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**ABBIE HOFFMAN  
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# Memorandum

TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 10/9/69

CRIMINAL DIVISION

FROM : Director, FBI

ATTENTION: MR. GUY L. GOODWIN

SUBJECT: ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN, AKA  
ANTIRIOT LAWS

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (176-34)

SUBJECT: ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN AKA  
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OO: NEW YORK

Re Bureau airtel to Philadelphia 10/3/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies, and for Chicago for dissemination to the U. S. Attorney, one copy of the book entitled "WOODSTOCK NATION" by ABBIE HOFFMAN, as furnished SA [REDACTED], on 10/7/69 by [REDACTED] Excelsior Bindery, 441 North 5th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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# Memorandum

TO : Assistant Attorney General

DATE: 10/21/69

FROM : CRIMINAL DIVISION  
Director, FBI (176-34)

ATTENTION: MR. GUY L. GOODWIN

SUBJECT: ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN  
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (176-34)

FROM *mm* SAC, DETROIT (176-68) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ABBOTT HOWARD <sup>0</sup>HOFFMAN, aka.  
SM - ANA (KEY ACTIVIST)

DATE: 10/7/69

Re Detroit airtel to Director, dated 7/22/69,  
captioned as above.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 11 copies and for New York and Chicago two copies each of an LHM relating to captioned matter.

The tape from which the transcript was made was furnished to SA [REDACTED] on 7/30/69, by [REDACTED] Lou Gordon Enterprises, WKBD-TV. This was pursuant to a request made of [REDACTED] of WKBD-TV on 7/14/69.

The tape will be maintained by the Detroit Division.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Detroit, Michigan  
October 7, 1969

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Re: Lou Gordon Television Show of  
July 13, 1969, Detroit, Michigan.  
Featuring Abbott Howard Hoffman,  
James Freed and Gordon Hall

The following is a transcript from a tape of the  
Lou Gordon Television Show of July 13, 1969, Detroit, Michigan.  
This show appeared on WKBD-TV. The individuals mentioned herein  
are sufficiently characterized.

Characterizations of the Minutemen, Students For A  
Democratic Society (SDS), and the Black Panther Party (BPP),  
appear in the appendix attached hereto.

"Gordon: Tonight we are going to have a lengthy discussion  
on the subject of extremism in America. We have  
three representatives, one from the right wing,  
one from the left wing and one who is an expert on  
extremism. Introducing them from right to left Mich.  
is first, Mr. James Freed, who has earned a reputation  
for himself in the Detroit area as a dedicated right  
wing extremist, he urges having firearms as insurance  
against upcoming confrontations. He is National  
Secretary of the Patriotic Party, the party that  
George Wallace disallowed last year, he is closely  
associated with the Minutemen, Mr. Freed's  
major project now is his fight with the Internal  
Revenue Service. He has not paid taxes for the  
past three years and I think their motto is resistance  
to the end, as it is with the left wing. Our next  
guest on the panel is Gordon Hall of Boston, Massa-  
chusetts, an expert on extremism. Robert Walsh, M.I.  
head of the ultra conservative John Birch Society,  
has called Mr. Hall a "smiley character promoting  
Communism." Gus Hall, leader of the Communist Party

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ENCLOSURE

Re: Lou Gordon Television Show of  
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"in this country, says about our Mr. Hall, 'I know all about this character, Gordon Hall, this paid police agent, let me make it clear we are in no way related either by blood or ideologically.' The late George Lincoln Rockwell, Commander of the American Nazi Party, said about our guest the lowest vilest man I know, I can't wait to throw him in the gas chamber myself. And the late Malcom X said about Mr. Hall, he is nothing but a white mercenary. These are pretty strong words coming from both sides. And our left wing extremist is Abby Hoffman, one of the leading symbols of the new radical left. He founded the Yippies and has been instrumental in the disruptions in Chicago last summer, during the Democratic convention. He has been arrested 40 times and faces a possible 10 year prison term for inciting riots in Chicago. His defiance and guerrilla tactics are spelled out in his new book 'Revolution For the Hell Of It' which appears to be Mr. Hoffman's philosophy toward our society. Mr. Hoffman holds a Masters degree in Psychology from the University of California at Berkeley and will be remembered for his appearance before the House Unamerican Activities Committee last year with an American flag draped around his chest. Mr. Hall, let's begin with you if we may. What do you consider the dangers of extremism in this country?

"Hall: Oh, I think probably, more than anything else, the capacity for violence. You take Mr. Freed's Minutemen, he may deny that he is a Minuteman, I don't know, we'll have to wait and see. But they're obviously a terrorist group and in the Patriotic Party. They are a white terrorist society in my judgment and I think it is pretty obvious from your own description of Mr. Hoffman the kind of thing that his group will do from time to time. Disrupt, use anti-democratic methods against an essentially democratic society, whatever, the faults may be of that society and so I think the main problem, the main danger if there is any real serious danger is the violence - obviously.

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"Gordon: Do you see any danger of fascism resulting from Mr. Freed's efforts or Communism or revolution resulting from Mr. Hoffman's efforts.

"Hall: No, not really. I think, I am not so sure that Mr. Hoffman's bag would be Communism per se. I think that something else again, but if we take the left to mean in general terms, the kind of Marxism I think that that would be accurate. I don't think, however, that America is about to succumb to either extreme. I think that we are internally strong and I think that by and large Americans are reasonably well satisfied with society as it is. And I think that what changes will come about will continue to be brought about democratically through reforms and I don't think we are going to succumb to either side. I think that either side would like to see the middle collapse completely and I think both of them overstate the case. I think there is much wrong, but there has always been much wrong with a free society. It is only societies where you don't read about the things that are wrong are the closed systems that Mr. Freed and others like him like so well.

"Gordon: Mr. Freed, would you like to respond to that? Are you associated with the Minutemen?

"Freed: Well, the Patriotic Party has always been associated with the Minutemen. In fact, it was founded by the same man, Robert De Pugh. Mich.

"Gordon: Are you aware of the fact that Robert DePugh was finally arrested last night?

"Freed: Well of course, yes, I am quite well aware of that.

"Gordon: How did you know about that, did he call you?

"Freed: Both Walter Reuther and the Anti-Defamation League have been after him for a long time and they finally managed to negotiate his apprehension I suppose. Mich.

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"Gordon: Well, I understand that the FBI arrested him, not Walter Reuther and the Anti-Defamation League.

"Freed: Well

"Gordon: And they arrested him under

"Freed: That's who controls the FBI.

"Gordon: Reuther and the Anti-Defamation League control the FBI?

"Freed: Yah, and the Federal Reserve System, they all work together on that.

"Gordon: Well, I just want to tell you and our viewers if they don't know it that Mr. DePugh was arrested last night on a warrant for conspiracy to rob banks in Redman, Washington, and he wanted to take the money to rob banks, that he would get from robbing banks to fight Communism.

"Freed: According to who?

"Gordon: According to the FBI report.

"Freed: That's what I mean. All right,

"Gordon: Mr. Hoffman, I think it is time we give you a say, would you agree with what Mr. Hall has said about what you represent?

"Hoffman: Well, first I want to say that I object to the format of the show. Because I think that somehow this is supposed to be a nice quiet rational show with someone from the right, someone from the left, and someone who represents the vast silent majority which I think is amiss of being the right and the left in this country and people are supposed to have my fellow American over here on the right go after me and I am supposed to go after him and Mr.

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"Hall is supposed to emerge triumphantly as the expert on extremism in this country. So I object to that format and I wouldn't have come on except for the fact that this show paid my fare out here hence contributing to the conspiracy because I was really here to attend the revolutionary underground newspaper conference in Ann Arbor.

"Gordon: What kind of a format would you like us to have for you Mr. Hoffman?

"Hoffman: Well, I think we ought to like take over the show and run it. But aside from that I would like to protest

"Gordon: You wouldn't expect me to let you take over the show now would you Mr. Hoffman?

"Hoffman: Well, not without some resistance and violence which of course Mr. Hall would, would put down. All right, now I represent, I would like to comment on what you said about violence.

"Gordon: All right, all right.

"Hoffman: Because you see, because you see the main, he focused on the problem of it, the biggest threat to our society was extremism, the danger of extremism, violence coming up from extremism. When we look at the reality of American life the chief perpetuator of violence is the military industrial complex, the government and the police force that represents that government. That is where violence is, and it is very well indeed to go and tell people that your against violence but I think that speech ought to be directed to the military forces in Vietnam and to the police departments around this country and to the police that were in Chicago and Mayor Daley, and I think it is a blurring of the reality of the situation. He is very concerned with the constitutional issues and I am involved in a trial that our lawyers say represents the most

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"complex constitutional case in the country's history. I mean anti-war activists charged with conspiracy to incite riots. The Justice Department has admitted tapping our phones in violation of the Supreme Court ruling. Is there no outcry from the so-called liberals in the country, Mr. Hall doesn't even touch on it and that is what is going on in this country. One more point (illegible)

"Hall: I didn't like his speech, I didn't like his speech. I simply answered a question that was asked by Mr. Gordon here. He asked me what I felt was the greatest danger about it

"Hoffman: Yeah, but you see  
Already setting up the ground rules, what are the chief causes of the problems in American society and I think that is basically true

"What what

"He simply asked me what I thought the greatest danger from the extremist thrust was and I said in the violence and you began by saying that you would like to take over

"Hoffman: But we have to analyze, we have to

"Freed: Can I get in on this for a minute, Mr. Hall, you are billed as an expert. How did you attain this position, an expert, what are your qualifications, can we see your identification card qualifying you as an expert. And who pays you as an expert?

"Gordon: Well, Mr. Freed, I have to interrupt here, we have to take a commercial break anyway, but suffice to say that I invited you here as an expert on the right, Mr. Hoffman as an expert on the left and Mr. Hall here as an expert on extremism for this program and use it to debate your qualifications or his. We will come right back and address ourselves to the issues.



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"Gordon: Mr. Hall, you asked for the floor.

"Hall: Well, in the first place one does not walk around with a card identifying him as an expert on extremism. I am regarded as an expert by the mass media and of course that would not be acceptable to you but I think that after a couple decades of carefully analyzing and studying groups like yours and exhibitionists like Mr. Hoffman, I reach certain conclusions, I write about them and I talk about them and they are generally accepted by the academic community and the mass media as being solid and on target and so they have labeled me an expert. I don't consider myself an expert as such, I consider myself a careful research student of this phenomena.

"Freed: Well, I didn't mean to put you on the defensive that way

"Hoffman: Oh, you didn't.  
But I am glad to know that you have answered Freed properly.

"Gordon: I would like to point out the one thing that seems to me you both have in common. Mr. Freed, I was reading some of your literature today

"Freed: Now, just before you say we have in common, why not just refer to my literature. Let the public decide whether we have something in common or not.

"Gordon: Your literature talks about total resistance. Does it not?

"Freed: That is what it talks about.

"Gordon: And Mr. Hoffman, that's the line you use frequently, is it not? Total Resistance?

"Hoffman: Oh no that's not a line that.

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"Gordon: Oh, you don't use total resistance, what do you use,  
total destruction?

"Total reparation.

"Gordon: Total revolution.

"Hoffman: That is what we use.

"Gordon: Now, Mr. Hall.

"Freed: You see what I mean, Mr. Gordon? You see you try  
to put words in my mouth, but then after we straight-  
tened it out you found out that his position is  
different than mine.

"Gordon: How do you think his position is different, what do  
you think of him?

"Freed: Well, I have just met the gentleman at this point,  
it wouldn't be fair to draw any conclusions about the  
gentleman.

"Gordon: What do you think of what he stands for, I am sure  
you are familiar

"Freed: I don't know, I haven't found out yet.

"Gordon: You have never heard of the Yippies and the

"Freed: Oh yeah

"Gordon: What do you think of the Yippies?

"Freed: Well, I don't think much of the Yippies, but I  
don't know, you didn't ask me about that, you asked  
me what

"I don't either

"Gordon: You don't think much of the Yippies either?

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"No. I don't think they even exist. It was a slogan. There are no Yippies. It was a certain kind of technique in order to have people come to Chicago to make a statement about the Democratic process. It was a slogan, 'Yippie' with an exclamation point. There is no organization. It might be an expression of a certain kind of life style that is growing out around underground newspapers, drugs, rock and roll, anti-war people, young people in general, a certain kind of youth culture. But there are no Yippies.

"Gordon: Mr. Hall

"Hall: I agree by the way with that, that the Youth International Party is largely a creation of the press. Do you, are you, let me interrupt just a moment. Go ahead

"Hall: Do you object when I refer to you as an exhibitionist? Are you offended by that?

"Hoffman: Well, I, I don't particularly care about any words you use to describe me because I don't consider you a source of authority and I don't relate to you in order to run my life. So you can call me anything you want.

"Hall: Well, that isn't really what I asked you, well, let me put it another way. Would you, would you ever stop to consider yourself as one who is primarily an exhibitionist and sort of given to, You know, eccentric behavior, almost for the purpose of being eccentric because I have seen you in a number of different guises over the years and they seem always geared to kind of the vast public display of yourself to get attention, that is why I asked you the question.

"Hoffman: I would use any technique that I thought was proper in order to disrupt what appears to be a democratically run process in this country.

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"Gordon: Mr. Hall, Mr. Hoffman makes a point that I don't think initially that you responded to. He says the real danger in this country is from the military industrial complex that he talks about and as one who is pretty much concerned about the anti-ballistic missile and the Vietnamese war, and in those categories I agree with Mr. Hoffman, probably the only things I agree with him on. Isn't this the real danger, perhaps a greater danger than the small minority that Mr. Hoffman represents or Mr. Freed represents?

"Hall: Oh surely, there may be many larger dangers and I did not respond to your first question by suggesting that I believe that left-right extremism in the country is the primary danger. I think for example that organized crime is more dangerous than political extremism. It just so happens that I am a student in one area and I feel that my competence to talk about the Minutemen or the Students for a Democratic Society, or any of the other groups is where I should remain and I would not, for example, be qualified to discuss the missile crisis, simply because I don't feel that I know that much about it. Although I have feelings that I would share with you on that.

