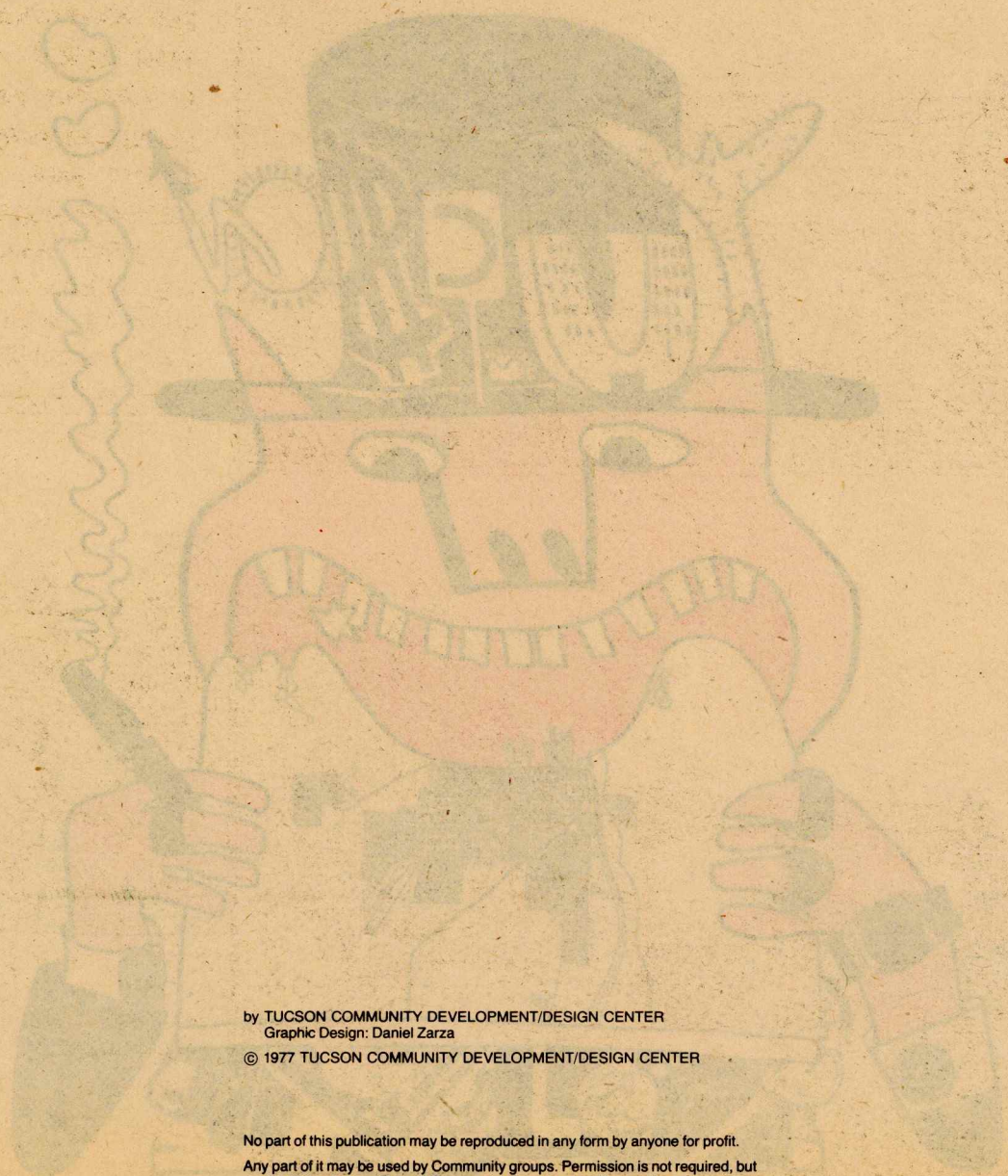


PEOPLE'S URBAN HISTORY OF



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THESE IDEAS ARE THE REFLECTION OF THE SOCIAL CONDITIONS IN WHICH THEY LIVE.
IT IS THESE SOCIAL CONDITIONS WHICH DETERMINE CLASSES AND THEIR STRUGGLES.
CLASSES ARE THEMSELVES DETERMINED BY ECONOMIC CONDITIONS.

PEOPLE'S
HISTORY



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IN THE BEGINNING TUCSON WAS COVERED WITH DARKNESS. THERE WAS NO SUN, NO DAYS. THE NIGHTS WERE PERPETUAL WITHOUT STARS OR MOON.

AS TIME PASSED TUCSON BECAME COVERED WITH SEAWATER.

THE MOUNTAINS AND VOLCANOS WERE BORN....

THEY WERE COVERED WITH ICE WITH THE COMING OF THE GLACIERS.

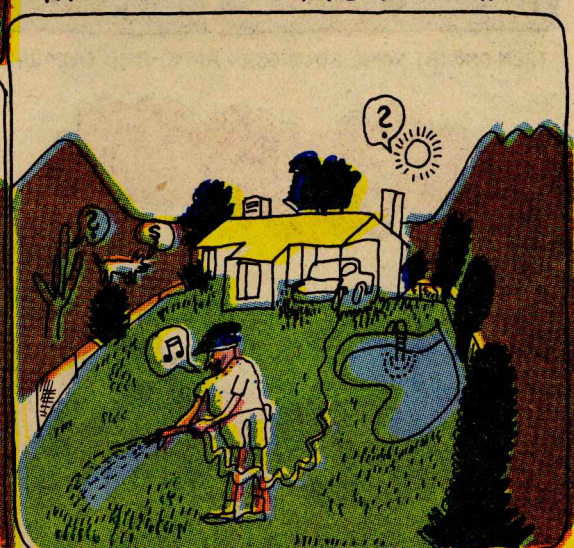
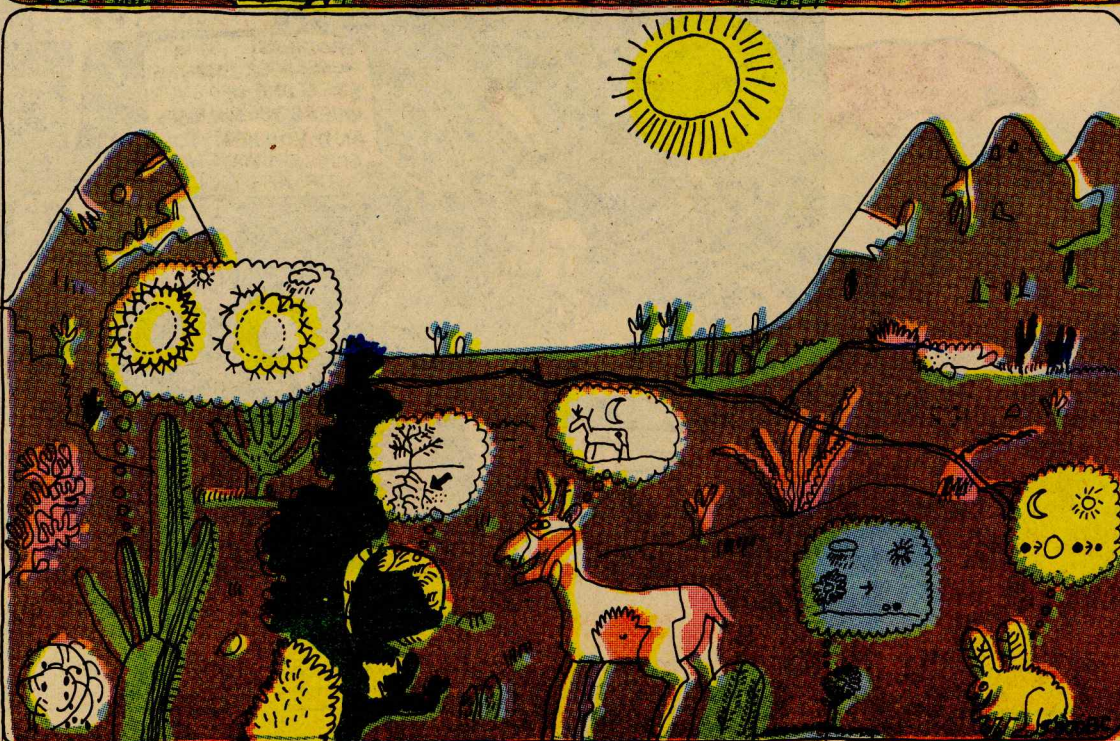
WHEN THE ICE BEGAN TO MELT THE CONTINENTS SEPARATED AND THE OCEANS REGAINED MOST OF THE LAND.

HUMANS CAME TO AMERICA 35,000 YEARS BEFORE CHRIST. MANY STAYED TO HUNT OR PICK FRUIT IN THE TUCSON VALLEY, WHERE THERE WAS AN ABUNDANCE OF WATER, LARGE TREES AND GRASSLAND. OTHERS CONTINUED SOUTH WHERE THEY LATER ESTABLISHED THE GREAT CIVILIZATIONS OF THE MAYAS, AZTECS AND INCAS.

THIS WAS NOT A DESERT 7500 YEARS AGO. BUT A GREAT DROUGHT THAT LASTED 3000 YEARS CONVERTED IT TO ITS PRESENT STATE.

GEOLOGICALLY SPEAKING THE DESERT IS A VERY YOUNG PHENOMENON. THE PLANTS AND ANIMALS THAT THRIVED IN LUSH AREAS HAD TO ADAPT OR PERISH AS THESE AREAS BECAME DESERTS.

THE ADAPTATION WAS MORE STRATEGIC THAN PHYSICAL. TO SURVIVE IN THE DESERT ONE HAD TO BE CLEVER. PLANTS ELIMINATED THEIR LEAVES, THEIR STEMS WERE CONVERTED TO WATER RESERVOIRS, DEVELOPED DEEPER ROOTS, FLOWERED AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE USING ITS SEEDS AS A SHELTER. ANIMALS BECAME NOCTURNAL, LIVED UNDERGROUND AND DEVELOPED PANTING TO CONSERVE WATER.



EVERYBODY THOUGHT OF SOMETHING INCLUDING THE ANIMALS CALLED HUMANS: INDIANS, SPANIARDS AND MEXICANS. EVERYBODY EXCEPT SOME RECENT DWELLERS WHO.....

ONE OF THE EARLIEST INHABITANTS OF THE SANTA CRUZ VALLEY RIVER WERE THE HOHOKAMS. THEY WERE A GREAT CIVILIZATION, NOT SAVAGES AS THE HISTORY BOOKS HAVE TAUGHT US.

WE LIVED IN THE DESERT WITHOUT DESTROYING IT. WE OWNED THE LAND COLLECTIVELY. FOR OUR IRRIGATION WE BUILT CANALS.

WE CULTIVATED OUR CROPS OF BEANS, SQUASH AND CORN TOGETHER. THESE BASIC STAPLES PROVIDED OUR PEOPLE WITH A COMPLETE DIET.

EXACTLY! CORN BEANS AND SQUASH PROVIDE PROTEINS, HYDROCARBONS AND VITAMINS THAT ARE NECESSARY FOR A COMPLETE AND WELL BALANCED DIET. ALSO BY GROWING THESE THREE CROPS TOGETHER THE SOIL IS NOT DESTROYED, FOR A SOIL REGENERATE CYCLE IS SET UP. THE NITROGENS USED UP BY THE CORN ARE REPLENISHED BY THE NITROGENOUS ROOTS OF THE BEAN PLANT. THE CORN IN TURN HELPS THE BEAN PLANT BY PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR ITS GROWTH AND SHADING THE PLANT. THE SQUASH IN TURN...

FACT: MANY OF THE ORIGINALS CANALS BUILT BY THE HOHOKAMS ARE PRESENTLY USED BY THE BIG AGRICULTURE INTERESTS.

OUR ARTISANS... DISCOVERED ACID ETCHING, USING SEA SHELLS AND AN ACID SECRETED FROM THE SAHUARDS.

WE USED WHAT THE DESERT GAVE US FOR OUR WARES. WE WORKED FOR OURSELVES NOT FOR THE TOURIST BUSINESS.

ITS TRUE! THEY DISCOVERED ETCHING BEFORE WE DID IN EUROPE.

NOWADAYS ALL THESE WARES ARE MADE IN HONG-KONG.

AND AFTER DOING ALL THESE THINGS WE STILL HAD TIME TO PLAY BALL.... AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR MARKETS AND RELIGIOUS OUTINGS. OUR SOCIAL LIFE WAS VERY RICH AND IMPORTANT TO US.

LEISURE TIME TODAY IS VERY OFTEN NO MORE THAN VIOLENT MISEDUCATION AND MANIPULATION IN TV, MOVIES AND NEWSPAPERS MIXED WITH COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING.

