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AFGHANISTAN WAR REPORTS

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Germany-Based Soldier Killed In Afghanistan

Jul 23, 2012 The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — A soldier died from wounds sustained in an explosion in Afghanistan last week.

Spc. Darrion T. Hicks died Thursday in Ghazni, Afghanistan, according to a Defense Department release.

Hicks, 21, was assigned to the 54th Engineer Battalion, 18th Engineer Brigade, 21st Theater Sustainment Command, Bamberg, Germany. He was a native of Raleigh, N.C.

**POLITICIANS REFUSE TO HALT THE
BLOODSHED**

**THE TROOPS HAVE THE POWER TO STOP THE
WAR**

American Engineer Killed In Northern Afghanistan

Jul 24 By Sajad, Khaama Press

According to local officials in northern Afghanistan, unknown attackers killed an American civilian who reportedly worked as an electrical engineer in Afghanistan.

US embassy in Kabul confirmed the report on Tuesday however no further details were provided regarding the death of the American civilian in Afghanistan because of privacy laws.

In the meantime local security officials in northern Afghanistan confirmed the man, an electrical engineer working in Afghanistan for about 30 years, was shot Monday as he rode in a mini-bus in northern Parwan province.

The officials further added at least two Afghans including the driver and colleague of the American engineer were also shot dead.

Siagerd district police chief Shirin Agha said the American had been dressed in Afghan clothes and had a long beard.

Taliban spokesman Zabiullah Mujahid claimed responsibility for the killings.

**“The Biggest Police Defection To
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“The Equipment Taken By The Defectors - Rocket-Propelled Grenades, Heavy Machine-Guns, Radios And Police Vehicles, Including Two Humvees - Will Be A Major Boost To The Taliban”

24 July 2012 BBC

An Afghan police commander and 13 junior officers have joined the Taliban in the western Afghan province of Farah, in what correspondents say could be the biggest defection by police.

They say the commander, named as Mirwais, was in charge of a 20-man checkpoint when he defected on Sunday.

The men are said to have taken heavy weaponry, radios and police vehicles including US-made armoured Humvees.

Farah is one of the most insecure areas in the relatively peaceful west.

The commander was based in Shewan village in the district of Bala Bulak, which was until recently considered a Taliban stronghold.

Police and intelligence officials deployed in the province said the commander poisoned seven policemen in his charge who had refused to defect along with him.

"Mirwais and his policemen had joined the force nearly two-and-a-half years ago. Mirwais had fought the insurgents in this area for quite some time," an Afghan intelligence official in the region told the BBC's Bilal Sarwary in Kabul.

"Long before he defected, he must have been passing intelligence and crucial information to the insurgents," the official said.

Officials said that the equipment taken by the defectors - rocket-propelled grenades, heavy machine-guns, radios and police vehicles, including two Humvees - will be a major boost to the Taliban in the area.

Humvees are prized trophies among Taliban commanders, both for their symbolic value and practical ability to travel over rough ground with armoured protection, correspondents say.

Our correspondent says this is believed to be the biggest police defection to the insurgents.

Over the past few years similar incidents have taken place on a much smaller scale in the southern provinces of Kandahar, Helmand, Zabul, Uruzgan and in Ghor, Farah, Badghis and Herat in the west.

Such incidents have rarely been reported in the Afghan media, our correspondent says.

Once relatively peaceful, Farah has seen increasing levels of violence.

The Taliban and other insurgent groups are active in many districts, particularly those close to the provincial capital, which has witnessed recent attacks.

The province has a strategic position, bordering Iran, and the key Kandahar-Herat highway passes through Farah.

**IF YOU DON'T LIKE THE RESISTANCE
END THE OCCUPATION**

**“When Two-Thirds Of The Supposed
Nation-Building Civilians Are
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**New Book Reports The “Disheartening
Chaos Within The Administration, With
The Military, The National Security
Council And The State Department
Waging Their Own Wars”**

July 23 By Al Kamen, The Washington Post

“Little America,” our colleague Rajiv Chandra-sekaran’s stunning new book about this country’s efforts to defeat the Taliban, is not as much fun as his “Imperial Life in the Emerald City,” which recounted the rollicking early days of the Coalition Provisional Authority in Baghdad.

The ineffable stupidity in Iraq, the colossal miscalculations, the spectacular arrogance — all were so ridiculous, you laughed to keep from crying.

“Little America” is a much grimmer recounting of how the U.S. effort in Afghanistan, difficult enough in a “country” plagued by endemic corruption, was undermined: by vicious infighting among administration officials, by “the stubbornness and incompetence at the State Department and the Agency for International Development,” by the “tribal” Pentagon, and by the scarcity of officials who actually spoke the languages and knew anything about Afghanistan.

And when two-thirds of the supposed nation-building civilians are camped out in Kabul and not out in the field, one shouldn’t expect much.

Despite all the supposed lessons learned from Iraq, the Afghan effort, Chandrasekaran concludes in his superbly reported book, was “almost as embarrassing as the first year in Iraq.”

