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Realizing that words, even thoughts concerning the many problems that confront this nation today are, frankly, of little importance, GI's United, in an effort to be part of a national solution to these problems, lists a platform of priorities that must be met if the ideals in the minds of men can ever hope to be realized.

A unilateral withdrawal of military personnel, arms and war materiel that actively, inactively or inadvertently suppresses the struggle for self-determination of the peoples of Indochina remains the primary issue. Without an end to the vain hope of military triumph, without an end to corporate America forcing its markets of overabundance, waste and greed on peoples of other nations, without an end to the much too real misuse of Americans by Americans, without the cessation of imperialism, the vastly more important question of the survival of the human race cannot be reconciled.

U.S. foreign policy that supports cruel and unjust dictatorships only to ensure the survival of the American economy and the corporate system must cease, and the U.S. must begin to support peoples' struggles for justice and liberation not only in Vietnam but in nations such as Brazil, Argentina and Angola as well. U.S. troops must be withdrawn from all foreign countries and an end to the use of GI's against the struggles of oppressed peoples must be realized. Indochina is the first step.

Then there are the worlds that seem to separate you and me - prejudice and racism: personal, regional and cultural. The glorification of one human being over another must be overcome not only on the city streets, but in our own backyards. The unethical attitudes of business and government that exploit individuals and institutions must be ended through a more relevant education of the very basic human values of equality, justice and the right to pursue happiness for all people. Closer to home, in our military world we want to see an end to the harassment of GI's and a guarantee of constitutional rights through a democratic army. Of great importance is an end to the wanton destruction and pollution of the environment by indifferent governmental and corporate policies with a re-ordering of national, state and city priorities. We must cease to shuffle the responsibility and realize that pollution begins at home...also ends. There can be no second thoughts. We must go beyond our own selfish desires, beyond nationalism, beyond revolution and seek to bring about an America where barriers to love and deep human relationships - assumptions of superiority - are replaced with the principles of equality and fraternity.

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Vet Vietnam in the Stockade

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WHAT WE ARE AGAINST

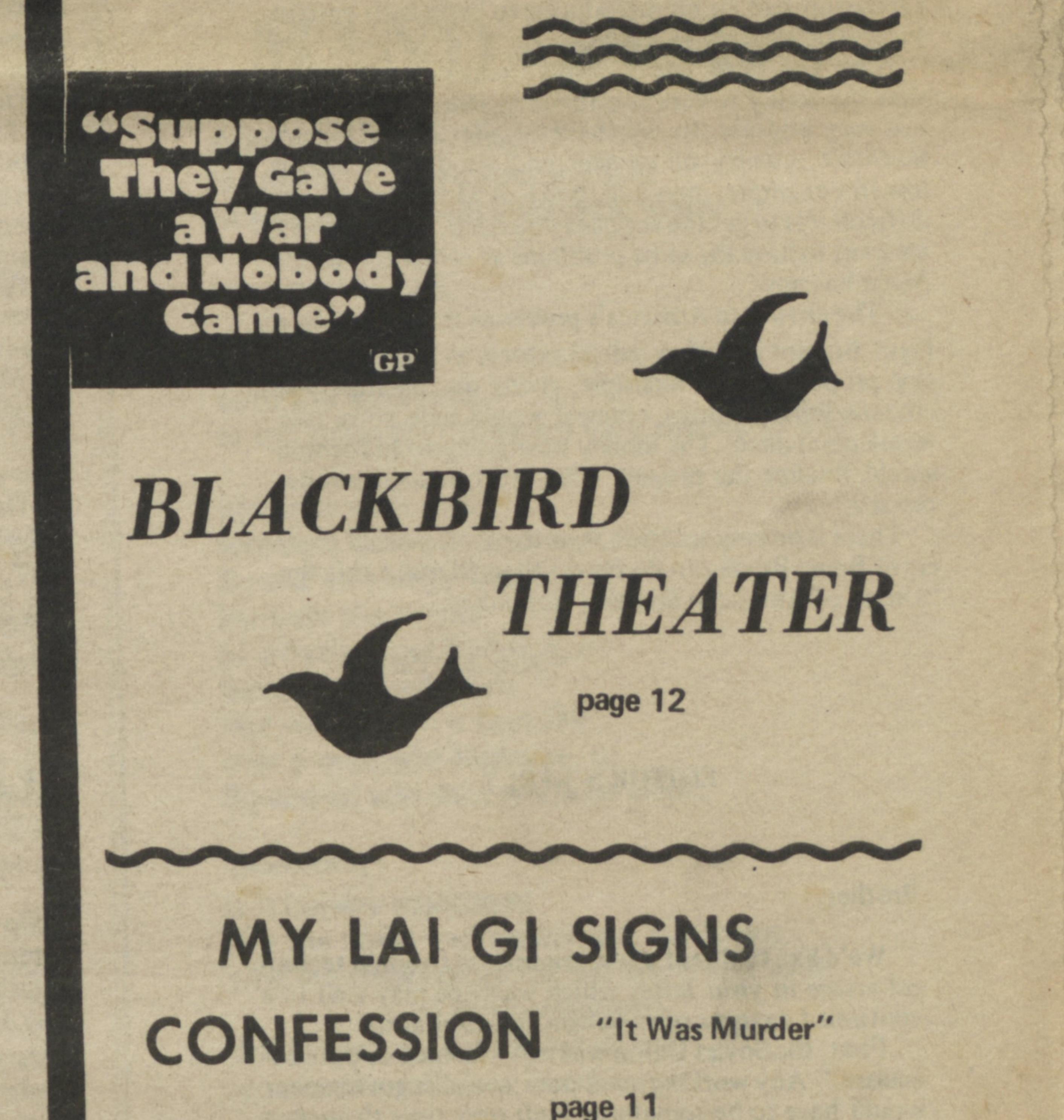
- 1. We oppose the U.S. government's attempt to crush the Vietnamese revolution.
- 2. We oppose the economic exploitation of GI's by Fayetteville merchants.
- 3. We oppose the economic exploitation of GI's by the U.S. government which won't
 - pay GI's a fair wage, but which endlessly gives gravy contracts to war corporations.
- 4. We oppose the continued use of GI's against struggles of Americans fighting for jus-

tice - blacks, women, students, workers, etc.

5. We oppose the U.S. government's support for the brutal worthless dictatorships in Brazil, Greece, Spain, South Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Guatemala, Iran, etc.

WHAT WE ARE FOR

1. We want GI's to be treated as first class citizens, both by the military and the civilian communities.



- 2. We want GI's to receive full protection of Constitutional rights.
- 3. We want a society where barriers to love and deep human relationships-the assumptions of suppriority between races and between men and women-are replaced with the principles of equality and fraternity.
- 4. We want the United States to begin supporting the truly heroic revolutionary struggles for justice in Brazil, Guatemala, South Vietnam, Angola, etc.
- 5. We want a country where the needs of people for decent wages and fair prices, clean air and water, and a rational use of resources, overrules the profit instincts of

U.S. corporations.

