Inevitably, the question is always asked: why did you choose to go to prison? As Jon Olsen points out in his editorial (see July 15th Roach) there are other alternatives, i.e. go "underground", seek political exile, etc. Let me answer by first stating my commitment in Conscience: (that being fully convinced that conscription is insensitive, inhuman, unjust, and immoral) I could not participate in, cooperate with, or support the S.S. System. (A position generally accepted by most members of The Resistance).

Participation obviously ruled out active involvement in the Armed Services. Cooperation ruled out for me any and all possible deferments (legitimate or otherwise, including C.O. status) and playing games with the S.S.: reporting change of address, occupation, marital status, etc., responding to interviews, medical examinations, or induction orders, filling out forms, carrying a draft card, etc.

Support ruled out for me voluntary payment of taxes used to finance the S.S. System. By accepting such a position, I had moved from the "stands" of somewhat aesthetic indifference to the "arena" of civil disobedience, to public demonstrations that were often defiant of the S.S. laws (i.e., draft card burnings, etc.) For me, the burning of my draft card was a symbolic act of abdication from the S.S. and to demonstrate publicly, if not defiantly, the commitment I had made in Conscience.

What about the remaining alternatives? Go "underground". In going "underground" (see page 11)

1. All universities in Sweden (there are 3) are free. One must pay only a 100 kroner ($20) administrative fee per year. To enter one must have at least 60 credits from a recognized institution, i.e., an accredited university. The State will loan every student in good standing 8000 kroner per year interest free.

2. After one has applied for political asylum, he must wait 60 days before he is granted it. Along with asylum he is given a work permit.

3. During the period one is waiting to be given a work permit, or in the case that one cannot find work, the State will give him 80 kroner a week. I am living quite well on 350 kroner a month, so 80 a week is enough.

4. Most Swedes speak English. An American can get along here quite easily. Courses teaching the Swedish language are free and will provide all books free. Once you have a work permit you can enroll in a course where you are paid to learn Swedish. The State will pay 700 kroner a month for you to go to school 6 hours a day, 5 days a week for 10 weeks.

5. The organization which takes care of deserters is the most tightly organized in Stockholm where there are more than 100 deserters. A deserter can find help almost anywhere however.

Interesting point: There is a newsletter called ACT put out by RITA. In one of their issues it said that Denmark was a safe country. According to all the sources I have, this is UNTRUE. I wish it were not because Copenhagen swings, but that's what reliable sources have told me.

Why do deserters go back? From talking to deserters who were friends of those who went back I have found out some interesting things. Somehow the word gets back to family (see page 11)
By STEPHEN T. KUBOTA

**STEPHENV KUBOTA VISITS LOCAL SS**

State Selective Service Headquarters is located on the busy corner of Kapiolani and Pilkil. Paradoxically, 148 Hawaiian deaths in Vietnam can be traced through the files located on the 5th floor of the Hawaiian Life Building. It is a block away from the current symbol of our aflfluence: the ornate catacombs of Ala Moana Shopping Center. From the State Director's office you can look out on Ala Moana Beach Park which these days attracts so many who seem desperately trying to get the most living-out of life while they still can.

Judy and I entered a few minutes late; my mother and father were already there. We were greeted by Thomas T. Imada, State Operations Officer. As we took our seats, the first gesture was to turn down his name plate at the front of his desk and to reassure us that it was Saturday and that he was here unofficially, at the special request of my mother for an interview to help me with my "problem."

This stocky, middle-aged, slightly balding nicei (my guess) was the same man who had issued Operations Memorandum #49 to all State Local boards -- the memo my board, Local Board #5, is using to dispose of me. Form #49 is the State System's endorsement, signed by Imada, of the recommendations of Local Board Memorandum #49, issued by General Hershey from National Headquarters.

