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# publisher's two, er, three cents

## We're back by popular demand!

**N**o, really, it's true. And you should know, because you brought us back. The letters, well ... the letters! I thought I could save a little bit of money, a whole lot of time, and write every one of you in this column and tell you "THANKS!" Thanks for your support and encouragement and ideas. Thanks for the effort alone to write us here with your compliments on a neat little magazine. But I must *emphasize*, its looks may have been created here, but its content is you. So thanks for putting *The Animals' Voice* on your mailing list. What's that they say, your news is our news? Yeah, that's it. Your news is our news. Your direction is our direction.

Now, here's where it doesn't seem fair, I know. If *The Animals' Voice* is on your mailing list, why shouldn't you be on its? Good question. All I can say is that sometimes ... life isn't ... well ... life isn't fair (you probably hate that one as much as I do).

Let me explain.

When I left *The Animals' Agenda* back in May 1985, I thought it would be great if California had its own *Agenda*. I thought that, perhaps, with nearly a third of the world's animal welfare / rights-related

organizations headquartered here in California, that a statewide *Agenda* could serve a useful purpose. But, like most ideas, without the financial backing, it was just an idea. Then, nature being what it is — unpredictable — I stumbled onto a ... well, let's say, a gold mine of sorts. My father opened a typesetting business in Chico and handed me the reins, excuse me, I mean, the steering wheel. I couldn't afford *not* to attempt it, now, could I?

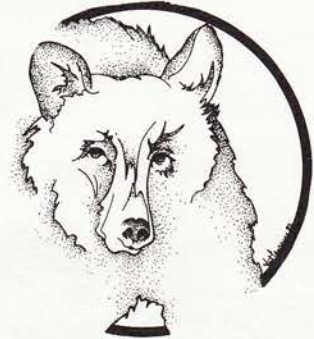
Well, there was a catch, of course. There's always a catch, isn't there? The catch is that the phone bill has gone up a bit since the inception of *The Animals' Voice*. The postage to send all those copies of the magazine to every organization in the state of California, as well as a few abroad, cut a little bit into the pocketbook, too. And, then, of course, of course, of course (only Ed Duvin will appreciate that), there's the printing cost. The printing cost is the big one. A real big one, considering, of course, I don't have any money, any money to speak of, anyway.

And *that's* why we asked for *subscribers* (the coupon's on the back page of this and every issue). In all that mail we received, I'll be honest with you, only a dozen

organizations signed up with a check. So here's another issue gone to bed, and guess who's paying for it? I don't mind, mind you, but *The Animals' Voice* won't survive long on that arrangement (perhaps me, either). So ... well, please, if you can, if you will, subscribe to *The Animals' Voice*. You've already admitted its value in networking, its potential effectiveness in unifying the California movement. Isn't that worth \$15.00?

— LAM

(And to think I used to chastize Doug Moss for hitting people up for money all the time! Will I ever live this down?)



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# The Animals' Voice: "Here, Here!"

Accept our compliments on your first issue of *The Animals' Voice*. It is an excellent publication. We wish you nothing but continued success in your work on behalf of the animals.

— *Cathy Smith*  
*Managing Editor, Mainstream*  
*Animal Protection Institute*

What a fabulous looking mag ... I'm proud of you. It looks great and it's a great idea. When you told me about it before, I expected something more newsletter-ish. I should have known better. It even has that good ol' Moretti humor that disappeared from AGENDA's pages when you did.

— *Doug Moss*  
*Publisher*  
*The Animals' Agenda*

## A friend of the family

*Tell me once again  
 how my dog  
 is just an animal  
 and can't really be  
 a friend.*

*Explain to me again  
 how animals  
 can't think or feel,  
 and he's only by my side  
 because of habit.*

*Tell me one more time  
 how he would be  
 a friend to anyone  
 who fed him,  
 because he has no concept  
 of love or loyalty.*

*Tell me how  
 I am naive  
 to still believe  
 he understands me.*

*And while you do,  
 consider why,  
 if what you say is true  
 he is much better company  
 than you!*

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Bravo! What a fine first issue — starting with that most moving cover picture. You are to be commended for following through. Very well done. I appreciate the fact that you will concentrate all your coverage on state actions. Of course, you must occasionally "detour" and focus on things like the Silver Spring monkeys *since* there are many state actions on federal matters.

— *Gretchen Wylar*  
*Vice Chairperson*  
*The Fund for Animals*

I like the idea of your publication! As the Editor of a quarterly newsletter for young people, *Elsa's Echo*, I need to know what is going on on a wide variety of animal topics, especially endangered species. I try to make our publication one that not only informs the kids we reach, but also gives them something they can individually DO on behalf of animals, every issue. I would appreciate receiving *The Animals' Voice*. Thank you ... and keep up the good work!

— *Karen O. Johnston*  
*Education Director*  
*The Elsa Wild Animal Appeal*  
*Elsa Clubs of America*

You are to be congratulated on the initial issue of *The Animals' Voice*, as it was exceptional in every respect.

Your superb blending of essays, fiction, legislative updates and an abundance of networking information provided a much-needed voice for the California movement. There is a critical need for more communication and cooperation among the diverse groups in our state, and *The Animals' Voice* has opened the door.

Thanks for leading the way!

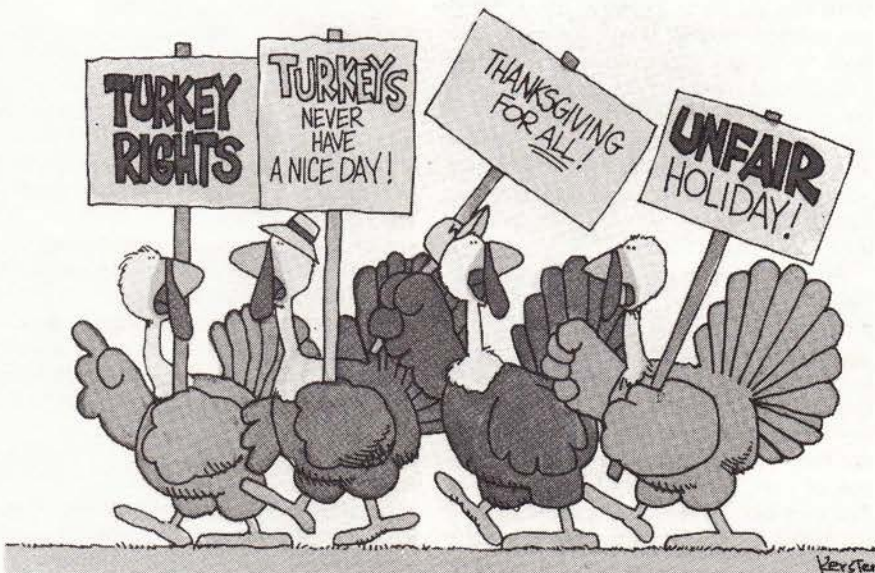
— *Edward S. Duvin*  
*Animalines*

Best of luck to you!

— *Cindy Traisi*  
*The Fund for Animals*

## LETTERS WELCOME

*The Animals' Voice welcomes letters from readers. They should be typewritten, double-spaced, and addressed to letters. Shorter letters have a greater chance of being published, and the Editor reserves the right to edit for space allowances.*



# toward alliance

## Circle of Life

ED DUVIN

ANIMALINES

An earlier issue of *Animalines* examined our movement's vis-a-vis the larger context of respect for life and environment, and the enthusiastic response has prompted us to amplify our views on this subject. It is heartening so many are coming to understand that reverence for life and environment is not an ethereal concept which detracts from our central focus on other beings, but represents the heart and soul of any movement that purports to affirm life. No serious-minded person holds romantic illusions about our small movement leading a misguided nation to the Promised Land, but we must begin to present a compelling case for other creatures within a broader life-affirming framework — a framework which is comprehensible to a society that legally and morally views non-humans as little more than chattel.

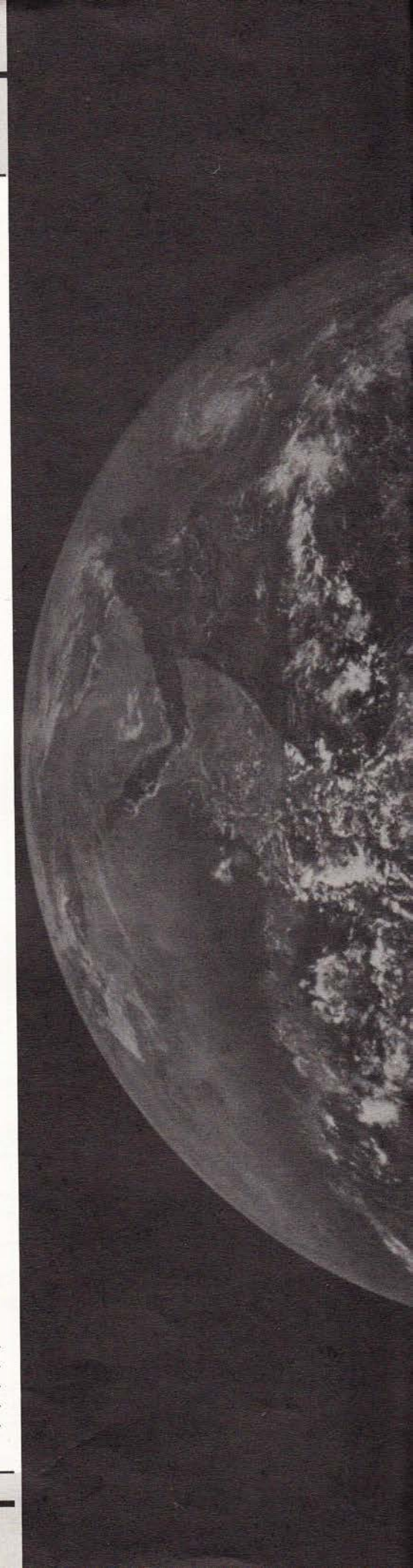
We now refer to ourselves as an animal rights movement and numerous philosophical treatises have been published on the principle of inherent rights, but the reality for other beings remains essentially unchanged: animals have virtually no rights or standing in law and only the barest protection from the most heinous of acts. This is not surprising given that members of our own species are still struggling for basic rights throughout the world, even though the general concept of human rights has been evolving since