6. We want a country where everyone has the same educational, recreational, and occupational opportunites that today are the privileges of the rich and upper middle classes.

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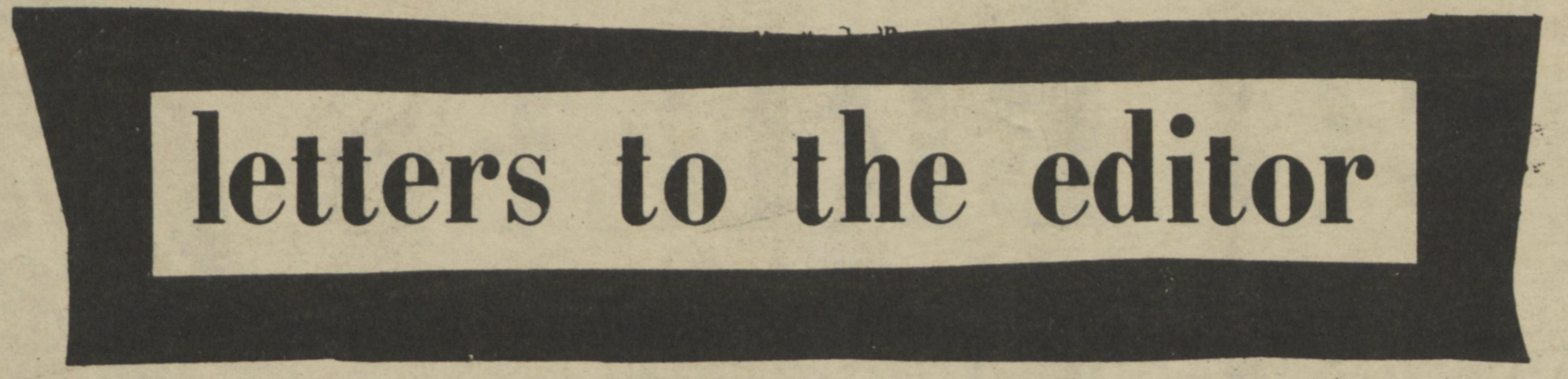
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RADIO

RELAYS

How the Army last month delayed help to two injured jumpers in order not to spoil show for government brass.

OVERHEARD



†††The editors have been recieving a deluge of letters. Due to our desire to print as many of them as possible, we request that letters stay within the limit of 500 words or less.

CIVILIAN FRIEND

Dear friends,

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General Hugh Hester sent me a copy of your fine newspaper. It is very interesting to me as a civilian to know that the soldier himself is finally confronting the obsene carnage being perpetrated by this war, not only in Vietnam, but in this country as well.

I would like to help you financially, but I can only enclose \$2. I am a struggling artist and fighting Multiple Sclerosis to boot.

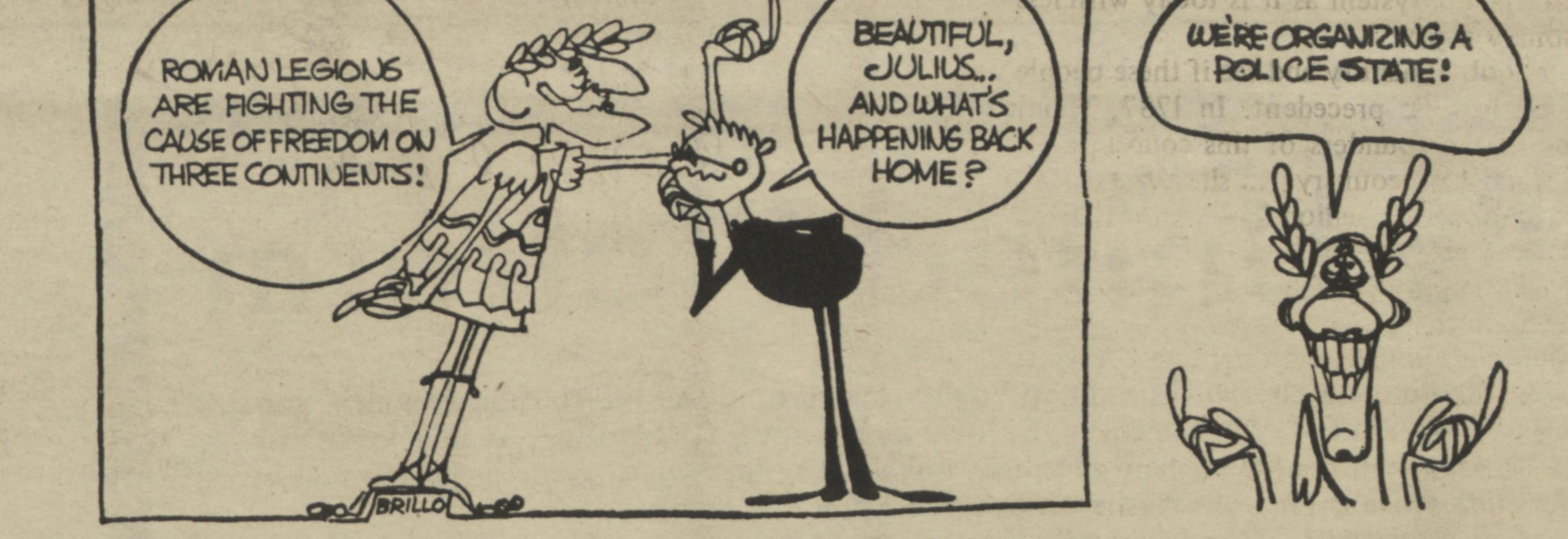
> Your friend, Alvena V. Secker

ARMY S OCIALISTIC?

To the editor of Bragg Briefs:

After reading Pete Gorczynsky's article on socialism, I'm wondering why he doesn't go to Cuba, where "a planned economy has been used successfully." Transportation is available for the 90-mile trip from Florida. Maybe he doesn't want to give up what he has going here.

Don't misunderstand me, I am a GI against imperialism and the war in Indochina, but I don't believe giving us a socialist government will solve all our problems. The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was formed as pure socialism, but I understand that some capitalsim had to be introduced to keep their agricultural production high enough. Stop and think tor a moment and you must agree that the Army is very socialistic in structure, and it is not very popular, to say the least. Because of lack of incentive, quality of services and goods produced is low (for example, mess hall food). And you know how difficult it is to get the supplies you need. I don't think we want to have the same problems as civilians that the Army has now. The answer to America's problems is certainly in reform, but not in such a radical reform as Mr. Gorczynsky proposes. For example, giving our unemployed citizens jobs in urban renewal would help solve two problems at once. The money now going to Indochina would finance the project. This much socialism is necessary. There is no easy solution, but the level-headed readers of Bragg Briefs can do better than to make this the "Union of American Socialist Republics."



good Socialist structures that can be used as examples when you're talking of alternatives to areas of capitalism.