The disheartening chaos within the administration, with the military, the National Security Council and the State Department waging their own wars, hugely compounds the problems.

Still, there are some laugh-out-loud moments — if you’re into black humor — based on the author’s 15 multi-week trips to Afghanistan since early 2009.

For example, 11 Bolivian engineers were brought in to show how a U.S.-backed program there to build cobblestone roads could be repeated.

A short demonstration stretch was built. But the Afghans objected. They wanted gravel and asphalt. The cobblestones hurt their camels’ hooves.

Huge amounts of money were dumped into one district to employ lots of day laborers at good wages. Then the schools “suddenly closed,” Chandrasekaran writes.

Seems the “teachers had become day laborers because the pay was better.”

Similar follies highlight the destabilizing and unintended — even opposite — consequences of throwing money at poor countries.

“For years, we dwelled on the limitations of the Afghans,” Chandrasekaran writes. “We should have focused on ours.”

This book should be required reading for any diplomat or Agency for International Development official going to work in any developing country.

We hear that the book has sparked a scramble in the Kabul embassy compound to compile “success stories” for publication to counter the book’s analysis.

Please. Haven’t we wasted enough money already?

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MILITARY NEWS

Man Named “Fury” Set \$400 Million Fire That Wrecked A Nuclear Submarine So He Could Leave Work Early "His Anxiety Started Getting Really Bad"

July 24, 2012 AP

A civilian employee set a fire that caused \$US400 million (\$390 million) in damage to a Navy submarine because he was suffering from anxiety and wanted to get out of work early, Navy investigators have said in a complaint.

Casey James Fury, 24, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, faces up to life in prison on two counts of arson for allegedly setting fire to the USS Miami nuclear-powered attack submarine while it was in dry dock on May 23, and setting a second fire outside the sub on June 16.

Mr Fury was taking multiple medications for anxiety and depression, and told investigators he set the fires so he could get out of work, according a seven-page affidavit filed in US District Court in Portland, Maine.

Mr Fury, who was working on the sub as a painter and sandblaster, initially denied starting the fires, but eventually acknowledged his involvement, the affidavit reads. He admitted to setting the May 23 fire, which caused an estimated \$US400 million in damage, while taking a polygraph test and being told by the examiner he wasn't being truthful.

"The reason he set the fire was in order to get out of work," the affidavit reads. "Fury further explained to (the examiner) that he had failed to admit his involvement...because he was scared and because everything was blurry to him and his memory was impacted due to his anxiety and the medication he was taking at the time."

The Miami was in dry dock at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine, for an overhaul when the fire broke out May 23, damaging the torpedo room and command area inside the sub's forward compartment. It took more than 12 hours to extinguish the fire.

A second fire was reported June 16 on the dry dock cradle on which the Miami rests, but there was no damage or injuries.

Mr Fury denied involvement in the fires when he was interviewed the day after the first fire and two days after the second fire, according to the affidavit from NCIS agent Jeremy Gauthier.

At a follow-up interview last Wednesday, Mr Fury told Mr Gauthier he set the second fire after getting anxious over a text conversation with an ex-girlfriend about a man she had started seeing, according to the affidavit. Mr Fury described how he wanted to leave work early, so he took some alcohol wipes and set them on fire outside the submarine.

Mr Fury told Timothy Bailey, the polygraph examiner and an NCIS agent, that "his anxiety started getting really bad" so he grabbed his cigarettes and a lighter, walked up to a bunk room and set fire to some rags that were on the top bunk before returning to work.

The Navy originally said the fire started when an industrial vacuum cleaner sucked up a heat source that ignited debris inside the vacuum.

Mr Fury told Mr Gauthier that he was taking three medications for anxiety, depression and sleep, and a fourth for allergies. He checked himself into an in-patient mental health facility on June 21 and checked himself out two days later, the affidavit reads.

If convicted of either charge, Mr Fury could face life imprisonment and a fine of up to \$US250,000 and be ordered to pay restitution, the US Attorney's Office said. Mr Fury was scheduled to make his initial court appearance today.

Federal Public Defender David Beneman, who represents Mr Fury, declined to comment.

Court-Martial Begins This Week For Sgt. Charged In Pvt. Danny Chen Death Case

Jul 22, 2012 By Allen Reed - The Associated Press

A sergeant accused of hazing a private because of his Chinese heritage will go on trial this week on charges the abuse led to the soldier's suicide.

Pvt. Danny Chen, 19, shot himself to death in a guardhouse Oct. 3.

He was called names while in training, then was subjected to hazing after he was deployed to Afghanistan, his family has said.

On the day of Chen's death, he was forced to crawl about 100 yards across gravel carrying his equipment while his fellow soldiers threw rocks at him, the family said.

Sgt. Adam Holcomb of Youngstown, Ohio, is the first of eight soldiers charged in Chen's death to go on trial.

He faces a negligent homicide charge, which carries a maximum prison sentence of three years, and a host of other charges. If convicted of all of them, he could face up to about 18 years in prison.

