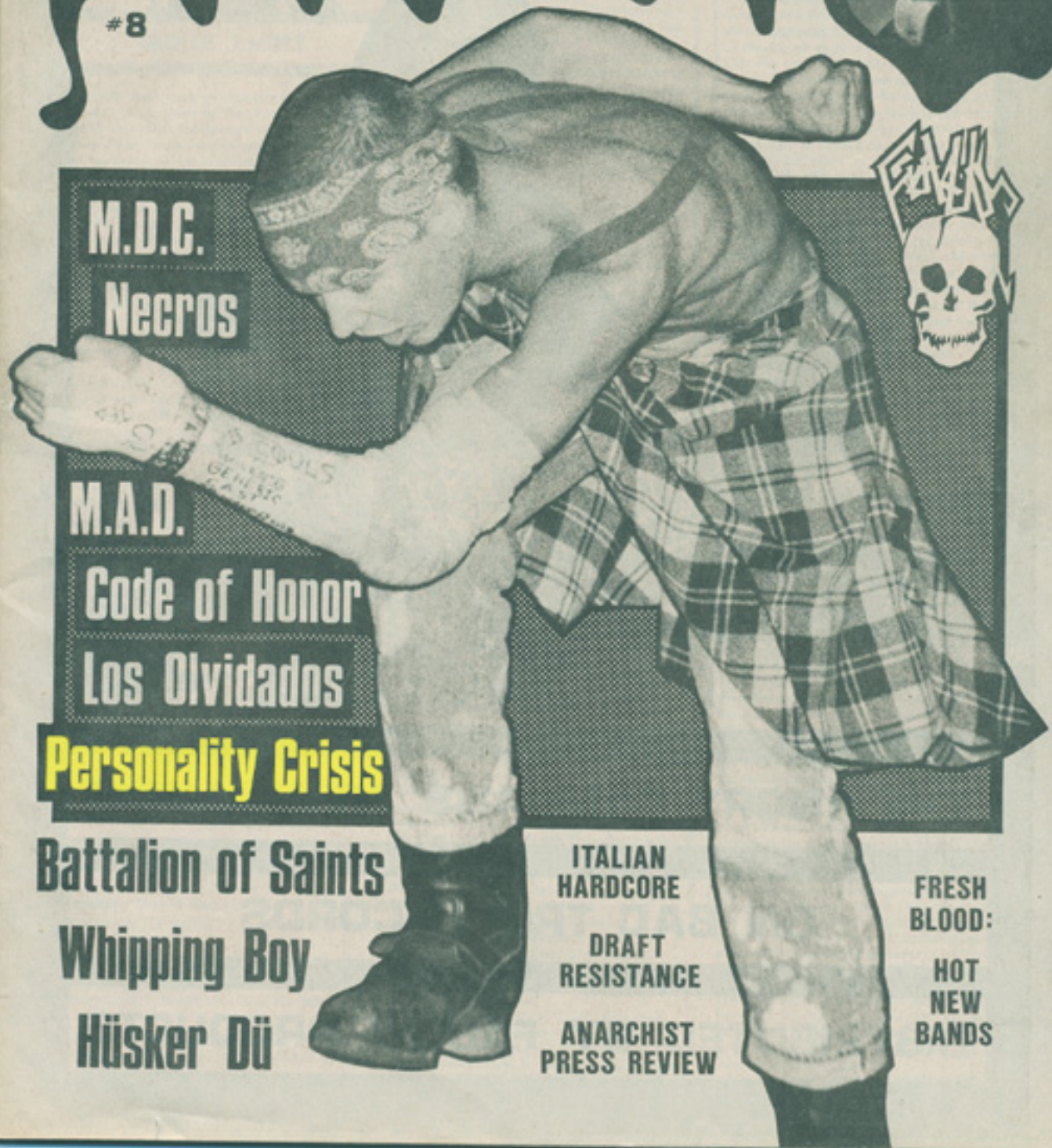


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# PERSONALITY CRISIS

story and photos by Tim

"Tell the world that Personality Crisis is the best fucking band in North America. Our drummer told us they blew away D.O.A. in Vancouver. They're hot!" -Rob Snot, bassplayer for Toxic Reasons

He sure ain't kidding! I saw this wild, and I mean WILD band for the first time June 11, 1982 at the Elite Club in San Francisco, and they were absolutely stunning. Here in the Bay Area you get to see a lot of great bands, and you can get a bit jaded after awhile. So it takes something really special to get you excited, and these guys have what it takes. They make you want to smash your head through the wall and run down the street smashing plate glass windows.

Their singer Mitch has a deep growling voice like Joey Shithead, and musically there's some similarities to D.O.A. But what really makes Personality Crisis stand out is the solid, catchy riffs and hooks they've got behind the thundering guitars of Jimmy Green (lead) and Walter Kot (who has since been replaced by a guy named Richard). Personality Crisis has a driven sound that brings back the feel of bands like the Dead Boys, the Saints, the Stooges, and the New York Dolls. But I'm not talking about a revival or a rehash. Personality Crisis takes a classic sound and puts new speed and intensity into it, plus a harder, more savage beat from their rhythm section of Jon Card on drums and Dwayne on bass.



**MITCH & DWAYNE**

On stage there's lots of radical action. Mitch, the singer, is tall, lean, and mean looking, a real wildman-totally fierce! The whole band is intense, go see 'em for yourself and you won't be sorry. They've been around for two and a half years and are



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they ever tight! Raw power that will knock your ears off! Part of the credit must go to their soundman Hutch, he's obviously on the ball.

Personality Crisis is from Canada, half the group from Calgary and the other half from Winnipeg. The present lineup has been together seven months. They write songs about whatever pisses them off- human relationships, politics or whatever. They love to eat, drink, and party. They were here in the Bay Area for a month and had a great time (except for a few days in jail). They'd like to see more American bands touring through Canada, they've been getting very few so far. Canadian bands they recommend include Riot 303, and the Presence, from Calgary, and the Manic Depressors, the Unwanted, and the Stretchmarks, from Winnipeg.

Anyways, I'm really impressed with this band, what more can I say? They've got three songs on the Charred Remains compilation cassette (review in Ripper #7, \$6 from Noise Records, 3588 Southbrook Drive, Xenia, Ohio 45385). You can contact Personality Crisis c/o Jon Card, 82 Calendar Rd., NW Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2L 0P6 (403) 282-2272

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