THE PAPAGOS AND PIMA INDIANS WERE DESCENDANTS OF THE HOHOKAM. THE FIRST TUCSON (STUK-SON) WAS A SUMMER CAMP WHERE A MOUNTAIN TOUCHES THE SANTA CRUZ RIVER. THE PAPAGOS AN PIMAS CONTINUED TO RESPECT DESERT SURROUNDINGS.

I HAVE HEARD THAT YOU ARE GOING TO PLACE A GIANT 'A' ON THE MOUNTAIN.

WHAT ARE YOU CRAZY! WE RESPECT THE SURROUNDINGS. WE HAVE BETTER TASTE THAN THAT!

THEN ONE DAY SOME STRANGERS APPEARED FROM WHERE THE SUN RISES.....

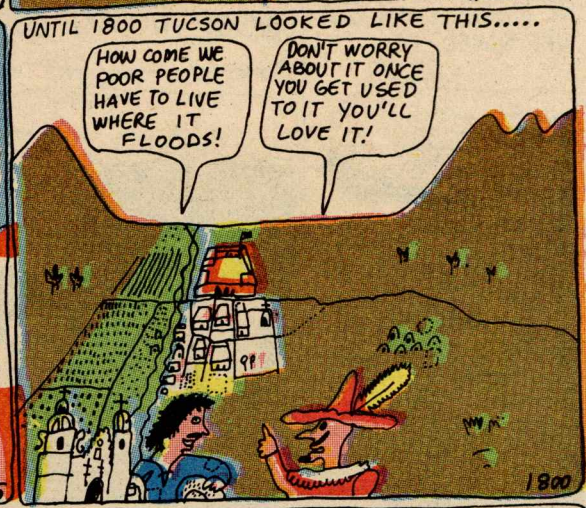
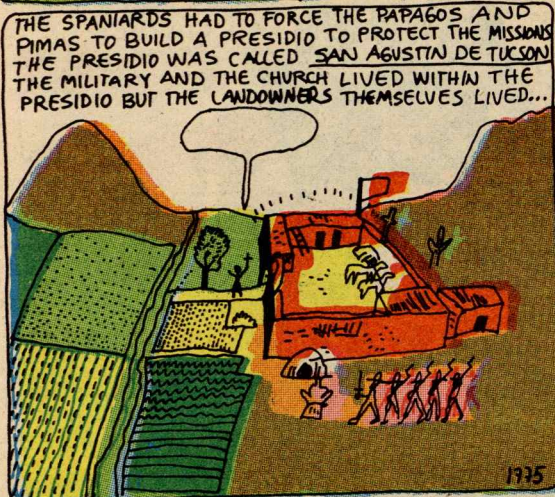
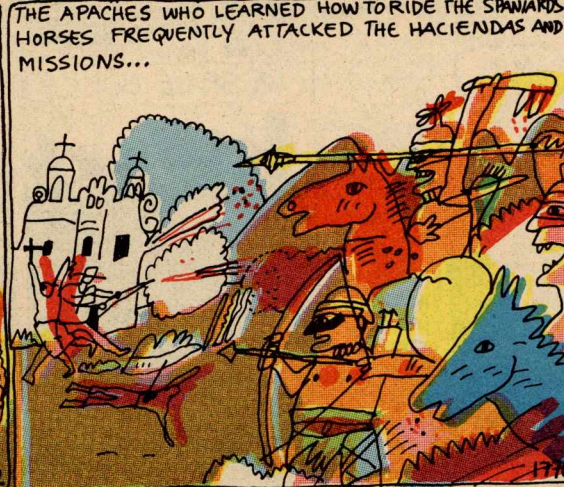
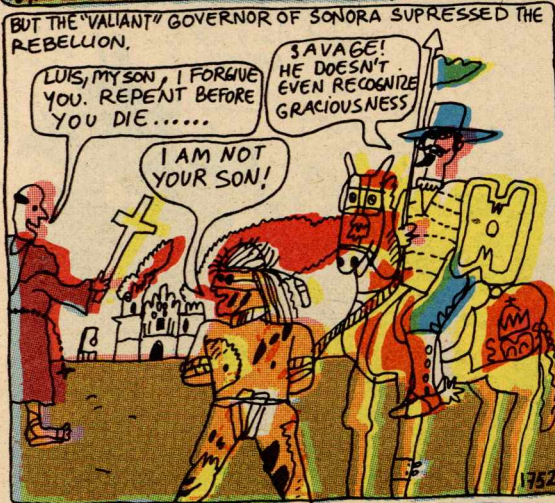
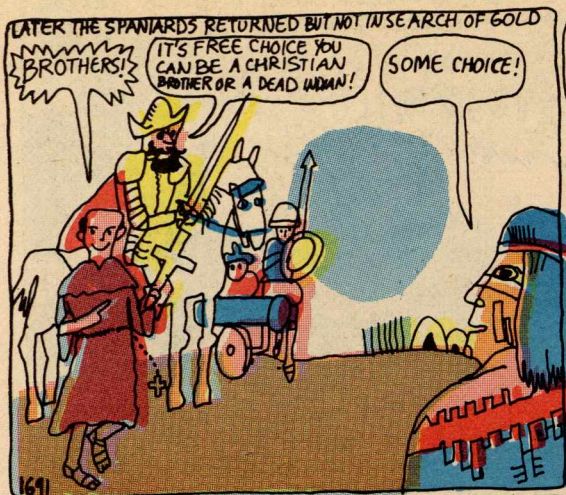
THEY HAD WHITE SKIN, LONG BLACK BEARDS, FOUR LEGS AND ANIMALS THAT ROARED AND BREATHED FIRE.

MONSTERS!

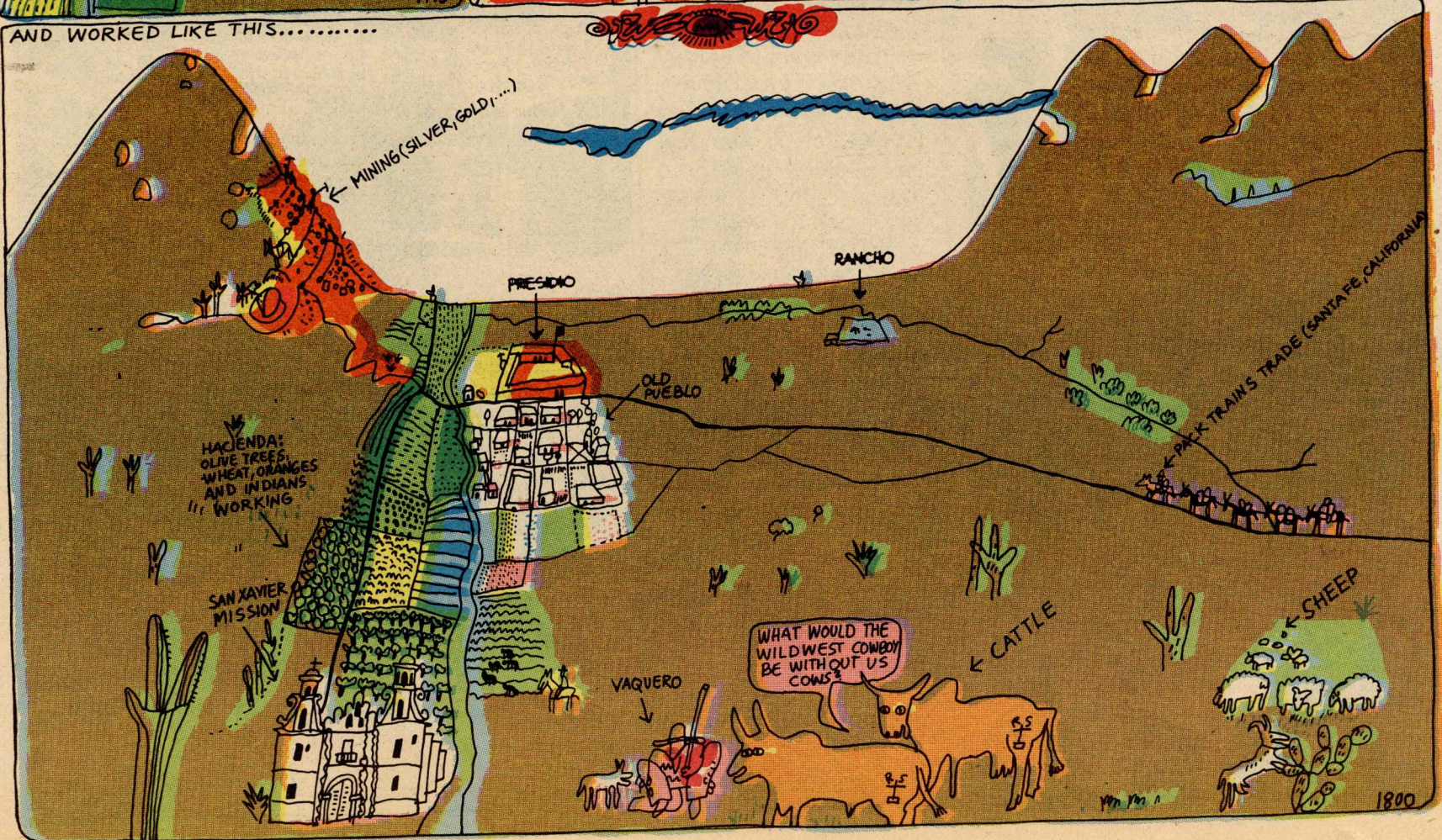
BROTHERS! I'M A MESSENGER FROM THE GREAT ONE WHO LIVES WHERE THE SUN RISES AND YOU HAVE TO GIVE HIM YOUR WORSHIP AND GOLD!

WE DONT HAVE GOLD BUT UP NORTH THEY HAVE CITIES WITH LOTS OF GOLD!

AND WITH THIS SIMPLE TRICK THE SPANIARDS WERE SENT SEARCHING FOR THE MYTHICAL "SEVEN CITIES OF CIBOLA".



AND WORKED LIKE THIS.....



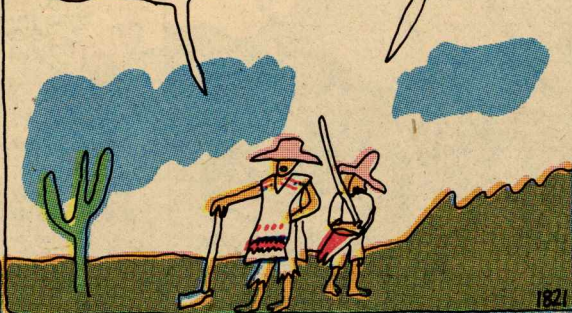
AND THEN THE 19TH CENTURY CAME...

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IN 1821 MEXICAN INDEPENDENCE WAS DECLARED AND TUCSON BECAME A PART OF THE YOUNG REPUBLIC.

I USED TO EAT BEANS AND WORK FOR THE GLORY OF SPAIN, NOW I EAT BEANS FOR THE GLORY OF MEXICO!

POLITICAL FREEDOM WITHOUT ECONOMIC FREEDOM IS NOTHING!

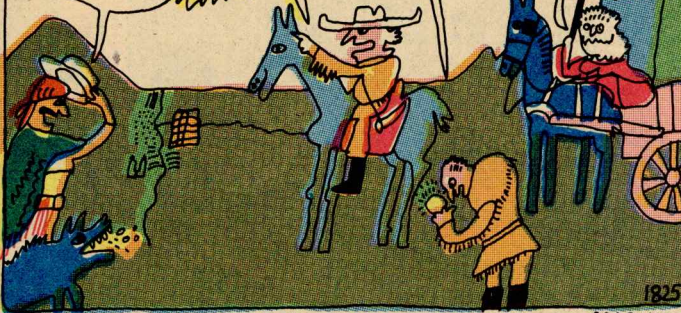


BETWEEN 1827 AND 1840 ANGLOS MOVED INTO THE MEXICAN TERRITORY WITH PARTIAL PERMISSION OF THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT.

HEY AMIGOS! TUCSON!

THIS LAND IS RICH!

AND OUR MEXICAN AMERICANS ARE SO EASY TO TRAIN, WILL FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS AND REMAIN LOYAL!



AND WHEN THE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT BECAME AWARE OF THEIR ERROR IT WAS ALREADY TOO LATE.

LATER THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS PROVOKED A WAR WITH MEXICO TO SUPPORT THE EXPANSION OF SLAVERY.

TAKE A LOOK AT THIS NUGGET!

HUM, NOT BAD!

I VOTE IN FAVOR OF DECLARING WAR AGAINST MEXICO!

ME TOO!

