

OAXACA: Portrait of a Barricade

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Cinco Señores barricade, positioned in front of the university to protect the radio within it and the autonomy of the university, is the last major barricade in Oaxaca City. Some of the most rebellious elements within the APPO have been the students and the barricade defenders at the University Benito Juarez. The barricade is known as the "Barricade of Victory" for the defeat of thousands of federal preventive police by merely a few hundred people who defended the university radio during an attempted eviction on Nov. 2nd.



But the barricadistas have been the target of repression ever since. Shots fired into and towards the university landed one barricadista in the hospital in grave condition on November 5th. Throughout the month, people have been arrested and disappeared when leaving the area of the barricades, and one man was even run over by a car. On Tuesday, November 21st, around 25 state police with ski masks and dressed as civilians arrived to the barricade, armed with R 15 assault rifles, at two in the afternoon. They fired rubber bullets and live ammunition at the barricade. One person was said to be shot in the arm. They beat and arrested three people, two who were barricadistas, Pedro Cesar Cornejo Ramos and Ricardo Osorio. La Liga Mexicana Por La Defensa de Los Derechos Humanos (Mexican League for the Defense of

Human Rights) reports that since their arrest the barricadistas have been tortured inside jail, and have had to endure bruises and burns throughout their body.

Despite repression, the "Barricade of Victory" remains, and today the barricade defenders and the university radio defenders were in a festive spirit preparing for the mega-march to retake the Zocalo from police possession tomorrow, practicing launching rocks with slings and slingshots. There was an information table at



the barricade, where people distributed information about political prisoners and APPO events to the neighbors.

The barricade has also lacked direct backing from the APPO directive body, who say that the barricades no longer have a purpose.

"We are the APPO, we are the people here in this barricade. But the APPO leaders prefer to negotiate with the government. But we say that the barricade can't be negotiated, it can't be sold, it is of the people." Said a barricadista today before a meeting at the barricade.

Only several kilometers outside of Oaxaca city, in a town called Xoco, local police blocked highways for five hours and took over the police station in protest of their higher-ups on the force, saying that they are treated badly and forced to live in inhuman conditions, such as forced to use unsanitary bathrooms and living quarters.

Their forms of protest seem to mirror those used by the APPO throughout the state for the past six months.

Street Confrontations at Melbourne G20 Protest

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The G20 is meeting in Melbourne, Australia 17-18 November, and has met with creative protests by local activists. G20 is a meeting of Finance Ministers of 20 important developed and developing nations, Reserve Bank Governors, the IMF and World Bank held every year. The G20 includes the Group of Seven industrial countries - the US, Germany, Japan, France, Italy, Britain and Canada - plus Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Turkey and the European Union. Police locked down parts of Melbourne city for the G20 Finance Ministers meeting at the Hyatt Hotel in the expectation of protests.

On Friday as delegates were arriving in Melbourne, businesses which profit from war or environmental destruction were targeted for disruption. On Saturday it was the G20 meeting resulting in street confrontation between protestors and police, including the damage of a police riot squad truck. Late Saturday night saw a police payback operation when about 100 police violently attacked festive G20 protestors.

Dec 9th Portland Green Scare event/benefit

Liberty Hall (311 N Ivy, Portland OR) 6-11pm

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A Tale Of Colonial Thanks-Taking

How Turtle Island was Stolen

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When the "civilized" Europeans arrived on Turtle Island, among them were the Puritan Pilgrims, a christian sub-cult. These treacherous, murderous dogs decided to make "treaties" with the Indigenous Peoples of the area. When they finally had enough forces to wipe them out, they used guns, smallpox, and other diseases. The survivors were kept as slaves. Of course, the christians celebrated their success, giving thanks and glory to God and Jesus.

Well now, that is not exactly right. Let's start again, because this is how it really went down.

