ is that highly dramatic performance—the Court appearance.

And I emphasize the word 'dramatic' since that is precisely what a court appearance is—a play, i.e. a form of entertainment performed by a selected cast who act out their roles before an audience.

The revolutionary significance in this form of play is that it is one of the few occasions in which you star and can influence the course of the performance.

Nowadays it has become the custom for producers to call upon their actors not to attempt to upstage the rest of the cast but to subordinate one's abilities to the group effort. This is good advice in China where they're making their own socialist revolution but we live in a capitalist State which we are doing our best to

Therefore, as you stand in the dock, reject all such bourgeois advice. Think of yourself as the BIG STAR of the show and resist all attempts by the magistrate, the prosecuting pig, the lawyers and all others to upstage your performance. Remind yourself that if it wasn't for you and your actions none of them would be in that courtroom. This should put you in a suitable frame of mind for the ensuing action.

One of the first dangers that the fledgling star must look out for is the fact that the magistrate, the pig and the lawyer have all been through it before and have developed their own ideas of proper behaviour. Beware of this danger-it's YOUR performance, don't let them set the pace, retain the initiative at all times.

(Note: it is a foolish revolutionary who hires a lawyer. There are several reasons, financial, ideological and dramatic for this. The first is that you can't afford it; the second is that by paying a lawyer you are helping support one of the worst capitalist parasites and the most important reason is that a lawyer will do everything to upstage your performance and grab all the attention and headlines himself. This must be avoided. It's ok to use the lawyer and not pay him).

We come now to the first stage of the play and here an intelligent use of one of the props, namely the dock, can immediately gain you the initiative and also the applause of the crowd, not to mention a special headline.

Observe the dock. Is it not shaped much like a balcony? Appearing in court in the court in the costume of a mediaeval Italian lady may get you busted for being a transvestite but it also gives you the chance to lampoon the whole proceedings from the start by getting off a few lines like

"Romeo, my Romeo. Wherefore art thou?"

Again, the dock has the appearance of a tumbril. By entering the court in the robes of a late eighteenth century French nobleman with your hands tied behind your back and standing in the dock with a noble and forgiving look on your face a la Sydney Carton while a friend with a concealed taperecorder plays the sound of rumbling cartwheels and roaring mobs shouting "A bas les aristos" you are bound to create havoc, gain the headlines and infuriate the magistrate who will realize you've upstaged him. He'll probably fine you for contempt of court in which case you should congratulate him for realising that you do despise the court. You can then enlarge on the topic by pointing out that the entire NZ system of the administration of justice is corrupt and rotten and exists merely to protect the property-owners. You then state calmly that you have no intention of paying the fine and he'll jail you. Hey, ho, another martyr for the revolution.

If you have been charged with contempt and don't feel like a rave on the evils of property, then another tactic is to deny the charge furiously, and point out that the magistrate and his court are beneath contempt. This should guarantee you at least three weeks' free

(Note: a rave on the evils of property from someone dressed as a French nobleman entails a bit of role confusion. It's ok if you are just some sort of anarchist yippie. If you want to be an ideologically pure revolutionary however, it is not recommended that you appear in the garb of one of the privileged classes.)

Having got your entrance over, you are now charged. I assume that you have been busted at a demo so the charge is something fatuous like disorderly behaviour, obstructing the footpath, obscene language

(There are several courses to follow here. The obscene language charge is the best. The normal procedure is that the clerk says "You are charged that on some date you did use obscene language in a public place." He then shows you a piece of paper on which the words are written. You are supposed to hang your head in shame and mutter something like "Guilty."

A better tactic is to take the paper from the clerk's hand, study it until you feel that the court is hanging on for your voice and then say calmly, "Yes, I did call the pig a motherfucking bastard."

Conversely, you can say, "No, I didn't call the bastard a cunt, I called him a cocksucking queer son of a faggot."

You then smile beautifically and wait for all hell to

If you wish to plead not guilty to a charge, wait until the clerk asks you, then say, loudly, "Guilty," long dramatic pause "of nothing."

This will really piss them off as the clerk, the magistrate and the prosecuting pig will all have to change their records and that upsets any parasitic bureaucrat.