Four other men face the negligent homicide charge, the most severe in this case, and the judge's decision in Holcomb's trial could be an indicator for the other soldiers.

Chen was a member of the 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment, 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division based in Fort Wainwright, Alaska, but was under the command of a Fort Bragg general in Afghanistan. Maj. Gen. James Huggins requested the trial be transferred to Fort Bragg — which military officials said worked out better logistically. Chen's family had also lobbied for the trials to be held stateside.

Chen was born to Chinese immigrants on the lower east side of Manhattan where he was raised. He enlisted after high school and had only been in Afghanistan for two months before he died.

Chen told his family, and wrote in his journal, about the abuse.

Chen's family recently celebrated what would have been his 20th birthday, which fell on the Memorial Day weekend. It has been an emotional roller coaster for the family, said Elizabeth OuYang, a Chinese community activist who has served as a spokeswoman for Chen's parents, who don't speak English.

"The family does not want their son's memory to be forgotten ... and hope that his death will lead not only to justice, but necessary reform in the military so that no other soldier's life is lost," OuYang said.

Holcomb's trial, OuYang said, has broader implications.

"This first trial is critical," she said. "Not only to deliver justice for private Danny Chen, but it also speaks to the militaries' ability to police its own."

OuYang said Chen's family will fly to North Carolina for the trial.

Fort Bragg officials are bracing for an influx of attendees. The trial has attracted a large interest from foreign media, and Army officials are planning to accommodate Chinese reporters and television crews.

"We have important relations with China, and they're all watching to see how the United States treats Asian-Americans," OuYang said.

Military prosecutors declined to comment on the trial and Holcomb's military defense attorneys were on route from Afghanistan and could not be reached.

The trials for the other soldiers will last at least until October.

MTI Receives 20-Year Sentence For Violence Against Female Recruits

Jul 21, 2012 By Will Weissert - The Associated Press

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND, Texas — An Air Force instructor was sentenced to 20 years in prison Saturday, a day after being convicted of rape and sexual assault in a sweeping sex scandal that rocked one of the nation's busiest military training centers.

A military jury found Staff Sgt. Luis Walker guilty Friday night on all 28 charges he faced, including rape, aggravated sexual contact and multiple counts of aggravated sexual assault. A judge consolidated those charges Saturday into 20, but that didn't affect Walker's maximum sentence. He could have received life in prison.

Walker is among 12 Lackland instructors investigated for sexual misconduct toward at least 31 female trainees. Six instructors have been charged, on counts ranging from rape to adultery, and Walker was the first to stand trial. Walker also faced the most serious charges of all those accused.

Prosecutors say from October 2010 through January 2011, Walker sexually assaulted or had improper sexual or personal contact with at least 10 female recruits.

Walker's court-martial included testimony from all 10 women, including one who described him luring her into an office and sexually assaulted her on a bed, ignoring her pleas to stop. The Associated Press does not usually identify sexual assault victims.

Five women testified during Saturday's sentencing hearing, saying they couldn't sleep or maintain relationships with men after the assaults. They said Walker's actions eroded their trust in authority and affected their performance at work.

One said it affected her tour in Afghanistan because she felt uncomfortable being alone with men.

"It's made it extremely hard to interact with authority figures," she said. "During my tour in Afghanistan, I was a little bit more scared of everything. I can't work with certain individuals just since they remind me of Staff Sgt. Walker."

Army Finds Chemical Contamination In Surface Water At Fort Detrick: Army Has “No Plans To Post Signs Warning Of Chemical Contamination In Surface Water” At Fort Detrick

Jul 21, 2012 The Associated Press

FREDERICK, Md. — The chief environmental officer for Fort Detrick said the Army has no plans to post signs warning of chemical contamination in surface water.

Groundwater samples taken from wells in the area this spring revealed the presence of chemicals used in cleaning supplies. The levels are higher than what’s accepted under federal drinking standards.

Robert Craig, Fort Detrick’s chief environmental officer, told The (Frederick) News-Post that Detrick has no plans at the moment to display warning signs that chemicals were found in Carroll Creek and the streams that feed it.

He said officials will discuss the idea with the Frederick County health officer.

FORWARD OBSERVATIONS



“At a time like this, scorching irony, not convincing argument, is needed. Oh had I the ability, and could reach the nation’s ear, I would, pour out a fiery stream of biting ridicule, blasting reproach, withering sarcasm, and stern rebuke.

“For it is not light that is needed, but fire; it is not the gentle shower, but thunder.

“We need the storm, the whirlwind, and the earthquake.”

“The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppose.”

Frederick Douglass, 1852

<p>A revolution is always distinguished by impoliteness, probably because the ruling classes did not take the trouble in good season to teach the people fine manners. -- Leon Trotsky, History Of The Russian Revolution</p>
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“Those In The Western Left Who Allow A Reflexive And Unthinking ‘Anti-Imperialism’ To Set Them Against The Syrian Revolution Are Simply Confessing Their Own Bankruptcy”

“Under Bashar’s Father Hafez, The Syrian State Established Itself As A Brutal But Reliable Capitalist Manager”

July 24, 2012 By Alex Callinicos, Socialist Worker - UK

The past few days may have seen the balance of forces tilt decisively against Bashar al-Assad and his regime.

