

"If it had not been for this, I would have lived out my life, talking at street corners to scourning men. I might have died, unmarked, unknown, a failure. This is our career and our triumph. Never in our life can we do such a work for tolerance, for justice, for men's understanding of man, as we now do by an accident, our words-our lives-our pains-nothing! The taking of our lives—lives of a good shoe-maker and a poor fish-peddler—all! The last moment belongs to us-that agony is our triumph!"

- Bartolomeo Vanzetti, 1921, after being sentenced to death

Is The Change Of Power In The U.S. Senate Bad For Colorado?



Boulder man faces charges for SOA actions.

Richard Kinane is facing up to six months in a federal penitentiary for his civil disobedience actions during the School of Americas protest last November. His trial begins May 22nd.

May Day hits Denver and Boulder

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•First Colorado Anarchist Network meeting!•

Join us for the first meeting of the Colorado Anarchist Network and bring a friend for food, fun and Anarchy. We will be meeting to discuss anything and everything so bring ideas. The meeting will be held at Smiley's Laundry Mat on E. Colfax and Corona in Denver at 7:00pm. For questions or comments contact 303can@onebox.com.

•Columbus Day, Anti-Imperialism Mobilization, October 6th-8th-

The most heated action in Colorado will hopefully draw a huge crowd of dissenters again this year as we mobilize against the celebration of imperialism and genocide that is Columbus Day. This years protest will again bring thousands from the American Indian Movement, the Direct Action Network and the Barrio Warriors along with many other groups. Details to will be posted as they come. More...

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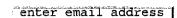
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### Santanarchy in Colorado!!!

# National Day of Protest Against Kohl's

On Saturday, December 8th, four protestors dressed as the good ol' Saint Nick damaged tens of thousands of dollars worth of



clothing at the Kohl's department store in Golden, Colorado. This was the national day of protest against Kohl's, a chain store who buys their clothing from Chentex, a factory in Nicaragua. The workers at Chentex earn only 20 cents for each pair of blue jeans they sew and deserve a raise. The worker's union asked for an 8 cent an hour increase and were denied and then fired. There was also a protest occuring outside of Kohl's, while the Santas where inside spray painting and spreading the "X-mas spirit". The protest outside of the store was organized by the Denver Peace and Justice Committee (who had nothing to do with the Santanarcy). The protest caused hundreds of shoppers to be turned away, and the damage inside caused Kohl's to be shut down until later in the day; one of the busiest shopping weekends of the holiday season.

### 303(a)ssholecollective

303assholes@hypocrisy.org

the below was taken from a flier about the asshole collective internationale (the 303 is just a small faction)

### Upcoming Events

"Seven-Year Anniversary of Cease Fire between EZLN and Mexican Military"

January 12, 2001

11.00am

West Steps of the State Capital (Lincoln & Colfax)

Demand that the Federal Mexican Government fulfills 3 Signals to Begin a True Dialogue

These signals are:

1.) The withdrawal of 7 federal army positions in the so-called "conflict".

2.) The release of all Zapatista prisoners (only 17 have been released, and there are still almost 100 more) 3.) The constitutional recognition of indigenous rights and culture in accordance with the COCOPA legislative proposal.

Realize that we must continue to place heated pressure on the Mexican government (our Mexican Consul as well as local and federal U.S. officials) in order to achieve these three minimal demands for justice with peace and dignity.

Joinus Friday morning at the state capital building in solidarity with the Zapatistas, by demanding an end to the dirty war in Chiapas IF YOU GANNOT MAKE IT, TAKE SOME TIME TO WRITE A LETTER TO PRESIDENTE FOX:

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fax: 55155792 or 55165762 http://www.presidencia.gob.mx webadmon@op.presidencia.gob.mx

Copwatch Training, Wednesday, January 24, 7, pm, Copwatch office

Martin Lüther King Parade 48



### THE ASSHOLE COLLECTIVE COMUNIQUE #27

we are all assholes... all that take part in radicalism against capital and domination-culture, we are the spirit of youth, the spray paint on the wall, the skate boards at the mall, the quaters in a plastic salt shaker at IHOP. the empty toilet paper roll's in a public bathroom, childish, juvenile, full of chaos and fun. our hope is for a secret pirate island in the middle of suburbia and a temple of homoeroticsy hidden beneath the stalls of a church, or any body-love for that matter, we are a nude wrestling match in the middle of a bank, we are stolen goods given out for free at the mall, we are children armed with desires, pies, and the quick hands of shoplifting. (one of the most fun and effective tools against capitalism at a local level) we fight ridiculousness with ridiculousness. WE FUCK WITH CONSUMER CULTURE. we fuck your daughters and sons...when something happens that makes you angry about 'punk kids...' or any other bullshit prejudice to youth, we probably did it...