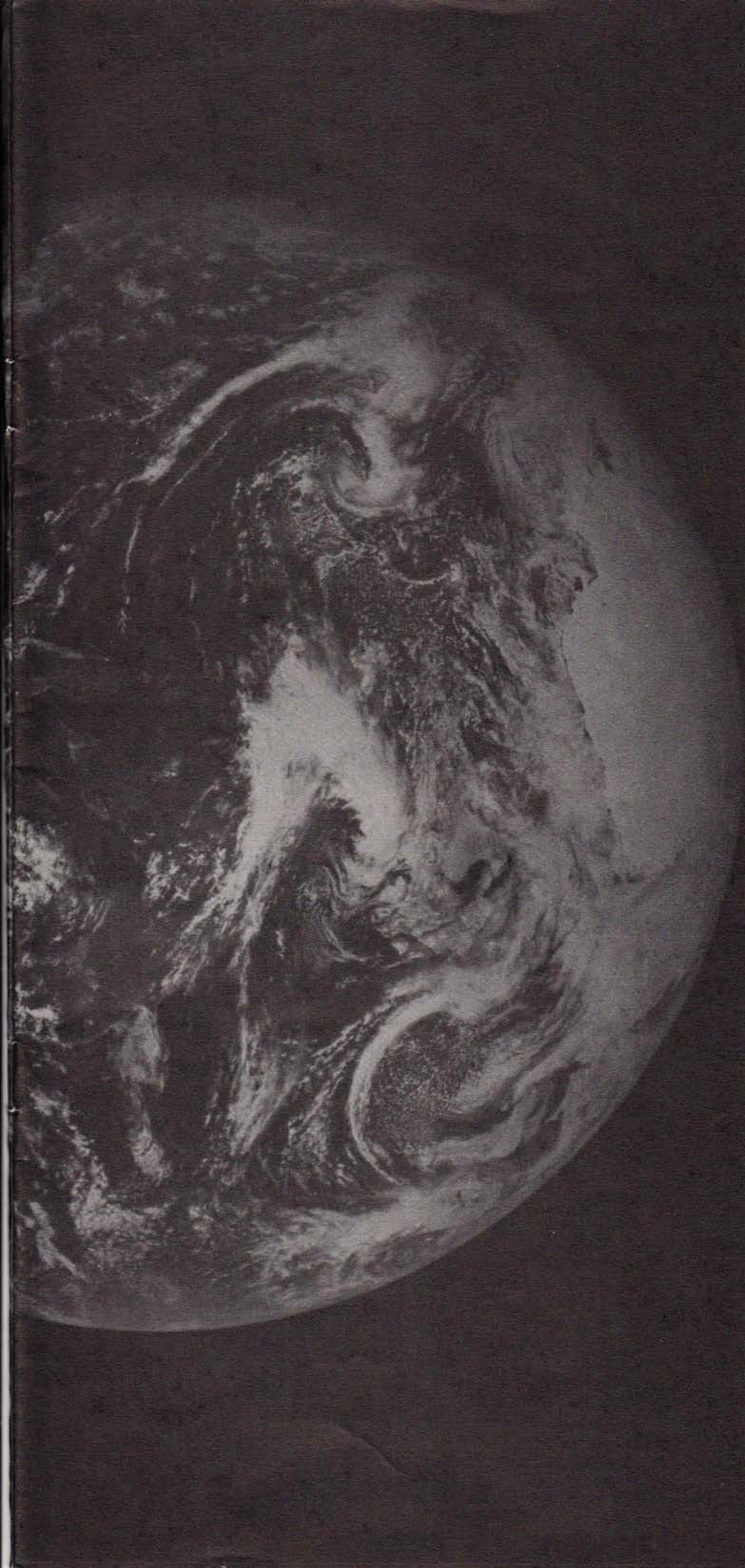
Roman times and is deeply embedded in our systems of theology, moral philosophy and jurisprudence. If humans are still not honoring the intrinsic worth of their own species, the salient question becomes how do we achieve recognition for the rights of other beings?

It is a sad testament to the present state of human affairs that the inherent rights of other beings are not recognized solely by virtue of their existence, for in a more just and rational world, it would not be necessary to link respect for life and environment with human self-interest. Given the current reality, however, if humankind is ever to embrace our concerns in sufficient numbers to produce fundamental change, it will be as part of a larger recognition that human interests are best served by safeguarding all the animate and inanimate elements which comprise the integrity of our earth.

It is imperative that we blend our concern for other beings with the natural world, as the earth we all share and depend on for our very existence is the bridge which connects animal rights with enlightened self-interest. There are those who think of this linkage as abstract and esoteric, but we respectfully ask them to think again. Our movement might choose to operate in a vacuum, but the universal laws of Nature which govern the life process of this earth depend upon an intricate series of interconnections — interconnections that humankind is mindlessly severing at an alarming rate. Reasonable people can differ as to the degree of irreparable damage that has already been done to the ecological system, but no thoughtful person can remain oblivious to the relentless assault presently being launched against Nature, Nature's beings, and Nature's fragile life-support system.

Our movement responds only to those abuses of animals which are directly before us and in that we profoundly err, for the widespread poisoning of our earth insidiously erodes the most basic of rights — the right of all species to exist in their natural state. Of course, there is massive suffering in laboratories and on farms which requires our urgent attention, but *Animalines* is talking about a holocaust already well underway in which species upon species are being devastated beyond repair. Humankind has usurped their lands, contaminated their water and food chain, slaughtered them in the name of benevolent management, and systematically destroyed Nature's precious ecological balance. Is it not the responsibility of an animal protection/rights movement to address these basic survival issues?





**N**ature is talking to us but we are not listening, and as a result her many warning signs have largely gone unheeded. Humankind continues to go about its merry way, busily engaged in more "important" endeavors, seemingly unconcerned about our troubled earth. Even within our movement, talk of ozone layers, tropical rain forests and topsoil erosion appears to many as being far removed from the tragic plight of animals; however, if we cannot see the interwoven pattern amongst all the natural elements of this world, and if we cannot communicate the critical interrelationship between all beings and the earth which sustains life, then we are left with only isolated threads. The general public must come to understand that their fate is interlocked with all the life forms who share this earth, for we are all nourished by Nature's bounty and ultimately subject to her laws. The magical harmony of Nature is indivisible, and if we irreparably destroy any part of her symmetry, we destroy all of it.

Spinoza spoke of the oneness of our universe three centuries ago, and his words take on additional meaning at this point in history. Our movement has a powerful story to tell, but it need not be a grim message full of sacrifice and gloom, as there is boundless joy and satisfaction to be derived from living in concert with Nature's wisdom and splendor. We have a nation full of people who are desperately seeking some semblance of balance in their lives, and Nature is the supreme teacher of harmony. In replenishing what we as a species have taken from Nature, we also replenish ourselves, for Nature invariably returns what she receives.

To further these ideals and those expressed in previous issues of *Animalines*, *Animalines* has become a publication of the Center for the Respect of Life and Environment, which was created by The Humane Society of the United States to expand the work we have begun. The Center is committed to move beyond the fragmented approach that has characterized our movement's history for over a century, and to begin painting a broader portrait which conveys the devastation we are inflicting on our earth, other creatures and ourselves — not in negative terms, but through outreach efforts designed to create an inviolable circle of life.

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## The Killing of Our Mother

ART DINGLE

EARTH FIRST!

**Y**ou may know that the automobile industry is the largest single manufacturing and processing concern in the U.S., but did you know that the meat industry is a close second? American meat interests use over one-third of the Continental U.S. for their business, and are rapidly spreading their destructive practices throughout Central and South America. The meat industry may be the single greatest enemy to ecologists, yet it is also probably the easiest to overcome. How? Change your diet.

Before you die-hard meat-eaters grumble about how "everything dies to feed something else," listen. I won't talk about animal rights, personal health or international economics. But I will ask that you stop buying commercial animal products for the following ecological reasons:

### Domesticated Animal Production is Ecologically Inefficient and Destructive

1) Land Use: The most efficient known methods of human food procurement are hunting and gathering, and Mayan agriculture, neither of which is much practiced today; certainly not in the Americas or Western Europe, where flesh-eating consumers have destroyed entire continents to support one of the most inefficient food systems imaginable.

Nearly all the meat Americans eat was fed, when it was an animal, a diet of processed foods. Even "grass fed" beef is usually fattened for weeks or months (called "finishing") on grains before slaughter. Much of this food (30 to 80%) is usable by humans; e.g., corn, soybeans, oats, barley. The ratio of protein input to protein output in food animal production varies from 4 to 1 (in milk and eggs) up to 25 to 1 in beef. Combining these figures with ones given above, we see a loss of humanly usable protein of up to 76%.

If we cut out the "middle-man" in this food chain, huge areas that are now monocultures of grains and legumes could be freed for "re-naturalization." Presently, over half of all our tilled and harvested land is used for animal feed crops. If this

"resource" were no longer needed, we would find a reduction in needed farmlands of about 50%. That could mean more wetlands, hardwoods, and prairies.

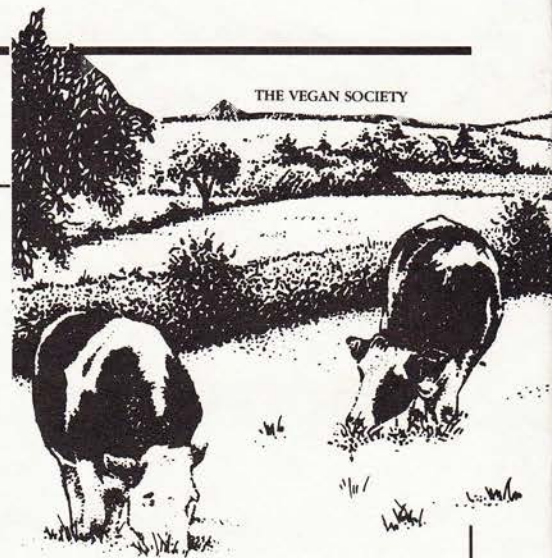
Modern animal production is also wasteful in terms of energy consumption and return. The best animal enterprise returns only about 35% of the fossil fuel energy investment in the form of food energy, while the poorest of the five major plant crops returns 328%! Considering all the problems associated with burning fossil fuels, e.g., acid rain, greenhouse effect, these figures speak for themselves.

2) Land Abuse: What about range-fed animals? Three problems come to mind: removal and/or destruction of indigenous species, overgrazing, and abuse of water sources. Most of you know about these issues, so I won't dwell on them. Suffice it to say that before livestock move in, native predators and large herbivores are destroyed by settlers. Then cattle destroy the flora, turning prairies into scrub-lands and semi-arid places into deserts. As the land dries, deeper wells are dug, dams built for irrigation, and goats may eventually be brought in to finish what the cattle have left. Livestock grazing is contributing to the accelerating spread of the Sahara Desert. The U.S. beef industry is being blamed for the deforestation of Central and South America. In this country the tale is nearly as grim: from Big Bend to Bismark, Kansas City to Reno, the land will never be the same.

A few years ago, I stood in west Texas watching tumbleweeds. The land seemed empty, yet a few miles away was one of the biggest feedlots in the world. Suddenly in the dry wind I heard the cries of wolves, buffalo, golden eagles, pumas, prairie dogs, burrowing owls, ferrets, foxes and a thousand flowers that went unnoticed. The demise of all this can be directly related to cattle and sheep interests, and other animal industries.

### Domesticated Animal Production Is A Major Source of Pollution

1) Animal Wastes: In the U.S. alone, there are over two billion tons of animal wastes



annually. That's ten times the amount of the same product from human sources. Much of it is good fertilizer; unfortunately only about half of it is used so. The rest ends up in lakes, ponds, rivers, ground waters, oceans; i.e., the same places human wastes go, but generally without sewage treatment. I'd bet that one-half to two-thirds of fish kills in U.S. waters are caused by agricultural runoff, mostly from feedlots.

2) Industrial Pollutants: The modern animal industries require enormous amounts of fossil fuels, metals, rubber, etc., to carry on. Trucking interests, farm equipment manufacturers and utility companies are greatly and sometimes entirely dependent upon the animal industry.