"Gordon: Well, I don't think it is the missile crisis we are talking about, we are talking about the fact that thousands of men leave the Pentagon, go into industry which supplies the government through the Pentagon, and, for example, it seems to me that Senator Fulbright referred last week to a group that was running an ad on behalf of the anti-ballistic missile system most of whose members are contractors working who would be benefiting from the system.

"Hall: Yes, yes, but again it, this is an area that I don't happen to specialize in and I don't know that much about it, therefore, I don't feel all that qualified to talk about it other than having feelings as an American about it.

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"I mean it seems to me that one can make studies about all kinds of things, one would not expect somebody who deals in heart disease to necessarily know all about cancer, micro-organisms, etc.

"I think when you asked him about what kind of a danger do we represent the word danger you know has a certain kind of connotation. And we have to say danger to what? And I think, I think we all three of us in a sense represent a danger but that danger has to be defined. Now, I would say that these two gentlemen, and you in fact represent a danger. You represent you symbolize the people in authority and you act as their tool, and I don't represent a danger to black people in this country, I don't represent a danger to long haired young people in this country, I represent a danger to the government and the people that I am with represent a danger to this government, that is why yesterday at this radical underground media conference it was necessary for those cops to come in and surround us with shotguns even though we were just there talking about putting out our newspaper. Something about free speech. Now also there is a newspaper here in Detroit, an underground newspaper, the South End, that got closed down. That the administration at Wayne State said the other day they are not going to put out this paper. We don't like it and the kids like want it, and like it, and they are taking it and making it a real underground newspaper, they are hiding the machines and they are putting them out and to those people and to the people that read that newspaper I am no danger, but these people are. Because these people have the power and I don't, and I don't

"Gordon: But I mean you represent a danger

"Hoffman: Maybe Mr. De Pugh got locked up for a charge of conspiracy to rob banks, you know, or something like that and there are a couple of right wingers that

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"are in trouble with the government are being repressed or facing oppression but I don't know about it, but people on my side of the fence are really getting it right and left like the Black Panther Party. It is an attempt on the part of the government to wipe them out. There is a part on young radicals to wipe us. They are followed by the FBI all the time.

"Gordon: You are watched, followed by two FBI Agents everywhere you go. (Yes) Do you think you were followed here by two FBI Agents?

"Hoffman: Well, I don't know if I was like followed here or to Detroit, but I have to report all the time on my travels to US. District Attorney, the FBI part of the evidence in the trial against us

"Gordon: But that is true of anyone that is on bond and leaves the jurisdiction of that court is it not?

"Hoffman: No, no, it is not entirely true, no no sorry that is not true.

"In fact, you see, one of us, one of our Dave Delenger is currently in Paris or on his way to North Vietnam. I haven't seen the papers in the last few days, to negotiate the release of three fliers, now he is prevented from like traveling outside the country, but the government, the State Department just so happens to decide arbitrarily that this is important to get those fliers out so it makes a little deal. It is all a question of deals, you see, law, law is a hoax. Law and order is like a hoax issue because that is not what we said

"I have been arrested ten times since Chicago. I have forty arrests and but three convictions.

"Gordon: Are you glad of that?

"(Illegible)

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- "Gordon: Are you proud of being arrested 40 times?
- "Hoffman: I am proud of what I am doing and the way I lead my life.
- "Gordon: Well then are you proud of being arrested, are you trying to like break the home run record of Babe Ruth?
- "Hoffman: What I am saying about that is that is that there is no, what am I being arrested for,
- "Gordon: Breaking the law.
- "Hoffman: Are you kidding?
- "Well, why am I not convicted?
- "Gordon: Well, because the trials have not come up yet I presume.
- "Hoffman: Why have I been beaten 21 times by police.
- "Gordon: Because your acting like a maniac.
- "Hoffman: Oh come on. I've been beaten in police stations while I've been handcuffed. You see, your just like, oh acting like a maniac, oh yeah. So we ought to like beat em up and shoot em, what do we do with maniacs.
- "Gordon: I doubt very seriously whether you have ever been followed by any FBI Agents. This, this sort of thing goes on all the time, the John Birch Society in New England talks about their lines being tapped, your worried about the lines of the Minutemen being tapped.
- "Hoffman: Are you aware that the Justice Department has admitted tapping our phones? Mr. Freed, are you aware of that"
- "Gordon: No, your particular phones, no, they have admitted wire taps in certain cases but 'I

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"Hoffman: Well, your inaccurate.

"Gordon: But, well I'm sorry but, I haven't heard of it. The ruling in the case comes up Tuesday, July 15, In the Federal District Court in Chicago. Let me ask you a direct and simple question. In all of these arrests you have, you have never done anything to to to warrant being arrested, you've never violated any of the laws, whether you agree or disagree with them is beside the point, but you are absolutely an innocent babe in the woods and you've been picked up and manhandled and beaten.

"Hoffman: I don't, I don't consider it, I don't consider that I've been an innocent babe in the woods in accordance to your standards. But you see, for example, you mentioned my appearance there wearing an American flag shirt. Now I was arrested for that and it is a charge of defacing and defiling the flag for which I was given 30-day sentence. Now there've been thirty people arrested under that law, they've all been hippies. Yet that shirt was bought commercially it is a mod fashion, it is in a number of mod magazines, there is a mini skirt Betsy Ross flag thing, I've seen Phyllis Diller on TV you know with that kind of thing, but those people aren't arrested for that. Its people that the government wants to get rid of. The same as like pot arrests. There are 250,000 narcotics arrests: who gets busted for pot.

"Gordon: We'll be right back.

" Mr. Freed complained during the break that he wasn't getting enough time and I think he is right.

"Freed: I registered a protest.

"Gordon: Registered a protest accepted, granted. Mr. Freed, we'll devote a few minutes to you, ah

"Freed: Thank you.

"Gordon: Are you, are you affiliated with the Minutemen or not?



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"Freed: Well, in what way Mr. Gordon?

"Gordon: Well, come on now, in what way. You know how to answer questions when they are asked you. Do you have any affiliation with the Minutemen.

"Freed: Then I'll answer it this way. Mr. Hoffman has had ten or fifteen minutes to explain his position. Some years ago I migrated from Canada to the United States and became a citizen of this country and I had to take an oath here in Detroit before Federal Judge Ralph Freeman, and that oath of allegiance said that I had to swear to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic. Now based on that I will work with any individual or group who has the same policy. Now the judge at the time didn't qualify.

"Gordon: Are you working with the Minutemen?

"Freed: The judge at the time didn't

"Gordon: Why don't you respond to my questions instead of making a speech. Mr. Hoffman responded to my question. I don't know, he made a speech, But go ahead.

"Freed: The judge at the time, that's what I thought. The judge at the time, Judge Ralph Freeman, did not qualify this oath of allegiance in any way, he just said do it. So, as a result that is what I fully intend to do, to uphold and defend the Constitution.

"Gordon: Well, are you affiliated with the Minutemen?

"Freed: Yes.

"Gordon: Well, all right, glad to hear that, now has Mr. DePugh been in touch with you since last night to try to get you to raise bond for him?

"Freed: Now you know better than that.

"Gordon: Well, the last time you were on this program you indicated to me that you were in touch with Mr. DePugh while

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"Freed: Well what did I say that I indicated that I was touch with

"Gordon: Well you said you talked to him as my recollection occurs to me. Am I wrong? Am I wrong?

"Freed: You better check the statements Mr. Gordon.

"Gordon: Well, I'm asking you. Are you, have you been in touch with DePugh?

"Freed: You better check the tape because I made no comments of that nature at all.

"Gordon: Have you been in touch with Mr. DePugh lately?

"Freed: No.

"Gordon: Have you heard from him since he was arrested last night.

"Freed: No.

"Gordon: Will you do anything to help him raise bond if he gets in touch with you?

"Freed: The story is right now that certain people in this country have already contacted an attorney who will, who is looking into the matter if, indeed, it is the truth that he has been arrested.

"Gordon: Well you don't think that the news reports are true.

"Freed: Well, I question any news report.

"Gordon: Oh, you do?

"Freed: Yeah.

"Gordon: You don't trust anybody or anything?

"Freed: Well, I say I question, I didn't say trust. And one reason why for example when they threw me in jail there last fall I, I'm

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"Gordon: Oh, you've been in jail too?

"Freed: I understand that you made the remark that I was no different than the Mafia. So, I mean I have to question anything that the news media says including

"Gordon: Who told you that I said that Mr. Freed?

"Freed: Well, my friends. Obviously I didn't hear it because I couldn't.

"Gordon: Well you

"Freed: But I was told that you made some such remark.

"Gordon: Why were you in jail?

"Freed: Well, because my, you see, again ah

"Gordon: No, I just asked you why

"Freed: Well, I'm gone to tell you but I'm going to answer my way, not your way. Again Judge Ralph Freeman told me that I must uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States so when I did this in relation to a certain gun that I had bought then I was arrested and the warrant for my arrest was signed by Judge Ralph Freeman and he threw me in jail so I don't know why I was in jail, you will have to ask the judge because I was doing exactly as he had told me.

"Gordon: It seems to me you were in jail because you wouldn't register that gun.

"Freed: Well, I was standing up for, I was defending the Constitution.

"Gordon: Right, and you contended that you didn't have to register the gun.

"Freed: That's right.

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"?: I agree with him on that point.

"Gordon: Well, so we do find something that you fellows  
agree on. You should have guns and not be permitted

"?: But the question of his aligning with groups that  
support the Constitution is a little bit misleading  
I thought because everybody like, that's like sort  
of claiming God is on your side in a way.

"?: Well I, I

"The Bible says your justified

"I don't think at all

"Well, I don't consider

"Lots of groups have claimed

"I don't consider Judge Freeman as God. He ordered  
me to do this. I am under Federal court orders to  
do it.

"Gordon: Mr. Freed

"Freed: That's all I can say.

"Gordon: You told me before the program began that you  
haven't paid your income tax in three years.

"Freed: That's right.

"Gordon" Why not?

"Freed: The same answer. I am under Federal Court Order

"Gordon" You haven't paid in how many years?

"Freed: Oh, lots of years.

"Gordon: Eight?

"Freed: Yeah, about that I guess.

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"I am under Federal Court order to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Federal Income Tax violates the Constitution 26 separate times. So therefore I can't in all honesty support that program.

"Gordon: Are you a lawyer?

"?: I agree with a lot of his methods, but not his goals.

"Hall: It is interesting the way you interpret the Constitution so freely.

"Freed: "Wait a minute, I haven't interpreted the Constitution at all Mr. Hall.

"Hall: Well, you said that the income tax law violated the 20, violated the Constitution you said 26 times?

"Freed: That's right but I haven't interpreted anything

"Hall: Well that's kind of interpreting

"?: However, the very fact that you have to use the word interpretation that's misleading to the people out there because it is that kind of nonsense you see

"?: After all you are the expert

"Yeah, your the expert.

"?: I'm not an expert on the left, I want to disavow being an expert on the left.

"Gordon: What do you consider yourself, Mr. Hoffman, I understand that you believe in communal life, that you believe in sharing your women, sharing your dope, is that correct?

"Hoffman: Money, take money essentially

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"Gordon: Do you take dope? Do you take dope?

"Hoffman: Do I take it where?

"Gordon: Well, I mean, do you shoot yourself in the arm, do you smoke marijuana?

"Hoffman: Well, I shoot a lot of things, Maple syrup comes up from New England. I drink Coke which is a dope. I just gave up ciggarets four weeks ago I'm mighty proud of that.

"Gordon: Well, I'm proud of you for that too.

"Hoffman: But I smoke marijuana every chance I get, I take LSD and love it, I've got chromosone damage and I'm grooving on it.

"Gordon: Maybe that's what's wrong with you, you've got chromosone damage.

"Hoffman: I'm bad. Dope, is dope bad? Don't you take dope? See, you must be able to take dope, but because of your position there, because of your affiliation with the station, you'd have to lie about that. You know that. That's a fact. Like a lot of people on your staff probably take dope. Like I know a lot of people in mass media, Life Magazine, you know CBS, NBC, the National networks, people that are taking dope all the time. Everybody takes dope in this business.

"Gordon: Mr. Hoffman, I want to tell you

"There is nothing revolutionary about taking dope. I do not take dope because I get my kicks out of listening and watching people like you.

"Hoffman: Well I do too. I get my kicks out of watching and listening to people like me. I'm having a good time on color television, that's the hell of it.

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"Gordon: But you have to have to take these artificial  
stimulants to do something for you.

"Hoffman: Oh no, that's not, that's like saying I have to go  
to the movies you know to, ah, I I need the movies,  
I'm addicted to the movies. Its not true, I like  
the movies and I like dope, and I like sex and I  
like sharing my money and I like making revolution  
and I like attacking this government and I like  
fighting for what I consider to be justice, I like  
that.

"Gordon: How old are you Mr. Hoffman.

"Hoffman: I'm old enough.

"Gordon: Well, how old are you?

"Hoffman: I'm 32 years old.

"Gordon: Have you ever been married?

"Hoffman: I'm married now, yes. I was married in Central  
Park ah to like a woman, I don't know if its like  
legal or not, it doesn't matter. We love each  
other you see, marriage doesn't matter, it doesn't  
whether it is legal by your standards.

"Gordon: You said you were married to like a woman.

"Hoffman: It is legal by ours.

"Gordon: Was it a woman? You said you were married to like  
a woman.

"Hoffman: I didn't say that.

"Gordon: Well I must have misunderstood.

"Hoffman: I said it was like a legal marriage.

"Gordon: Who married you?

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"Hoffman: Huh?

"Gordon: Who married you? Who married you?

"Hoffman: My best friend.

"Gordon: He

"Hoffman: I don't think that is very relevant. I mean is that really relevant?

"Gordon: Well, I'm curious about you.

"Hoffman: Personally I don't think it is relevant to

"I don't think its relevant.