## Ft. Collins/Colorado IU560 IWW

Telecommunications & Computer Workers IU560, a division of the Industrial Workers of the World, getting started in Fort Collins and expanding throughout the state. For more information, or to Unionize your workplace, contact <a href="mailto:ftcollins@jones.iww.org">ftcollins@jones.iww.org</a>
For more info on the IU560 IWW, check out <a href="mailto:http://iu560.iww.ca/">http://iu560.iww.ca/</a>

This year's MLK parade is January 15. The Justice for Mena committee—which reps of the Justice Department tried to keep out of last year's parade—has been invited to take partithis year. Everyone is invited to march with us, and to bring appropriate signs. Meet between 9 and 10 am by the MLK statue in City Park. Look for the big police puppet.

### Requier Events

### Food Not Bombs

Every Saturday Food Not Bombs cooking 9 90a m. le 3 30p m. (come any time between to Help cook) For info about helping come to picnic or call SPAZm House at 303-825-8483 or e-mail FNB at (chver\_time(a) ahouse on The Richic 4 00p mat Sunken. Gardens park 8th and Speer (across 8th from Denver General. Hospital)

### Anarchy Soccer

Date: Saturday, October 28, 2000 Time: 4 00PM MDT (GMT-06:00)

No rule - free for all anarchy soccer! Where The Food Not Bombs Picnic 8th Av. and Speer Blvd: @ Sunker Gardens Park in Denver Every Last Saturday of the Monthy

# Solidarity Protest for people of Chaipas

The last Friday of every month at 48 Steele Stain Denver Held at the Mexican Consulate Begins at 4:30 pm.

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# Man jailed for not talking to grand jury

News Staff Writer

GOLDEN - A Denver man suspected of being one of four "Santas" who vandalized a Kohi's store shortly before Christmas was jailed Thursday for refusing to testify before a grand jury looking into the incident.

Doug Bohm is believed to be one of four men dressed in Santa suits who spray-painted racks of clothing at the Golden store, District Attorney Dave Thomas said. They were protesting working conditions in Central American factories where the merchandise was pro-

Bohm was initially jailed May 17 for refusing to talk to the grand jury.

District Judge Thomas Woodford Thursday extended the sentence for up to six more months - the maximum penalty for contempt under state law - after Bohm again refused to

Woodford delayed action on David Martin of Denver, who has also refused to talk to the grand jury. Martin's lawyer asked for time to review documents.

Martin will go before Woodford again June

Prosecutors say a brown Geo Metro used by the fleeing Santas was traced to Bohm, and witnesses identified Bohm at the wheel.

Martin is not suspected as one of the Santas, but prosecutors believe he knows who they

Martin, who worked for the Denver Justice and Peace Committee at the time, helped organize a protest in front of Kohl's on Dec. 9. While his group was picketing, the Santas went inside and spray-painted the clothing.

Damage was estimated at \$45,000. Some



masking tape on his mouth with the words "5th Amendment' inscribed as he support for Doug Bohm at the Jefferson County Courthouse on Thursday. Bohm was jailed for refusing 🐿 testify before a grand jury that's investigating provandalism at a Kohl's store.

Essdras M Suarez Rocky Mountain News

customers were hit with pepper spray by the protesters, Thomas said.

Martin and the other demonstrators said they had nothing to do with those who entered

Police executed a search warrant at the Justice and Peace Committee's Denver headquarters and at Bohm's home in December. The search warrants remain sealed, though Justice and Peace members have said membership lists were seized.

Bohm has never spoken with the media. His attorney, Cynthia Shechan, said she can't comment on the allegation that Bohm's car was

used in the getaway.

But, Sheehan said, if Thomas has evidence Bohm was involved in the incident, he should bring charges, rather than holding him for contempt for not cooperating with the grand jury.

Friends describe the 35-year-old Bohm as an unemployed clerical worker. He served in the U.S. Navy for six years in communications. He has been active in fund raising for environmental causes.