Paradoxically, a significant section of the Western left seems to have tilted as decisively in their favour.

Take, for example, a widely circulated interview with Tariq Ali, where he claims that the struggle in Syria is part of "a new process of recolonisation". Although I have great respect and affection for Tariq, I think this is nonsense.

Undoubtedly, the invasion of Iraq in March 2003 did lead to the country's temporary recolonisation, under a "Coalition Provisional Authority" headed by a Washington-appointed neoconservative.

But the resistance to the occupation meant this project badly rebounded on its authors.

The new regime created by US military power ultimately forced it to withdraw its forces from Iraq.

The idea that Syria is being "recolonised" implies that it is a long-standing Western priority to remove the Assad regime. But there is no evidence of this.

Under Bashar's father Hafez, the Syrian state established itself as a brutal but reliable capitalist manager.

Undoubtedly the outbreak of the Syrian revolution has encouraged the regime's regional opponents to seize on the opportunity to replace it with something more congenial.

This is particularly true of Saudi Arabia and Qatar, whose Sunni Muslim rulers dislike the Assads' roots in what they regard as the heretical Alawi sect and Syria's alliance with Shia Iran.

There is plenty of evidence that the Gulf states have been supplying arms to some of the forces fighting the regime. And the West has stepped in to call for Assad's removal.

But the chances that the US and Britain will follow this up by sending troops to Syria, or even providing air cover to the rebels as they did in Libya, are remote.

This is partly because they are scared of repeating the Iraq debacle. But it is also because of the support Russia is giving the Assad regime, its last ally in the Middle East.

Elsewhere in the interview Tariq says that the Syrian people want neither the Western-backed Syrian National Council nor the Assad regime. I think this is probably true, at least of the majority.

But where is this majority?

There is considerable evidence that very large numbers of people are demonstrating against the regime, and sometimes fighting it, but don't call for Western intervention.

In recent weeks the revolution has spread to the two biggest cities, Aleppo and Damascus. Rebel fighters have tried unsuccessfully to seize the centres of both cities.

Are Tariq and those who agree with him sure that these are all puppets of the US and the Gulf reactionaries? If so, they are being betrayed by their masters, since the regime's forces have been able to beat them back because they lack tanks and heavy weapons.

Nevertheless, the evidence is that the regime is now taking heavy casualties—and not just thanks to spectaculars such as last week’s bomb that took out several of Assad’s top cronies.

The fighting bears all the hallmarks of an improvised and desperate armed rising. We can argue over whether it was wise politically for the rebels to militarise their struggle so quickly. We may regret the absence of the independent working class action that has been so important in the Egyptian revolution.

But the way that its Syrian counterpart has so rapidly developed into a civil war doesn’t alter the fact that its roots lie in popular revolt.

One thing the Arab revolutions have revealed is that much of the left in the region is politically dead. The best evidence is provided by those elements in the Egyptian Communist Party who backed the military candidate, Ahmed Shafiq, in the recent presidential elections.

Those in the Western left who allow a reflexive and unthinking "anti-imperialism" to set them against the Syrian revolution are simply confessing their own bankruptcy.

“What Are, Generally Speaking, The Characteristics Of A Revolutionary Situation?”

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Whatever you may think of the politics of this writer, he was rather skilled at figuring out when a revolutionary situation was present:

He describes the essential ingredients:

- 1. A ruling class split and at war within itself about what to do: “a crack through which the dissatisfaction and the revolt of the oppressed classes burst forth”**
- 2. An economic crisis hammering the working class**
- 3. A war that breaks the passivity of “peacetime” politics.**
- 4. He might have added, had this been written later, a ruling class so blind and stupid it can’t conceive of a whole population rising in revolution against it, and an army happy to join the mass movement from below.**

1915, Excerpts from Collapse Of The Second International & IMPERIALISM AND SOCIALISM IN ITALY, Kommunist, Nos. 1.2, 1915, By V. I. Ulyanov. [The writer used the pen name "Lenin" to keep the government from terrorizing his family. Excerpts]

For a Marxist there is no doubt that a revolution is impossible without a revolutionary situation; furthermore, we know that not every revolutionary situation leads to revolution.

What are, generally speaking, the characteristics of a revolutionary situation?

We can hardly be mistaken when we indicate the following three outstanding signs:

(1) it is impossible for the ruling classes to maintain their power unchanged; there is a crisis "higher up," taking one form or another; there is a crisis in the policy of the ruling class; as a result, there appears a crack through which the dissatisfaction and the revolt of the oppressed classes burst forth.

If a revolution is to take place it is necessary that "one is incapable up above" to continue in the old way;

(2) the wants and sufferings of the oppressed classes become more acute than usual;

(3) in consequence of the above causes, there is a considerable increase in the activity of the masses who in "peace time" allow themselves to be robbed without protest, but in stormy times are drawn both by the circumstances of the crises and by the "higher-ups" themselves into independent historic action.

