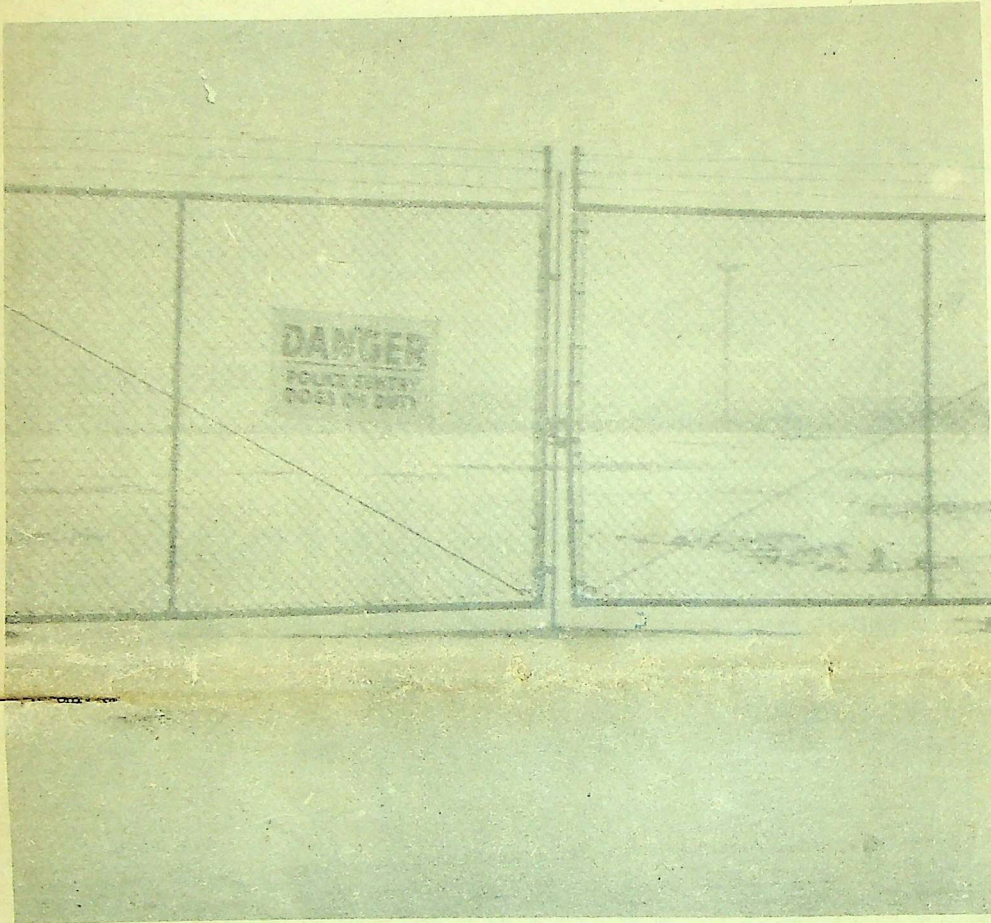


DETROIT'S CONCENTRATION CAMPS WAITING FOR BLACKS



Ryan Road and Nevada Mayor Cavanaugh's solution to Detroit's Housing shortage -- A Concentration Camp for Black people.

Frame-Ups Start In Detroit

Glanton Dowdell, co-chairman of the Citywide Citizens Action Committee, was jailed by the FBI last week on a trumped up forging and uttering charge. The beast accused Brother Dowdell, along with six others, of forging and attempting to cash \$89,000 worth of U.S. Savings Bonds allegedly stolen from the home of a Detroit resident nearly two months ago. All seven were released on \$10,000 bonds (ransom). Brother Dowdell will confront the beast's Federal kangaroo court in April. The racist police action is part of an effort to permanently discredit and silence the hard brother because he is at the fore front of the black liberation struggle. A few weeks ago the forces of reaction made an attempt on the brothers life. Four shotgun blasts shattered a rear window of his art shop, located at 1217 Dexter, as he worked at his drawing board. He was in the gallery at the time and escaped injury. This type of frameup is a nation-

wide plot cooked-up by the racist faggot fascist FBI in an attempt to suppress the efforts of black people in this monstrous country to liberate themselves. From Main to California and from Washington to Florida, militants are under indictment in some of the most bizarre frame-ups in the history of the world. We refer to cases like the C.C.U. Five Newton, H. Rap Brown, Bill Epton, and many, many other brothers throughout the racist USA. The first post-rebellion frame-up of a Detroit brother by the local fascists was the case of Michael Lewis in which the honkies tried to use the brother as the scape-goat who started the July Rebellion. Now the big round up has begun and many brothers on the local scene are earmarked for jail and extermination. The arrest of Glanton signals the beginning of a wave of arrests in an attempt to silence the militant voices who seek to alert the black community to the imminent genocidal attack that has been planned. Thus far

the community gas not responded, but the continued use of this tactic will backfire on the fascists and will give the effect of rallying the black community to the defense of itself and its militant spokesman. As we go to press we have just learned that another brother has been arrested and charged in the same ridiculous so-called conspiracy charges that the beast is using against brother Glanton Dowdell. On Friday, March 15, eleven days after Glanton Dowdell's arrest, Bobby Gillum, was arrested on the same charges. He was surrounded by four carloads of FBI agents on the corner of Grand River and Livernois. They pounced on him with a black FBI agent leading the pack announcing the charges and showing the white agents that he is worthy of his role. Brother Bobby was arraigned and released on @10,000 bond who will be next The Dragnet has begun.

Go and see Detroit's Concentration Camp. Yes, that's what I said. A concentration camp right here in good old Aushwitz Detroit. Located on Ryan Road and Nevada in Detroit, the Camp is just one of many that this racist city and its Nazi-like Mayor is preparing for black people during the next inevitable rebellion. Last time the honkies were caught with their pants down and they didn't have adequate facilities to house all of our people that were arrested. As a consequence, the first thing that Cyrus Vance said after he got back to Washington was that all large cities in this country would have to build massive "detention facilities" (CC Camps) to deal with future rebellions. This Cavanaugh and his rumor control center cannot deny because it came from LBJ's personal representative in Detroit during the rebellion. This particular camp is just one of many being readied by the State, County, and City agencies in and around Detroit.

To cover up its evil purpose, the swine Nazis of the city government are supposedly leasing the former DSR property to the Chrysler Corporation as a place to store tanks and other equipment. However, its a simple matter to clear all of this equipment out and convert it to its projected

use Also, remember that during the rebellion, the State Fairgrounds, Belle Isle, and a number of other places were turned into concentration camps when many brothers were tortured and many more were executed. Ask some of your friends who were in one. The police Garage on Livernois and Elmhurst held over 250 people and the racist dog cops who ran that station committed widespread murder and mayhem.

Other possible sites for these camps are Tiger Stadium, University of Michigan Stadium, Cobo Hall, the Detroit Zoo, Rouge and Elizabeth Parks and many, many others. In addition, there is a likelihood that some of us will be shipped to the fiendish beasts that operate these suburban jails. Like Dearborn for instance. Now we know that the City Administration is going to deny this, but what do you expect. Hitler did not come out and tell the Jews about Aushwitz, and Cavanaugh is just as smart. We know that he would like to have some old Uncle Tom Preacher lead us into the camps praying and singing hymns. But let him not be fooled. We are hip to his thing, and we still think that black people in Detroit can "get out" on the Honky any day.

BRUTAL COPS HOLD PRACTICE

On Saturday, March 16, the so called riot patrol started spring maneuvers in the Mackinaw, Grand River area today at 6:05 pm. At least 20 cars with four fully armed beasts to a car swooped into the black community. They dashed out of their cars with high powered cocked rifles in hand and fell into battle array. It was so sudden that young black children were still playing in the street. The children could have been shot accidentally while the beast was going through his thing. When the adult residents asked what was going on, the beast's dumb reply was, "there's trouble". The residents indignant response was, "you're damn right there's

trouble and you brought it here. The residents were enraged by the gestapo tactics of the beast. After about 20 minutes of tramping across peoples lawns with their high powered rifles at the ready, they pulled up. Afterwards a few patrol cars with black officers started prowling the neighborhood. Gestapo maneuvers like this is what sparks rebellions. If the brutes in blue think that the black community can be intimidated by a show of force and bogart action, they can forget it. They're going to run into our community one time too many and we're going to sock it to them and send them away with a good ass kicking.

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MUMFORD STUDENTS DEFY BOGART MOVE

Motivated by their unfounded racist fear that the black students were keeping weapons in their lockers, the white administration moved to implement new locker rules. They screened their mo-

tive by using the overcrowded locker situation to justify their move. To allay their paranoid fear they tried to institute a method of locker assignment whereby they would determine the locker matter and make the locker assignment. On Friday, March 1, 1968 Bertrand Sandweiss, the principal of Mumford announced that student lockers would be reassigned and a student would not be allowed to choose either his locker or the person with whom he would share the locker.

The students picked up the rumor of the new plan before it was announced and had planned to stage a sit-in strike within the school. Sandweiss got shaky when he heard what the students were planning so he called an assembly to run down some jive to the

students. He dropped a racist line on the black students about how nice Mumford used to be. Mumford was previously predominantly Jewish until they escaped from the black border by fleeing to Southfield. Behind Sandweiss' racist line the students said "later" and the majority stormed out spontaneously. (Race Pride - do you dig it.)

Shaken by the students dignified reaction Sandweiss paranoia came down on him so bad the blue berets (Tactical Mobil Unit Pigs) were called to check the young

brothers and sisters. While the principal and the white school bosses were panicking out the students maintained the indignat cool and organized. General student leaders were chosen. Later, members of the Mumford parent group met with the white

school bosses and announced over the white news media that a compromise had been made and everything would return to normal on Monday.

The student leader couldn't get ready for any compromise so they said "later" and ran down their demands some of which are the following.

- 1) Do something about the overcrowded lunch room.
- 2) More black administrators.
- 3) More emphasis on college prep programs rather than Booker T. Washington bull shit about working with four hands.
- 4) Establish better communication channels between students and the faculty.

On March 2, 1968, Saturday evening, the parent group met with the student leadership and they emerged united.

Faced with this united front, the big white boss including the regional superintendent and his staff met with the parents and students at Oak Grove Church.

The white power boys said they agree with the demands so the students said that's mellow, now put it in writing (you can't trick young brothers and sisters). Since whitey had no intention to keep his promise he refused to put the agreement in writing. The only thing concrete that resulted out of the meeting was the white school bosses gave the black students permission to hold an assembly in their black school. The following Monday, March 4, 1968 the students demonstrated from 6:45 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Afterwards they held an assembly in the auditorium and later went to their classes.

National Guard Creates File on BLACK VETERANS

National guard creates files on black veterans

A SUBTERFUGE
Alarmed over the prospect of Black veterans joining their militant brothers in revolt, the beast has implemented a cunning plan designed to create a file on every brother returning from Vietnam. The beast is screening his real intentions behind a National Guard recruiting campaign. The campaign is supposedly aimed at 2,000 Black veterans in the Detroit Metropolitan area. The beast tried

to be slick by stipulating that the Black veterans must be less than 27 years old by Aug. 1, 1968. No Blacks without prior military service are being sought or recruited. Now what Blacks meet the above qualifications That's right, the brothers returning from Vietnam.

BEAST LIES AGAIN
The campaign was announced Monday, March 11, by a lying racist called Major General Clarence

C. Schnipke, state adjutant general. General Schnipke, commander of the Michigan Guard, said a letter is being mailed to each of the Black veterans in the area who is assigned to the nationwide reserve mobilization pool. Schnipke, the lying racist said the reason for contacting the Black Vets was to fill guard vacancies with blacks to provide a better racial balance. Michigan's 100,000 man national

guard only has 127 Blacks. By the beast's figures, the approximate ratio of whites to blacks in the Michigan guard is a fantastic 1000 to 1. Dig it.
BEASTS CHECKS OUT BROTHER
The letter includes a questionnaire which seeks to learn the attitude of Brothers toward the guard and its function during revolts. The brothers will be asked what they think of the past performance of the guard, whether they feel

news media accounts of its action during the Detroit Rebellion last year were truthful and how black people can be "better" repressed nest time.
The brothers also will be asked what tactics they feel are most effective in preventing revolts when a small disturbance begins and what is the most effective method of suppressing a revolt and restoring law and order (white supremacy).

MARTIN LUTHER KING PROTESTED

Martin Luther King is scheduled to speak at Grosse Pointe High School on Thursday, March 14. In response to King's scheduled visit Breakthrough, a local, vocal, white vigilante group, is planning a racist protest demonstration. The group is circulating a handbill which describes King as a treasonous supporter of the revolutionary Congolese Vie

others Chinese Communist, Stokely Carmichael and black power militants.
It was stated in the handbill that King's visit is intended to win support for a program of planned disorder which they believe will

bring Raceland (U.S.) closer to a state of total anarchy, communist revolution, overthrow and finally conquest. Thus they say the only American (white) response to King's visit is - Let him come if he Dares.
At the bottom of the handbill the following appears in bold type: Where do you stand Behind a Traitor, Or behind this Country With Us For You Cannot Remain Neutral.
King's spill on racism and philosophical non-violence will gall on deaf ears in Raceville (white suburbia). Undoubtedly, the only reason he was invited to speak was because the paronoid whites want to hear one of the few remaining 'Negro Leaders' still talking that plantation talk of nonviolence.

GREGORY ON BALLOT

Harrisburg, Pa --Nominating petitions with over 16,000 signatures were filed March 6 to place the names of Dick Gregory for President and Dr. Benjamin Spock for Vice President, on the ballot in November on a Peace and Freedom ticket. Only 10,551 names were required.

The committee of four which filed the petitions on behalf of the two candidates was made up of two Negroes and two whites. This was in keeping with the stipulation of the candidates that all decision-making bodies of the new organization be made up of at least half black and half white.
In a statement issued at the time of the filing, the committee said: "By winning a place on the ballot the Peace and Freedom Party will guarantee that the two most vital issues of our time, the fight to end the War in Vietnam and end racism at home, will be fully discussed the natural presidential campaign.
The Peace and Freedom Party will campaign for an immediate

end to the War in Vietnam and full support for and implementation of the findings and recommendations of the President's Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders, and an immediate redirection of the billions now being wasted on the War in Vietnam towards a real War on Poverty.
'Our campaign will give the voters a clear alternative. The Peace and Freedom Party will keep Wallace's racist campaign from driving the two major parties further away from the problems and issues which confront our people today.
'The tremendous response which we have met in our nomination campaign means that the people want the questions of peace and freedom of wars and racism discussed and dealt with in the Presidential campaign of 1968.
'Finally, having now guaranteed a place on the ballot for Freedom and Peace we urge people of good will in every state to see that a Peace and Freedom Party will be on the November Presidential ballot in every state.'

BLACK VS. RACIST W.B.A.

Black People vs. Racist W.B.A. Black brothers and sisters held a mass demonstration in New York at the new Madison Square Gardens protesting the racist World Boxing Association's dethronement of Muhammad Ali. Black brothers and sisters were not going to sit back idle, and let the honkies in the W.B.A. get away without a fight. The racist honkie cops of New York came on swinging nightsticks and gun-butts, but the brothers and sisters stood their ground.
Don't worry Muhammad Ali, as far as the overwhelming majority of the world's people are concerned you are still on top.

BLACK WORKERS CATCHING HELL

Since the July Rebellion, the Honky cops in the suburbs have been on rampage, against the black work rampage against the black workers who have to commute from the city to racist-infested plants of the suburbs. There have been numerous reports to the I.C.V. THAT Red neck honkie cops were coming into the poants, taking out coming into the plants taking out the black brothers, beating and locking them up, under the watchful eyes of the scheming double-standard racist management. For minor offenses like traffic violations the black brothers are subjected to harrassment, abusive language and jail confinement. And since one of the good black brothers saw fit to rid the community of one of those honkie cops in Trenton, the scene has changed from a quiet drive to work, to a drive of continual harrassment. The general feeling of the black brothers who have to commute to work in the suburbs that a few more of these racist honkie cops must die, before they finally realize that black people who work in the suburbs will not stand by and let this kind of bullshit continue.