Martin said Thursday he is being harassed

for exercising his right to protest.
"Where is the police investigation of those who are violating labor rights?" he said.

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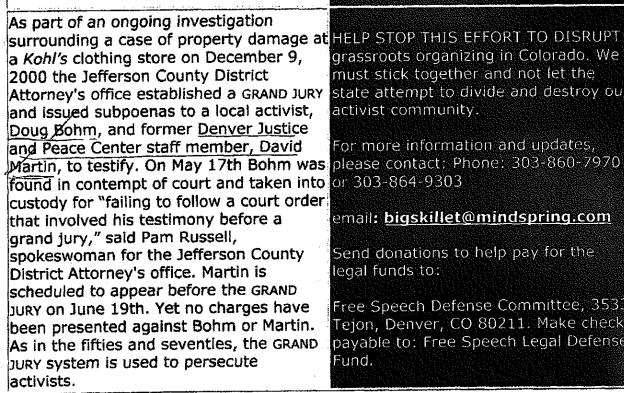
David Martin after the May 31st 2001 hearing

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grassroots organizing in Colorado. We must stick together and not let the state attempt to divide and destroy our activist community.

For more information and updates,

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Send donations to help pay for the legal funds to:

Free Speech Defense Committee, 3533 Tejon, Denver, CO 80211. Make checks payable to: Free Speech Legal Defense Fund.

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### LEGAL CASE

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### **SUPPORT LETTERS**

Nicaragua Network

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Protest in front of the Jefferson County Court House (Golden) JUNE 19th
   7AM
- Write to protest! (SAMPLE LETTER)

Last update: June 9th 2001



### DENVER ACTIVISTS TARGETED FOR FIGHTING AGAINST SWEATSHOP LABOR

Kohl's clothing store profits from sweatshop conditions at Chentex factory, one of the largest in the Las Mercedes Free Trade Zone in Managua, Nicaragua. The factory employs 1,800 workers who produce 25,000 pairs of jeans each day. These workers make on average 20 cents per pair of jeans they sew. The jeans retail at Kohl's for thirty dollars. Chentex currently pays workers about \$63 per month. A 'basic basket' of consumer goods such as food and soap for a family of five costs about US\$200 per month. When the workers organized for eight cent per hour wage increase, the union leadership along with hundreds of other workers was fired.

In support of the workers, an international campaign involving grassroots activists, student activists, unions, and religious leaders has focused on a national leafleting campaign against Chentex's largest customer, Kohl's Department Stores. Solidarity activists in the US, Taiwan, and internationally have mobilized in support of the Chentex workers rights to organize. Over 400 actions have been held at Kohl's stores and concern citizens have written about 4,000.

On December 9, 2000, the Denver Justice and Peace Committee (DJPC) organized a caroling and leafleting protest at the Kohl's clothing store in Golden, CO as a part of the nation-wide campaign, "Holiday Season of Conscience." Four unknown people arrived during the protest wearing Santa suits, entered the store and destroyed property using spray paint. Since then, DJPC has been the subject of an ongoing criminal investigation. The police investigation severely disrupted DJPC's political organizing and fundraising. Due to funding concerns, staff members retired.

On December 15th, the Golden Police Department served warrant papers and searched the office of DJPC and obtained DJPC's database. In January and February, police detectives used the database to call or visit the homes of over 50 people, including DJPC's board members, donors, dues-paying members and staff. They also took membership lists from the Chiapas Coalition (a Denver based Zapatista supporting group) and another group.

On April 23rd, the Jefferson County District Attorney's office established a GRAND JURY and issued subpoenas to a local activist, Doug Bohm, and former DJPC staff member, David Martin, to testify.

On May 17th, Bohm was found in contempt of court and taken into custody for "failing to follow a court order that involved his testimony before a grand jury," said Pam Russell, spokeswoman for the Jefferson County District Attorney's office. The Jefferson County DA's office has used this incident to carry out a virtual witch hunt, a campaign of harassment and intimidation of Denver activists, most not even involved with the demonstration. A hearing scheduled for June 19th will determine whether he has decided to testify. He could spend up to a half year in jail if he doesn't agree to cooperate with the grand jury.