LBM #49 was issued on October 24, 1967; subject: "Dispositional Abandoned or Morally and Legal Registration Certificates and Notices of Classification." This is the notorious directive that is being used across the country to stifle dissent by speeding up the inductions and induction. Failure to submit to registration and induction. Conviction is almost certain. Thus, the Great White Father protects this country's health, welfare, and safety from the "irresponsible actions of the criminal minority" who refuse to cooperate with what is now the only legitimate way to serve one's country. This is the notorious direct-

If you want to help create a world where selfishness and the evils born of selfishness are nil, then you must rid YOURSELF of inner turmoil. A person who is free from inner turmoil is not selfish. Indeed he is selfless.

Only people who aren't selfish can successfully create and live in a society which is based on selflessness. Such a society is necessary and possible.

The Vietnamese peasant seems quite at peace within himself; he gives his life readily for the good of all without the selfish feeling of martyrdom. This is why the imperialists can't defeat him.

Without inner peace your mind is unclear; its full potential remains untapped. To be effective you need a clear mind -- a mind unclouded by fears, anxieties, and other forms of selfishness. Action born of an unclear mind will necessarily be fruitless. So without inner peace and a clear mind you and your cause are doomed.

You can find lasting, deep peace only by returning to the Source. This doesn't mean that one has to become a hermit or farmer. There is a more simple way: Meditation. It is an age-old process of relaxing the mind and letting it return to the Source. It is a practical method which consumes little time and no effort. The more one meditates, the more he becomes aware of his inborn peaceful-

There are many methods of meditation. A pamphlet of Simple Meditations is (or soon will be) available at the Crossroads Book Gal-

MEDITATION IS AS SIMPLE AS SMELLING A FLOWER...
A regular Roach column for military personnel who may wish to take extended vacations from their units, and for civilians who find this country politically uncomfortable.

The information contained herein does not necessarily reflect any views of either The Roach or the writer, and any responsibility for content will attach to the writer and not to The Roach. The writer cannot guarantee the accuracy of the information; the information is derived from reliable sources, which will not normally be identified in this column.

If your travel plans call for your immediate departure, leave a message at The Roach by mail or by phone (634-052)

NOTE: There is discrepancy between the information in this column and that in a letter from Richard Taninura, a former Hawaii National Guardsman who went to Sweden rather than answer the recent callup. The information in this column was obtained from the Committee for Helping American Deserters in Copenhagen, and is accurate to the best of their knowledge.

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Among all NATO countries (which includes Denmark) there is an agreement on sending back deserters. If you are on maneuvers, this holds automatically. However, since the beginning of 1968 the Danish government has been willing to grant political asylum to all GIs who request it -- but no GI has yet requested it, although one has a residence permit and working papers. Many draft resisters are in Denmark.

At the border, use any valid identification you may have (passport for civilians, ID card and leave papers for military personnel); have money (enough to support yourself during your "visit" plus return ticket to U.S. or your unit; $40 is suggested for Europe-based GIs); don't look like a hippie -- the more bourgeois the better; and don't tell if you are a draft resister.

Prohibited persons are those without valid papers (any form of illegal entry is grounds for extradition), those who are involved with narcotics (including marijuana), those who are a "danger to the country" (undefined), and those wanted for civil crimes (not including draft law violations).

If you are military and the police try to escort you out of the country, then (and only then) tell them you are seeking political asylum (or tell them you are, or will be, seeking asylum in Sweden). If this happens, you will be placed under protective custody in jail -- for a few days until your case is decided upon. Asylum will in all likelihood be

(see page 11)
On Fri., the 19th of July, as we were completing our picketing of the contamination of our island by South Vietnam's dictator, the guy I had been walking with was whisked away by a plainclothes policeman and turned over to the military police.

He was a marine in civilian clothes who was opposed to the US Vietnam policy, as of course we were. He was glad to be able to give expression to his views with friends, and we were glad to have him. We would have had no knowledge of his military affiliation if he had not quietly mentioned it to me.

