

Ted's Newspaper Mentions Before His Imprisonment

Ted Kaczynski

1958–1980

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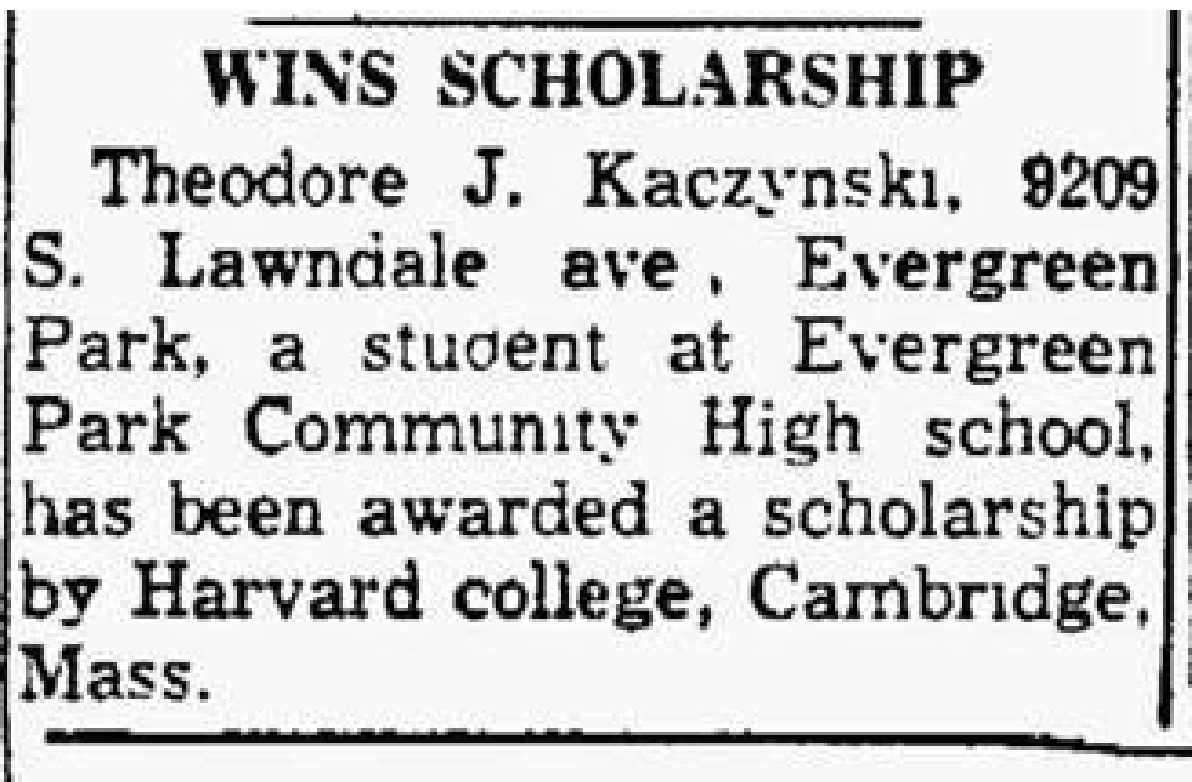
The list includes a lonely hearts advert seeking an indigenous wife and a letter in which he writes the phrase that helped secure a search warrant; 'have your cake and eat it too' the 'normal' way.

Circus worker shows telescope to Ted Kaczynski — 1956



Dave McMaster (right) circus pitchman, guarantees to Ted Kaczynski (left) and Russell Mosny that they'll see the moon for only "one little, inconsequential dime."

Local News of Ted's Scholarship to Harvard — 1958



Wins Scholarship

Theodore J. Kaczynski, 9209 S. Lawndale ave, Evergreen Park, a student at Evergreen Park Community High school, has been awarded a scholarship by Harvard college, Cambridge, Mass.

We must sit here and take it —
Dec 17, 1969

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The Saturday Review Book Forum

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For instance, there is their tendency to condone (and practice) stealing from anyone they choose to regard as part of the establishment. There is their tendency to ignore the desire for quiet on the part of people who are disturbed by their extraordinarily loud music.