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The grand jury, as law professor Susan W. Brenner, an expert in the field, has said, is a 'cheering section' for prosecutors. It is an institution, which operates in secret, and suspends the usual rules of evidence that govern trials, as well as many normal legal protections for witnesses. Its scope of investigation is virtually unlimited, allowing prosecutors to use it to harass and intimidate witnesses and create a climate of fear and mistrust. The grand jury has been called a modern-day Inquisition. If the Jeffco DA's office is really concerned about crime in its community, rather than focus o on non-violent demonstrators, they should investigate the real crime: *Kohl's* greedily profiting from the exploitation of workers in Nicaraguan sweatshops.

As this grand jury investigation intensifies, we must remember why we are protesting in the first place. The Sweatshop is the icon of globalization. Corporations shift their labor-intensive parts of the production process to where the taxes are non-existent (the free trade zone), the wages are low, the unions are repressed, and working conditions are poor. As poor countries domestic markets are surrendered to transnational corporate dominance through the policies of the IMF, World Bank and WTO, they are forced to compete for the sweatshop investors who produce for the US market.

The intense competition within the global labor force leads to superexploitation and superprofits for US corporations which control access to the markets. The only way to combat global exploitation is with global solidarity. The *Kohl's* campaign embodied that. Growing global solidarity certainly is a threat to the corporations' superprofits. Is that why the state has intervened in a way that chills anti-sweatshop protests and political organizing?

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I am a person of moral conscience. What is a person of moral conscience to do in a world where mothers work 12 hours a day, 6 days a week and their children still starve. I say we educate and organize our communities to demand justice. Our ability to do this depends on the protection of our First Amendment Rights of freedom of speech and association. Our First Amendment rights are our most valuable rights. What I have seen so far from the police investigation and the grand jury is an attempt to intimidate those whose exercise those rights. Why has the District Attorney invested so much time and resources in a case of minor vandalism rather than the case of Kohl's violation of human rights? Does he value a few clothes over starving children? Where's the police investigation of the labor rights violations? Where's the grand jury for Kohl's role in those violations? I am as a morally obligated to oppose labor rights violations in Nicaragua as I am to oppose the use of a grand jury to intimidate those exercising their First Amendment Rights to justice for the workers.

David Martin

May 31st, 2001

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The Denver Post / Glen Martin

Danelle Dempsey and Brian Clifton wear tape over their mouths that reads '5th Amendment' in support of activist

David Martin in Jefferson County District Court Tuesday. Martin refused to testify in the vandalism of a Kohl's store.

# Refusal to testify earns jail

By Stacie Oulton Denver Post Staff Writer

GOLDEN — A political activist was sent to jail Tuesday after he refused to testify before a Jefferson County grand jury investigating vandalism at a Kohl's store last Christmas season.

David Martin, 33, said his "moral conscience" prevented him from testifying because the grand jury has intimidated protesters against making statements about corporations and has been used in the past to quash social movements.

Martin was the executive director of the Denver Justice & Peace Committee, which organized a protest in front of the Kohl's store in Golden on Dec. 9. The group was protesting the sale of clothing which it said was made by sweatshop labor in Nicaragua.

During the protest, four vandals dressed in Santa Claus costumes entered the store and spray painted clothing,

# Activist keeps silent in Kohl's vandalism

causing about \$50,000 damage.

"I am proud to defend my First Amendment right," Martin told the judge.

Jefferson County District Judge Thomas Woodford told Martin his attempt to protest social injustice was no "reason to allow crimes to occur." Martin could be in jail up to six months.

Martin will appeal his contempt citation to the Colorado Supreme Court, said Walter Gerash, Martin's attorney.

He is the second person to end up in jail for refusing to testify before the grand jury. Doug Bohm has been in jail since May 17. Police searched Bohm's home and car, but the grand jury has issued no indictment.

Martin doesn't know who the Santa Claus vandals are, so he doesn't need to testify, Gerash told the judge.

But prosecutor Dennis Hall introduced security photos from the hallway of the committee's Denver office building on the day of the protest, showing Martin and people dressed as Santa Claus coming and going from the office.

Martin's supporters protested outside the courthouse before the hearing, then packed the courtroom. Many wore tape across their mouths reading "5th Amendment."

Supporters say the investigation is targeting the protesters because the committee's membership list and lists for other groups were seized when Golden police executed a search warrant on the committee's office.

The investigation isn't about the group but about getting information on a crime, said Pam Russell, spokeswoman for the district attorney's office.