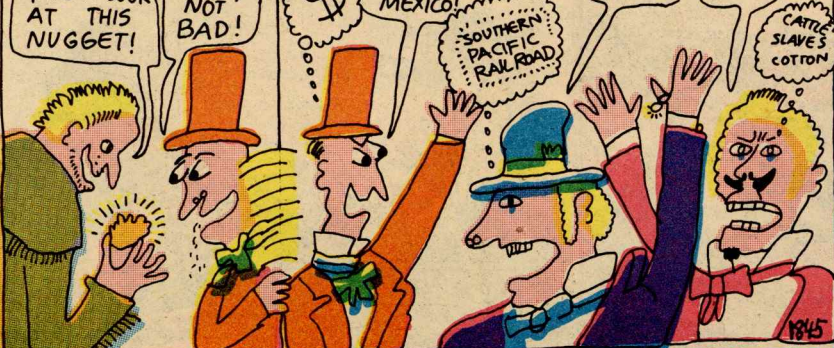
SO, DO I!

SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD

CATTLE SLAVES COTTON

THE RAILROAD TYCOONS, THE LAND BARONS, THE MINES AND THE SLAVE OWNERS ENCOURAGED THE COMMON PEOPLE TO GET THEIR GRAINS BLOWN OUT.

BE BRAVE BOYS!!

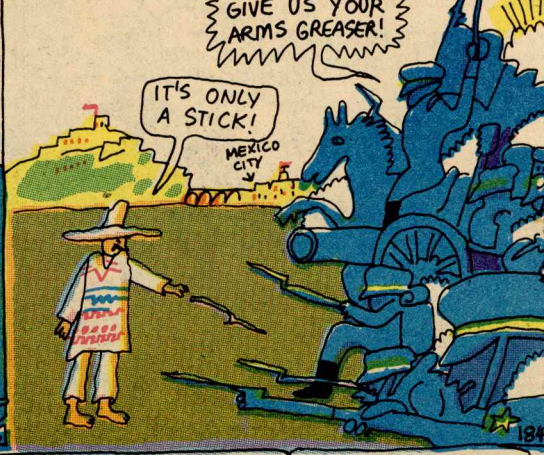


IN 1847 THE YOUNG, PROUD AND PROFESSIONAL MARINES INVADDED VERACRUZ AND...

GIVE US YOUR ARMS GREASER!

IT'S ONLY A STICK!

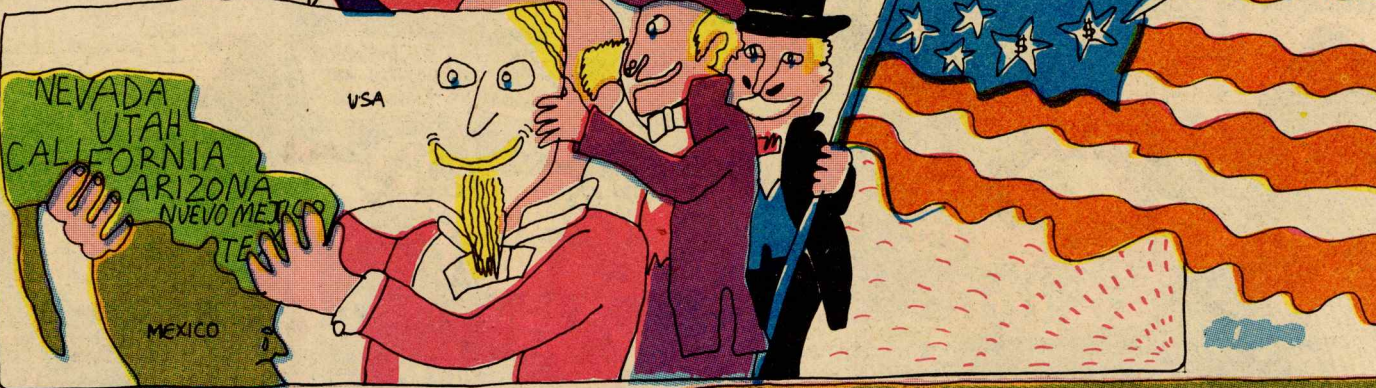
MEXICO CITY



AND FINALLY THE TREATY OF GUADALUPE-HIDALGO WAS SIGNED.

NOW YOU ARE OURS!

IN THE WAR MEXICO LOST 40% OF THEIR COUNTRY, 525,000 SQUARE MILES AND 75,000 PEOPLE.



BUT STILL THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO WANTED MORE!

MR. PRESIDENT, I HAVE SIGNED THE TREATY OF GUADALUPE!

STUPID! WE COULD HAVE TAKEN MUCH MORE!

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN WAR TUCSON WAS STILL MEXICAN TERRITORY. IT ACQUIRED SOME IMPORTANCE BECAUSE OF THE PACK-TRAIN TRADE WHICH CONNECTED SANTA FE TO THE WEST. BUT TUCSON WAS BASICALLY OF LITTLE IMPORTANCE UNTIL THE SOUTHERN-PACIFIC RAILROAD REALIZED THAT THE BEST ROUTE FOR THEIR RAILROAD LAY THROUGH THIS AREA.

SO SORRY BOSS WE HAVE VERY BIG PROBLEM TRACKS CROSSING INTO MEXICO!

NO NEED TO WORRY! I WILL SPEAK TO MY MAN IN THE 'WHITE' HOUSE.

A FEW DAYS LATER AT THE 'WHITE' HOUSE...

WHAT ABOUT DECLARING THE TUCSON WAR!

THIS TIME LETS NOT I'D RATHER PAY FOR IT WITH OUR PEOPLES TAXES, LETS CALL IT 'THE CARSON PURCHASE'!

DON'T YOU THINK 10 MILLION DOLLARS IS TOO MUCH FOR THIS SHITTY DESERT?

MMMM... I DON'T KNOW, I DON'T KNOW...

I DON'T BELIEVE SO!

GOLD/SILVER...

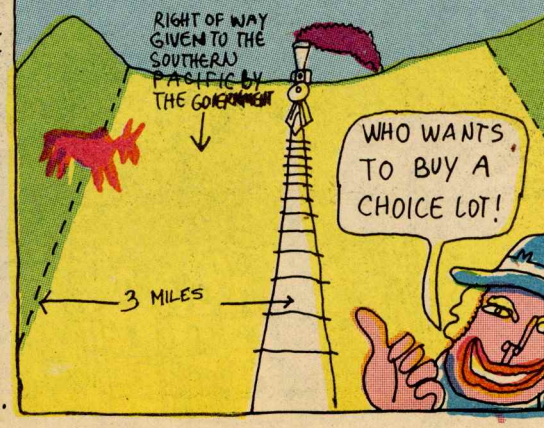
THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE RAILROAD WAS DELAYED BY THE CIVIL WAR BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIAL NORTH AND THE AGRICULTURAL SOUTH. THE RICH PEOPLE OF TUCSON SIDED WITH THE SOUTH, BECAUSE THE NORTH WON THE WAR, THE FIRST TRANS CONTINENTAL RAILROAD CROSSED THE COUNTRY VIA THE NORTHERN ROUTE. BUT BECAUSE THE RAILROAD TYCOONS AND LAND BARONS...

MADE SO MUCH MONEY OFF THE RAILROAD AND THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATED WITH IT... CONSTRUCTION WAS BEGUN ON THE SOUTHERN ROUTE.

RIGHT OF WAY GIVEN TO THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC BY THE GOVERNMENT

3 MILES

WHO WANTS TO BUY A CHOICE LOT!



AND IN TUCSON A FEW CHANGES BEGAN TO SURFACE



AND THE BONANZA CAME.... THE RAILROAD!

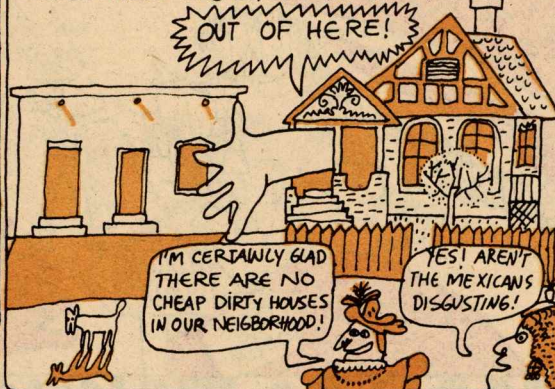
(1880)



WITH THE COMING OF THE RAILROAD THE ANGLOS ARRIVED IN LARGE NUMBERS... FALSE NEWS OF GOLD DISCOVERIES ALSO BROUGHT THE ANGLO OUT WEST.



MANY WHO WORKED FOR THE RAILROAD SETTLED IN TUCSON AND MR. POSTON BUILT NEW HOMES FOR THEM ON HIS LAND. THE HOUSES WERE DISTINCTLY ANGLO, OFTEN BUILT OF IMPORTED MATERIALS AND THIS IS HOW THE FIRST ANGLO NEIGHBORHOOD WAS BORN: ARMORY PARK!



AND TO FACILITATE EXPLOITATION THE POOR WERE DIVIDED BY RACISM.

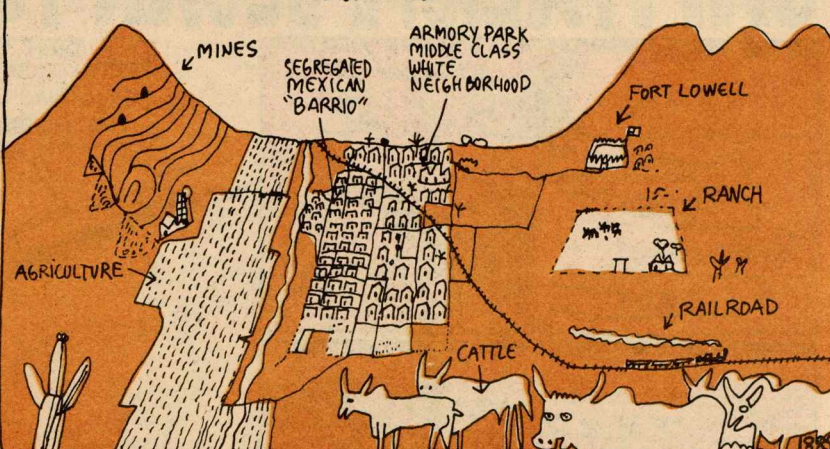


UNORGANIZED THE POOR COULD NOT DESTROY THEIR REAL ENEMIES SO INSTEAD THEY WENT ABOUT DESTROYING AND DELUDING THEMSELVES. AND THE RICH EXPLOITED THEM EVEN IN THEIR OWN SELF DESTRUCTION.

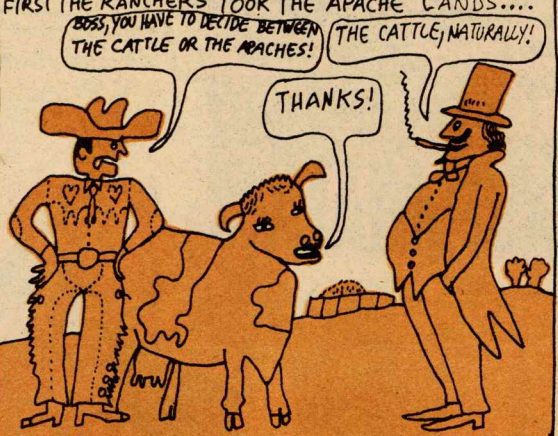


DURING THESE YEARS OPIUM DENS FLOURISHED IN TUCSON'S CHINATOWN. COCKFIGHTS, SUICIDES, LYNCHINGS AND KILLINGS WERE EVERY DAY HAPPENINGS IN THE BARRIO LIBRE. CALLED 'LIBRE' BECAUSE YOU COULD DO ANYTHING WITHOUT WORRYING ABOUT THE POLICE WHO WERE BUSY AS USUAL GUARDING THE PROPERTIES OF THE RICH. THIS IS HOW THE MOVEMENT BEGAN AGAINST THE CHINESE (WAR OF THE TUNGS) TO PREPARE THE WAY FOR THE EXPULSION ACT.

WITH THE COMING OF THE ANGLOS TUCSON BECAME.....



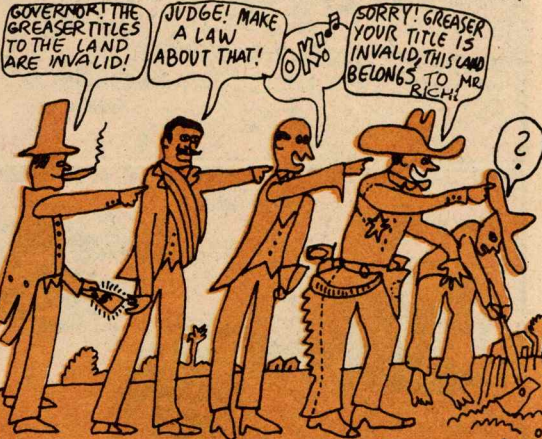
GENERALLY SPEAKING THE WILD WEST WAS JUST THE OPPOSITE OF WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IN THE HOLLYWOOD MOVIES. FIRST THE RANCHERS TOOK THE APACHE LANDS....