Cavanaugh Pulls A Paul Goebbels (top nazi)

Mayor Cavanaugh Pulls a Paul Goebbels (top Nazi) on TV.
Jerry Cavanaugh, the big white city father, made a special appearance on TV and laid a stone fascist line on black people. As usual, he started out with some hypocritical prattle about peace, law and order, and concern for better human relations. But it didn't take him long before he started coming from his racist bag. The rhetoric and teemtlgy he used was that of a government at war. Jerry's war talk was clearly directed at black people. The arms race, defense budget, civil war, and police force were some of his main points. As far as the arms race is concerned, its strictly a white thing. Whites

are racing each other in stock piling arms. They already have over killed. When the brothers try to get a gun legally, whitey takes him through a whole lot of funnies Jerry said that they (white decision makers) already coped 9 million dollars worth of weapons with our tax money. Do you dig it And they plan to cop some more, again with our tax money. Damn, I bet we are the only people in the world who pay for the weapons used against us. The brutes in blue already have stoner files which are powerful enough to blow away 10 elephants back to back plus weapons of every discription you can think of.
I heard Jerry let it be known in no uncertain terms that his policy would be one of armed repression. He is not only putting more racist honkies on the police force but he is going to pay them more money too. The gestapo tactics of the brutes are being legalized. So next time the beast jacks you up, forget about a lawyer, its probably legal.

Chronicle Stab Brothers In Back

In a surprise move, he Michigan Chronicle has once again stabbed black people in the back. In last week's edition, the Chronicle published the pictures of two brothers who allegedly killed one cop and wounded another. These brothers have been placed on the racist FBI's 10 most wanted list and the Chronicle in cooperation with the FBI published the names of C.L. Herron and W.G. Allen and urged anyone who had information on the brothers to contact the nearest FBI office. This despite the fact that if these two brothers did 'off' two red-necked, mad-dog, honkey cops, they have done more for black people than the Chronicle ever will do.

Jerry is planning a blitzkrieg for the next rebellion. The plan is beautiful but it only applies to the July 67 rebellion. Whitey never learns. If they think the same thing is going down next time they can forget it
The beginning of a spy and informant system is being established under the guise of a citizens information center. Jerry calls it the Rumor Control Center. Supposedly, it is set up to dispel rumors but actually its purpose is to gather information on groups and persons they consider dangerous. Guess who the plantation slave master considered dangerous. Yes, yes whitey plans to have all of the trappings of 1984. If you are still wondering where all this shit is at, well Jerry laid the shit out and he didn't pull too many punches.

WHITEY GETTING READY

RACIST BILL PASSED

White Michigan Senators have passed a riot-inspired bill aimed at blacks who incite so-called looters.

Approved 34-2 and sent to the house along with 11 other racist bills was a measure making it a felony to commit larceny or burglary. A person convicted of incitement to such a crime could receive the same punishment as though he had committed the larceny or burglary himself.

WHITEY GETS RESERVES

There are also bills setting up a state police reserve and defining the crime of riot.

BLACK SENATORS OPPOSED

The only opposition to the looter incitement bill was from two black senators, Coleman Young and Authur Cartwright. Senator Young said, "It's so broadly conceived that you can be put in jail for anything." He also said, "It's

so loosely designed that it could apply to a picket line." Whitey is getting more arbitrary with his shit.

The bill would also make it unlawful and constituting the crime of riot for five or more persons, acting in concert, to engage in tumultuous or violent conduct and intentionally or recklessly cause or create a serious risk of public terror or alarm. Looks like any soul party, neighborhood basketball game, or church service can be termed a riot.

TOP COP READY FOR BLACKS

Capt. Raymond McConnell, Commander of the state police detective division, said a state of "Public hysteria" exists. Regarding likelihood of a repeat in Detroit of last year's so-called rioting he said, "The police have to be prepared for the worst - and we are prepared".

He added a "small group of militants some of them perhaps influenced by Communists of the Chinese variety, has been planning for some time."

BEAST USES ANTI-COMMUNISM

Mr. McConnell did not identify the hard core planners of violence he referred to. He said "Communist" influence could be detected in some of the hard core. "I thin the Communists will exploit any situation where there is civil unrest," he said.

MORE ARMS FOR BEAST

Purchase of riot control weapons for the Wayne County Sheriff's department was approved by the Sheriff's committee of the County Board of Supervisors Feb. 28. Sheriff Peter Buback said the weapons are needed "to provide adequate protection of out-county residents in the event of civil disturbances."

ADDITIONS TO HIS ARSENAL

The list of weapons includes a total of 148 shot guns and rifles including AR-15 automatic rifles (every bit as dangerous as the Stoner Rifle), and enough chemical Mace to equip 143 officers. (Mace is similar to tear gas but disorients as well as burn the skin and causes temporary blindness which can be permanent if the eyes are rubbed); ten armored vests plus helmets shields heavy gloves and combat boots for 90 men. Cost of the equipment is estimated at over \$43,000.

WHITE VIGILANTES IN THE ACT

A Sign reading "Warning To Black Power - This Area Protected by Michigan Citizens Militia" was found near the Utica Michigan Post Office.

Local, county, and state police reported they have discovered the signs in several areas, particularly in the southern half of Macomb County. In addition, the signs have turned up in some areas of Oakland County, according to sheriff's deputies. It is believed that the purpose of the poster was to intimidate blacks and whip up race hysteria.



THE ERNEST MACKEY BOMBING

by E. Thomas

The bombing of the Ernest Mackey home on Boston Blvd., has created grave concern among Detroit's nationalist groups. Either through mis-information or purposeful deceit the police dept. was under the impression that the bombings had something to do with black nationalism, however by wither contention they are wrong. Many times individuals, not taking into consideration the implications of a statement, say many things which are misinterpreted because this was the intention of the

statement in the first place. I am easily lead you to believe a lie if that lie will protect the truth. We have reason to believe that the bombing came out of a refusal to pay a 'Detroit' numbers hit, regardless of the reason the bombing should not be placed in the wrong light. The nationalists do not bomb for pleasure or profit. This was definitely an act which involves both pleasure to those who felt the need for revenge and profit for those who, for some reason perhaps because the 'leukie' dropped

MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE PLAY BIG-STICK LITTLE CARROT GAME

A so-called open housing bill has been introduced in to house. A near carbon copy of the bill was defeated last December 21, 1967. It only outlaws discrimination in some real estate transaction and provides that racism practiced by a businessman could possibly be punished by a fine at most of \$1,000 for a first offense and up to \$2,000 for a repeat violation. This is the carrot black people are suppose to nibble on and get pacified out.

By far the most popular bills dealt with legal repression directed at black people. They go by the name of the anti-crime and anti-riot bills. The bills are designed to legalize the use

of the big stick These fascist would:

- 1) Punish churches or private institutions whose offices or employers invite persons to take refuge from the beast's military machine on tax-exempt property.
- 2) Make it unlawful for a labor organization or other representative of public employees to call, instigate or aid a strike or fail to take appropriate action to end a strike.
- 3) Make it a felony instead of a misdemeanor to obstruct an on-duty fireman;
- 4) Provide state aid to local units to permit increases in police salaries.

DRAFT BOARD FOR CANNON FODDER

Racist draft boards in Michigan were ordered to snatch 3,644 men for induction into the imperialist war machine in April.

Nationally 44,000 men will be snatched for the Army and 4,000 for the Marines. Local Boards are authorized to call men married on or before August 26, 1967 who do not have children.

To meet increased military demands for cannon fodder state selective service headquarters increased the number of men ordered for pre-induction physical examination in March from 4,000 to 7,000.

Honky returns

Well well. The honkie governor George Romney returns to his elected post, after months of fruitless campaigning for president. After this term of office he couldnt run for dog-catcher and win. This two faced racist honkie is through in Michigan. He would do tetter running for street-sweeper in Alabama with his fascist partner in crime George Wallace.

CHRONICLE AIDS CAUSE OF LOWDOWN DIRTY HONKY

The Michigan Chronicle (Tom Press) recently was the medium used by a white racist merchant to make false allegations and intimidate a black grandmother.

In the Feb. 29 edition of the Inner City Voice, we printed a story about the rabid racist who owns Andy's meat market on Grand River near Dumbarton. We ran down how Ansy had abused his black customers verbally, physically, and every other kind of way. We also told how numerous residents of the area were bitter at Ansy for abusing black people.

Ignoring the testimony of the black people subject to Andy's racist practices, the plantation-oriented Chronicle printed a false version of the story dictated to them by Andy.

The honkey laid his tale in such a way as to intimidate Mrs. Murray. He went so far as to claim that his store was fire bombed as a result of the story appearing in the VOICE and that Mrs. Murray is to blame. He further

stated that the article was written by Mrs. Murray, although it was written by Mike Hamlin.

That the Chronicle would allow this racist honkey dog to spread his foul vicious lies in their paper should come as no surprise. Behind the action of it's "Knee-gros" publisher, Quinn, during the July Uprising, when he appeared on TV and blew a foul thing about how the racist cops should have come down hard on the brothers and sisters when the thing first hit the fan, what would you expect.

This goes to show where the Chronicle is at. If they thought that by printing the honky's tall tale they could invalidate Mrs. Murray's story and discredit the Voice, they can forget it.

The vast majority of the over six hundred thousand black people of Detroit know whats going down and who is telling it like it is.

YOUNG SOCIALISTS CONVENE

The largest gathering of young socialists in the United States for years took place this weekend in Detroit at the Seventh National Convention of the Young Socialist Alliance.

The conventn voted to launch an all-out campaign of support of Fred Halstead and Paul Boutelle, Socialist Workers candidates for President, and to carry this campaign to American servicemen at home and abroad.

The YSA pledged to organize young socialist supporter groups for Halstead and Boutelle at colleges and high schools in every

state in the country. There are already such committees on 192 campuses and at 34 high schools.

FLSUPPORT WAS THROWN BE the April 26 International Student Strike called by the Student Mobilization Committee to End th WAR in Vietnam to help bring one million youth to Chicago for a mass antiwar protest at the Democratic Party Convention next August.

The Convention enthusiastically decided to support the National Black Student Antiwar-Antidraft Union formed January 8 at the Student Mobilization Committee Conference in Chicago.

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BLACK SOLDIER WONT' GO



THE LETTER THAT FOLLOWS has been sent to several black organizations by Brother George Edwards, a black man who is in servitude for the United States Air Force in Virginia. His letter represents the growing attitude among black servicemen that their battleground is here in the U.S., fighting the hunky instead of killing men of color who suffer international U.S.

Read his letter as follows:
Dear Sir:

I am presently in the United States Air Force and on Feb. 5, 1968 I refused to accept an assignment to Tachikawa, Japan on the grounds that I believe that my fight is here in the black ghettos of Detroit, Newark, Chicago, New York and any place where my black brothers and sisters are suffering from white exploitation. I feel it is ridiculous for me to pretend I am free in Vietnam or Korea and a second-class citizen here in America. It is impossible for me to give freedom to someone 3000 miles away when

I don't have freedom to live three miles outside of the nation's capital. I do not feel any obligation or trust in white America. America has promised my people freedom too long without keeping her word. My brothers and sisters have died for this country since its beginning all of which has been in vain. I am tired of seeing my brothers kicked, lynched and mobbed by white America while their murderers go free and in many cases, receive praise. Because of my love for my people and my convictions, I refuse to support the United States government in any way until my brothers are free. By my very presence in the United States Armed Forces I have compromised too much. My people and I have given their very soul for this country. no more.

On Feb. 5, at 2:00 p.m., I refused to board an aircraft going to Tachikawa Japan as I previously stated. On Feb. 6, I reported to Major Long and told him of

my refusal to accept this or any assignment until black people are free here in America. Major Long ordered me to get my mobility paperwork. I obeyed this order. Upon returning, I was instructed to see Lt. Col Buckwalter. I also explained to him my reason for not accepting this or any assignment. Lt. Col. Buckwalter said he was willing to forget this incident if I boarded another aircraft leaving for Tachikawa that day. I repeated my refusal whereby I was placed under arrest and restricted to my quarters until further notice.

I am writing this letter because I know I will not get a fair court martial with a military attorney. I do not have sufficient funds to hire an attorney; therefore I am asking for your help legally or any advice or recommendations you can give me. If you cannot help me, help those of my people you are able to help.

Yours truly,
George S. Edwards

STRANGER THAN FICTION

from Canadian Unionist

The war in Vietnam and mounting discontent in the nation's ghettos are currently being used to set the stage for a re-run of "Seven Days in May" only this time in real life. That's the feeling you get from the remarks of retired Air Force General Robert Scott to the August 10th meeting of the American Legion in Santa Ana, Calif.

Teenagers Are Adults

Havana, Cuba (LNS)

A Cuban peoples court has ruled that some youths are mature enough to enjoy legal age at 15 or 16 due to changing conditions in the country. An AP dispatch reported that the court held that bourgeois laws setting the legal age at 21 "don't fit modern Cuban society."

The case in question involved a 16 year old girl who had lived with a grandmothers and aunts since she was an infant. Her parents went to the Peoples Court to get custody, but the court did not support the parents, preferring to let the girl decide.

The court is made up of specially-elected citizens who must have a minimum of six years education, but no legal experience.

\$30 A TO DAY WASH BLACK BODYS

News reports out of Vietnam have disclosed the very carefully guarded secret that the racist U.S. Army is paying Vietnamese civilians \$30 an day to wash the blood off the bodies of blacks killed in combat. This is because the white burial squads do not want to handle the bodies of the dead blacks. In an article written by Harlan Rogers in the January issue of "It's Happening" the writer tells of a Vietnamese student who is paying his way through college by washing bodies of black soldiers. The student further stated that two of his class mates and several other older Viet-

"Military takeover is a dirty word in this country", he said, "but if professional politicians cannot keep law and order its about time so by devious or direct means". He recommended the election of a militarist government of men who "wore the uniform in the countrys service. He also suggested that if this move in the electoral arena was successful the "military takeover may not be necessary."

Three weeks later and 3,000 miles to the East, Marine Corps General Wallace M. Greene Jr., drew cheers from the Boston Legionaires when he called for placing the quest for a military victory in nam as the nation's "most pressing problem."

The Legion convention adopted resolutions supporting the war effort and calling for repression of the ghettos. A resolution on

of the ghettos. A resolution on "law and order" denounced the uprisings in the ghettos as "insurrection and condemned the judges who abide by defendants constitutional rights as leading inevitably to an ever increasing multitude of unpunished assaults on the lives and liberty and property of the innocent."

It condemned the Supreme Court decisions which it said were "restricting police," and urged freedom for the National Guard to use its fire power "when they are officially engaged in riot duty.

name civilians are employed for this purpose. The rate of pay is fabulous by Vietnamese standards where the average university graduate earns less than \$60 per month. The student also stated that the building where he works is closely guarded by marines and no one without credentials is allowed in.

The Inner City Voice has also learned that whenever possible, the army burns the bodies of black soldiers on the battlefield. This is done whenever there are no black soldiers around to tell about it and in all cases white soldiers bodies are returned to be shipped home in a coffin.

High Viet Burial

The cost of burying a casualty is proving to be something of a shock to thousands of AMERICAN FAMILIES.

Many of them were under the impression that this is taken care of by the government. After all, if they furnished the boy shouldn't the government furnish the coffin and the grave

A case in Chicago was reported by the CDN news service. Edwin Gray, 20, was hit in the throat by a bullet November 9. The army embalmed him and flew him in a steel coffin to O Hare Airport.

That was where the family found themselves being handed the tab. The first item was "hearse pickup" \$85.

For two days use of the funeral chapel, the bill was \$150. To

which was added \$150 for "personal services" and \$40 for "two floral vases."

Church services ran to \$35, and memorial booklets and holy cards to another \$16.50.

This was only the beginning. A vault sent the bill up another \$160. Then came "cemetery charges" \$115. Carrying the coffin to the cemetery cost \$49.50.