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# **Activist jailed for refusing to testify**

Man won't divulge what he knows about vandals in Santa suits

By Berny Morson

News Staff Writer

**SOLDEN** — A Denver man was jailed Tuesday for refusing to tell JEFFERSON a grand jury what four people in Santa suits who

andalized a Kohl's store in December.

David Martin led a protest Dec. 9 outside the Kohl's store in Golden when the four Santas spray-painted a rack of clothing inside the store. Martin's group and the Santas were protesting working conditions at factories in Nicaragua, where some of Kohl's clothing is made.

Martin, who headed the Denver Justice and Peace Committee at the time,

has said repeatedly that his nonviolent group just follow bore no relaiws we tion to the Santas, and choose to he doesn't follow." know who they are.

**District Court Judge Thomas** Woodford

Tuesday, senior deputy district attorney Dennis Hall revealed photographs of Martin with several people in Santa

But at a

hearing

The photos were taken by a security camera in the hallway outside Martin's office in a Denver building, Hall told District Court Judge Thomas Woodford. The time and date on the photos

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Danielle Ost Dempsey, with tape over her mouth inscribed with "5th Amendment," shows her support for David Martin on Tuesday outside the Jefferson County Courthouse.

place them shortly before the protest and vandalism took place in Golden.

Martin's attorney, Walter Gerash, said the photos are inconclu-

sive.
"The pictures show nothing,"
Gerash said. "The pictures show three people, including my client, walking down a hall."

Woodford said it's up to the grand jury to sort out the significance of the photographs, and Martin has an obligation to coop-

"We don't just follow laws we choose to follow," Woodford said.

Martin will remain in the Jefferson County Jail for as much as six months, unless he testifies, Woodford ruled.

Gerash said he will appeal to the Colorado Supreme Court. He argued that Martin is being persecuted for his political

Martin's mother, Carmen Martin Sims of Midland, Texas, cried as her son was led away in hand-

"I support him in his beliefs, in what he feels is right," she said.

Martin joins Doug Bohm of Denver, who was jailed by Woodford May 31, also for refusing to testify before the grand jury. Police believe Bohm was one of the Santas and also drove the getaway car.

Contact Berny Morson at (303) 892-5072 or morsonb@ RockyMountainNews.com,

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David Martin after the May 31st 2001 hearing

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FREE DOUG BOHM, **DAVE MARTIN & ALL** POLITICAL PRISONERS!

STOP PERSECUTION OF **ACTIVISTS!** 

As part of an ongoing investigation surrounding a case of property damage at HELP STOP THIS EFFORT TO DISRUPT a Kohl's clothing store on December 9, 2000 the Jefferson County District Attorney's office established a GRAND JURY state attempt to divide and destroy our and issued subpoenas to a local activist, Doug Bohm, and former Denver Justice and Peace Center director, David Martin, to testify. On May 17 Bohm was found in contempt of court and taken into custody for "failing to follow a court order that involved his testimony before a grand jury," said Pam Russell, spokeswoman for the Jefferson County District Attorney's office. On June 19, Martin was also taken legal funds to: into custody, although prosecutors have admitted that he is not a suspect in the investigation regarding the property damage. As in the fifties and seventies, the grand jury system is used to persecute activists.

grassroots organizing in Colorado. We must stick together and not let the activist community.

For more information and updates, please contact: Phone: 303-860-7970 or 303-864-9303

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Send donations to help pay for the

Free Speech Defense Committee, 3533 Tejon, Denver, CO 80211. Make checks payable to: Free Speech Legal Defense Fund.

### BACKGROUND

Summary

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- The Kohl's campaign
- · David Martin's statement after the May 31st hearing
- Doug Bohm's statements from the Jeffco jail (June 12)

### **LEGAL INFORMATION**

- . The First Amendment
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- Frequent questions about the GRAND JURY
- More info about the GRAND JURY
- If you are subpoenaed...

### **SUPPORT LETTERS**

- Nicaraqua Network
- A letter to the Editor of the Rocky Mountain News

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

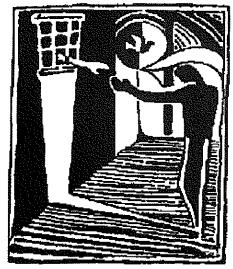
- WRITE to protest (SAMPLE LETTER)
- Send donations to help pay for the legal funds to: Free Speech Defense Committee, 3533 Tejon, Denver, CO 80211. Make checks payable to: Free Speech Legal Defense Fund.