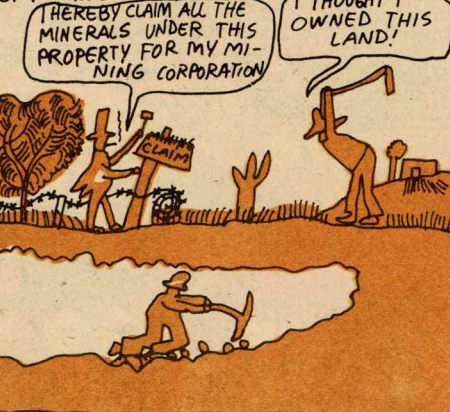
THE RANCHERS BEGAN THE WAR AGAINST THE APACHES BY MASSACRING UNARMED APACHE WOMEN AND CHILDREN AT FORT GRANT (6 APACHE CHILDREN SURVIVED). LATER THE ARMY INTERVENED USING BLACK COMPANIES CALLED 'BUFFALO SOLDIERS' BY THE APACHES A CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF USING A POOR MINORITY TO FIGHT ANOTHER.



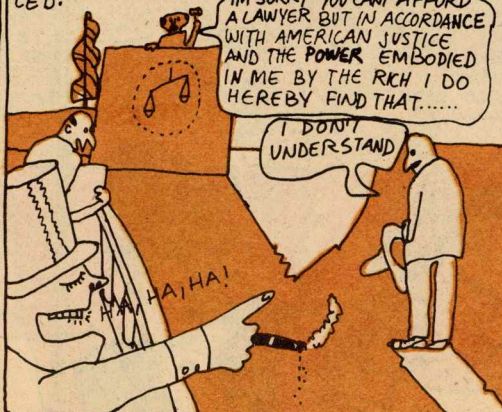
THEN CAME THE MOVEMENT AGAINST THE MEXICANS WHOSE LANDS WERE TAKEN WITH 'NEW ANGLO LAWS'.



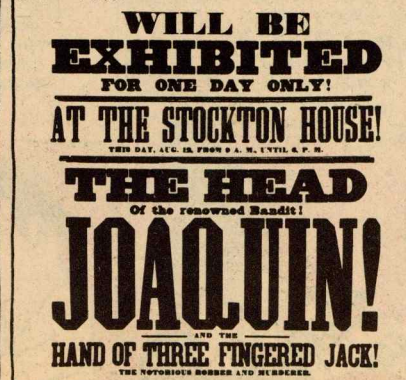
IN ADDITION TO INVALIDATING MEXICAN TITLES THE RICH ACQUIRED MINERAL RIGHTS TO VAST TRACTS OF LAND THROUGH THE 'LEGAL' MEANS OF MINING CLAIMS.



ALSO BY LAW THE COURTS, THE SCHOOLS AND THE 'LEGAL BUSINESS' WAS DONE IN ENGLISH. MEXICAN AND INDIAN CULTURES AND LANGUAGES WERE RIDICULIZED.



PERSONS WHO RESISTED THESE 'LEGAL' ACTIONS SUCH AS JOAQUIN MURRIETA, CHENO CORTINA, THE GORRAS BLANCAS AND MANY OTHERS WERE CALLED 'OUTLAWS' AND BANDITS...



1900

I DON'T KNOW!

THERE IS ONE THING
MISSING!

AND WHO'S GOING TO WORK
HERE WITH THIS HOT SUN
LITTLE MONEY AND HARD WORK.

THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH WHITES YET!

THE INDIANS
HAVE BEEN
ALMOST WIPED
OUT WITH ALCOHOL
AND DISEASE!

AND THE CHINESE
CAN'T. WE'VE PREVEN-
TED THEM FROM WOR-
KING WITH THE EX-
CLUSION ACT OF 1882!

I HAVE THE SOLUTION!

PERFECT! SINCE THEY
ARE FOREIGNERS,
THEY HAVE NO RIGHTS
AND WE CAN PAY
THEM LESS!

THAT'S
AN
IDEA!

AND THAT'S HOW THE BORDER WAS OPENED

WELCOME
AMIGOS!

YES WE ARE OPEN

1910

IN THE MINES! MINERS CONVERTED ORE INTO MINERALS!

WHITES

CHICANOS

INDIANS

AND THEN THEY
WERE LOADED
ON TRAINS BY
THE WORKERS

THEY WERE SOLD
AT EASTERN
MARKETS....

AND
CONVERTED
TO
MONEY...

AND THE MONEY
WAS CONVERTED
IN CAPITAL...

IN THE FARMS! BRACEROS CONVERTED THE CROPS INTO PRODUCTS!

IN THE RANCHES! COWBOYS CONVERTED CATTLE INTO MEAT.

I PREFERRED
THE
APACHES!

AND THEY WERE
CARRIED TO
EASTERN
MARKETS

.... IN
OUR HANDS
OF
COURSE!

AND THE LABOR FORCE BECAME ANOTHER COMMODITY
ITS PRICE WAS NO MORE THAN THEIR DAILY COST
OF LIVING

WE WOMEN WORK
IN BOTH THE FIELDS
AND THE HOUSE!

THIS MEXICAN LABOR FORCE
IS GOOD BUSINESS ALL YOU NEED
IS SOME TORTILLAS WITH A
LITTLE BIT OF CHILE TOP
IT OFF WITH A BOTTLE OF
TEQUILA ON SUNDAYS AND
THESE MEXICANS ARE SATISFIED!

PATRON! MY FAMILY IS STARVING. THE RENT OF YOUR BOXCARS IS TOO HIGH, WHY DO I RECEIVE ONLY HALF THE WAGES OF THE ANGLO WORKER?

QUIET, JUAN! WOULD
YOU RATHER RETURN
TO MEXICO?

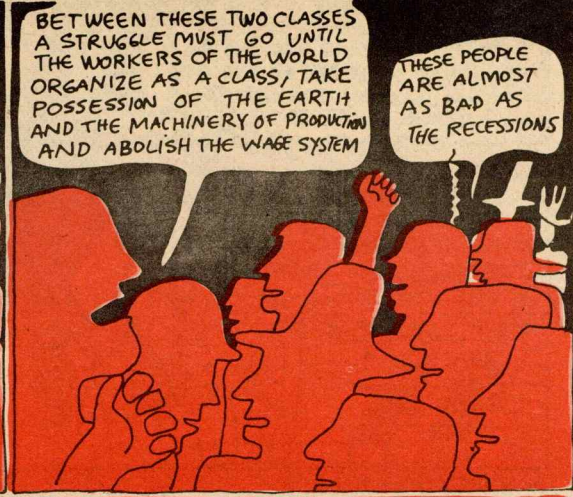
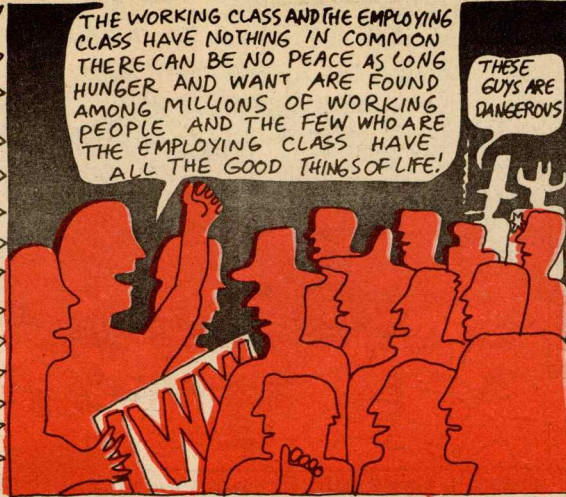
HA HA HA! I OWN
THE MINES THERE
TOO BUT YOU DON'T
KNOW IT, HA HA!

BOSS, THE INFLATION IS KILLING ME, I CAN'T MAKE THE PAYMENTS ON MY HOUSE TO YOUR BANK. THE PRICE OF FOOD IN YOUR STORE IS STAGGERING, WE NEED A NEW BUGGY BUT I CAN'T AFFORD THE PAYMENTS!

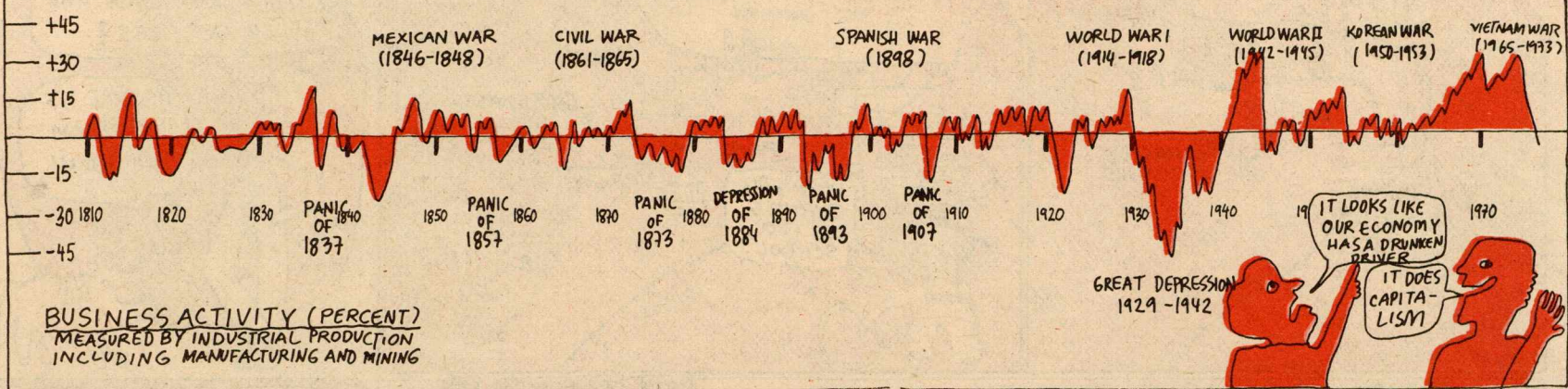
WELL BILL, YOU SHOULD
BE HAPPY. YOU EARN
TWICE AS MUCH AS
JUAN. THE FREE ENTER-
PRISE SYSTEM IS WHAT
MADE THIS COUNTRY
WHAT IT IS!

HAHAHA! I'M FREE AND
YOU ARE ENTERPRISING
IT'S SUPPLY AND DEMAND
I DEMAND AND YOU
SUPPLY! HAHAHA!