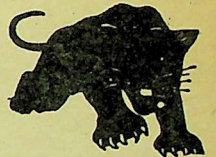
Carting the flowers to the grave ran the bill up an additional \$40. Then there was the curious item \$6 for "pallbearers' gloves."

The bill finally presented to the father was \$1,003. The government gave him a check for \$300

The funeral director, a sympathetic type, explained the facts of life to the family. "The cost of living is going up. So our prices are going up, too" from World Outlook

TENANTS UNION

UTCA (United Tenants For Collective Action) is moving to organize a city-wide tenant's union to pressure and lobby for legislation to insure tenants rights. They seek to give tenants a voice in Policy making (i.e. leasing agreement, maintenance standards, etc.) The methods of protest they plan to use against the landlords if they don't come around are demonstrations and rent strikes.



BLACK SOLDIER FOUND NOT GUILTY

ANS Atlanta Feb. 17, 1968

Brother Emmett Doe was acquitted today of charges of insubordination to a superior officer in a Court Martial at Fort McPherson Ga. Doe was just back from Vietnam where he was wounded twice in combat. He was due to be discharged in 31 days. He faces six months imprisonment, loss of pay for the same period, reduction in rank from Spec. 5 to a private, and a dishonorable discharge if he had been found guilty.

Doe had been talking to a fellow soldier about the war, which he terms "a continuation of the white American's history of genocide", and explaining that the white american has been thoroughly dehumanized through his experience as a slaveowner, and through wiping out the Indian population of this country. If he was not so dehumanized, he wouldn't find it so hard to live in peace with the colored people of the world. Doe was talking with a fellow soldier and while doing so a white colonel passed by and overheard him. The colonel told Doe to shut up. After

the colonel walked away, Doe remarked to another soldier that "I can't speak my mind without some white bastard telling me to shut up."

Doe told the AfroAmerican News Service that he has "a lot of respect for the National Liberation Front after my experience in Vietnam. They are very together peo-

ple. Every Vietnamese with any sense of decency is in the Front. The guys on the honkies' side are nothing but pork chops. The Vietnamese Army is nothing but a bunch of cowards and murphy men. But these cats in the Front are all ready to die. You just can't beat a man who's fighting for his home."

Attempt To Disarm Mississippi Blacks

ANS-Jackson Miss. Feb. 8, 1968

AfroAmerican News Service Correspondent Don Jackson writes this story from Jackson. Since the weekend of Jan. 19, Hinds County Sheriff Fred Tho as has begun a program to disarm the Jackson and Hinds County black community. On at least two occasions, Thomas, with a group of 10 to 20 law officers (legalized Klan here in Miss) has held up black people at night clubs on the popular Sunset Drive outside of Jackson. On each occasion, the law officers marched into the cafes and ordered everyone to put his hands on the table or be shot. They were then taken outside where they were searched and all their guns were taken.

One such night netted the cops over 40 guns. Unfortunately, the brothers were caught off guard and had no choice but to surrender their weapons.

Clearly the Hinds County Sheriff and Jackson area cops are getting ready for the summer. Also, they clearly understand that the greatest threat from their point of view is not the Freedom Democrat Party, NAACP or any other civil rights group, but the so-called "little Negro".

Sheriff Thomas was supported in his campaign by Ted Seaver, a white civil rights worker out of New York who is backed by the Schwenner Fund. Seaver campaigned unofficially for Thomas as the lesser of two evil

Anti-Riot Law Contested By 'TSU Five' Defendant

HOUSTON — The trial of the "TSU Five," scheduled to begin on March 4, has been postponed as a result of moves by attorneys for both the prosecution and the defense. The "TSU Five" are five Afro-American students who were framed up on charges of felonious rioting and murder in the wake of last spring's police attack on Texas Southern University.

On March 4 Benjamin E. Smith, a prominent New Orleans civil rights attorney, and Bobby Caldwell, Houston civil rights attorney, filed suit with the U.S. District Court on behalf of Floyd Nichols, one of the five defendants. The suit seeks to restrain the state from prosecuting Nichols.

The defense maintains that the so-called anti-riot law under which the defendants were indicted is unconstitutional. The law, Article 486 of the Texas penal code, violates the defendant's rights

under the 4th, 5th, 6th, 8th and 14th amendments of the U.S. Constitution. In addition, attorneys Smith and Caldwell stated that Floyd Nichols was miles away from the campus of TSU at the time the alleged criminal act took place.

Judge James Noel granted the request for a temporary injunction pending a three-judge hearing on the constitutionality of Article 486. A date for the hearing has not been set.

The question of the constitutionality of Article 486 is viewed here as the central question in determining whether the prosecution will be able to bring the defendants to trial.

In another legal move on March 4, District Attorney Carol Vance and the president of the Harris County Bar Association, Harry Patterson, filed separate motions for a change in venue in the TSU Five case. A change of venue means changing the place where the trial is held. The move on the part of Bar Association President Patterson is unprecedented. Both Vance and Patterson say that the "great amount of publicity" and "high public feeling" surrounding the case justify a change of venue. They want to move the trial away from Houston, which has a large black community.

The speculation here is that they will seek a change of venue to rural East Texas, the heart of the so-called Bible belt. Defense Attorney Raymond A. Brown, who is representing Charles Freeman, the student whose trial was scheduled to begin March 4, has opposed the change of venue. Moreover he charges that the Bar Association has no right to act either for the state or the community — and certainly not for the defense — in requesting a change of venue.

Hearings on the motion for a change of venue were set by Judge Wendell A. Odum for March 24.

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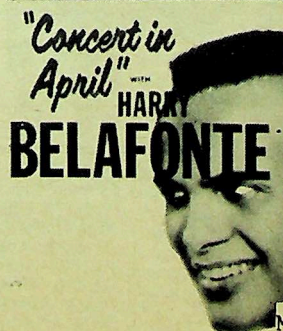
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state. He further denied that the racist whites are not only armed to the teeth but they can't wait to "bag a nigger" with their shiny new weapons. The picture of a suburban woman shooting a gun in target practice or a straight-up honky urging violence against blacks is not representative of what is going on in this state, he said.

If those blatant lies weren't big enough, Franky followed up with some bigger ones. He said, "Michigan remains a place of good sense with a developing partnership between the races and a vast reservoir of most of its citizens." What partnership could he possibly be referring to.

Franky, the chief law enforcer in the state, listed the following steps as positive moves being taken:

1) Recruitment of black workers by many of the large companies. Comment: name just one company

2) Passage of open-housing ordinances in cities throughout the state. Comment: The five housing bills still hung up in the legislature.

3) A Civil Rights Commission that is moving daily on many fronts to lessen the equality gap between the races. Comment: There ain't no such thing as an equality gap but there is a power gap. As far as the Civil Rights Commission is concerned, they don't have the power to desegregate bubble gum machines.

4) Schools exposing the minds of all students to the contributions of black men and women in America. Comment: Black students are walking out because they are not getting exposure to Afro-American history (Mumford and Mackenzie).

Franky "sho" can lie. He'd ruin a lie-detecting machine.

MICHIGAN ATTORNEY

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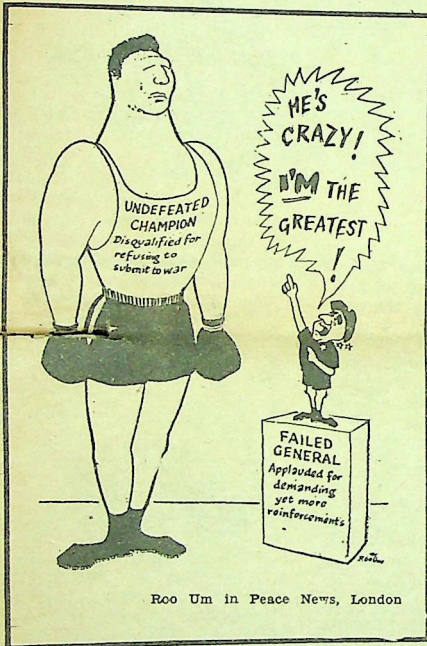
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DEFENSE AND SURVIVAL

Defense and Survival

In recent months, the White population in and around Detroit has been heavily arming itself and preparing to wage a genocidal war against the black inhabitants of the inner city. Honky government officials, policemen, sheriff deputies, national guardsmen, as well as the run of the mill suburban racist civilians have been buying weapons, training themselves, and disseminating propaganda designed to whip up the honky population into an anti-Black racist hysteria. White fascists in this area have indicated their desire to send hordes of hate crazed white maniacs into our community in a scorched earth campaign.

At first the rumor mongering and fascist activity around the city were taken as fairly "normal" by the black community, but recently it has become apparent that the threat of attack is more serious than most black people realize. It has become apparent that the ghetto must immediately prepare to defend itself in the case of an attack, or thousands of innocent black women and children will die in the streets next summer. What The Honky Is Doing

The white fascists are preparing for a dual level attack on the black community. The first level will be an attack by the racist forces of the city, county, state and federal governments on the ghetto. This attack will include use of police, and troops, armored vehicles, the institution of a 24 hour curfew, the arrest of thousands

of innocent people, and cutting the flow of essential goods and services (food, water, electricity, etc.) into the community.

The second level of attack will involve the use of various neo-Nazi armed civilian squads from racist white suburbs. These squads will be given free access to the streets by the cops and the military so that they can carry on a campaign of murder and terror in the ghetto. They intend to assassinate black leaders and their families and to indiscriminately murder large numbers of black civilians as a "lesson" to the black community for "getting out of place."

This right wing hysteria began immediately following last summer's uprising. The thorough whipping we gave the power structure failed to open the eyes of most of the dumb honkies around Detroit. Instead of realizing that a new day is dawning in which the black man is going to be liberated, whole sections of Whiteville decided they were going to fight to the death rather than see black people free.

Immediately after the uprising, Super Honky, Donald Lobsinger's fascist organization "Breakthrough" gave a series of rallies in all white areas around Detroit. Each of these rallies was attended by an average of 4,000 honkies. Lobsinger in impassioned speeches which were reminiscent of Hitler and Lincoln Rockwell, called

on white people to study the enemy (black people), arm themselves, store supplies, and organize into ("Nigger killing") defense committees.

Breakthrough and the Patriotic Party, another white fascist group have covered the White communities with blankets of militant anti-black propaganda. Tens of thousands of leaflets proclaim that "they" (meaning us) plan to murder all policemen and their families. The leaflets go on to urge the acquisition of guns and ammunition, and even bows and arrows. They also list supplies that are necessary for a thirty day siege, including: walkie talkies portable stoves, drinking water, etc.

The campaign of these racist fascists has been highly successful. Rumors are flying all over the white community about the necessity of attacking the ghetto before we attack them. Gun sales have jumped from 500 a month before the rebellion to 3,000 a week now. The majority of these weapons are in the hands of honkies.

White vigilante groups are being formed all over the suburban area. In Macomb County many signs have been posted which read, "Warning to Black Power - This area protected by Citizens Militia."

COPS GET READY

At the same time the racist civilians have been organizing, officials in government and industry

have also been preparing for the planned carnage. The white news media has carried on an incessant "anti-crime on the streets" campaign designed to characterize most black people as murderers, rapists, purse snatchers, and dope fiends who either need to be put in jail for life, or executed.

As if in direct response to the demands of the TV editorials, the White Power Structure has constructed a huge concentration camp on Ryan Rd. and Nevada in Detroit. When the "riot" breaks out, tens of thousands of black people will be picked up and incarcerated in this camp and other detention centers. Well-known revolutionists who are caught will either be killed outright, or turned over to the civilian para military (Michigan Klan or Minutemen) for mass executions which will make the Algiers Case look like a Sunday picnic.

With the curfew imposed, food and water supplies cut off, and revolutionary leadership destroyed, the stage will be set for the

cops to use their new "toys" on the black community. The new "anti-riot" arsenal includes armored cars, Stoner rifles, automatic shotguns, chemical mace and heavy calibre machine guns and cannons.

These are just a few of the weapons designed to kill and maim black people in the near future. If the fascist white fanatics have their way, soon the old saying, "the only good nigger is a dead nigger" will be applied and thousands of black people will be raped, brutalized and murdered. The terror campaign will be completed, with thousands dying from starvation and plague as well as from beatings and bullets.

The ultimate plans of the extreme right wing are clear - the total extermination of the black population. This is the FINAL solution. If we intend to survive this planned attack from the white racists, it is necessary for us to prepare TODAY for our DEFENSE AND SURVIVAL TOMORROW.

Next: Live Targets



DIRTY ASS HONKY BITCHES

SURVIVAL SUPPLIES

There are some things that can be done to insure survival in an insurrection or siege. One is a knowledge of emergency medical care. The other is the storage of

basic foods. A third is usage of common sense during a crisis. When the streets are closed or there's a 24-hour curfew on and no legitimate means of communication or travel, a family must know how to treat certain illnesses and accidents. First Aid treatment given in many cases can be a matter of life or death so it's important to know the proper things to do. The following maladies require emergency treatment:

Heart Attacks
Comas
Suffocation
Shock
Burns
Chemical
Wounds (bullets or lacerations)
Uncontrolled Bleeding
Childbirth
Inhalation

A first aid book tells you what to do in most of these cases. But in an insurrection, after you give First Aid, you may not be able to get the victim to a physician for hours or even days. Then, what do you do Inner City Voice hopes to conduct special sessions to go into this acute problem of survival, but for now, these things should be kept in mind.

In cardiac arrest, shock, suffocation or any other affliction involving an inability to breathe or stoppage of the heart beat, mouth to mouth respiration and external heart massage are important. Once the victim is revived, keep him warm, quiet and dry until a doctor can be had.

Cuts and minor bullet wounds should be washed with soap and water, doused with an antiseptic like iodine and bandaged. More

serious cuts should be covered if they're not dirty, or bleeding profusely and treated by a physician as soon as possible. Be cool about taking anyone out to find a doctor when there's guerilla warfare being waged. If the injured party is breathing alright and not bleeding bad and is only hurt in a non-vital area, give him a pain pill and stay home till it's safe to go through the streets without being arrested or killed.

For minor burns, cold water and an ointment are good. More severe burns should be covered with thin vaseline gauze and the victim given fluids to prevent dehydration (loss of important body fluids). But don't try to give fluids to an unconscious person... he'll only choke.

If a baby is born at home, suction its mouth out for mucus with any type of bulb syringe, make sure it can breathe, keep it warm, and bundled. If the new mother begins to bleed heavily, massage the top of her abdomen till you can feel a hard ball where the baby used to be. This means the womb is contracted and bleeding is controlled. Keep both infant and mother warm.

pressure applied at the site of the bleeding. If you suspect internal bleeding, keep the victim warm and quiet. Don't stand by and let a Brother or Sister bleed to death without trying to stop it.

Chemicals sprayed in the face or eyes should be washed off with soap and water. Chemicals in the eyes should be rinsed with plain water. Unconscious people should have their heads tilted back. Never put a pillow under a person's head, who's out cold. You might close his airway and cut off his oxygen. Never move a person suspected of severe back or neck injury. You

could snap his spinal cord and kill him.

Though this article is somewhat help, buy a FIRST AID book and read it now. It was prepared by experts for the kind of stuff we can expect to go through in the near future. Finally, be realistic in your plans for survival. Do what you can to insure basic survival, but don't get hung up on any one list of articles. Know what to do in situations you can control and don't worry about those you can't control. Start your FIRST AID Kit with these

First Aid Book
Surgical Tape
Gauze
Vaseline
Alcohol
Aspirin
Disinfectant

But don't hesitate to add anything else you might need.

II. Nutrition

The key word in buying food for a disaster is survival. Buying unnecessary foods is a waste of time and money. The majority of the world's poor families live on from \$50 to \$100 a year and are still able to fight for liberation. A large supply of a dry source of crude protein such as that found in farm supply stores can keep a family nourished. I'm talking about soy beans, oats, wheat, and other cereals in 50 to 100 pound bags. Mixed with water, they can keep you alive and are VERY VERY CHEAP.