Secondly, we disagree that the United States Army is at all "very socialistic in structure". The U.S. Army is one of the most perfect children of capitalism It is a large mass of people controlled by a very small ruling class.

The people who control the army have absolutely no responsibility to the masses. The thousands of soldiers are used by the ruling brass soley for their personal enhancement and as a profit mechanesm for themselves and the major individualists (ie, the Vietnam War, interventions in the Dominican Republic, Panama, Postal Strikes, etc). The lack of incentive and quality that you talk about is very clearly the reaction of alienated people. The soldier has almost no control over his life. Skills, interests and emotions are all negated by the sterile, beauraucratic mechanisms of the military. The individual sees no ego fullfillment, no real rewards to be gained, from either his peers or these higher up in the class structure. and quickly wisked him away and charged him with being drunk in public. (Anyone who has the brass bounded gall to walk into a sheriff's office in a deep religiously conservative state while in a drunken stupor should expect to be arrested---at least.)

ant unique taile una:

Quite fortunately, the sixteenth century Latin maxim, "Nemo tenetur prodere se ipsum---or, in Eng-[lish, "No one should be required to accuse himself," occupied a very salient position in the Major's stuporous mind. Next morning the Major was released from jail and returned to work. Quite naturally, the entire 82nd Airborne Division's pyramid of command had heard of the incident and the Major was soon before BG General Samuel Wilson, Assistant Division Commander, making a full explanation of his alleged "railroad job" and simultaneously making an urgent supplication for mercy. Not wanting to see the Major branded as ethically disoriented and a public drunk, the pious General went so far as to exert his potent influence and mysteriously arrange for a dismissal of the charge. Although no judicial action was taken against the Major, it has been reported that his recent move back into the confines of the military reservation was prompted by the October incident--an unexpected denouement!

Kenneth Parthie

EDITOR'S REPLY

Brother,

We'd like to direct a few comments to some technical errors in your letter which we hope may lead to a Most men feel that they can't accomplish anything tangible in the military, so since they can't build, they are forced into a very defensive psychological position. This ego defense is what you see around you.

There is no building and brotherhood, because the army today isn't used for anything consturctive----- only as a destructive agent.

Wasteful, non-accomplishing, non-fullfilling jobs lead to boredom, defensiveness, and alienation.

MAJOR INCARCERATED?

On October 27, 1970, Major James Chambers Commanding Officer of the 82nd Military Intelligence Detachment, received a call at his home informing him that an enlisted member of his elite intelligence community had been arrested, charged, and incarcerated for driving while under the influence of alcohol. Leaving the confines of his home, where he had been inbibing several Manhattans, he and his wife proceeded to the County Court House to attempt to bail out the enlisted man. Knowing that he had consumed a considerable amount of alcohol, 'Chambers had his wife drive him to the Court House. After presenting his credentials to the on duty deputy sheriff, the Major was informed that the man he wanted was not there. Somewhat of an argument ensued when the irrascible Major insisted that his man was there. The deputy retorted, "Are you giving me a hard time boy?" Midway between the heated dialogue, a burly deputy entered the room and approached the Major. As the deputy came within close proximinity of the Major he an alcohol stench on him

It is paradoxical that General Wilson was so willing to adhere to the presumptative innocence theory for the commissioned malefactor when on the other hand he would undoubtedly enact the presumptative guilt theory against his enlisted "scum" who are incapable of providing a challenge toward their own defense.

The 1970 breed of soldiers should not accept such an iniquitous condition fatalistically; he should do something about it, and the wonder is that there has not been a major revolt before this. It is apparent that what General Wilson, and the other up tight commanders, are so eager to do for the commissioned GOOSE they won't do for the beleagured non-commissioned GANDER. The question with which the military man of today must toil is whether or not he can survive in this mental backwash of escapism? We are learning that good men differ on what constitutes the good. You can have a perfect assembly of pieces in your watch, but they are worthless if the mainspring is broken. The concern is not about the various pieces the individual soldier, our machines, our resources. But we must desperately concerned about our mainspring--the alleged leader. That it has run down we know. But is it broken; is it broken beyond repair? In the last analysis, no question is worth more consideration in the Army today!

continued analysis of socialism and capitalism.

First, the Soviet Union was not "formed as pure socialism." Any working, near pure, socialist government would have to be something built over time through a reconstruction and reorientation of the structure that it was replacing.

In the revolution to replace the class structure of Czarist Russia, the forms of Socialism originally instituted were truly an attempt at a peoples' socialism but over the years many incorrect paths were taken and counterrevolutionary people were able to gain control of some areas of the social structure.

Some of the errors were seen and corrected, but but many areas of the political and economic development of the Soviet Union have become unrepresentative and unresponsive to the peoples needs.

Overall, the Soviet Union today is not a good example of true Socialism, though it still retains many

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Truthfully and respectfully submitted,

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SPIRIT OF REVOLUTION

To The Editor:

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What has happened to this country or, more specifically, what has happened to the spirit of the people? This is a country founded by revolution yet the mere mention of that word today is enough to have the speaker classified as a person who is dangerous unamerican, and probably a communist. Many people believe that this country is in need of change, some think that they can bring this change about through mass actions and through voting, others do not. Some members of this society, after seeing the lies that are all around them, think it totally impossible to change the system as it is today with less



than revolutionary means.

Let's take a look at history and see if these people are justified by historic precedent. In 1787, Thomas Jefferson, one of the founders of this country said, 'God forbid that this country ... should ever be twenty years without a rebellion.' Abraham Lincoln stated that when a government becomes, in the mind of a people, too, oppressive they have two alternatives: the constitutional right to change the government by vote or the revolutionary right to change it by rebellion. This latter case is clearly illustrated by the Civil War.

During the War Between the States there were a number of questions provoking bloodshed, the most important was not slavery, as many imagine, but rather the question of how much power the federal government had over the states and in turn, over the individual (slavery being one of the points of contention; could the federal government make it illegal for a private individual to own another person?)

Rather than submit to what was thought to be unreasonable restrictions and limitations on state autonomy and individual (slave owner) freedom several states dissolved the union and proceeded with an armed rebellion challenging federal power.