When they've finally established that you are pleading guilty, the prosecuting pig, who is usually a sergeant or a senior sergeant (distinguished by the crown emblem on his sleeve), will start reading out the details of your offence and arrest.

For some reason, this always starts with the time day like "At 3.10 pm on March 84, the defendant" seen . . .

At this point you interrupt politely, "Excuse t constable, (always call him constable, it bugs him you've got it wrong. It was really 3.13 pm." (Alw check your watch when you're arrested. The always get it wrong.)

This interruption in the interests of accuracy v really rile them as it gives you a very firm standing handle any objections. If the magistrate tells you shut up, you can point out sweetly that you are of interested in making sure that the court hears the h facts. The implication is that the pig is telling a pack lies, which of course he is.

After the pig has finished reading, the magistr will turn to you and ask you if you have anything

You then say, "My oath, baby" or a simil expression and start handing out your cyclostyl 50-page prepared statement of defence. Make sure t magistrate, the pig and the Press bench get copies. T first two will disregard it but the Press will lap it up they don't have to try and get it all down in shortha and will probably quote large chunks of it in th stories.

You then proceed to read it aloud to the cou This is your right and if the magistrate interver asking you to keep it short and relevant, you will correct in regarding this as a sneaky attempt on his p to ruin your performance. Fix him with a steely gla and demand indignantly if he wants to hear both sid of the case because if he doesn't then his court another example of fascist, police state ... and so

If he says your statement is not relevant, ask loud how he can judge as he hasn't heard all of it yet.

The next act in the farce is the magistrat summing-up and sentence.

If you're unlucky, he'll just say, "\$50" while doesn't leave you much comeback.

Generally, he'll launch into a rave concerning t evils of demonstrating, your morals and motives, you disgusting behaviour in his court and so on. None this will have any basis in logic or the evidence. Don let this deceive you, however, as the Press will quote it as though it were the words of Solomon. It your revolutionary duty to interrupt, play the fool a generally distract the attention of the Press from wh he's saying.

Suggestions have ranged from shouting "Motherfucker" at him to taking off your clothes by this is best left to your initiative. A more subtle way upstaging him would be to applaud loudly at the end and beg him to give a performance of Hamlet soliloquy as you're sure he's a better actor that Lawrence Olivier.

After all this, you just refuse to pay the fine and g inside. It's still one of the few free things in th fucked-up society, so you may as well be in on it.

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most importantly, to create. The creation is transcendence and is the embodiment of violence.

Violence - anti-rationality - is fundamental amount humans as a force for self-affirmation. The revolution who is criticized on rational grounds for being destructive in fact being criticized for being human.

Just a true art (in my view) must incorporate violence

Change is not necessarily violence. Change can

The Establishment will hate the Supreme Court Bomb important, through the liberating force of violence, action An automobile worker on an assembly line tightens bolts something self-creating for individuals is realized. It is m self-realization will always lead to his violent striving again It is aesthetic and beautiful as an act of transcendance decaying and dehumanizing systems of existence.

The Necessity of Polence

Violence Beauty Creation Orgasm.

In the process of life, all these are One; each is the other. They are at the core of human existence, and necessarily so.

The necessity of creative, transcendent and artisitic violence was manifest several weeks ago when the Supreme Court was rocked on its foundations in an orgasm of gelianite-fire.

The beauty of creative action shines through at its best when violence is multi-dimensional. A hypocritical and decadant facade of justice is slapped full in the face. Fire wrestles with wood and stone. Tranquility instantly becomes chaos. This is the essential and creative quality of violence. It is not violence in the common, banal sense, but in its destructiveness bears the seeds of beauty and transcendence. Violence is a pebble dropped into a pond. Violence is a bird suddenly thrown into flight from a still landscape. Here lies the tension between present and past (whatever they are), between being and non-being, between life and death. A transcendence is created and lived through, exhilarating in its moment of tension and chaos.

Violence is the centre of creative activity and the dynamic world; the established order—the existing state of things—is torn apart by the pure and emotive injection of creativity. It is a tension of opposites, the confrontation of the real by the non-real. It is the radical overcoming of the real by the striving-to-be-real, which bursts into existence through violence, transcendence and creativity.