Powdered milk is excellent for babies and children. Corn meal can be made into mush, so buy a large bag and store it. Don't worry

about Brand names. The government requires foods to have a certain nutritional value before they are sold. Besides, the kinds of food American cows and horses eat are better than the foods people eat in most parts of the world. Keep this in mind. Iron, proteins Vitamins and Minerals can be found in those foods. For vitamins, cod liver oil is cheap, and everyone can take it. Peanuts are both nutritious and cheap. So is cheese. You can still buy a barrel of crackers if you look hard enough.

All mothers with new babies or expecting one should plan to breast feed. This way, your baby will always have milk and at the same time get the benefit of the food you can eat and digest if you can't get out to buy baby food. Also, a two or three year old can drink titty milk in a pinch with no sweat.

The only other vitally important thing is water. Store lots of it for eating, washing, drinking, fires and First Aid. ALSO buy water purification tablets, Halizon, if you can get them. If this list sounds inadequate to you, feel free to buy any luxuries you can afford, like canned meats and vegetables, etc. Just remember that what poor people usually live off of is not what black Americans consider basics.

In overweight and overfed America, if you're game, you can live off of the following at a minimal cost of from five to twenty bucks.

Dry beans
Dry cereals wheat, oats
Corn meal
Peanuts
Powdered milk
Cod Liver Oil

Corn syrup--cheaper than sugar when purchased in bulk

Water
Vitamin C

The following miscellaneous things are useful. A stove is important for heat in the winter only. In the summer, blankets will do. Toilet paper and soap are of a secondary importance. Matches and candles suffice for light. Alcohol, the rubbing kind in several gallon jugs will clean dishes and wounds. Paper plates are ok if there's no disposal problem, but they burn quickly and may be a safety hazard. Tin bowls and spoons can be wiped with alcohol and used over again.

Don't keep inflammable liquids in the place where your'e going to stay. One bullet or firebomb can turn your shelter into an oven. Kerosene and gasoline should not be stored except for bombs. Sit down with your family and decide what's necessary for you as a unit to do to survive.

This list may be useful:

Candles
Matches
Alcohol
Tin Plates @ Spoons
Clorox (for disinfectant)
Toilet Paper-Soap
Slop Jar
Disposable Diapers (for babies)

Also feel free to adjust this and any other list to your own particular needs.

Conserve the food you have on hand when any trouble starts. Most of us already have enough food to live on for a few weeks if we have sense enough to ration it. If necessary, do just that.

If we must die we will die with weapons in our hands

HOW TO GET READY FOR THE INVASION

Whats happening

At least four organizations are engaged in efforts to alert the Black people of Detroit to the very real danger of the mass slaughter of black men, women and children in this city. The City Wide Citizens Action Committee, the Federation for Self Determination, a group of black women, and the Inner City Voice, are engaged in activities designed to warn black people of the attack planned by white racists who surround the city. These groups are now attempting to implement programs of Public Safety; the main theme of the Public Safety Programs is Defense and Survival.

Leaflets have been distributed extensively in the black community detailing essential supplies in event of a prolonged siege by racist forces. The black community is also being urged to arm itself to the teeth and to prepare for a tit for tat struggle when the attack comes.

All persons interested in aiding the preparation of the community are urged to contact one of the active organizations. Manpower is needed in setting up communications, securing supplies, and essential services.

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The essential thing the black community must do in preparing it-

self for any assault form the suburban white easts is to arm itself to the teeth. We must get as many weapons and as much ammunition as is possible.

Only if our enemies know that they face certain death if they attempt to attack us, will they be deterred in their genocidal plans. It is necessary that the honkies understand that the black community will stand together in a most determined armed resistance, and will meet them toe to toe in a knock down drag out battle for survival, and that we will see this whole country destroyed before we go down.

It is necessary, therefore, that every black man in the community possess at least one rifle of a high powered calibre. The 30 cal M carbine is one of the smallest rifles allowable in the crisis situation. The carbine is a good weapon because of its light weight and rapid fire action, but any smaller weapon would lack the range or impact power necessary to kill at extended ranges (over 100 yards).

The second basic weapon in our arsenal should be a good supply of gasoline. Gasoline bombs, in various mixtures with other chemicals and oil, will act as effective explosives against troops, tanks and armored cars, and will also be essential in destroying

property so as to force the dispersal of large troop concentrations into smaller units protecting banks, stores, factories, etc

The rifle and gasoline are two essential weapons which each and every black man should possess. Other weapons such as shot guns, pistols, mortars, dynamite, grease guns, gunpowder bombs, or cross bows will also be useful if they can be secured and the freedom fighter is well trained in their use. But even if the more sophisticated weaponry is not available, we will turn back any honky offensive and deliver a devastating blow to white power with our basic arsenal.

The War we face is a peoples war, in which the people (us) must defend ourselves from, and destroy the armed might of the enemy (them). In order to do this, we must be familiar with the general strategy and tactics of the People's War.

In a People's war, the enemy and the people both possess advantages and weaknesses thoroughly. We must concentrate on the weak points of the enemy and attempt to prevent him from using his advantages. At the same time we must strengthen our advantages, and prevent the enemy from attacking us at our weak points.

The Enemy - Strength and Weakness.

The basic advantages of the enemy are obvious. They are:

1. He has a regular trained army
2. He has superior weaponry
3. He has the political advantage of controlling the courts and the ability to threaten those who oppose him with imprisonment or death.
4. He has nominal control over the economy, and superior logistics so that he can control the flow of goods and services into the community.
5. He has a superior military communications system, and he controls the mass media
6. He is ruthless.

The basic disadvantages of the enemy are also fairly obvious. They are:

1. His regular trained army will operate in hostile territory and will be forced to move in large cumbersome units.
2. The war will take place in a large urban center. He will be forced to attempt to fight at the same time he has to spread his troops all over the city to protect essential white owned private property.
3. He hasn't got enough troops to fight on several fronts at the same time. The recent National Liberation Front Vietnam offensive forced him to mobilize national guard units which are needed to fight us here.
4. The essential backbone of his war economy, the steel mills, auto plants, tank arsenals, munition plants etc., are within easy reach of black fighters.

If these essential installations are destroyed, along with his central communications networks, his position of dominance here, and abroad will be destroyed.

5. We will have the support of the overwhelming majority of the people in the war zone.
6. We have a thorough knowledge of the area in which we will be fighting.
7. We have no major concentrations of troops and supplies which must be protected from assault by the enemy.

Our major advantages are his dis-

advantages and our major weaknesses are his advantages.

Let us deal first with his advantages, and our weaknesses. First his army and superior weaponry: The first rule of guerrilla war fare is to never engage an enemy of overwhelming strength. The old David and Goliath story doesn't work now -a-days, even though the Honkey would like you to think it does. When you encounter an enemy force superior in numbers and weapons avoid being seen and get away as quickly as possible. The main form of attack should be sniping and the ambush. Since we have no large troop concentration, his superior weapons cannot be used efficiently. We must be able to move out of his was fast.

But remember, the enemy is in hostile territory. This means he must move his troops in large units. If he ever is stupid enough to bring in small squads, attack the squad and wipe them out immediately. For the large units, however, the ambush, and sniping are the most effective methods of attack.

Never pull an ambush unless you have stried the area of attack, the size and nature of the enemy force, and are positive of victory. The ambush should use as many black freedom fighters as is possible to get to and from the area of attack rapidly. The enemy should be caught between buildings or other obstacles. There should be no avenue of escape; the ambush should be designed so that whatever direction the enemy attempts to retreat, he runs into a wall of gunfire. The location of the ambush should also be carefully chosen to make sure there is no place the enemy can find cover to return fire from. The ambush is a split second operation which should be successfully completed in two or three minutes. After the ambush take as many weapons from the enemy troops and rapidly retreat to a safe area.

The carefully planned ambush can employ the double attack. In this ambush, the freedom fighters study the entire area around the ambush site. The fighting force is divided into two units. The first unit carries out the ambush on the target, and the second unit ambushes the enemy's reinforcements which should attempt to relieve the first target minutes after the attack begins.

Another form of ambush is the "set up" ambush. In the "set up", the freedom fighters lure the enemy force to the point of attack and then proceed to wipe him out. This is a particularly effective tactic if you possess explosives, such as dynamite, black powder bombs, plastic explosives, or mortars. The technique is simple. Pick the point of attack, usually a house, or garage or old abandoned building. Plant explosives in and around the building,

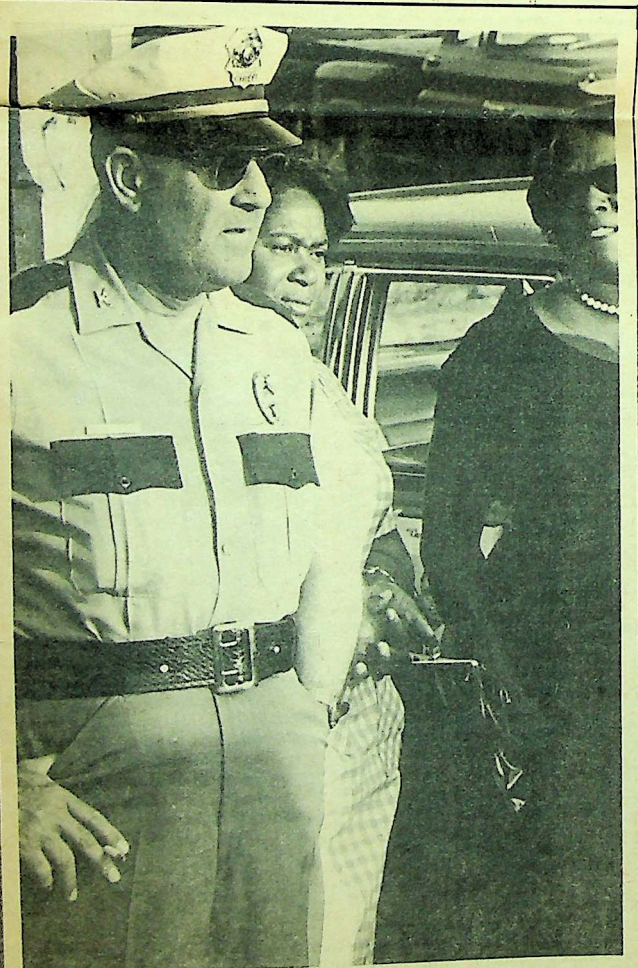
and then find firing points around the area of attack. Set your weapons up making sure the entire area will be covered with lead. Then call the police and tell them you just saw a whole bunch of bearded black men with guns and gasoline cans go into the house. Inside of a few minutes, about a hundred enemy troops will converge on the scene, and our forces blow away everything in sight.

Sniping is another highly effective method of fighting. Unlike the ambush, the sniper attack involves only a few people. The sniping unit includes one, two or three men who are very fast on their feet and are familiar with the area of attack. The sniper should know people in the general vicinity of the area of attack, so that if it is necessary for him to get off the streets quickly, a safe haven will be close by. Besides a high powered rifle, the sniper should have a pair of field glasses, an infrared scope, and an extention to the barrel of his rifle which hides the flash from the barrel, and dark clothes. Armed adequately, the lone sniper can hold down whole units of enemy troops and inflict great damage on them.

The main advantage the sniper has is that the enemy doesn't know where he is at. Enemy troops may be marching down the street and suddenly one of them falls dead. They all scramble for cover. The minute one of them sticks his head out he gets shot. This is an effective method of inflicting casualties on the enemy, of tying down his forces, and of inflicting great psychological pain.

The enemy cannot respond to the effective sniper. All they can do is fire wild shots all over the place in their frustration. But since they don't know where the enemy is, they don't dare show their faces for fear of being picked off. In Vietnam, and Detroit, the white man has attempted to find methods of counteracting the sniper. The only thing they could think of doing was to employ counter snipers. This of course, never works, because of the overwhelming hostility of the community. The sniper, by definition operates alone or in small groups. But can you imagine the lone honky sniper sneaking around the ghetto. The honky sniper would have to be protected by a platoon of soldiers; and that platoon, in turn, becomes another good sized target for our ambush squads and our sharp shooters.

In the next edition of ICV we will continue our discussion of war. We will go into methods of overcoming whites political advantage, of destroying his communications system and building one of our own and of exploiting his many weak points. We will also discuss other important strategy's of the People's War. For the moment follow our advice. If you haven't got a gun, get one -QUICK.



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Editorial Page

CRACK-DOWN ON THE WAY

With warmer days approaching, cowardly, the white power structure has stepped up its activities against revolutionaries and militants on both the national and local levels.

Across this racist nation, black leaders are being picked up, accused of absurd crimes, indicted and imprisoned. At the same time local pigs (honky cops) have been given the go ahead to shoot to kill when and where ever opportunity is displayed.

On the national level, the casualties from the actions of courts and cops are beginning to resemble the gory daily list from Vietnam.

Rap Brown, Eddie Quiendo, Bill Epton, Herman Furguston, Max Stanford, and the Queens 17, Huey Newton, Spock, Coffin, Reis Tijerina the Central State nine, and the Texas Southern Five, are just a handful of the increasing number of cases of judicial butchery. The Orangeburg massacre, the recent beatings at Post Junior High School, the whole scale police crackdown in Miami and Nashville, the terror at Tougaloo Mississippi, and the harassment of militants on college campuses all over the country, are a few of the growing number of examples of terror as a regular established honky tactic.

In Detroit, we have recently seen several examples of honky justice, and honky violence. But the honkies, unfortunately, have not received word from the militants that we will not tolerate the use of terror tactics in this community or the wholesale ar-

rest and detention of revolutionary leaders.

Apparently, we have been so busy with organizational work, that we have not been able to organize protest demonstrations against the beating and killing of our people or the harassment of our leaders. If this is the case, that we have been too busy, and too involved in other things, then we should either find some more hours in each day, or develop some new priorities.

Why? Because the beast is watching to see what the reaction of the black community will be if he arrests a Rap Brown, or a Glanton Dowdell. He is watching to see how we will react if he shoots down young brothers in Orangeburg, and beats them at Post J.H. And if there is no reaction when he attacks our leaders and shoots down our youth, what will happen when he arrests black Sam Smith, or shoots black Sally Jones.

It is politically necessary for us to begin to demonstrate against this increasing legal and violent harassment. It is necessary for the sake of those whom we support and for ourselves.

The beast must know that if he wants black violence to increase, then all he has to do is continue with his white violence; and the only way he can know that, is if we tell him so.

The Inner City Voice is calling for a mass demonstration protesting the legal harassment, and police violence which black people all over this country are increasingly faced with.

We expect YOU to join us.



From "Open City"

CRIME IN THE STREETS

CHRYSLER IS HELL

CHRYSLER. Does that word make you quiver and shake all over. Well it should, because Chrysler is one of the three major slave labor corporations in this area. Anyone who has lived in Detroit knows that workers in the auto industry have been reduced to the level of super exploited over worked, under paid, pack animals.

Over the last few years, increases in productivity have made work on the assembly line about the hardest, dirty, grinding, painful, brutal and exhausting ordeals known to mankind. Yet auto workers are subjected to that ordeal eight to twelve hours a day, six to seven days a week, year after year after year.

Anyone who has lived here also knows that most of the men and women subjected to the brutal torture of the line are black.

Black workers however not only have to put up with outrageous class exploitation, but equally vicious racism of the company, its headmen, lackeys and running dogs. Recently, black workers at Chrysler have been subjected to some callous violations of their basic human rights.

A brother was recently nearly beaten to death by the Highland Park police in the Chrysler Highland Park Plant. At Dodge Main, it has become a regular event for the plant police to storm into the plant when even minor labor disputes flare up.

Chrysler also leased the area on Ryan Rd and Nevada which will be used as a concentration camp for blacks in the near future. Chrysler is the corporation which refused to sponsor the Harry Bela-

fonte special on television because a white woman touched the famous folk singer. Chrysler is the corporation which set up auto factories in South Africa in 1965, where black workers make 16 times less than the white workers on the line next to them. Chrysler is the corporation which has a standing policy of harassment and firing of black militants unfortunate enough to have to work in the auto plants. And Chrysler is the corporation which regularly hires black people for 89 days and then lays them off before the acquire seniority, while they are hiring new workers the same day.

