### UNKNOWN CRIME



INSIDE: TOXIC REASONS, CORROSION OF CONFORMITY, LCD, MEAT PUPPETS, REGGAE, NIG HEIST, & MORE!

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Welcome Philadelphia to the very first issue of Unknown Crime! I'm sure this new fanzine may be a surprise to you all, but I feel that an underground music scene like Philly's deserves more coverage. The editor of this fanzine has only lived in Philly since last September, therefore if I have made any substantial errors concerning anything please write and correct me. This mag shall center around Philly, but I wish to give coverage to any intelligent and original bands from around the world, Each article presented in this zine consists of only one band's or individual's opinion, so don't hold this entire fanzine responsable for one individual's view! I'm offering space in this magazine for advertisement; I would like to make it clear that any band/performer who sends their latest release to Unknown Crime shall recieve a free tpage ad. Also, any independant record lables(like SST. Subterranean, Touch&Go, Crass, etc.) who continues furnishing us their new record releases shall be given a continuous apage ad in this mag. If you wish to have a larger size ad, then use the credit and pay the difference. The regular advertisement prices are:

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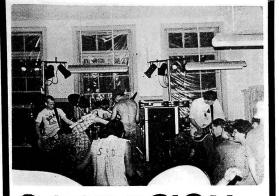
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Please feel free to send for Unknown Crime for the normal cover price. I encourage people to write, and I want to trade zines with others around the world. Please respond if you have any criticism or compliments. Thanks to everybody who has contributed and made issue #1 possable! Especially Eddie Hacksaw with the printing.

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Sorry, I almost forgot to list Jay Haycock as a contributor.

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### **CORROSION** OF CONFORMITY

Corrosion of Conformity were interviewed shortly after their performance at the GBH show. We started this interview over about five times because it was difficult getting any serious answers from these clowns. Still, they are a great band and a fun bunch of people. Woody also disappeared before the interview, so don't hold him responsible for anything

said. COC are: Eric-vocals Mike-bass Woody-guitar

Reed-drums UC) Do you guys like Philly? Mike) We like Philly. UC) Did you have a good time to-

night? Mike) we had a good time tonight. UC) That's cool man!

DETIO) That's cool man!(laughter)
UC) What is this Corrosion of Conformity? Tell me a little bit about it.

UC) Well, were do you practice at? Reed) We practice at my house. need; we practice at my house.
UC) Do your parents mind? Do you all live at your parent's houses.
Wike) No, I live with my roomate, and she doesn't mind. (IC) You have an album coming out

right? Reed) 19 songs...

Reed) 19 songs...

UC) Explain it some!

Reed Eye, and ti's terrible.

Frice then started the interview

over for about the fifth time.

UC) Where are you ways from?

over for about the lifth time. UC) Where are you guys from? Mike) From all over. UC) Is this the third time you played Philly?

Mike) Yeah, we like most of the people in Philly, except those who shop at Zipperhead. UC) Don't you like Zipperhead? Mike) No, I don't like all those costume clothes.

Reed) English looking punks

won't buy our t-shirts UC) They save all their money and buy spikes.
Mike) That souns like a general-

ization, but their pockets are already empty from buying clothes downtown. UC) I know you went on tour last summer. Wasn't it kind of broken?

Not too many people knew who you were. Mike) That was half the fun and a challenge.

Eric) I think most of the places we've returned to since have heard of us, so it worked to our advan-tage. That makes it more worth tage. while.

UC) Was it a big financial lost? Eric) We came out \$200 ahead.
Mike) No way!
Reed) We lost lots of bucks.
Mike) We got dicked in Baltimore.

UC) Did you just play the east coast? Didn't you cancel the midwest?

Mike) Reed was ill so we drove to Indianapolis and hung out at Paul from the Zero Boy's house. Reed never showed up, but it was exci-ting. We had a bunch of big shows set up. If Reed would have played his spleen would have burst, so it would have been nasty. But we nt would have been nasty. But got to see Indianapolis, and twas one of the most meaningful moments of all our lives. and that

UC) Do you guys work in your spare time?

Eric) I work...
Mike) I was a chef, but I told my
boss that I didn't care to work for him anymore. Reed) I've got a 9 to 5 job, but I don't work. I'm a spoiled rich brat. Mike) I'm a poor brat. Ask us who we'r backing for president. UC) Who are you backing for preident? Mike) I don't...I'm not register-ed to vote. I think Hart really doesn't stand a host chance He seems like the most stable cani-UC) what about Rev. Jesse? Mike) He's nothing but a preacher He's got a few good ideas. He's just a preacher. UC) What are the views of punk rockers in the South? Eric) They're pretty chidish. Reed) On what, abortion? UC) Slavery, are they still rac-ist in the South. Eric) Fuck no man, they don't support slavery, but they like to dominate their minority friends. UC) How far are you from Atlanta? Mike) Eight hours... Eric) It's a long drive. How are DDT? Mike)They're a hot band! UC) I've read some reviews of Atlanta bands, and they seem like

douche bags. Mike) I wouldn't say we know them but DDT are a pretty hot band... The most meaningful conversation

I had with their guitar player was a talk about Captain Cruch. He mentioned how King Vitaman really sucks now that they've taken all the sugar out of it. It's a big issue.

UC) I like Captain Crunch alot and Fruit Loops, but for a change I eat Apple Jacks. Bric) Fruit Loops are all natural right? Reed) No way, they're all differ-

ent colors! UC) Trix are good! Reed) Trix are for kids. Bric) Life rules! Reed) How about Cocoa Puffs? UC) Way to chocolately! Mike) They're all nasty! UC) Are any of you into natural

foods? Mike) Just me...I'm the only adult one. I'm a vegitarian.



Woody

UC) Do you not eat meat for political reasons?