3) Chemical Pollutants: It would take quite a list to enumerate the chemical pollutants associated with the animal industry. From the pesticides sprayed to control "weeds" on range and pasture, to the feed-additives, hormones, antibiotics, and preservatives pumped into the animals, the list would be endless.

4) The least obvious pollutive aspect is the mental pollution resulting from an artificial food system that alienates humans from other animals by placing them entirely at our disposal, enslaving and consuming them by the billions annually. This attitude carries over to our relationships with all life forms: plants, waters, our Mother Earth, and each other.

I don't believe our present situation (on the brink of rapid ecological, or immediate nuclear, disaster) will improve through a dramatic social or political event. The future is ensured only by those persons willing to make that individual revolution (to paraphrase Frost) and live as if the future were already here. Right now, you can stop a destructive worldwide industry by refusing to buy its unnecessary products.

*This article is reprinted from the May 1986 issue of Earth First!, an environmental journal published at P.O. Box 5871, Tucson, AZ 85703 / (602) 622-1371.*

... as if nature mattered

# How to Survive in America the Poisoned

A BOOK REVIEW

*"Not since Rachel Carson's Silent Spring has a book so shockingly documented the chemical warfare that this nation's government and industry giants have waged on its own people." — Jack Anderson*

**A**nd so was written a review on the most important environmental book of the present decade: *How to Survive in America the Poisoned* by Lewis Regenstein.

And it's new and improved.

Even the title's new. It went from *America the Poisoned* to a more aptly titled *How to Survive in America the Poisoned*. With a chapter on nuclear testing and radiation experimentation, and more "How To's," *How to Survive in America the Poisoned* should be on yours and every American's bookshelf.

A resident of Jackson Township, New Jersey, never thought knowing how to survive toxic chemical disposal meant much to him until his 9-year-old daughter died of cancer. It was discovered later that his drinking water had been contaminated with lethal mercury and cadmium from a secret chemical dumpsite near his home.

In 1980, Eckhardt Beck, Assistant Administrator for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, stated: "Our ground waters are threatened by ruinous contamination ... this will become the environmental horror story of the 80's ... the most grievous error in judgment we as a nation have ever made."

It has been estimated, due to our use and contact with cancer-causing chemicals, that one out of every four — or 56 million — Americans can expect to get cancer. The disease kills 1,000 Americans every day; it is second only to heart disease; and the death toll is rising.

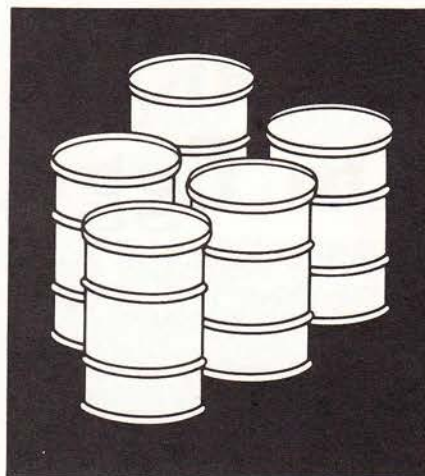
The contaminants that cruelly take the lives of cancer victims are almost inescapable and *How to Survive in America the Poisoned* uncovers the ways in which we, sometimes unknowingly, are exposed to them — from the toxic lindane in pet flea collars and floor wax, to dioxin, the most toxic chemical known.

Regenstein stuns us with: "The amount of toxic wastes produced in the U.S. each year amounts to over 600 pounds for every man, woman, and child — and 90 percent of these deadly wastes are disposed of improperly." They're inflicted upon us by the chemical industry through the food we eat, the water we drink and the air we breathe.

A United States government study has shown that 35 million Americans are risking their health because of air pollution, and scientists estimate that "such pollution may be causing some 200,000 deaths a year."

*How to Survive in America the Poisoned* documents America's war against itself through herbicides, pesticides and other lethal toxic chemicals, not limited to currently-legal carcinogens, but also to such deadly toxins as DDT, which was banned in the U.S. during 1972 because of its cancer-causing potential, but is still manufactured in the U.S. and exported abroad where it returns into the American diet on imported food crops.

But *How to Survive in America the Poisoned* is not just an exposé on this toxic disaster. With a title for witness, the book



is documented with more than 1130 footnotes, directing you — the potential victim of this widespread contamination — how together, and *now*, we can survive the annihilation chemical poisons pose on our wildlife, our environment, our born and unborn children and our very lives.

This is the one book that can make the difference. In the written words of author Les Whitten in review of *How to Survive in America the Poisoned*, "If ever a book can stir anger into action, this is it." It is time to act. For the sake of your life and the lives of your children. And their children ...

Copies of *How to Survive in America the Poisoned* can be obtained by sending \$8.95 to *The Animals' Voice*, P.O. Box 4305, Chico, CA 95927.

*In weighing the fate of the Earth and, with it, our own fate, we stand before a mystery, and in tampering with the Earth we tamper with a mystery. We are in deep ignorance, our ignorance should dispose us to wonder, our wonder should make us humble, our humility should inspire us to reverence and caution, and our reverence and caution should lead us to act without delay to withdraw the threat we now pose to the Earth and to ourselves.*

— Jonathan Schell, *The Fate of the Earth*

# Breaking the Shell On Egg City

LOS ANGELES — Toni Hopman, president of Animal Allies, is in good company. Her organization, which claims some 2,000 Los Angeles-area members, has joined the United Farm Workers (UFW) union's boycott against Egg City in Moorpark; their action being endorsed by national animal welfare/rights organizations. Animal Allies has formed an alliance with Cesar Chavez's UFW in an effort to bolster the union's call for a boycott against Egg City.

The UFW has been striking Egg City since May 1986, and Egg City filed for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the Federal Bankruptcy Act. The strike began after Egg City officials cut average wages by \$2 an hour and instituted new work rules aimed at streamlining production at the Moorpark plant which produces nearly 60 million dozen eggs annually and is the largest operation of its kind in the world.

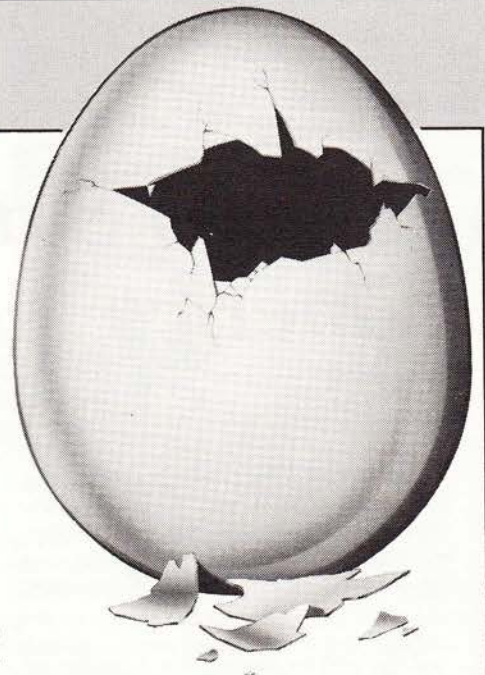
*The Los Angeles Times*, in its Valley Edition, explained some of Animal Allies concerns: "First off, you have to remember that chickens produce more than eggs. They produce manure, lots of it. And, when the cleanup crews at the world's largest chicken ranch are short-handed because of a strike, there's trouble in Egg City. Each chicken expels about one-fourth pound of manure a day, which, with Egg City's 3 million chickens, means 375 tons." Since the strike began, about 2,000 tons of manure has piled up beneath the wire mesh cages, creating an odor problem.

In a response to the *Los Angeles Times*

article, Marjorie McIntyre wrote the editor. "The 2,000 tons of manure," she writes, "which has piled up beneath the wire mesh cages and the health hazard created, when the cleanup crew went on strike because of wage cuts, are not the only things that stink. Egg City's inhumane stretch reaches high Heaven."

As in most factory-farmed egg ranches, Egg City chickens live in cages 16"x18", and with five birds to a cage, this means 6½"x9" of floor space per bird. The wire mesh cages induce blood blisters, tonic immobility, foot lesions, caged layer fatigue or skeletal weakness and feather loss. When egg production decreases, Egg City forces its hens to molt, building the birds up for another laying cycle. It starves its birds up to 12 days, providing only water and no lights. This induced stress causes up to 200 birds to die in each house per day (there are 38 hen houses with 60,000 to 90,000 birds in a house).

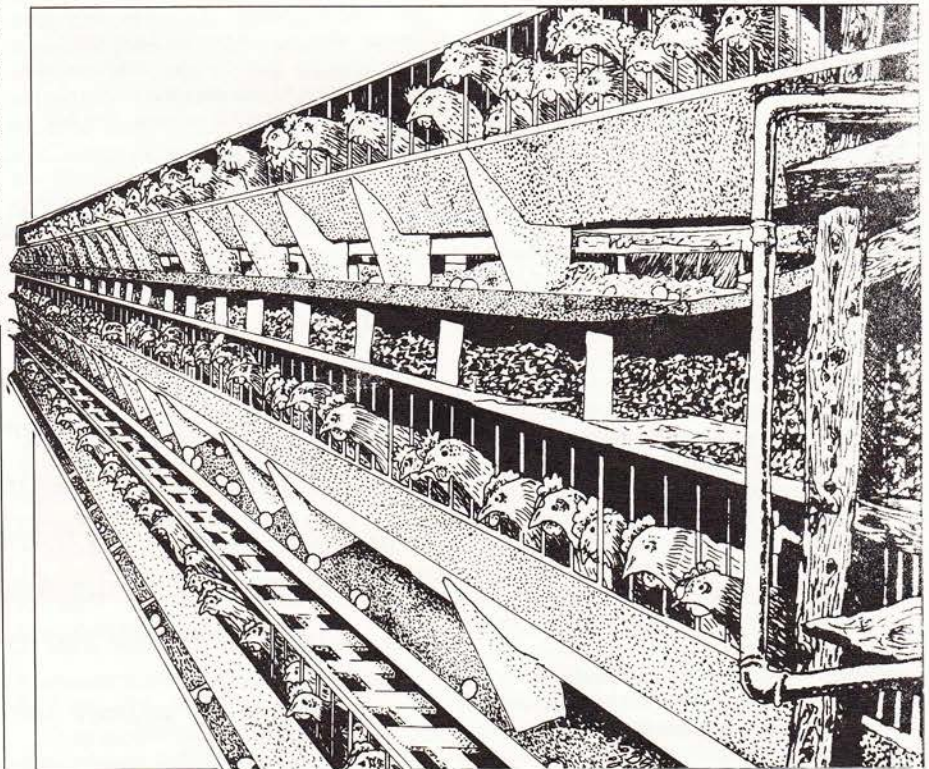
What happens at Egg City happens in chicken/egg "farms" around the world,



with the exception that Egg City is the largest so-called farm of its kind and makes it the most desirable target of a boycott.

To make matters worse for Egg City, a number of small and medium-sized customers, along with two giants — the Ralphs Grocery Co. chain of supermarkets and McDonald's fast-food outlets — have stopped buying Egg City's products.

For further information about the Egg City Boycott, write Animal Allies at PO Box 35063, Los Angeles, CA 90035 or call (213) 936-5166.