Without these objective changes, which are independent not only of the will of separate groups and parties but even of separate classes, a revolution, as a rule, is impossible.

The co-existence of all these objective changes is called a revolutionary situation.

This situation existed in 1905 in Russia and in all the periods of revolution in the West, but it also existed in the seventh decade of the last century in Germany; it existed in 1859, 1861 and in 1879-1880 in Russia, though there was no revolution in these latter instances.

Why?

Because a revolution emerges not out of every revolutionary situation, but out of such situations where, to the above-mentioned objective changes, subjective ones are added, namely, the ability of the revolutionary classes to carry out revolutionary mass actions strong enough to break (or to undermine) the old government, it being the rule that never, not even in a period of crises, does a government "fall" of itself without being "helped to fall."

“Much Has Been Left In The World That Must Be Destroyed By Fire And Iron For The Liberation Of The Working Class”

Take the present army. It is one of the good examples of organisation. This organisation is good only because it is flexible; at the same time it knows how to give to millions of people one uniform will.

Today these millions are in their homes in various parts of the country. Tomorrow a call for mobilization is issued, and they gather at the appointed centres. Today they lie in the trenches, sometimes for months at a stretch; tomorrow they are led into battle in another formation.

Today they perform marvels, hiding themselves from bullets and shrapnel; tomorrow they do marvels in open combat. Today their advance detachments place mines under the ground; tomorrow they move dozens of miles according to the advice of flyers above ground.

We call it organisation when, in the pursuit of one aim, animated by one will, millions change the forms of their intercourse and their actions, change the place and the method of their activities, change the weapons and armaments in accordance with changing conditions and the vicissitudes of the struggle.

The same holds true about the fight of the working class against the bourgeoisie.

Today there is no revolutionary situation apparent; there are no such conditions as would cause a ferment among the masses or heighten their activities; today you are given an election ballot - take it.

Understand how to organise for it, to hit your enemies with it, and not to place men in soft parliamentary berths who cling to their seat in fear of prison.

Tomorrow you are deprived of the election ballot, you are given a rifle and a splendid machine gun equipped according to the last word of machine technique: take this weapon of death and destruction, do not listen to the sentimental whiners who are afraid of war.

Much has been left in the world that must be destroyed by fire and iron for the liberation of the working class.

And if bitterness and despair grow in the masses, if a revolutionary situation is at hand, prepare to organise new organisations and utilize these so useful weapons of death and destruction against your own government and your bourgeoisie. .

This is not easy, to be sure.

It will demand difficult preparatory activities. It will demand grave sacrifices.

This is a new species of organisation and struggle that one must learn, and learning is never done without errors and defeats.

The relation of this species of class struggle to participation in elections is the same as storming a fortress is to maneuvering, marching, or lying in the trenches.

This species of struggle is placed on the order of the day in history very infrequently, but, its significance and its consequences are felt for decades.

Single days when such methods can and must be put on the programme of struggle are equal to scores of years of other historic epochs.

The question has been put squarely, and one cannot fail to recognise that the European War has been of enormous use for humanity in that it actually has placed the question squarely before hundreds of millions of people of various nationalities: either defend, with, rifle or pen, directly or indirectly, in whatever form it may be, the great-nation and national privileges, in general, as well as the prerogative or the pretensions of "our" bourgeoisie, that is to say, either be its adherent and lackey, or utilize every struggle, particularly the clash of arms for great-nation privileges, to unmask and overthrow every government, in the first place our own, by means of the revolutionary action of an internationally united proletariat.

There is no middle road; in other words, the attempt to take a middle position means, in reality, covertly to join the imperialist bourgeoisie.