"Gordon: Who married you, have you been divorced, have you been divorced, I mean who are you sleeping with tonight, I mean, what kind of, is that relevant?

"Hoffman: "Is that relevant?

"Gordon: I think my wife would think it was very relevant.  
No

"?: Yeah.

"Hoffman: I don't. I don't think its relevant.

"Gordon: We have to take time out, we'll be right back.

"Gordon: We're on now. Mr. Hoffman moves his chair away and I, we are going to move it back and he said he doesn't want to sit that close to Mr. Hall, he doesn't take a bath. Gentlemen, we've had a lot of fun here but I don't think we've joined the issue, and, ah

"?: Well, is this show really to like join the issue.

"Gordon: Yes.

"Hoffman: You must be kidding. I mean this guy like probably puts in 20 hours a night you know on his position,



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"he puts in like 20 hours a night, I put in like 20 hours a night and we're supposed to come on this show and use this as an educational meeting.

"I've got news for you

"Baloney, you ought to read my book, that's not what TV is about. In fact in New York there is like one TV station where there are like shows did you see that, they showed the news see from like Vietnam only it happened to have been from Fort Belvoir, Georgia, or Fort Belvoir, Virginia, all the pictures, WPIX.

"Hall: Yes, I did. You know, they changed all that. I don't think TV is about that.

"GORDON: Now wait, just a minute. Its supposed to be funny and wierd. Mr. Hall, be quiet for just a minute.

"Hall: And I don't mind because you are paying his way here.

"Gordon: That's right, and I don't mind either.

"Hall: If you want to spend the money that way that's ok with me.

"Gordon: Mr. Hall, would you please be quiet.

"Hall: I think I am wasting my time.

"My difficulty is simply trying to relate to use one of his pet phrases to a non-existent party led by an exhibitionist. I, you see I didn't understand that we were supposed to discuss the Yippie group, because I agree with you that they don't exist and I pay no attention to them. I was concerned with another matter and another group.

"I think these two fellows are really hogging the show because they are afraid to talk about my issues and really discuss them.

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"Hoffman: Your issues!

"Hoffman: So that's why, they are, they have I think

"Freed: If I can get my pay I'll go home. And I'll let  
you have the whole show. To monopolize the whole  
show because they are afraid to cut me loose.  
That's what it is.

"Gordon: Ok, we'll cut you loose in just a minute Mr. Freed.  
Anybody who thinks that Walter Reuther is a Communist,  
is controlling the FBI is very difficult to discuss  
issues with. And the Anti-Defamation League, I  
want you to

"?: Ain't you supposed to be a fascist, can't you jump  
in and like really sock it away there?

"?: You ain't a good fascist, I'll tell you that.

"?: Who are you calling a fascist? You consider this  
cat a fascist? Huh?

"?: I never heard of it until he got on this show.

"?: He isn't even on

"?: He isn't even on. What kind of fascist?

"?: Baloney.

"?: The government is a fascist government, the cops are  
fascists, they are the one with all the guns.

"Gordon: Mr. Hoffman, what would

"?: He's a nice guy.

"?: Who

"?: Like you, that guy right there.

"?: He's not a fascist.

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"7: You better get your pointer over here, he might be pointing at me.

"He might be a fascist sympathizer.

"Gordon: You think he may be a fascist sympathizer?

"Well maybe he might support that kind of totalatarian state.

"He might, you know?

"Gordon: Would you like a totalatarian state?

"Freed: Are we on the air Mr.

"Gordon: Yes, we're on the air.

"Freed: I never know because someone says commercial and then we quit. Would I like a totalatarian state?

"Gordon: Yes.

"Freed: No, I want a constitutional state. I want a constitutional republic, the constitution interpreted as written, as it was meant to be, and to go by the organic laws of the United States. That's all I want, and yet for some strange reason we have a court system now that no longer considers the Constitution, Federal Judges who will not, who are actually sitting in contempt of Constitution, Judge Lawrence Gubow is an example how he framed Reno Veroni of Southfield, Michigan, and sent him down to a mental institution.

"Gordon: Now wait, wait, wait just a minute,

"Freed: And yet, and yet before he went Mr. Veroni had a

"Gordon: Now hold it, Mr. Freed, you are making slanderous statements and I don't intend to let you use your microphone or this air time to do it.

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"Freed: That's not a slanderous statement.

"Gordon: You've made it your, you've made it your, you've  
stated your position and we've heard it.

"Freed: Well

"Gordon: What you would like to see happen to this country.  
Now Mr. Hoffman, I'd like to know what you'd like  
see happen.

"?: What is slander by the way?

"Gordon: Well, we'll talk about that after the show.

"?: Is that like an insult, is that an insult?

"Freed: Am I off the show now?

"Gordon: No you are not off the show.

"Freed: Have I been censored?

"If I call Richard Nixon a pig

"Gordon: Will you have enough sense to be quiet.

"?: And he's been talking ever since we started that  
Sheriff Harvey, if I call him a pig

"Gordon: Mr.

"?: Just what I said

"Gordon: What would you like

"?: Just what I said

"?: If he called me an exhibitionist, is that slander?

"?: If this is a conspiracy, I'm with you the three of  
us.

"?: I don't think you believe it is.

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"Gordon: Mr. Freed, I, I ask you

"Freed: Judge Lawrence Gubow

"Gordon: I asked you not to mention those names in a  
slandorous context.

"Freed: Ok, I won't say it in a slanderous context.

"Gordon: Now you just be quiet.

"Freed: I just want to explain Veroni, that's all.

"Gordon: Now we've heard enough of you and what you represent.

"Freed: Then I'm off the show?

"Gordon: Yes, your off the show.

"Freed: OK

"Gordon: Now, Mr. Hoffman

"Hoffman: What's the judge's name, Judge Gubow?

"Gordon: Mr. Hoffman

"Hoffman: He's a pig

"Gordon: Will you

"Hoffman: I've heard of slander too. What did you throw him  
off the show for? That judge probably is a pig.  
I've just been censored by Mr. Gordon.

"Gordon: We'll be back in just a moment.

"Gordon: As you can see our two representatives of the extreme  
left and right have been dismissed. We still have  
Mr. Hall. Mr. Hall, is this an example of the way  
that these people try to disrupt things?

"Hall: Oh, I suppose it is. I think more than that it is  
an example of how difficult it is to have any serious

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"dialogue with a man whose leader has just been picked up by responsible Federal Agents like the FBI on a bank robbery charge, which is pretty clear and another man who sat here and off the air was calling a judge in your town here a pig who he had never heard of and he was absolutely certain he was a fascist pig. It is difficult to really come to grips, however, with, you know, with either side in that context; however, there is a larger picture of the far left and the far right. It is fairly serious in a sense that the name of their game is power, both sides want power. Mr. Wallace, representing my, in my judgment the major thrust of the far right and he will be back in 1972 and he is picking up a lot of the sentiment that was expressed by Mr. Freed, although he disavowed that particular party. An

"Gordon: Wallace, Wallace disavowed Freed, not Freed disavowing Wallace.

"Hall: Yes, that's what I meant. I'm sorry, I, I worded it clumsily. I meant Mr. Wallace picks up that kind of support while, at the same time, disavowing it and he totaled over nine million votes in the last election and then you have the disruption tactics on campus led by people like Mr. Hoffman and, despite the obvious exhibitionism, it does get serious because they do close down great institutions and they do slow up the educational process without ever actually reforming it. So I think to dismiss them both as being member of the zoo, which I think they are, is also to miss the point, but I don't think that this afternoon, was the time, or this evening was the time, to try to come to grips about it.

"Gordon: Do you think that the movement that Mr. Hoffman leads or attempts to lead represents any danger to this country?

"Hall: I suppose depending on how well the administration, this one and the succeeding administrations do in handling things like brushfire wars or future Vietnams and the race question, depending on how well or how

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"badly they fare in these areas, I think will ultimately spell, the, either the demise of these groups or further acceleration, I think that it, it always depends on what those of us in the middle, and I regard myself certainly as a political moderate, how well we handle these things depends on how well the extreme left right now in particular will do.

"Gordon: I think J. Edgar Hoover was reported as having said this week that these people were being financed, the Abby Hoffman type and the SDS type were being financed by liberals in our society. Some people think they are being financed by international Communism, or by Cuba or China. How do you feel about that?

"Hall: I don't believe it is true, I, I've studied this as I say fairly closely for a long time and I see no evidence whatever that money is coming either from Red China or from Castro's Cuba. Now, it may be, but I have never seen any evidence. And not only that, I've never seen a Federal agency able to document this kind of charge. But it sounds great you know to say that they are on the payroll of Mao Tse-tung, or something like that. And I think it is also a mistake to suggest that liberals are financing the far left. Liberals tend to be financing the Kennedys in their campaign, so, of course, the Kennedys have hardly needed money, but I mean the overall campaign of people representing the views of say Senator Edward Kennedy of my State of Massachusetts. Liberals are reformists, people who want to maintain this system, but they want to improve it and get on with the serious unfinished business of our democracy. So I think

"Gordon: Where do they get their money? Where do they get their money?

"Hall: Well, I don't think that they have very much money, certainly I imagine that wherever Mr. Hoffman is going after he leaves this show he will be flying but I don't think it will be on an airplane. I don't think they have very much money to work with. I think its a myth to think that underground newspapers and the rest have a lot of money, they are poorly printed, they are sold on street corners and they live

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"in hovels and they eat when they can and sleep where they can so I think it is a myth that this is a heavily financed kind of operation.

"Gordon: How should we deal with the party sentiment, how should we deal, we in the middle, who want to try and save this system and make it work. How should we deal with people like Mr. Hoffman, the extreme left?

"Hall: Compassionately I think, above everything else, it serves little purpose to suggest that Mr. Freed really doesn't believe that Walter Reuther is a red and that he really does call the shots for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This kind of paranoia apparently is rampant in the Minutemen. I think you have to deal with them compassionately and try to understand them, but at the same time, while you are trying to understand them, keep an eye on them because these people mean business and despite all the tomfoolery today, I think that obviously both of these kooks would, if they could, come to power and and by any means necessary.

"Gordon: Were frequently criticized, we, the staff and myself, for giving these people exposure. Do you think that's a mistake?

"Hall: No, not really. I think that you can overexpose them and I think to give them too much free time may be overdoing it, but I think there is an educational value in letting them come on like this and I just would appreciate it if next time you would omit me, but I think that there is real value in having them sit before the cameras and say these things because most people really wouldn't believe that a man like Mr. Freed harbors the notions that he is endlessly being persecuted by the FBI and Mr. Hoffman, on the other hand, believes that he is a total innocent, more or less, and that the police and everybody else are constantly on his back. By the way, I simply don't believe that story about being endlessly followed. The FBI has more important things to do than to follow Mr. Hoffman.



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"Gordon: Mr. Hall, I appreciate your being here and you were  
very important in putting this think in perspective  
after it ended.

"Hall: "Thank you.

"Gordon: I am sorry it got off the way it did and I apologize  
for that.  
We'll be back in a moment."

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APPENDIX

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BLACK PANTHER PARTY (BPP)

According to its official newspaper, the Black Panther Party (BPP) was started during December, 1966, in Oakland, California, to organize black people so they can take control of the life, politics, and the destiny of the black community. It was organized by BOBBY GEORGE SEALE, BPP Chairman, and HUEY P. NEWTON, BPP Minister of Defense. NEWTON is presently serving a sentence of 2 to 15 years on a conviction of manslaughter in connection with the killing of an Oakland Police Officer.

The official newspaper, "The Black Panther", which further describes itself as the "Black Community News Service", states that the BPP advocates the use of guns and guerrilla tactics in its revolutionary program to end oppression of the black people. Residents of the black community are urged to arm themselves against the police who are consistently referred to in the publication as "pigs" who should be killed.

"The Black Panther" issue of September 7, 1968, contains an editorial by BPP Minister of Education GEORGE MASON MURRAY, which ends with the following:

"Black men... Black people, colored persons of America, revolt everywhere! Arm yourselves. The only culture worth keeping is a revolutionary culture. Change. Freedom everywhere. Dynamite! Black Power. Use the gun. Kill the pigs everywhere."

Included in the introduction to an article appearing in the October 5, 1968, edition of "The Black Panther" is the statement, "...we will not dissent from American Government. We will overthrow it."

Issues of "The Black Panther" regularly contain quotations from the writings of Chairman MAO Tse-Tung of the People's Republic of China and feature MAO's statement that "political power grows out of the barrel of a gun."

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The national headquarters of the BPP is located at 3106 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley, California. Branches have been established at various locations throughout the United States.

## APPENDIX

### "MINUTEMEN"

The "Minutemen" was organized in June, 1960. Its present headquarters are Norborne, Missouri. Robert B. DePugh, Norborne, Missouri, has been publicly identified as the founder and National Coordinator of the organization since its inception. Membership of the "Minutemen" is claimed by DePugh to be in excess of 35,000 members; however, confidential sources state this figure is greatly exaggerated and that a more true estimate would be between 500 and 1,000 members. Statements by DePugh and literature distributed by the organization indicate its purpose to be the resistance to, and exposure of, the spread of Communist influence within the United States; for the formation of a guerrilla or underground organization to combat the troops of any foreign powers which might eventually occupy this country; to resist passage of laws which would regulate private ownership of firearms.

In April, 1966, DePugh stated the "Minutemen" organization was then dividing itself into two bodies: one group to be members who have been able to maintain their identity in complete secrecy from the public and government investigative agencies, and the other group to be made up of members who have been publicly identified and who will become active in the Patriotic Party. National Conventions of the Patriotic Party were held in July, 1966, at Kansas City, Missouri, and July, 1967, at Kansas City, Kansas.

Members of the "Minutemen" organization, including Robert B. DePugh and his close associate, Walter F. Peyson, have been arrested in the past on charges of violation of the Federal Firearms Act, Bank Robbery - Conspiracy, Illegal Possession of Firearms and Conspiracy to Commit Arson. They have also engaged in maneuvers utilizing guerrilla tactics wherein machine guns, mortars, grenades, and other firearms were employed.