Last update: June 19th 2001



# END THE WITCH HUNT!

SUPPORT 1st & 5th AMENDMENT RIGHTS AS ACTIVIST DAVE MARTIN
GOES TO TRIAL!



ACTION: Tuesday, June 19th, 7am. Gather at the main entrance of the Jefferson County Courthouse (the "Taj Mahal") in Golden.

BACKGROUND: District Attorney David Thomas continues to persecute our community. To investigate a case of vandalism at an anti-sweatshop protest, the D.A. is criminalizing activism in general.

### The D.A. and Golden police have:

 Siezed membership lists from local progressive organizations, and randomly harrassed, called, and sent officers to interrogate members.

• Convened a Grand Jury, and is subpoening people based on their politics.

They are then forced to testify - or face prison time.

Imprisoned one activist (so far) because he is morally opposed to cooperating.

# Show your outrage! Attend the June 19th Demonstration of Community Unity and Resistance!

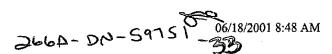
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# END THE WITCH HUNT!

SUPPORT 1st & 5th AMENDMENT RIGHTS: ACTIVIST DOUG BOHM FACES MORE JAIL TIME IN 6/27 HEARING!



# JAIL SUPPORT ACTION!

Wednesday, June 27th, 7:30am.

Demonstrate and attend Doug's Hearing at the Jefferson County Courthouse (the "Taj Mahal") in Golden.

**UPDATE:** Activist <u>Doug Bohm</u> - charged with no crime - has served five weeks in jail as part of D.A. Thomas' and Judge Woodford's campaign against Free Speech. Bohm refused to testify in D.A. Thomas' Grand Jury and was jailed in early May. This followed the seizure of membership lists and dozens of interrogations of peaceful activists with no plausible connection to any wrongdoing - violations of constitutionally protected freedoms to associate. The repression has reached a new phase with the June 19th jailing of a second activist, <u>David Martin</u>, who also refused to testify. D.A. Thomas' Grand Jury investigation - searching for info on the four "Santas" who vandalized sweatshop-made clothing at a Kohl's department store -- is being used to criminalize activism in general, terrorizing hundreds of citizens, chilling free speech rights, and interrupting the legal work of human rights advocates in Colorado.

Hold D.A. Thomas And Judge Woodford accountable!

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Aerial photographs were taken of Kohl's Department Store in the vicinity of Colfax and Interstate 70, Golden, Colorado.

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# 2 won't reveal vandal Santas

**By Berny Morson** 

News Staff Writer

Two Denver men jailed in Jefferson County have become local martyrs for the anti-globalization movement because they have refused to cooperate with a grand jury investigating a protest at a Kohl's store.

Doug Bohm, a 35-year-old former Navy enlisted man, is suspected of being one of four people dressed in Santa suits who stormed the Golden store last December and spray-painted merchandise they say was made in a Nicaraguan sweatshop. He was jailed for contempt of court May 17.

David Martin, who police believe knows the identity of the Santas, also refused to talk and was jailed June 19.

Judge Thomas Woodford said the two will be held until they talk, or for as long as six months.

Martin told Woodford that he is being persecuted for his political beliefs. He said the district attorney is using "minor vandalism" as an excuse to intimidate activists by compelling them to testify. Damage was estimated at \$45,000.

"I do not want to participate in this type of political oppression," he told Woodford. People rarely go to jail in Colorado rather than testify.

"Ideological motives are very strongly held, and people sometimes actually want to go to jail to make a political point, to right what they think is a wrong," said University of Colorado law professor Christopher Mueller.

Martin's convictions are strongly held, although he has fought to stay out of jail. A former head of the Denver Justice and Peace Committee, Martin has participated in many demonstrations against globalization. Activists filled the courtroom when he was ordered to jail and others demonstrated outside.

Martin was leading a demonstration outside the Kohl's store when the vandalism occurred. He said the Santas were not connected with his group, and he doesn't know who they are.

The district attorney's office says a surveillance camera outside Martin's office shows him in the company of people in Santa suits shortly before the vandalism.

Although he is just considered a witness, that does not excuse him from testifying.

"Almost any of us could be put in a position where we would not like to say negative, truthful things about our friends," said Craig Silverman, a former Denver prosecutor. "However, there is no friend-to-friend privilege."

Bohm's views are less well-known and he has not been available for interviews. Friends have described him as a former clerical worker deeply concerned about global issues.