I tried to follow to make sure that he wasn't denied any of his rights under the Constitution. However, I was stopped bodily by a policeman who told me that I "wasn't needed" there and that it wasn't any of my business.

Fortunately, our hassled friend was able to identify himself and his location (Kaneohe) to Jack Atkinson, who relayed the information to me. Jack told me that he (the marine) had been taken off in handcuffs, his only crime having been to express himself politically and to be friendly towards us.

On Mon. he gave me a call (again fortunately I had given him my name and number prior to the incident) and told me what had happened. He asked me not to go into any details in this story, pending the outcome of his case. At that time I gave him the numbers of a lawyer, a minister, and some Resistance people.

He has since made personal contacts with some of them and he knows several friends he can turn to if he has any further trouble. I saw him again on Wed. and he reiterated his intention to keep cool till their intentions become apparent.

KUBOTAS AND LOCAL SS

One's country, by being sacrificial lambs on the bloody altar of the High Priests of Mars.

Col. Imai leaned back in his swivel chair and lit up a cigar. His face was obscured in the shadows because of the bright midmorning skylight coming in over his shoulders. I'm sure he could see me plainly, though.

I began by explaining in general terms my unwillingness to cooperate with the S.S. System because I felt it was unfair, un-constitutional (therefore, un-American) and could easily be exploited by mischievous politicians or an ambitious military.

Imai opened a folder lying on his desk and read something that suggested that the draft has never been declared un-constitutional.

He leaned over to a nearby bookshelf and pulled out two thick volumes which he said (see page 11)
King - Spock

After considerable debate, a King-Spock campaign committee was formed within the California Peace & Freedom Party. Coretta King, Martin Luther King's widow, is a powerful political figure in her own right, although she was often overshadowed by her husband in the past. She took a strong stand against the Vietnam war long before her husband was ready to commit himself. When asked, during the riots following her husband's death, to make a statement condemning the rioters, she refused to do so — saying instead, in essence, that a racist society had created these riots and the rioters were not culpable. She has turned the entire philosophy of nonviolence around, saying that starving a child is violence, slum housing is violence, inadequate medical care is violence. There are the things Coretta King is committed to opposing, not the frustrated out-lashings of a brutalized population!

Polish Students

The Peace & Freedom Party expresses its solidarity with the efforts of the Polish students in their struggle to establish guarantees of freedom of speech and association. We demand the immediate release of all those who have been arrested in this fight, and the reversal of the recent order that would prevent the equivalent of red-baiting used by American reactionaries.

Eldridge Cleaver

An Eldridge Cleaver candidacy will project into the national arena the policies and programs of the Black Panther Party. A Peace & Freedom presidential campaign would be next to worthless if it helps to reinforce the idea that significant change in the American social system will take place as a result of this election. Major political change will occur only when we have built a powerful Movement capable of challenging the dominant institutions of this nation. We must see this election campaign not as a drive to register a "protest vote" but as a beginning step in the building of a large, popular-based Movement of oppressed and disfranchised people which is independent of the Democratic and Republican parties.

Dick Gregory

Before he was locked up to serve his current jail term, Dick Gregory was probably the Peace & Freedom movement's most effective national organizer on a grass-roots level. Since last year, Gregory has talked with thousands of students on campuses throughout the country, urging people to participate in Peace & Freedom groups to destroy the power of the major political parties. His independent presidential campaign has all along been consistent with the positions taken by the Peace & Freedom movement. He is a firm supporter of immediate withdrawal from Vietnam and of the minority liberation struggle.

Peace & Freedom

The above clippings were taken from the most recent (July 20) Peace and Freedom National Organizer, an unusually competent production this time. It gives (1) an elaboration of the merits of each of the leading PPP presidential candidates, fair to each (2) the overall perspective and the need for a national PPP, (3) PPP's relation to McCarthy supporters, (4) what the Black Panther Party is and why a coalition was formed with PPP, (5) the primary results in California, (6) a list of contacts for PPP in 22 states and Washington, D.C., and (7) the California PPP policy statements in 19 areas of political concern, reprinted in full.

