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# **THIS ROSE HAS THORNS**



**A year of anarchic attacks  
in so-called Portland**

**2021**

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This zine is a collection of one year's worth of anarchic, anti-capitalist and abolitionist attacks in so-called Portland, Oregon. We focus only on attacks and actions that took place anonymously and secretly, outside of any protest, march or demonstration. Everything within comes from communiques, news articles and press releases found online. In Portland, we've watched week after week of so-called "direct actions", in which a black bloc marches until it meets either a police building, a line of riot cops, or both at once. Hopefully, this zine can bring more attention to actions that may have been overlooked or lost within a year full of street demonstrations. You don't need a large crowd or a public flyer to take action, and sometimes you might even be more dangerous without them.

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Fuck IP.

## **Attack on Portland Police vehicles during simultaneous protest**



Late April 12th, while the pigs were busy attempting to control a rowdy demo at the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, the opportunity was seized to attack. The chainlink fence surrounding the parking lot of the Portland Police Bureau's traffic offices in St John's was cut through. Tires were slashed and windows were broken on multiple police vehicles, and side mirrors were smashed off.

At the same time, a black bloc was breaking windows in at the local sheriff's office, lighting fires, tearing the light fixtures off of the building, and throwing rocks at police and their cars. There's a lot of potential in simultaneous autonomous attack, you can take advantage of most cops being busy somewhere else, and you can make the pigs pay for centralizing their resources to repress a demo. If such attacks during militant protests became the norm, it make the police scared to focus all their strength on attacking one crowd, and so spread thin the state's resources.

The night is yours, if only you take it.

## PPS Administration Building Attacked, Vehicles Burned



Early in the morning on March 6<sup>th</sup>, the Portland Public Schools administration building was attacked. Windows on the building were smashed, anarchist and anti-school graffiti was painted on the side of the building, and several PPS trucks and vans were burned and destroyed.

In the morning, police found that someone had broke in to a fenced area on the property and started the fires.

The PPS building was attacked shortly after the school district had begun preparing to re-open public schools in Portland, after a year of school closures from the pandemic.

In 2012, a fleet of PPS supply trucks had been sabotaged with slashed tires and bleach poured into the engines.

## Attack in Solidarity with Calls for an Autonomous May Day

April 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Occupied Chinook territory.

In the earliest hours of the morning of April 23<sup>rd</sup>, multiple fare machines, surveillance cameras, ATMs, and luxury cars were attacked and sabotaged when an autonomous anarchist in so-called Portland fought back against State and capital in solidarity with the calls for action in celebration of May Day. Superglue and (not corrugated) cardboard were used to sabotage ATMs and fare machines and a small hand tool used to shatter their screens, along with the lenses of surveillance cameras and the windows of the cars that the capitalists use to flaunt their wealth in the face of those they exploit. One individual found freedom and power in the night's attack, and challenges all anarchists, autonomists, and insurrectionists to soon do the same. Take the night for yourself and attack, break their machines, shatter their wealth, slash their tires. Attack, and remind them of our presence.

With love and with rage,  
Go Fuck Shit Up!!!

## Starbucks & Whole Foods attacked for night 100



Last night, while our comrades battled the police in the street, some anarchists targeted multiple Whole Food stores as well as Starbucks in a synchronized attack, just as the clock struck midnight. The cops have made public statements addressing how they are not responding to 911 calls due to their focus on brutally attacking and arresting protesters. Using this to our advantage, we spread out around the city with the intention of sending two messages:

First, to our comrades: The past 100 days with you have been inspiring, wild, traumatic, and everything in between. Our collective strength in the streets has surpassed everything we ever expected to come out of this city. For 100 nights we have fought the police – but the police are not (and should not) be our only target. Capitalism feeds the police state. The police developed out of slave patrols; slavery is the backbone of capitalism. We smashed Whole Foods because we are against capitalism in all its forms, and because we want you all to know that autonomous actions are not only possible, but they are happening and they are an integral part of how we remain uncontrollable. As the police response to the demonstrations becomes more organized and more brutal, autonomous actions become ever more important. Sometimes, it feels like we cannot act unless there are a hundred, two hundred people. Don't underestimate your own abilities! It takes only one person to act; two to make an affinity group; three or four to get the job done faster. The more of us who act independently, the more small actions spread across the city, the less the police know how to respond; the less they can contain us; the less they understand us. Get your friends together, make a plan, carry it out. We've got your back.

