

Wherefore? And why? Blind obedience; taught to consume: Thoughts about prison - out of prison

When I talk about a society without prisons, people ask me if I'm nuts. I hereby state, of sound mind: I'm not nuts! I reject holding any living being in a cage - or the existence of state, which hurts humans, animals and plants, and the earth they inhabit. What they can't control for their purpose, has to be erased, re-educated, imprisoned. Each Life, which grows without following their will, has to be cut, felled, killed.

My mail is under surveillance. Talks with friends and phone-calls I'm only allowed in the presence of a guard, my cell is searched on a random basis. I'm sure, they're not doing this because they hope that thoughts i can't vocalize or write, will vanish. I think, especially with anarchists, their aim is that we lose ourselves.

I consider prisons and the everyday-life there as an architectural bureaucratic expression of their fear. Fear of a social society, in which they would lose their privilege to outrank others, to rule them, to use them, and therefore be equal. They try to teach us their economical state loyalty and to communicate it to us here in prison. They try to suck us dry mentally by isolation and physically by bad and defective diet and restricted space of movement. Then they allow us to fill the growing emptiness with buy able items. Their doctrine of obedience contains a forced will to consume. 'Privileges' like talk circles, sport groups etc., one has to earn. Who behaves "not conspicuous" has the possibility to participate in these activities. The house rules say: Contempt will be punished by exclusion from the free time activities and/or other penalties.

We get back parts of our stolen freedom, e.g. the freedom to exercise, in exchange for suffering their authority and power, but only if we resign our freedom to resist.

The result they hope to achieve is that the human beings are not questioning the prisons self-constructed right, authority and power, and the blind acceptance of those. Alone the knowledge of the existence of prisons has this anti-revolutionary effect. They keep on calling this social rehabilitation and prevention.

These are my impressions from the prison in Köln-Ossendorf. This goes out to all:

Don't let them scare you! Your hate for those in power and your love for utopia shall push you forward! Prisons are no solution - they are part of the problem!