## california news

*As we go to press, the next issue of The Animals' Voice will not be seen again until March 1987. Until activist response warrants a more frequent publication, The Animals' Voice is published quarterly. The deadline for material and photos, Spring issue, is February 10, 1987. Submissions must be brief, type-written, double-spaced, include where, when and what, and address to california news.*



# API's Forum '86: A Gathering of Leaders

SACRAMENTO — A strategy session for leaders of the humane movement was sponsored by the Animal Protection Institute (API) October 17-19. The three-day event was held at the Capitol Plaza Hotel, attended by 300-plus activists, and was titled "Taking the Great Animal Crusades Over the Top — Forum '86."

A variety of workshops and presentations filled the day on Saturday with speakers including Dr. Bernard Rollin, professor at Colorado State University and author of *Animal Rights and Human Morality*, George Clements of the Association for the Protection of Furbearing Animals, demonstrated traps and showed the six-minute film, *Time to Care*. Other speakers included England's Allan Thornton and his updated report on the slaughter of pilot whales in the Faroe Islands, Ted Friend, noted animal behaviorist from Texas A&M, discussing alternate methods being developed to lessen the stress on farm animals, and Hayward University's Steve Sapontzis and Ontario's John Livingston, author of *One Cosmic Moment* and *The Fallacy of Wildlife Conservation*.

The Awards Banquet followed a hosted cocktail reception and included, among the awards ceremonies, a vegetarian dinner, dancing, an anti-vivisection play — and Virginia Handley of The Fund for Animals even sang a song to top off the night's celebrations!

Sunday morning featured conference speakers Lewis Regenstein and his slide presentation that coincided with the release of his updated book, *How to Survive in America the Poisoned*, and Luke Dommer of the Committee to Abolish Sport Hunting gave a very humorous and yet profound look into the world of so-called hunting conservationists. Donna Ewing of the Illinois Hooved Society presented an informative report and film on the racetrack subject before lunch broke.

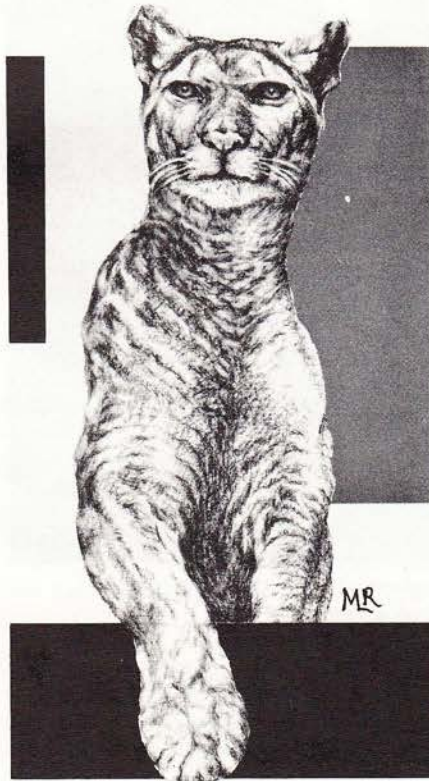
After lunch the Legislative Workshop with Syndee Brinkman of the National Alliance for Animal Legislation focused on effective grassroots lobbying, and Alternatives in Animal Use in Education Workshop followed. The rest of the afternoon was spent taking the API-sponsored tours: A nature tour to the Davis Raptor Rehabilitation Center to view 20 species of birds

and how they are returned to the wild and a leisurely 16-mile cocktail cruise down the Sacramento River on the Delta Queen.

The Forum '86 was informative and well-planned. And the banquet was a blast. As one conference participant noted, "The workshops are great and the slide shows and films make them all the more interesting, but what makes this conference tick isn't what happens up there," motioning to the podium, "it's what happens in the corners ... who's meeting whom."

Well, I for one, met a lot of neat and interesting people, and cutting through all the rhetoric, I'm proud to be a part of this movement. I also want to thank API for one fun and factual weekend.

— LAM



Taking the Great  
Crusades Over  
The Top

# ALF Terrorism: Part Two Holds Apology

SACRAMENTO — Attorney General John Van De Kamp's office has officially apologized — under threat of lawsuit — to California animal rights activists and admitted it erred in its "Annual Report to the California Legislature" in July when it said demonstrations by activists were "sponsored" by the Animal Liberation Front (ALF), a clandestine animal rights liberation organization.

After threats of lawsuits by animal rights activists, including a Sacramento mother and San Francisco veterinarian, the Attorney General's office has sent letters of apology to the activists admitting the mistake.

G.W. Clemons, director of the Division of Law Enforcement, signed under Van De Kamp's name a letter stating, in part: "I apologize for this error and for any problems which it may have caused you."

The report said the ALF, which has liberated animals abused in research labs, was connected to an April 1985 demonstration at the University of California, Davis Primate Center, and that it was one of the three most active terrorist organizations in the state.

The demonstrations at Davis, however, were organized by Animal Rights Direction Action Coalition (ARDAC), a Sacramento/San Francisco coalition of activists concerned about "institutionalized animal cruelty and abuse," said Dr. Elliot Katz, a San Francisco veterinarian who participated in ARDAC demonstrations that day, in his letter to Van De Kamp.

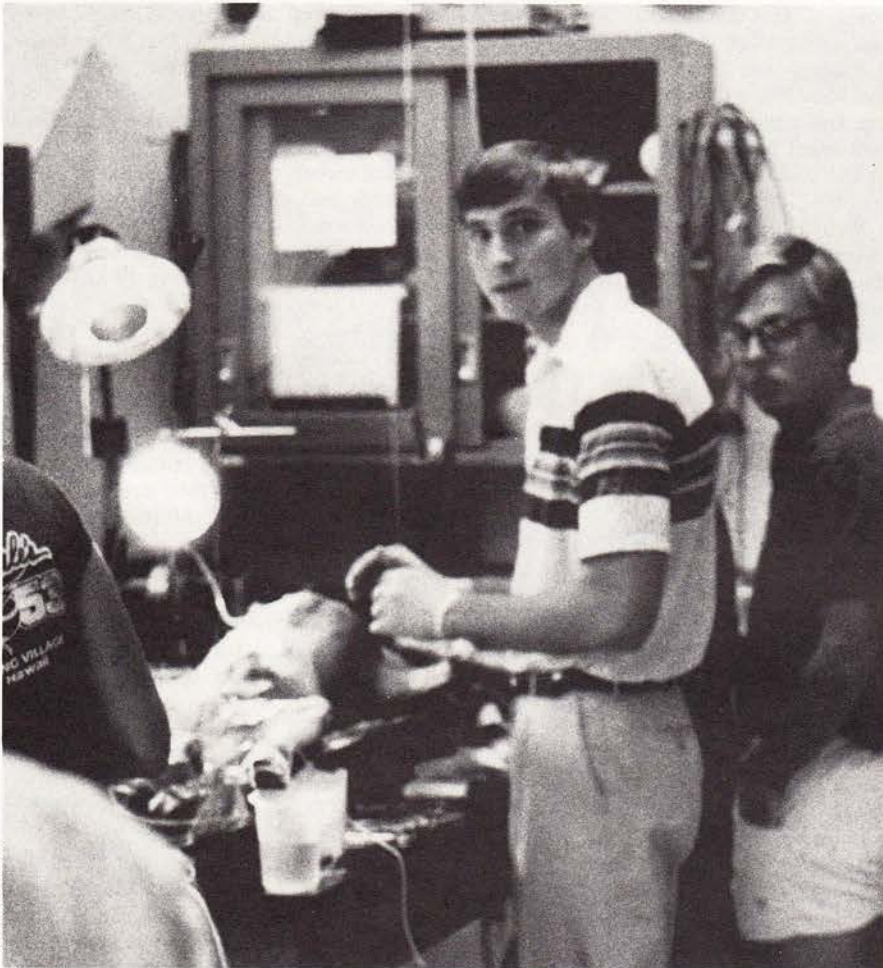
Katz added that he did not "consider myself a part of organized or unorganized crime," and demanded a public withdrawal of the Attorney General's statements branding animal rights activists as terrorists. He said he would file suit if the Attorney General did not "amend" his statements.

A similar letter was mailed to the Attorney General from LaVonne Bishop, a Sacramento mother and one of those arrested at the UC Davis protest. Activists said later they felt the "Report" was designed to "defame" their character and that of the animal rights movement.

Katz and Bishop indicated they are not entirely pleased with the Attorney General's response and may still file for declaratory relief.

# Activists File Suit; Target: UC Davis

CRESCENZO VELLUCCI, JR.



Surprised students look upon photographer/activist Cres Vellucci after he entered a basic physiology class at CSU, Sacramento.

DAVIS — Animal rights activists — claiming they believed their lives were in danger — have filed a \$100,000 suit against students and a professor who physically attacked them when they tried to ask questions at a University of California, Davis physiology class.

The Regents of the University of California are also named as defendants in the suit.

Executive director of the Animal Legal

Defense Fund (ALDF) Joyce Tischler, who wrote the complaint for the five activists, said it is the first case of its kind in the nation.

The incident occurred May 23, 1985 when activists and members of the news media entered the UC Davis lab, where students were experimenting on dogs from a local animal shelter.

Students and teaching personnel physi-

cally assaulted the group, attempted to strangle one activist, shoved and threw hot coffee on activists and news media and grabbed photographers' cameras.

The suit, filed in Yolo County Superior Court, names the Regents of the University of California as defendants, in addition to UC Davis Department of Animal Physiology chairman John Horowitz, teaching assistant Kathleen Backus and 30 students.

The suit accuses the Regents, Horowitz, Backus and the students with assault and battery, alleging activists were "threatened" and defendants were guilty of "violently pushing, shoving, strangling plaintiffs, by tossing hot coffee ...(and) using force and violence."

In another cause of action, the complaint charges the university "negligently and carelessly failed to supervise and direct its agents, students and employees, or to enforce pertinent rules and regulations."

The activists are asking for general, exemplary and punitive damages of no less than \$100,000 from Horowitz, Backus and the students and general damages from the University.

Activists named as plaintiffs include Lacey, Crescenzo Vellucci, Martin Gorda, Doris Kight and Lauren Tariel.

— Cres Vellucci, Jr.  
*California Independent News*

*As we go to press, the multiple misdemeanor charges against the activists have been dropped, but the activists' \$100,000 lawsuit against UC Davis has not.*

## Just Your Type

Have a personal computer? A modem, too, perhaps? Then you can send your newsletter: let your computer talk to our typesetting computer, the same one that delivers the type for *The Animals' Voice*. The typography is done by the publisher of *The Animals' Voice* because she operates the typesetting computer that delivers the type for *The Animals' Voice*. For more information, contact Laura Moretti, *The Animals' Voice*, P.O. Box 4305, Chico, CA 95927 or call (916) 342-5091. It can't be any more expensive. And in a round about sort of way, it keeps *The Animals' Voice* in business, too.

## Violence Erupts at Massive Direct Action

BERKELEY/LOS ANGELES — Seventy-one animal rights activists were arrested — including 44 in Berkeley where police brutally assaulted several protesters — October 22 in the largest demonstrations since April aimed at getting the University of California to change the way in which it uses animals in research.