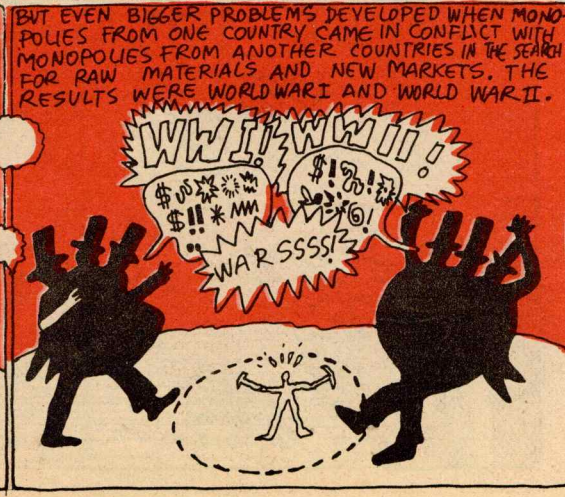
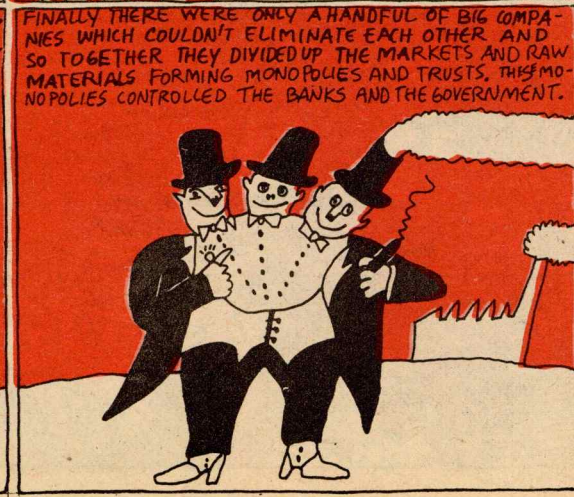
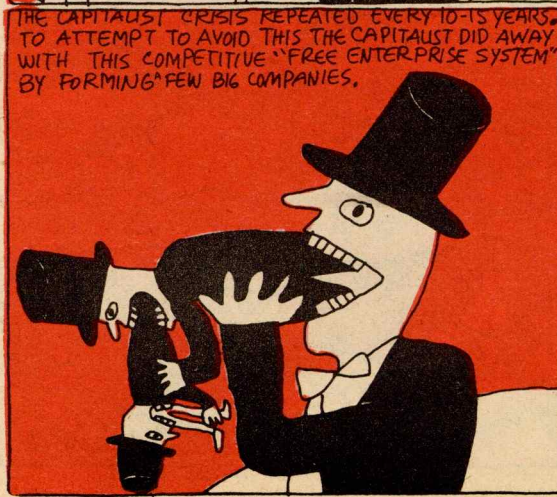
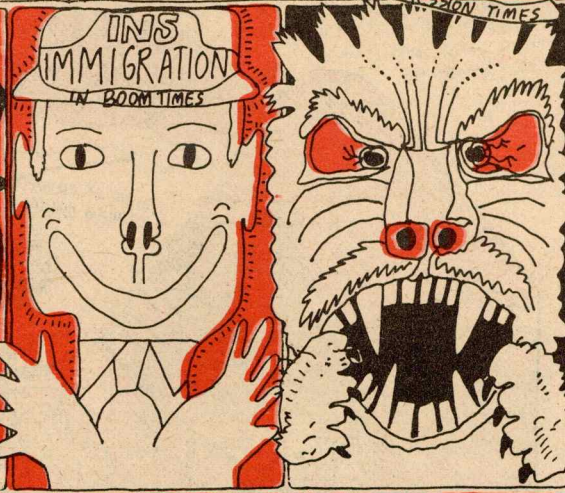
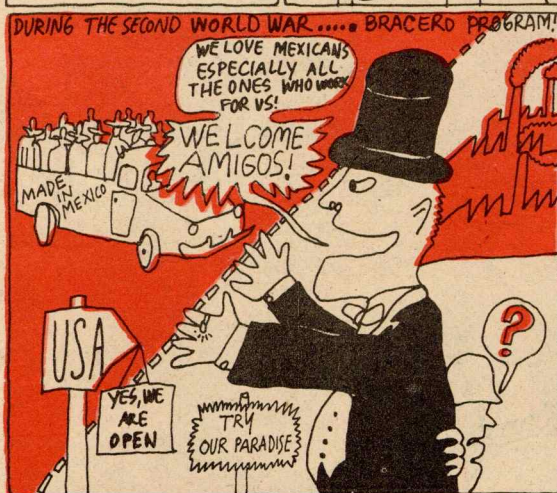
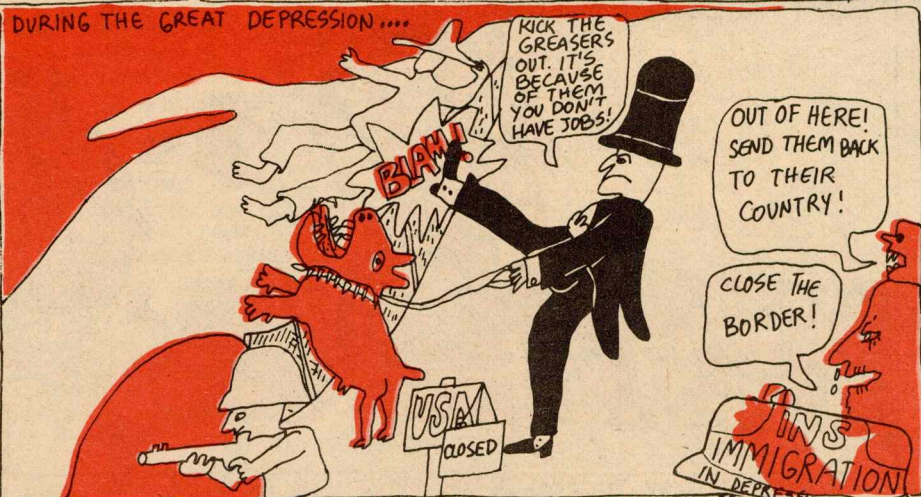
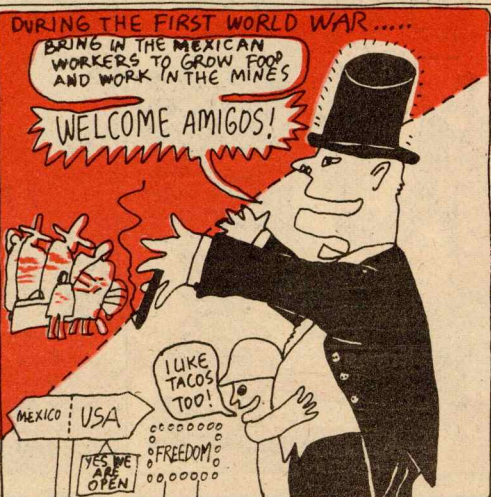
BUT THE THINGS WEREN'T AS SMOOTH AS THE LAST PAGE SHOWS. THE CAPITALIST HAD THEIR PROBLEMS. THE WORKERS GOT TIRED OF WORKING LONG HOURS UNDER HORRIBLE WORKING CONDITIONS. THEY WANTED AN EIGHT HOUR DAY AND BETTER WAGES. THE CAPITALIST REFUSED THESE DEMANDS AND THE WORKERS OFTEN WENT ON STRIKE, AS IN THE CASE OF THE CLIFTON-MORENCI STRIKE WHICH ENDED WITH THE INTERVENTION OF THE FEDERAL TROOPS. SOME GROUPS SUCH AS THE WOBBLIES (IWW) WORKED TO UNITE THE WORKERS OF ALL RACES. IN THE BISBEE STRIKE THE CAPITALISTS FORCED ANGLO AND CHICANO WOBBLIES INTO BOXCARS TO BE TAKEN OUT INTO THE DESERT AND LEFT THERE.



THE ANARCHY OF PRODUCTION, THE WILD RACE FOR PROFITS CREATED AN EXCESS OF PRODUCTS, WHICH THE WORKING CLASS COULD NOT AFFORD BECAUSE OF THEIR LOW WAGES. THIS LED TO ONE INDUSTRY'S BANKRUPTCY AFTER ANOTHER UNTIL RECESSIONS, PANICS, AND GREAT DEPRESSIONS CAME IN.....

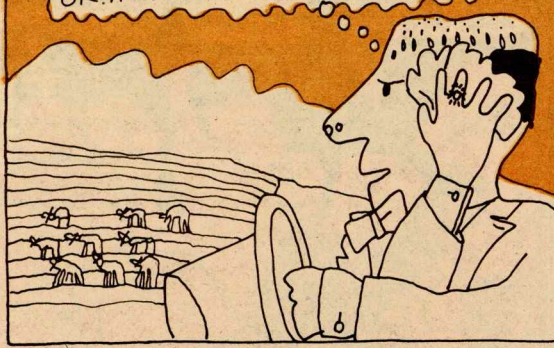


AND THE CAPITALIST NEVER TIRED OF FOOLING THE WORKING CLASS WITH RACISM AS THE CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM. THIS SCAPEGOAT IS TO BLAME!

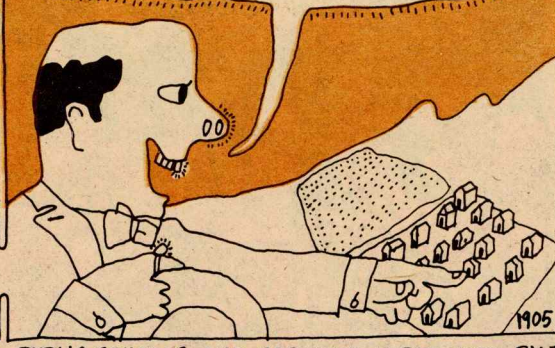


URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN ARIZONA WAS VERY SLOW. BETWEEN 1880 AND 1900, 90% OF ARIZONA'S POPULATION WAS RURAL.

IT'S PRETTY HARD WORKING FOR AN HONEST LIVING. I THINK I'LL GO INTO CITY LAND SPECULATION! MAYBE OPEN A BANK OR A REAL ESTATE COMPANY!



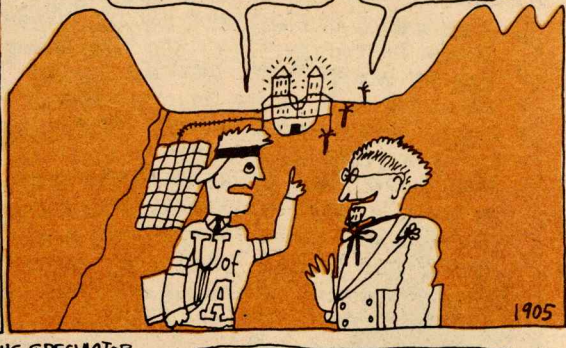
INSTEAD OF GROWING LETTUCE I CAN USE MY LAND TO GROW HOUSES.... IT'S MORE PROFITABLE!



THE UNIVERSITY WAS AN EARLY EXAMPLE OF URBAN LAND SPECULATION

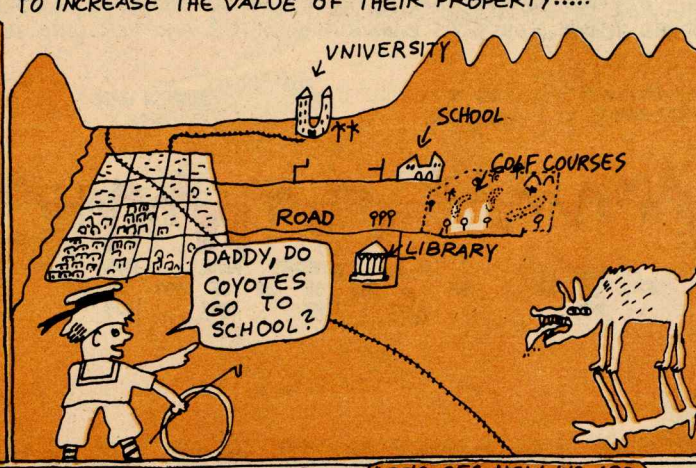
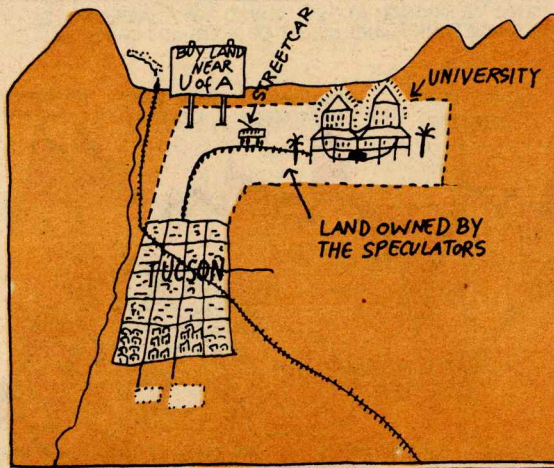
EXCUSE ME, PROFESSOR BUT, I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY ARE BUILDING THE UNIVERSITY ON THE OUTSKIRTS?

YOU MUST STUDY CAPITALISM A LITTLE BIT MORE TO UNDERSTAND THIS MY SON!



NOW WE UNDERSTAND!

PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND SERVICES WERE USED BY THE SPECULATOR TO INCREASE THE VALUE OF THEIR PROPERTY....

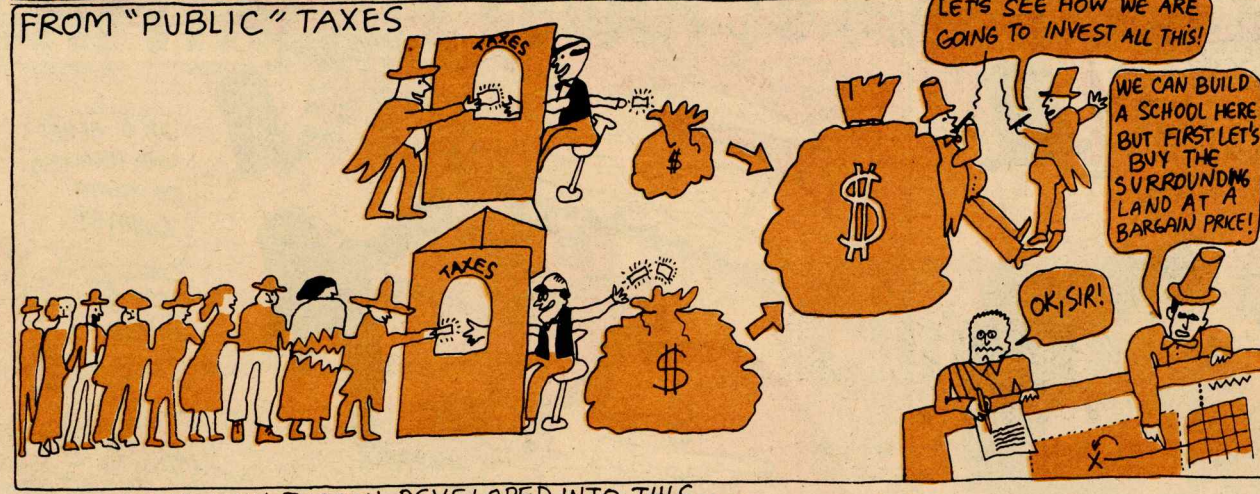


AND WHERE DOES THE MONEY COME FROM TO BUILD THE SCHOOLS AND ROADS AND OTHER SERVICES?