## APPENDIX

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### STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY (SDS)

**67D** [REDACTED] that the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), as it is known today, came into being at a founding convention held at Port Huron, Michigan, in June, 1962. From an initial ideological posture of "participatory democracy," the current line of the national leadership reveals an adherence to Marxism-Leninism. Michael Klonsky, National Secretary, in March, 1969, called for the building of a revolutionary Marxist-Leninist movement. The program of SDS has moved from involvement in civil rights struggles to an anti-Vietnam war position and finally to its present advocacy of an anti-imperialist line, linking up the oppressed peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America with the black liberation movement in the United States. China, Vietnam and Cuba are regarded as countries which are leading the world-wide struggles against United States imperialism. On the other hand, SDS regards the Soviet Union as an imperialist power and does not support the policies of that country.

SDS maintains a National Office in Room 206, 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. Its official paper "New Left Notes" reflects the line of the national leadership and program adopted at meetings of the National Council and National Interim Committee (NIC). Three national officers and a NIC of eleven members are elected each year during a June National Convention.

SDS Regional Offices and university and college chapters elect delegates to National Council meetings wherein program and ideology are debated, but each Region and chapter is autonomous in nature and is free to carry out independent policy and programs reflective of local conditions.

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Too bad the sound wasn't too good on that. (Movie "Off the Pig" was just shown) There's only one thing wrong with that movie, there's only one little fib. We did after all put the LSD in the drinking water. (laughter) LSD. I remember calling up - there was this guy that's, like very liberal on the Daily. He was a real sweater. He kept trying to negotiate permit application five months. Kept stalling same as DAVID STALL, Deputy Mayor of Chicago. Two weeks while we were into the festival life, or whatever the hell we call it, called him up and say "Hey DAVE how're ya doin'." He said (garbled) he's sweating, liberal sweat. Said "I'll let ya know a secret. You know, I see all the stories in newspapers how you got 1500 troupes out there guarding the reservoir, the filter system, Chicago and all these things about LSD in drinking water. You must (illigible) in the streets or something like we didn't even start that rumor. You know something? It can't be done. You check it out. Call some of these scientists you know them all." So he says, "I know, we have checked it out. We aren't taking any chances anyway." Very freaky. 1500 troupes. (illigible) We picked up a paper one day that says Top Yippies Indicted for Plot to Assassinate Hubert Humphrey. Oh, look around. Yep, they got all the top ones. They're after the pigs. It's against the law to have animals in the streets of Chicago unless you're Spiro Agnew and the animal is an elephant, then it's ok (laughter). So we brought this pig down and they grabbed him up and about 7 other people took him out to the Animal Rescue League Jail. And we had this press conference and we said you turn this pig loose in three hours we run a lion for president. (laughter) Take another fuck. Oh, what the hell. They sent four cops right from the zoo to (illigible). It's amazing what they believe. All this is going to come out September 24, the biggest circus country I've ever seen. Call a trial; conspiracy! To breath together, conspiracy. Eight guys. They did it. Yeah, BOBBY SEALE, head of the Black Panther Party, he was there. Ten hours, gave two talks, 15 minutes long. Ten years - two talks. DAVE DILLINGER been a pascifist thirty years. He up in teaching (illigible) devices. Say DAVE - teach me. I believe in better living through chemistry. They report we are ready. Going to drive 9,000 cattle through streets of Chicago. We are going to assassinate others. We're going to blow up baseball diamond. Hear this. They accuse us of coming to Chicago to perform magic. Against the law. LAW. Law is an interesting thing to talk about.

This country. Mini Brute said in the halls of justice in America the only justice is in the halls. I know that's true. I have forty arrests. I'm doin' all right. Two convictions. Forty arrests. They're both going to Supreme Court. Somebody can't wear a shirt. (illigible) Thirty days for that. Now I got another charge for resisting arrest to a crime, like, that didn't happen. The crime was thrown out. Resisting arrest was thrown in. About a week ago I was arrested while I was in a phone booth. In court waiting to go on trial upstairs. Black Panthers outside having a demonstration so the cops came in and like did this whole thing provin' that there ain't even justice in the halls of justice. Yeah, he yanked me out of a phone booth and hit me right on the head. Like that. I bounced off the wall. I said, "Excuse me officer, what seems to be on your mind, you know?" He said get the fuck out of the building. I said that's what's called an obscenity cause I had this word, dirty four letter word, you know, hate, printed on my forehead in Chicago and was arrested for that and the cop at the trial said, "Judge, he had an obscenity written on his forehead." If that's an obscenity - I learned to talk that way in back of police stations. So I was out of sight when the cop said "Oh he used obsceneries." That's where we learn them. I didn't learn them from my mother. Or the Jesuits. So, where was I. Yeah, I was getting wacked again and he said "get out of the building." I said, "Well, I'm not with the demonstration, see. I'm on trial here for like Columbia, something that happened a year ago and the judge is waitin' to see me." BOOM. So I did this whole karate demonstration for the judges and lawyers who were assembled in the court room. Sent three to the hospital. They put hand chains, leg irons - I've never had leg irons on. It's really hard to kick with them things on. They brought me in the press room and held a police press conference. See, they just pounded away and I yelled "14179." You know, stuff like that. Badge numbers. Right. They were taking the pictures like that guy's doin'. But that ain't news. Along with assault are five other charges. For what? It doesn't matter.

You know, I was arrested the next day for not showing up at the trial. A week before that I was arrested for not fastening my seatbelt on an airplane. It's all the same. Catch 22. Catch 22 says they can do whatever fuck they want to as providing we can't stop them vice versa. That's the attitude we bring to Chicago and face ten years - \$20,000 fine. We are calling ourselves the conspiracy. Yeah, right. That's what they call us. The conspiracy. That's

right. Ok, we'll be that. We're not afraid of that. You want to send us some bread, write out. The conspiracy. Heavy for liberals. Heavy commitment. Sign a check. Yeah, run out of ink. Pen don't work. That's ok. Got a felt tip here. Fine. We'll do ok. We got good lawyers. Best legal team ever assembled in this country. Seven top lawyers. And eight. Dr. Fidel Castro from Havana, Cuba. Lawyer. Extraordinary.

We're entering application in two weeks for Mr. Castro being admitted to Northern District of Illinois to practice law. This week we file permanent application; no, a bench motion to have the trial switched from the Federal Building to the Colliseum in Chicago. Two weeks ago we applied for a permit to sleep in Lincoln Park. Eight of us. September 24 - don't come. Did you get that FBI? DON'T COME, YOU SEE. September 24? 1969 Lincoln Park. Don't come. We need all the room we can get. We went down there to the Federal Building - I mean to the parks commissioner which permit application and said seeing how you go were and treated us last time. We know how you process this with all (illigible) speed etc. etc. etc. Where's Commissioner BERRY. Oh, Commissioner BERRY is no longer with us. He died a week after the convention. Sorry about that. (illigible)

We love Chicago. I don't know why. JOCK say cheer for the cops. They were holding it in. Liberal school. Shit, I was at St. Josephs. Man, they were yelling for the cops. Let the cops do it, hhh Do it yourself. You love me dearly so much figure out why the eight of us got bounced on this blind justice scale with eight cops. They put up eight cops. Scapegoats. They're policemen sure. Didn't bring it cause it's kind of cold up here. Didn't wear - cop gave me that. I gave him a brownie. The park. He gave me a shirt. Was a special kind of brownie. We are underground layout. And (illigible) this thing with hash and grain alcohol mixed with honey. Serve it up. Brownies, oleo margarine, honey sandwiches. bzzzzzzzz. All the cops go bzzzzzzzz. The hell it ain't Sunday. Festival life. Free music in the park sittin' there ternative culture festival of life ten miles away. Democrats, Convention of death. You should have seen that place. We built up this whole mess for like six months. You know, festival of life (illigible) of death. We didn't believe it. We went to Chicago. As you approach the International Amphi-theater and there's this huge green sign, white lettering. It says sheep this way, hogs this way. Pointed right at the International Amphi-theater. And you get like close to it and you start

smelling and it's death. And it's the case right in the middle of the slaughter house area in Chicago. I don't know if you've been there but it's a hell-of-a stink and they had two piles of manure 70 feet high either side of the hall. They had to spray the speakers with special chemicals. CBW stuff. So the flies wouldn't buzz around them while they spoke, phew! It was designed by HOWIE JOHNSON on the inside. Funky. I went in there one night. I borrowed these credentials (illigible). It's a general loose term. Life magazine collaborating with the yippies and I went inside and I started to look around. This was Friday. Convention started on Monday and all I see they flip out. They do this little theater thing. They had their guns (illigible - away from microphone) and they say FLOWER POWER! They circle you, you know, they got a pad and paper 18, 24 (illigible). Right to Washington. They'll be at the trial. Strange evidence will be at the trial. They had 25,000 troops in Chicago. They had helicopters with machine guns, they had ten miles of barbed wire all around eight city blocks around the Convention. I don't know if they got a permit for that. We'll have to check that out. All these troops. Mayor there said "We needed these troops because in the April \_\_\_ issue of Saga Magazine the yppies reveal their plans. SAGA MAGAZINE! (illigible) head cops. Sounded like the police union, like fight the things like longer clubs. Stuff like that, I don't know. And he said you people have very good credentials you have burned down a number of (illigible) before you came to Chicago. (illigible) Yeah. That's right. People all looking at you - very freaked out. The head cop. Dumb yippie. They're both agreeing. Burned down a number of cities. They'd believe anything.

Boob tube. Saw a show couple of months ago said where'd you get your money. They always ask that, huh. Oh well, on August 17, 4 a.m. Seventh Street and Avenue B, we met with a man who called himself Spiro Agnew and he gave us \$10,000 in small paper bills. Let's go on to the next question - what's a hippie, what's a yippie, and all this heavy intellectual stuff. At the end of the show the (illigible) said, "Hey, I don't think the people know that the Republicans gave you money." You know, like them them. And the moderator said, "Yeah, they do that. I mean after all it did help Nixon and Humphrey did get beaten because of that rat." Makes Sense. And the cameras doing that. Makes sense. MAKE SENSE. WHAT A TRIP. They're all on a trip out there. They're serious. Make sense.

Now I wear this shirt, right? Looks like a flag. I wear it because I was born on the Concord Bridge. Tradition

of my people. Do that. Now they give me thirty days for that. Desecratin' the flag or somethin'. They got a lot of rules like that like we talking about before. Hello, I'm smokey the bear, see. That's good for six months. That's, you got a law library here, you look it up. That's Volume 18, U. S. Code 711 Smokey the Bear Statute. It's illegal to impersonate Smokey the Bear. He's a queer. Well, he's the Government. (illigible) The importance of a flag is developing a sense of loyalty to a national (illigible) has been the subject of numerous essays. First essay, C. Hitler (illigible). Hitler. He's back. Who's straight? I got to do that. I don't even believe him myself (illigible) I said yes. But Hitler and Melvin Hamberg (illigible) Department of Justice are goin' in to argue that case before they appear in court. In Washington on May 19th. You can get one year wearin' a shirt. Course Phyllis Diller, see, go on TV in a flag mini skirt, like, that don't matter. You know, drum majorettes walk around all the time. Uncle Sam's a fucking criminal. But it don't work like that. Catch 22. Catch 22. 'Course.

Well, so what's it about, huh? You watch the program. Revolution this thing called. Revolution, yeah. (illigible) Revolution. Dash is a revolution in soap detergent. Join the Dodge Rebellion. See add two weeks ago in New York Times. \$6,000 ad. What are the revolutionaries at United Artists planning for '69? Plan it, they ought to be doing it. Revolutionaries. I know what it means. But to a lot of people it might upset. There used to be a hippie flower child. Smiling. And we had like this dream. Actually, it started before then. I'm over 30. Not to be trusted. I got educated in Mississippi. Be in Mississippi. See, and uh local sheriff come by and arrest you. I always got arrested in Mississippi goin' through town - going through a red light in a town that didn't have one. And they put you in a cell and (illigible) civil rights worker, give 'em a bottle of liquor, and they kick the shit outa you. Then they throw you out. Saves you the trouble of going to court, I guess. But you'd be getting beat up, you see, and the FBI would come by and they take these notes. And they say, "We're with ya man. We're with ya." Justice Department officials. JOHN DOE and those kind of people, liberals, we're with ya. It's terrible what's goin' on around here (illigible) as Mississippi. Call us in Washington when you need help. Call us collect. WOW! You say, "Ok, man, I'll like do that. What're you going to do now?" "Well, I'm sorry, son. In this case my hands are tied, states rights, and all that shit." Oh, my hands are tied. Always hear that from liberals. When I went to school my first demonstration with CAROL CHESMAN, they killed him on Death Row for 12 years.

Wrote about 11 books. Raped some chick, something. I don't know. San Quinton. Going to gas him. So we went down, had a little picket. MARLON BRANDO was there. Tuesday night. Warden came out, gave us all coffee and doughnuts, said we agree with your goals but not your methods. PAT BROWN, big liberal today, got on TV - "I'm opposed to capital punishment, but in this case my hands are tied." For about six years been meeting all kinds of people whose hands are tied. (Illegible) pull out. Fuck it all. Be a hippie. Whoo. Go to San Francisco with a flower in my hair. San Francisco.