The simultaneous actions — organized by Animal Rights Direct Action Coalition (ARDAC) in Berkeley and Last Chance for Animals in Los Angeles — took place at UC Berkeley and UCLA, and included demonstrators “invading” the main research building at Berkeley, and, at UCLA, chaining themselves to the doors of the major research facility.

While the protests were orderly at UCLA, state police at Berkeley — guarding the entrance to the office of UC President David Gardner — first shoved, then beat and abused demonstrators.

More than 100 demonstrators at Berkeley surprised police earlier in the day when they entered the Life Sciences Building, where much of the research at Berkeley takes place. Police tried to stop the marchers, but gave up when the numbers overwhelmed them. Demonstrators spent about half an hour in the building distributing flyers about research animal abuse.

However, the activists were met by a dozen or more armed police at Gardner's office a few minutes later, and were prevented from even reaching the front doors of the state building.

When the crowd pressed forward to enter police lunged at activists, hitting some with billy clubs and others with fists. Several activists later produced evidence of bruises, cut lips and twisted wrists and arms.

Eventually, police arrested 41 demonstrators for trespassing, and three others for trespassing and interfering with an officer (resisting arrest).

Unlike the 41, those three were booked at the campus police station and held until they posted \$1500 bail each, an extraordinary amount according to observers.

The three apparently did nothing more, and even less, than other demonstrators

except that — in at least two cases — they were considered “organizers” by police.

Before arrests, Berkeley demonstrators played sounds of puppies dying at City of Hope when their mother — a subject of research which prevented her from nursing — could not help them. At both sites, activists exhibited photos of kittens mutilated at UCLA.

Organizers charged Gardner has failed to favorably respond to any of the six points the coalition has proposed.

In a letter to UC President David P. Gardner, Dr. Elliot M. Katz, a veterinarian and president of In Defense of Animals, said the university's research history is “fraught with irresponsibility and negligence ... callousness and indifference associated with well-documented instances of animal cruelty and abuse.”

UC Berkeley was eventually fined \$12,000, and state funds for construction were withheld for repeated violations of the federal Animal Welfare Act.

Katz also revealed the existence of recently released photographs of kittens mutilated in UCLA laboratories — the result of a long, undercover operation by activists — which show “ongoing sloppiness and animal abuse.”

The protests come at a time when many activists already face jail as a result of earlier arrests. In fact, five activists will serve five days December 1 for UC Davis civil disobedience, one is scheduled to be sentenced to jail October 27 in Los Angeles and another will be going to jail in Palo Alto in early November. And, more than three dozen other activists have trials beginning in November.

— Cres Vellucci

California Independent News

(NOTE: The author, an independent activist who is West Coast Director for Trans Species Unlimited, was one of those assaulted by police when he offered legal advice to those risking arrest at UC Berkeley. He and another were released from jail only after In Defense of Animals' President Elliot Katz posted \$1500 bail.)

## “71” Club Seeks Donations for Elephant Woes

Actress Lindsay Wagner and her fan club have joined the Sacramento-based Performing Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) in a fundraising program to benefit an orphaned African elephant. Temporarily known as number “71,” the 600-pound, 3-year-old female elephant is now living at the PAWS shelter in Galt, south of Sac-



ramento. A goal of \$20,000 has been set to provide for the animal's immediate needs.

A check for \$1,500 was presented to PAWS from Wagner's fan club to pay for the elephant's flight from Florida to San Francisco in August. Wagner's fan club was assigned “71” as its official mascot, according to Kathy Bartells, the fan club president.

71's mother was shot to death in Zimbabwe two and a half years ago during a systematic government cull. Arthur Jones of Florida rescued 71 and scores of other baby elephants and flew them to his 800-acre ranch outside of Ocala, Florida.

In Florida all the elephants thrived except 71, who because she was small and frail, could not keep up with the herd. Last summer 71 received special care from the University of Florida's School of Veterinary Medicine, where Dr. George Kollias, formerly of the University of California, Davis, concluded that 71 could not thrive in the herd without a mother to care for her.

Because no mother was available, 71 was moved to the PAWS California facility, where she receives constant care, a special diet and her own play area.

All donations to the 71 Club are tax-deductible. For more information call the shelter at (209) 745-2606.

# more news and notes...

## Animal Shelter Needs Donations

The Butte County Humane Society (BCHS) in Chico will be constructing a new animal shelter in 1987. The present shelter is overcrowded, outdated and lies in the path of residential development. The BCHS, a full-service humane society serving Butte and surrounding counties, annually cares for more than 2,000 animals. In January, the BCHS will also begin sheltering stray animals for the City of Chico. Negotiations are also progressing for the same arrangement for Butte County animals with the goal of all sheltered animals in one location. Costs for the new shelter are estimated at \$200,000. Donations can be sent to BCHS, 2160 Humbolt Road, Chico, CA 95928.

## Truck Ordinance

The Sacramento SPCA has started a petition drive for an ordinance to ban dogs from the back of pick-up trucks. The proposed ordinance has already been proposed to the Sacramento City Council, and meetings with members of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors are now under way. Counties in California that have passed similar ordinances include Marin, Alameda, Santa Clara, San Mateo, San Francisco and Contra Costa. California cities with a ban on dogs in the back of open pick-up trucks include Antioch, Cupertino and San Francisco. Anyone in the Sacramento area who would like to help collect signatures on petitions, may call the SPCA at (916) 383-PETS.

## Cruelty-Free Cosmetics

**Nationally:** Beauty Without Cruelty, 175 W. 12th St., New York, NY 10011, wants names of stores in your town or city which sell cruelty-free cosmetics for their compassionate shoppers guide. **In Northern California:** Cruelty-free cosmetics and household products can be purchased from: Sacramento Health Food Co-Op, Sacramento, Cordova Nutrition Center, Rancho Cordova, Elliott's Health Foods, Sacramento/Fair Oaks, Davis Co-Op, Davis (tagged), Sherry Holte, Orangevale (916) 988-8252 for Fani Products (cosmetics), Chico Natural Foods, Chico, Bread and Better, Chico. **In Southern California:** Velvet (manufacturer), P.O. Box 5459, Beverly Hills, CA 90210. **In the Bay Area:** Pet Supply Shop, Peninsula Humane Society, San Mateo.

## Anti-Fur Bumperstickers

"It takes 40 dumb animals to make one coat, but only one to wear it." Join the growing battle against the cruelty of furs. The two-color bumpersticker can be obtained from Pet-Pourri for only 45¢. To order by mail, send 75¢ (including postage and handling) to Pet-Pourri, 2530 Lafayette Street, Santa Clara, CA 95050. Be sure to include your name and address and number of bumperstickers you want.

## Petition Drive

Nationwide, it is estimated that 100,000 dogs are killed or injured annually by falling or being thrown out of the back of trucks. Though many states have ordinances requiring dogs travelling in trucks to be restrained, California has no such law. In a joint effort by the Tuolumne County Humane Society and the Tuolumne County Kennel Club, petitions are being sent to humane societies and kennel clubs statewide asking State Senator John Garamendi of Walnut Grove to sponsor a bill requiring all dogs travelling in the back of pick-up trucks to be restrained. While many localities have passed their own ordinances to this respect, most find enforcement difficult due to lack of support from the state. For more information or to obtain petitions, contact the Tuolumne County Humane Society at P.O. Box 446, Sonora, CA 95370 or call (209) 532-8827.

## Letters Needed

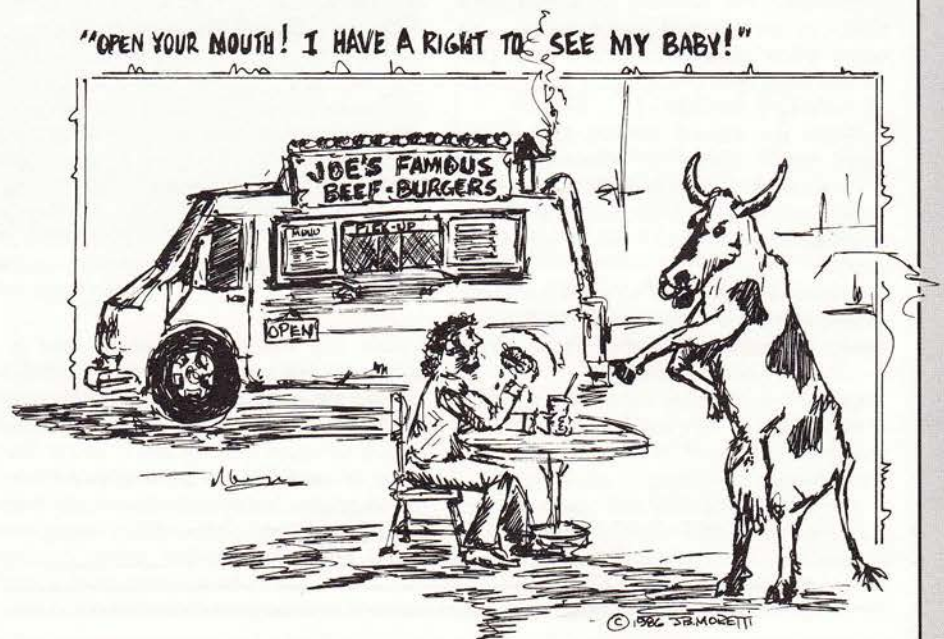
**On animal research:** Students United Protesting Research on Sentient Subjects (SUPPRESS) urges letters to KCET TV Channel 28, Attn. Ellen Geiger, National Productions, 4401 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90027 to encourage the showing of *Hidden Crimes* on public television.

## Environmental Directions

Now in its 10th year, *Environmental Directions* continues to provide the only weekly, half-hour, interview-format radio series covering the entire range of problems facing the earth's ecosystem. Tune in. Outlets for fall 1986: KPWR - Power 106 FM, Sunday, 6:30 a.m. Los Angeles; KIDE, Monday, 10:00 a.m. For further information about *Environmental Directions*, write PO Box 35473, Los Angeles, CA 90035 or call (213) 559-9160.

## Help Wanted

The West Coast Regional Office of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) is seeking information about how animal-control programs are conducted on Indian reservations. Contact HSUS at 1713 J St., Suite 211, Sacramento, CA 95814.



## S.O.S. Needs Help

The California Fish and Game Commission has approved an open hunting season on squirrels from September 1986 until January 1, 1987 in the San Bernardino Mountains, and a group of San Bernardino citizens has formed Save Our Squirrels (S.O.S.) in an effort to stop it. To protest the so-called hunt, write to Harold Cribbs, Executive Secretary, California Fish and Game Commission, 1416 Ninth St., Box 944209, Sacramento, CA 94244-2090.

## Product Testing List

The Animal Protection Institute (API) has published a listing of "Who's Using Animals, and Who's Not" in reference to product manufacturing companies. The list contains 207 companies and can be obtained by writing API, 5894 South Land Park Drive, PO Box 22505, Sacramento, CA 95822.

## Between the Species

*Between the Species* (BTS) is a quarterly humanities journal and is subtitled *A Journal of Ethics*. It is co-edited by John Stockwell, of the Schweitzer Institute of Berkeley, Professor Steve Sapontzis, of the Department of Philosophy at California State University, Hayward, and Professor George Abbe, of the Department of English at the State University of New York. Subscriptions are \$12 annually, \$3 for single issues. Make checks payable to *Between the Species* and send to BTS, PO Box 254, Berkeley, CA 94701.