This is only the beginning of a long line of grievances which black people have against Chrysler. The facts add up to a coming black revolution at Chrysler which will make the Dodge Rebellion look like child's play. Black workers are now organizing against this racist, oppressive, exploitative, sadistic, arrogant, lowdown, dirty capitalist giant. We support all the brothers at Dodge Main, Jefferson, Highland Park, Dodge Truck, and other Chrysler facilities, who are moving to bring down this horrifying monstrosity of the beast. The Inner City Voice calls upon the entire black community of Detroit, and 25 million black people in America to resolutely stand behind black auto workers, and aid them in the attempt to take the control of industry which our hands built and maintain, out of the hands of our oppressors.

We are confident that black auto workers will soon 'get on out' on Chrysler's behind.

Letters To The Editors

enemy

friend

Comrads,

Undoubtedly, you feel that you are earning a satisfactory place in the eventual takeover of this country by the communists. Little do you realize that your paper is your worst recommendation. There are too many typographical errors, too much poor grammar, many misspelled names, standard photography, and many, many misquoted Marxist theories. If there ever was a takeover, your Eastern "brothers" would still pick individuals with top skills for their propaganda and their everything else, even though the ones they select don't happen to be communists. Loyalty would be their least consideration, something they wouldn't have to worry about. There are ways of making "loyal" citizens out of non-loyal people. How would you fare in a capability test in competition with the people on the staff of Life, Time, Newsweek, the Free Press or the Detroit News? If you don't believe this, ask anyone who ever escaped from a communist country. More often than not, the people who help in a red takeover are the least to get rewarded. You'd be worse losers than you are right now. If you spent your time intelligently, you could help make a better world, instead of making your self non-conformist as you pretend, you'd never fit into a communist society. You are selling out your own people and yourselves. A person who has actually been to Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Czechoslovakia, China, where their ghettos are bigger and dirtier.

Dear Friends

We are writing to you with a request for help in publicizing the case of Khalil Toame, a fourth year student in the Faculty of Law at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.

Khalil Toame is the Secretary of the Arab Students Committee at the University and is well known for his leftist views and his opposition to all chauvinism and nationalism, whether Jewish or Arab. He has worked continually in his public activity, to increase the understanding between the two peoples.

Since the June 1967 war, Khalil Toame has openly opposed the trends to annexation and expansion revealed by Israel as well as the chauvinistic tendencies of the Arab Nationalist groups.

On January 8, 1968, Khalil Toame was arrested by the police and has been held without bail ever since, despite a solidarity demonstration by Israeli students. The newspapers state that the police accuse him of hiding a person arrested and accused of being the ideological leader of an "illegal" resistance movement in the occupied areas.

We see this arrest as part of a campaign to intimidate and suppress those groups who dare express openly their opposition to Israel's policy of occupation. In the course of this campaign, many hundreds of persons, mainly political and religious leaders, have suffered restrictions of their freedom of movement, arrests and administrative detentions, without

trial and without publicity in most cases. This wave of suppression and intimidation, including even the exiling of hundreds of persons and the mass punitive destruction of Arab homes and villages, is based on Emergency Laws, and is intended to prevent any political activities opposed to government policy.

We call upon you to denounce the arrest of this student as well as this frightening wave of suppression by sending telegrams to the Israeli Prime Minister, Minister of Justice, and Minister of Defence demanding the immediate release of Khalil Toame. Please address copies of the telegrams to us at P.O. Box 2092, Jerusalem, Israel, so that the authorities will not be able to conceal the fact that telegrams are being received and ignored them. Your acts of concern may have a great influence upon the Israeli government, which is very sensitive to international public opinion.

It must be especially stressed that there is a danger that Khalil Toame, a civilian, will be tried by a military court, and face a heavy imprisonment sentence. As you may know, normal legal procedures and the rights of the accused are not too closely observed in such military courts.

We ask you to circulate this appeal and to publicize the case in any way possible, perhaps in the form of a letter in your publication. A.S. Baber Student Committee Israeli Socialist Organization P.O. Box 2092 Jerusalem, Israel

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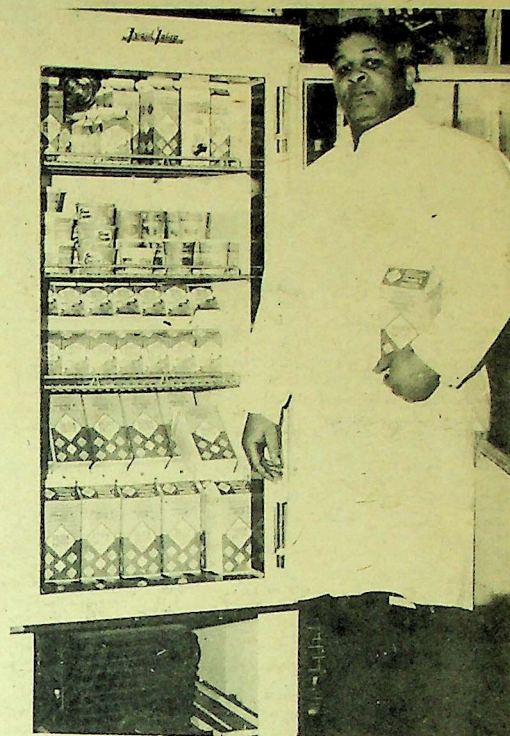
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ON THE QUESTION OF GENOCIDE

By JOHN WILLIAMS

At this stage of development in America, black and white people are preparing for armed confrontation against each other. This period speaks to the point that white America attempts genocide on black people in the United States.

What does this mean? It's apparent that this cry makes lucid that America's problems would be solved if black people were destroyed. However, it is this writer's contention that this analysis is luke warm and tends to be counter revolutionary. It should be obvious that I am not talking about the immediate necessities for any oppressed people and especially black people in America. As Lenin stated any oppressed people that don't obtain arms and learn how to use them deserve the right to be treated as slaves. However, I am speaking to this stage of development and what it means for the future of black people and revolution.

At this stage, black and white people in America, the western world and the third world are at odds but not because of racism solely. The proponents of a monopoly capitalist structure that has developed to its highest but moribund stage, imperialism, are aforementioned people present to their system.

It is crystal clear that the white western world lives relatively better than black people because of the benefits of imperialism to big business and inadvertently benefiting and plaguing the average black and white. Now what does this mean? Two segments of people, the black people in America and the third world nations are subjected to super duper exploitation by this crumbling system. Within America, black people don't present the same economic threat as we presented after Reconstruction and during world wars one and two. However, black people are very necessary for the American power structure. It is here that genocide, however likely, poses impracticalities.

Bourgeois factors, such as open housing, send more whites manning the barricades than black people threatening them on jobs. Marketable skills are becoming less and less plentiful for black people. It is in this conception that racism's basis by whites of today differs from yesterday. Whites, who benefit at a decreasing rate from the beastly structure see blacks as a threat to their nominally exploited way of living. Concomitantly, the white ruling oligarchy represented by Johnson, Dupont, Ford, Mellon, General Motors, United Fruit, etc., tend to use this aspect of racism to keep relative harmony among whites and prevents them from questioning the structure and the numbers necessary to affect change.

Although genocide is presently in the minds of many whites, it is crystal clear that the proponents of monopoly capitalism recognize that black people pose not only an immediate threat to the disharmony that this structure needs but most importantly sharpen the contradictions between the haves and have-nots and creating the situations that will be conducive to forcing whites into anti-structural movements. Why?

Certainly the changes in the draft, the proposed sur tax, the restriction of travel, and the corresponding increase on taxes abroad on goods to stymie persons from purchases, taxes in general and other problems that are relevant to whites. All of these measures by the ruling oligarchy of the monopoly capitalist structure are aimed at whites. It is obvious that the one factor that unites a substantial of whites is the production of a set of criteria that portrays black as the honk's enemy and all of the honks energy is directed against an erroneous enemy.

In essence, if America moves to destroy black people, or even if it were feasible, whites would be forced quicker into the positions that blacks occupy. My point is that monopoly capitalism is colorless although its proponents may be racist, the system itself sucks anyone's blood that's available. In addition, the fact that Japan, a budding colored nation is pro-western and pro-monopoly capitalist it tends to serve itself in any way possible to preserve monopoly capitalism. Black lackeys, tools and Toms that exist in the West Indies, Africa, and Latin America also tend to serve in monopoly capital's behalf.

Another major factor in the so-called genocidal war is the connection between black people and the third world oppressed. Can one talk about destroying black people in America without talking of destroying blacks in the third world and monopoly capitalism itself. My major point here is that monopoly capitalism does not thrive off cars, plants, buildings, etc; on the contrary, it thrives off the brutal super, duper exploitation of the laboring people. This is profitable and necessary for monopoly capitalism to survive.

What are we, as a struggling oppressed people faced with Black people in America, third world countries, and anyone else Black people in America, third world countries, and anyone else who comes to grips with monopoly capitalism faces this system's highest form of repression. war. Monopoly Capitalism tends to buy off leaders, assassinate others, employ the neo-colonial tactic here and abroad, and when these measures fail to pacify an oppressed people, monopoly capitalists

move to their highest stage to preserve their structure.

Black people in America are facing a new stage in development. Because of our necessity for the preservation of this economy by being used as displaced aggression for whites, the monopoly capitalist moves on us in the same manner as he moves in Vietnam. As in all revolutions, we are to bind together to repel these attacks and constantly sharpen the contradictions between black people specifically and all oppressed people generally. In other words, that struggle for survival isn't the proper term for our movement is a revolutionary stage of development in which our survival tactics are short range measures of our overall struggle. We must encounter this stage before we are able to deliver a more formidable blow to this structure.

I stated earlier that talk of genocide as an essence tends to foster fatalism, adventurism, and counterrevolution. Genocidal talk moves away from an analysis of this system and the fact that this beast must be destroyed from within along with the corresponding aid of the liberation struggles

abroad. It is counterrevolutionary because a genocidal argument assumes that the destruction of blacks is the key to the survival of monopoly capitalism. It further speaks to the fact that many black people look to all whites as to the right, and refuse to observe the necessary problems this system poses for whites and the concomitant struggle they will be forced to launch in spite of us. We are struggling because we are oppressed and it has taken us through many movements to get where we are. To make explicitly clear what I mean by genocidal arguments that tend to foster counter-revolution, look briefly at the Chinese Revolution. The Japanese mop up campaign which was of the brutal nature, were done on Chinese in conjunction with other nationalist Kuomintang Chiang Kai Shek types in order to repress movements against imperialism. This was an attempt by imperialism to survive because it had reached its apex of palitatives and pacification, war. Chairman Mao and the People's Army repelled the repressive measures, won over many members of the Kuomintang, and booted imperialism out of China. It is this kind of situation that presents a possible counter revolutionary argument. Had Chairman Mao decided that this was genocidal and racist, in essence, and solely, he would never have united with Kuomintang nationalists who had come to grips with the structure to kick out imperialism. This is a paragon for us.

Concentration camps, anti-riot bills, punitive legislation, refusal of draft deferments, proposed sur

taxes, taxes in general, are all measures designated for black people specifically and any other people who pose a threat for this system. As the third world, blacks in the U.S. and the imperialist confrontations between U.S., W. Germany, France, Japan, etc come more sharply in contradiction with one another, the monopoly capitalist reprisals will fall on rank and file Frenchmen, Japanese, and white Americans, escalating the dissent a hundred-fold. Unions will be necessarily prevented from proper pay as a result of wage fixation forced on them.

The major factor is that monopoly capitalism can't preserve itself while it has the average citizen via numerous taxes, paying to deploy U.S. troops around the world, paying for the financing of puppet armies, irrelevant space programs, providing bodies for draft and man other factors that exemplify the inevitable contradictions of this beastly structure.

In closing I would reiterate that black people in America are the vanguard of revolutionary struggle.

Our stage is one that is escalating and we will be prepared to repel any attacks on us just as Frelimo, FAR, and the FALN repel them in their countries.

The basic question to be observed at this point is how much longer can monopoly capitalism placate its constituents, whites in America and the western world, before it is unable to foster this quasi-luxury and allow for the final blow for monopoly capitalism.



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Weapons for survival

Time is running out and there are very few opportunities left for black people to obtain the weapons necessary to repel the coming honky attack on our community. The racist cops are moving to cut off the supply of guns coming into the ghetto and at the same time aiding the increased flow into the white community. Be that as it may, we must continue to build our arsenal and develop our own weapons in order to be ready for the inevitable showdown. Build your arsenal now. These are the weapons that are an absolute necessity if you expect to be alive by the end of the summer.

1. At least one high calibre rifle, with a minimum of a thousand rounds of ammunition and two or three loaded clips.

2. Several large cans and bottles for storage of gasoline and the manufacture of molotov cocktails.

3. One shotgun with as many shells as you can get. A shotgun is very effective at close range against massed personnel, especially if sawed off.

Further, it is in your interest to learn how to make an effective bomb. The Inner City Voice printed a letter in previous editions that detailed how to make a bomb using gasoline and ammonia. Since that time we have received several reports that the bomb doesn't work. The voice

staff is currently investigating this bomb and will report on its effectiveness in a further edition. In the meantime we are printing another method of bomb production which our staff has tested and can confirm as effective. The following steps outline the way to make the bomb.

1. Take a twelve inch pipe threaded at both ends.
2. Obtain two caps to fit the threads on the pipe.
3. Get a quantity of gunpowder.
4. Also get a supply of fuses or use a cherry bomb fuse.
5. Cap one end of the pipe.
6. Insert the fuse about halfway into the pipe.
7. Stuff the pipe full of gunpowder.
8. Drill a hole in the other cap.
9. Pull the fuse through the hole and cap the other end of the pipe.
10. Light the fuse and get as far away as you can.

Gunpowder can be obtained at most gunshops in sufficient quantities. A cherry bomb fuse can be used in conjunction with a burn-in cigarette to make a timing device. These items are a min-effective in dealing a devastating blow to the forces of white domination.

If there is any chance to confiscate arms from the enemy you should do so. We anticipate many of the vigilante-type honkies to drop their weapons and run after two or three of them get blown away.

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RACISM AT CHRYSLER

On March 7, 1968, the black workers on the Charger line in Dept. 910 at Hamtramck Assembly plant, stormed off the line in angry protest and went out on strike forcing a shut down on half of the production at the plant.

Their walkout was a result of incidents that occurred the day before on March 6, between a white foreman and a black worker. A white foreman supposedly angered because a black worker missed one weld with his spot welding gun, blew his cool. The foreman grabbed the spot welding gun from the brother, did one weld himself, and then threw the spot welding gun and hit the brother with it. Needless to say, the brother immediately got out on the forman, leaving him laying flat on his back and out cold.

Both the foreman and the brother were given five days suspensions by the Company. But the next morning, the white foreman showed up at work as usual. Consequently, the rest of the brothers on the line already tired from overwork and harrassment, stormed out of the plant in unison behind the ridiculous insult to their intelligence. Production on the entire line was brought to a stand still.

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Goldwater: No frankly, any more than you might say the average Rhodesian has any concept of the role that the United States plays in international politics. This is not critical of either the citizens of my country or yours, it's just its sort of natural that a citizen doesn't get too concerned about things that don't immediately effect him. Now, you see, if these sanctions get to hurt him economically, then your people will know. I think if we could bring home to the American people some instances of economic hurt then it might wake some of them up.

Q. Finally, Senator, I believe that today you saw Prime Minister Ian Smith.

Goldwater: Yes, we had a delightful lunch together

Q. And what is your impression.

Goldwater: Well Again I must speak from a prejudiced position, because both Prime Minister Smith and I flew in World War II, and while he played a far more important role in my favorite airplane, fighters, than I did, I have a great respect for any man who went through that ordeal and, having watched him from the United

States, having realized the strength of this man, I think he's doing a great job, not only for Rhodesia but for the world in showing that a stand on principle and purpose, while you may get kicked around, will in the long run bring success. And we need more men like Ian Smith, I think, in the world today. We have too few leaders, and I'd like to see him multiplied a little bit, and spread around."