These are just a few examples of our American history of revolution. More would be: the American Revolution, used as an example by many countries to justify their own revolutions; the Mexican War in which American settlers who were invited to settle

"No, Hanson, you didn't find a box of bullets and two bagsof rice. You captured an ammo dump and a supply depot."

to change is not truly open to all possibilities in my estimation. When a million people were in the streets November fifteenth 1969 to protest our presence in Vietnam what did the president do? He watched a football game on television and a few months later sent troops into Cambodia. Mass non-violent protest has been tried and ignored. The riots in Chicago during the Democratic convention and the convention itself served to weaken belief in the present electorial system. What course does that leave open? I support all those of you who still try these previous two means but for myself, I believe revolution to be the only way to change this sick society.

prisoners of war! In this manner, these disaffected ideologists would have a chance to serve their country honorably, while being on that side of the war they so much want to be on.

HERBERT BRUCKER (MAJOR RET.)

REVOLUTIONARY MANDATE I

in Texas by the Mexican government, overthrew the Mexican authorities and, with United States troops sent to their aid, established the Texas Republic; the New York draft riots of 1863-64 in which Irish immigrants, who were too poor to buy there way out of the draft, started a riot that took weeks to put down.

These are examples, examples from our history that show that revolution is not of necessarily foreign origin but is actually quite American. Why then is it that those in society today that preach revolution are looked upon as traitors, subversives in the pay of foreign enemies, and totally un-American?

Our generation has been sent to school, told to learn, told to think for ourselves, use our imagination, help build society; now we are thinking and putting these thoughts to use and immediately we are the outcasts of society. Is it our fault that our government has grown stagnant over the past years? Is it our fault that the direction of our government is moving in is toward war, death, destruction, or world domination? Is it our fault that this society is sick and dying? Is it our fault that we can see no way to change the course of society short of revolution?

Is it our fault that we are taught that American stands for freedom while at the same time the country is supporting a military dictatorship in Greece, a militaryddictatorship in Cambodia, a number of dictatorships in South America, an unpopular, cruel government is South Vietnam? Is it our fault that we point with pride to our revolution and say that all people can be free when we train miltary officers in the armies of these dictatorships and provide them with money and arms to put down popular uprisings against these unfair governments? Can an election change all of this? How many of of these have you ever voted on? Did you have a say in sending troops into the Dominican Republic, South Vietnam, or Cambodia? Did you vote to give the president the power to press an unfair and illegal 'war' I know I never voted for any of these. Can we not all agree that something must change? Now we need only decide what must change and how to go about changing it. The government was instituted to serve the people and it isn't, it is serving only itself, building its power and control. The way

Charles P. Arnold

A DISSENTING POINT OF VIEW

The following letter appeared in the Fayetteville Observer. It is being run as an opposing view point.

To The Editor

Would someone enlighten these intellectual "commandos" of GI's United Against the Vietnam War, that (real) soldiers are supposed to fight any and all wars they are called upon to fight, on order of their government. Not just those wars they happen to agree on.

Soldiers of any army, regardless of their individual capabilities and courage, are only as good as their discipline and the quality of the command that leads them. The next thing these frustrated misfits will be wanting, is choosing their officers on a nomination and popular vote basis.

The Russians tried the all comrade army in 1939 against little Finland and were systematically chopped to ribbons. They learned their lesson the hard way and we now have a great deal of evidence in the news to show that Ivan is ready to go anywhere, anytime, anyhow, against anyone, for any or no reason at all. All his officers need to do is point him in thfe d

these are not the times to take your friends for granted to assume they will always be there.

they may not be.

and if you wait

until the next time to tell them that they are very special to you

you may wait until

someone calls you and says that So-and-so's body was found beneath the bricks of a dynamited building, or So-and-so was blown like water from a fountain, over a midnight highway, or So-and-so was shot while he slept.

therefore,

it is hereby mandated (By the poets and artists and musicians, who are responsible for the spirit and soul of the revolution) that when you finish this poem, you are to call your brothers sisters and in your own way make them know that you love them, that because of their love you have become more You.

his officers need to do is point him in the desired direction and "turn him lose".

If this new "Action" army of ours is indeed so superior to the one I belonged to in WW II, how is it that it can't seem to function properly without the frills and pampering of a bunch of kindergarten crybabies? At least that "sub" standard, griping army of the old managed to return the "dividends" expected by the nation's taxpayers, for his \$21.00 a month per man security investment. It won the wars it was committed to engage in.

I propose that these proponents of GI individualism be "united" into special battalions and offered to Hanoi on a 10 to 1 ratio, in exchange for American

Let them know.

Five minutes from now you may never have the opportunity again.

--Julius Lester

Constitution of the 714th

The following is the format describing the Enlisted Mens' Council of the 714th Preventive Medicine Unit. It was drawn up by a five man committee within the council, unanimously approved by fifty-four enlisted men, and forwarded up the chain of command to 12th Support Brigade Headquarters.

Purpose: We feel it necessary that an enlisted men's council be allowed to exist in any unit so that enlisted men, as a group, can discuss common grievances and effectively pursue redress of these grievances through appropriate channels.

1. The Enlisted Mens' Council will meet once a month on Pay Day.

9. Attendance will be taken by name at each council meeting.

10. Normally attendance at any council meeting will be limited exclusively to men of the rank E-5 and below, but if individuals not of this rank wish to address the council, they may do so as long as the entire council retains the right to call for a closed meeting when it so desires.

The resentment, low morale, and disrespect among enlisted men today toward higher authorities is wellfounded and exists because there has been a complete and absolute one-way street from the brass down in making policies, deciding what is allowed and disallowed, what is appropriate and what is inappropriate. There has never been any effective channel through which men could hope to solve a legitimate gripe. What the army has provided in the past in order to give the semblance of a dialogue between brass and enlisted men is the N.C.O. council whereby an individual could make a suggestion or state a complaint to his N.C.O. representative; the suggestion in our group would get as far as the sergeant-major, where it would be dismissed as too radical or not in accord with grand old tradition.

Dissatisfaction on a particular issue or desire to see a change in policy instituted may be supported by only one man, by fifty percent of the men in a unit, or it may be supported unanimously by one hundred percent of the men in a unit. The only way the sentiments of enlisted men can be accurately assessed, however, is by allowing them to meet as a group and discuss the issues they wish.

In our unit there is probably a greater degree of communication between officers and enlisted men and probably a higher degree of respect for each other due to the fact that each group will listen to the arguments and reasoning of the other and then take action on these.

In other units this may not be the case. This institution has in it a goodly percentage of inflexible minds that can only function in a structured environment. These minds will resist change no matter how justified it may be. If this is what men are faced with, then they will be forced to go outside regular channels to pursue change. Men have written in the form of petitions and group letters to sympathetic Senators and Representatives (and there are many) with much success in the past. Right now a lot of guys in a lot of units are strung out on smack and going AWOL partly because no structure exists through which they can voice their dissatisfaction. If you don't have an E.M. council in your unit, get one. If you want help or would like to ask questions, come to the 714th and talk to anyone E-5 or below.