I saw Lower East Side, though. New York. That's Shangri-la East. 10,000 tons of garbage right now in my neighborhood in Lower East Side. Pig eye. We ought to make free stores, free society. We're going to love everybody. Flower - flower power. And then it happened. Hippies are the last hope for America. They're groovy. Nice people. See Babylonian, this guy (illegible) they figured out what to do when their kids are like, too hip. They build an idol. They called it Molak. And they tell all the people bring your kids down throw them in. Kill 'em. And they did and Babylonia crumbled. Now they don't need Molak. They got a Government. And they got pigs. Well, I mean that's a neutral term. Afterall, we like pigs too, huh. We offered one up for president. Nazi stomp troops is what they call them. I don't like that. (Illegible) does that says Yeah that's me. Here, want to see how many kids I kill? Look, look at my club. Call 'em fags, Jew bastards, Commies. That's heavy talk to cops. People saw all that coming out of Chicago. They said, "I DON'T BELIEVE IT. Get out of my living room! It ain't true." Well, it wasn't. Like it wasn't to those people. Cause they sit up in white suburbs they don't Lower East Side. They see cops different. Cops see a guy and helps you change a flat tire. That's the guy like that keeps an eye on the house while you go down to Miami. Palm Springs. If you're adult - Palm Springs. You see them on FBI and Mod Squad. They're all good guys, you know. They're good guys. So like what happened in Chicago can't be true. They always say that like a close friend died. You know, first reaction CAN'T BE TRUE! Not that. System is dying. And it's time to build something better. To build it and defend it. And that's what we tried to do in Lincoln Park. And every night at 11 o'clock they come in and say, "Well, you yippies, you're city folk. What'cha doin' in the park. Why don't you go out of town and ript it up." Well, we said, "Ok, we'll do that." What're you trying to do in the park. Free. That's the program of the future.. Everything free.



That's a heavy trip, I know. Everything free? America, land of the free. Right? Well, like my old man told me at early age. Free means you don't pay. Why pay? Like old GINZY last week. (ALLEN GINSBERG) He was up here, huh. Old Jew bastard. Friend of mine. Said, "When can I go in the supermarket and buy what I want with my good looks?" You know, ten years ago it took 480 man hours to produce an acre of corn. Today it takes 48. Five years it'll take four years. And in ten years it will take four minutes. One acre of corn. So we just say yippies' member of the working class only he's on strike. Partly 'cause we recognize there are no jobs worth doin'. Are no jobs worth doin'. But you got to work, man, whereby got to work. That's why you got to be in school. Preventive detention, that's what schools are. Nursery schools. And the Army. Keep kids in there. So he can't get out and realize that there are no jobs out there. And if they find something they aren't worth doing. I was in school. I remember, I don't know, like if they do it up in this area, but when I was young they taught you how to make ovals, see, and you had to draw these little circles in between these two lines. You kept, like doing that and doing that and doing that over and over and over again 'til I got a masters degree, you know. And then they teach you how to sit. Like this. (illigible - away from microphone) Like that. How're you going to get stoned that way? You got to sit that way.

Discipline, control, brainwashing. Oh oh. Don't talk about brainwashing, man. (illigible) Cuba, talk about world revolutions, socialism, that's brainwashing. I saw it on TV. That's what they call brainwashing. Farmer Jones has four apples and he brings them to town sells them for 2 cents each. How much profit does he make? That's mathematics. That's not brainwashing, though. Columbus. Columbus discovered America. Whoo. How'd he do that, there are people here. Well, like see then you figure out this discover means: White western power, conquerers, non-white, non-western power. That's what discover means and you have a whole means of history.

Work, yeah, I know. (illigible) Catholic school. Hey, I got no quarrel with Christ. He is a hippie. Doin' his thing. Driving money changers from the temple. Whooo. Class revolution. Slave revolt. Call it religion. Ok, that's cool. Keep flying brother, don't tell them what you're into. You call it religion, that's good. Hey, he's groovy, see. He went all the way. Then came the disciples, see. Disciples, like kids in a course, uh, that's like get A.

Don't understand what the hell the teacher's talking about, right. That's what a disciple is. They say hell, man, he was really serious. Remember, ho, we've got to really be serious. We have to sacrifice. Yeah. They're all sittin' around pawing all the guys, you know. And they say, well, like, what can we do? You know, one guy says well, why don't we wear black. Hey, that's a good idea. That's hip. That's serious. And Paul says, "I got a better idea." They say what. He said why don't we not fuck. And Mark, you know, he's a little horny, he said I don't remember him saying that. I was at Sermon of the Mount. He didn't say that. But they say, No we got to be serious. We'll fuck and people don't think we're very serious. We can build big temples. They said oh yeah. Big temples. Cut you in Mark, cool it. Yeah. Yeah. St. Augustine. Ah, a cracker. He came along. Came up with a better one. He said, "We're all going to rot. We all got OS. Original Sin. Oh sin, yeah, hit me again, man. Ho Ow. I feel it. I'm so sinful. Yeah, right. That's not enough. Don't eat meat. Ok. That'll do it. Then some hippie Palonious he just wanted to like bawl (illigible) like that. They said Get thee to Jerusalem. Right. But that wasn't good enough. See, that was like goin' on, never doin' groovy things, burning witches and all that. Having good fun. And then came the industrial revolution. They say Hey Niggers, Niggers don't want to keep plowing the fields. They're 12 year old kids. They don't want to work 20 hours a day. What're we going to do. They're bankers. And factory owners. So is this guy John Calvin, see, he went around Switzerland (illigible). And he's cool looking, he had a funny little hat. Say, you got any ideas, Calvin? He says, Yeah we'll tell them they won't get into heaven; not unless they save all their money and postpone all their pleasure. And work. Work, work, work, work, work, work, work, work, work you get to heaven. Protestantism. Too chicken shit to be Catholic. They worked. And worked, worked, worked, worked worked worked, worked. Four letter word. (illigible) We're not going to work anymore. Oh, they hate that. They hate that more than their obscenarities. They hate that more than the MLF. They hate everything but they hate that the most. Cause whose going to pick up the garbage. (illigible) Cynics. Whose going to pick up the garbage. They, that what Universities are for, they teach you that. Look at all sides. Can't do anything. Can't fight City Hall. Lot of apathy around here. Yeah, who's going to pick up the garbage. The future. The future is ours. And the future is free. Unlimited possibilities. Tried explainin' that to some guys, some reporter at the airport today. He wouldn't buy it for beans. You know why? 'Cause like he had a view of human nature is basically bad. People are bad. Hangover that OS stuff. Calvin bullshit. People

are bad. Not just you, I mean you ain't bad, at least you ain't bad as your neighbor's kids. They're the really bad ones. So we got to censor stuff. And we got to lock things away. And we got to keep them away from smoking flowers. Put them in school. 'Cause they're bad. Man is basically evil. Church says that. Well, see, man's nothing. You know he's basically the evil, good, or somewhere in between. Right? So, it's like a \_\_\_\_\_ test. Tells you more about person who's saying it. Does about mankind. Mankind's made up. People are with us. Hmmm. Yeah, I know, Gallup. (illigible) 98.9% of the people not with us. Well, when we were in Chicago we took two barber shop poles, one telephone pole, took them back to New York, asked them all these questions. They said, People are with you. We're artists. We're going to have society of artists in the future. No work, all art. No property. Property. (illigible) Property is theft. Property must be destroyed. Art must be preserved. You work at art, you're worth defending. You piece of property, you should be destroyed. It's all the question of how you look at yourself. Future society of artists. Unlimited potential. Believe in man, it's a very revolutionary attitude. People are good. Wow! Yeah, they don't have to work, they'll be creative, productive because that's their natural drive. That's their tendance - be nice. Ain't that simple. Make love not war, you know. Go up, kiss a cop. Christ. Tried that. Brought the flowers, and they brought out the clubs. Tear gas. Dogs. Armed helicopters. Three weeks ago 20,000 young people had a little concert down at Palm Springs. They came with helicopters, tear gas, drove them right out. Drove them into town. Three got shot. Boston Common last summer. 200 kids arrested for idleness. 65 injured. Dogs they used. Fighting kids. I saw one teacher up at Dartmouth who was in on that demonstration show where a cop bit him. Hey, he still had the mark after six months. Cops bit him. He said it, I didn't believe it. I thought they were vegetarians. But the flower children have grown thorns.

Last week 16 year old kid Pleasantville, New York, home of Readers Digest, Readers Digest. All over the world. 16 different flavors, all vanilla. Publisher Readers Digest, see, get an anti-hippie speech, now (illigible) came home his kid said "Dad (thump) stabbed him. Hmm. Revolutionary act. Only they call it aggravated assault. Chuck them away. 16 year old kid. Sons rising up against fathers. 'Cause they want to kill us. Flower children growing thorns. They're fighting back. 'Cause we ain't going to see that old beautiful world unless we fight back. Unless we wreck the system. Capitalism. Just don't seem right. People ought to live in a state of competition. Seems they ought to cooperate a little more. Seems like people ought to be let in on decisioas

that affect their lives. They all live in a state of community. They shouldn't be struck away in institutions. That's what you are. Stuck here. This is an institution. You don't make the decisions. (illegible) bankers and they had Coca Colas. Is that right? Yeah, get coke free. (illegible) It's a business. Schools a business. Do ya think they're gonna let ya in on it? General Motors say the cars they all Chevys there. You want all that chrome? Chevy. NO. They don't ask you what d'ya want. We want ta learn. I didn't go to school, I wanta learn guerilla warfare. Right. I wanta learn about our relation ship of universities, and courts, the power structure. When we gonna study that. Undergraduate and graduate level too. They teach nothin' in school. People on the Lower East Side. Where's the survival. People best equipped to live down there come out of the Army or prison. They hang around streets and learn it. Like you walk down the street, see, and a cop throws ya up against the wall and says, "You got any identification? You're a suspicious looking character." Yeah? But like down there I mean if you got a nice suit and tie, short hair, horn rimmed glasses and attache case you're a suspicious looking character. That's the way we view ya. Oh no but cops, they're cops. Protect property and people who own property. Kick the shit out of the people who don't have any. They grab some kid they throw him against the wall, they blow a whistle. Pft. Twenty cops on my block. And they're all in uniform. They blow that whistle half the hippies turn on the cops. It's outa sight. Undercover cops. All over the place. I just read an article by a guy from Denver said that everybody was actors in Chicago on both sides. Nobody there. It was kinda almost true. 'Cause I was arrested in a police station on Wednesday for the obscenary. There was this big box and these guys (illegible) hippies coming in and pickin' up tamborines, you know, and beads and peace buttons and all those kind of stuff. And I didn't know whether it was lost or found, you know, uh these guys were uh like you read about, you know. So I go up and I say, "Hey, man, you with us, you with them." And they do dis and I do dis - pft. Dog. Start a battle of Algiers. S'right. Scene 2, (illegible) part of 'em it's just like pickin' up their beads, goin' out there. Hippies, yeah rah rah they're revolutionists. Sure. They don't have to be undercover cops. They're up her' already. Rah revolution, I saw Canned Heat last week. I gotta psychedelic poster on my wall. Yeah, I dig the Beatles. That's cool. I turn on. Wow, you do, huh. The more I turn on the more I wanta make revolution. See, we're gonna win an' the Central Committee, they operate right

Hanoi, Peking, ya know all these secret places, Havanna. Sss Berkeley. 'Dey said dat when we'd win I could be Secretary of Agriculture. So, uh, you don't get off your ass an' do somethin' you don't get any good shit. Now, my friends I got beat up tonight. Pot. Hey, ya know pot busted political arrest. That's heavy. It's our (illegible) stimulent right. People who use it 200 years, flower grows wild, God put it 'der. God. Thanks, God. You're a groovy cat. 200,000 narcotics arrests last year in this country. Phsew. 200,000. California leads 'em all, 65,000. WOW! New York tryin' to catch up. Oh, hell.

Lindsay. Lindsay's a liberal. Lindsay went around schools, see, three years ago saying, uh, marijuana laws oughta be repealed. See, tell ya. Now's election year. Penalty for possession of pot - one year. New York. Lindsay petitioned the Governor up (illegible). That's repealed. Liberal. Four years smoke flowers. Ya get life I think in some states. I was in Florida couple months ago in this real heavy dark an' this serious cat comes on the boob tube. Marijuana produces chromosome damage. What're they smokin' in Florida? Must be heavy stuff. Flown in from Cuba. Furthermore, he went on to say if parents have children with drug problems - it's always parents - got children with drug problems they should turn 'em over to the police, for their rehabilitation program. Pshew. Five years. Rehabilitation program. Parents turn in their kids. It's like outa sight. At least in Nazi Germany we gotta chance to turn in the parents. And the trains ran on time. Shit, we don't even have that. You think gettin' turned in by parents' something. Up in Detroit, they got dogs, see. Sniff our pot. Train 'em special. So David Brinkley went up 'der. Did ya see 'dat on that comedy hour? What 'dey need the Smothers Brothers for anyway - they got Huntley-Brinkley, all those udder guys. Funny enough. So they bring David Brinkley in they say, "We want ta show ya how 'dese dogs work." Dey bring 'em out to the airport, see, and in comes this plane from San Francisco. Hmph. Easy target. An' off comes this girl, ya know, la la la all you need is love love love love. She got a handbag. All of a sudden dogs go up - sniff, phew - and the cops grab the handbag, open it up. \$3,200 worth of marijuana. I said that's outa sight. I do a little figerin'. 'Course, San Francisco proces - 87 pounds of marijuana. Now if you gotta - if you're a chick - an' you got a handbag you weigh like a hundred pounds, you gotta half pound handbag, right? This chick weighed 17,500 pounds. Traveling youth fare, too, I bet. Naughty girl. Somethin' sick 'bout a