So we see that international fascism is spreading with the neo-Nazis of racist USA supporting the racist fascist of white dominated Rhodesia. And both of them are talking about how to develop better ways of messing over YOU.

DETROIT AND WHITE SUBURBIA (RACEVILLE) ESTABLISH HOT LINE

One result of the lily-white meeting attended by the Mayors in Wayne County was the establishment of a hot line. Check this, a thing is set up whereby the racists in the surrounding white suburbs can declare Martial Law and a curfew in the city of DE and a curfew in the city of Detroit. At a whim, the beast can decide that the National Guard decide that the natives are restless and sic the National Guard on us. The National Guard can try to run roughshod over the black community if they want to. We'll have some thing for them and their mamma too.

The students were campaigning for Charles Evers, who is running for a vacant seat in the House of Representatives and is a Negro. When asked by a campus security guard to surrender their I.D. cards they offered him an Evers campaign card.

Campus security police started shooting at and near a group of Alcorn students last Wednesday, Feb. 21, shortly after the three dismissed students had left the campus. The students defended themselves with rocks, bricks, and bottles. Between midnight and 1 an the same evening, police returned to fire tear gas in to quiet dorms, then beat students running from the gas, dressed only in their underwear. Bricks and bottles were again thrown, and the police started shooting. Large numbers of police dogs remain on the campus.

Legal action in addition to the suit includes an investigation this week by Rep. Robert Clark and the American Assn. of University Professors. Two of the injured students remain hospitalized.

from Jan Millegas, FIS, Tougaloo,

SUPPORT FOR ALI



Muhammed Ali
World Champion

On March 2, the Detroit Black Anti War Anti Draft Union (NBAWADU) held a black speak out in solidarity with the champ, Muhammad Ali to protest the racist, illegal heavyweight elimination bout to take away his rightful title. Plans for black participation in the April 26 worldwide student strike against the racist slaughter of the Vietnamese and the draft of black men to die in the brutal war to protect white American imperialism.

Speakers included Gwen Patton, national secretary of NBAWADU, Lonnie Peek, chairman of the Association of Black Students, WSU, Charles Colding, leader of the Northern High School student boycott of 1966, Robert Higgins, chairman of Black Political Study Group, and Judy Watts, cochairman of NBAWADU.

Over 700 people demonstrated outside of Madison Square Garden on the night of the bout to let the world know that white racists can no longer choose heroes for the black community.

NEAR REVOLT IN ADULT SCHOOL

Adult students at Urban Adult Education Institute (UAEI) nearly walked out of their classes recently, protesting arbitrary action of the Detroit Board of Education. The Board had threatened to take the entire first floor of the UAEI building, located on John C. Lodge at Pingree, and turn it over to other departments of the school system.

Dr Joseph Paige, director of UAEI was confronted by angry students who threatened to quit their classes (thus forcing termination of the program) and harass the new occupants of the building. Dr Paige attempted to convince the students that plans had not been finalized.

Some of the students intimated that there wouldn't be much of a building left if they are forced to move.

The school board wanted to take over the 1st floor at UAEI, and force the institution to relocate all its facilities on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the building. This would mean that the students would lose a treasured lounge area and valuable classroom space, as offices would be forced to move into areas now allocated for classes.

After noting the overwhelmingly black UAEI, the school board intended to replace them with offices for special education, guidance and counseling, Physical education, and military science.

Some of the students, after seeing army officers surveying the building are concerned that the site may become a command headquarters for the army next summer.

UAEI is an experimental program designed to raise the educational level of adults. It has been successful, to date, of gaining wide support and respect among black citizens in Detroit. Although underfunded and understaffed, the program has nearly 1000 enrolled, and many more waiting to enter.

The school has been successful in significantly improving the reading, spelling and mathematical abilities of undereducated inner city adults. Classes are offered including Consumer Education, English, Mathematics, and sewing. New teaching innovations including the extensive use of audio visual equipment are being tested in the project.

The board has allocated \$70,000 to remodel the area it intends to steal, yet, all work and improvements UAEI has made so far were accomplished through the volunteer labor of the students.

They cleaned up, painted up and fixed up the rundown center, which was previously a nurses dormitory. Most of them were unhappy to hear someone else would benefit from their hard work, but they understand that that is old hat as far as white is concerned.

STUDENTS FILE SUIT IN MISSISSIPPI

Students file suit in Mississippi violence

Lorman, Miss., (LNS) The three black students whose suspensions from Alcorn Agricultural @ Military College last week provoked a student insurrection and massive police violence are suing the college against the college and its president, J.D. Boyd.

The suits are seeking reinstatement of Cephas Rials, Percell

Rials, and James Bishop to the school. All three were dismissed by President Boyd after he accused them of drunkenness. The three say that this charge is false: "Our 'insubordination' consisted of the exercise of a basic American freedom, the handing over of a card supporting a candidate for Congress."

Tuskegee Back to Booker T.

The reactionary Uncle Toms tools that run Tuskegee Institute have embarked on a witch hunt in an effort to purge the campus of all revolutionary and progressive brothers. This is because these brothers have been going in their struggle to snatch Tuskegee out of the hands of Booker T. and bring it into the twentieth century. The tactics used by the school administration are not unlike those used by the fascist government that oppresses our people throughout this foul land. That is: a crackdown which involves a ban on demonstrations, a ban on weapons,

4. The first fool that tries to disarm a black man should be the first one blown away.
5. The ICV will continue to report on the struggle at Tuskegee so that the whole world will know what's going down.
6. The ICV will support the struggle of the revolutionary brothers at Tuskegee by whatever means are necessary.
7. Should the fool Toms who run Tuskegee set the students for an Orangeburg type massacre, the ICV will relentlessly pursue them and reveal their role in the betrayal.

imposition of bizarre and absurd rules of conduct, attempts to isolate and expell all students who have any kind of sense of dignity, the silencing of all progressive members of the faculty, cooperation with the F.B.I., and racist cracker, dog cops of perverted state of Alabama, in harrassing students, keeping white racist instructors on the faculty, and spreading false rumors about the Inner City Voice. In this regard the ICV takes this position:

1. Tuskegee Institute is well known as the citadel of the CIA and shall be dealt with as such.
- 2 It is also well known for the behind kissing policy of its founder.
3. No black man, be he student or otherwise, should be without a gun in Alabama, or anywhere else in this country today.

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ONCE again another hospital has turned a young woman out into the cold night in a serious enough condition to cause her death. The hospital is Ford's and surprisingly enough, she was not turned out because she lacked adequate insurance, as is usually the case. Instead, she was turned away because some administrator in Emergency, a Mr. Rogers, did not feel that her case of dog bite warranted Emergency attention. But really, her story began much earlier than that. Saturday, March 9, she was bitten by a stray dog. Shortly thereafter, she went to Metropolitan Hospital where she was advised by a doctor that she didn't have to worry unless she started foaming at the mouth or shying away from water. The doctor went on to suggest that

she go find the dog that bit her and watch him to see if he became ill or showed symptoms of rabies. In the interim, the young woman talked to a doctor who happened to be a personal friend and was told that if she waited until she had symptoms of rabies, it would be too late for treatment. Whereupon she immediately went to Ford Hospital's Emerg. Room and was told that her case did not constitute an emergency, and that she could come back the next day to make an appointment in the Clinic. Leaving the hospital, the young lady went to Detroit General (receiving) where she was admitted and immediately began receiving the series of rabies shots. Another aspect of this incident

is the fact that immediately after being bitten, she called the City Health Dept. to report the accident so that they could come out and find the dog. Needless to say the Health Dept didn't show, despite this being one of their functions. Of course, none of this is surprising to us since this writer almost had fight to get his wife treated in Emergency at Harper, and was turned away from Ford Hospital's Clinic because we didn't have the estimated cost of the bill \$500. Also, we have learned that Lincoln Hospital recently turned away a man with a heart condition, who consequently died. These hospitals are killing us and we seem powerless to do anything.

EPISODES FROM THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Excerpts from Che's words

EPISODES OF THE Revolutionary War, by Ernesto Che Guevara. The INNER CITY VOICE shall present a series of articles from the words of Che Guevara. By doing so we hope to attempt to relate to our readers some of the actual hardship of carrying through a liberation struggle keeping in mind the fact that we must learn from the history of all revolutionary movements.

BITTER DAYS

The days following our departure from Epifanio's farm were, at least for me, the most painful of the war. These notes are an attempt to describe the effect upon our men of the initial stage of the revolutionary struggle. If this passage contains more references than the others to myself it is only because it is related to other episodes, and to leave them out would mean a loss of continuity.

Our revolutionary troop was made up of 17 men of the original group and three new recruits: Gil, Sotolongo and Raul Diaz. These men had arrived in the GRANMA, had hidden away somewhere near Manzanillo, and when they heard of our whereabouts they decided to join us and share our fate. It was very difficult for us at the time to increase our army. Some men came, but others would leave. The struggle demanded a tough physical condition and a high level of morale. Living as we did under threat of continuous attack.

We traveled without a fixed destination, hiding in small wooded areas in a zone where cattle had cleared most of the vegetation. One night we heard on Fidel's little radio that one of the men who had left with Crescencio had been captured. Eutimio had already told us that the man had been arrested but we had never found out for certain. Now at least we knew he was alive. It was not always that a man survived a Batista army "interrogation." Frequently we heard rifle and machine gun fire directed toward the wooded areas. The soldiers spent a lot of ammunition but never dared enter the woods.

On February 22 I wrote in my diary that I was beginning to feel the symptoms of an attack of asthma; I did not have any anti-asthmatic medicine left. The date for the new rendezvous was set for March 5, so we still had to wait several days.

During that period we moved about aimlessly, killing time and waiting for Frank Pais men who were to bring additional weapons. It had been decided that our group was to be strengthened in firepower rather than in numbers, and that every available weapon in Santiago was to be brought to the Sierra Maestra.

Once we spent a very uneasy day by a stream near La Majagua where there was practically no vegetation. It was a valley named Las Mercedes. It is very hard to remember exact names now. At dusk, we reached the house of a peasant, Emiliano. He was another of those peasants who became frightened every time they met us and yet they risked their lives for us and contributed to the development of the Revolution. It was the rainy season in the

Sierra and night after night we would get soaked to the bone, so we now headed for the peasant huts, despite the danger of meeting the soldiers who were everywhere.

My asthma was so bad I could hardly walk, and we spent another night near a house, among a thicket of coffee trees. It was Feb. 27 or 28. Censorship had been discontinued and the radio was pouring out news about everything that had occurred during the last few months.

There was talk about terrorist attacks and about Matthews' interview with Fidel. That was the moment when the Minister of Defense made his famous statement that Mathew's interview was a lie, and demanded that the photographs

be published. Hermes, the son of old Emiliano, at the time was the one who would forage and show us the way. On the morning of the 28th he did not make his usual rounds, and Fidel issued immediate orders to move to another place overlooking the roads. About 4 pm Universo Sanchez and Luis Crespo, who were watching the road saw a large troop coming from the direction of Las Vegas. We had to move fast to reach the hillside, and cross over to the other side before the troops cut us off. It was not difficult because we had seen them in time. Mortar and machine gunfire broke out, headed in our direction, which proved that Batista's men knew that we were somewhere in the vicinity. Everybody made it to the top, but for me it was a

terrible experience. I was practically choking by the time I reached the hilltop. I remember Crespo's efforts to make me walk. Every time I said I could go no further and asked to be left behind, Crespo would revert to our jargon and snap at me: "You son-of-a-bitch from Argentina, either you walk or I'll hit you with my rifle butt." Then he would pick up his load and practically carry me and my heavy knapsack to the top. All this under a heavy down-pour.

We reached a small hut at a place called Purgatorio. Fidel put on a great performance, impersonating a "Major Gonzalez" of Batista's army in search of rebels. The host was both courteous and cool, but another man, a neighbor was a real toady. I

was too ill to fully enjoy the dialogue between Fidel, in his role as Major Gonzalez, and the man who insisted on giving advice to Fidel and kept saying that he could not understand why this boy Castro was out there fighting in the woods.

Something had to be done about me; I simply could not go on any longer. When the chatty neighbor left, Fidel told the host who he really was and the man threw his arms around him, saying he belonged to the Orthodox party, that he was a follower of Chibas, and that he was ready to help out in every way. It was necessary for the peasant to go to Manzanillo and establish some contact, or at least buy some medicine. Even his wife was not to know that I would be near the house. Our latest recruit, a man of doubtful reputation, was assigned as my guard. In a generous gesture, Fidel gave me a Johnson rifle, a real jewel. Then we all made a big show of leaving together and a few yards away my companions, whom we called "the teacher," and I went into the woods to hide and wait. The latest news was that Matthews had telephoned to say the photographs were to be published while Diaz Tamayo insisted that the whole thing was a lie and that nobody could get past the troops surrounding the rebels. Armando Hart was in prison, charged with being the second leader of the Movement. The date was February 28.

Our man fulfilled his mission and I got my adrenalin. The next ten days were the most bitter days of the struggle in the Sierra. I was dragging myself from tree to tree, using my rifle as a crutch, accompanied by a

thoroughly frightened man who went practically out of his mind every time I coughed, he was so afraid someone would hear me. But we finally made it back to Epifanio's house. It had taken us ten days to cover a distance easily covered in one day's march. We did not make it in time for the rendezvous scheduled for March 5. Our slow movements and the circle of soldiers surrounding the zone kept us from reaching the house until March 11.

Several things had happened, already known to the members of the household. In a place called Altos de Merino, Fidel's group had become separated under the mistaken impression that they were soon to be attacked. Twelve men had followed Fidel and six had gone with Ciro Frias. Ciro's group fell into an ambush but, luckily, they all escaped. Now they were all back. One of them Yayo, who returned minus his rifle, had stopped by Epifanio's house on his way to Manzanillo and told the whole story. Frank Pais troop was ready, although Frank had been arrested. We spoke with the leader of the troop, Captain Jorge Sotus. He told us it was impossible to make the rendezvous by March 5 because the news about their coming had leaked out and the roads were infested with soldiers. We took every measure to insure the arrival of the troops, estimated to be close to 50 men.

Venceremos



JAMES BACK TO LENIN

Havana, El Mundo
by Enrique Gonzalez Manet

The Trinidad Tobago historian and essayist C.L.R. James, made an original and interesting analogy between the Haitian, Russian, and Cuban revolutions and their leaders Toussaint L' Overture, Lenin and Fidel Castro, in a lecture at the Casa de las Americas. James pointed out that the political phenomenon these leaders represent follows not only specific individual conditions, but circumstances peculiar to an age and the social context in which they arose.

He briefly analyzed the historic

conditions and cultural and economic levels in the three countries in the prerevolutionary state and advanced the hypothesis that in some cases, backwardness means the possibility of taking a great step forward, longer, and bolder than that of societies with a bourgeois structure.

From the prefeudal culture of Haiti, L'Overture moved to kind of state capitalism, frustrated by a Napoleonic military expedition. The bureaucratic, inward-looking culture of Tsarist Russia was the setting for the first general strike

in history; this later led to the Soviets, one of the most outstanding proletarian movements of the 20th century. James also noted similarities between the three leaders, related to their direct concern for the peasantry, the world revolution, and the elimination of the concept of commodity, applied to the labor force. He particularly said that Lenin's thoughts about the peasantry disappeared from Marxism after 1923--when it was postulated--to reappear today in the process of Cuban socialist development.

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Panel on the health aspects of riots at SHO confo.

S. H. O. MEETS

Over the weekend of Feb. 19 through 22, the National Student Health Organization held its annual convention at W.S.U. Composed primarily of students in the medical or related fields, they spent the weekend hearing lectures, discussions and seminars on the nature of health in the world and what could be done to improve it.

Heading the rostrum of speakers on Thursday, Feb 19, was Dr. Benjamin Spock, Baby Doctor and anti war candidate for vice president. Dr. Spock emphasized the duty of health students and professionals towards all humanity.