- 2. All men of the ran E-5 and below can participate in the council. Any man in the council is eligible for the committee.
- 3. The committee itself presently consisting of 5 men, will serve as a vehicle for transmitting the results of council meetings to higher authorities, for transmitting information back to the council, and for handling administrative matters.
- 4. Any subject matter which has to do with the policies governing our way of life while members of the Armed Forces can be brought forth for discussion in the council meeting by any member of the council.
- 5. Any proposals for change of policy which might develop in these council meetings and be supported by a majority of its members, will be written up and forwarded to our unit commander including the number of members in support of such proposals.
- 6. The committee will keep a record of all proposals and replies.
- 7. Information can be passed down to council through the committee at each Pay Day council meeting. Information can also be posted on the enlisted men's bulletin board and if a change is instituted on the company bulletin board

GENERAL WESTMORELAND'S COMPLIMENTS, PRIVATE ... AND AFTER THE COFFEE WOULD YOU KINDLY JOIN US AT THE TEN-THIRTY REVEILLE GATHERING?'



8. The format by which the EM council meeting is conducted as well as membership of the committee is subject to change and proposals for such change can be made at any council meeting.

Black Viet Nam Vet in Stockade

Military....justice? Every EM knows there isn't any justice in the military. Maybe, you figure, if you go to Nam and do the Man's dirty work for him, he'll treat you a little better. If so, just ask Wilson Wright, Company B., 82nd Avn. Bn. (TDY - Ft. Bragg stockade)

Wilson's a wounded Nam vet. Last month he got two months at hard labor on four counts, not one of which would have been a crime in civilian life. He really went to the stockade because battalion commander LTC. Rynott and 1 Sg Elliott didn't like him. Rynott turned down a request to release Wilson from pretrial confinement because he had a bad attitude and called black NCO's Uncle Toms. The commander also said that there was some doubt in his mind whet'her Wilson had been wounded.1 (His official army record shows 3 weeks in an intensive care unit and 5 months in a hospital for a wound received in the RVN.) that he never made a mistake in remembering who in his company of almost 100 was or wasn't there. He did make several mistakes on the stand and the prosecution had to call him back one time after they had gotten his story straighter.

When the whole story was out it went like this. Wilson and 1 Sg Elliott didn't get along. Because of his injury, Wilson couldn't work all the time, but the 1 Sg would keep sending him on work details. Anyway, Elliott doesn't like privates, particularly ones that don't put up with his shit. So, on Nov. 4 when Wilson was trying to go home on a three day pass because of a trial (leave had been denied) Elliott messed with him enough to make him miss his plane. He then told Wilson that the uniform he was wearing was improper (because of the infantry background, PFC insignia, and CIB.) That's one charge. So they get into an argument and Elliott tells him to take off the illegal. Wilson says he'll take off the jacket, but doesn't do it right there: that's another charge. It turned out that Wilson was entitled to the CIB and had been a PFC in the infantry

in Nam.

But the First Sergeant isn't through. The next day he claims that Wilson missed reveille. How'd he know. He looked for him. Well the guy's who stand on either side of him saw him. He was standing in between. Sure he was late, but he got there before the count was taken. Charge number 3.

That wasn't enough - now the pile on. Two

But the guy who really had it in for Wilson was his First Sergeant. He's obviously been laying for Wilson for a while. He got up on the stand and testified that Pvt. Wright wasn't here on this day and that day and more charges of missing revellie. One for the day after Thanksgiving when "at least 7 guys were missing."

Seems nobody knew that there was going to be a duty day that day until late Wednesday. Then the following Monday. First the Sgt.⁴ thinks he called in and said he would be late. Next he thinks it was someone else.

And the big guns Failure to salute an officer. The ultimate of crimes. Seems he was the only one in a group of 5 or 6 that this officer, Lt. McGoey, got pissed at, although no one saluted. And Wilson had his hands filled. All this on off duty hours in fron of the bowling alley. The sixth charge. Now the clincher. Put on restriction to his

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J.C. PEELE, M.D. KINSTON, N.C.

HIGH WINDS BRASS STRIKE CASUALTIES

MOUTH LAR EL

... but the show must go on

"On December 8, Fort Bragg was honored with a visit from Melvin Laird for its annual Brass Strike. I was lucky enough to be chosen to prepare the area for them. Raking, dusting bleachers, etc.s it mizer noitus "We were told that if we were good boys: and I worked hard we could stay and watch. Of course we

woods. From this point we were able to see the Drop Zone clearly.

"Starting off the show was a mass troop-drop. The winds were too high to safely drop personnel, but they jumped anyway.

- from AN Intraview with SP/4 FIRED GERARDI

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"With the help of an Air Force radio we heard a call from the drop zone to the radio team in the bleacher area. The DZ team informed the control area that two men were injured, requested medical help, and that the two men be removed from the Drop Lone.

were too dirty to sit on the bleachers or even stand behind them. So we were foreed to watch from the vie change. Men have writ

d group letters to syn

"From my vantage point, I saw two men land and not get up. Other jumpers could be seen bending over them.

"DEFENSE" SEC"Y LAIRD DEDICATED A SMALL ROOM IN THE PENTAGON FOR MEDITATION AND PRAVER - "WE DO NOT PROPOSE TO SEPARATE MAN FROM GOD."



"After a pause the control team informed the DZ team that they couldn't stop the show because the planes were on the way, and therefore, the men would have to wait.

"So the show went on with two men injured on the Drop Zone. Planes flew over, heavy loads were dropped and war material demonstrations were put on. When it was over everyone applauded and prepared to leave.

"Ah yes, but the show went over great with the lifers. I wonder how many points the lifers got off this one. Do you think those two men cared?

"This is what I saw and what I feel. You will never see this story in the PARAGLIDE (bad for the image you know). But I hope it will be heard and I hope you will see to it that a show never comes before a man's safety."

VILLINALVI UINFRAFF

North Vietnam has filed a formal brief with the United Nations listing war crimes committed by the United States in both North and South Vietnam over the last two years. The brief, filed through the Hungarian Mission to the UN, documents crimes committed by aircraft in the North and police in the South.

Atty. Gen. Mitchell said terrorists could be partly controlled by rounding up the "maniacs" who use bombs.



The brief gives statistics showing the escalation of bombing in the North, since the beginning of Nixon administration. In addition, it accuses the US of using anti-personnel devices, such as cluster bombs, fleshette darts, and napalm, on population centers in in the North during 1970.

"Seen from the air, we spell 'Yankee Go Home!'"

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magainst peasants in the South, whose homes have a been destroyed and who have been forced into the concentration camps called 'new life hamlets."

A kindergarten in the provincial town of Nam Dinh south of Hanoi. It was bombed on September 15, 1965.