country trainin' dogs sniff out flowers, ya know? 'Dey don't know 'bout 17,000 pound chick ridin' airplanes. Logic. What a trek. Uh, fighting back. We use our insanity versus theirs. That's the choice. Alternative fantasies. Is it legal? I don't know. 2,700,000 laws in this country. 2,700,000 laws. Pshew. How're ya gonna know what to do. We go down to Pentagon, we say uh, "We'd like permit raise the Pentagon 300 feet in the air." Can't do that - it's illegal. What'ya mean it's illegal. All right, get us a law. No, can't find it. Well, we're comin' anyway. They're liberal in Washington, though, they say we'll give ya ten feet. Say, ok. Well, we tricked 'em, went up 300 feet. September 21st, 1967. You weren't there. We saw it. Come to Chicago. They say you can't have permit sleep in the park. You're gonna have 10,000 people walking naked on Lake Michigan. That's illegal. Show us the law. I know it's back there somewhere rah rah rah 2,700,000 laws in this country, can't look them all up. That's illegal. We say, oh, we're gonna do it anyway. We like to break the laws. Insanity. Choice of insanity and there's a choice of death. You wanta get a degree, learn how to make ovals, you wanta go sit in a office. I was out 'der. When I was older I was a salesman for drug company. Pshew. Heavy job. \$15,000 a year. Had down a science. But only I worked four hours a week, spent the rest of the time workin' for SNCC. But that was play, that wasn't work, the udder four hours were the work. Ya go up to a doctor, see, a detail man, 'ats a heavy job and uh say "Hey doc, uh we need a little report, ya know, like uh this drug ain't doin' too good. How 'bout writin' a little report, I give ya \$500 bucks. Said ok, slip it under 'de door and ya give 'im \$500 bucks, see, then he writes this report an' send it back to the home office, they zip it out to all these intellectual journals that doctors read, and they read great. BRILLO. Yeah, it's good for diarrhea. And the whole thing was like run that way and it was spooky. Like ya didn't know, it ain't good ta shit or what, what'm I doin' here? Peddlin' this an' who can I ask? What is truth, who am I, what's my identity and all that. Where's my soul? Like, I shod the church. Let me in, see, couldn't answer that. Where's my soul, priest, where's my soul, rabbi. Ah, we don't know, ya know, uh we don't know 'bout life. Go ask Dali Llama. Uh, I coulhn't find him so I asked by boss. We came around, say "Hey, boss, this shit any good?" He say, "Well, won't kill ya. House in the suburbs, it was great. Mowed the lawn. Yeah, mowed the lawn. Four hours a day, \$15,000. Yeah. But, it was burnin' my soul. So I pick (illigible) head for Lower East Side with

nothin'. \$23 a month rent. Lower East Side. Puerto Ricans down there. Come out 2 a.m., see, they scratch around the garbage cans lookin' for food. Naw, stonin' it up all out here. So we're angry, huh? Angry. Gonna fight back. You wanna die that plastic death? On the golf course. Go up 'der with Ike? You wanna die fightin' in the streets for what ya believe in. And well that second kind, that's the groove. Don't hurt one bit. Meet a lot of nice people in a conspiracy. Hope ya all join it. Ready take some answers. Got any? Oh that power (illigible) Phsew.

This is a funny infirmery. She was like sorta hip, the nurse, more like in jail. Uh, last time I was in jail I had this like doc how doctor up 'der, ya know, doin' the whole trip. He comes in says, "What'ya got?" I said I got chronic bronchitis. He said "Drink a lot of water." (giggle) I got cancer, doctor. Drink a lot of water.

What's goin' on up here? Mining company's rippin' up the hills. Loggers cuttin' down the trees. 42 of my friends got busted yesterday. San Francisco. Outside of it. Some big company wanna rip down all the trees. They think that's big issue. Me, well, ya know, as long as they clean up after their mess. 42 in jail. So what! People say, well, we'd like to do somethin' around here but, uh, lotta student apathy. That's an illusion. That means you're apathetic. We organize a demonstration in a hospital in New York. This is the only country I think in the world like maybe if there's some guy here who can correct that that doesn't have pre-medical care. Ya know? \$16 New York hospitals for emergency treatment. Whether you're sick or not. Three doctors say, "We're opposed to that." Well, they came to us they said, "Well, ya got any ideas?" We said yeah, burn the records. Well, they weren't ready for that trip, that's ok. They said, uh, we got anudder idea we'll give out slips of paper to patients. Tell 'em not to pay the bills. Some write their congressman. Aggitate. Community agitation. Administration came down said, "You're fired." Three guys. 20 guys stood up. 20 other doctors said, "We fired - they fired, we resign. And moreover we gonna have a press conference. Whole worlds gonna watch." They gave in. Cut the fee down. \$2 from \$4. Not only for that hospital but for all the hospitals in New York City now. Three doctors. Three guys in this school do something.

Eh, hepatitis comin' back. Hepatitis's a bad drug. When I was arrested for that shirt thing, they put me in jail in Washington Federal Penitentiary. They took a blood

sample. Dirty needle. I got hepatitis. I was sick three months. Suing them for a million dollars. If I win, be a whole different scene. Million dollars. Wow! An' the Government an' we go do 'dat whole skyrow thing again. An' they say, "Where'd you get your money?" We say, "You did, you gave it to us, don't you rememba?" We print it. We steal it. That's where we get it. Get it from man or anyplace. Get it from the Commies hiding under the bed. Get it from sluts in the street. Dope dealers, anythin'. We are America's bad trip. We're a hallucination. Yep, we're that bad. Everything. Commies, anarchists, (illegible). Oh. International. Conspiracy. We are the people our parents warned us against. We're dirty. Noos sommes tous indésirables. That's a French slogan. Noos sommes tous indésirables. That means we all oughta take a bath. Right? Ask any French teacher. Spring offenses started already. On Harvard. On Columbia. San Francisco State. Goin' again. Berkeley goin' again. Panthers are up at San Francisco this mornin'. Goin' again. Meanwhile in Detroit. Ya know, during the riots there's suburban housewives calling TV stations sayin' my neighborhood in flames. Pshew. They hidin'. Sure it is honey. They afraid after Martin Luther King got killed, see, Marty. Uh, selling ice cream cones with Jim Spa down the block. Heavy center. Dope dealin' center. An' he pull file on him an' all the cops and firemen came. Said, "Hey, the country's on fire." They threw him in Bellevue. Profits goin' to Bellevue. Spring offenses has started. An' soon summer will be here. As the Rolling Stones say, "Summer's time for fightin' in the streets." In the streets. That's where we'll be. Ya wanna find us? Funky America, out in 'de streets. Oh, de say we don't want da street - see, the street is all symbol in American culture. Violence in the streets. An' it's dirty in the streets. An' uh I used to be in the streets when I was in the depression an' I'm sending ya to college so ya won't haveta go to the streets. S' they built drive-in movies, an' drive-in funeral parlors, an' drive-in universities. Stay inside. Keep stayin' inside, that's right. It's fun out ina streets. S'lota fun. Chicago's a ball. Revolution for uh hell of it. Uh, Commandeet. I was just readin' his book 'bout French struggle. The revolution will come through joy not through sacrifice. Joy. Well, what's joy. Joy boy toy. Joy joy joy joy joy. Joy is fightin' for what ya believe in. Joy is fuckin' in the grass. Joy, just a liquid soap. Bubble bubble. All words, all bullshit. Only thing that counts is action. Question? Did ya all take notes? (hums a second) We're all stunned, huh?



Ain't got nuttin' to say, dumb freak. Like me. Not even any jocks, somethin' to say.

Johnny Cash. I dig 'im. Jocks. Dig the Right Wing. Yeah, Goldwater. They got a lotta balls. Gotta have balls ta go in Tennessee an' tell 'em TVA ain't no good, ya know. Go' to Olds Age Convention and tell 'em Social Security ain't good. Ha. Ha. 'at's good. (Question asked from audience) Why did we go? Well, I think there are two reasons. One was to present the reality to Americans we saw it our daily lives. See, so the whole world could see. I mean, like three months before that see, we had a party similar to that in Grand Central Station. Birth of spring. Yip-in. And, uh, 8,000 people came at midnight. Celebrate the birth of spring.. To experience community. Sorta holy. Like goin' to church. Touch each other. Smile an' throw ballcons in de air and get stoned. Sing. An' some kids climbed up on a telephone booth, uh, not a telephone booth there, where they tell ya where all the trains aren't runnin', that little booth with - got a clock on it. An' he pulled hands off the clock, see. 200 police came charging in with clubs big, they call the flyin' wedge. Swoosh. Uh, Knute Rockney taught 'em the trick. They come flyin' in - SMASH! (illigible) sprained ankle, uh, knocked unconscious. Yeah. Friend of mine, RON SHAY, came over to help. They threw him through a glass window. Broke both his hands. One he can't use, see. 100 arrested. Couple hundred sent to the hospital. When I tell the story people always say, "Why did those kids take the hands off the clock?" Somethin' wrong there, ya know? I mean whyn't those cops take their hand off RON SHAY? Property values versus human values. Ok. We'll bring that message to Chicago. Let the whole world see it. We want to stay in the park. Sorry you guys, can't stay in the park. Law against it. We want to show the reality of living in a police state. Secondly we wanta show the beauty of strugglin' for what you believe in. Guess that's why I went. Went to talk to kids. Kids went clean for Gene. That was a very tricky campaign, ya know. If ya had long hair they shoved ya in the cellar lick stamps. Wouldn't let ya go out campaigning. Go clean for Gene. Now we're goin' dirty for yippie. Can't change it out 'der. Reform, re-structure, all those words. Bullshit! Need a whole new pie not just another slice. S'that answer it?

(Question: You say you're gonna match insanity of the system with your own insanity. What's the difference?)  
Ha Ha. You think I'll let that hang? I have my own insanity. I like it. Boots fit. So I keep doin' it. I don't like

their insanity. That's all. You don't have to buy mine. I'm just, uh, I and I do my thing. You try to do my thing, well, I have to kill ya. Cause I'm it. S'all I've got. I. Yeah, that's ego. Ego trippin'. Talk about I, what'm I gonna do? I, I, I dig ego. S'all ya got. It's beautiful. If ya got it, falunt it, that's what they say. Mark Twain sayd, "The only people that should use the word We are kings, editors, and persons with tape worm." You're a long-haired freak. So we (illigible) unpopular war here, a second American revolution. You shoulda seen the first one, you shoulda been there. Ours. Most unpopular war in our country's history. Crazy, long-haired, anarchists, minutemen. Up in Lexington, Concord, where I come from. They got British pigs, see, down the road, ya know. Thousand British pigs fully armed. Tear gas, mace, the whole bit. They got (illigible) nine hours late. Paul Revere comes ridin' in on motorcylce, ya know, an' PIGS ARE COMIN', THE PIGS ARE COMIN'. Ya know, "Everybody out." They say, Ah go away man, I gotta plow the fields. No, no kiddin'. They're comin'. They'll be here two hours. So they all like get their muskets, go down to Lexington Green, hang around there, Buckins Tavern right across the street, say "I wanta get smashed." They come back, they say, "Hey Revere, you're fulla shit. It's 4 o'clock. They aren't here yet. British are nine hours late." They had this Lieutenant Colonel, SMITH, see, weighed 275 pounds and he wanted to ride in front. They were nine hours late, see, so like half the minutemen took off. They had 38 drunken guys standin' around the green there and, uh, see they like very freaked out cause of the, uh, yippie stuff they were pumpin' in the media. An' they expected 2,000 armed minute-men on the greens so they were like all doin' this, ya know. Somebody trips a horse, a gun gets fired, boom, who knows that. History. Shot heard round the world... Samuel Adams sittin' there like Jerry Rubin winkin'. Ah, that's cool. That's cool - they gonna get their's. They got Washington - helluva general. They made him commander in chief 'cause he hadn't won a battle. Up 'til then. The perfect guy. Failure. That's what Daley said. The (illigible) came here to wreck the Democratic Party and rip up Chicago and they failed. That's great. This's the first movement that's gonna be built on failure. You'd call it anything. We love him, he's our founder. I mean, where'd we be without him. What would we have done if we were let stay in the park? That's a good question. That's a very good question. What would we have done in the park. We promised a lot of stuff. Wow! Beatles and the Yellow Submarine an' they gonna pull up in Lake Mighigan. An' Bob Dylan be 'der. Ooooh. All this stuff flyin' around.

Well, brothers, this is (illigible) to Chicago, see. They didn't get taken. I knew 'dat when like nobody came up and said where's Bob Dylan. He was there, though. See him sittin' up in a tree smokin' pot Sunday night diggin' the whole thing. Ya don't believe me, ask 'im. (illigible), go ask 'im. He was there. Ho Chi Min sent us medical supplies. Thanks Ho. We take anythin'. Isn't it past your bedtime? (illigible) I said like if he tried to do my thing I would be forced to. 'Cause I am it. He should do his own thing. Everybody can, can be anarchistic. We can have a very anarchistic society in the future. Electronic tribalism. That's what that converted Catholic from Canada calls it. Right? Electronic tribalism. Pshew. He's a heavy cat. He sees through it. He don't do good. \$100,000 grants an' all that. Tellin' all the businessmen how to do it. But 'dey can't figure him out anyway. They - cause they didn't - he's right. They didn't get their information. They get it different. That's why it's groovy, like dealin' with the establishment an' FBI. They don't understand what we're talkin' about at all. Different language. Different stimulents. Different dress. Different attitudes toward sex, families, the whole bit. Culture. Mao said, I mean without culture dull weighted soldiers. So build new culture. You wanna come be in it that's ok. (illigible) call up the TV station ask 'em if you're neighborhood's on fire. More questions?

(Question - could not be heard. Too far away from the microphone.)

You want to stand up, identify yourself?

(Question - too far away)

Nah, flower child. Nah. No. It don't hurt them, they're people underneath their clothes are naked just like me. Cops, too. They're naked. But, see, they get into that uniform, the straights, that's what I call 'em, straights 'cause they, you know, there's straight collars, an' put starch in an' straight cuffs an' they take the pants 'n line 'em down the middle. Those people gotta think straight. Straight jacket. Tey take off their straight jacket, they're naked, just like us. I don't hate 'em. Our fight is with the system.