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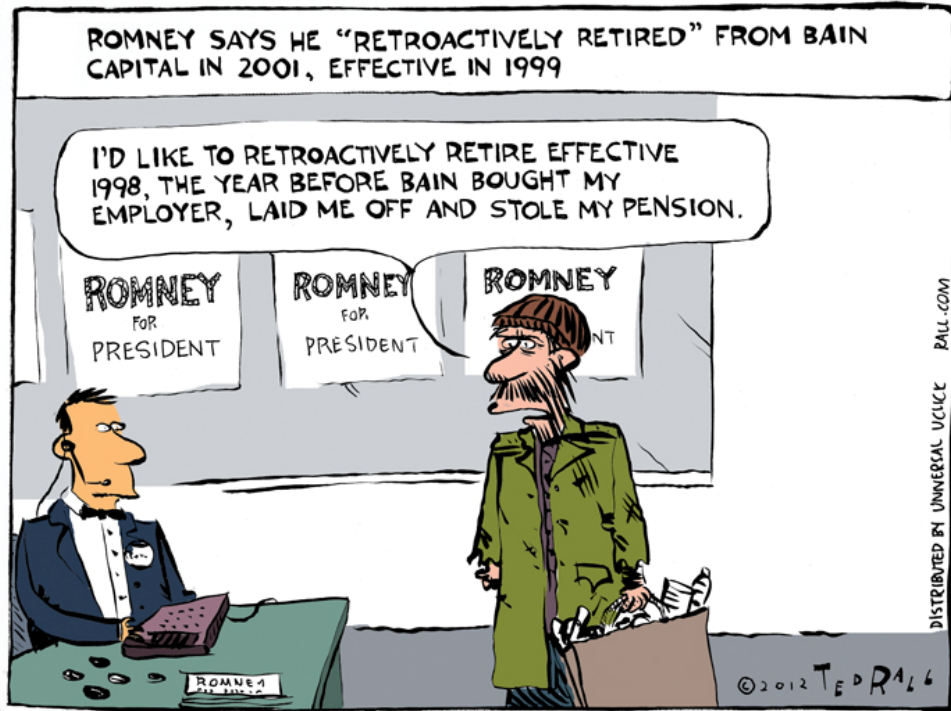
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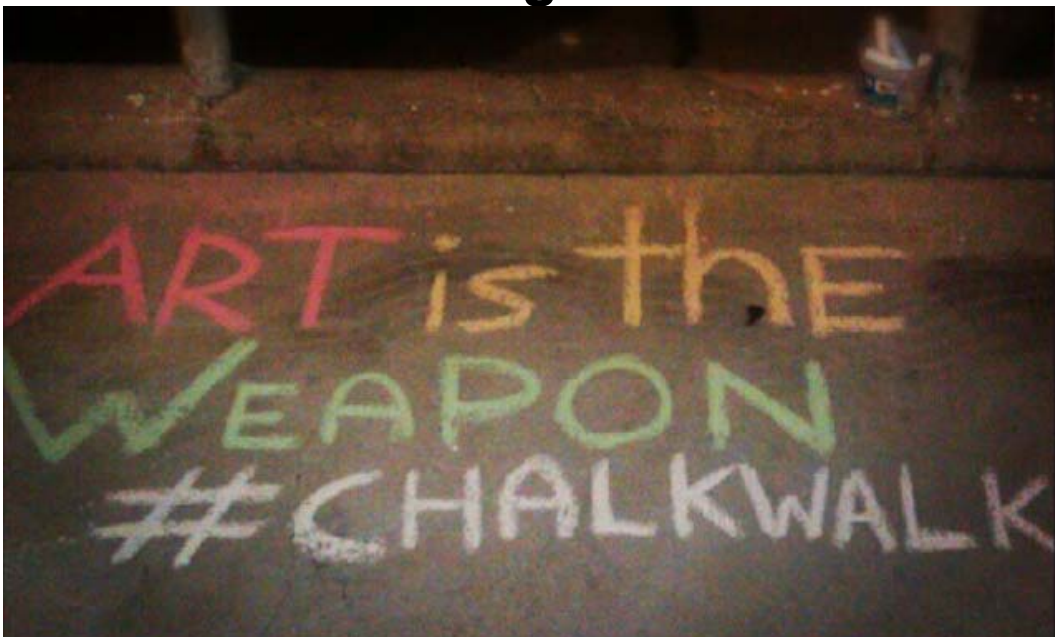
DANGER: POLITICIANS AT WORK



**Los Angeles Enemies In Blue
Attack Citizens For Chalking On
The Sidewalk Or Demonstrating
Support For People Who Chalk
On The Side Walk:
Hundreds Gather "In Disbelief
That The LAPD Were Staging A
Skirmish Line In Full Riot Gear At
6th And Spring"**

**“People Began Flooding Out Of Bars
And Art Galleries”**

**“By 10pm, LAPD Attempted To Disperse
The Growing Crowd Pushing Onlookers
With Batons And By Using Tear Gas,
‘Stinger Balls,’ Rubber Bullets, And Bean
Bags”**



Evidence that a conspiracy of chalkers threatens the very foundation of our society. [If only.]

July 13 occupythesocial [Excerpts]

Occupy LA caused a laugh riot when an absurd demonstration for free speech was met with an even more ridiculous police response.

At 6pm on July 12, Occupy LA gathered at Pershing Square to debrief on the upcoming “Chalk Walk” action, where occupiers were set to write political messages on the sidewalks of downtown.

Many discussed plans not to get arrested, but rather to raise awareness about on-going police oppression of activists.

Over the course of the last 6 weeks, twelve members of occupy LA, Occupy the Hood, and Occupy Skid Row were charged with felony vandalism for writing on the sidewalk in chalk.



Los Angeles police prepare to attack citizens for chalking on the sidewalk or demonstrating support for people who chalk on the side walk.

In order to fight these unreasonable charges, occupiers devised an action to give out “free chalk for free speech” along with fliers detailing the recent arrests during the city’s monthly art walk event.

Chalking is not a crime according to *McKinney v. Nielsen*, an eighteen year old court decision, where writing on a public sidewalk was confirmed not to cause damage.

However, other court cases since then have led to mixed results.