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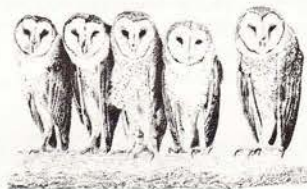
*For an accurate relay of your information, please include area codes with phone numbers, street addresses, suite and floor numbers, etc. If you prefer more detailed descriptions of your projects, campaigns, needs, etc., please write a brief paragraph, typewritten, double-spaced, with all of the necessary information (what, where, when and why) and mail to: Janice Warner, News Editor, The Animals' Voice, P.O. Box 4305, Chico, CA 95927.*

## Bonding With Nature

Jim Swan, Ph.D., Box 367, Mill Valley, CA 94941 is "collecting case histories of people who have had special experiences of bonding with nature. I am interested in learning how people feel they have become aware of their connection to nature being so essential to life, and if a specific place has had any influence in the bonding process."

## PAWS Gallery

The Performing Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) has opened an office and art gallery in downtown Sacramento. The office is in the Capitol Plaza Building, 1025 Ninth St., Suite 226. The phone number is (916) 441-3041. The gallery features the pen and ink drawings of Jan Jellins. More than 350 domestic and exotic animals are represented, including nearly every breed of dog and cat. Wildlife and domestic animal works are available in 11"x14" and some wildlife works are available in 18"x24".



## Pet Aid Booklet

The Sacramento SPCA has published a 19-page Pet Aid Booklet, which is available for \$1, including postage. The book is written in simple terms and is filled with handy first aid information. For a copy, mail your dollar to SSPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Road, Sacramento, CA 95828.

## The California Cat

Peninsula Humane Society (PHS) has approached Neiman-Marcus in regards to its new "line" of cats — specifically, its "California Spangled Cat," which it's advertising as a "completely new breed of American Domestic feline" (as if there aren't enough already). The cat is spotted and comes in a variety of colors, their ad claims, and is delivered to you personally. Yay. If you order an animal through their 1986 Christmas Book, you can get one for \$1400. PHS suggests if you'd like to tell Richard Marcus of Neiman-Marcus how you feel about their advertisement, write him, c/o President of the Board, Neiman-Marcus, 16 Main Street, Dallas, TX 75201.

## Information Lines

Agricultural Council of America (800) 424-4445; Conservation and Renewable Energy Inquiry and Referral Service (800) 523-2929; Consumer Product Safety Commission (800) 638-2772; EPA Small Business Ombudsman (800) 368-5888; EPA Superfund/RCRA Hotline (800) 424-9346; EPA Toxic Substances Control Act Hotline (800) 424-9065; EPA Pesticides Service Center Hotline (800) 858-7378; EPA National Pesticide Information Clearinghouse (800) 858-7378; Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (800) 424-5200; HHS National Health Information Clearinghouse (800) 336-4797; National Response Center of the Department of Transportation (reports on oil spills) (800) 424-8802.

## Mountain Lions T-Shirt

Protect California Mountain Lions T-shirt — has a lovely drawing of two cats to accompany words. \$10.60 plus \$1.00 postage and handling from the Mountain Lion Coalition, PO Box 1896, Sacramento, CA 94809 / (916) 442-2666.

## Computer Environmental Networks

**Econet** — General interest environmental networking system, as well as host carrier for smaller systems. Free one-month trial from Christian Stalberg, The Fallones Institute, 15290 Coleman Valley Road, Occidental, CA 95465 / (707) 874-3060; **Energy Network** — Energy activists communicating on matters of mutual interest. Brian Williams, 12300 Morro Road, Atascadero, CA 93422 / (805) 546-2649; **Environet** — General interest bulletin board. David L. Salahi, 90 Streamwood, Irvine, CA 92714 / (714) 731-6439 for access.

*"Tell the man wandering about in the park tonight that the money that funded the half-way house and the money that kept the mental health clinic doors open is now being used to make rats schizophrenic. Tell the old lady who lost her eyeglasses subsidy that the money is being used to blind pigeons. Then tell ME why those who use money to harm, not help, can still get an audience in this society."* — Raymond Abers, Ph.D.

# the california calendar

## Boutique Sale

**November 8:** For information contact the Sacramento SPCA, 6201 Florin-Perkins Road, Sacramento, CA 95828.

## SARA Seminar #7

**November 15:** Animal Allies is presenting a Society Against Animal Research Abuse Seminar entitled "Toxicology Testing Using Animals: A Disgrace and Farce." The seminar features speakers Ned Buyukmihci, VMD, president and co-founder of the Association of Veterinarians for Animal Rights, and Toni Hopman, founder and president of Animal Allies. The seminar is being held at NBC Studios, 3000 W. Alameda Avenue, Burbank, Rehearsal Hall #5 at a cost of \$3.00. For further information, call Animal Allies at (213) 936-5166 or write PO Box 35063, Los Angeles 90035.

## Wild Wisdom

**November 19:** Poet/environmentalist speaks on "Wild Wisdom," part of the Viriditas Lecture Series on spiritual values and contemporary issues. First Congregational Church of Berkeley, 2345 Channing Way, \$5. For information call (415) 449-1261.



## Cetacean Conference

**November 21-23:** The American Cetacean Society will once again be hosting an outstanding conference entitled "The World's Whales; the Whales' World" in Monterey. This should be "THE" whale event of the year. The conference program will include top experts in the field of cetacean research and conservation discussing human/cetacean interactions, cetaceans in the wild, and a host of topics involving whale biology and ecology. A pelagic trip is also planned for Monterey Bay. For further information contact the American Cetacean Society, National Headquarters, PO Box 2639, San Pablo, CA 90731.

## Open House

**November 22-23:** The Performing Animal Welfare Society will have an open house at its shelter in Galt from noon to 4 p.m. both days. The shelter is at 11435 Simmerhorn Road in Galt (14 miles south of Sacramento off Highway 99). A dozen former performing animals are housed at the shelter, which is operated by Pat Derby, a former Hollywood animal trainer who now works to prevent abuse of animals in entertainment. The shelter phone number is (209) 745-2606.

## Thanksgiving Dinner

**November 23:** People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals will have its third annual Vegetarian Thanksgiving Dinner in Sacramento. The dinner will be held at the Eagle's Hall, 1112 15th St. No-host cocktails will begin at 5 p.m. with dinner scheduled from 6-8 p.m. Live music and entertainment will be featured, and there will be a drawing for prizes. For information call (916) 487-7382.

## Thanksgiving Dinner

**November 27:** A vegetarian Thanksgiving dinner with the East Bay Vegetarian Society. Call John (415) 526-5346 for information.

## Craft Boutique

**December 1-23:** The Performing Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) will have its Christmas crafts boutique open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the PAWS office in Sacramento. The office is in the Capitol Plaza Building, 1025 Ninth St., Suite 226. Featured will be handcrafted items, jams, and other baked goods and wildlife T-shirts. Call the office at (916) 441-3041 for details.

## X-mas Boutique

**December 5 & 6:** A Christmas Boutique is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Dec. 5 & 6 by the Peninsula Humane Society (PHS). Contributions are welcome! Contact PHS by writing 12 Airport Blvd., San Mateo, CA 94401 or by calling (415) 573-3720.



Action Lines are usually 24-hour recorded messages concerning animal rights/welfare issues and events, produced weekly.

## In the Bay Area:

**Animal Rights Action Line**  
(415) 474-4202

**Animal Switchboard**  
(415) 885-2679  
(directory)

**Animal Abuse Hotline**  
(415) 924-4586  
(see their ad in this issue)

## In Southern CA

**Vegetarian/Vegan Hotline**  
(213) 820-1559  
(potlucks, lectures, etc.)

**SUPRESS Action Line**  
(818) 798-3300

**San Diego PETA**  
(619) 940-1450

**PETA/WARN**  
(619) 940-1450

## Nationally

**Animal Rights Hotline**  
(212) 662-6101  
(federal legislation)

If you know about an organization sponsoring an animal rights/welfare action line, please send the name of the organization and the action line phone number to The Animals' Voice, P.O. Box 4305, Chico, CA 95927.

# SUPPORT GROUPS

## Bay Area

**In Defense of Animals**  
Meets monthly at several locations around San Francisco  
(415) 924-4454  
(in Corte Madera)

**Support Group for Animal Activists in the Eastbay**  
Marilyn (415) 521-4885

**Feminists for AR**  
Meets twice monthly  
Marti (415) 547-7251  
Ellen (415) 533-4189

**Animal Rights Connection**  
Meets the 2nd/4th Tuesday each month  
(415) 530-6043

**Animal Action SG**  
3rd Thursday each month  
(415) 342-3523

**Animal Advocates Workshop**  
through the Peninsula Humane Society  
2nd Wednesday each month  
(415) 340-8129

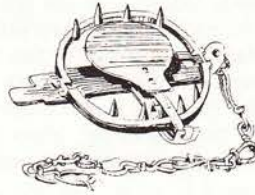
**The Fund for Animals**  
Last Saturday of each month  
(415) 474-4020

## North. CA

**Pet Loss SG**  
1st and 3rd Tuesday each month  
(916) 456-0240

## Fur Demonstration

**December 13:** The annual fur demonstration at Union Square, San Francisco, noon. The Fund for Animals Christmas Party follows at their office in Fort Mason Center, San Francisco (415) 474-4020.



## Christmas Party

**December 13:** The Performing Animal Welfare Society will have its annual Christmas party for the animals at its shelter in Galt, 11435 Simmerhorn Road, from noon to 4 p.m. The animals will be treated to Christmas presents of food, and a decorated Christmas tree. For more information call the shelter at (209) 745-2606.

## Tom Regan in SF

**January 16-18, 1987:** Tom Regan will be appearing in the Bay Area early in January 1987 in connection with the official West Coast premiere of his new film, *We Are All Noah*, as a joint benefit for *Between the Species* and the *Culture and Animals Foundation*. The benefit will be part of a conference, *The Humane Community*, sponsored by the Schweitzer Center. Watch *The Animals' Voice* for further information and write for a preliminary conference brochure to: Schweitzer Center, San Francisco Bay Institute, P.O. Box 254, Berkeley, CA 94701 (415) 526-5346.

## PETS Workshop

**February 1987:** The West Coast Regional Office of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) will host a three-day HSUS Professional Education and Training Service (PETS) seminar in Sacramento. The PETS program is tailored specifically to the needs of executive directors and/or managers of private non-profit or governmental animal care and control facilities. For more information, please contact the HSUS at 1713 J Street, Suite 211, Sacramento, CA 95814 or call (916) 447-3295.

## Hidden Crimes

**Ongoing:** A film produced by Students United Protesting Research on Sentient Subjects (SUPPRESS), entitled *Hidden Crimes*, is shown every Wednesday at 7 p.m., 4070 West Third Street, Los Angeles (near Normandie). For further information about *Hidden Crimes*, write SUPPRESS, 750 E. Colorado Blvd., Suite 6, Pasadena, CA 91101 or call (818) 584-0446. Also, see ad for the film in this issue.

