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diary of the Mormon-controlled Kennecott Copper Company) found a rich coal field on Black Mesa, an area held to be sacred by the Hopi. Leases were arranged with both tribal councils, the Hopi lease pushed through by John Boyden, former archbishop of the Mormon church and an attorney for the U.S. Attorney's office of Utah. (An occasional lawyer for Peabody Coal, Boyden was named attorney for the Hopi nation by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in 1952.)

Today the Black Mesa area contains a 65,000 acre scar from the mining -- a section about half the size of Delaware. One slurry pipeline uses three million gallons of water a day to transport part of the coal; it has caused Navajo and Hopi wells to go dry. Using Black Mesa coal in local power plants (to provide electricity for the cities of Arizona and southern California) has reduced atmosphere visibility by 50% in the last 15 years, one plant alone pouring out 350 tons of sulphur compounds and 210 tons of nitrogen compounds each day. The National Academy of Science has proposed declaring the Joint Use Area a National Sacrifice Area because of acidification.

Boyden and the Salt Lake City firm of Evans and Associates began the "land dispute" and started the lobbying in Washington to control this barren area in the early 1970s. Their work paid off for them and the energy companies with the passage of P.L. 93-531 (with big help from Goldwater and Udall); subsequently a 90% reduction of livestock on the land was ordered (the Navajo's chief means of support), barbed wire fences were erected to split the land, and a clamp was put on any repairs or land improvement (an Indian can actually be arrested for patching a leaky roof).

The feds have stated that those persons remaining on the land after July 8, 1986, will be "declared trespassers" and that removal will be enforced. Persons who were relocated earlier are now attempting to return because of poor conditions in locales intended for resettlement. The Relocation Commission Director Leon Berger has resigned, stating the plan is doomed to failure and tragedy. The Navaho of Big Mountain say they will remain no matter what force is brought against them.

Your help is urgently needed! Money is needed to support the legal work. No contributions are too small. Please mail to:

Big Mountain Legal Defense/Offense
Committee
124 N. San Francisco No. B
Flagstaff, AZ 86001
(602) 774-6923

Donations of food, clothing, blankets, tools are badly needed for the current site occupiers. Send to:

Big Mountain Survival Camp
c/o Kee Shay
P.O. Box 203
Oraibi, AZ 86039

For information, resource materials, and to get involved, contact:

Big Mountain Support Group
1412 Cypress St.
Berkeley, CA 94703
(415) 841-6500

Local groups are forming and trainings are being scheduled. Contact your local peace center, Gray Panther office, or Native American organization. In the Washington area, a fund raiser and concert will be held February 28 at 8:30 p.m. at the AME Church on M Street. On March 18, at 10 p.m., a "well-balanced documentary" will be shown on national PBS television concerning Big Mountain.

Letters, telegrams, mailgrams and phone calls to your Congressperson are urgently needed. The media has been very sleepy and one-sided reporting this story (pretending it is just a fight between Indians and ignoring the role of the energy companies). Get materials from the Berkeley office and do a strong press packet, getting it to your local press now. In July get them on the phone or visit the office and make certain they report the story.

But most of all YOU are needed on Big Mountain in July! Come and help end this crime against North America's indigenous people.

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Resurgence of Neo-Fascist Groups, and *Alternative Communities*. The workshops will be arranged by people and groups outside of Chicago, with CAU doing the scheduling. A two-hour time limit was decided on for each workshop.

Suggestions for social events included a film/video show, a concert, and a banquet get-together for the night of the third. A slide presentation and music were suggested for the May third event, and it was pointed out that a telephone hookup between Chicago and the Australian Anarchist Centenary Celebration in Melbourne had been suggested by our Australian friends.

There was also a determination to organize housing and daycare for celebration participants.

CAU can be contacted c/o Haymarket '86 Bulletin, Box 102, 1200 W. Fullerton, Chicago, Ill. 60614.

Australian Centenary Celebration

The celebration of the Australian Anarchist Centenary will get off to a friendly and rousing start with a picnic lunch and an Anarchist Mayday March through town to Melbourne's eight-hour monument on Thursday, May 1, 1986. The day will continue with a dinner and social in the evening as the celebration "officially" begins.

The Australian Anarchist Centenary Celebration Committee (AACCC) has planned a four-day gathering celebrating the centenary of both the founding of the Melbourne Anarchist Club and the Haymarket Tragedy, as well as the golden anniversary of the Spanish Civil War. Running from the first through the fourth of May, the celebration will feature childrens' activities, an exhibition of anarchist art, an anarchist film festival, street theater, music, and a dance. Workshops will study subjects ranging from *Anarchism and Ecology* through *Gender Politics* and *Learning from the Past* to *Visions for the Future*.

Members of the international anarchist community from Austria, England, Italy, Japan, Korea, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, and the U.S. are expected to visit Melbourne to join in the celebration. The AACCC expects that Centenary Celebration participants will create "expressions of our ideals. . . . so powerful in their quality of imagination and design that the media cannot ignore them and so positive that they cannot be trivialized or turned against us."

The AACCC expects to have available by late March or early April a program containing particulars of cost, etc. for the celebration. They may be contacted at P.O. Box 20, Parkville 3052, Melbourne, Australia.

FOE Hijacked?

In an exclusive interview with Earth First!'s Mike Roselle, David Brower -- who started Friends of the Earth in 1969 after being pushed out as head of the Sierra Club for his strong opposition to the Vietnam War and for his environmental activism -- has stated that a "razor-thin majority of the board of directors (of FOE) has resolved to move headquarters

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