Further adding to the confusion, one of the arresting officers last night did not even know if chalking is a crime.

LAPD Officer Karen Rayner commented to HuffPost on the legality of chalking and stated, “It’s not vandalism because it’s not permanent, but I don’t really know.”

Yet, a different police officer stated to me that “Writing in chalk is vandalism and that’s why people are being arrested.”

Within minutes of leaving Pershing Square and walking to 5th and Spring, a member of Occupy LA was arrested for chalking.

The shaken group of occupiers gathered on the side walk near the intersection and began handing out fliers and chalk with a warning to people that the cops would arrest if they wrote on the sidewalk.

Some passers-by could not believe such a law was real and decided to boldly chalk in front of the police. All parties were promptly arrested.

Over the course of two hours, eight people were arrested for chalking, while police harassed, targeted, and followed occupy protesters around downtown.

Meanwhile, hundreds of others gathered in disbelief that the LAPD were staging a skirmish line in full riot gear at 6th and Spring.

People began flooding out of bars and art galleries to take photos and share them on social media. As the saying goes, nothing attracts a crowd like a crowd.

By 10pm, LAPD attempted to disperse the growing crowd pushing onlookers with batons and by using tear gas, “stinger balls,” rubber bullets, and bean bags.

Occupy LA protesters took to the streets chanting, “Who do you serve? Who do you protect?”

Police then charged into the massive gathering, while shooting rubber bullets indiscriminately into the now retreating mass of people.

Two bystanders were hit with projectiles. One young man was hit in the face by a rubber bullet after exiting the 7-11 and another was shot in the side while walking through the crowd with his girlfriend on his way to his car.

Three helicopters circled the area contributing to the chaotic atmosphere.

One reporter told a group of people that the police declared an unlawful assembly, but when asked how he heard that, he confessed that his station manager called to inform him to exit the area. Another reporter seemed to be inciting the crowd by asking, “Why don't you just go home?”

Eventually protesters were split into smaller groups by cops moving forward block by block and shooting at the crowd.

Many left the area as the police violence against on-lookers escalated.

However in Los Angeles, occupiers and allies are staging a three day encampment to free Bradley Manning this weekend. Follow hashtags #FortManning and #occupyLA to see how this action unfolds.

Obama's Spiteful New Policy At Guantánamo Bay:

“Imperiously Punishing Detainees For Their Temerity In Bringing Legal Challenges To Their Detention”

July 22, 2012 Editorial, New York Times

The Obama administration’s latest overuse of executive authority at Guantánamo Bay is a decision not to let lawyers visit clients in detention under terms that have been in place since 2004.

Because these meetings pose little risk and would send a message about America’s adherence to the rule of law, the administration looks as if it is imperiously punishing detainees for their temerity in bringing legal challenges to their detention and losing.

In one case, the administration is saying that the Yemeni national Yasin Qasem Muhammad Ismail no longer has the right to meet with his counsel, David Remes, because his plea to be released was “terminated.”

The Justice Department will only let them meet, it said in an e-mail to Mr. Remes, if he signs a new memorandum giving the government what Mr. Remes calls “absolute authority over access to counsel.”

A military officer would decide each time whether lawyer and client could meet.

Mr. Remes could not use classified information he developed for the client without permission. He could not share what he learned from his client with other lawyers of detainees, as he could previously.

He could not use it to help defend his client against criminal charges if the government brings them.

He could not advocate for him with human rights groups.

Mr. Remes refused to sign.

He and colleagues filed a motion this month with the federal magistrate handling disputes about lawyer-client visits at Guantánamo Bay.

They argue that while their client is detained, “he retains the right to pursue any available legal avenues to obtain his release” and without “a full and fair opportunity to meet with counsel in a confidential privileged setting,” his “right to challenge his detention” means nothing.

Four years after the Supreme Court ruled that “the privilege of habeas corpus entitles the prisoner to a meaningful opportunity to demonstrate that he is being held pursuant to ‘the erroneous application or interpretation’ of relevant law,” the government may be calculating that it can decide what “meaningful” means.

But if the wars where detainees were captured have been to defend American interests, surely the country has an interest in an unequivocal commitment to the rule of law, including full legal representation for detainees.

CLASS WAR REPORTS

Indian Auto Plant Closed After Worker Rebellion: Executive Killed, 100 Injured As Workers Attack With "Basically Whatever They Could Lay Their Hands On, Including Iron Rods, Computer Monitors And Car Parts Such As Door Beams And Shock Absorbers"



Trade union members and demonstrators shouted slogans against Maruti Suzuki in New Delhi Friday. Agence France-Presse/Getty Images

July 22, 2012 By NIKHIL GULATI, Wall Street Journal [Excerpts]

NEW DELHI—India's largest auto maker by sales declared a lockout at its Manesar factory until local authorities finish investigating a riot that left parts of the plant charred and a senior executive dead last week.

Maruti Suzuki India Ltd., a local unit of Japan's Suzuki Motor Corp., alleges that workers instigated the riot and said that reopening the factory before those employees are identified could jeopardize security.