## Whale Watching

**Still time:** Whale watching expeditions can be planned by writing The Ocean Society, Fort Mason Center, Building E, San Francisco, CA 94123 or by calling (415) 441-1106. Subscribe to *Whalewatcher*, the Journal of the American Cetacean Society, for whale watching trips, etc., P.O. Box 2639, San Pedro, CA 90731, or call (213) 548-6279. The Whale Center in Oakland will take you out for daily excursions to see blues, humpbacks, and grays. Write The Whale Center at 3929 Piedmont Ave., Oakland, CA 94611 or call (415) 654-6621.

## Fur Leafletting

**Every Saturday:** Keep up the year long fur leafletting at Robert's Furs, 272 Post near Union Square, 1 p.m. Call Leo at (415) 585-9658.

## REPORT ANIMAL ABUSE

Recent break-ins and undercover activities at university and research centers have brought to light graphic evidence of gross negligence and irresponsibility in the use of animals in research and classroom demonstrations. We believe we shouldn't have to rely on break-ins to learn about illegal or unethical treatment of animals. That's why we're inviting those who work with the animals in schools, laboratories and research centers to report any procedures or conditions involving animals that you feel may be wrong, inappropriate, redundant, wasteful or cruel.

**Animal Abuse Hotline**  
(415) 924-4586

**In Defense of Animals**  
21 Tamal Vista Blvd.  
Corte Madera, CA 94925

## The bills that passed ...

### Endangered Species

**AB 524** Support  
by Assembly Member Jim Costa

Extends to July 1, 1986 the requirement that state agencies consult with the Department of Fish and Game to determine if projects would jeopardize endangered or threatened species or their habitat.

### Dog Licenses

**AB 1882** Support  
by Assembly Member Peter Chacon

Permits the issuance of three-year dog licenses to coincide with the three-year rabies vaccination, but allows dog owners to choose one, two or three-year licenses.



### Fish and Wildlife Fines

**AB 2631** Support  
by Assembly Member Jim Costa

Requires that fines for certain violations of fish and wildlife laws be placed in the Fish & Wildlife Pollution Cleanup & Abatement Account. Funds in excess of \$500,000 in the Account shall be released annually for preservation of plants, wildlife and fisheries.

### Animal Research

**AB 2404** No Position  
by Assembly Member William Filante

Originally made it a felony to steal laboratory animals or to burglarize or damage research facilities. AB 2404 was passed by the Assembly after it was successfully amended to make such actions either a misdemeanor or a felony, which is already the present law. It was completely changed in the Senate to create a \$4,000,000 AIDS Vaccine Research & Development Grant Program.

### Bighorn Sheep

**AB 3117** Oppose  
by Assembly Member Richard Mountjoy

Allows trophy hunting of the now fully protected Nelson bighorn sheep in the Old Dad and Marble Mountains in San Bernardino County until January 1, 1993. It also requires the Fish and Game Department to develop "management" plans for all bighorn sheep by management units.

### Wildlife

**AB 3147** Neutral  
by Assembly Member Norman Waters

Among other provisions, originally repealed the laws which forbid the pursuit of birds and mammals by motorized vehicles, set the season for killing furbearing mammals, and specify methods by which furbearing mammals may be killed. These are covered by Fish and Game Commission regulations, but we still didn't want them deleted from the law. AB 3147 was successfully amended to retain these prohibitions in the law as well as in the regulations.

### Offshore Oil

**AB 4044** Support  
by Assembly Member Sam Farr

Places strict liability on oil companies in most cases for damages resulting from their offshore oil operations. Countless birds and marine life have suffered from oil spills in the past.

### Wildlife & Natural Areas Bonds

**SB 805** Support  
by Senator Robert Presley

Originally provided for an \$85,000,000 bond issue for the conservation of highly rare natural areas and certain critical habitat. The Governor said that he would approve no more than \$2 billion in bonds for the November ballot, and this bill was not placed on the Legislature's priority list. It was then changed to appropriate \$1,500,000 from the Environmental License Plate fund for acquisition and development of ecological reserves. This was lowered to \$1,000,000 by the Governor.

## PAW PAC

*The California Political  
Action Committee for Animals*  
Post Office Box 2354  
San Francisco, CA 94126  
(415) 885-2679

**What is PAW PAC?** We're a unique organization registered with the Secretary of State to help elect state candidates who defend animals — whether pets, wildlife or farm animals — against cruelty, depletion and exploitation.

**Why is PAW PAC unique?** We are an all-volunteer organization. We have NO paid staff and NO office rent, so ALL receipts go to humane candidates and to raise money for their campaigns.

**Is PAW PAC affiliated with a political party or other organization?** No. However, many of us work with other organizations which, because of their tax-exempt status, cannot contribute money to political campaigns.

It doesn't matter whether a candidate is a Democrat or Republican — as long as he or she helps animals!

**Who runs PAW PAC?** Our Board is composed of animal activists, lobbyists, educators, lawyers, and other professionals and citizens who recognize that to make California a better place for animals, we must be political. Collectively, our Board members have a century of practical experience in politics and lobbying for animals in Sacramento!

**How does PAW PAC work?** Thousands of Californians have joined together to donate over \$50,000 to date for humane candidates through PAW PAC. We carefully analyze over 100 state campaigns and concentrate our resources on the close races where pro-animal candidates are opposed by those hostile to animals.

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### Anti-Cruelty

SB 2330 Support  
by Senator Dan McCorquodale

Originally raised the penalty for maliciously torturing, maiming or killing a stray dog or cat so that it could be either a felony or a misdemeanor, but this change was defeated. SB 2330 now requires that abused animals belonging to persons convicted of cruelty not be returned to their owners.

### Endangered Species Tax Check-Off

AB 2754 Support  
by Assembly Member Frank Vicencia

Makes donations through voluntary check-offs on the state income tax return, including donations to the endangered species program, deductible for state income tax purposes.

### Animal Research

SB 1405 Support  
by Senator David Roberti

Permitted qualified State Humane Officers to accompany State Department of Health Services inspectors on inspections of (a) animal research facilities if six months had elapsed since the last U.S. Department of Agriculture inspection, and (b) animal dealers if three months had elapsed since the last USDA inspection. Passed by the legislature but vetoed by the Governor.

## ... and those that failed

### Animal Research

AB 3626 Support  
by Assembly Member Bill Bradley

Would have made it a crime to fail to provide for the humane care, treatment or use of research animals, or to subject them to "pain which causes suffering," thus banning certain types of experiments. AB 3626 was patterned after a policy at the University of Southern California. Failed in Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee.

### Endangered Species Tax Check-Off

AB 540 Oppose  
by Assembly Member Elihu Harris

This rewrite of state income tax laws would have repealed voluntary check-offs for donations, including those to the endangered species program. Failed in Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee.

### Greenbelt Area Bonds

SB 1717 Support  
by Senator Ken Maddy

Provided for a \$500,000,000 bond issue for an agricultural, natural and park lands conservation program. Since the Governor said he would sign no more than \$2 billion in bond bills and this did not make the Legislature's priority list, it died in Assembly Ways and Means without a vote being taken.

### Lost Animals

SB 2010 Support  
by Senators Alan Robbins and David Roberti

Required public shelters to provide owners of lost animals and those who find lost animals with certain helpful information, and to maintain "lost and found" lists. Required a study of the feasibility of establishing a statewide communications system linking all public shelters for licensing and lost and found services. Passed by the Legislature but vetoed by the Governor.

### Mountain Lions

AB 3889 Oppose  
by Assembly Member Norman Waters

Required the Fish and Game Commission to manage mountain lions when depredation "cannot be controlled under the usual depredation permit process." Failed in Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee.



### Mountain Lions

AB 947 Oppose  
by Assembly Member Norman Waters

Focused on requiring "management" of mountain lions, but would also have loosened provisions for killing depredating lions, bears and wild pigs. In effect, dropped by the author in Senate Natural Resources and Wildlife Committee.

Legislation prepared by PAWPAC and The Fund for Animals.

### Condors

AB 2833 No Position  
by Assembly Member Lucy Killea

Appropriated \$1,500,000 from the Environmental License Plate Fund for California condor projects. Authorized the Fish & Game Department to develop a California condor preservation project including habitat protection, field research, and a controversial captive breeding and release program. One million dollars would have gone to the San Diego and Los Angeles zoos for the captive breeding and release program. Passed by the Legislature but vetoed by the Governor.

### Spay/Neuter Tax Credit

AB 1628 Support  
by Assembly Member Norman Waters

Allowed a limited state income tax credit for spaying/neutering a dog or cat for those with incomes under \$25,000. Failed in Assembly Ways and Means Committee.

**B**efore a wolf was brought into their classroom, a group of grade school children were asked to draw pictures of wolves. The wolves in the pictures all had enormous fangs. The wolf was brought in, and the person with him began speaking about wolves. The children were awed by the animal. When the wolf left, the teacher asked the children to do another drawing. The new drawings had no large fangs. They all had enormous feet. — *Of Wolves and Men* by Barry Lopez

The gloom lifted when they emerged from the darkened hallways of the archive, and stepped out into the early afternoon sun. Birds in high-topped trees greeted them with song, their shrill voices ringing throughout the crispness of a vast blue sky. Taylor stretched his arms over his head and closed his eyes to absorb the sun's warmth. Then he laughed off the irony.

"This is paradise," he said playfully, nudging Joseph as he stepped past him and followed their trail to the Lander.

Climbing aboard the vehicle, they were carried many miles, at high speed, across the continent in search of new discoveries. They passed beautifully-sculptured rock formations, commented on the shadows cast by billowing clouds, and paused along the journey when they were temporarily captivated by wild flowers growing in seemingly endless fields. The abundance of bird species in every corner of the globe astounded them. They met with enormous flocks of small and large birds; followed, on foot, across mountainous terrain, the trails of wild goats and bighorn sheep. Standing on a hilltop overlooking a lush green valley, they watched in awe a herd of horses racing with the wind.

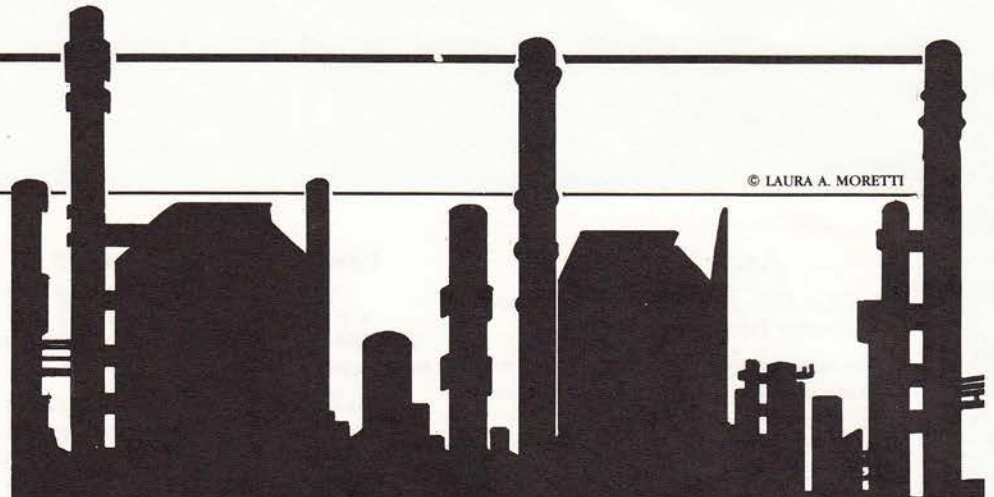
But it was only the sea that drew them in. The froth of ocean spray, the rhythm of gentle breaking waves, the cries of seabirds along the rocky shore, captivated them in an endless silence of wonderment and joy.