Strangely enough, the US has not responded to the charges.

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Ky has grown rich and powerful by plundering the American people.

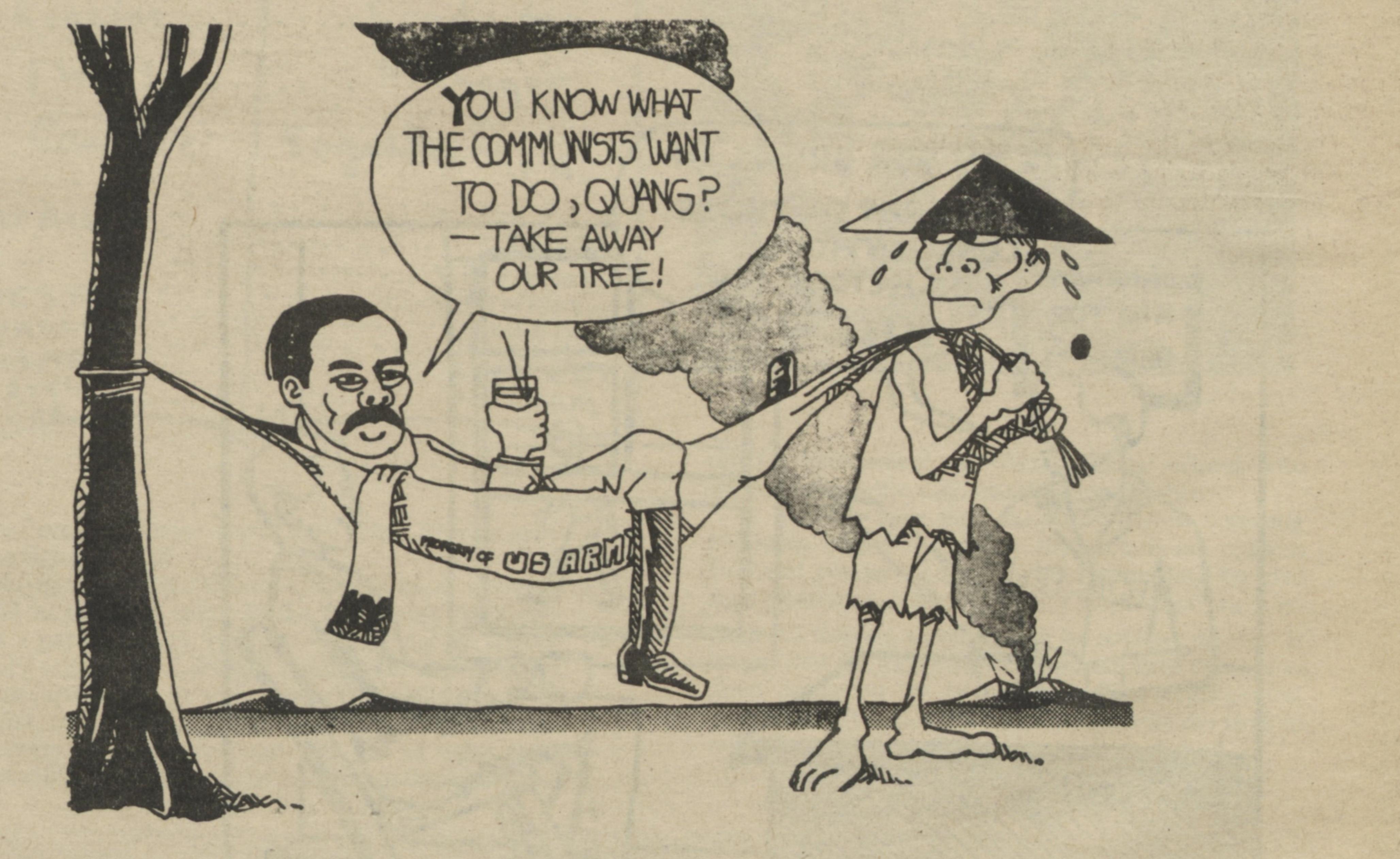
1 - Mr. Vice President, how do you account for the \$15,000 per week you personally receive from the receipts of the Saigon race track? You have told us your people are fully mobilized for this war; if that is the case, just who goes to the races every day so as to enable the track to show a profit sufficient to pay, you? (in 1967 Ky admitted he was receiving this money and said he used it from time to time to pay disabled veterans. He had up to that time, paid out the total sum of \$65 for this purpose.

2 - Your protege, Gen. Do Cao Tri has been much praised as the 'Tiger of Cambodia' for his leadership of your troops there. What was his final explanation for the package he sent to Hong Kong earlier this year which was unexpectedly opened in customs and found to contain 71 million piastres in cash (official U.S. equivalent: \$600,000)? Why would anyone want to send that many plasters out of the country, where they were practically worthless, unless to be used illegally - or by the enemy - for purchases back in South Vietnam? 3 - Mr. Vice President, your old friend, Gen. Dang Van Quang, is back in office as chief of intelligence. When you and he shared power as members of the 'Military Revolutionary Council,' he was the commander of the IV Corps until dismissed for corruption. Did he ever make restitution for the money he took from his own soldiers? 4 - What about your other colleague from the old days of the council, Gen. Cao Van Vien, now the South Vietnamese chief of staff? Do he and his wife still lease government-owned real estate to Americans? Do they still own bordello hotels at the recreation center at Nha Trang? 5 - Mr. Vice President, why was your mother-in-law, Mme. Hoang, who owns a string of 'resorts' in Saigon, permitted to be the sole bidder on a construction contract at an air base to be used by the United States?

6 - Finally, Mr. Vice President, what about that old smuggling rap? Back in 1964, when the CIA had set you up as the commander" of a fictitious airline to fly South Vietnamese agents into the North, you were fired for using the planes to smuggle opium and gold from Laos. Whatever happened to the 250 pounds of gold and the 450 pounds of opium which were seized? And your collaborator, Gen. Loc, who was

fired as a result of the exposure from his post as director-general of customs in Saigon -- did he ever get his old job back?

These questions may seem lighthearted, but Gen-Ky is not. He has grown rich and powerful from this war, not from plundering his own people -- whom he has more than once betrayed -- but ours.



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SUPREME COURT

A suit against the Army by members of GI's United to gain the right to distribute Bragg Briefs on Ft. Bragg is scheduled for consideration before the Supreme Court of the United States in the next few weeks.

The suit against Ft. Bragg Commanding General John J. Tolson and Secretary of the Army Stanley R. Resor charges that members of GI's United have been denied the First Amendment rights of free speech, free press, and free association. These complaints arose as a result of harrassment and intimidation of the soldiers in GI's United by military authorities and refusal by General Tolson to permit distribution of Bragg Briefs on Ft. Bragg.