I'M SURE IT'S NOT FROM THE RICH!



FROM "PUBLIC" TAXES

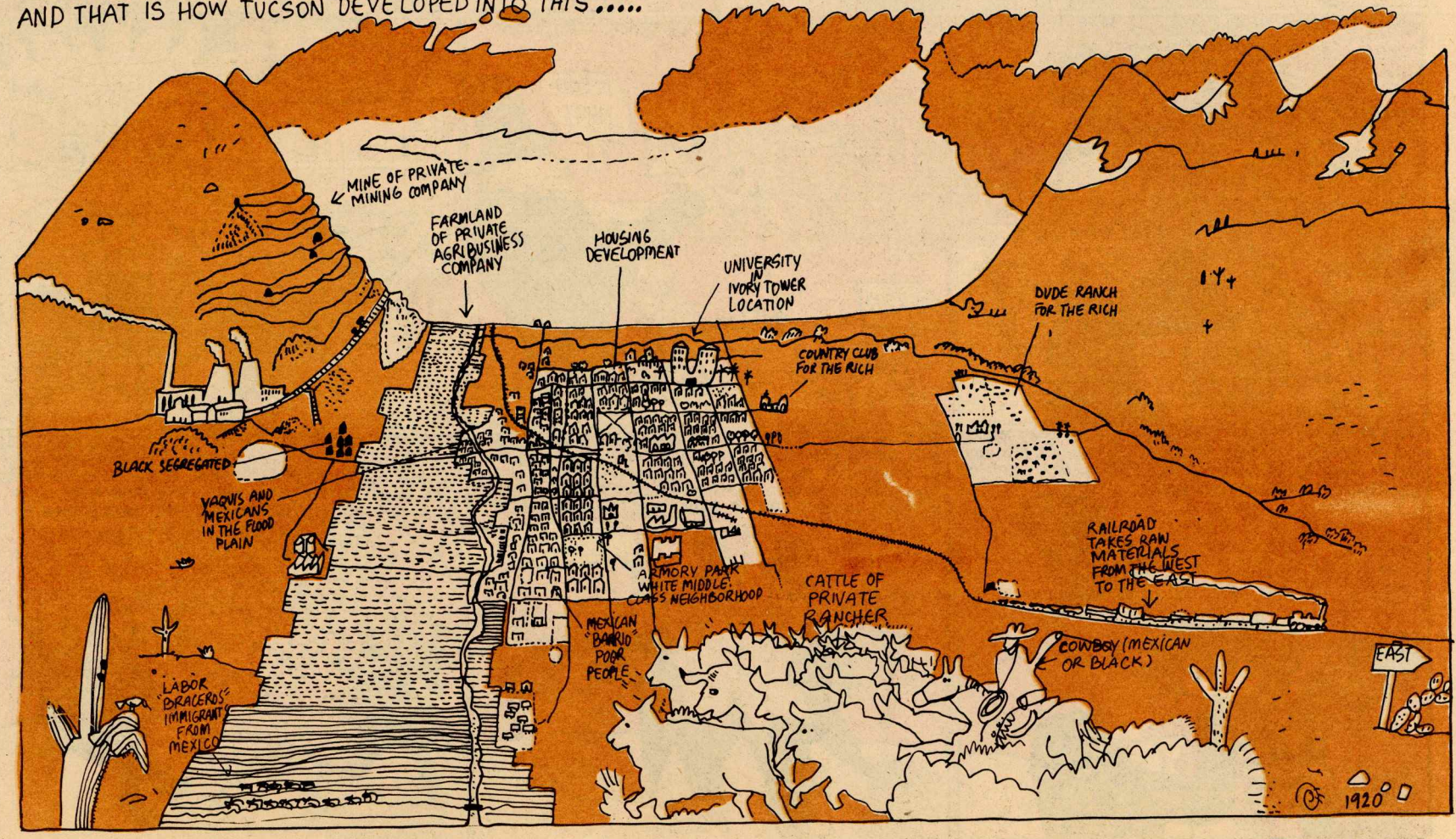


AND WHO BUILT THE SCHOOLS, THE UNIVERSITY AND SERVICE FACILITIES?

GUESS WHO!

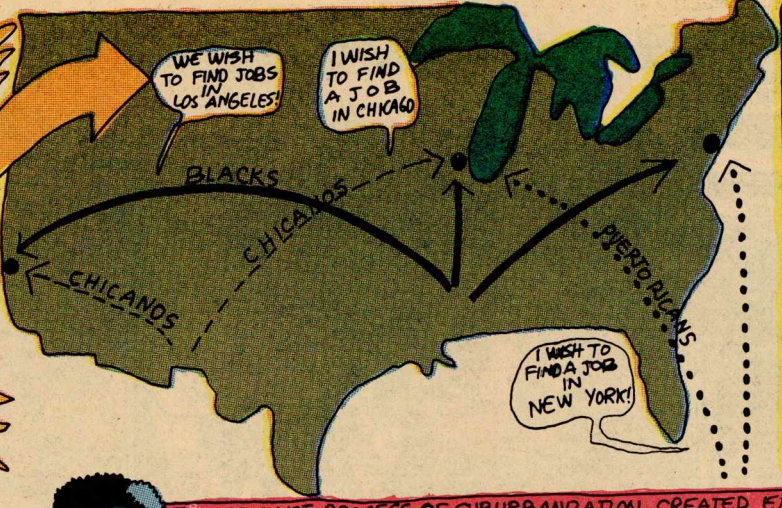
THE WORKING CLASS! THE MAJORITY OF THEM WERE MINORITIES UP UNTIL 1950 AND SINCE THAT TIME MINORITIES STILL OCCUPY THE MOST BACK BREAKING JOBS.

AND THAT IS HOW TUCSON DEVELOPED INTO THIS



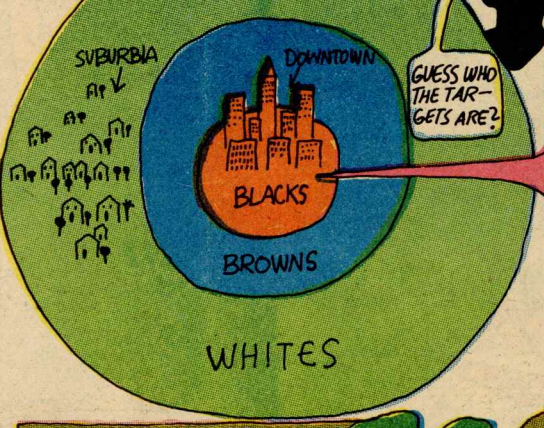
FOLLOWING THE SECOND WORLD WAR
SUBURBANIZATION OF AMERICAN CITIES
AND THE GREAT MIGRATION TO TUCSON!

DURING AND AFTER WORLD WAR II MANY NON WHITES LEFT THE SOUTH TO TRY TO FIND JOBS IN THE INDUSTRIAL NORTHERN AND EASTERN CITIES. IN THE 1940'S AND 1950'S SEGREGATION WAS STILL THE LAW OF THE LAND, NON-WHITES COULD NOT LIVE IN WHITE NEIGHBORHOODS, ATTEND WHITE SCHOOLS, EAT AT WHITE RESTAURANTS ETC....

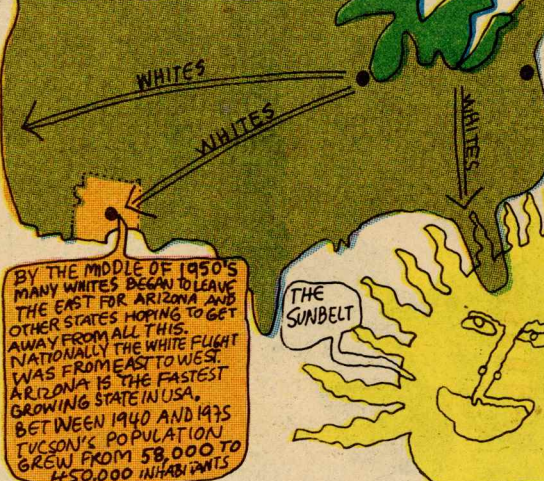


BIG BUSINESS WISHED TO EXPLOIT THIS CHEAP LABOR SOURCE. DURING THIS PERIOD THE CAPITALIST CORPORATIONS MADE ENORMOUS PROFITS OFF BOTH THE WHITE AND NON-WHITE WORKERS WHO WERE PITTED AGAINST EACH OTHER. THROUGH SUBURBIA THE CORPORATIONS HAD A MEANS OF EXTRACTING TREMENDOUS PROFITS WHILE FURTHER SEPARATING THE WHITES FROM THE NON-WHITES. THROUGH THE FHA AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WHITES WERE ENCOURAGED TO BUY 'TICKY-TACKY' HOUSES IN SUBURBA LEAVING THE INNER CITIES TO DECAY INTO GHETTOS FOR THE MINORITIES.

OUR CITIES CAME TO RESEMBLE BULLSEYES FOR SHOOTING PRACTICE!

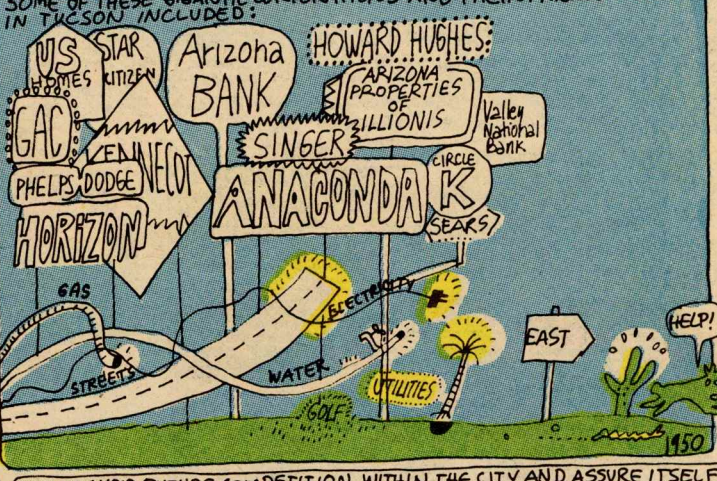


THE CAPITALIST PROCESS OF SUBURBANIZATION CREATED ENORMOUS POLLUTION, POVERTY, WASTE AND HUMAN SUFFERING...