Mike) Mostly because of... Eric) It's his sexual preference. Nike) Fuck off! Mostly because it's sickening, I personally couldn't slaughter my own cow. I hate the idea of slaughtering

cows. Eric) Just go to McDonalds, they

kill it for you. Mike) It takes ten pounds of Mike) it takes ten pounds of grain to produce one pound of beef. I'd say alot of hungry peo-ple could be eating grain. Others are starving cause some choose to eat meat. It's useless and all that other shit you've heard

Detore.
UC) Mhy did you cut your hair?
Mike) I get a seasonal haircut.
UC) Are you on tour now, or did
you just come up for the weekend?
Feed) Me just do gigs some weekends.

"?) Are you playing anywhere else this weekend? Reed) With DOA and the Freeze in

Boston tomorrow.



#### Mike, Eric

UC) The last we(Kremlin Korps) were in Boston we got dicked off a bill. Mike) That's the Paradise! You

Shouldn't consider that Boston. I'd like to say that nearly all the clubs there are completely full of ashit. The paradise, Rat, Channel, and I'd like to emphasize the Channel. We were also dicked by the Channel.

UC) Are you coming back to Philly soon?

Mike) Sure, I'd say June or July when we go on our summer rampage. Eric) We're not going on tour that early are we? Reed) Yeah, late June.

(NCC) Do you guys go to school? Did lyou all graduate from high school? Eric) In one form or another!

Mike) Everybody in this van has a G.E.D. diploma.





Reed

Eric) Except Woody, he really grad-uated! We all dropped out and took

the test.
UC) So I guess none of you are col-lege students?
Reed) I presently attend Stanford.
Mike) I went to community college,
but I never went to class.

oc) We're you guys in any bands before COC? Reed) I was in No Lovels; so was

Woody. HC) How did you afford that expen-

sive drum kit? Reed) I'm a rich kid. I don't work but I have a job. I work for my parents.

Mike) And he lives at home and doesn't pay rent.
Reed) Money is fun and fun is money but nlaving Philly is money

UC) How many people come to shows in North Carolina? Mike) Between 15 and 150

UC) What big bands have played down there? Reed) DK's drew 600! Mike) Black Flag played on their previous three tours.

previous three tours. Eric) Void just played for about 150 right? Reed) I don't know, I never counted the money.

counted the money.
Mike) You didn't?
Reed) Are you implying I ripped
people off?
Mike) I thought I'd imply it!
Reed) You're a leech!
Mike) Got 35 I can borrow man.

Just til we get back. Please Reed? You know I'll pay you back. Reed) You welfare scum! Mike) Just till we get home? Eric) Yeah Reed... can I play

your drums? Mike) This guy owns Everything. We don't own any of this equipt-ment. It's all Reed's equiptment. We have to pay him to play in his band.

UC) When's the record coming out? Eric) Say June. We then preceded to go see Gr.. People can order CCC t-shirts for \$5 at this address:

Reed Mullin

118 Hawthorne Rd Raleigh, 10 27605 If you don't want a t-shirt write to Reed anyway just to bother him while he is supprately working.

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Greetings in the name of the Allmighty Jah Rastafari.

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as everyone has obviously noted there is not such going on in the regame-acene in Ehiladelphia, which is very sad, but I have ay hopes set on L.C.D. productions, who said that thay would try to get once regame bands to gigs around here, which would definitely be cool as you would (for definitely be cool as you would from the cool of the set your dreadlocked herves. Let's hope they

Jah be with you.

#### \*\*RECORD REVIEWS\*\*

STEEL PULGE - EARTH CRISIS

If you have followed Steel Pulse's development, this record is probably not a very big surprise to you. It has a couple of very solid, stankin' tumes but quite a few of the songs have beginnings and endings that the property of the sound has tended to become more poppy over the years and this record seems to carry on with this tradition; it is definitely their most commercial sounding record ever released, it has any other than the property of the property o

few fast songs in which the regges element is difficult to be found, as always, their lyrica are of high quality. Steel Pulse finds a perfect balance between socially conscious songs and congs about fun and music, both of which are important. They so may be some seed to be some seed to be some record in the source in the principle of the source of th

CHALICE - LIVE AT RECGAE SUNSPLASE This live record definitely captures the irie atmosphere in Jarrett Park, where the concert was held. It is a ripping record, with superb bass- and drumparts which give it a real downto-earth sound. The lead singer has a great bassy voice, and the only thing I don't really like about this record are some of the backup vocals. This record contains a great drumsolo, an incredibly well synchronized horn section, a killer version of Bob Youknow-who's "3 o'clock roadblock", and some good, political and religious lyrics. Their favorite clothing, as can be seen on the cover, is Army surplus, and as these are my faves too I give them ang on the Rasta-scale.

UB40 - UB40 LIVE

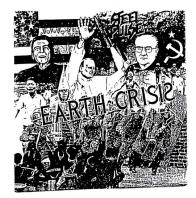
Another live record in the review section this time. From the first tume to the last this disk totally blows you away. It's so hot that the needle of

Tony Van Veen



FOOD FOR THOUGHT SARDONICUS DON'T SLOW DOWN
FOLITICIAN TYLER PRESENT ARMS
PPER CALLS THE TUNE LOVE IS ALL IS ALRUGHT
RURDIN OF SHAME ONE IN TEN

my turntable was glowing after I was done listening to this multiracial British band. Too bad I had to miss them when they were in the good ol' U.S. Now that they all mastered their instruments well they got the hoppin' sound even more than before. Their tunes, from the slower ones to the faster ones, all shred so fucking much that they blow your brains. And then there is also the omnipresent saxophone which gives the OB's a very distinct sound. Their lyrics are anti-war, anti-establishment. anti-unemployment and anti- everything else that is bad. For ence, here is a reggae band whose lyrics are not dominated by Rastafarianism, which is a welcome change. A fumny occurrence is that they completely fool their singalong audience twice during "Tyler! All in all there are hardly any weak points on this piece of vynil, which I reward with an 8.