This issue is certainly the most comprehensive single report yet made available in Hawaii on the Peace and Freedom Party. Copies are available free from several of the organizers and will be available at our next meeting: Wed. Church of the Crossroads at 8 PM. Other highlights of PPP business include Vic's trip to the other islands where he made significant contacts. We now have PPP representation in each of the 4 counties. On Maui, Charles Savage will accept responsibility for organization; on Kauai, A.T. Lungrin; on Oahu, Karl Moon; we definitely expect to be on the Hawaii ballot this fall.

CONVENTION POSTPONED

For a variety of reasons, PPP decided to move its convention up one week to Aug. 9-11. One reason was that California is holding its convention the preceding week and we hope to obtain one of their prominent speakers for our convention keynote speaker. Another was that postponement gives us another week to prepare more adequately.
I've begin with Vietnam or even Hiroshima character as is the love of profit. He history of American genocide is the treatment of the American Indian, the original inhabitants of this continent and its rightful title. According to one estimate in the last half of the nineteenth century, there were more than 30,000,000 Indians, but by the end of the century, the United States government had reduced the Indians to a fraction of their former numbers. The government's conscious campaign to eliminate an entire way of life was later carefully studied by Hitler's staff and many of its features were added to his plans to exterminate the Jews.

Violent change ahead

But listen to the voice of the "new Indians": "As I see it, before we change things, we have to go through wars. If it's going to be one step, then the students and the Indians must lead the fight and change it themselves. People are going to get so angry, so mad, that they're going to destroy this American society..."

"I say to you that the time is ripe that will make Yugoslavia's Maoist movement look like a Sunday school picnic..." American Indians are fed up with this... They know it's the system, the social, political, economic structure of this country is such that it cannot change. And we Indians are beginning to see that it is a black hole, and to build something out of it..."

These statements, which could have been made by Malcolm X or Bobby Seale, were made by men much more like these Indians in the growing "Red Power" movement. The story of the Indian movement has already been documented in "The New Indians."
LETTRES TO THE EDITOR

STRAIGHTS CALLED 'PARANOID'

The recent ignorant and insensitive remarks by Maui and Kauai county chairmen about "cleaning up the hippies" or forcing them to conform seem unfortunately to reflect the feelings of a large cross-section of the population of this state.

Right here around and among us we can watch with horror the growth of a "hippy"-hating mania that is denying basic freedoms to a minority group. People are being branded as things before they are known as individuals; branded, misunderstood, feared.

There is almost a paranoid reaction today against these people (here regarded as things--"hippies") who reject the banumbing, but now standard 40-hour work week. Moral uprisings, and being "gainfully employed" are equated--in ignorance of the fact that many men who are now considered great would probably be labeled as "hippies" or "hippy-types" if they lived in present day Hawaii.

Painters like Van Gogh and Gaugin worked at regular jobs as seldom as they could, and were poor but idealistic wanderers for most of their lives. Thoreau was (in terms used by the label-makers) an "unemployed writer" while living at Walden Pond, and hated the thought of even selling both his forenoons and his afternoons merely to make money.

I am not necessarily attributing greatness to all those who are unjustly branded "hippy" today, but rather asserting the freedom of all people to live as they feel bound to. Besides, there are other consequences of the present situation.

We are in great danger of destroying the validity of our legal system by using it selectively against a minority group. This has been recommended by elected county leaders on Maui and Kauai! The same men have also talked of possibly enacting specific legislation against so-called hippies.

Hawaii is a new state and has only recently accepted the freedoms and responsibilities of being fully American. But to judge by things today, had there been a "hippy problem" in 1959, people would have voted for statehood and to keep out "hippy-invaders" as well.

