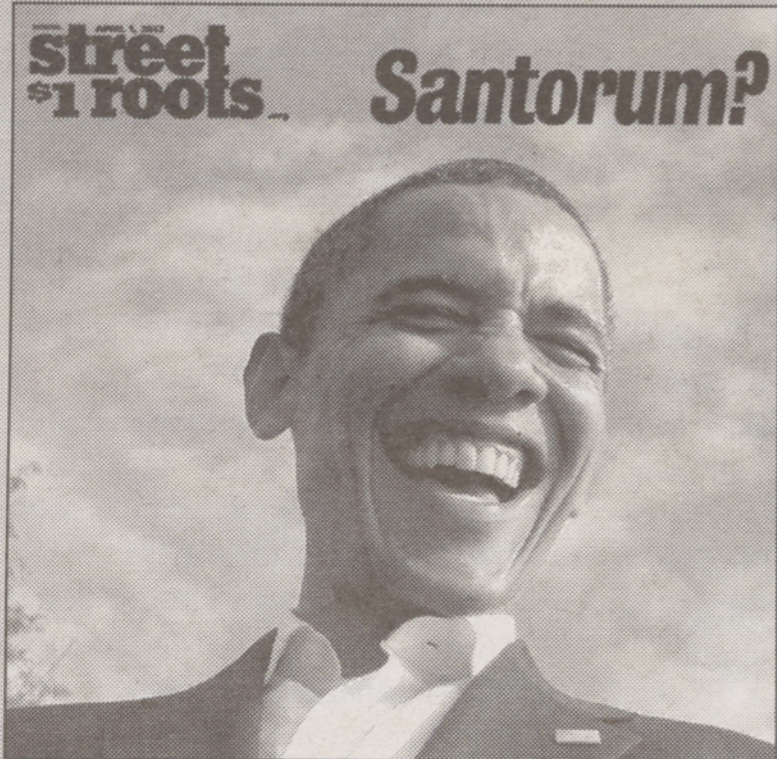
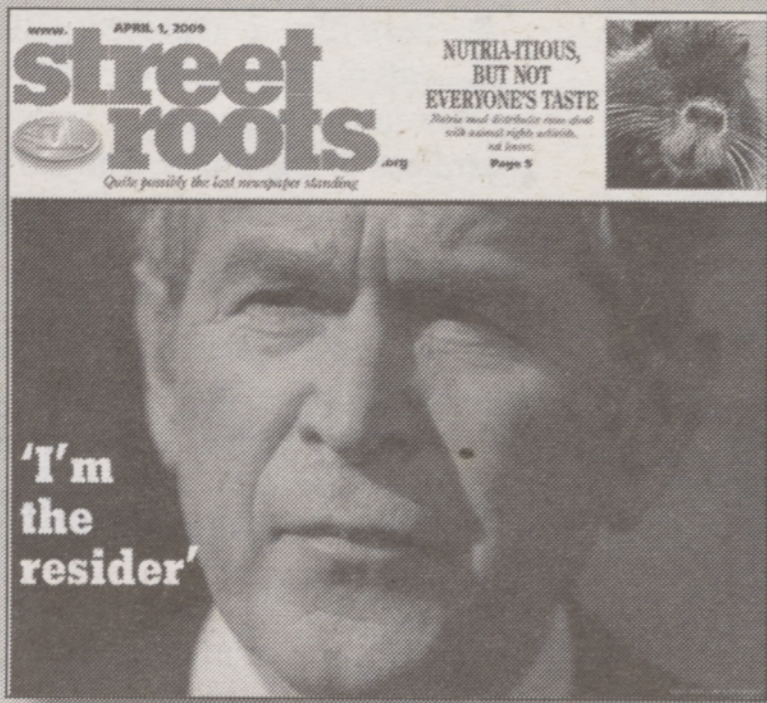


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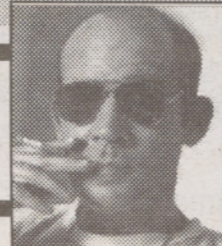
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By Hunter S. Thompson, Astrologist to the Stars!

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Hello there, lonely hearts. Hunter S. here, glancing down on the cesspool of humanity you have found yourself drowning in. It's not all that bad. It actually looks much better from a distance. Oh, Ghandi just told me to pass along that saying about being the change you want to see, although he can't seem to remember who said it.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Platitudes are safe, because they're easy to wink at, but truth is something else again.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) Objective journalism is one of the main reasons American politics has been allowed to be so corrupt for so long.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming— "Wow! What a Ride!"

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) I have a theory that the truth is never told during the nine-to-five hours. Hope this helps you.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) We are turning into a nation of whimpering slaves to fear— fear of war, fear of poverty, fear of random terrorism, fear of getting down-sized or fired because of the plunging economy, fear of getting evicted for bad debts or suddenly getting locked up in a military detention camp on vague charges of being a terrorist sympathizer.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) In a nation ruled by swine, all pigs are upwardly mobile—and the rest of us are fucked until we can put our acts together: not necessarily to win, but mainly to keep from losing completely. We owe that to ourselves and our crippled self-image as something better than a nation of panicked sheep.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) A man who procrastinates in his choosing will inevitably have his choice made for him by circumstance.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 23) If I'd written all the truth I knew for the past ten years, about 600 people - including me - would be rotting in prison cells from Rio to Seattle today. Absolute truth is a very rare and dangerous commodity in the context of professional journalism.

Capricorn (Dec. 24-Jan. 19) In a closed society where everybody's guilty, the only crime is getting caught. In a world of thieves, the only final sin is stupidity.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) The music business is a cruel and shallow money trench, a long plastic hallway where thieves and pimps run free, and good men die like dogs. There's also a negative side.

Pisces (Feb 19-March 20) No man is so foolish but he may sometimes give another good counsel, and no man so wise that he may not easily err if he takes no other counsel than his own. He that is taught only by himself has a fool for a master.

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