A system is in decay and decline from the moment it is born. It can only move away from the ideal moment of

conception. Witness the decline of Christianity as a system being lived in its pure form, or, more recently, the decline of any mode), so violence is art. If we insist that are the hippy movement, which was pure and transcendent at its creative-which we will-we acknowledge the need moment of conception-a radical appearance-but soon violence, for violence is the unpredictable, the previous became exploited by selfish capitalists and hangers-on. The unconceived achieving radical existence, pure creative moment is the axis of past-present-future. It necessarily becomes stultified; it came from no-where and relatively gradual and predictable according to the system becomes no-thing; it is remembered as an event in the world, wish to construct around it. This is often what is meant in historical time, and thus is no-thing. Only relics of the rationality. This is not creative, or violent. It is ba creative moment, the scars of its inception, remain to testify transcendent. It is more transcendent decay. to its transcendent violence. And these are at best pale, insubstantial shadows of the originating moment of creation. it will fail to understand why this violence was necessary The pure act, through its relics, is then in decay and will invent concepts of delinquency to try to explain distortion. The creativity of violence necessarily rests in away—and morally to justify its own hypocritical position, human beings. It is a transcendent, exhilarating and orgasmic will certainly be blind to the beauty of the act, which experience. It exists in some manner in all levels of human bomber was certainly aware of, and living through. M activity and is essential to the activity of being human.

all day. He is living a death. Suddenly he hurls his spanner poised on the brink of being, between what is and what is all what is and what is an all what is all what is an all what is an all what is a what is what is a wha into the machinery, bringing the whole line to a halt. This is might be. The constant need for man to come to creative violence.

from one state to another. It is self-affirming because the creative act will remain paramount, for man is a being man lives and is made by the action he performs. It is creation, He will cease to be human when he ceases to orgasmic because the man acts impulsively, anti-rationally creatively violent. and emotively in his insistence on this affirmation. The The preservation of a decaying and stultifying system beauty of the transcendence lies in the radical alteration of ultimately dehumanizing, for no entrenched system of the present situation; the moving assembly line, to which contain the volatile necessity for violence-creation of m men are slaves, becomes a halted and crippled assembly line. indefinitely. In Marxian terms, the content will outgrow Motion has ceased (transcendence) and men have been form and the Establishment will presently have much me - John Laird liberated. The symbolic act is man's insistence to live and, to be afraid of.

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We might very well say, and no-one would disagree with us, that the student is the most universally despised creature in France, apart from the priest and the policeman. Naturally he is usually attacked from the wrong point of view, with specious reasons derived from the ruling ideology. He may be worth the contempt of the true revolutionary, yet a revolutionary critique of the students situation is currently taboo on the official Left. The licensed and impotent opponents of capitalism repress the obvious-that what is wrong with the students is also what is wrong with them, They convert their unconscious contempt into a blind enthusiasm. The radical intelligentsia (from Les Temps Modernes to L'Express) prostrates itself before the so-called "rise of the Student" and the declining bureaucracies of the Left (from the "Communist" party to the Stalinist National Union of Students) bids noisily for his moral and material

There are reasons for this sudden enthusiasm, but they are all provided by the present form of capitalism, in its overdeveloped state. We shall use this pamphlet for the principle that the end of alientation is only reached by the straight and narrow path of alienation itself.

essential issue. The surveys and analyses have all been psychological or sociological or economic: in other words, academic exercises, content with the false categories of one specialization or another. None of them can achieve what is most needed-a view of modern society as a whole. Fourier denounced their error long ago as the attempt to apply scientific laws to the basic assumptions of the science ("porter regulierement sur les questions primordiales").

Everything is said about our society except what it is, and the nature of its two basic principles-the commodity and the spectacle. The fetishism of facts masks the essential category, and the details consign the totality to oblivion.

Modern capitalism and its spectacle allot everyone to a specific role in a general passivity. The student is no exception to the rule. He has a provisional part to play, a rehearsal for his final role as an element in market society as conservative as the rest. Being a student is a form of initiation. An initiation which echoes the rites of more of history, cut off from social reality. The student leads a Protected from history, the present is a mystic trance.