"We can't further risk the lives of our employees and workers," R.C. Bhargava, chairman of Maruti Suzuki India, said at a news conference Saturday.

The company alleges that on Wednesday workers at the factory, in the northern state of Haryana, stopped work, attacked several executives and set a part of the plant on fire.

General Manager Awanish Kumar Dev, whose arms and legs were broken in the violence, was unable to escape a burning building and died of suffocation.

Nine police officers were injured, as were nearly 100 executives, including two Japanese expatriates.

Maruti Suzuki India, based in New Delhi, said the violence began after a scuffle between a worker and a supervisor.

Workers said Thursday that the supervisor made caste-based remarks to help trigger the incident, though both the company and state police denied that version of events.

The company alleges that several workers prevented disciplinary action against the worker and blocked all exit gates, keeping executives and managers on the factory premises.

"We are not in a position to start production until investigations into these shocking events are completed and corrective steps are taken," Mr. Bhargava said.

By the weekend, an uneasy calm prevailed around the plant, enforced by as many as 1,200 police officers in addition to more than 400 private security guards—some of whom witnessed Wednesday evening's events.

"It was difficult to control the mob," a guard said. "It felt like they were possessed. They lit a fire that engulfed the entire administrative block. They were damaging cars and were uncontrollable." The security room at the plant entrance is charred beyond recognition.

One executive said workers carried out the violence with "basically whatever they could lay their hands on," including iron rods, computer monitors and car parts such as door beams and shock absorbers.

Intermittent labor actions at Maruti highlight the tense relations between management and workers. The Manesar plant was hit by a number of protests last year, including one that ended in October.

Maruti would be hurt by a prolonged shutdown at Manesar, as its top-selling diesel cars—the Swift hatchback and the Swift Dzire sedan—are made there, as are the SX4 sedan and the A-Star small car. The plant makes about 2,000 vehicles a day.

Indian car buyers prefer diesel models at the moment due to the significant price difference between that fuel and gasoline. In New Delhi, for instance, diesel costs 39% less.



Syria: “You Feel The Government Is Losing Control, Slowly But Surely, Every Day A Little More”

July 20, 2012 By NEIL MacFARQUHAR, New York Times [Excerpts]

MASNAA, Lebanon —

After five days of fierce street battles pitting government forces against rebel fighters in the central Damascus neighborhood of Midan, one Syrian family that managed to escape into Lebanon described what was left behind: a hellish landscape of burning buildings and vehicles and streets barricaded with rubble, all punctuated by explosions erupting at random.

Most of the Syrians crossing into Lebanon were scared and confused.

They talked about power cuts in the richest neighborhoods and gasoline stations with no gas. They talked about civilians in Damascus suddenly trapped by the fighting for the first time in the 17 months since the conflict broke out.

“You feel the government is losing control, slowly but surely, every day a little more,” said one 30-year-old construction engineer, declining to give his name because he might go back.

“After the assassinations [of top Assad aids], the people who were saying the system will survive started talking about its collapse.”

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The Vampires Of Daylight: Driving A Stake Through The Heart Of The Health Insurance Corporations: “7 DAYS Left To Donate To The Vampires Of Daylight; “Health Care Is A Human Right!!”

From: Helen Redmond

To: Military Resistance Newsletter

Sent: Jul 24, 2012

Subject: 7 DAYS left to donate to The Vampires of Daylight. Health care is a human right!

One week left to be part of driving a stake through the heart of the health care corporations that are making super profits by denying care and constantly increasing premiums.

In 2010, Cigna CEO David Cordani made \$15.2 million.

In 2011, Aetna CEO Ronald Williams made \$20.7 million.

It's outrageous!

We need a serious transfusion of donations to make our modest goal of \$7000.

We can't ask Dave or Ron for a charitable, tax-deductible donation.

If 100 people donated just \$25 we'd be much closer to taking The Vampires on the ACA Truth Tour.

David and Ronald will not like this.

All the more reason to make a donation NOW!

In solidarity for health care for all.
Helen & Marilena

About The Film:

We made a documentary, *The Vampires of Daylight: Driving a Stake Through the Heart of the Health Insurance Corporations*.

The film explains the flaws in the Affordable Care Act, advocates that only a mass movement can win health care as a human right, and shows the grassroots movement that fought for single-payer in 2009.

We launched a campaign on indiegogo for funds (\$7000) to add a postscript to the film about the Supreme Court decision and to take the film on a "Truth Tour."

The confusion about RomneyObamaCare is real. Our film will help to clear up this confusion!

Make a contribution to fund our film:
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About this video "This documentary film about health care looks at the crisis from the perspective of ordinary people. It asks if they believe health care is a human right and if they support a single-payer, national health care system. It's also an unapologetic takedown of President Obama's fundamentally

flawed health care legislation, the PPACA. The filmmakers argue that a mass movement must be built to abolish the for-profit health insurance industry. We document the fight in 2009 for single-payer that the mainstream media ignored."

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