(Question)

NO! (laughter) Totalitarianism to the left.  
(laughter) What ya ask? (unheard) Yeah. Have I been to

Russia or China? I can't even leave the country, what d'ya mean. I can't get out. (comment from audience) Oh, well, first of all Russian, I don't dig that, that's state capitalism. So we check them off. My sympathies lie with Czechoslovakian people. They're fightin' in the streets. Ok. Anyway, I just found out Russia's a member of NATO. Now, China, I don't know a lot about China, it's way out. Rah rah rah. S'alot of 'em. Yeah, I get orders from China. My instructions are to prepare the beachhead. May 9, 1970. Cape Cod. They're comin' in. Free chop suey. They don't know if I like it. May be I wouldn't. Who picks up the garbage? Rubin's the other one, he's got a better answer for that. Umm, the future, the future's undetermined, like, uh, there could be garbage disposals give everybody. Disposal self-destructive food. Maybe we won't eat. I don't know. I mean, if it's of your concern you pick it up. We pick up garbage in the free store. We give out things free in Lower East Side (illigible) go pick up the garbage. Pick up the garbage. In our communes. No, they don't. Some people leave garbage. It's a constant battle between artists and garbage collectors. Ktore's out there. Immense possibilities. You'll learn somethin'. Learn how it can be done. Self-destructive garbage. Garbage! Garbage! Pshew! You should've seen the garbage strike in New York. Hundred thousand tons of garbage in the Lower East Side. Piles and piles of garbage. Higher than hell. You had this like vision of history, see, 50 years. New York's destroyed. Historian's right. (illigible) went by nuclear attack. People just didn't wanta pick up their garbage. Down it went. Garbage, waste product of capitalism. No garbage in Cuba. I said it. CUBA, right. Fidel. You know what he talks about? He said go Cuba Revolution (illigible) abolition of money by 1975. Free phones in Cuba now. Isle of Pine called Isle of Youth. 20,000 young people with the Government support. Livin' free. No money. Pick up bike, drive it down to end of the street, somebody wants it, drive it back. They work like hell, fuck like hell, they love it. 90 miles. I know they're Commies, sure they're commies, They can call 'em anythin' they want. They're doin' it. Tryin'. Mend swords. Economic boycott n everything. Russia don't like 'em much either. I ain't afraid of Russians, rah I don't know what they want this country for. I mean, the Chinese, what'd they want it for. What're they gonna do with us - 10,000 mental institutions in this country. Pshew. Lot of people.

(Question unheard from audience) No, I didn't say you were gonna stop me, I said that if you were going to try to do my thing (pause, more comment from person). Well, he presented the alternative, he said there's like your sanity, and there's Government insanity, and, uh, what's choice, and I say well, you can't have mine 'cause

mine's mine. (more comment from audience) Why don't you rephrase it a little. I got chromosome damage. (laughter) The cops hit ya enough that's where ya get it from. Wha - rephrase it. (person rephrasing it.) No! Oh no. 'Dey ain't no yippies. Didn't you know that? Ha! I forgot to tell you that. It's an exclamation point. Yippie. With an exclamation point. It's a slogan. 'Der are no yippies. (Question from audience) What? (Repeat of question) You're gonna put on my boots? Sleep four hours a day, run around the streets all night, fightin' cops, fuckin' my wife, that's how ya do it.

(Comment from audience) You want 'dat recipe? Read the book. (laughter) (Comment from audience) Ah, Black Capitalism. Smells. Smells like the white capitalism. Sneaky, but it won't work. It's not gonna work. Not gonna accept it. Those kind of programs don't work. But that, that's just uh the view. Do ya believe it? Ok, give me yours.

(Question) When did I say we? (More comment) Oh. (More comment) Who's we? Me, me and her. I don't know, I suffer from that problem, sure. I shouldn't use the word we. I stand corrected. Right. (more comment) Uh, well, it operates on a variety of levels. I mean, if ya feel an identification with everythin' that's goin' on 'dat your folks and newspapers in town here don't, like, I feel some kind of bond between them. I feel closer bond between my brothers and sisters that live together on Lower East Side that help each other out of jail, ya know. Take care of each other, share our stuff. Feel close bond with 'em. That's a we. Does that answer it? (Comment from audience) Uh, mostly it's an I. I mean, ya see the whole thing it turns to art. Ya know, it's just like a painting. A lot of these questions are like very hard to answer. You don't ask Picasso, ya know. Like, how come you only put one eye in the middle of the head. Can't answer it. It just comes out. I'm God. That's it. Holy shit. Whoo. Enlightenment in Spokane. I never realized that. Thanks. Well, s'any more answers. What're we gonna do? What's goin' on in this school. Right, ok. (Question) You mean after I get out of jail in thirty years. (Continues question) Ah ha! That's good, that's going to be up to you. I mean, what, what is this, gonna end? Revolution perpetual, like a river. Just flows. BUT! But I think, you see, and this is a hope. An' this is a frustration because I believe that we have a society of abundance. In a society of abundance you don't operate in

the same principles as a society of scarcity. And we can have that society of abundance. Ya know, we can have whatever we want so that the, ya know, if you have a thing like, uh, Government or whatever the hell it's called it's directed directly to the needs of the people because the only question it asks constantly is what d'ya want. What d'ya want, what d'ya want. Ya know? And if, uh, people come along an' ask the Government for somethin' and the Government can't give 'em then the people are in charge again, that's all. S'that's the way it's always been.

(Question) You distribute it. You distribute it.

(Comment) I ain't gonna be the head. (Comment) Ask SDS. I ain't gonna be no head. (Comment) I just told ya man, it's gonna ten years it's gonna take four minutes. Process (illigible) gonna be farmers they call 'em Agre - what'd they call it? (Comment) What? Agre..? (Comment) Agrobusiness? Oh, they don't call it 'dat. That's what you call it. Agronimus. Ooh. That's a heavy - that's a big word. Agronimus. Right. It's sittin' in a little thing, press a button, there's (illigible). Maybe they dig it. Maybe farmers dig. See, you have that concept again that man has to be controlled, that he's basically evil, that he's basically non-productive. Ya see? I don't have that concept. I think if people are given more freedom ya know they'll do 'dat. I mean, farmers they dig farmin'. You know, what a thing to pick out. Why don'tcha pick out insurance salesman. Ya know, then we have somethin' to talk about. But farmers? Dig farmin'. I like it. I pick corn for like, uh, six, seven months, 40 cents an hour. It was fun. S'better than being an insurance salesman. You could eat it right away. Can't eat double indemnity. Ugh. You'd throw up. Life insurance, yeah. That's good (illigible). Get that life insurance. Keep control even when you're gone. Yeah. Helluva system. Invest in life insurance, parking meters, paid toilets. (Pshew. I mean, you gotta think about 'dat. We're in Denver and we had a go and didn't have a dine an' ya start to wonder... now should I do it outside? That might not be legal but like I ain't got a dime. Sneak in, under. We put out a whole book called "Fuck the System in Lower East Side." 15,000 copies. Tells ya how to live free right now in this country. Free!

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TO DIRECTOR AND CHICAGO

FROM BOSTON 100-38603

ABBIE HOFFMAN, (ARL) *ANTI RIOT LAWS*

ON THIS DATE SUBJECT HELD PRESS CONFERENCE AT MINUTEMAN  
STATUE CONCORD, MASS. FOUR THIRTY P.M. SUBJECT REFERRED TO HIS TRIAL  
AND ARL AS LAW AGAINST PEOPLE'S STATE OF MIND PEOPLE CHARGED  
WITH THOUGHTS. SPOKE AGAINST VIET NAM WAR SUBJECT INVITED PEOPLE  
TO WASHINGTON, D.C. ELEVEN FIFTEEN NEXT TO PROTEST WAR. STATED  
THEY WOULD LEAVE THE MORATORIUM RALLY THAT DATE AT FIVE PM.  
AND MARCH TO JUSTICE DEPARTMENT. PURPOSE AT CONCORD WAS TO RAISE  
FUNDS FOR TRIAL. HE REFERRED TO JUDGE AT HIS CHICAGO TRIAL AS  
"HANGING JUDGE"/

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ABBOTT H. HOFFMAN, AKA, ARL, OO: CG.

REBTEL TO DIRECTOR AND CHICAGO TEN TWENTYSIX LAST.

FOR INFORMATION, RETEL ADVISED THAT SUBJECT, DURING PRESS CONFERENCE HELD TEN TWENTYSIX LAST AT CONCORD, MASS. SPOKE AGAINST VIETNAM WAR, AND INVITED PEOPLE TO WASHINGTON, D. C., ELEVEN FIFTEEN NEXT TO PROTEST WAR. SUBJECT STATED "THEY" WOULD LEAVE THE MORATORIUM RALLY THAT DATE (APPARENTLY REFERRING TO RALLY SCHEDULED FOR THE ELLIPSE DURING AFTERNOON OF ELEVEN FIFTEEN NEXT) AT FIVE P. M. AND MARCH TO JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

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NOTE: Subject is one of eight individuals now on trial in Chicago on Antiriot and Conspiracy charges. Incoming not sent to WFO. Above information being included in teletype to White House. Attorney General and other Government officials on 10/27/69, per [redacted] Domestic Intelligence Division.

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"THE WASHINGTON WSPER" NEWSLETTER OF WOMEN STRIKE FOR  
PEACE, NOVEMBER, SIXTYNINE ISSUE, STATES RENNIE DAVIS WOULD  
HEAD A CONFERENCE ON REPRESSION AT GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY (GU)  
LAW SCHOOL AUDITORIUM FROM TEN A.M. TO SIX P.M., SATURDAY,  
NOVEMBER EIGHT, AND IN THE EVENING WOULD SPEAK AT A CONSPIRACY  
RIGHT FUND RALLY AT THE HOME OF MARCIA KALLEN, FOUR THREE  
EVEN BUTTERNUT STREET, N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. (WDC).

[REDACTED] "THE SUNDAY  
STAR" AND "THE WASHINGTON POST" NEWSPAPERS, DAVIS DID APPEAR  
AT GU LAW CENTER LAST SATURDAY. [REDACTED] THAT

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AND FIELD OFFICES  
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IN ADDITION TO RENNIE DAVIS, WILLIAM KUNSTLER, AND  
(FIRST NAME UNKNOWN) CLINE, HOFFMAN ALSO SPOKE AT THE GU  
SYMPOSIUM.

DAVIS IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT "WE FEEL A QUARTER OF  
A MILLION PEOPLE CONSTITUTE A PERMIT AND WE ARE GOING TO THE  
WHITE HOUSE" WITH OR WITHOUT A PERMIT.

AT A SUBSEQUENT PRESS CONFERENCE ON SATURDAY, DAVIS  
ANNOUNCED THAT THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT WILL BE PICKETED FOR  
ONE HOUR, BEGINNING AT NOON ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER FOURTEEN  
NEXT, AND DR. BENJAMIN SPOCK WILL ATTEMPT TO PRESENT A  
PETITION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PROTESTING THE CHICAGO  
CONSPIRACY TRIAL AND ASKING THAT THE CHARGES BE DROPPED AGAINST  
THE EIGHT DEFENDANTS.

IT WAS STATED THAT FOLLOWING THE MASS RALLY ON THE  
WASHINGTON MONUMENT GROUNDS ON NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, A DEMON-  
STRATION IS PLANNED AROUND THE JUSTICE BUILDING WITH MASS

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PICKETING. THIS DEMONSTRATION WILL BE ENTIRELY SEPARATE BUT WILL INCLUDE DEMONSTRATORS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE MASS RALLY.

ON NOVEMBER NINE LAST, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ABBIE HOFFMAN WOULD HOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AT THE JUSTICE BUILDING AT THREE P.M. THAT DATE.

A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FBI OBSERVED BETWEEN TWENTY AND TWENTYFIVE "HIPPIE TYPE" INDIVIDUALS MILLING AROUND THE JUSTICE BUILDING ON SUNDAY, FROM ABOUT THREE TO THREE TWENTYFIVE P.M., BUT HOFFMAN WAS NOT OBSERVED AND NO PRESS CONFERENCE OCCURRED.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ABBIE HOFFMAN APPEARED AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (AU), LEONARD GYMNASIUM, SUNDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER NINE LAST, FROM ABOUT NINE P.M. TO TEN FIFTEEN P.M. HE ADDRESSED A CROWD ESTIMATED AT SEVEN

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HUNDRED PERSONS. PRIOR TO HIS SPEECH, A MOVIE CALLED "THE YIPPIES" WAS SHOWN. IT DEALT WITH THE CHICAGO RIOTS DURING THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION IN NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

ABBIE HOFFMAN WAS INTRODUCED BY AU PROFESSOR GARY WEAVER.

IN SUMMARY, HOFFMAN STATED "A REVOLUTION IS GOING ON TO OVERTHROW A SYSTEM THAT ALLOWS THE TRIAL (CHICAGO) TO GO ON." HE SAID THAT ON NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, PEOPLE WILL MARCH TO THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT, "SURROUND IT, PICKET IT AND PICK IT UP AND TAKE IT HOME."

67D [REDACTED] THAT HOFFMAN WAS VERY EVASIVE IN SPEECH, BUT GAVE THE IMPRESSION THERE MAY BE VIOLENCE ON NOVEMBER FIFTEEN NEXT.

HOFFMAN INDICATED THAT THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE EMBASSY, WDC, WILL BE PICKETED ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER FOURTEEN NEXT.

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ReNYairtel, 9/4/69, in captioned matter.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 12 copies of an LHM  
 regarding subject's appearance in the Criminal Court of the  
 City of New York, on 12/15/69. Five copies of the LHM are  
 enclosed for Chicago.

SA [REDACTED] reviewed the records of the  
 Criminal Court of the City of NY on 12/16/69, and also obtained  
 the information from [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] on 12/16/69.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York  
December 22, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Abbott H. Hoffman  
Anti-Riot Laws

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Reference is made to New York memorandum dated  
September 4, 1969.

A review of the records of the Criminal Court of the City of New York, Part 1B1, Room 221, 100 Centre Street, New York City (NYC), on December 16, 1969, disclosed that the charge of Illegal Possession of Weapons against the subject in connection with his arrest by the NYC Police Department (PD) on March 23, 1969, was dismissed by the Court on December 15, 1969, on a motion made by an Assistant District Attorney of the City of New York, based on insufficient evidence to prosecute.

On December 16, 1969, a representative of the NYC District Attorney's Office advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that the subject did not personally appear in Part 1B1, of the Criminal Court of the City of New York on December 15, 1969, but was represented by his attorney Gerald Lefcourt.