Secondly, to the police: You are powerless in suppressing small cell autonomous actions, and as the inspiration and experience of our accomplices grows, you will learn that. You cannot patrol the entire city. We will find the places you are not, and we will attack them. We will move while your eyes are closed. Being the descendants of slave masters, your complete destruction is what we seek, and we will settle for nothing less.

## Liberated Parking in NW Portland Neighborhoods

In solidarity with decentralized actions around the world on March 6, we took to the streets of so-called Portland to dismantle parking meters armed with nothing but spray paint and expanding foam.

The majority of parking meters in the city are located in the Northwest, in an effort to purge vehicle dwellers and poor people from the wealthy neighborhood.

Nobody should be forced to live in a vehicle while \$1m condos sit empty, and wealth doesn't buy you the privilege of ignoring the consequences of city policy which directly benefits those at the top. While thousands in the city are living on unemployment due to COVID-19, we will not stand for the arrogance of parking meters. To hell with your upscale boutiques and quirky shops, to hell with your ivory towers.

We were able to spray foam directly into the meters and use spray paint to erase the codes the city uses to require people to pay via an app in their phone. These items are easily obtained at any store and the work is quick. We encourage copycats. Long live free parking.



-some anarchists

## Chase Banks attacked in solidarity with #StopLine3



In the early hours of Saturday, February 6th on occupied Chinook land known as "Portland", Chase banks throughout the city were attacked in solidarity with the fight against the Line 3 Pipeline expansion, a project being funded by Chase.

Line 3 would further the poisoning of the land, water, and atmosphere and violates the sovereignty of the Anishinaabe people. We say no to genocidal and ecocidal colonial projects!

No Pipelines, No Walls, Land Back, Fuck 12

-portland troublemakers

Whole Foods represents everything we despise about this world. Owned by the richest man in the world, and selling products made by the slave labor of prisoners. Every cop is a target. Every capitalist is a target. Every bank, every precinct, every courthouse, every condo, every yuppie haven. It is our hope that others take advantage of the windowless and doorless Whole Foods around the city to feed themselves, their families, their friends and their communities. We should not have to pay for food to survive, and yet you beat, tase, arrest and sometimes murder those who take food for free. You protect the capitalists at the expense of our lives. One day, hopefully soon, we will dance amongst the soft glow of a burning empire, while you both drown in the stagnant pond of your pathetic, miserable lives. Good fucking riddance.

See you at the barricades, friends.  
For Black liberation & against property,

love,  
some anarchists

## Nighttime Attack against Fascist Collaborators



Late Saturday, October 3rd, the doors, windows, and stained glass in the front entrance to the Melody Event Center were smashed in by an autonomous antifascist.

This action was taken in response to the Melody Event Center's hosting of a fascist and far-right event last fall, including Dinesh D'Souza, Brandon Straka and Andy Ngo in attendance, as well as members of the Proud Boys. Melody refused to cancel the event after immense community pushback, and this attack is a direct consequence of that refusal. As the menace of fascism grows, creeping into the highest positions of power, it is all the more necessary to fight back. No platform for fascists, and no profits for their collaborators!

### Citywide Attack in Memory of Sean Kealiher!



Portland, October 12th

In the earliest hours of this morning, 161 windows were broken all across so-called Portland in memory of Sean Kealiher AKA Armeanio Lewis. Banks, luxury cars, new condos, school buildings, businesses and more were joyfully smashed in by individuals acting in a coordinated attack. We moved purposefully, acted quickly, and no one could stop us.

It was fun as fuck! Policing, capital, authority— they are everywhere, we can attack them anywhere, and have fun doing it!

Generally, darkness is best for such a fun pastime, but one can partake in the daylight as long as it's with sufficient speed and caution. Knives, awls, punches: anything sufficiently sharp and thin can be used. New, expensive, and luxury cars, and large trucks and SUVs have been the primary targets.

Further, a few cars have been torched recently in Portland. Setting a car on fire takes more preparation, but they burn surprisingly easily. A 50/50 mix of gasoline and diesel works best, and the accelerant should be concentrated in one place, instead of splashed around. Small camping stoves can also be lit and placed on top of a tire directly underneath a cars fuel tank. They can burn through and set it alight long after you have left. Leave the area promptly.