My own experience indicates to me that it is impossible to carry on even a semi-rational political discussion with these people. If you happen to disagree with some of their opinions, you are likely to be called a fascist or a racist. They seriously assert that the United States is a fascist country-which is no less unreasonable than Robert Welch's assertion that Dwight D. Eisenhower was a conscious agent of the Communist Party. If the New Left activists ever came into power in this country, they would be fully as ready to suppress dissent as the John Birch Society would be.

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It is also likely to bring noise, reckless drivers, beer cans and trash into areas that otherwise would be free of them. In other words, the snowmobile is likely to have the same undesirable effects as do cars on roads through wilderness areas.

People who want cheap thrills have plenty of other outlets: motorcycles, cars, speedboats, skiing, dunebuggies, etc. A new toy like the snowmobile may amuse them for a while, but once the novelty wears off they won't enjoy life any more than they did before the snowmobile was invented.

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Liberty Is In Danger — April 25, 1970

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Eventually there will be none left at all, unless at some point we are willing to finally and absolutely draw the line and agree that no more of our liberty, independence or privacy will be sacrificed no matter how great the supposed advantages of the sacrifice may seem.

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Some politicians want to turn people into robots — May 2, 1970

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Aggressiveness probably is an essential prerequisite for vigorous, determined political dissent. Thus the elimination of aggressiveness could mean the end of democracy as we know it.

The commission’s scheme would be a major step toward universal compulsory behavioral engineering. As this behavioral engineering grows more and more extensive and effective, people would become, to all intents and purposes, mere robots, designed and built to serve specific purposes, like automobiles or adding machines. The essential human characteristics of unpredictability and uncontrollability would disappear.

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Controlling the weather sometimes will lead to people choosing less diversity in weather in the long-term — June 13, 1970

The Wave of the Future

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At present, scientists have no control over the time that clouds are going to come by or the shapes they will assume. Sometimes there are so many clouds that there is not enough light outside, and sometimes there are no clouds at all; and their shapes are completely irregular and meaningless. It is not good for science to have no control over something. By the year 2000, however, it will be possible for scientists to control clouds so that they come over at regular, stated intervals and have predetermined geometric forms. For instance, the clouds might be cubical on Mondays, tetrahedral on Tuesdays, dodecahedral on Wednesdays, etc. The educational value of this should not be underestimated. And clouds will be timed so accurately that you will be able to set your watch by them.

Now, I can predict in advance that there are going to be some sentimental old ladies who will object to this. For instance, they will say there are some people who like to look at clouds, and they will point out that children like to imagine faces and animals and such in the funny shapes of clouds. They will claim that controlled clouds would be too boring to look at. However, this difficulty can not only be remedied, but turned to advantage. The scientists of the future will be able to make clouds move and change in definite patterns, so that they will make pictures and act out stories, just like television. Thus the clouds of the future actually will be far more interesting

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Why you Canadians should support population control — June 30, 1970

Wilderness

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It gets harder and harder to escape the crowds, even when one travels several miles on foot into a designated “primitive area,” and it appears that if any wilderness is to be preserved at all, permits will eventually have to be required for travel into wilderness areas.

Try fishing in the U.S. You’ll be lucky if you catch anything. In order to have the kind of opportunities that Canada still offers, it is necessary to have really enormous areas of untamed forest and a reasonably small national population.

If I were a Canadian I would favor laws designated to discourage the growth of population and the extension of the road system. Look at it this way. The more people there are the less land and natural resources that are for each person. What many people in the U.S. are beginning to realize — now that it’s too late — is that the growth of population and industry is good for businessmen because it helps them get rich, and good for government bureaucrats because it provides impressive statistics to swell their egos, but it isn’t good for the average person. The trouble is that some Canadians don’t seem to know when they’re well off!

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Lombard, Ill. Theodore J. Kaczynski

Stick to your traditional values — August 14, 1970

Stick to it

Editor, The Sun, Sir — Bob Hunter, in his column for July 22, appears to be saying that unless Canadians begin to accept the standards of the hippie “counter-culture,” they will fall into a “deadly trap” and suffer “d e s t r u c t i v e chaos.” He claims that the U.S. has already fallen into this trap and that it is now in a state of “civil war.”