In May 1969, 18 members of GI's United filed the suit in Federal District Court. Later they applied for permission to distribute Bragg Briefs on post, which was denied with no reason given.

In January 1970, the district judge, Algemon L. Butler, denied the GI's petition and held that the action by General Tolson was constitutional.

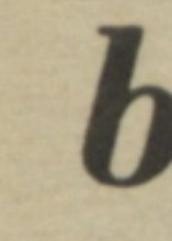
The case was then taken to the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, which also denied the GI's request

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for an injunction against the Army. However, the court did send the case back to the district court, where General Tolson will soon be required to give his reasons for denying GI's United the right to distribute Bragg Briefs on Ft. Bragg.

This action by the appeal court is a victory for GI's United. Nevertheless, the attorneys for GI's United Leonard Boudin of New York and Laughlin McDonald of Chapel Hill, N. C., decided to go to the Supreme Court, which will decide shortly whether or not it wⁱl hear the case.

Said the lawyers in the writ to the Supreme Court 'At stake here is the right of million of our citizens' to continue to exercise their First Amendment freedoms after military induction, to speak, publish, associate together and disseminate their views on matters of governmental policy.' THE RIGHTS OF MAN Thomas Paine THE MOLLY MCQUIRES Anthony Bimba VIETNAM WILL WIN Wilfred Burchett LARGEST SELECTION RADICAL JURGATURE, UNDERGROUND UNDERGROUNDER DATA BARE, ONDERGROUND

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My Lai GI Signs Confession

In a signed confession read to the court at Fort cPherson, Georgia on January 8, Sergeant Charles utto admitted what he did at My Lai three years ago as "MURDER".

On the day of the My Lai operation, Hutto said in e statement, "The order came from the Company ommander Capt. Ernest L. Medina to kill the anials, destroy all of the food and kill all the people." "I saw people trying to hide. Some were running. ome were standing. We opened up. It was Murder!" GI's United has the people, the information and the contacts to help their brothers and sisters in the military struggling for their rights. Conscientious Objector applications, legal problems, Article 15 proceedings, Congressional inquiries', and general harassment problem help is available all the time from GI's United and the staffs at both Haymarket Square and the

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Quaker House.

The only way things are going to get better in the military is by people making them happen. The man isn't going to give you anything that will make you less able to be used by him. You've got to stand up for your rights, and there's a lot of help available right here in the Bragg area.

Come down to Haymarket or the Quaker House any afternoon or evening for any help you need, or to offer any help you can give. The only way to do things is together.



Sexual Self Determination

To the straight (non-homosexual) community, veral important facts: There will be no revolution there are alienated factions of brothers and sisters; erefore, you need gay support as much as we need ours. We are all fighting the same enemy, and we all ant the same Revolution. esson One in Re-Education

All homosexuals are not porverted old men, transstite 'drag queens' or limp-wristed hairdressers. Most homosexuals are between the ages of 16-35; ey smoke dope, hate pigs, the Vietnam War, and O.T.C....go to colleges (yes, even high schools!), ear long hair, are teachers, administrators and footill players. praying to Tinkerbell.

There are female homosexuals who are very beautiful. We come in all sizes, colors, religions and nationalities.

Every homosexual is not out to suck your cock or rape you (We are probably more selective about sex partners than most heterosexuals).

We are not all hung up on our mothers (or fathers) and we do not hate the opposite sex.

Don't get paranoid, but we're all around you - and we are going to become more and more visible. Love is a very beautiful feeling, and important to or sister who, after finally spending the last sleepless night, or lonely weekend or crying the last tear, say fuck it all and kills himself, must be on your conscience.

We must live in your political and social framework, by your rules (until we change them), but if you support us, then our liberation will be that much easier and more justified. Next time you rap with words like: brother, love, peace, or happiness, think what each one means to everyone, not only to a few chosen elite - then do something about the fucked up world we live in! Above all, try and forget that we are homosexuals - look at our minds, bodies and work - give us the chance to help you understand what we are.

We will not disappear by closing your eyes and

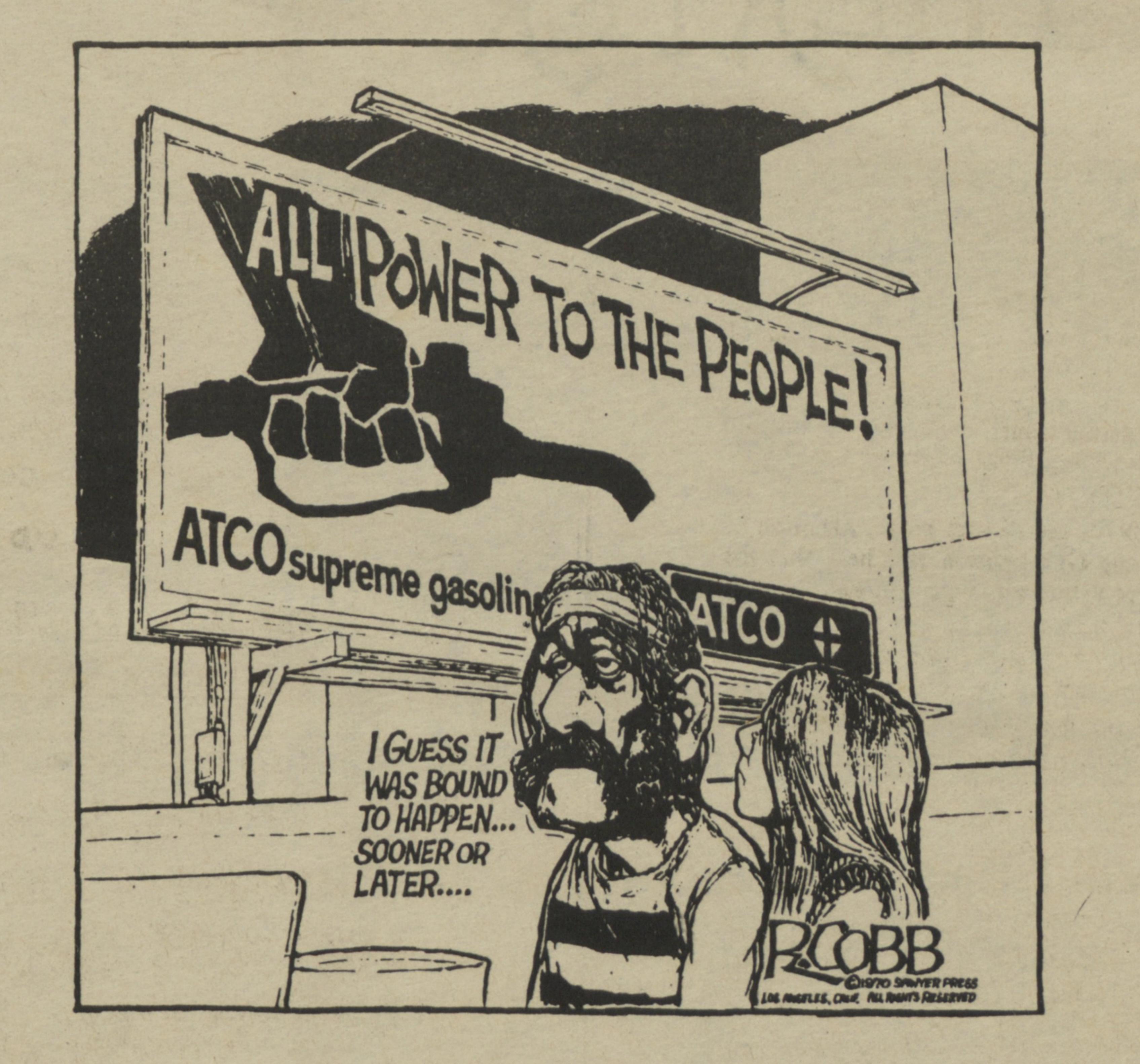
EVERYONE: If we cannot love and relate to people whom we choose, then you are denying and destroying a part of us. And the death of every gay brother