At least in consciousness, the student can exist apart from contrast the student covets his protracted infancy as an need to give the privileged minority an adequate general prejudice against Brand Y (Sartre, perhaps). the institutions which provide his education. There is no obvious symptom of a general state of affairs, for each sector of social life has been subdued by a similar imperialism.

death. Not unnaturally, he takes refuge in an unreal present.

independence, apparently, lies in a direct subservience to the two most powerful systems of social control: the family and the State. He is their well-behaved and grateful child, and like the submissive child he is over-eager to please. He celebrates all the values and mystifications of the system, devouring them with all the anxiety of the infant at the breast. Once, the old illusions had to be imposed on an aristocracy of labour; the petis cagres-to-be ingest them willingly under the

There are various forms of compensation for poverty. The denunciation. We shall expose these reasons one by one, on total poverty of ancient societies produced the grandoise compensation of religion. The students' poverty by contrast is a marginal phenomonen, and he casts around for Up to now, studies of student life have ignored the compensations among the most down-at-heel images of the ruling class. He is a bore who repairs the old jokes of an alienated culture. Even as an ideologist, he is always out of date. One and all, his latest enthusiasms were ridiculous thirty years ago,

Once upon a time, the universities were respected; the student persists in the belief that he is lucky to be there. But he arrived too late. The bygone excellence of bourgeois culture² has vanished. A mechanically produced specialist is now the goal of the "educational system". A modern economic system demands mass production of students who are not educated and have been rendered incapable of thinking. Hence the decline of the universities and the automatic nullity of the student once he enters its portals. The university has become a society for the propagation of ignorance; "high culture" has taken on the rhythm of the production line; without exception, university teachers are cretins, men who would get the bird from any audience of schoolboys. But all this hardly matters: the important thing primitive societies with bizarre precision, It goes on outside is to go on listening respectfully. In time, if critical thinking is repressed with enough consciousness, the student will double life, poised between his present status and his future come to partake of the wafer of knowledge, the professor role. The two are absolutely separate, and the journey from will tell him the final truths of the world. Till then-a student is already a very bad joke.

The student is blind to the obvious-that even his closed irresponsible and docile paradise. Adolescence and its crises culture before they rejoined the ruling class (not that going Better to stand guard on privilege than harry the flock into like all theologies to make the real problems by creating fals 1. If they ever stop screwing his arse off, it's only to come around cultured goods to a bewildered audience of specialists.

2. By this we mean the culture of a Hegal or of the encyclopedistes, once important) ideas; for him, every rehash is a cultura rather than the Sorbonne and the Ecole Normale Superieure.

e of his friends. This is the guts of a pamphlet that caused chaos poverty and servitude of all. But we have different reasons to More serious, and thus more dangerous, are His favourite reasons. at the University of Strasbourg recently. Five despise the student and all his works. What is unforgiveable is modernists of the Left, and the Students' Union, with 1 is to orche students belonging to the Situationalist Movement not his actual misery, but his complaisance in the face of the talk of "reform of the University structure" and thing-boxes. Description of the University structure and conned five thousand francs (almost \$1000) out of misery of others. For him there is only one real "reinsertion of the University into social and economic mmercial ukases alienation—his own. He is a full-time and happy consumer of ie, its adaptation of the needs of modern capitalism. The his tastes. Typic that commodity, hoping to arouse at least our pity, since he time suppliers of general culture to the ruling classes, the le Nouvel O cannot claim our interest. By the logic of modern capitalism still guarding their old prestige, must be converted intoglish counterpar most students can only become mere petits cadres (with the forcing-house of a new labour aristocracy. Far in generally feel same function in neo-capitalism as the skilled worker had in contesting the historical process which subordinates on mewhat difficult the nineteenth-century economy). The student really knows the last relatively autonomous social groups to the demath such quides how miserable will be that golden future which is supposed of the market, the progressives complain of delays e modern world to make up for the shameful poverty of the present. In the inefficiency in its completion. They are the standard-bealin France mc face of that knowledge, he prefers to dote on the present and of the cybernetic university of the future (which has alressively content invent an imaginary prestige for himself. After all, there will reared its ugly head in some unlikely quarters). And they adily accepts the be no magical compensation for present drabness: tomorrow the enemy: the fight against the market, which is startizing upon all 1 will be like yesterday, lighting these fools the way to dusty again in earnest, means the fight against its latest lackeys. Inihilated more