Of course this is absurd. The basic freedoms of America and the responsibilities to uphold them that went along with statehood are being questioned by the officials who talk of acting on the "hippy-problem". We cannot reject any part of our statehood and adhere to the remainder. We cannot reject the responsibility to keep intact the personal freedoms of all American citizens.

So let's open our minds and our hearts, citizens of Hawaii, and realize that instead of anything to fear, we probably have much to learn from the different kinds of people who choose Hawaii and see our islands as a dreamed-of land of freedom and beauty.

Keith S. Chambers
Kamuela, Hawaii

SYNTHETIC POT, WOW!

(From a mainland correspondent who, for his own protection, shall remain anonymous.)

This week has seen the advent of tetra-hydra-cannabinol, or THC synthetic pot. It is as powerful as acid, but gentle as water, and comes in a capsule.

It's like pot to the tenth power, purified to pristine clarity. It eliminates anguish, totally... (There is) no sleepiness, no dry throat, as with grass.

...We all tended to experience multiple flashes of something which approximates 4th level communication among minds during the evening.

Like early acid trips, I saw a lot, and felt incredibly cool. My vision (eyesight, and particularly inner mental vision--ability to know the truth of what I saw with my eyes) seemed to be virtually unclouded by doubts, or impulses to preserve some false image at the expense of the recognition of truth.

Even doubts had their own "place" in a broadly based sense of total clarity. (Since this was largely a drug-induced condition, I assume I paid for it in some way, while I was high, such as slowed reaction times, but I don't yet know the specific nature of whatever negative effects the drug may have.)

I have reduced my criticism of drugs to these two words, with regard to their effects on the human mind and one's perception of reality: "drugs distort."

And it is the distortion that must be seen most clearly and accounted for if one is to really know the truth of whatever else he does see under drugs.

Enlightenment is not a distorted condition. Any drug-induced state of mind is distorted, and also, what's worse, it wears off. So I think of drugs as a tool, or source of recreation, which I am using, but don't depend on.

The Roach looks good. I would suggest a few more photos, scattered throughout the magazine, to generate, increase, and sustain interest in the newspaper on the non-verbal plane. (Editorial comment: Agreed in full but our pleas for contributions in this area have gone almost unheeded in recent weeks.) You do very well already, however, and the photos, cartoons, and artwork that are there are good...Great artwork by Kim.

We have Maui in mind as a possible home for maybe a year, maybe longer, in about a year's time. Things are so freaky in the cities and on the mainland generally, nowadays, that we are aiming to get out as quickly as possible after we've taken what we have to have.
EDITORIAL

COMMENTS...

Unlike most times, historically speaking, the present time is one in which law itself, along with a multitude of individual laws, comes into question. From what do laws get their legitimacy? What do you do with laws which you believe have no legitimacy? Anarchy the worst possible evil, as it is made out to be by lawmakers and lawmen?

The Law is an abstraction which is opposed to anarchy, another abstraction. As such it has a certain usefulness in communication. However, it is not God and does not deserve to be revered, for reverence precludes interrogation or criticism.

We political activists have had to become especially conscious of the various laws we either grudgingly obey or deliberately disregard. When we are told to respect the Law, we ask “which law?” It makes a difference whether we are required to respect Law or laws.

This gets us back to the original questions. If we are to respect the Law (i.e., any law because it is law,) there must be a satisfactory answer to the question, “Why?” This is generally too deep a question for the guardians of Law, so they answer in their stereotyped way, “Because without Law we would have anarchy,” as if that were a satisfactory answer!

My own answer to the question whether or not one should respect and obey a law is more or less derived from the Golden Rule and Kant’s categorical imperative. If the law, in my best judgment, is designed to promote the general welfare of humanity (not the interests of a privileged few, or even my nation when it is opposed to the rest of mankind), then I have a duty to obey it. If I find that it neither aids nor hinders progress toward humanity, even then I should obey it, for it was probably designed to facilitate interaction in ways unknown to me.

