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REVOLUTION

Why Isn't It Happening Here?

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Last week I had an inspired meeting with a good friend from Women's Health Specialists, in Redding. She had just returned from Venezuela and was *on fire* with the real revolution that is happening in that country today. In large part, this revolution is being moved forward by women, *the feministas*. It is a non violent, truth telling, shout it on the street corners, *people* kind of revolution. For me, it was a profound moment realizing this is what *should* be happening here in America today, but isn't.

I was relieved to hear from my friend that the freedom claiming people of that small and sunny land do not blame Americans for the terrible things their government is doing, and has done. They are all too recently intimate with corporate tyranny themselves.

The Venezuelans do however, wonder why Americans are so complacent. They say: *The American government raises gas prices to \$3.50 a gallon, and Americans just pay it! The American government destroys the people's precious Constitution, once a beacon of freedom and hope to the world, yet Americans do nothing. The corporate American government steals and corrupts the people's free press, and Americans accept it.* It is this acceptance, and doing nothing that the revolutionaries of Venezuela can't comprehend.

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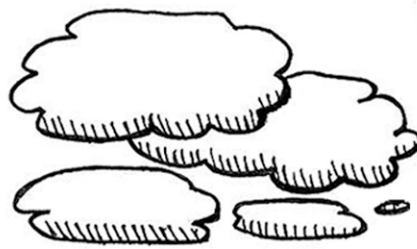
It's a bummer that everything comes down to money, but that is exactly what's needed to keep this free press running. You may have noticed that *the People's Press* is publishing less and less, and it's because of a lack of cash.

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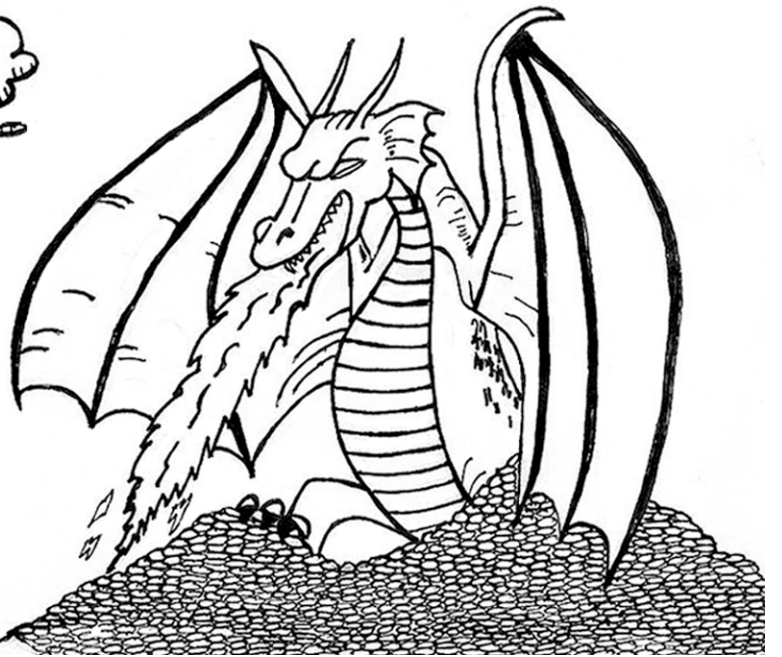
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Come to think of it, where *is* the outrage?
Where *is* the resistance?

Where is the revolution?

It's down south, that's where it is.

And it needs to be happening here.

I believe Americans not only have the inalienable (pre-Patriot Act) right to speak revolution, but the responsibility to do it, when necessary. In 1776 Americans not only *spoke* revolution, but they *did* it, something we have celebrated with a Bang! every fourth of July for over 200 hundred years. Revolution in 1776 meant violence and death to the people and to the planet, but not to the degree of destruction that we face today.

Essentially, the revolution *the People's Press* advocates is a nonviolent revolution against the ancient credo, consciousness and culture of domination (through invasion by force) that has brought humanity and all planetary life to near-death experience. Revolution in America must be a *people* revolution because we cannot depend on the corporate government to do the right thing for us, or for our precious home, planet Earth.

Take global warming. This is a problem the people must immediately address and solve themselves, because the current oil administration never will. Instead, our own government has suppressed real science and tenaciously denied global warming in order to extend the life of petroleum products and the obscene profits to be made from the last of the planet's fossil fuels.

This kind of aberrant corporate thinking and "leadership" in American government is now endangering all life on earth.

That is why it's a different kind of revolution we must make today, different from any that have gone before. It's a revolution in consciousness and thinking, a human quantum leap, from the mind to the heart. The key to success lies in like-minded people joining together to reach a critical mass, to reach the 100th monkey. When that occurs, the tide will finally turn irreversibly in the favor of *life*, for us and for the planet.

The archer on the front page graphic draws tight his bow against the corporate monster that would take his life, his family, his nation and world. The archer knows he cannot kill something that is already dead, which makes his job harder. But he *can* target the beast's most vulnerable places; his false personhood and his pocketbook, that he might bring the behemoth down and save his world.

It's about people rebelling against corporations that have saturated government, and are now running the entire show, consistently to their own advantage.

Perhaps Americans have been until now, complacent because they haven't known what to do. Corporations are visible and invisible, all at once. It is hard to make the men behind the corporate mask be liable for their actions. But there *are* ways to accomplish this, and we must explore, discover, find and act on them right now, this very minute.

There is no time to spare.

"It takes a revolution, to make a solution."

Bob Marley