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# 'SOCIAL PROTEST: IDEALISM MAKES A COMEBACK

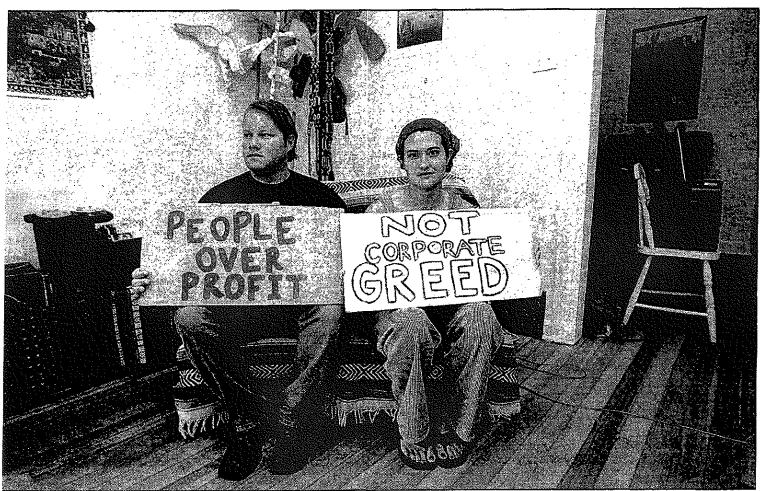
Globalization protesters echo their parents' struggles in 1960s



Quebec police clash with protesters after they broke through a fence protecting a summit of Western leaders in April.

Ricardo Mazalan Associated Press

# Re-activated



Steven R. Nickerson/Rocky Mountain News

)avid Martin and Yory Gavito display protest signs in their Denver home. Both have participated in protests against world trade in the past 18 months, ncluding those in Seattle and Washington. Martin is currently jailed for refusing to give information on a local protest.

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News Staff Writer

fter a generation of relative quiet, social protest is back, with much of the fervor coming from students like Johnathan Yelenick, who is too young to remember the protests of the 1960s and '70s.

Yelenick traveled 2,000 miles to Quebec this year to tell leaders of the Western World that global trade is impoverishing Third World nonely

Third World people.

The University of Colorado freshman never got near a leader, but he did have several close encounters with tear gas.

"I got gassed so many times, it was unbelievable," said Yelenick, 19. "It was like chemical warfare there."

Protesters in Quebec and other cities are demanding that companies with Third World factories stop employing children and improve wages and working conditions in manufacturing everything from computers to running shoes.

"In every class I teach, there are four or five students who are anti-globalization and ready to speak on the subject," said Robert Loevy, a political science professor at Colorado College in Colorado Springs who studies social protest. He describes the students as idealistic, often motivated by concern for the environment.

"What I see is the kind of fervor that tends to grip young people," Loevy said. "Beginning in high school, their teachers start telling them what's wrong with the world, and that accelerates when they get to college. The more activist of them want to do something about it."

In addition to students, the movement draws support from working class youths, environmentalists, organized labor and people who were active during the movements of the 1960s and '70s.

The Quebec protesters, estimated at more than 20,000, opposed the idea of expanding the North American Free Trade Area to include all of Central and South America

Yelenick found himself among throngs of like-minded people — an experience he found exhilarating.

"It really felt like an amazing sense of unity with these people," he said.

The demonstrators were chanting, "This is what democracy looks like," Yelenick said.

, Similar protests have occurred in the past 18 months against the World Trade Organization and the World Bank in Seattle; Washington, D.C.; and Prague. Demonstrators also targeted the Democratic and Republican national conventions last summer and President Bush's meeting with European leaders in Sweden this month.

Fear of more protests led the World Bank recently to cancel a meeting this month in Barcelona. The conference will instead be held over the Internet.

"A conference on poverty reduction should take place in a peaceful atmosphere free from heckling, violence and intimidation," a World Bank spokeswoman said in a prepared statement.

The movement has yet to intrigue the pivotal American middle-class, which helped turn the tide in favor of the civil rights and anti-war movements a generation ago.

But the protesters' objections to practices such as child labor could strike a chord with those voters, said Kathy Hochstetler, a political science professor at Colorado State University.

"People in the suburbs don't like the idea that their carpets might be made by 5-yearolds," Hochstetler said.

And suburbanites who support the growing organic food industry are likely to be

See PROTEST on 16A

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