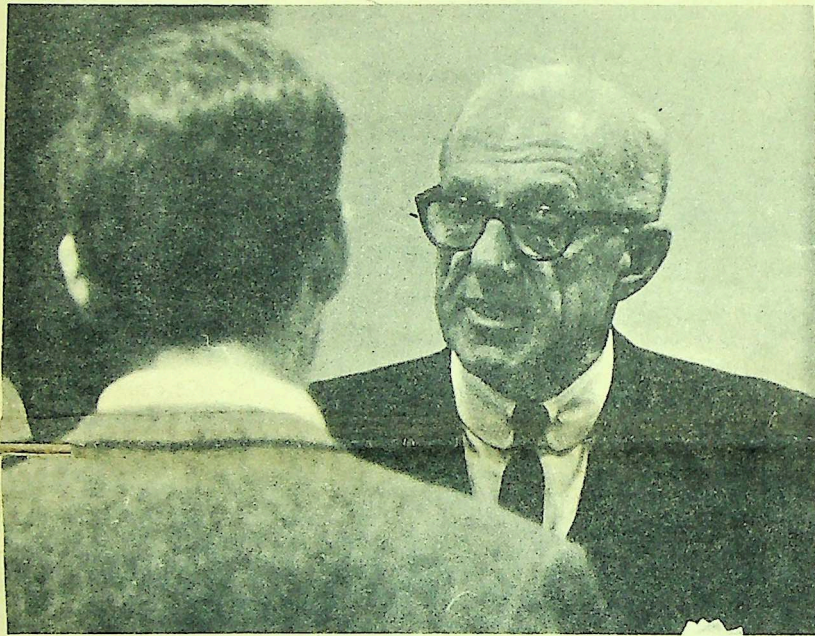
At the Saturday morning forum called Health Aspects of Riots, Dr. Paul Lowinger, psychiatrist from Wayne State University, Dr. Rosenbaum, Head of Surgery at Detroit General, and Edna Ewell, LPN and Feature Editor of the VOICE, presented their positions on Health aspects of rebellions.

Among the things mentioned was the decrease in Black psychiatric admissions, and the increase in white psychotic cases admitted to mental hospitals in this area

since the July Rebellion. Dr. Lowinger pointed out that the riot gave Blacks a sense of control and power over their communities a necessity in having good mental health. Lowinger's most recent studies of white national guardsmen, however, showed an increase in paranoia over the way property was damaged and a drive to retaliate against the Black community in general to pay them back for tearing up the city.

Drs. Rosenbaum and Luby, both somewhat closer to the right of the middle, presented statistics they had gathered and published on the surgical and medical care at Receiving Hospital. They sounded strikingly like reports from the mayors office.

Response from the audience ranged from requests by Black students for classes in emergency medical care during rebellions to demands for emergency measures to stave off other rebellions other than arming white communities and police forces. The fact that Black people resent the intrusion of white medical and so-



Dr. Benjamin Spock, anti war leader, answers questions

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CUBAN CONGOLESE SOLIDARITY

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A ceremony of solidarity with Congo Kinshasa was held in Havana at the Vladimir Ilyich Lenin Special School on the anniversary of the assassination of Patrice Lumumba. The chief of the mission of the National Liberation Council of the Congo, Major Edward Sombu made a speech in which he said that just as at Playa Giron and in Vietnam, Yankee imperialism is mistaken in the Congo. He added that the Congolese people have placed their trust in armed struggle as a means of obtaining the liberation of the country and

that they have adopted Maj. Ernesto Che Guevara's slogan of creating one, two, three, many Vietnams.

Dr. Miguel de Estefano spoke for the Cuban Coordinating Committee. He made a brief speech praising Patrice Lumumba and a summary of the intervention by imperialism in the Congo.

The ceremony was attended by Melba Hernandez, representatives of the people of Senegal, Zimbabwe, the Portuguese colonies, and officials of the Afro-Asian Latin American People's Solidarity Organization Secretariat.

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The Afro American Folkloric troupe which recently performed in a benefit in Detroit for the INNER CITY VOICE.



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Psyche Strike
The strike at G.M. has to be called the fight that can't be won. General Motors is the largest corporation in the world. It has the responsibility of protecting the world-wide system of capitalism. With that kind of responsibility, it is unlikely that G.M. will give any really significant concessions to workers. The UAW strike fund will last for eight weeks for striking G.M. employees, this means that the union is already in a somewhat compromised position. G.M. can look forward to a settlement in eight weeks on their terms.

Because of its colossal size, (G.M. produces 55% of all motor vehicles, uses 10% of all U.S. steel and makes a substantial number of parts for its smaller partners in exploitation, Ford, Chrysler and American Motors.) G.M. has always played the most significant role in UAW history. Strikes against G.M. have been few, only three including this one have ever been called against this corporate monstrosity.

How It Began

In its early years, the UAW, in its efforts to organize the auto industry, found it necessary to launch a frontal attack against one of the Big Three. This tactic, which is still employed today, though for different reasons, allowed the fledgling UAW to concentrate its meager manpower and resources on one objective...General Motors. G.M. in 1936 as it is today, was the largest corporation in the world. In 1937 G.M. grossed 1.6 billion dollars. From 1931 to the present G.M. has shown a profit, even in the worst years of the Depression. A united work force was the last thing General Motors wanted.

G.M. was well prepared. Flint, the UAW organizing target and nerve center of G.M. operations, was a company town, lock, stock and barrel. At a Senate subcommittee hearing in 1937 G.M. officials testified that between January 1934 and July 1936 Pinkerton and other

detective agencies were paid over \$999,000 for their services. They went on to describe the elaborate spy system designed to eliminate labor agitators.

Court orders and injunctions could be had with the plant manager's signature. Yet, in spite of all these obstacles the workers called a strike, occupied the plants for 43 days, fought the police and defied court injunctions. The strike ended with UAW obtaining recognition from G.M. Ford and Chrysler soon followed suit.

when he said he planned to bargain hard. Reuther, before his death, realized the implications behind that statement when Roche warned, "You can't build skyscrapers that you need in New York in Japan, but you can build automobiles in Japan, and you can make tools and dies in Japan, or you can make them in Germany."

"Management...[has]...been shortchanged. We have the right to more than we have been receiving." High absenteeism prompted this remark from

he is making a "significant" contribution to the production process.

Company Union

The UAW's overwhelming concern for management problems; turnover, absenteeism, etc., and the lack of concern for its members welfare, says something about the contract talks and the UAW in general. The presence of Lynn Townsend, chairman of the Board, Chrysler James Roche, chairman of the board, General Motors, and Henry Ford II, president of Ford Motor Company, at Walter Reuther's funeral was no accident. The UAW's recent appeal to the auto executives for money to help finance the Black Lake Educational Center, now named for Walter and May Reuther, was no accident either.

The UAW has sold out workers through the years with "no strike" agreements, a grievance procedure that defies a worker to get redress, by allowing management to set production and work schedules. In return, the UAW among other things, got checkoff and free time off for its representatives on the plant floor. This past summer, the UAW had the audacity to announce that they would strike G.M. and Chrysler, but would allow Ford to work so they could produce Pintos and Mavericks to compete with the mini-imports. This clearly indicates that the interests of the UAW leadership lie with those of the monopoly capitalists of the U.S. and not the oppressed workers of the world.

Why Strike G.M.?

Woodcock's strike is not as empty as it seems. Though it is extremely doubtful that workers will obtain any worthwhile concessions, Woodcock hopes that the strike will instill the "old-fashioned" union spirit in an organization split from top to bottom. Woodcock, though head of the UAW G.M. department, was relatively unknown when he took over Reuther's position.

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"Stamp" Absenteeism

Today G.M. is better prepared. The rich and corrupt UAW is no match for the immense wealth of the world's largest manufacturing corporation. G.M. is determined, as are other corporations, to stop labor costs from eating into the huge profits they reap off the backs of black workers. Managers of the top 500 corporation were recently polled about whether or not they approved of labor using the strike as a means of gaining their demands, 63% of them said no. This implies that these same corporations, G.M. in particular, will not give significantly in bargaining with labor. Roche, earlier this summer, alerted UAW

G.M.'s chairman of the board., that is a figure that sometimes reaches 20% in G.M. plants on Fridays and Mondays. High absenteeism is a glaring symptom that both the UAW and G.M. refuse to deal with. There are very real, very deadly problems facing workers, black workers in particular. Since neither of these two parties find it profitable to deal with these problems, the worker does - he doesn't come to work. Rather than look to the conditions under which they force workers to toil as the reasons for absenteeism, the company gives out S&H Green stamps to "stamp" out absenteeism. Even worse, the union would have a man chasing cars down assembly in order to make him feel that

HIGHLAND PARK RECALL

THE RECALL IN HIGHLAND PARK

Overshadowed by the recall campaign in Detroit, opposed by municipal offices in Highland Park and ignored by media in both Detroit and Highland Park, the efforts to recall the Board of Education in Highland Park marches on - certain of victory.

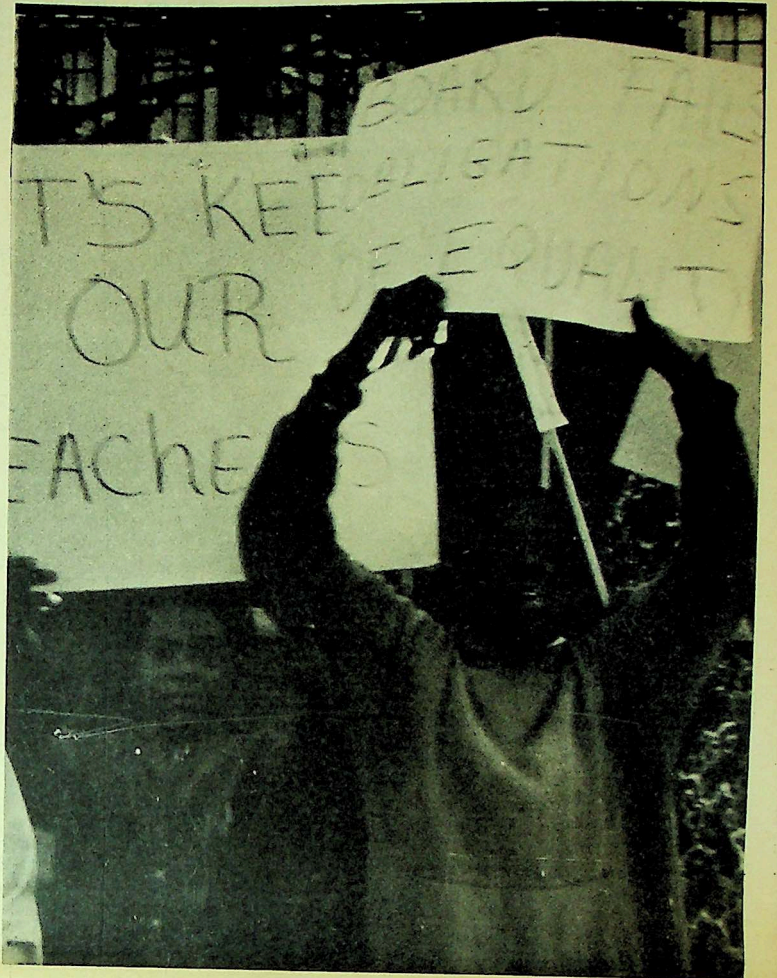
Launched about the middle of June by Highland Park college students and the Citizen's Committee for Community Control, (and ad hoc group formed around the issue of students' safety during the college strike late this spring) the recall was initiated by these two groups after recognizing that none of the horrendous conditions in Highland Park's school system could or would be changed with the present Board of Education. This conclusion came after innumerable requests, conferences, demands and meetings where board members ignored, evaded and distorted issues - vital issues concerning the lives and education of children in Highland Park.

The recall campaign itself has neem met with a number of responses in the community. People who have signed petitions have expressed the ignorance of conditions in the schools, however, upon hearing about them, these same people wish the students and C.C.C.C. success and ask, "What about the Mayor, when are you going to recall him?" Another element in Highland Park, the Caucus Club, a group of pretentious negroes, came out in opposition to the recall campaign. Walter Crider, who many might remember ceased to support the Highland Park strike after his name appeared in the Highland Park (the local newspaper) in connection with it, spoke for the whole Caucus Club when he

said they would not help or support the recall. His actions can readily be understood when one is aware of the relationship of Chrysler Corporation to Highland Park and the Caucus Club. It was in 1970 Chrysler car that the Caucus Club raffled to raise money for itself and the Chrysler Community Relations' fund is not unknown to the coffers of the Caucus Club.

Citizens' Committee for Community Control and Highland Park College students are waging a relentless battle and winning. With over a full month to go they already have 3,000 of the 4,000 signatures needed to recall the whole board. This has been due to the tenacity and determination of people like E.C. Cooper (the teacher around whom controversy raged during the Highland Park strike) Ben Anderson (satan) a student at Highland Park College and residents of Highland Park like Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wheeler. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Anthony and their son Michael Jr., Mrs. Juanita Gardner and countless others who gave their time and energy to the recall campaign. Two of the best days seen in gathering signatures was July 3, with 300 signatures and August 4, with 190 signing. It is estimated that the overwhelming majority of those approached sign the petitions.

The recall campaign is important to more than the Highland Park school system. It is direly important to the community at large. This is the first step in organized community action, very important in the process of taking control of our lives. Only through recognition of the need for change by the majority of the people will we successfully achieve that goal. Dare to Fight - Dare to Win!



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ALONZO MILES BEATING

On Monday, August 3, at about 9:00 in the morning, Black people again witnessed another example of the closing in of the vicious repressive forces around us. Alonzo Myles, aged 32, of 3900 Harriet Street in Inkster, was seriously beaten by two policemen, David Killings and Dennis Darling.

There have been numerous witnesses to the beating including Myles' mother, Mrs. Mildred Myles, who works in the office of the taxi cab firm in front of which the beating began.

The two policemen approached the cab stand, allegedly to ticket a parking violation. When Myles identified the car as belonging to Thomas Cain, a co-owner of the cab company, the policemen asked to see his registration. When Myles asked why, he was told that he was under arrest. When Myles resisted, the officers starting beating him. He was beaten at the office of the cab company, in the presence of his mother. Then he was taken by the two policemen to Wayne County General Hospital, because of his injuries. However, witnesses have said that Myles was beaten further in the police car on the way to the hospital. In the hospital, Myles was beaten even more and was even refused treatment in the

x-ray room. When he finally received treatment, many injuries were revealed that he had gotten from repeated blows on the head and body with a black jack, kicks in the ribs, and kicking and beating on other parts of his body. To add to his afflictions, Myles was under treatment at Wayne County General Hospital for punctured lungs (from tuberculosis at age 17) and is an outpatient there.

After the beating, Myles came to the Malcolm X Cultural Center for help. The community was notified of and organized around the beating of Myles. The NAACP and the Parents Advisory Council have also joined in the fight to demand justice for Alonzo Myles. They are demanding that the two policemen, Darling and Killing, be fired from the police department for their actions. As of yet, only Darling has been suspended because he supposedly was more active in the beating than Killings. The community people are also demanding that more news of this incident be publicized. Gotrell Woods, head of the Malcolm X Cultural Center, in a public statement demanded that community patrols of policemen should be set up, to guard against further atrocities in the Black community in the form of Police Brutality.

Teacher Strike

HIGHLAND PARK SCHOOLS' TEACHER STRIKE

The teachers working in the Highland Park school system have been on strike now for two weeks. They complain of overcrowded conditions, an extended work week of 37½ hours instead of 30, and are asking for an increase in salary.

The teachers and the school board have reached no agreement about any of the issues. The school board has offered the teachers an increase in salary schedule over two years from \$8,000 with a beginning bachelor's degree to \$15,000 at the master's degree maximum after 10 years. In the second year the contract would start at \$8,650 and go up to \$16,200 in 10 steps. The teachers said they would accept this offer if the increase in the second year was reduced to 8 steps instead of 10.