In other words, he is threatening Canada: Accept our values or we hippies will make it so hot for you that you’ll wish you had.

As a U.S. citizen and a former resident of Berkeley, California, I can assure you that if there is a civil war in the U.S., it must be the mildest one in history. In all the “destructive chaos,” usually the only people who get hurt are the chaos-makers themselves and a few policemen.

The average person is not noticeably affected.

I taught at Berkeley during some of the worst riots there and not one of my classes was disrupted. In other words, the threats are just a lot of hot air.

The middle class has little to fear from any disruption or violence that the counter-culture may create. The thing to be feared is that the counter-culture — and its sympathizers in the mass media — may brainwash the middle class into abandoning its own moral s t a n d a r d s and becoming hippie itself.

So don’t let Bob Hunter frighten you. If you are worried about the hippies, then the best thing you can do is stick fast to your own moral standards and live up to them.

Please note: I am not advocating repressive measures against hippies. I am merely advising the middle class not to let the hippie culture influence them — especially not by threats.

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Editor, The Sun, Sir — Bob Hunter, in his column for July 22, appears to be saying that unless Canadians begin to accept the standards of the hippie "counter-culture," they will fall into a "deadly trap" and suffer "destructive chaos." He claims that the U.S. has already fallen into this trap and that it is now in a state of "civil war."

In other words, he is threatening Canada: Accept our values or we hippies will make it so hot for you that you'll wish you had.

As a U.S. citizen and a former resident of Berkeley, California, I can assure you that if there is a civil war in the U.S., it must be the mildest one in history. In all the "destructive chaos," usually the only people who get hurt are the chaos-makers themselves and a few policemen.

The average person is not noticeably affected.

I taught at Berkeley during some of the worst riots there and not one of my classes was disrupted. In other words, the threats are just a lot of hot air.

The middle class has little to fear from any disruption or violence that the counter-culture may create. The thing to be feared is that the counter-culture — and its sympathizers in the mass media — may brainwash the middle class into abandoning its own moral standards and becoming hippie itself.

So don't let Bob Hunter frighten you. If you are worried about the hippies, then the best thing you can do is stick fast to your own moral standards and live up to them.

Please note: I am not advocating repressive measures against hippies. I am merely advising the middle class not to let the hippie culture influence them — especially not by threats.

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The hypocrisy of oil propaganda — Jan 26, 1971

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Ted is fined in Justice court — May 17, 1974

Justice court

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David Morris Holmes, 16, 3701 3rd Ave. S., engaging in a speed contest on a public highway, fined \$50 and four weekly one-night driver improvement class sessions.

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Jacob David Beck, 41, 520 46th St. S., careless driving, forfeited \$25.

Martin Josef Basta, 19, Belt, failure to give notice of an accident by quickest means and careless driving, forfeited total of \$50.

Lee Allen Wallace, 29, 1009 Carlos, exceeding the 55 day-time speed limit and driving without a valid driver's license, forfeited total of \$25.

Robert Eugene Drazich, 16, 237 16th Ave. S., driving without a valid driver's license and 78 at night, forfeited total of \$30.

Ellious Kautzman, 17, Vaughn, driving without a valid driver's license and operating without current registration after Feb. 15, forfeited total of \$45.

“Woodsmen seeks squaw” — Jan 26, 1975

Chronicle Want Ads

Introductions

Foto-Dating Club

No Computer — No Contract

Call 24 Hours 982-6666

WOODSMAN seeks squaw. Wilderness life. Write this paper Ad No. 27560.

I got six replies, but for one reason and another none of them worked out. One of them must have been written by a nymphomaniac:

“I get a natural high on fresh mountain air and a long stiff cock gliding through my thatch (honey blonde to match my hair!) into my warm, wet, slippery cunt.”

“I’m lying here in the long grass, stark naked, with a finger in my snatch and my love juices running out of me onto the clover.”