#### U.B. 40-BURDEN OF SHAME

THERE ARE MURDERS THAT WE MUST ACCOUNT FOR BLOODY DEEDS HAVE BEEN DONE IN MY NAME CRIMINAL ACTS WE MUST FAY FOH AND OUR CHILDREN WILL SHOULDET THE BLAME IM A BRITISH SUBJECT NOT PROUD OF IT WHILE I CARRY THE BURDEN OF SHAME AS A NATION WE'RE FOLLOWING BLINDLY NO ONE STOPS TO QUESTION WHY OUR MONEY SUPPORTING AN ARMY AND A BOY IN SOWETO DESTINAL AND A BOY IN THE BURDEN OF SHAME MUST WE GO ON IGNORING FOREVER THE CRIES OF AN AFRICAN SUN THE RES A SOLDIERS HAND ON THE TRIGGER BUILT IS WE WHO ARE POINTING THE GUIN.

onducted at Longmarch after their show with Black Flag and the Nig-Heist. All three members were present, however Chris sat on a window, stared off into space, and made an occasional strange noise. They are:

Derrick-Drummer Kurt-Guitar, Vocals Chris-Bass, Vocals

UC: How did you guys ever get connected with SST when you are from Arizona?

We needed a record company. D: They just asked us. K: We hired them. UC: You hired them? D: They gave us an offer and we

accepted. UC: Do you have full control over your own record?

D: Pretty much...
K: I havn't paid for about half
of this new record. UC: Is that out now?

Yea! UC: Have you toured the east coast before? We played Philly twice before

at Love. UC: Was that by yourself? D: Yea, this time the shows are bigger by three or four times. You making more money this

D: Yea, the tour's doing pretty good. UC: Do you live off the band?

K: What, you want to know my job or something? UC: No, that's cool. It just seems not too many bands into this form of music make it alone. K: we're making it on our own. D: We're steadily progressing. · UC: Do you consider yourself hardcore? D: It depends what you mean by

hardcore. UC: Well, what are you musical influences? D: We really don't listen to too many other bands. K: Duran Duran

D: We're not up on these scenes.

ZZ Top... K: Duran Duran

N: Juran Luran
D: We don't listen to other bands
we just try to keep our own feel.
K: Alot of people have asked me if I make a living off this band. D: And alot of people ask us our influences, but we deliberately try to stay away from our peer

UC: What about the scene back home?

D: We know about the other bands at home. K: There are no other bands in

Phoenix. Meat Puppets fans are really die hards. D: JFA are from Phoenix, but they

never play. K: Their audiences are an ever rotating mass of teenagers and skateboarders.

D: We don't try to exclude anyone from our audience at all. All human beings are welcomed at our shows. We don't try to make music which alienates anyone except the extremely ignorant or the extrem-ely insensable. Even they should be able to get off on some aspect of us.

K: Cause it's mostly feelings. D: The fact that we are playing this tour means we think punkers are human. We happen to be some of Black Flags favorite band.

Nig-Heist? They offend alot of

people. K: I think people who get offended by things they hear and see are

assholes. D: That's pretty much it. It does not effect me deeply; however, I personally would not know what to do if someone came up and humildo if someone came up and humil-iated me in the audience. K: I'd like to see women on stage jerking off. That would be great, D: We just got copies of their album. It looks pretty good. UC: They said they just sent it to Henry's mom.

K: Henry's mom is real nice. We have been staying with her in DC and she doesn't give us shit

about anything. D: The Nig-Heist are the only legitimate heavy metal band and they have the best songs. The most honest heavy metal songs. UC: Do you play for other crowds besides the hardcore audience?

D: Our fans are older. They've been able to get into bars in Phoenix. Most of them are older than 19. K: Our fans out of state are usually younger. In town there usually younger. In town ther just are not too many places. UC: How does the crowd react? K: They are into us sort of. D: They like to take acid and listen to us. They're into the really heavy, spacey aspects. K: But that's not all of them. That's only like ten. There's alot of people that come. Alot of people who listen to us don't come

to shows. UC: When you play are you worried about being tight and getting everything just right?

K: We like to make a shit storm.D: We're more interested in the feeling of it.K: It's really obvious what you

K: It's really obvious what you do and where it's at. People are just into it.
 D: I think tonight is just about

the best show we did.
K: I thought we've had amazing shows throughout. Great crowd responses.

UC: How long have you been on

tour?

D: Around two weeks...
UC: What route did you take?
D: We started going through the
South, then up the East Coast,
Counter clock wise around Canada
and the United States
UC: Have you played almost every
night?

night?
D: Every single night!
UC: Doesn't that get tiring?
D: I don't get tired.
K: You could tour easily all year

long.

"What's tiring is missing a day
DC: How is the record selling?
DI: It's selling real good. The
first one sold well, it's in its
third pressing. The new one's
first pressing is almost sold
in fact, Rolling Stone supposity
has reviewed it, and it recieved
a four star review.

a four star review.
UC: Do you think some day you'll be rock stars?

D: I sure hope so.

K: Yho the fuck else is gonna
review it? They should have given
it five stars.

D: We'd like to make lots of money and buy ridiculously expensive

equiptment. K: Money is the standard of excellence in this country. D: I'd like to be man of the year.
UC: Does the band always get

along?
D: Always! This tour has been no

problems at all.
UC: Is this the original lineup?
D: We've been together four years
and this is the Meat Puppets.
The only Meat Puppets at that we're all ass-

holes helps.
D: And the fact that we're the greatest.

A short interruption occured when a moronic security guard entered the room. UC: What do you think of the

bouncers throwing people off the stage?
K: If they were not there then

people would have fucked up my boxes. D: He's got four boxes and six chords. People always step on his boxes. People should just sit there in a trance.