DUTY TO DISOBEY

But, if I am convinced that to obey such a law is detrimental to the general welfare of humanity, then it is my duty to disobey it. Such, of course, is the case with draft resistance, so clearly illustrated by Dana Park’s brave stand.

One of the most important distinctions which must be made is that dislike for a law is not the same as deciding that a law is immoral. It is no more correct to confuse these with respect to laws than it is with respect to people. It may be true that laws or people you dislike are immoral, but there is no necessary connection. Yet how many times have we heard the superficial criticism, “You don’t have a right to disobey a law just because you don’t like it,” thereby putting convenience on the same valuational level with morality.

If Law is used to violate morality, it must be denounced in no uncertain terms without any of this crap about respecting the Law just because some middle-headed bureaucrats decided it was convenient for their interests, (see page 10)
Editorial Comments
(from page 9)

POLITICAL RAMIFICATIONS OF GRASS

The draft law is not the only idiot law that oppresses us. The recent bust at the Ala Wai Yacht Harbor serves as a reminder that pot is still regarded by the Uptight Society as a narcotic, and is punished accordingly. One can speculate why this is, for certainly it has nothing to do with the evidence.

No doubt the tobacco and liquor industries have vested interests in keeping pot illegal, and no doubt they have substantial influence with legislators. But the legislators have reasons of their own. Grass is primarily a POLITICAL rather than medical issue.

Legislators and their typical constituency are loath to see the young folks turn on, because when they do they discover the Great American Bummer in the aggressive faces and misshapen bodies of the hierarchy of the military-industrial-governmental-university complex.

DEVIL FEARS FREEDOM

That complex is the emerging Devil being given birth by capitalism and its supportive structures. The Devil doesn't have a tail and horns; he wears a business suit and a necktie (think of that word carefully). The necktie symbolizes the NOOSE. To take off the Noose would mean freedom from the confines of Establishment rules, and if there is anything the Devil (or God?) cannot tolerate, it is man's inescapable freedom to disobey (to say "No") to society's rules and games.

The Devil fears freedom more than annihilation. Evidence abounds. Grass is the elixir of freedom for the young generation of all socio-economic classes, but particularly for the class of potential Madison Ave. executive types.

ADD ONE CUP OF ANARCHY

So what does all this have to do with laws and the Law? Everything. The more laws we have imposed (and don't the Legislature and Congress make more every year without getting rid of the obsolete ones, like the sex laws which appeared in previous Roaches, the more UNFREE our society becomes. Put differently, the more laws we have, the more the Devil controls, the more doors are closed to human creativity, and the more we are cramped.

Few of us desire anarchy. But many of us would rather see what it is like than continue to be increasingly stifled. "But it could be lots worse." Yes, it could, and probably will be before the direction is reversed.

Our job is to come up with answers to the question the Devil throws at us, "What do you want to replace the present society with? Besides a bulldozer, you need an architect and carpenters."

The Roach will gladly print any answers you may have to this question. Well?

STUDENT-FACULTY UNION

OBSERVER LEAVES TO CHEN TRIAL

By CRAIG QUICK

Student Tim Wong left Friday the 25th for Taipei to gather information about, and attempt to observe the trial of Chen Yu-hsi. Chen, former EAC grantee and peace advocate has been indicted for sedition by the Taiwanese regime.

Tim Wong's trip was made possible by the Student-Faculty Union's persistence in keeping Chen's plight before the public while at the same time raising money for an observer.

This step was necessitated by the Taiwanese government's refusal to divulge information as to the specific charges against Chen, the time and place of the trial and whether or not the trial would be open and if Chen would have a lawyer and the right to cross-examine witnesses.

Although the union has raised over $700 for the airfare, money is needed for Tim's lodging, communications and for Chen's lawyer. Those who want to help can contact the union officers or attend the general union meeting at 7:30 on Friday nights at Bachman Hall.

