

# Tales From the Planet

## Charges Dropped Against FE Collective Member

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Last September, the forces of law and order in Davidson County, Tenn. dropped criminal trespass charges against a member of this magazine's editorial collective.

At a protest outside the White Bridge Road offices of senator Bill Frist, the activist was arrested on March 21, 2003, during the second full day of the US invasion against the people of Iraq. Wearing white medical scrubs emblazoned with the slogan "Harm None," the FE writer distributed a leaflet denouncing Dr. Frist for using his professional title to help rationalize war in an essay called "When War is the Best Medicine."

While Frist called invasion a form of "inoculation" and "vaccination for the world," thousands of protesters felt differently. Activist chronicles of resistance noted close to 10,000 arrests in the US between fall 2002 and spring 2003 in opposition to Bush administration policies against the people of Iraq.

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