K: If people were mad then they should have ganged up and wiped those guys. Four guys were keeping hundereds of people off. They should have killed the bouncers. They're a bunch of

pansies. D: Some people do like seats, but I'd love to see a riot. K: I like to see girls close to the stage. Everyone smashes together and the girls have to go to the back. They shouldn't kill

each other.
UC: Tonights crowd was not the normal scene!
D: We realize it's not the normal crowd. It's the same everywhere.

UC: What are you lyrics about? D: They're about what we think about! UC: What do you think about

drugs? K: I like to drink and have a

smoke.

D: Who are we to say that one form of alienation is better than another. We drove in a very dangerous automobile that alienates us as much as any pot I can inhale. We'll have to dig a little bit deeper than that to find a solution. You can't find a solution. You can't find solution. You can't find solution to the find a solution of the find a solution. You can't find the solution of the find a solution. You can't find. St. They make you feel funny!

D: Drugs are a fact of life.

Before the 60's parents didn't have to worry about their chil's drug phase.

K: They were alcoholics before that!
D: Just the poor...
D: Oh no, what about the wealthy?
D: And the rich.
K: People have been fucked up for so long that nobody is born

normally anymore.

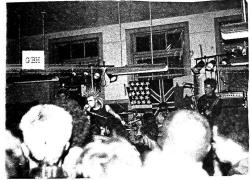
D: Drugs are more available now. K: This temperance thing thing dates back to China. It's been throughout history. The structures have always been the same. D: Talking about good things, it of the together like this and enjoy themselves, It's like a mass orgy! I think punk rock in Philadelphia is a hilarious idea, When I stepped out of the car today! knew! was in Fhilly. It looks like an abandoned amement I have to the can't can't exclaim a doot it!



ORI/White Cross/Kremlin Corps/Fatal Existence/ Sudden Impact at CEC

This show was set up as 1 Vancouver Five benifit, nowever most of the show still emphasized on music. Sudden Impact are a new hilly band who made their iebut gig. They showed a lot of potential and hopefully someone will give them another show. Fatal Existence are from Reading and sounded OK, but they need work. Kremlin Korps played an amazing set; it was their best show ever! White Cross then played an awesome set. DRI play fast thrash, and they sounded much tighter on this tour.





Black Flag/Meat Puppets/ Nig Heist/Little Gentlemen at Longmarch

This Steve Fritz' show costs 38, and I'm not embarrased to say I snuck in. Little Gentlemen tried to move up the bill by being late, but they had to play without a singer. It was a joke! Nig Heist made jokes about sex and looked and sounded like heavy metal gods. Then the Meat Puppets played and left me in awe. Definately the night's highlight. Black Flag opened with one of their boring, repetitive metal songs There were hints of the ol: crazy Black Flag, but they didn't really impress me.



GBH/Toxic Reasons/YDI/ Corrosion of Conformity at CEC

What a great bill! LCD knows how to put on a good show. COC opened the show with an awesome set. These guys don't look punk, but their music sure is powerful. YDI then debuted in Philly with new bass player Steve. They have improved, but Neil was not as energetic. Toxic Reasons just blew everybody away. They are one of the best bands in existence, and they deserve more recognition. GBH earned their \$100 like most rock stars, but they could not match the other bands on the bill.

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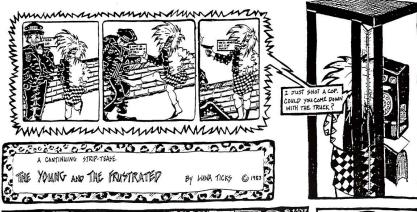
UK Subs/TSOL/False Prophets/ Menstrual Cycle/Initial Attack at Longmarch

I missed Initial Attack and Menstrual Cycle sucked! The False Prophets added veriety and I enjoyed them: their singer is extremely good. Then TSOL with new members played, and they rocked the house down. They played the entire first EP and the rest new songs. Their set was energetic and enjoying. The UK Subs showed more energy tonight, but I'm not crazy about their material. It was still enjoyable to hear some of the punk anthems I used to worship.

Bunny Drums/McRad/Sick Kids at Longmarch

This was the final disaster booked by Steve Fritz. Almost nobody came, and even less paid. Sick Kids played mediocre new wave, but their drummer was amazing. The stars tonight were McRad. Although they made a few mistakes, they ripped through their hardcore with Ethan going bezerk. They then playflawless reggae. The highlight was when their rasta friend helped on vocals. Truely an awesome show by these guys. I left before the Bunny Drums.











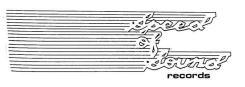


Hi from Harrisburg everybody. The scene here(if you can call it a scene) has been doing OK lately as far as shows go. On February 26, Iron Cross, Second wind, U.S. Chaos, Kremlin Korps, and C.O.S. played. All the bands were good, and there was an alright turnout. There was one problem though, some clown had to write on the bathroom wall and fuck things up. Because of that, we had to pay the hall an extra \$60 that could have gone to the bands. The next show was March 18 with: Ruin, Butcher Brothers, Reptile House, Fallen angel, awol, Faded Glory, and New Left. Seven bands for five bucks on a Sunday afternoon! The place should have been packed right? Wrong! For some reason only about 30-35 people showed up. All I can say is everyone else missed one hell of a good show. Both of these shows were at the Fishing Creek Community Center, which is a cool hall, mainly because there is no stage for the local macho goons to dive and flip off of, and you can stand right up front without having some fool land on your head. Upcoming shows there include: Kraut, Negative Approach, and J.F.A. T.S.O.L. and the Subhumans are supposed to be playing here on May 8, but I don't know where yet.

Black Flag, Meat Puppets, and Nig-Heist also played here April 12, and that was a good show without any major fuck-ups.