Taylor sat upon a weather-worn rock and watched Joseph wander across the sand before him, staring toward the horizon where the sun was a few hours from touching the sea. The technology that protected them from the odors, the clearness of sound, the ability to touch their environment, had finally begun to annoy him. Cradled in isolation, Taylor felt the resentment and bitterness, the unyielding urge to remove his clothing and gear, and seek refuge in the beauty and protection of the Earth.

"Joseph?" he called, getting to his feet. Joseph turned around.

"I've got to know how she feels," he said, approaching Joseph on the beach. "I can't go back to the ship without knowing how this *feels*," Joseph stood quietly while Taylor removed his belts, unfastened, unzipped the suit he was wearing, and stepped out of it, in bare feet, to stand on the sand.

His senses were flooded with a magnification of sound, the abruptness of smell, the sharp, awakening sensation of touch; his bared skin tickled from cool breezes, and the rich odor of salt penetrated his



## The Paradox Part 2

By Laura A. Moretti



nostrils, depriving him momentarily of his first breath of natural air.

Joseph cautioned him to breathe slowly, taking Taylor's forearm in a strong hand to steady him. He suddenly laughed, amused with Taylor's expression, no longer alarmed.

"It's cold?" Joseph asked, trying to get Taylor's attention, but it was to no avail. Taylor was staring toward the horizon, his eyes widened as a myriad of sensations swam through his blood and swept over his nakedness, entering every pore. Moved beyond words, he, too, began to laugh,

then to dance, to skip across the beach with Joseph trailing him.

"Fantastic!" he cried, an ocean wave greeting him as he dropped to hands and knees in the sand, and filtered it through his fingers. "This is just incredible!" Joseph was standing nearby, amused and awed as he watched Taylor transform from professionalism into delightful insanity. Taylor sprayed him with water, then with wet hands, he touched his tongue and tasted the bitterness of salt and seaweed. Like a little boy, he sat firmly on the oozing ground and allowed one wave after

another to roll over him, taking the sand out from beneath him when the ocean called it back again.

Now Joseph was laughing. "I'm not as brave as you, Taylor. It has turned you into a madman and one of us must remain sane enough to get us home."

"Ah," Taylor noted, this time seizing the belt fastener and releasing it from Joseph's waist. "And therein you err. This is home, mind you. We've been *insane* until now."

"That's a matter of professional opinion," Joseph told him, rising to his feet, to elude his seducer. Their relay of words and gestures were energetic and sportive. Taylor's effort to coax Joseph into joining his nakedness, his experience of a wondrous environment, led them into a jovial gambol along the shore of a living beach of ancient rock and weathered driftwood.

Convulsing with laughter, Taylor finally overtook his entertained comrade, dragging him into the wet sand, where he removed the man's helmet without much resistance, and delighted in his companion's reaction.

"Oh, dear God," Joseph gasped, the sky turning round overhead, the amplitude of sound and smell enveloping him. "Oh, God, Taylor," he nearly cried, laughing in spite of his joyous tears, "I've gone mad, too!" And he struggled out from beneath Taylor to undress in the coolness of late afternoon, to allow the Earth to awaken his being to the true sense of self, to know, finally, that Earth was not just Taylor's home, not just home for beast and bird, but his home, too.

He belonged here.

*They* belonged here.

**P**ressing his back to the cool grass, Taylor stared through the leaf-covered tree toward the sky. It had been, perhaps, the most relaxing moments they had encountered since their arrival on Earth. The sun was warming, but the shade was pleasing. They would have to go back to the ship soon, so these last few hours were spent in relative silence, sharing a bondage no other human being could imagine.

But there was a decision to be made.

"What are we going to do, Joseph?" Taylor asked, a sudden blanket of grief overcoming him.

"What do you want to do?"

Joseph's voice had drifted over to him. It was concerned, almost as if he had already contemplated Taylor's direction.

"I don't think I know. I'm afraid to tell them there's life on Earth. I wouldn't want to be responsible for another tragedy like the one that came before us. On the other

hand, I'm not totally certain it would ever happen again. We are far removed from the mindset of a people who killed for personal gain. But I also can't predict tomorrow," he sighed. "I don't know enough about today to feel confident in believing circumstances would never be such to recreate the tragedy." He propped onto an elbow to see Joseph. "But I can't say goodbye, either."

"Maybe the real tragedy is making the wrong decision. Maybe not saying a word to Mother Ship, like the others before us evidently decided, would be a tragedy. Maybe we'd be depriving our people of a paradise that could remain — *because* of our people — a paradise."

"You want them to know?"

"Not necessarily. That's something we must decide together, and yet, I don't feel comfortable having been given the power to make that decision for my family, and your family, and our family in kin."

Taylor stared away, across a green field of grasses. Beautiful, beautiful home. The burden was almost too much to bear, even between them. "If we tell them, and if there's only a one percent chance that we open the floodgates to a nation of people even remotely different from the way we are now, can you live with yourself?"

"No." He was that certain.

"Nor I with me. The question is not whether we tell them, but whether we're willing to take the risk of being wrong by telling them."

"But if we don't tell them," Joseph hypothesized, "can you go to Mother Ship willingly? Can you live with yourself then?"

"If I leave Earth, if I say goodbye," Taylor answered sadly, meeting Joseph's concerned expression with his own, "it will kill me."

Joseph smiled at him. "Maybe we've been wrong about us. Maybe we've assumed all along that our people could keep this place a paradise. If we make a decision based on selfishness — when the stakes are Earth herself — then what is the true nature of our kind if not greed?"

Taylor forced a smile. "Sometimes you are wiser than I."

Joseph grunted. "Having a question doesn't make you wise," he reminded him. "It's having the answer."

**T**aylor handed Joseph a yellow flower, releasing it to him. "Taste it. They grow among the grasses. I watched the bison this morning and they were eating them. They seemed to like them."

"Have you eaten one?" Joseph asked, not certain it wouldn't kill him.

"Yes," Taylor laughed. "Do you think I'd sacrifice you?"

Joseph popped the flower into his mouth, and chewed, his facial expression reflecting the distaste he felt.

Taylor laughed again. "They'll grow on you."

"Hmm, like a fungus?"

"At least they taste! Isn't it fantastic? Even if you don't like them, you have a choice not to like them!"

They were sitting in the shade of large trees. Taylor had his back pressed to the trunk, facing Joseph. He'd eaten several flowers already, and was feeling rather contented. "It doesn't take much to fill you," he said quietly, "and there are tens of thousands of them in one acre."

"Yes, but can you live on them, that is the question."

"Hell, no," Taylor grinned. "There are so many more things to eat and live on. But if you *like* them, they're plentiful."

They're plentiful.

They're plentiful.

*They're plentiful.*

Like bison.

And passenger pigeons.

And whales once were.

Taylor cupped his mouth with a trembling hand, but it was too late to halt his words. He could see that Joseph was staring at him, blankly, but he couldn't focus on his face because his eyes were rimmed with tears. Choking with the remorse he felt, he managed to utter an "I'm sorry," but it wasn't directed at Joseph.

He was sorry.

Sorry for the painful realization that he was no more removed from a people two thousand years gone than he was from the nation he had emerged from.

Sorry because suddenly he knew the answer to their nagging question: There would be no paradise for his people.

**E**arth was as crystal clear from space as it was from its surface. Soft browns and blues and swirls of white cloud masses. A perfect circle revolving on an invisible axis, accompanied by the cratered moon reflecting brilliant sunlight.

Taylor pressed his forehead to the window plate. And wept.

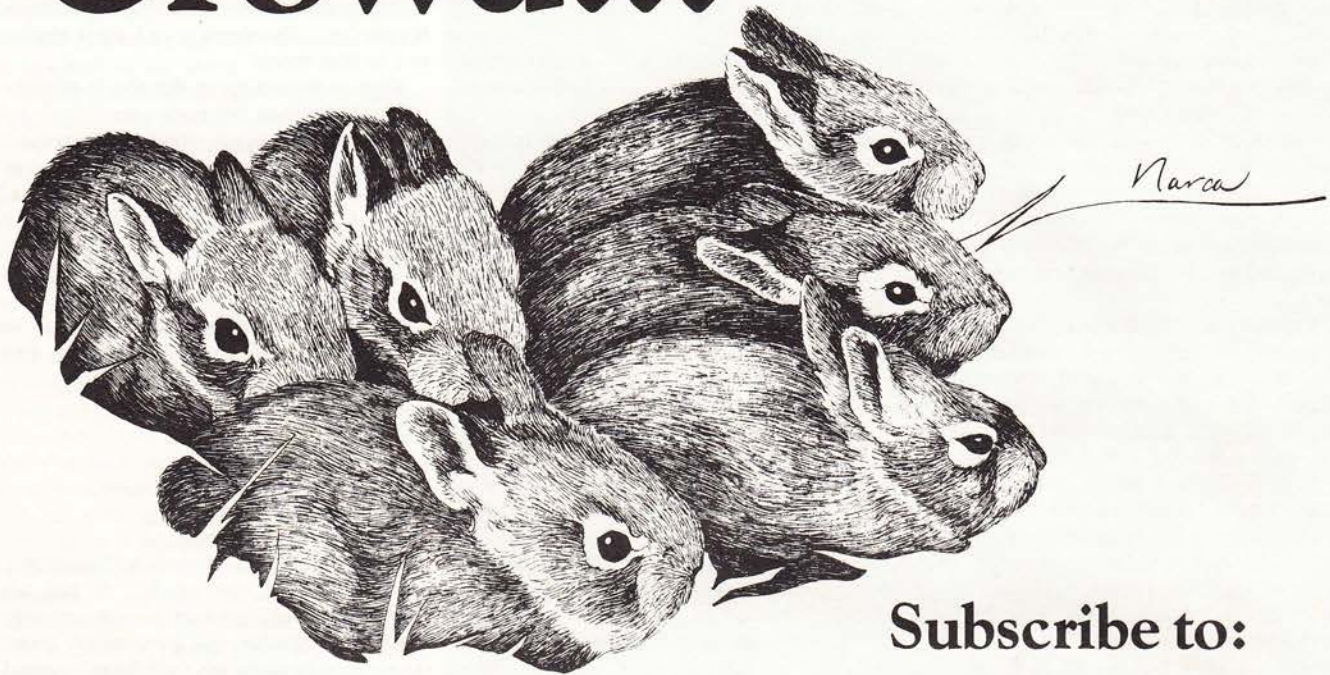
For many, Earth was just a passing planet, the skeletal reminder of a selfish, short-sighted nation. For Taylor and Joseph, Earth was more than what met the eye.

Earth was alive.

Without them.

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