The christians in Europe were busy inflicting religious persecution against each other, as well as being threatened with death by the ruling elites of the time. Desperately seeking a trouble-free place, they attempted to settle in the Netherlands, which did not work out.

They decided that the "new world" was the best bet, because it was an empty land with no people and they were people "without a land."

Taking up immediate residence upon their arrival, the colonists established diplomatic relations with the Wampanoag and other tribes, who had been decimated previously by settlers who had arrived earlier. The Wampanoag also faced hostilities from other tribes, so their coalition with the colonists brought freedom and peace to the "new world."

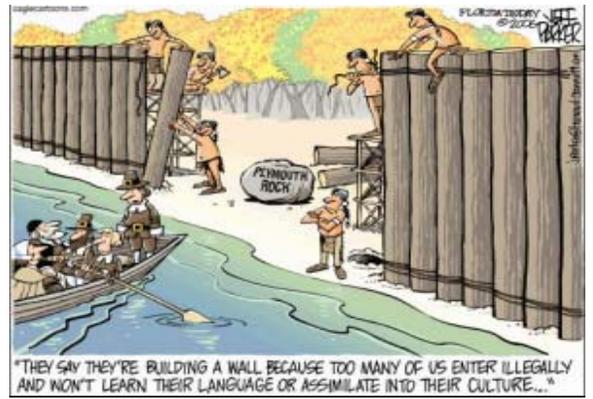
As more and more Europeans arrived, they needed more living room. Like all Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island, the Wampanoag had no system of land ownership and property rights. Their world had no need of electric dams, pancake houses, real estate offices, or variable-rate mortgages. Following the dictates of their religions, the christians used various "cures" to eliminate the "defective savages". This allowed them to "buy and own" the land, and Indigenous Peoples became the "property" of the colonists.

Resisting the continuing theft of their lands by the judeo-christian "civilization", the Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island became engaged in acts of terrorism. Some of these terrorists committed suicide missions to murder the "innocent" colonizers. They hated the European freedoms, and they were all cults of death. Their irrational resistance was due to their "savage mumbo-jumbo" that celebrated the extermination of their enemies, as well as their use of loco-weed, peyote, or other "satanic drugs."

The Natives hated the freedoms and life-styles of the colonists and no longer greeted them as liberators, with red carpets, flowers, and hugs. Military actions against the natives had to continue because they were a terrorist threat to all of Europe. These terrorists were armed with bows, arrows, and other weapons of mass destruction.

The colonists claimed the right to act in self-defense and began a war of pre-emptive strikes to exterminate the terrorists and the societies that created them. If you were not with them, you were against them.

The colonial government promised peace and protection to those Natives who



accepted their "peace" terms, and then given the "choice" of alternative living arrangements. The colonists were beside themselves with glee because they had just given the gift of democracy to the Indians.

Today the colonial descendants celebrate their thanks-taking holiday to pay tribute and honour to the memory of their colonial ancestors, as well as the invaluable assistance they lovingly and unselfishly provided in giving the "noble savages" eternal life through christianity and jesus.

Now, pass the Buffalo roast.

Eugene Grand Jury Resister Freed after Six Months

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Green Scare Continues, Further Subpoenas Possible



After spending almost six months in jail without being accused of any crime, Jeff Hogg has been released from imprisonment. On May 18, 2006, Hogg, a nursing student and caregiver for disabled adults, was jailed for civil contempt after he declined to testify before a federal grand jury allegedly investigating "eco-sabotage" cases. His incarceration led to public outcry and support efforts in Eugene and beyond. Hogg was released from the Josephine County jail in Grant's Pass, Oregon, Wednesday evening, rejoining his partner and community.

"I'm happy to be free and not to have compromised my principles in the face of the abusive grand jury system." Jeff Hogg stated from his home in Eugene, Oregon. Hogg's attorney, Paul Loney, of Portland, Oregon added, "While Jeff Hogg's liberty is restored, he is still subject to a new subpoena from a future empanelled grand jury..."