[warriorup.noblogs.org](http://warriorup.noblogs.org) can be a relevant and educational site. Use Tor

Make total war on cars.

Stay sharp, don't get caught, and happy hunting!

-an angry anarchist fighting for the wild



## Series of Attacks on Cars in the Pacific Northwest



This month in Portland, a car was used to attack about a dozen people, killing one. This year, cars have been used to attack anti-state protestors again and again. The world is crawling with cars. The earth suffocates with asphalt so that they might drive all over over it. The air chokes on the toxic fumes that their engines spit out. Our cities are organized entirely around cars, these gridded sprawls of streets, parking lots, garages, and high-rises caring more about the machine than the animals they threaten. Daily we walk past the mangled corpses of the animal victims that cars murder. Counterattacks have been long past due.

Recently, hundreds of tires were slashed or pierced in Portland. Some cars had four tires targeted, some three, some two, some just one lonely flat. It depended on the mood. Slashing tires is quick and relaxing. A simple push of something sharp into an eager sidewall, you hear the satisfying woosh of air being freed, and the tire slowly deflates as you walk away. The giant machine humbled, incapacitated, as it is very literally brought to the ground. For a short time, it cannot kill.

We remembered Armeanio as our hammers smashed through the front of the bank, we thought of his grin as we hurled a brick through a second-story window, and we heard his laugh in the crash of broken glass that shattered the silence of the night. They tried to kill him, but ARMEANIO LIVES MOTHERFUCKERS! He lives in every bike lock swung through the air, in every quiet night broken into pieces by our riotous joy, in the heady anticipation we feel as we approach our target, tools in hands, hearts racing.

We issue a challenge to you: over the next week, go out, with a friend or alone, and smash some windows for Sean. Get rowdy, have fun, fuck shit up, and through you Armeanio lives!

A brick for every window— long live Sean and long live anarchy!

-some wild young anarchists

## Colonizer statue toppled on Mt. Tabor



Late the night of October 19<sup>th</sup>, rebels pulled down and damaged the bronze statue of Harvey Scott that had stood at the top of Mt. Tabor. The statue's right arm was broken off completely.

Scott was a violent racist who had volunteered in the genocidal "Puget Sound War" against Indigenous tribes, and advocated

for Chinese exclusion. Further, the statue was made by a white supremacist who was prominent in the KKK.

Over the summer, the statue had been targeted with anti-racist and anti-colonial graffiti several times.

Death to America, dethrone white supremacy and topple the colonizers.

### Monument to Genocide Topped and Defaced



Occupied Chinook land. Eve of “Thanksgiving”.

A few days earlier, Indigenous anarchist comrades had put out a public call for a night of decentralized attack against symbols of colonialism for the night before Thanksgiving day. For one group of anarchist troublemakers, one target in particular came to mind.

Since 1903, a bronze war memorial dedicated to the soldiers of the Mexican-American, Spanish-American, and American-Indian wars had stood high on a stone pedestal in the Lone Fir cemetery in Portland. This shameless celebration of American imperialism, colonialism, and genocide enshrined the image of a colonizing soldier in a grotesque display of nationalistic pride.

Fuck Google, fuck Amazon, fuck the panopticon, and fuck the police!

Good luck and have fun!



### Portland Police Association lawyer’s office attacked



The offices of Anil Karia, the lawyer representing the Portland Police Association, were attacked at night on January 12<sup>th</sup>. The windows were smashed in, and anti-cop messages spray painted all over the building. The office was targeted two days before the PPA was set to resume contract negotiations with the City of Portland.

The institutions of policing are made up of individual people, and those people have names and addresses. A line of riot cops might be policing at its most visible, but it’s also a time when the pigs are at their strongest and most prepared.

Fuck 12 forever, every last one.

threatening to create a live surveillance network in residential neighborhoods, with a camera watching you from every door. Now is the time to fight back.

Removing these cameras is an easy and direct way to attack the reach of corporate and state surveillance, helping to keep folks safe from steadily rising techno-authoritarianism. Their destruction is simultaneously an attack on the corporate monsters of Google and Amazon, some of the companies most active in profiting off of the modern dystopian hell that they created and continue to create. Such an action is quick, easy, immediately effective and rewarding.

This is very easily done by just one individual, but is also well suited for a pair. If you go out walking with a friend, one of you can remove the camera while the other serves as a lookout for any passerby.

