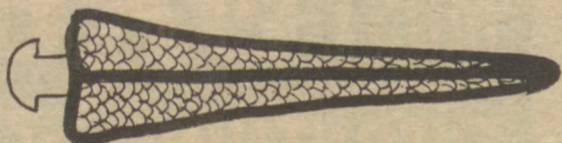
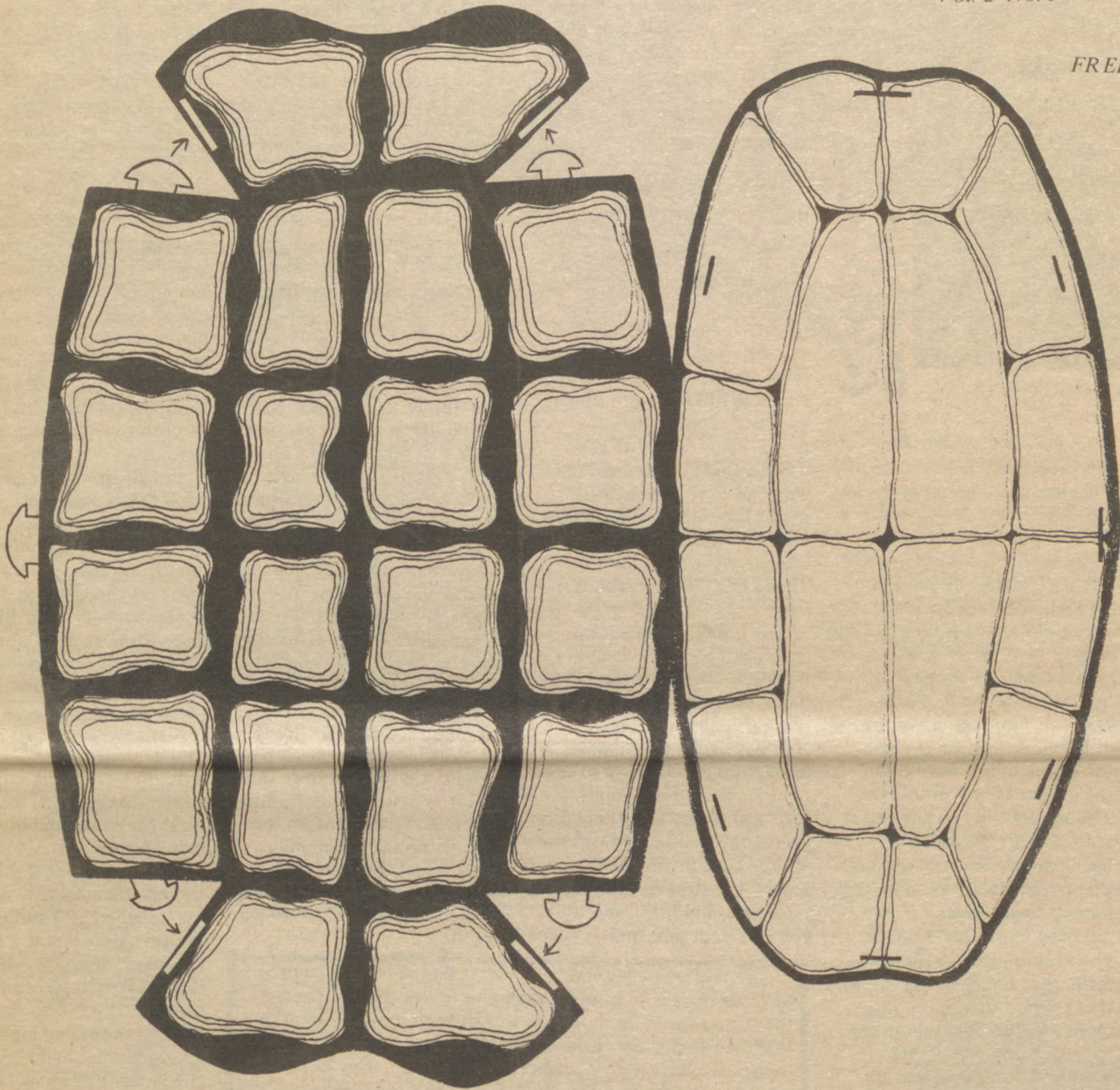


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THE TRUE REVOLUTIONARY

by MARK BASKIN

There's a lot of talk these days about the "revolution" that's going on in this country. It's not just a political revolution, but a cultural one at that. Just take a look around. Everyone is wearing bellbottom blue jeans and has long hair. Everyone is digging rock music. There are even beautiful people walking around radiating themselves unto you, and it makes you feel better just to look at them. It's as if they have transmitted some of their beauty unto you. Beautiful.