CHRONICLE WANT ADS

31 BUSINESS NOTICES

UNMARRIED ADULTS, Call
Singles Hobby Society 441-8141

890 INTRODUCTIONS

FOTO-DATING CLUB
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SPARKLING Catholic Teacher 52
Seeks Intellectual Entente—60
ELINOR ARNOLD 441-8141

SINGLE INTRODUCTIONS
Call 364-3355 for recording

WIDOWER, 60 (looks 50) seeks
companionship. 521-2038

Mother Earth News — 1980

While I was still in the Chicago area I advertised in the Mother Earth News for a woman interested in sharing a “very primitive life.” Got quite a few replies, but most of them were from women who either didn’t read the ad or had a strange conception of what the words “very primitive” meant. For example, one woman seemed to think that a “very primitive life” included raising quarter-horses and pure-bred showdogs. I was so disgusted with her stupidity that I sent her an answer to the following effect:

“I live in a cave, eat raw meat, and hunt bears with a club. I been combin’ the burrs out of my whiskers every mornin’ ever since I got your letter, so I should be lookin’ pretty good by the time you get here. Hurry up and come, cause I ain’t had a woman for several years now and I can’t hardly wait no longer.”

(I have a somewhat undisciplined sense of humor.)

How people will replace machines

— Jan 26, 1980

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The science of genetics is rapidly advancing towards the practical possibility of genetically modifying humans. Few of us who are not geneticists have fully understood the fact that genetic engineering is the solution to all the world's problems. Consider the population problem, for example. In about fifteen years, science will be able to create a race of people three feet or less tall, but with normal-sized heads to be able to house normal-sized brains. By reducing your height by half, you will be reducing your weight to one-eighth of your original value. Thus, the amount of oxygen, food, etc. that each person will consume will be reduced to one eighth and the world will be able to host eight times more people.

This proposal also implies a solution to the problems of crime and violence. People with tiny three-foot bodies will have to use all their energy just to keep their heads upright and will barely have enough strength left to cause physical harm to each other. In addition, certain specially selected groups, such as police officers or scientists, will be allowed to have normal-sized bodies and thus have no difficulty controlling three-foot-tall criminals. Can you imagine a mob of three-foot-tall drugged hippies trying to stage a revolt against six-foot-tall cops? Ha ha ha. In fact, ten-foot-tall police officers could be created.

Of course, the modification of crude physical characteristics such as height, weight, number of arms and legs, etc. will only be the beginning. Then we will be able to modify in detail the chemical and electrical structure of the brain. In this way we will be able to eliminate all forms of mental illness. Just think about it. No more mental hospitals full of lunatics. No more criminals, no more drug addicts, no more reckless drivers, no more communists, no more intolerant reactionaries opposed to Science. Moreover, there will be no more unhappiness. For instead of striving to create a society that makes people happy – something humanity has been trying unsuccessfully since the dawn of civilization – we could simply design human beings to be happy whatever social conditions exist at the time. For example, we could manufacture workers who enjoy being unemployed and in general people who like genetic engineering.

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These characters are always worrying that people will be replaced by machines. But with the advent of genetic engineering, the tables will be turned—machines will be replaced by people. For example, we will be able to create a person with only a tiny, rudimentary body, but with a gigantic brain that will occupy the entire internal volume of the Empire State Building. With suitably programmed circuitry, such brains will be able to replace electronic computers. The point is that when we have created people who function exactly like machines, it will no longer be necessary to build machines. We will only build people.

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Anyhow, if a bunch of ignorant rubes like that think they can hold up the march of progress, they've got another thing coming. If they make trouble, we'll reconstruct their DNA and turn them into toads. And if you think that's a joke, you just wait thirty years and see what we'll be able to do then, sucker.

Embargo

By L.E. SHAPIRO

The president's embargo on wheat
Was meant to cause the Soviets pain
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Warning to Berry Pickers and Mushroom Hunters! — August 6, 1989

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Since similar spraying may occur in other ranger districts and in other national forests, and since wild berries and mushrooms growing on Forest Service lands are very popular and widely used, I think the public should be informed that they may be contaminated — perhaps heavily contaminated — with herbicides, and that it would be wise to inquire at the nearest ranger station about spraying activities before gathering any wild edibles.

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