Doorbell cameras are easily removed with a small crowbar or pry-bar, or with a claw hammer, as long as the claw end is thin/tapered enough to fit between the camera and the wall it's attached too. These tools are easily concealed inside of a jacket when not in use. A plain canvas bag was used to hold the removed cameras, and after a few cameras are removed, they can be easily destroyed with a hammer and disposed of at the bottom of dumpsters and trash cans, before continuing.

Because these are surveillance cameras, when taking such an action it is important to remember that you WILL be recorded. This is practically unavoidable. Accept this, and take precautions to ensure any footage cannot be used to identify you. Crimethinc's piece "Fashion Tips for the Brave" provides a thorough guide to doing this. (Additional reminder that dressing in all black when not in a large black bloc will just attract extra attention if you pass someone, with the color choice not giving you any extra anonymity).

This particular bronze colonizer had stood on his feet for far too long, and this night would be a great night to change that.

With the COVID-19 pandemic and cold, wet weather, few are out and about late, making nighttime direct actions all the easier to pull off without accidental witnesses.

The streets glistened wet with the light rain from earlier, and the waxing moon glowed through the clouds as the small crew of young anarchists met long after dark. Masked and dressed inconspicuously, wearing gloves to prevent leaving fingerprints, they carried with them everything they needed and nothing more. Sticking to the shadows of quiet side streets, they approached the cemetery. At a moment when the sounds of cars were only distant echoes, they helped each other over the spiked cemetery fence, and were quickly among the shaded headstones.

The crew moved towards the tall bronze statue that loomed large over the surrounding graves and walked a wide circle around it, ensuring they were alone. Time for action.

As one acted as lookout, others removed cans of spraypaint, and quickly covered all sides of the statue's base with their thoughts on the monument. "EAT SHIT COLONIZER" in bold red letters was painted across the pedestal. Plaques celebrating the genocidal acts of the enshrined soldiers were covered with paint. Now he would fall.

One troublemaker was helped on top of the tall statue's base, and they looped a thick, sturdy strap around the metal soldier's neck. Hopping down, they joined the others, and all began to pull as one. Coordinating with quiet "heave, ho!"s, the statue began to bend at the base. Running around to the other side of the monument, they pulled it back in the other direction. Repeating this, back and forth, back and forth, the statue bent more and more, until with a strong tug against the strap on its neck, it was pulled horizontal. Still barely connected to its base, the anarchists pulled against the strap at an angle, twisting the

statue against its foundation. They pulled it around by the neck until, with a crash, it broke from the pedestal and came tumbling down, face-first into the dirt.

### Colonizer DOWN!!

With adrenaline pumping, hearts racing, and the growing satisfaction of a job well done, the colonizer was covered with some red paint as it lay on the ground where it belongs. The strap, its role fulfilled, was removed from the downed soldier's neck and placed back into an unremarkable backpack. One last satisfied look at a colonizer with his face in the dirt. Seemingly unnoticed, the young anarchists walked from the scene of their mischief, leaving only the destruction of their actions behind. They helped each other back over the fence, and vanished again into moonlit streets, for the city is big and the night was still young...

### Unsupervised Portland Police car torched



A Portland Police Bureau car was discovered “severely damaged” after being set on fire at night on November 28<sup>th</sup>. The car had been parked for repairs in the lot of the city fleet body shop on N Graham St., by the east side of the Fremont Bridge.

When police cars are left for repairs, or otherwise parked unsupervised, they're often vulnerable to attack by some opportunistic abolitionist.

Abandoned cop cars had been targeted in other cities over the summer, such as 4 set on fire in Philadelphia in August. Portland Police sometimes leave cars parked outside overnight, and PPB parking lots typically aren't actively guarded, although security cameras may be present.

### Doorbell Surveillance Cameras Removed and Destroyed



Dozens of Amazon Ring and Google Nest surveillance cameras were removed and destroyed this week from residential neighborhoods in Portland during nighttime walks.

The increasing presence of these doorbell cameras are a dangerous expansion of corporate spying and the panoptic surveillance state. The two reinforce each other, with Ring partnering with over 1,000 police departments to provide footage in bulk to law enforcement without warrants or oversight. Recently, even more troubling programs have begun to allow police departments and other law enforcement to constantly livestream feeds from residents' doorbell cameras,