As far as local bands go, there's Awol, who've played a few shows and have a demo available for a buck from: 35 Brook Dr., Hershey, PA 17633. They'll have an EP out soon. There's a new band starting up called the Clergy who I haven't heard, but should be playing out soon. Well, that's it for now, anyone that wants nto go ahead:

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#### Record Reviews

rexic Reasons

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It seems whenever Toxic Reasons sets out to accomplish something that they do it in an elaborate fashion. This Dr does like the fashion this Dr does like the first, but the sound is extremely high quality and the cover looks excellent. It's too bad more bands don't spend the extra dollars for high quality and the cover looks excellent. It's too bad more bands don't spend the extra dollars for high quality of sounds. I personally prefer the first few songs which have alot more power and punch. However, the album spend, which have alot more power and punch. However, the album spend, which have the first few songs which have alot more power and the first have been and the first spend their own original sound. You can even understand the lyrics unlike some generic thrash bands; the lyrics also contain alot more thought on this expectation, which sounds like early clash and lyrically puts moronic punks where they belong.

#### VIOLENT CHILDREN EP

A surprising record from one of Connecticut's your ere bands. This is their first relaxes, and at times you can their first attempt at vinyl. It especially like the clean guitar sound. Some of the thream songs are not extremely singland, but iginal cut. Certainly a commendable effort!

#### NIG-HEIST Snort My Load LP

Raunchy heavy metal and rockvoll at its finest. This record is sure to offend a lot of pepple, but that doesn't bother me. The lyrics deal with raunchy sex and some song titles include: "Love In Your Mouth" "ignt Little Pussy", and "Bmils of Fire". Musically the record is OK, but not anything spectacular. If you've got the extra bills, then try this one out.

#### PARIA!! Youth of Age LP

This Lp lacks both power and originality. The majority of the songs have an early punk rock sound, so if you're expective management of the masked form however is not make a sound, but it's just another exceptions and highlights of this record are "Blund Resistence", and "Running for Cover". BLACK FLAG WY 4AR LP

The title track shreds beyond belief, but this record steadily declined afterwards. I certainly respect Rlack Flag for their constant exploration into new musical forms, but this is not a good heavy metal record! I'm probably being too harsh,

I'm probably being too harsh, for I do play the first side, but I don't think it's as amazing as others claim. Side two will probably never be played again. It consists of three very long, boring and repetitive songs. Sarry, but I can't enjry these songs just because Plack Flag created them.

TOUTH YOUTH YOUTH SIN EP

I Twe heard alot about this Canadian hardcore band, and this record shows lots of potential. The lyrics are the best part on the control of the lyrics are the best part of the control of

#### VA Barricated Suspects LP

An excellent compilation of new bands. Most of the bands are rather unknown. The best cuts are by DeCry and Peace Corpse. Other bands that standout are B.I.U., Hue&Cry, Human Therapy, Massacre Guys, S.U.W., and Rouch Motel. It comes with a famzine and Pushead cover.

#### McRad Dominant Force EP

It's about time Philly bands are releasing some vinyl. This BF has hardcore on one side and regage on the other. The regges side stands out more as far as originality goes, but the threaters are all except the control of the contro

#### Marginal Man Identity LP

This is a surprising release from Discord. It's a lot more punky then their other records, but that's not a complaint. This IP sounds superb and present. a lot of originality. Some of the songs lack punch, but it still kills!

#### Megative Approach Tied Down LP

Sheer power and energy!
This VA release is extremely
tight and packaged really well.
Not much can be said, except
this is an all out energetic
attack. They do include some
slower songs on this record, but
that's not a weakness. Buy it
our you're a fool!

#### YDI A Place In the Sun EP

YDI are an excellent local band who suffer here from poor sound quality. They have ame extremely great material, but it a trash can. The vocals sound really evil, but the record lacks the power which I know this band possesse. TOI are one of Philly's finest, but unforted doesn't show their true greatness. Whalk it up as a learning experience!

#### RUIN HE-HO LP

This record has some strong and some wask points. Rule's cuts on the compilation were extended by the strong of th

#### AMTIGECT

In Darkness There is no Choice Some of this material is really fanted that the case like the great of the case like the great factor of the case like the great factor. The album is append out in order to make it a twelve inch. Come of the songs are too long and repetitive. The sounds of wind, part of the case of the songs are too long and repetitive. The sounds of wind, part of the case of the case

#### Misfits Earth AD LP

This record is fairly old, but the Misfits are one of my all time favorites. This record sounds more like live Pisfits then other releases. The sounds the control of the sound so thandouts are the title track and "Devilock". I prefer the old Misfits on vinyl, but this reminds me of some great shows of the past. It's a shame the Misfits no longer exist, for they'll Yatican Commandoes Just a Frisber Vatican Commandoes Just a Frisber of the past. The commandoes Just a Frisber of the past of the p

An extremely strong release from his relatively unknown Connection band. The sound quelity is much better then their 18t EP. They have a metallic punk sound which is vore interacting. Send \$2.50 to: 84 Gardner St. Parien, TO 6620

#### KREMLIN KORPS

Moscow's Revenge EP

This is the second release from Philly's new lable: SOS Records. These guys have a very unique sound that boarderlines on heavy metal. Another bounus is that Kremlin Korps are the first Philly band with femals sound great compared to some of the wimpy female vocals of the past. The Bo poens with "Culture Shock" which is a great song that is really tight. Next up is "friday's Song" which also that is really tight. Next up is "friday's Song" which also that some interesting riffs, but the same the same some interesting riffs, but the same than the suitar leads kill. The record ends with "Abyss" which sounds like early Black Sabbath and totally destroys. Support Philly band serve.