Justice by Prejudice

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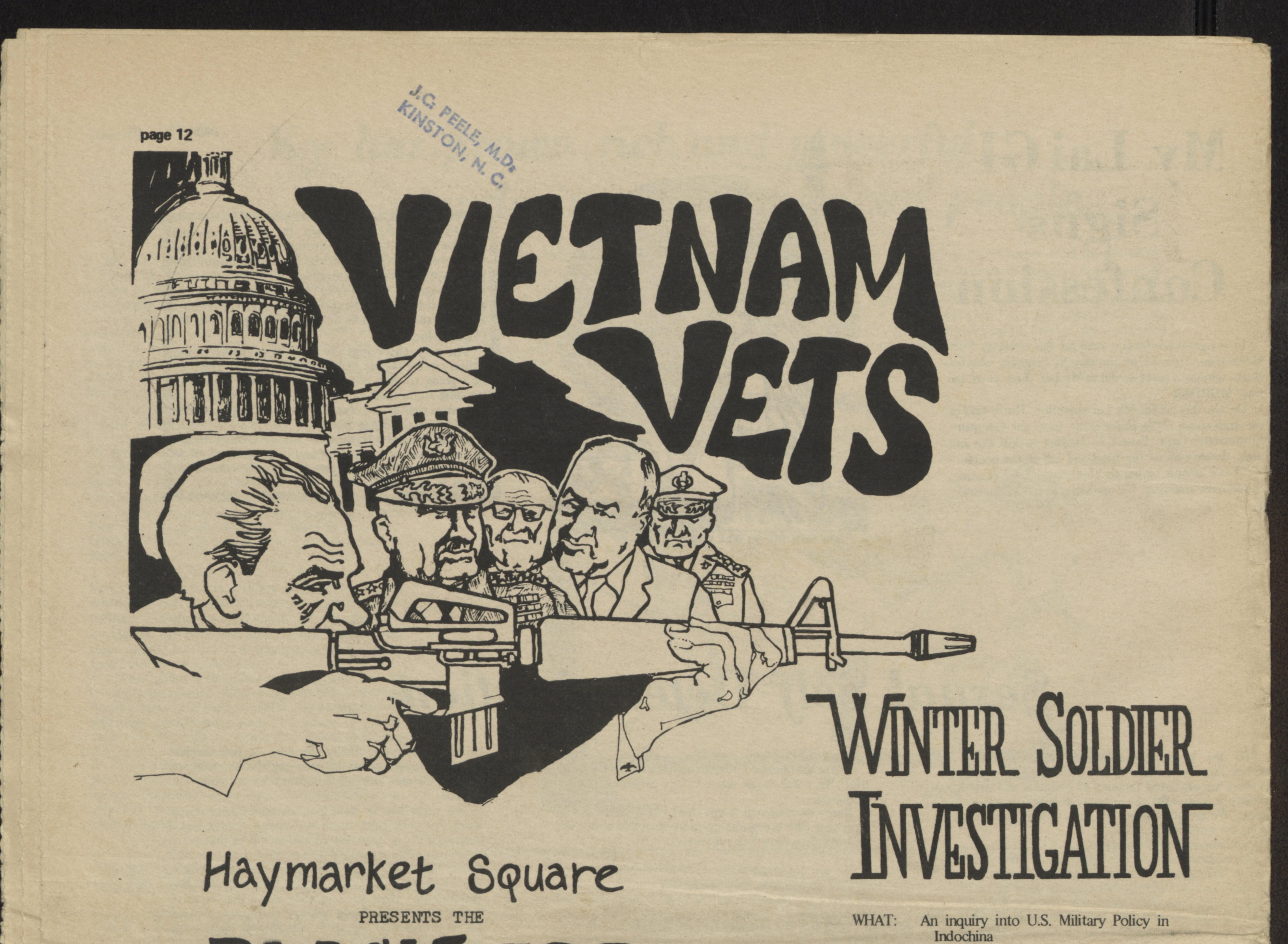
y, Wilson is charged with breaking that reriction several hours after he was admitted the stockade.

Three of the charges are thrown out. Even he Army's perverted logic couldn't justify all hat. And the military judge recommended susbending the sentence (after all Wilson only has wo months left in the Army). But LTC. Rynott wouldn't hear it and it was off to the tockade.



Wilson Wright's case is not an isolated one. Ine of Wright's friends, also a Nam vet. was up pr court-martial a few days later. Two other uys in the company have been on restriction or most of the past month.

Lifer harassment is going to increase as more nd more guys stop being good, unthinking oldiers. Justice will come to the military, then the people who are waking up to what ney are being used for, take control of their wn lives. There won't be any petty harassment, nent when the people's army fights the real nemy. That's because we'll know why we're ghting then. Wilson Wright and some of the ten of B (company 82nd Avn. Bn. certainly fill.



BLACKBIRD THEATER •



WHEN: January 31, February 1 and 2, 1971.

WHERE: Howard Johnson's New Center Motor Lodge, Detroit, Michigan.

If you have testimony to offer, Please contact: Winter Soldier Investigation, 967 Emerson Street, or call collect - (313) 822 - 7700

GI TOLL: 347,664

The following U.S. casualty figures for Southeast Asia are based on U.S. government statistics. They are lower than U.S. casualties reported by the liberation forces. The figures are from Jan. 1, 1961 to Dec. 19, 1970. Figures in parentheses are for the week Dec. 12 to Dec. 19. Killed: 44,167 (23); "Non-combat" deaths: 8990 (46); Wounded: 293,077 (160); Missing, captured: 1430.

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