UNION CONSTITUTION

The Constitution Committee has produced a first draft of the union's constitution and it will be reviewed by the general membership during the coming three weeks for changes or amendments.
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**travel tips**

granted if you are not a prohibited person (see above).
You should contact the Committee for
Helping American Deserters as soon as pos-
sibility, preferably before your contact with
the police. This is essential. (Address given at
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FREE CHEN & "CHINA"

By JOHN WITECK

Chen Yu-hsi, age 29, a former East-West Center grantee and U.H. grad student, is now the captive of the bizarre political phenomenon which is Chiang Kai-Shek's "China". Taiwan, or "Free China" as it is euphemistically known, is entering its twentieth year of martial law under the benign tutelage of Chiang and Kuomintang principles (i.e. "Three People's Principles": Everything to "three people"—Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Chiang, and Chiang Ching-kuo, their beloved first son).

The largesse of Chiang Kai-shek is well-known: thousands of Taiwanese killed in 1947 by Chiang's Governor Chen Yi, "land reform" (i.e. giving mainland Chinese refugees from Mao Taiwanese land), a military-oriented budget which provides a meager living for Taiwan's educators, rigid exit requirements, censorship and control of the press and of academic study, rule by the minority mainland Chinese...the list is unending (see George Kerr's Formosa Betrayed).

Perhaps Chen Yu-hsi was confronted with these realities when he studied here from 1964-67. At any rate, he had decided not to return to "Free China".

FREEDOM FOR CHEN IN TAIWAN

Even Nao's China in turmoil and cultural revolution would prove more satisfactory to Chen than life in the rigid status quo that is in Taiwan. Granted Chen may not have found the freedom he wanted in China, but he certainly has not found it in his military prison cell in Taipei, facing charges of "treason" for writing articles in an allegedly Communist newspaper in Japan and attempting to "defect" to Mainland China, the real and only China, whatever the identity of its rulers.

The grantee "execs" at the Center are careful to avoid this latter admission of fact. Taiwan is "legit" in their minds; it is the Republic of China, because Chiang and two million of his cohorts imposed their rule on ten million Taiwanese who previously had been ruled by the Japanese.

EWC IS PUPPET OF STATE DEPT.

Thus the EWC is careful to toe the line set by its controller, the U.S. State Dept. Humoring Chiang in his idiosyncracies—jailing hundreds of his subjects, raiding Mainland China, smuggling in Burma and Laos, etc.—and not being too harsh on the old fool.

Chinese grantees at the EWC no longer win that status by examination (as Chen had to) but are appointed on the basis of "dependability". The U.S. and the EWC, short on allies, can only shrug their shoulders and prostitute themselves to the lie that Taiwan and Chiang represent.

All the while, one of our own, Chen Yu-hsi, a man who detested the war in Vietnam as any decent man should, goes to the rack for his "crime" of saying what he thought and acting on it.

Let our point be brief and simple in all this controversy: A free "China" should free Chen. Otherwise the free "Chens" of this world will free "China", and, with it, Chen Yu-hsi.

The Roach is Hawaii's only regular underground newspaper. We will print virtually anything we believe to be true, regardless of pressures. We are also eager to print cartoons, poetry, imaginative photographs, etc.

The Roach crawls out from underground every two weeks on Tuesdays. If we don't watch him carefully, he even sometimes sneaks out Mon. night.

Where can you get the Roach? At Crossroads Book Gallery (Wailulu) and Mama Mia's Pizza Place (at King and McCully). In Kailua, you can get it at Bibliomania (book store) or Mary Jane's (but unfortunately, not at her place in the International Market Place).

The Roach lives at Box 352 Haleiwa, Oahu, Hawaii, 96712. He loves clever little ads like the kind that can be found in the Berkeley Barb or LA Free Press. When he's really hungry, he likes big ads.

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