Flag of Democracy Love songs of Aere is the long awaited POD record, and with arrives SOS Records. Ropefully some Philly bands shall rinally gain some record and recognition. This record recognition This record and great for all you thrash faund great great the set of the property of the pro

Tom) Hi, I'm Tom; the world's first nude bass player. UC) I'm a bass player, and I've never seen it done that way. Tom) It feels good that way! UC) You had socks on though. Tom) Only because my feet get cold. UC) Have you played like that on the whole tour? Tom) There were two cities where I just felt too nervous to do it. I was afraid we'd get thrown in jail. A couple of the Meat Puppies got busted in Louisiana. Their bass player Chris got busted in New Orenes and their soundman got busted in Baton Rouge. So we knew they were after us. I went ahead and wore panties, but in Baton Rouge somebody came up and took them off. The cops were in there when it happened, and a woman officer supposivly wanted to come and take my balls off for me. They didn't bust me though. But usually I just like to go balls out. Were you the bass player on the last tour? Tom) This is my first time out. UC) Doesn't your membership change alot? Tom) We're just the road crew for Black Flag. UC) what's the current lineup? Tom) I play bass; Bill Stevenson (Black Flag's drummer) plays guitar Then there is Mugger! It's really his band and always has been. Then there is Dave-O, who is a roadie like me. He plays drums. UC) Do you invest alot of money on your show? Tom) We hit all the Goodwill stores for our clothes. I'm sure you can't imagine what my wardrobe costs. It just costs me alot to stayed stoned. UC) Don't you have a record now? Tom) It just came out. ((C) You seem to have a good time when you play? Tom) We try...sometimes we have a bad time, but tonight was really good. Last night in DC was the best show. We got pelted with five tons of paper cups. (Chris of the Meat Puppets enters) Last night in DC was the It's my first ever interview Chris. This is my friend Chris Kirkwood. He's the famous introducer of the Nig-Heist. Chris) Now we're gonna take a break from the Mig-Meist interview to talk with Chris Kirkwood who we were talking to earlier. Chris I understand you're one of the leading human beings ....Yes that is true sir. Tom) In a world of human beings, I am a leading human being. UC) Do you think you offend people? Tom) I've had people come up and literally threaten to cut my balls off. Some people really want to hurt me. UC) Doesn't it bother you? Tom) Not as much as not playing. I really like to play, and I really like to play balls out.

Tom) Usually what we're trying to do is perform for the folks there early waiting for the real bands. Everybody in the Black Flag crew has talent. We get frustrated watching other bands play without getting our chance. So we get dressed up and come balls out, and have a great time. UC) How did the Nig-Heist get started? Tom) It's always been that Black Flag have been part of Nig-Heist. Also, this is a real trip, because it makes us a real heist; until me, they never had a real bass player. Ou r drummer Dave-O used to play bass but his cabinet was never turned on. Chuck Dukowski would sit behind the amp and play the real bass lines. Now that we have a real bass player, it's alright to tell. Dave plays absolutely no bass, never has. UC) Do you guys pick up anot of women? Tom) I'm happily married with two kids. When I get hormy, I jack off. Mugger gets all the groupies. UC) Do people ever take up some of Mugger's offers? Tom) You'd be surprised how some people react. The only thing I notice is when people want to cut my balls off. UC) What if it really happens? Tom) I'll probably bleed altot. I want to be known as the world's first nude bass player. Me and my little weiny. Nothing else! Tom) Oh, no...we do solo shows back in

UC) Do you think you'll ever stop being roadies and go off and play on your own? LA. I'm looking forward to bringing Home the show. Inviting my mother!
UC) Do you think she'll come?
Tom) I don't think she'll get that excited!

UC) What did you think of Philly? Tom) The whole Philly crowd seemed laid back. I was surprised because I thought they'd have more energy in them. Everyone was like, Shall we thrash?, After you my dear. I'm not putting it down though. I thought everyone was real loving. Everyone must have eaten strange drugs for the Meat Puppets. UC) Philly is pretty open minded about band's appearances. Tom) People didn't love us, but nobody

tried to hurt me! UC) The girl you guys were yelling at (the PA queen) was getting laughed at

by her boyfriend. Tom) Cool, Mugger goes right out there with a long cable and goes around to almost everybody in the crowd and puts them down. Squeeze tities, gets people to undress.

UC) Has he gotten people to do that? Tom) It happens.

UC) Anything else you want to say? Tom) I'm gonna take you down stairs and we'll ask Black Flag what they think of the Nig-Heist. You know, we, Black Flag are a family. There is no seperation between us. They really don't want to be big rock stars. This is Henry Rollins. Henry, what do you think of the Nig-Heist

Henry) Well, I like the Nig-Heist. Tom) There you go. The you, Henry! It has been great talking with you.

UC) Do you always play such short

oets?

# TUFTY TOXIC REASONS



#### Rob, Tufty

conducted with Tulty of Toxic Peasons. He stressed that these were his own personal opinions, not the entire band's. A woman not the entire band's. a would interviewing him for the Philadelphia Inquirer was also pres-ent for part of this conversation.

UC: Do you know anything about the Fhilly scene? T: I played here once with an-other band called the Zero Boys. Only a few people came then. played a long time ago and we

didn't know about all ages gigs. UD: Where was that at?
T: East Side Club...Then we played last summer at the Love Club and we enjoyed it, and made some mond finance.

good friends. 5: How does it compare to other

I have a really good time here. It seems like lots of people have a good time. Not too much violence like in Los Angeles really Los Angeles is the only place I see real violence, and that's the closest and biggest scene for the media to represent it. We played there about a month ago for 5,000 kids, and \$8,50 each to get in: that's 340,700 they were dealing with, and we got \$300 which is rotten. There were like twenty video cameras, warner Bros., ABC, all there be cause it's becoming a media event. Three kids get up stage and try to mess you up because they want to get on television. It's just like Juincy punks. They knew the more extreme they were on stage, the better chance of making the editing, we played two newer song: are the same and more melodic, We want girls to come up close cause they're people with brains UC: What was your inspiration for the song "Revolution". Is that one of the songs you played? T: We didn't get a chance. The kids were being too Relligerent that they grabbed my mike intentionally and showed it into my teeth. The camers man zoomed into it to see if I lost any teeth. It probably would have been a good shot! They sensationalize punk. UC: How come you only made 3300? T: We were on our way. Purely economics...we had to get from point A to point C, and point B happened to be Los Angeles. The kind of money they made could do alot of good! We then discussed the Black Flag

show, but you've all heard it before.