You can look anywhere and see middleclass white radicals raising their fists, screaming "Right On, brother!" (Shades of Uncle Adolph). This makes them feel good, so you join in

too, and it makes you feel good, so you go out and smoke weed, and drop acid, and you always walk around with a psychedelic gleam in your eyes, mumbling something about the cultural revolution. Right On.

Not, exactly, because you are all being duped. There may have been a revolution, but it's all past history. Madison Avenue has taken over and that's not beautiful at all. How many of you remember the old Grande Ballroom where the music didn't have to be the greatest for you to have a good night, when the prices were \$2.00? If you didn't have enough bread to get in, you could always bum enough money to get in, and if you did have more than enough you would give the rest away (after you bought your dope). Has anyone tried bumming money at the Eastown in the past year or two? People there wouldn't give you the sweat off their balls. That's beautiful, isn't it?

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Look at advertising. Anyone can be a beautiful person if he uses a certain product. These young radicals damn their parents to Hell because they care about material things (houses, cars, what people think) and they don't realize that they have all the same hang-ups as their parents. What would you do if someone cut your hair while you were sleeping? What would you do if all your tie-dies turned to pinstripe overnight? It's all the same. We're just as bad as our parents. It's difficult not to be. They raised us.

Have you ever been ripped off? That's part of the revolution, too, isn't it? But as long as you have your lid it's all going to be cool. What's happening to the days when you bought an ounce of weed and got days when there was plain acid around and you paid a couple of bucks and you tripped? Today there is green micro-dot, blue flat, czechoslovakian orange, etc. They all have speed. They might have belladonna, strychnine or whatever else some idiot wants to put in it. That's part of the revolution, too.

The political revolution goes well, too. Spiro and Dick have the hardhats in the hat. The rest of the factory workers just love you for wanting to change their sheltered middle class way of life. And if you've read your history you know that there hasn't been a revolution without the middle class involved. If you want a political revolution, cut your hair, and infiltrate. But you can't cut your hair. You

STRIKE!

by MICHAEL HITCHCOCK

A group of Oakland students and faculty have organized as the Auto Strike Support Committee to raise money and give aid to the striking auto workers in the Pontiac area. The strike against GM, which began Sept. 14, has left nearly 400,000 workers idled, Pontiac being one of the hardest hit cities. The committee hopes to help the workers to win this strike.

The UAW, in the national negotiations, is demanding a 61 cent an hour raise, an end to the ceiling on cost of living increases, and retirement after 30 years of service with a \$500 dollar a month pension; GM is offering 38 cents an hour, a slightly higher cost of living ceiling, and retirement after 30 years for only those workers who are 58 years, with no sign of either side meeting the other's position. In fact, the UAW has chosen to emphasize local negotiations which are held to be the key to a final settlement, practically ignoring the national issues. For many workers the local negotiations are the most important and some believe that the UAW is not really pushing for a local settlement on the workers terms, but merely wants to get these issues out

are an individual. Try looking around.

The White Queen said to Alice: "The only way to protect our boys is to invade Cambodia to destroy the enemy there, and the second only way is to keep most of them in Vietnam to protect those that are not being withdrawn. As long as we have a slow withdrawal schedule, they have to stay there to protect the others who are not being withdrawn." And Alice said, "But your Majesty, wouldn't the best protection simply be to speed up the withdrawal schedule?" "Silly girl," the Queen replied, "you do not understand military logic. I could not fulfill my constitutional duties as commander-in-chief if I didn't do all I can to protect American lives in Vietnam. If I pulled the boys out, I wouldn't have anything left to protect, would I?"