olution. His pr ips up all the ifficult" texts okstores.3 Unfc m with his gaze

As for the student, this struggle is fought out entirely oformism and St The student is a stoical slave: the more chains authority his head, somewhere in the heavenly realm of his mastalty of an ama: heaps upon him, the freer he is in phantasy. Real The whole of his life is beyond his control, and for all he se defect of the of the world he might as well be on another planet. His agemselves, thou economic poverty condemns him to a paltry form of survientinue blithely But, being a complaisent creature, he parades his vudents and s ordinary intelligence as if it were an original life-stynsciousness in i self-indulgently, he affects to be a Bohemian. The Bohemie univertisitie solution is hardly viable at the best of times, and the notanipulators of t that it could be achieved without a complete and final breem, it is child's with the university milieu is quite ludicrous. But the studptions, Occasior Bohemian, (and every student likes to pretend that he ries of "Indep Bohemian at heart) clings to his false and degraded versionsistance the dis individual revolt. He is so "eccentric" that he continue hich they have entertain the most traditional forms of erotic behavioleunesses Comr reproducing at this level the general relations of sockese of ideologic Where sex is concerned, we have learned better tricks froung, nor come elderly provincial ladies. His rent-a-crowd militancy for rio and accomp latest good cause is an aspect of his real impotence.

The student's old-fashioned poverty, however, does autile-cry, "Peace him at a potential advantage—if only he could see it. He do The student have marginal freedoms, a small area of liberty which as archaic" Gaulli escapes the totalitarian control of the spectacle. His flexippealing-witho working-hours permit him adventure and experiment. Butlis radicalism p is a sucker for punishment, and freedom scares him to deadulcorated Stall he feels safer in the straight-jacketed space-time of Hao's etc. His y lecture hall and weekly 'essay." He is quite happy with and his attitude open prison organised for his "benefit", and, though regime's-the G constrained, as are most people, to separate work and leisurociety well enough he does so of his own accord-hypocritically proclaiming: But the stude the while his contempt for assiduity and grey men. Inachronism. H embraces every available contradiction and then muttqverything, to darkly about the "difficulties of communication" from tending meaning uterine warmth of his religious, artistic or political clique. promiscuity. As

Driven by his freely-chosen depression, he submits himsnissionary effor to the subsidiary police force of psychiatrists set up by before the putre student avant-garde of repression. The university mentioning detritus health clinics are run by the mutual organisation, which stat they enrich this institution as a grand victory for student unionism arivals, those eld one to the other is a mechanical event "in the future." menopause of the spirit. As a matter of course the future social progress. Like the Aztecs who ran to greet Cortisocial category Meanwhile, he basks in a schizophrenic consciousness, revolutionary society will condemn the doings of lecture sharpshooters, and then wondered what made the thundadherents to the withdrawing into his initiation group to hide from the future. theatre and faculty as mere noise-socially undesirable. The and why men fell down, the students flock to thave been eith psycho-police stations with their problems. clerics shameles