: When we return from Europe, CP Produgations and Toxic Reasons are gonna do a show and take half the door money and do something positive within the Philly community.(to the lady with us) You'll put that in the newspar won't you'l hope you write this in a good fashion so other kids will get involved....We wanted to play the same night as Black Flag for 32 and have an alternative show. That was rude of them cause that happens all the time to us. UC: How long have Toxic Reasons been together? T: Five years

UC: You guys are one of the tight est hardcore bands on the road. Doesn't it bother you that your not as popular as Black Flag?

T: I want to be that popular because I want to do things we sing about. We sing that "10 Pity" song about big buisness bastards walking down the street. I want to be in the spot with a pile of money and see myself, get to know me. To see if I'll sell out! There are lusts inside you, it would be nice to have a cadillac, but at this point I think everybody could be point I think everybody could be warm, fed, and have a sleeping bag. I would be happy with that if I knew we weren't going go to war, get blown up, and did away with things like computers. Jet rid of the Congrass and the congra ues and conflicts, talk about them, and then vote on them. We are intelligent enough to do things like that. UC: Some of us are!

T: More people would be if they thought things could be done. I would have the checks and balances this country was suppose to have. I don't think it has those things at this point. People are paid off. If they could pay everybody it would be alright.

UC: What you and I would do with the money is not the same as what a factory owner making lots of profits would do.

T: You have to be doing something you enjoy. I've done lots of things myself that have been more

UC: What do your parents think about all this? Do they respect our beliefs?

your beliefs? T: They try to understand me. I put myself through college here. started working in a hospital,



but I wasn't comfortable. I would have had to be so callous to not be effected by it. That carear wasn't for me. 17: Do you like living on the road?

"Some of the guys in the band have trouble with it. I don't. Some of the guys have not experienced as much cause they're alot younger. They're still lusting after some of the things they could have.UC: When I was 16 my dream was to be in a band that was always on the road.

It shat's the column and our band's gonns be able to the together cause when we settle down and stop somewhere we'll have somewhere we'll have prelationships, girl friends and bables. There's nothing wrong with that, but I don't want timat! That was the problem with the Zero Roya. I just like to travel alot. UJ: You've probably seen alot of

places now.

I Sure and met alot of people, I traveled alot besides the bands. Just hitch niking or motorcycles. I took my American friends to Burley of the sure of the sure

Market Streets and not be able to talk to anybody. US: Do you think all the touring will pay off?

T: I'm really happy now.

"": It seems the band is begining to reak!

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T: You don't make many albums. I'm willing to work a few more days

for it.
UC: There doesn't seem to be anybody who doesn't like Toxic
Reasons after they see you olay!
T: When we come back from Europe I hope things change. We've all gotten jobs and saved our pennies for this tour.

UC: How do you get jobs while on the road?
T: San Francisco is easy to get jobs. If you stay there two days and don't get a job then there are problems. It's the best place.
When I was with the Zero Boys I couldn't get a job. I dressed up in the and coat and couldn't even get a job.

get a job.
UC: Are the Zero Boys still together?
T: I have a tape of their new

album. UC: How long have you been playing bass.

T: Fourteen years!
UG: Do you play niter instrumentso
T: Yeah, I'm gonna put out some
singles and play everything. Mas!
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I'm telling you here is not for
for the band. I'm just a part. I
hope to set a good example, but
some members have niter feelings
them I do. I'm sore I'd get more
buying myself a crymetic pitten

buying myself a corvette.

UC: Has the band changed since you joined?

Tr. All the songs on the new albumarepolitical. We try not to be just another rock show, We have a good time, but we wans proute so know what we're saving.

## "POLITICS? NO THANKS"

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#### LCD Production



Instead of interviewing a local Philly band, we thought we would have a talk with LCD. Most of this discussion deals with GBH, but at least others can see what the peobenind the Philly scene think and feel.

Rich: This interview is after the Toxic Reasons/GEH show and we are talking with the LCD Production Co.:Lenny, Christian and Dorna.

and Lord.
Todd: Alright, what was the problem with GBE's contract?
Did they get shorted?
Lenny: There was a hospitality clause. It involved four cases of beer, a bottle of Jack Dan-lals, a bottle of Bacardis rum, six clean towels; that's all!

can remember! Christian: Then there were sound requirments. When a band works through a booking agent, a rider is also included. A rider states what is mandatory

rider states what is mandatory of the band to recieve. Lenny: And all that is at your

own cost, Domna: the gaurantee they ask for is one large sus of money that they must get or they will screw you. Besides that, any thing that comes in afterwards they get another 55%. You have they your other you can always all your other you can always and you they are all your other you see. LOD, being honest people, declared all the things we had to pay out; that was a figure of \$2000. That's how much we had to bring in, and then they can take 55% of everything else

after that.