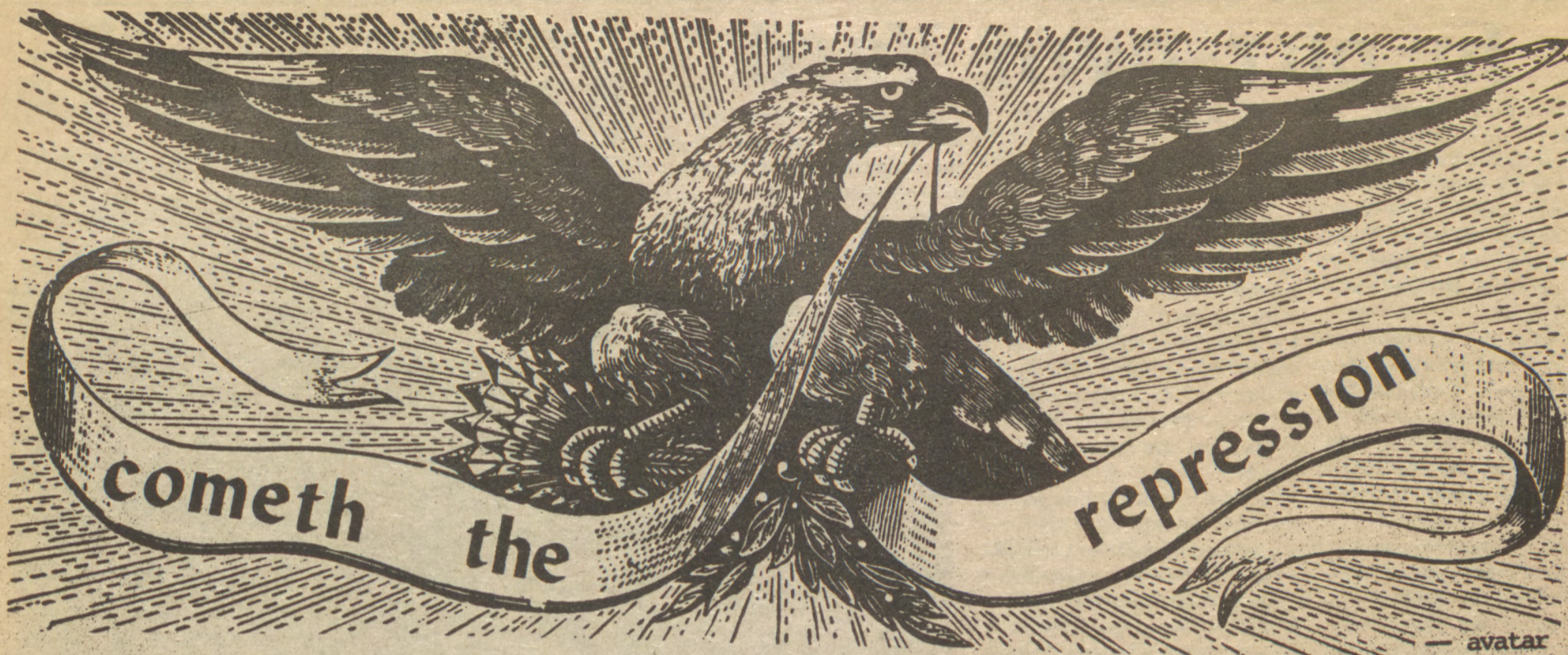
of the way to smoothe the path for a national settlement.

In 1967, the UAW national leadership (including present UAW head Leonard Woodstock) broke a local wildcat strike in Mansfield, Ohio, by freezing the local's funds. Such wildcat strikes have been increasing in recent years in spite of opposition by the union leadership. The rank and file workers are indicating through their actions that merely higher wages is unsatisfactory when working conditions inside the plant continue to be intolerable. Speed-up of the lines, temperatures in the plants, inadequate relief time and being tied to a machine all day and pushing workers to increased action in defiance of both the company and the union.