The real poverty of his everyday life finds its immediatin their spiritual the offical truths of "economic life." But for very simple world is changing. The "crisis of the university"—that detail phantastic compensation in the opium of cultur We must add reasons: looked at economically, student life is a hard one. In of a more general crisis of modern capitalism—is the latest commodities. In the cultural spectacle he is allotted to tolerable in our "society of abundance", he is still a pauper. 80% of fodder for the deaf-mute dialogue of the specialists. This habitual role of the dutiful disciple. Although he is close dominate the students come from income groups well above the working "crisis" is simple to understand: the difficulties of a the production-point, access to the Sanctuary of Thought capacity demand class, yet 90% have less money than the meanest labourer. specialised sector which is adjusting (too late) to a general forbidden, and he is obliged to discover "modern culture" simple reason the special sector which is adjusting too late) to a general forbidden, and he is obliged to discover "modern culture" is imple reason the sector which is adjusting too late) to a general forbidden, and he is obliged to discover "modern culture" is imple reason the sector which is adjusting too late) to a general forbidden, and he is obliged to discover "modern culture" is imple reason the sector which is adjusting to late the sector which is a Student poverty is an anachronism, a throw-back from an change in the relations of production. There was once a an admiring spectator. Art is dead, but the student despise it and k earlier age of capitalism; it does not share in the new vision—if an ideological one—of a liberal bourgeois university. necrophiliac. He peeks at the corpse in cine-clubs anin the system to poverties of the spectacular societies; it has yet to attain the But as its social base disappeared, the vision became banality. theatres, buys its fish-fingers from the cultural supermarket grants. Exploiti new poverty of the new proletariat. Nowadays the teenager In the age of free-trade capitalism, when the "liberal" state Consuming unreservedly, he is in his element: he is the livingt least, et shuffles off the moral prejudices and authority of the family left it its marginal freedoms, the university could still think proof of all the platitudes of American market research: ector-"research to become part of the market before he is adolescent: at of itself as an independent power. Of course it was a pure conspicuous consumer, complete with induced irration rather than a to fifteen he has all the delights of being directly exploited. In and narrow product of that society's needs-particularly the preference for Brand X (Camus, for example) and irrationagerms of seditions.

Impervious to real passions, he seeks titillation in thenables them may bring occasional brushes with his family, but in essence up to university was straying very far from class confines). battles between his anemic gods, the stars of a vacuou and otherwise. he is not troublesome: he agrees to be treated as a baby by But the bitterness of the nostaligo don is understandable: heaven: Althusser - Garaudy - Barthes - Picard of the coming better, after all, to be the bloodhounds of the haute Leferbyre - Levi - Strauss - Halliday - de Chardin they make no: "student problem". Student passivity is only the most bourgeoisie than sheepdog to the world's white collars. Brassens; and between their rival theologies, designed system shall be their allotted factories, and bureaux, according to the whims ones: humanism — existentialism — scientism — structuralism Our social thinkers have a bad conscience about the of the "planned economy". The university is becoming fairly - cyberneticism - new criticism - dialectics-of-naturism - 3. If he had an a student problem, but only because the real problem is the smoothly, the honest broker of technocracy and its metaphilosophism He thinks he is avant-garde if he had off. But not contained to the smoothly off. But not contained to the smoothly off. spectacle. In the process, the purists of the academic Right seen the latest Godard or "participated" in the latest become a pitiful sideshow, purveying the "universal" happening. He discovers "modernity" as fast as the marker 4. Recent "scho can produce its ersatz version of long outmoded (though

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olution. His principle concern is status, and he eagerly ips up all the paperback editions of important and ifficult" texts with which mass culture has filled the okstores.3 Unfortunately he cannot read, so he devours ım with his gaze, and enjoys them vicariously through the re of his friends. He is an other-directed voyeur.

His favourite reading matter is the kitsch press, whose task , with is to orchestrate the concumption of cultural re" anthing-boxes. Docile as ever, the student accepts its nomic Immercial ukases and makes them the only measuring-rod m. The his tastes. Typically, he is a compulsive reader of weeklies ises, tho le Nouvel Observateur and l'Express (whose nearest ed intoglish counterparts are the posh Sundays and New Society). Far in generally feels that le Monde-whose style he finds ates on mewhat difficult—is a truly objective newspaper. And it is ne demeth such guides that he hopes to gain an understanding of delays e modern world and become a political initiate!