Christian: When we first arranged the show, Toxic Reasons were not on the bill. They were gonna play last week, but when black Flag, meaning Mr. Prodericks, fucked us over, we had to the should be should be

his \$1000 gaunantee and all the rider bounuses except the 65% after 32000. We couldn't screw other bands from being paid for their minute extras. Regardless of his values, because his ob-viously aren't like ours or Toxto Reasons. They come here and do everything by oral contract, and enjoy what is occurring and are involved. Toxic Reasons do everything for expenses cause their values are like ours. Christian: Then again, we do understand this guy's point of view. You are talking about a man who has been on tour with these guys for a long time. Some body that has been everywhere, and dealt with every kind. He has seen scenes where people literally take the money and run. Alot of promoters are around until the band goes on, and then they become imvisable Donna: Their promoter sat me down and told me how these guys were going to return to England with only \$250 in their pockets. I was looking at him and felt like asking him how much was in his own pocket! I know he does well. He is good at what he does; he's a buisness man, but he has lost track of his values. And let me say this, he sees us coming to him honestly and explaining our position, and he wants to set us down and teach us a lesson! Todd: You could have easily lied on the rider and avoided the con-

filet. I noticed him talking to you guys, and he seemed to talk down at you. If it was me, I might have told him to fuck off. Lenny: He said he was gonna put a word in at the booking agency about us. He may destroy our Thances of getting other Ettish

Daniettan: Now when you're talking about working with a band like 13H, you're not working with say Oolin. Working with him you could say come to Philadelphia for an all ages gig. They had a great time! The band loved it here, and they want to hang out for the

night. Lenny: This show is not a down

mark on GBH.

Arristian: Not at all! Tufty from
Poxic Reasons said you had to set
up personal repore with alot of
these bands. When you get notification that these bands go on
tour, you have to connect with
these that point you make an
these that point you make any
American hardcore band. Thise and
tailor make your contract to those
agreements. If the agency gives
them too both the they
can get a new agent. The band creates everything.

Johns: Men I was talking with this guy, he said they realized they would only make \$250 pocket money. Without the agency they could have made that here tonight alone. He claimed the agency takes care of all the travel plans, and I agree they do a

connections, he could bring base into this country, have a place for them to stay, and they could make more made in the stay and they could make more made the stay of the sta

good job at that. If you worked with one another, and had snough

body in America. They might meet some people, but last year was their first time here. The agency is suppose to have contacts in

each city.
Todd: Can't they do show through
secople and fanzines like American bands do in Europe.
Lenny: They don't want to get

Involved.
Donna: It is too much oral contract for that distance.
Aristian: Here is the problem:
You have to consider how much it
costs to fly a band and their
equiptment oversaes. Now these
that. They also get visas and
everything that must be done.
The band just sits back and

waits. Lenny: We had to send them a \$250

deposit.

Thristian: The agency puts that right in their pockets. I would prefer to give GDH themselves the money. We could have done that! I wrote up a budget for this show that was way out of proportion. The rider was set at 32000, but we needed more to pay Toxic Reasons. If you can not make money on a show like tonight's, then no money can be made in hardcore, LCD is not in this for the money. We don't support drug habits; no taking money and running. We are taking a scene that otherwise would die. We're trying to put some organization into it; using our experience to keep this scene alive. I was never involved with booking shows before, but I did play in a fairly major band called the School Boys, who did a tour with the Romantics. Also a tour with the nomantics, also Lenny helped put on shows with the Philly BYO. With the School Boys I made \$200 a night on tour. I knew I could deal with booking these shows. I think I know what the musicans are looking for in each city. They don't need assholes that are gonna rip them off for a buck. More times them off for a ouck. More times than not that will happen, You have to start off with the right people from the very beginning. Also let me mention that this scene would have died a long time ago if it wasn't for Joward and Bungaboosheye. Alot of thanks and respect must go to them, for



no scene would exist for us to continue without them. We hope to

# PHILLY BANDS

#### RICH HOAK

I tried to make this current and correct, but then I'm not completely infallible(no matter what anyone says!). Send any corrections or updates to <a href="mailto:Unknown Crime">Unknown Crime</a> (or just tell me if you see me).

American Dream: Not Philly, but close enough. They sounded good last time they played at C.E.C. They have also just released a 12".

Better Living: Christian says they didn't break up, but are just in oblivion.

Blind Milita: Haven't heard anything since their first C.E.C. show!

Butcher Brothers: New and have been playing out alot. They sounded good their first show, but I haven't heard them since.

Circle of Shit: Bru and the Poo Crew have another guitar player and I think they played in Allentown. I like these guys and although I haven't heard about vinyl, I hope they get their shit together and make some. FLASH: COS is going on an East Coast tour with Iron Cross!

Dead Milkmen: "Bitchin Camaro" sounds good, but I haven't heard much else.

Flag of Democracy: Definately shred both live and on their new vinyl "Love Songs". Get it! These guys have been playing out alot, and that's good. ( Also, Jim got a haircut!)

Initial Attack: This band adds much needed diversity to Philly. They have a demo tape, but no records yet.

Kremlin Korps: 4 song 7" called "Moscow's Revenge" on the way. I really like these guys, but then I'm one of them!

Little Gentlemen: I know they had a 7" and I think an album is on its way. They didn't do too well opening for Black Flag. I'm still not sure who, but someone fucked up.

McRad: No doubt one of Philly's best. A 12" out for awhile. I hear McRad is going on a big tour this summer. Good luck(in getting Zeke's head in the car door)\* Ethan's cot; Care Winter it.

More Fiends: Despite some personal problems, Allen and Elizabeth are keeping things going. Always fun, don't miss one of their rare, but thrilling appearences.

Ruin: A good album called "HE-HO" and alot of shows for these guys. I personally like these guys!

Sadistic Exploits: Sounded really good at the UK Subs show. Intelligent guys; haven't heard about any vinyl, but hope to.

Sudden Impact: Very new band. They sounded OK at their first show. They need experience, but I hope they keep at it!

YDI: They were great at GBH! 7" out, but it has really poor sound with great tunes. They have nowhere to go but up. They also have a new bass player Steve!

THST.

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