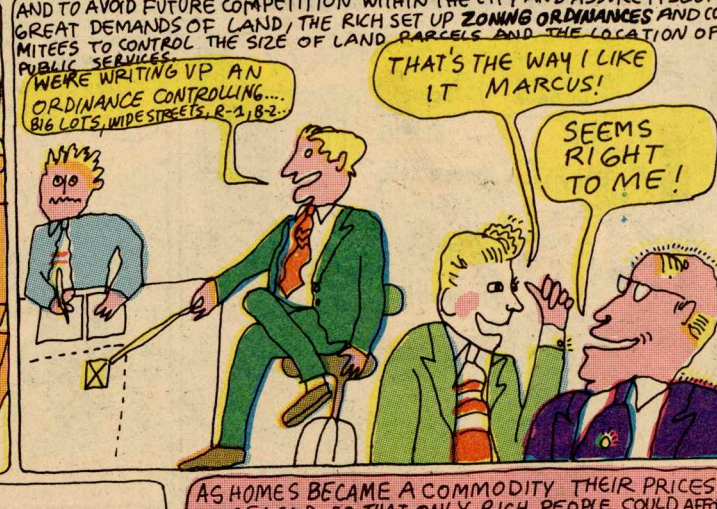
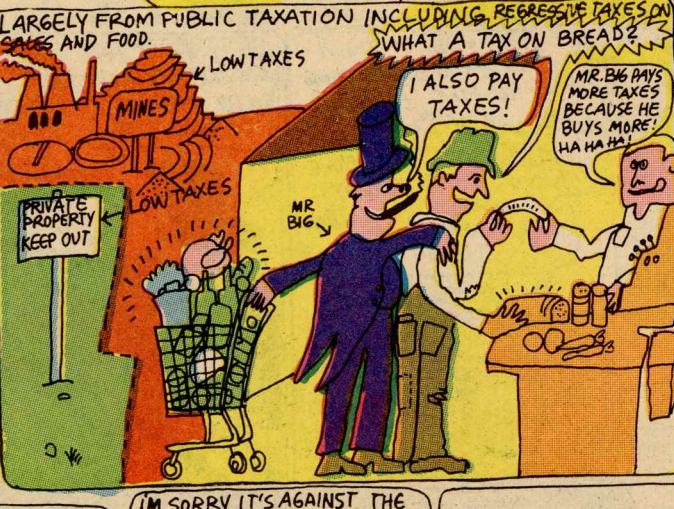
MANY OF THE SAME CORPORATIONS WHO HAD PRODUCED SUBURBIA AND POLLUTION IN THE EAST WERE ALSO IN THE WEST WAITING FOR THE NEWCOMERS TO EXPLOIT THEM. CORPORATIONS WHO WERE TRADITIONALLY ASSOCIATED WITH RAW MATERIALS, CHEMICALS, OIL AND DEFENSE BEGAN TO GET INVOLVED IN LAND AND HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TO REAP HUGE PROFITS.

WELCOME AMIGOS



AND WHERE DOES THE CAPITALIST GET THE MONEY TO PAY FOR THE ROADS, SCHOOLS GOLF COURSES, ETC.!

I DON'T KNOW!



WE'D LIKE A SMALL LITTLE LOT FOR A LITTLE ADOBE HOUSE THAT DOESN'T USE MUCH WATER OR ENERGY!

I'M SORRY IT'S AGAINST THE LAW, OUR ZONING ORDINANCE, BUILDING CODE, AND SET BACK REQUIREMENTS DON'T ALLOW IT. CAN I INTEREST YOU IN A 7000 SQUARE FOOT 'R-1' LOT WITH OUR SPLIT LEVEL 'CONQUISTADOR' MODEL - SOLID PLASTIC WITH AN AIR CONDITIONED FRONT YARD AND WATER FALL...



AS HOMES BECAME A COMMODITY THEIR PRICES INCREASED SO THAT ONLY RICH PEOPLE COULD AFFORD THEM. THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH FHA STARTED SUBSIDIZING MORTGAGES SO THAT THE MIDDLE INCOME PEOPLE WHO WERE IN THE MAJORITY IN TUCSON COULD AFFORD A HOME. F.H.A REQUIRED THAT ONE HAVE A STEADY JOB AND STABLE LIVING SITUATION, SO THAT ONE COULD WORK THE REST OF HIS LIFE TO PAY FOR HIS DREAM HOUSE; A SMALL HOUSE WITH A BACKYARD AND TWO CAR GARAGE.

HOME SWEET HOME

MORE CAPITAL AND TRANQUILITY!

BUT THE POOR AND MINORITIES....

WE ARE HERE TO ASK FOR A LOAN TO PURCHASE A HOUSE, WE HAVE 6 CHILDREN AND ARE PRESENTLY RENTING!

WE'RE SORRY BUT WE CAN'T GUARANTEE A LOAN IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

MY WIFE WORKS!!

SORRY, THE HUSBAND MUST....

BUT, I CAN'T FIND A JOB!

SORRY, YOU CAN RENT FROM MR. RICH!

FACT: IN 1975, 75% OF ALL US FAMILIES COULD NOT AFFORD TO PURCHASE A MEDIUM-PRICED NEW HOME. IF THE CURRENT TRENDS HOLD, THE TYPICAL NEW ADORABLE HOME IN 1981 WILL SELL FOR \$38,000.

AND THUS WHITE MIDDLE CLASS SUBURBIA WAS BORN! COVERING THE ENTIRE VALLEY....

MIDDLE CLASS WHITE SUBURBIA

TUCSON

MINORITY RENTERS IN 'BARRIOS'

WE ARE REAL SORRY BUT ONE MUST RESPECT THE LAWS!!

MEANWHILE IN THE OLDER PARTS OF THE CITY, WEST OF THE RIVER AND SOUTH OF TUCSON THE POOR AND MINORITIES HAD TO RENT HOUSING AT INFLATED RATES AND BUILD HOMES WITHOUT ADEQUATE SERVICES OR SECURITY.....

West Tucson

East Tucson

THE EAST SIDE IS RICHER IS IT OR ISN'T IT?

WE ANGLOS CAN GET 8% MORTGAGES THAT COST \$97,000 OVER 30 YEARS FOR A \$35,000 HOUSE.. AND WE GET GUARANTEED COMPULSORY MISEDUCATION IN A NEW SCHOOL !!

WE MEXICANS GET MISEDUCATION IN AN OLD SCHOOL!

THE RAILROAD WAS BUILT BY MR. JOHNS

WHAT ABOUT THE WORKERS?

WE ANGLOS GET CRACKER BOX HOUSES AND PLANNED OBSOLESCENCE...WE GET THE RIGHT TO BUY LAND FROM THE RICH.... WE GET DRAFTED TO FIGHT WARS FOR THE RICH... WE GET OUR RIGIDLY DEFINED MALE-FEMALE SEX ROLES... WE GET TO DRIVE 12 MILES/DAY THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENTS.

WE GET TO SHOP AT CONVENIENCE STORES OWNED BY THE RICH..... WE GET TO READ NEWSPAPERS OWNED BY THE RICH: STAR CITIZEN: TWEEDLE DEE, TWEEDLE DUM.... WE GET TO WATCH STUPID VIOLENT PROGRAMS AND DOCTORED NEWS ON TELEVISION STATIONS OWNED BY THE RICH.... WE GET TO CHOOSE BETWEEN THE RICH CANDIDATE SELECTED BY THE DEMOCRATS AND THE RICH CANDIDATE SELECTED BY THE REPUBLICANS....

WELL, AT LEAST THERE AREN'T ANY NIGGERS OR SPICS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS!

IF YOU LIVE IN SUBURBIA YOU OWN A CAR AND IF YOU OWN A CAR YOU LIVE IN SUBURBIA AND THANKS TO GENERAL MOTORS, EXXON AND OTHERS THE AMERICAN DREAM OF HAVING A CAR HAS BEEN REALIZED AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION HAS BECOME A THING OF THE PAST.

BUY THE 1950 MODEL! TWO INCHES LONGER THAN LAST YEAR!

MINE IS FASTER!

MINE IS NOISIER!

MINE IS BRIGHTER!

YES BUT MINE IS FASTER!

WE WANT FREEWAYS TO SPEED!

WE WANT MORE PARKING LOTS!

NOW THAT WE ALL HAVE CARS WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH ROADS!

AND THIS IS HOW THE CITY BECAME A NO-MAN'S LAND

THE CARS DEMAND WIDER STREETS AND MORE PARKING! TRAFFIC JAMS ARE A PROBLEM!

NO PROBLEM!

THE SOLUTION IS FREEWAYS, EXPENSIVE FREEWAYS!

FLUNKY POLITICIAN

FLUNKY HIGHWAY EXPERT

RASS!

1950

BE CAREFUL! DON'T YOU SEE WHERE YOU'RE CUTTING THE FREEWAYS? THROUGH THE RICH MAN'S PROPERTY!! @!?!*!!!

EXCUSE ME, SIR!

LET'S PUT IT HERE!

THERE'S NOTHING LIKE HAVING A DEGREE!

PERFECT!

Pascua

EL RIO

Kroeger Lane

South Tucson

South Park

WON'T THE POOR PEOPLE COMPLAIN ABOUT THE HIGHWAY RUINING THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS?

NO, MOST OF THEM ARE TOO BUSY TRYING TO FIND A JOB- THAT'S IT!

WE'LL SAY THAT ANYONE OPPOSED TO HIGHWAYS OR SPRAWL OR POLLUTION IS OPPOSED TO... JOBS!

WE'LL TRICK THE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS INTO FIGHTING OUR BATTLE!

WONDERFUL!!

CONSTRUCTION FEEDS MY FAMILY!

THE CITY CONTINUED TO GROW ALONG THE NEW ROADS. NEW BUSINESS AND JOBS SPRANG UP ALONG THESE ROADS, FURTHER AND FURTHER AWAY FROM THE POOR AND MINORITIES WHO WERE LEFT TRAPPED IN THE INNER CITY.

MARIA, TOMORROW I HAVE TO GO TO THE CLEANERS!

ARE YOU GOING BY CAR OR PLANE!

1950

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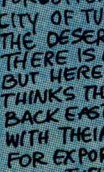
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THE DEFENSE
EXPENDITURE OF THE
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THE PAST 25 YEARS
WAS OVER 25 TRILLIONS
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A SUM OF MONEY
SUFFICIENT TO BUILD A
HUNDRED MILLION NEW
HOMES SUFFICIENT
TO HOUSE 400 MILLION
PEOPLE COMFORTABLY
OR TWICE THE POPULA-
TION OF THE U.S.A.




BY NOW, EVERYBODY HAS FORGOTTEN THAT THE GREAT CITY OF TUCSON LIES ON THE DESERT! WHERE..... THERE IS LITTLE WATER BUT HERE EVERYBODY THINKS THAT THEY ARE BACK EAST... THE FARMERS WITH THEIR FARM PRODUCTS FOR EXPORTATION, THE MINES WITH THEIR LEACHING PROCESS AND THE RESIDENTS WITH THEIR IMPORTED HOUSES AND LAWNES THAT CONSUME AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF WATER COSTING ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY...

IN EARLIER TIMES THERE WAS A GREAT DEAL OF WATER IN TUCSON THE WATER TABLE WAS RECHARGED WITH RAINFALL AND NATURAL FILTRATION.




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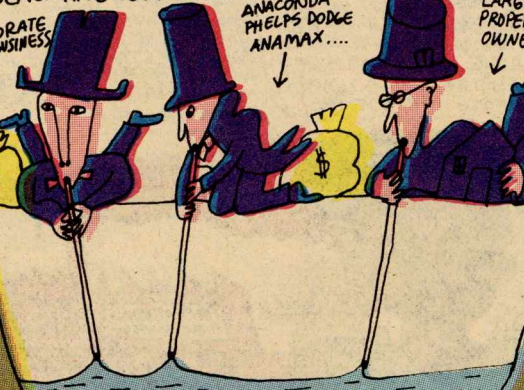
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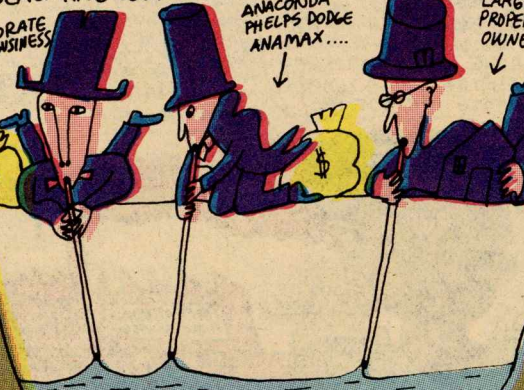


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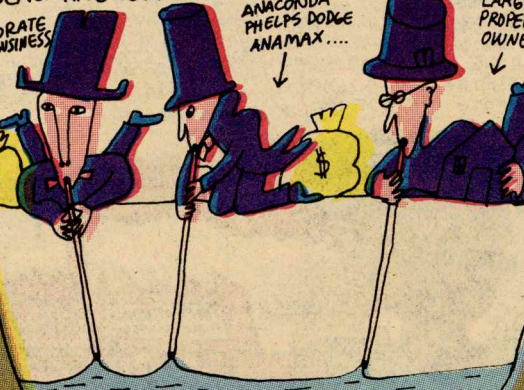


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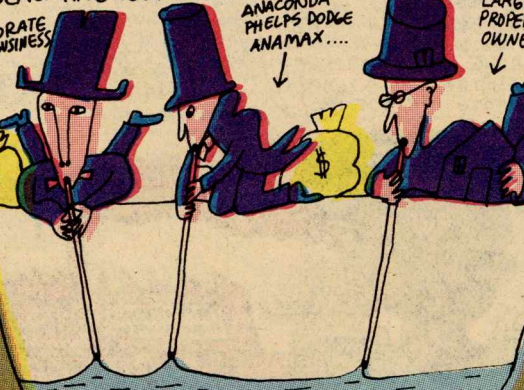