The March, 1969 issue of "Rights" self-described as a publication of the National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (NECLC), on page 12, reported that on February 1, (1969), the NECLC welcomed Gerald Lefcourt to its staff as Legislative Director.

A characterization of the NECLC is attached hereto.

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APPENDIX

1.

NATIONAL EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES  
COMMITTEE, Formerly Known As  
Emergency Civil Liberties Committee

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" of December 1, 1961, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., describes the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee (ECLC) as an organization whose avowed purpose is to abolish the House Committee on Un-American Activities. It stated the ECLC was established in 1951, and "although representing itself as a non-Communist group, actually operates as a front for the Communist Party."

"The New York Times" issue of April 1, 1968, contained an article reflecting the ECLC was changing its name to the National ECLC (NECLC) "to reflect our determination to develop a vital national civil liberties organization in all 50 states as rapidly as possible."

The "Newark Sunday News" of Newark, New Jersey, issue of April 20, 1969, contained an article showing the NECLC, of 25 East 26th Street, New York, New York, operates from its office an anti-war legal help organization for draft-age men, reservists and those on active duty.

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		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ARL - CONTEMPT OF COURT</b>  <b>b7C</b>	

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will follow appeals submitted on substantive case.

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Count XVI in Certificate of Contempt was deleted by Judge HOFFMAN during court day because of an objection made to that particular item of contempt by Attorney LEONARD WEINGLASS.

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Title: ABBOTT HOWARD HOFFMAN

Character: ANTIRIOT LAWS - CONTEMPT OF COURT

Synopsis: On 2/14/70, HOFFMAN was found guilty of 23 separate criminal contempts and committed to custody of Attorney General of U. S., or his authorized representative, for period of 8 months. Judgement and Commitment and Certificate of Contempt set forth.

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*23 Contempts  
to Chicago*

**DETAILS**

On February 26, 1970, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) MICHAEL NASH, made available the following Judgement and Commitment and Certificate of Contempt pertaining to United States of America v. ABBOTT H. HOFFMAN:

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
ex rel. Judge Julius J. Hoffman

v.

ABBOTT H. HOFFMAN

NO. 69 CR 130

JUDGMENT AND COMMITMENT

On this 14th day of February, 1970, the defendant, Abbott H. Hoffman, appeared in person, and with his counsel, Leonard Weinglass,

IT IS ADJUDGED that the defendant, Abbott H. Hoffman, has been found guilty of twenty-three (23) individual and separate criminal contempts as specified in the Certificate of Contempt and as stated on this date; and the Court having asked the defendant, Abbott H. Hoffman, whether he has anything to say why judgment should not be pronounced, and no sufficient cause to the contrary being shown, or appearing to this court,

IT IS ADJUDGED that the defendant, Abbott H. Hoffman, is guilty of those twenty-three (23) separate criminal contempts as specified in the Certificate of Contempt filed herewith.

IT IS ADJUDGED that the defendant, Abbott H. Hoffman, is hereby committed to the custody of the Attorney General of the United States or his authorized representative for a period of:

1 day on specification I

7 days on specification II

1 day on specification III  
7 days on specification IV  
1 day on specification V  
1 day on specification VI  
1 day on specification VII  
2 months on specification VIII  
1 day on specification IX  
7 days on specification X  
1 month on specification XI  
14 days on specification XII  
14 days on specification XIII  
7 days on specification XIV  
1 day on specification XV  
42 days on specification XVII  
14 days on specification XVIII  
7 days on specification XIX  
2 days on specification XX  
4 days on specification XXI  
5 days on specification XXII  
6 days on specification XXIII  
7 days on specification XXIV

each sentence to follow each other and to run consecutively.

IT IS ORDERED that the Clerk deliver a certified copy of this judgment and commitment to the United States Marshal or other

qualified officer and that the copies serve as the commitment of the defendant.

ENTER:

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

DATE: February \_\_\_\_\_, 1970

The Court recommends commitment to a place designated by the Attorney General.

CLERK, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT



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CERTIFICATE OF CONTEMPT

In conformity with Rule 42(a), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, 18 U.S.C., I hereby certify that the series of criminal contempts set forth below were committed in the actual presence of the court and were seen or heard by the court during the trial of the case of United States of America v. David T. Dellinger, et al., 69 CR 180, which commenced on September 24, 1969.

This was a case marred by continual disruptive outbursts in direct defiance of judicial authority by the defendants and defense counsel. I will specify here the instances of conduct of record which I consider to have been contemptuous, but I also make the entire record of the case of United States of America v. David T. Dellinger, et al., 69 CR 180, a part of this proceeding.

Much of the contemptuous conduct in this case does not show, of record. The constant murmurs and snickering emanating from the

defense table were not captured on the printed page. No record, no matter how skilfully transcribed, can adequately portray the venom, sarcasm, and tone of voice employed by a speaker. No record, no matter how skilfully transcribed, can adequately reflect the applause, the guffaws, and other subtle tactics employed by these contemnors in an attempt to break up this trial. I have not focused on these cheap theatrics, histrionics, and affectations. I note them for the record lest my silence be construed as approval. But for the sake of the citations of contempt in this case, I limit myself to that conduct which is clearly and adequately portrayed in the record.

This was a long trial. The behavior of the defendants and defense counsel was prepared with direct and defiant contempt for the court and the federal judicial system as a whole. Here is a record of exceptional circumstances which were disruptive of the proceedings. It has been my considered judgment throughout this case that the behavior of the defendants was aimed at baiting the judge and inciting and harassing the United States Attorneys in an attempt to stop the trial. I would have been derelict in my duty as a Federal District Judge if I were to permit such base and unethical tactics to succeed. Consequently, I have waited until this trial was concluded before making a final determination of contempt. The exigencies of such a complex and difficult case compelled me to follow that course.

I.

On September 26, during the opening statement by the Government, defendant Hoffman rose and blew a kiss to the jurors. (Tr. 9)

## II.

On October 23, well after the date of the Court's order sequestering the jury and ordering the jury that they may see no newspapers, the defendant Hoffman held up a newspaper so the jurors might see the headline in the courtroom. The following colloquy occurred:

MR. SCHULTZ: If the Court please --

MR. KUNSTLER: I would rather be directed.

MR. SCHULTZ: Before you direct him, if you are going to direct Mr. Kunstler, I would like to make one observation for the record. At 12:30 this morning or 12:30 early this afternoon, when the jury was adjourned, after the jury stood up, defendant Hoffman -- in fact, he had the same article that he has in front of him there --

MR. HOFFMAN: Yes, I was going to show it to --

MR. SCHULTZ: He led up the newspaper for them to see and --

MR. HOFFMAN: It ain't a newspaper. It is the Berkeley Tribe and doesn't tell lies, so it isn't a newspaper.

THE COURT: I wonder if you would ask your client -- you know, when I was out there trying cases, if my clients

started to talk when another lawyer was speaking, Mr. Kunstler, I told him to remain quiet. Now, I can direct him to remain quiet. The United States Attorney was speaking to the Court. He is entitled to be heard just as you are entitled to be heard. We are not running a circus. This happens to be a court -- even though there are those who don't share views.

MR. KUNSTLER: I would suggest, your Honor, then, that Mr. Hoffman be permitted to respond and not be interrupted --

THE COURT: I will not hear from your clients.

MR. (sic.) MR. HOFFMAN: I was just trying to be helpful, your Honor.

THE COURT: I will not hear from your client. I will let Mr. Schultz finish his observation."

(Tr. 3,866-67)

### III.

On October 28, at the close of the session, the defendant Hoffman refused to rise in the customary manner when directed to do so by the marshal. (Tr. 4,518-19)

IV.

On October 29, the following colloquy occurred:

"THE COURT: I will ask you to sit down, sir. You have a lawyer to speak for you. I haven't been told that you represent all of these defendants, either.

MR. HOFFMAN: We have been told that they are defendants, too.

MR. FORAN: May the record show that that was the defendant Hoffman who made that --

THE COURT: Yes; yes.

MR. FORAN: The previous statement was made by the defendant Dellinger.

THE COURT: The last statement was made by the defendant Abbie Hoffman.

MR. HOFFMAN: I don't use that last name anymore.

THE COURT: Will you remain quiet."

(Tr. 4,639)

V.

At the close of the morning session on October 29, the defendant Hoffman refused to rise in the customary manner. (Tr. 4,723-29)



VI.

On October 29, when the Court was  
during the afternoon session, the defendant  
to rise in the customary manner. (Tr. 4,78)

IX.

On October 30, after a brief recess the Judge returned to the bench in the afternoon and the defendant Hoffman again refused to rise in the customary manner. (Tr. 4,853)

**X.**

On November 12, the defendant Hoffman and the other defendants openly laughed at the Judge while he was making a ruling. The following colloquy occurred:

"THE COURT: That observation will remain on the record and this loud laughter has got to cease.

MR. HOFFMAN: Mr. Weinglass, how many years do you have to laugh at?

MR. WEINGLASS: I would further want to --

MR. HOFFMAN: I am talking to my lawyer."

(Tr. 6,257-59)

XI.

On November 26, after the Court made a ruling the following colloquy occurred:

"THE COURT: I decide each motion on its own papers, sir, and I am not aware of any witnesses that the Government has brought (sic.) to bring here. I don't know whether --

MR. HOFFMAN: We are very confused about this. Is the Government going to present our defense as well as our prosecution?

THE COURT: Have you gotten that -- what is the name of that defendant speaking?

MR. HOFFMAN: Just Abbie. I don't have a last name, Judge. I lost it. We can't respect the law when it's tyranny.

THE COURT: Are you able to hear the defendant Hoffman speaking?

MR. HOFFMAN: Abbie.

THE REPORTER: Yes, sir."

(Tr. 8,061)

XII.

On December 15, the defendant Hoffman openly laughed at the Court during its ruling on a motion, and admitted it.

"MR. HOFFMAN: I was laughing."

(Tr. 11,181)

XIII.

On December 30, while the defendant Hoffman was testifying on cross examination, the following colloquy occurred:

"THE COURT: I will admonish the jury -- the United States Attorney --

THE WITNESS: Wait until you see the movie.

THE COURT: -- if it is required that he be admonished.

THE WITNESS: Wait until you see the movie.

THE COURT: And you be quiet.

THE WITNESS: Well -- the movie's going to be better.

THE COURT: Did you get that last, Miss Reporter?

THE REPORTER: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: The last words spoken by the witness on the stand.

(Tr. 13,013)

XIV.

On January 9, the defendant Hoffman openly laughed at the Court again. The following colloquy occurred:

MR. KUNSTLER: Oh, your Honor, there is a certain amount of humor when talking about a bathroom --

THE COURT: Oh, I know that is your favorite reply.

MR. HOFFMAN: I laughed, too."

(Tr. 14,824)

XV.

On January 14, there was again an excessive and obnoxious outburst of laughter from the table of the defendants. The following colloquy occurred:

MR. KUNSTLER: I just don't want to get thrown in my chair by the marshals so I will have to sit down, but I just don't think it is fair to do that.

MR. HOFFMAN: I laughed anyway.

THE COURT: Will you be quiet, Mr. --

MR. HOFFMAN: I laughed. It wasn't Jerry, it was me.

THE COURT: Did you get that, Miss Reporter?

MR. HOFFMAN: At that ruling. I laughed.

THE COURT: That was Mr. Dellinger.

MR. KUNSTLER: That was not Mr. Dellinger.

MR. SCHULTZ: Your Honor, that was Mr. Hoffman.

MR. KUNSTLER: Your Honor --

MR. SCHULTZ: That was the defendant Hoffman speaking.

MR. HOFFMAN: I was him."

(Tr. 15,587)



XVII.

On January 21st, the defendants were conducting a conference with one of their staff "members" at the defense table, while Mr. Foran was attempting to speak. The conference was loud enough to cause the following disturbance:

"THE MARSHAL: Excuse me, Mr. Foran.

Will you take your seat at the table, please.

MR. HOFFMAN: We're organizing the defense.

THE MARSHAL: Take your seat. Now, come on.

MR. HOFFMAN: She's on the staff.

THE MARSHAL: Mr. Kunstler, talking is not -- I'm asking him to take his seat.

MR. KUNSTLER: I don't know what he was doing. He said he was talking to his wife.

MR. HOFFMAN: We are talking in a low voice. He didn't even hear.

THE COURT: The defendant's place at the trial is at the defendants' table.

MR. HOFFMAN: We were talking --

A DEFENDANT: Let our staff sit at the table, everything would be all right.

MR. KUNSTLER: Your Honor, he was sitting, just talking quietly with his wife, who is part of our staff.

THE COURT: I know. I know what he's doing. I require -- the rule of this court is that the defendants sit at the defendants' table.

MR. HOFFMAN: How do we organize the trial?

THE COURT: I order Mr. Hoffman to sit at the defendants' table.

MR. HOFFMAN: OK. We can just talk from here. Why don't you go out and talk to Paul Krassner and get the defense together.

I don't see how we can prepare the defense. We have to sit here seven days --"

(Tr. 16,791-92)

XVIII.

On January 23, while Mr. Foran and Mr. Dellinger were engaged in a colloquy, Mr. Hoffman inserted the following remarks:

MR. FORAN: Your Honor, in the American system there is a proper way to raise such issues and to correct them.

MR. DELLINGER: That was the proper way with Fred Hampton, wasn't it?

MR. FORAN: And correct them, your Honor, by the proper (sic.) governmental system, and there is a proper way to do that.

MR. HOFFMAN: Correction the way you handled the war in Viet Nam, the same proper --"

(Tr. 17,376)

Shortly thereafter during the same incident a discussion ensued concerning the propriety of Mr. Kunstler's press conferences. Mr. Hoffman again interjected his comments. It's reported as follows:

THE COURT: Yes, there is a law against a lawyer participating --

MR. KUNSTLER: No, there isn't. The rule is quite clear, and we know what it is.

THE COURT: There is a law against --