lard-bea in France more than anywhere else, the student is has alressively content to be politicised. In this sphere too, he nd theyadily accepts the same alienated, spectacular participation. is startizing upon all the tattered remnants of a Left which was ackeys. Inihilated more than forty years ago by "socialist" ntirely of formism and Stalinist counter-revolution, he is once more is masuilty of an amazing ignorance. The Right is well aware of all he are defect of the worker's movement, and so are the workers t. His agemselves, though more confusedly. But the students of surventinue blithely to organise demonstrations which mobilise s his vudents and students only. This is political false life-stynsciousness in its virgin state, a fact which naturally makes Bohemie univertisities a happy hunting ground for the the notanipulators of the declining bureaucratic organisations. For final breem, it is child's play to programme the student's political the studations. Occasionally, there are deviationary tendencies and hat he ries of "Independence!" but after a period of token I version sistance the dissidants are reincorporated into a status quo ontinueshich they have never really radically opposed.4 The behavioJeunesses Communistes Revolutionaires", whose title is a of sociense of ideological falsification gone mad (they are neither tricks froung, nor communist, nor revolutionary), have with much acy for irio and accompanying publicity defied the iron hand of the 'arty... but only to rally cheerily to the pontifical , does pattle-cry, "Peace in Vietnam!"

it. Hed The student prides himself on his opposition to the hich asyarchaic" Gaullist regime. But he justifies his criticism by tis flexippealing-without realising it—to older and far worse crimes. ent. Butlis radicalism prolongs the life of the different currents of n to dealdulcorated Stalinsim: Togliatti's, Garaudy's Krushchov's, ne of Mao's etc. His youth is synonymous with appalling naivete, / with and his attitudes are in reality far more archaic than the hough negime's—the Gaullists do after all understand modern ind leisurociety well enough to administer it.

laiming: But the student, sad to say, is not deterred by the odd men. Inachronism. He feels obliged to have general ideas on n mutteverything, to unearch a coherent world-view capable of from tending meaning to his need for activism and asexual clique. promiscuity. As a result, he falls prey to the last doddering its himsnissionary efforts of the churches. He rushes with ardour to up by todore the putrescent carcass of God, and cherishes all the ty mentatinking detritus of prehistoric religions in the tender belief which sethat they enrich him and his time. Along with their sexual onism arrivals, those elderly provincial ladies, the students form the et Cortsocial category with the highest percentage of admitted e thundadherents to these archaic cults. Everywhere else, the priests k to thave been either beaten off or devoured, but university clerics shamelessly continue to bugger thousands of students

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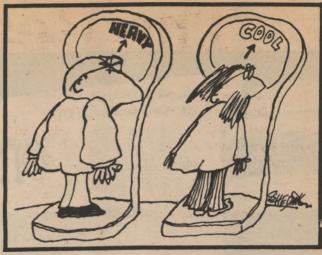
cultur. We must add in all fairness that there do exist students of lotted tolerable intellectual level, who without difficulty is close dominate the controls designed to check the mediocre hought capacity demanded from the others. They do so for the ulture" simple reason that they have understood the system, and so student despise it and know themselves to be it s enemies. They are clubs anin the system for what they can get out of it-particularly ermarketgrants. Exploiting the contradiction, which, for the moment the livinat least, ensures the maintenance of a small esearch: sector-"research"-still governed by a liberal-academic irrational rather than a technocratic rationality, they calmly carry the irrationigerms of sedition to the highest level: their open contempt

for the organisation is the counterpart of a lucidity which on in thenables them to outdo the system's lackeys, intellectually and otherwise. Such students cannot fail to become theorists Picard of the coming revolutionary movement. For the moment, hardin they make no secret of the fact that what they take from the designed system shall be used for its overthrow. ating false

aturism - 11 he had an atom of self-respect or lucidity, he would knock them if he ha off. But no: conspicuous consumers always pay!

ie marke 4. Recent "schisms" in both christian and communist organisations have shown, if anything, that all these students are united on one (though fundamental principle: unconditional submission to heirarchial a cultural

The student if he rebels at all, must first rebel against his studies, though the necessity of this initial move is felt less spontaneously by him than by the worker, who intuitively identifies his work with his total condition. At the same time, since the student is a product of a modern society just like Godard or Coca-Cola, his extreme alientation can only be fought through the struggle against this whole society. It is clear that the university can in no circumstances become the battlefield; the student, in so far as he defines himself as such, manufactures a pseudo-valve which must become an obstacle to any clear consciousness of the reality of his dispossession. The best criticism of student life is the behaviour of the rest of youth, who have already started to revolt. Their rebellion has become one of the signs of a fresh struggle against modern society.



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