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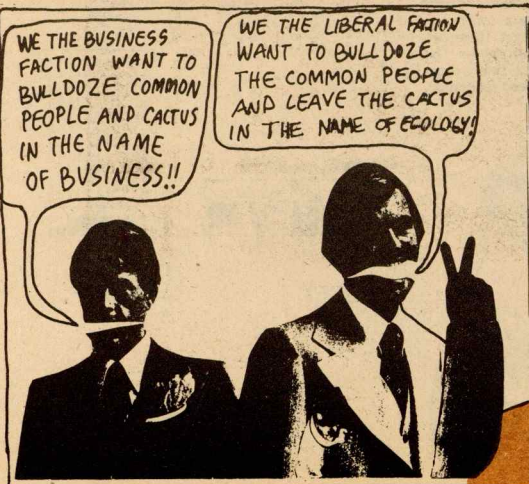
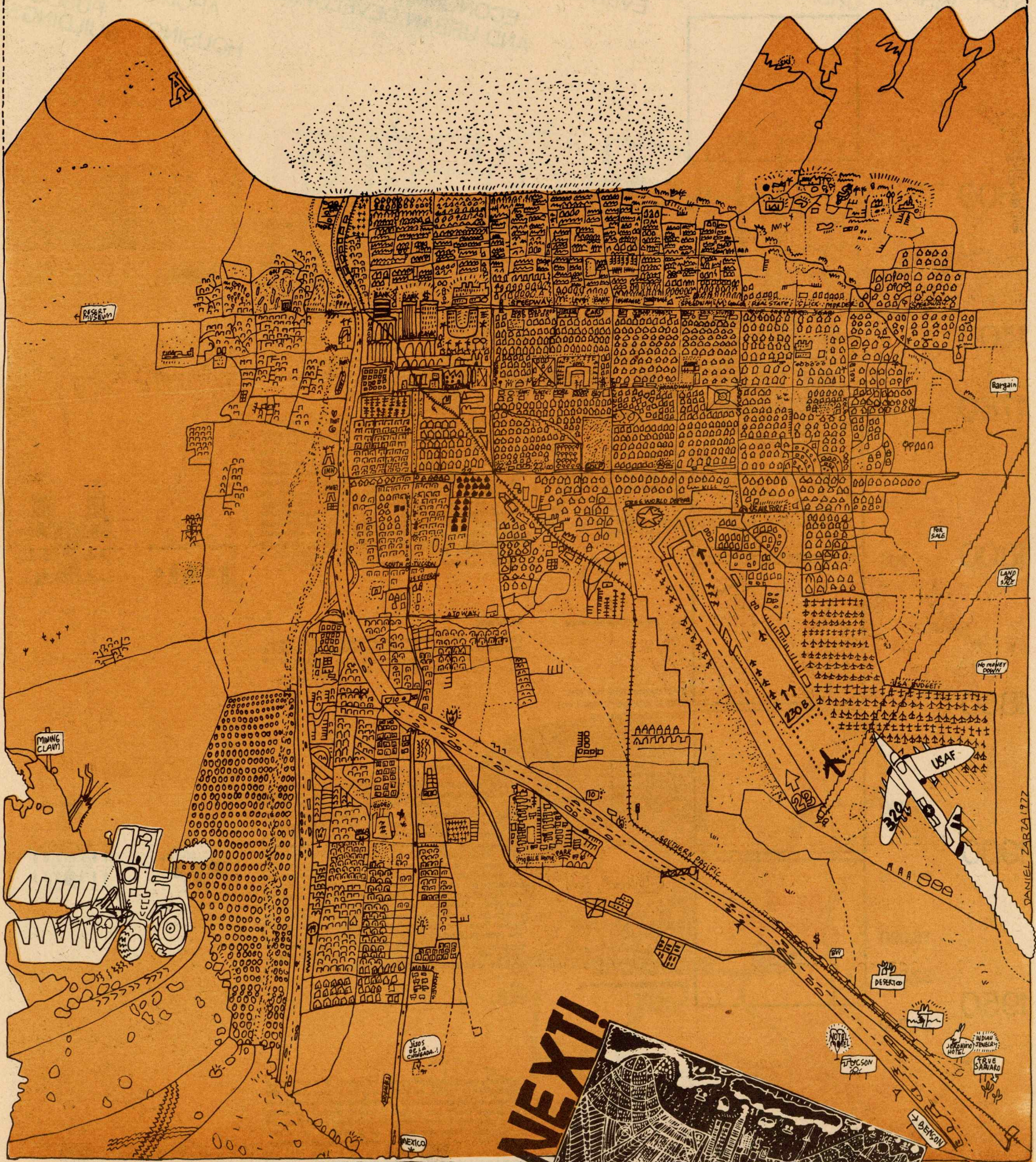
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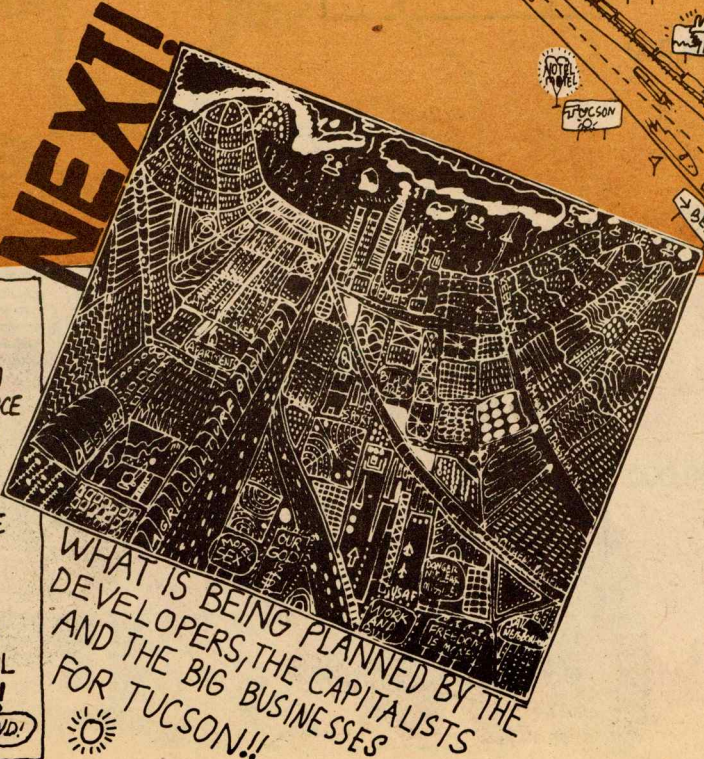
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TUCSON TODAY.....



YOU DID NOT CHOOSE THE PRESENT SITUATION AND YOU HAVE NO CHOICE AS LONG AS THE RICH CONTROL THE NEWS MEDIA, THE MINES THE LAND AND THE MONEY, WITHOUT ECONOMIC CONTROL BY THE PEOPLE THERE IS NO ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL BY THEM!

THE END!



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED BY THE DEVELOPERS, THE CAPITALISTS AND THE BIG BUSINESSES FOR TUCSON!!

YEARS INHABITANTS URBAN GROWTH IMPORTANT EVENTS

ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

ARCHITECTURE: HOUSING PUBLIC BUILDINGS

300
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1400

1750

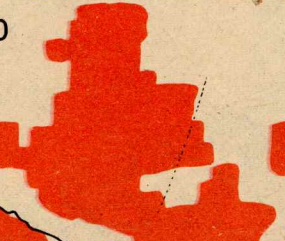
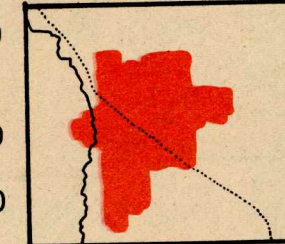
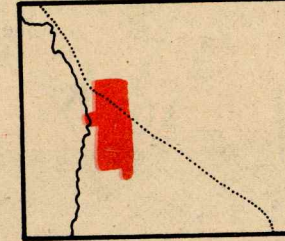
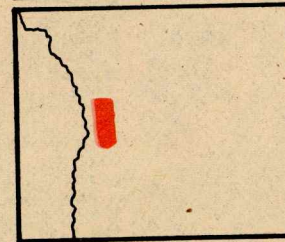
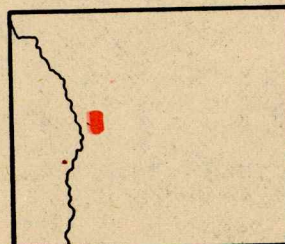
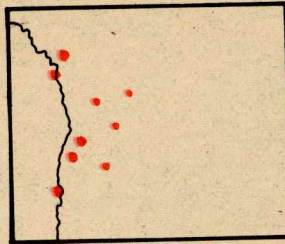
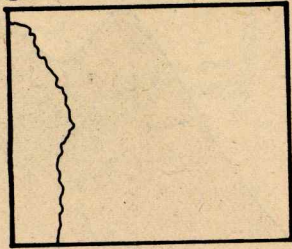
1800

1850

1900

1950

1977 450,000



4000 Cochise Tradition
300 Hohokam Culture (Beginning)
500 Hodges Site
1000 Discovery of etching
1300 Hohokam Culture (End)
1400 Pimas and Papagos

1540 First Spanish "Conquistadores" in Arizona (Fray Marcos de Niza, Coronado, Estevan)
1691 Kino Missions in "Pimeria Alta"
1751 Pima Rebellion

1770 Peak of Apache attacks
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1775 Foundation of San Agustín Tucson's "presidio"
1797 San Xavier del Bac completed

1821 Mexican Independence

1845 Mexican American War
1848 Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty
1853 Gadsden Purchase

1866 Civil War
1872 Apache War
1880 Southern Pacific Railroad in Tucson

1910 Peak Mexican Immigration
1915 Clifton-Morenci strike
1917 World War I
1920 Yaquis come to Tucson
1930 Great Depression
1945 World War II ends
1950 White Immigration to Tucson

HOHOKAM

The Hohokam Indians lived basically on agriculture. Their level of development in agriculture was relatively high (i.e. irrigation canals). The ownership of the land was collective. Everyone worked the fields and between everyone they divided the products. The only division of labor that existed was between the man and the woman; classes did not exist. The social and religious organization was the tribe. The settlements were formed of small clusters of huts (pit-houses) dispersed among the tribal territory and located near the rivers. Structures for natural cults were located between the scattered dwellings; temples and oval ball courts.

SPANISH

The Spaniards introduced private ownership of the land, which was divided between the Church (missions) and the landowners (haciendas). The Indians were forced to work for the landowners, mines and cattle ranches. The majority of goods was produced for the market in Spain (mostly precious metals) and the rest was used for local consumption. As a result of the new division of labor (agriculture, handicrafts, merchants), the society was divided into three classes: farmers (indians), artisans and merchants or social and political organization (The Spanish colonial Empire) necessitated the institution of a public force (the Army) to maintain order and an ideological institution (the Church). These were financed by tributes and taxes (Bureaucracy). The urban political strategy was to relocate the indigenous population around the centers of production, in missions, "pueblos" with churches, and forts ("presidios").

MEXICANS

During this period the productive system didn't change. The only changes were political ones: Republic of Mexico; ownership of land transferred to the bourgeois Creole; and loss of the Church's influence, ideological and material.

NORTH AMERICANS

With the coming of the Anglos this territory began to participate in the capitalist production system. Farms, mines, and cattle ranches became property of the Anglo-capitalist, used for the production of minerals, cattle, and agricultural products which were transported by train to markets in the industrial Northeast. The autonomous Indian population was massacred. Mexicans became part of the labor force (the proletariat). The working class grew in numbers with the arrival of Anglo and Mexican immigrants. The result was the division of society into two classes: a minority of white capitalist owners of the means of production and a majority of workers, mostly Mexicans. To avoid a conflict between these two antagonistic classes the bourgeois-democratic state established a standing army, police, a judicial system and an ideological apparatus (education), all financed through taxes. The cities continued growing around the old and new centers of production, gradually forming a division within the city between classes and races. Each sector was differentiated by the design of the buildings (housing) and by the unequal provision of social services (schools, hospitals, etc.).

Capitalism developed enormously by means of a continuous accumulation of capital, the influence of the finance capital and the bank, the concentration of corporations and the creation of monopolies. This in turn created a network of communications and an imperialist political policy. Territories and cities continued to grow, specializing according to the production. Tucson converted itself into a city dedicated principally to services (offices, government, university, hospitals, Air Force base, etc.) and located inside an area of abundant mineral production. The rural population relocated to the city, and there was a continuous immigration from the industrial cities of the Northeast. These two immigration movements caused an irregular growth pattern. The capitalist created huge profits by the control of land, zoning regulations, and the exploitation of real estate business (suburbia).