But the importance of these local fights over working conditions does not lessen the importance of the economic demands, though some workers feel that the UAW is not asking for enough. For the last five years, workers' real wages (in terms of purchasing power) have been going down, while corporation profits (after taxes) have gone up 77%. The 61 cents an hour wouldn't even make up for all the lost ground, while need for an unlimited cost of living escalator is obvious, since there is no ceiling on inflation. The 30 year retirement, called "30 and Out," by the workers was a rank and file movement which the UAW was forced to accept because of its wide support. With a continuing high rate of unemployment (the normal U.S. unemployment rate of 3 1/2 to 4% could be considered a national disaster in most industrialized countries, the rate is now near 5% nationally and much higher in hard hit areas such as Michigan) retirement after 30 years would enable

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More Votes Than Ever

BUT THERE ARE MORE STUDENTS THAN EVER BEFORE

I'm only kidding. In all seriousness, with an all-out near-unanimous record student vote of 32% turn-out(!), the Referendum on the Interim University Congress has passed with an overwhelming 73% support. For the first time in the glorious history of our great institution more commuters voted than residents! I knew you'd be thrilled. So you've heard the good news, here's the bad; now we need a president and 18 congressmen (Martha, where will we even find them?). As has been demonstrated repeatedly, during the last week -- a fast moving dedicated government

is needed to prevent the confrontation hassles that individual groups of students have been left to do in the past. This Congress, with the right (and the left) members, has that ability. Never before has a student constitution given minority groups on campus as much potential representation, and never before have so many minority groups on campus potentially represented a student constitution.

It is with the "one-man-18-votes" clause that minority groups wishing to throw their organized strength behind several candidates can easily assure their election. Likewise, minority solidarity can PREVENT the election of unfavorable candidates. Get down, unfavorable candidates.

In addition to the Congress --

an election is being held simultaneously for a Constitutional Convention under the direction of John Kelley and the Ad Hoc Elections Committee. Nine (count'em, NINE!!!!) positions on the Convention are open to students interested in reviewing the issue of a permanent student government.

Petitions to run for the Congress and Convention are available at the Student Activities Desk. Deadline for return of petitions is 5 p.m. Friday, October 16.

An informal rap (?) with the candidates (assuming, of course, there will be candidates by this time, of course, of course) will be held on Wednesday, October 21 at 3 p.m. in the Gold Room. Go do your duty. Run for office.

workers to leave the work force earlier and make available more jobs for the youth who are among those hardest hit by unemployment.

The Nixon administration, while refusing to take action, is using its propoganda influence just as it did in last winter's GE strike, decrying "inflationary" wage settlements. Of course it is not the workers demands for higher wages that cause the inflation, their wages can't even keep up with the rising prices.

GM has a long history of strongly opposing the workers struggles, from the great sit-down strikes of 1937 to the

present. In many cases, the UAW has refused to take on such a powerful adversary, but the rank and file pressure for an all-out battle has forced Woodstock to select GM as the strike target. But curiously the union's \$120 million strike fund was expected to last just about as long as GM's stockpile of new cars, and the expected eight weeks are now half gone. Perhaps the workers can win this fight against their bosses

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THE VILLAGE GREEN IS ON THE MOVE

don't panic...

by GREG ERICKSON

You are hereby ordered for induction into the armed forces of the United States . . .

That phrase is guaranteed to furrow the brow and lump the throat of the great silent majority of healthy American males. Rather than exploring the possibilities of creative panic in case a letter sent to you begins that way, you could be getting some help. You can get much of this help with your draft problems right here at Oakland.

Your friendly neighborhood throat-lump eliminators, the people at the Oakland Community Draft Counseling Center, would like to fill their office at 107 Vandenberg with all of you worried people.

That's because they think they can help you stop worrying.

If you think you should serve, enlist. If you don't think you should serve, maybe you don't have to. There are almost as many ways out of the draft as there are ways in, and all of them are legal. If you want in, see a recruiter. If you want out, see a good draft counselor. The counselors have copies of official Selective Service Law at their fingertips, and they can tell you what the laws mean and how you can use them. In short, they can make it possible for you to do something if you've got the ambition.

Folks without problems are accepted too. Males and

females who would like to lend a hand by running errands or writing letters, attending counseling sessions and maybe even becoming counselors themselves are desperately needed.

In the meantime, don't trust your friends, your newspapers, or even Walter Cronkite to fill you in on Selective Service stuff. You have to get the facts from somebody who's going to feel really bad if he hasn't got it all straight. You can go to the office and read the signs on the door, or call extension 3598. Either way, make an appointment with Greg, Buzz, or Gordon and talk things over. Do something.

STRIKE!

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