The school board claims to have offered the teachers a chance to get in on the decision making of programs in schools but does not guarantee that the school board will accept the teachers' recommendations. This is seemingly a contradiction to the teachers and the people in the community, since the problems of inadequate supplies, overcrowded conditions and unsanitary conditions are all problems that the

school board is supposed to be handling but isn't. The teachers vow to stay on strike until their demands are met and

the students of Highland Park schools suffer as a consequence.

On the question of working 37½ hours, the teachers say they spend that amount of time, if not more, engaged in activities concerning school already, even if it is just correcting papers or making class assignments and schedules. However, Superintendent Emerich says, "What we are seeking is merely a definition of the work week." He claims that this was proposed because of a complaint from parents that they couldn't get appointments to see teachers. On the other hand, the teachers are insulted by the implications the superintendent has made by saying, "Teachers teach their last hour with their hats on."



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During the summer, they turned down at least two students who applied merely because they didn't have high school diplomas. Ten other students were rejected for made-up reasons. The officials, most of whom are black had lied.

When these students were rejected, it was obvious that the University would support the program only as long as it stayed small. When it threatened to be a way for thousands of qualified blacks to enter college, the University cut off support.

But the black city of Detroit cannot afford to lose this program. In the 1920's the same type of free, open admission program was used to get white people from white farm communities into college. In the late 1940's, it was used again to send thousands of white GI's to school on full scholarships and without admissions problems.

If the colleges do not accept all twenty of the DGEI students who applied to MSU this fall, the people from Detroit must force them to do it. On September 21 four thousand white MSU registered for another year of school. We must not let those students start school until all 20 extension students have been accepted and until MSU contracts to give full financial support to the extension program in the city.

Under slavery, there were laws against teaching black people. Today, though these laws do not exist, Michigan universities are acting as though they do.

The trick they are using now is to let a few black people into school and give them degrees while fighting to maintain the policies and institutions which keep black people out of school even without laws. When everyone complains about racism in higher education, they can point to their elite black students and say, "Some of our best friends are black."

But when anyone starts opening doors to bring thousands of people from the city into college, they fight energetically to keep those doors closed.

Last year a group called the Detroit Geographical Expedition Institute (DGEI) was beginning to open those doors. They were offering credited Michigan State University classes in the city, free, and with no admission requirements. Over a thousand black people had gotten credit through the program and four students had transferred, with these credits, to the MSU campus.

The program started in the fall of 1969 with three classes and fifty students. By spring of this year the University was offering ten classes to four hundred students. It was at this time that MSU began to pull out support. The classes were free because all the faculty

people who taught donated their overload teaching salary to a scholarship fund for students. This spring, MSU "discovered" that it had no more money to pay these salaries.

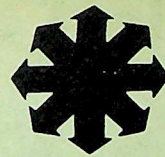
There were no admissions requirements because DGEI people had forced MSU officials to admit that if a person could do college work in the extension, he certainly deserved to be on campus even if he didn't have a high school diploma. The MSU administration was very sympathetic to this idea at first, they even defended it strongly to representatives of other schools.

All spring these MSU officials had said that they would admit twenty extension students to campus in the fall.

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Shortly after the 1967 Rebellion in Detroit a new form of governmental agency appeared. Its creators named themselves the "Southeast Michigan Council of Governemnts" (SEMCOG). In theory, it was formed to coordinate and pool governmental functions throughout the Southeast Michigan area. These functions were to include law enforcement, sewage and waste procedures, housing plans and other mundane aspects of municipal government.

Inspiration over this organization's creation came from Metropolitan Fund Inc., which funds any research, policies and/or functions to be implemented by SEMCOG. Staffing of SEMCOG is primarily the career governeent officials we have seen throughout recent Detroit history - conservatives with liberal facades. Mel Ravitz is vice-chairman and William Mainland is chairman.

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Metropolitan Fund - SEMCOG axis is, Metropolitan Fund. The Fund's membership is of a much different character than SEMCOG's. The Board of Trustees of Metropolitan Fund Inc. includes most of the financial "Super Powers" in the Detroit area. Walter L. Cisler, chairman of the board of Fruehauf and Detroit Edison is also director for Burroughs Corp., Detroit Bank and Trust, Eaton Yale and Towne Inc., Equitable Life Insurance Inc., Brazilian Light and Power Company and the U.S.National Steel Corporation. Trustee, Max Fisher, also with Fruehauf as a director, is a director with Manufacturer's National Bank of Detroit, Allen Industries Inc. and in addition to being chairman of the board of Safran Printing Company and the Fisher - New Center Corporation.

The giant "Big Three" auto makers, Ford, GM and Chrysler, are represented by Arjay Miller, James M. Roche and Lynn Townsend respectively. Many other

capitalist giants are on Metropolitan Fund's board of trustees. Also included are a few less prosperous but key personnel such as Leonard Woodcock and late Walter Reuther of the UAW; pretenders, Richard Austin, Metropolitan's "Man in the Ghetto", and Rev. Richard S. Emrich, who generated so much fascist commentary in regard to the Black Manifesto.

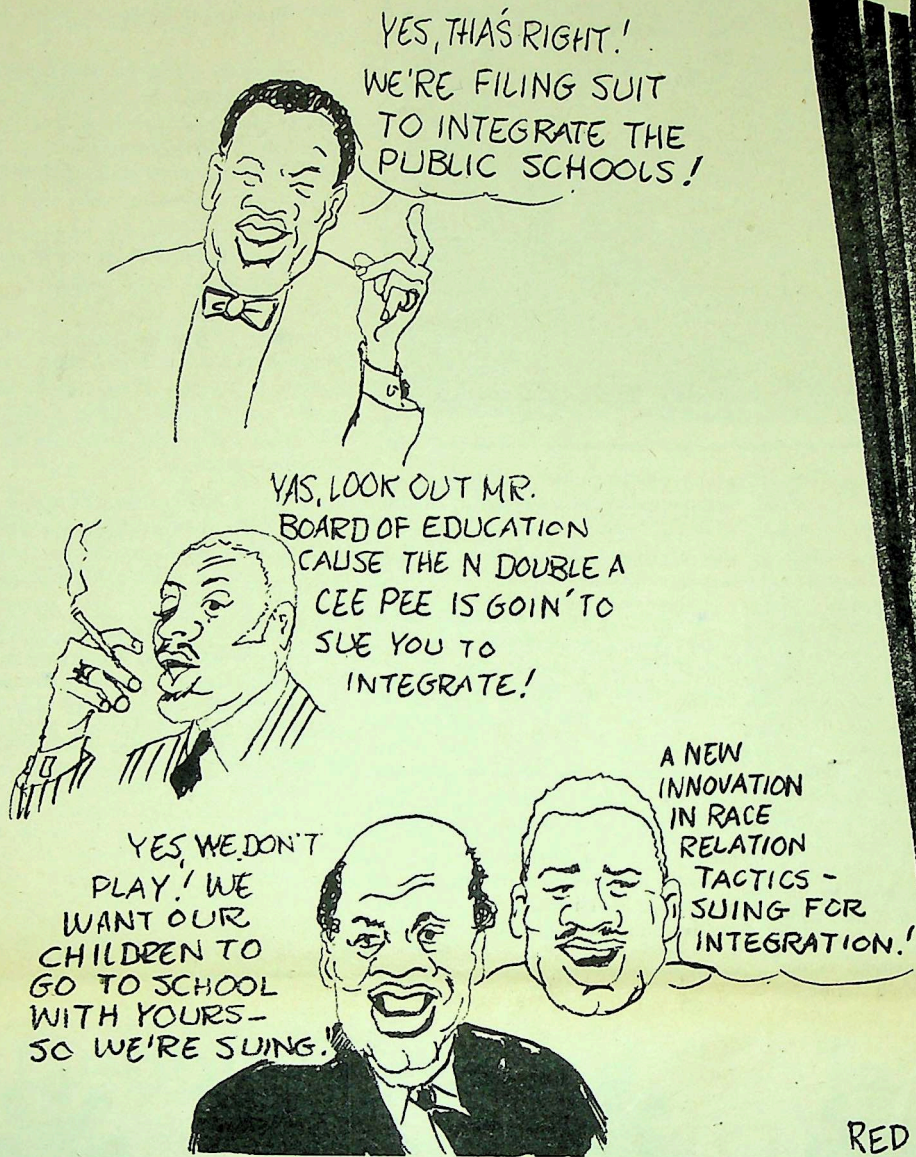
But why SEMCOG and why Metropolitan Fund? SEMCOG's date of founding, Jnauary 1968 was right after the riots. These riots caused an unprecedented exodus of whites from the city to the to the racist strongholds surrounding the city, causing the possibility of a white capitalist vacuum. And no capitalist "worth his salt" was going to stand idle while blacks eager for power after centuries of bearing sub-human exploitation, took over.

So now we have Metropolitan Fund and SEMCOG full of every conceivable

plot. They have used Austin, Judge McCree, etc., as tokens. They have a trusted "labor" controller in Woodcock. They have the vicious power of international financial combines with the "Big Three" aided by Rockefeller and Hanna, big money affiliates. They have the "carrots" all ready to pass out among greedy would-be black capitalists. Cheap fall apart housing is backed by their "research". (In conjunction with this Fruehauf and Chrysler have already built facilities to market prefabricated housing.)

The black tokens have already been effective. Richard Austin was forced upon the Black community as the "Negro" candidate for mayor in the last mayoral election. Various capitalist concerns have long since begun funding "black capitalist" schemes to give our people a false sense of participation in the American Nightmare.

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The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has recently announced that it will file suit against the Board of Education and Governor Milliken. The NAACP suit is directed against Act 48, the amendment to the school decentralization law, which suspended the high school integration plan adopted by the Board on April 7. In order to see what the NAACP is doing, let us take a closer look at decentralization.

With decentralization of Detroit Public Schools, the City of Detroit will be broken down into eight school regions. This way each child will go to the school nearest his home, and the community in which the school is located will have control of the school. That is, white children would go to schools in their own communities, which are mostly white (Denby, Osborn, etc.) and their parents would control those schools in that district. Black children would go to schools in their own communities, which are mostly black (Northern, Central, etc.)

and their parents would have control over those schools in that district. There would be no change in which school the child goes to, since now white children are going to white schools, and black children are going to black ones, but instead of white communities controlling white schools and white communities controlling black schools, white communities will control white schools and black communities will control black schools.

The NAACP wants an end to "racially identifiable" schools. That is, schools that can be said to be "black" schools and "white" schools. They want schools that would have the following ratio: 62% black, 32% white, and 2% others. In order to create this ratio, this means that black children will have to be bussed to white schools in order to make them 62% black. And some white students will be bussed to black schools in order to make them 36% white. This

was the same school integration plan that was revealed last April and caused such a violent reaction among white parents out in the Denby and Osborn High School regions and initiated the recall campaign for Board of Education members for their agreement with this so-called integration plan. If the NAACP wins this suit, it will be subjecting innocent black children to savage rampaging white parents who do not want black children in their schools and will take the law into their own hands if necessary, as they have already proven. This is the exact opposite of community control. The education of children will not improve at all just because black children will be going to white schools. Our children will just be at the mercy of the wrath of the white parents who will show their hostilities more blatantly than ever before.

The NAACP is asking that the eight region plan developed by the Board of Education be dropped and that a seven

plan (bussing) be instituted. Parents and students for Community Control (PASCC) has developed an eight district plan which meets all of the state requirements and also insures community control. This plan is called the Black Plan, with another plan developed very similar to it called the Black Plan, Jr. If the NAACP is successful in its suit, the Black Plan, the only real community control plan will not be used.

Also, if the NAACP wins its suit, the construction of new school buildings will be delayed until the school integration plans are developed. This would definitely hurt the black community, because it is in the black

An interesting charge in the NAACP suit is that the Michigan Legislature has violated the 13th Amendment, which is the anti-slavery amendment. It declares that Act 48 (the Act that the suit is against) "Regulates Negro school children in the City of

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EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY FACES A POSSIBLE WALKOUT NEXT WEEK BY HOURLY WORKERS. Floyd Kersey, president of Local 1666, of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFSCME, suggested today that the union may hold a strike vote early next week because of a continuing battle with the university administration over a new labor contract. The University had announced that school would not open if an agreement had not been reached by the time classes started.

HIGHLAND PARK IS ASKING ITS TEACHERS TO WORK 37½ HOUR WEEK AND THE TEACHERS DON'T LIKE IT They are satisfied with the present requirement of 30 hours in school. Dr. Paul Emerich, Highland Park superintendent of schools, stated that the teachers would not have to teach that long or even be in school that many hours, but would have to devote the 37½ hours to school related activities. School administrators did not expect this proposal because teachers contend that they already spend more than 15 hours on class assignments outside of school. Highland Park schools could not open on schedule due to the fact that the teachers did not have a contract. The strike is now in its third week.

G.M. STRIKE HITS THE POCKETS OF AUTO WORKERS' STAFFERS The union's executive board meets today to consider staff pay cuts for the duration of the strike. Insiders brace for a 25% cut, fear it might be 50%. President Woodcock and the UAW's G.M. department have agreed to waive their pay for the duration of the strike.

WORKERS AND STUDENTS UNITE IN MALI

Bamako, Mali (AWA) -- The political opposition to the Military Committee for National Liberation which came to power as the result of a coup in 1968 is making it difficult for the military government to rule. Workers' unions and student organizations are the main components of the opposition, although there has been some grumbling from among the soldiers themselves.

It is reported that France is cooling its order for the military rulers since they have been unable so far to carry out a policy of de-nationalism and have shown only half-hearted attempts to balance the budget. The situation has gone to the point where a recent speech of the Labor Minister was rejected by the miners and builders union with a statement saying the "unions must categorically refuse to be used as the tools of a regime which denies the decisive role of the working class".

RHODESIA SET TO ESTABLISH APARTHEID COLLEGE

United Nations (AWA) Reports from Southern Rhodesia tell of a recent visit there by a team of South African education experts who have investigated the higher education system and have reported to the Ian Smith regime on its findings.

According to these reports, the South African team studied the situation at Gwelo College, a teach-training institute, with a view to converting that school into a degree-issuing college to be used exclusively by Africans.

Up to now higher education in Southern Rhodesia has been intergrated, but there has been a howl from the right wing racists for "separate development" on the South African pattern. The move would affect about 250 black students now attending Salisbury's University College.

MIGRANT FARMWORKERS PAID ON A PIECE RATE BASIS IN MICHIGAN WILL BEGIN RECEIVING THE STATE'S MINIMUM WAGE. This will result in a 16% increase in the piece wage rate. The increase was passed by the State Wage Deviation Board. The proposal also guaranteed a 10% increase which will boost the piece rate pay to a new minimum of \$1.60. The new proposal exempts strawberry, blueberry and cucumber workers who receive no increase this year and only a 5% increase next year.

WHITE RACIST MERCENARIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

Hong Kong -- (AWA) -- according to reports in the Far Eastern Economic Review, the same mercenaries who fight in Africa on the side of the colonial powers have found their way to Southeast Asia; "apparently the smell of death -- and money -- has lured some of the more notorious white mercenaries to Cambodia. Wearing bush shirts, and various souvenirs of Vietnam, Biafra and the Congo, they sat in the bars of the Monorom and Toyal hotels waiting, like actors, or expensive call-girls, for someone to come up with the right offer. They met Cambodian generals by day, and by night reminisced about the good old days when "we were paid a clean \$20 per head".

NEWS BRIEFS

THE BLACK PANTHERS HELD THEIR CONVENTION IN PHILADELPHIA IN SPITE OF ATTEMPTS BY THE POLICE COMMISSIONER, FRANK RIZZO, TO THWART THEIR MEETING. All leaves for the 7,000 man police force were cancelled in order to prepare for the prevention of the Panther Convention. A Panther spokesman said that if necessary they would hold the convention in the streets. Governor Raymond P. Shafer expressed his personal opposition to the Panther aims and violent rhetoric, but refused to cancel the conference at the Temple. But after a series of weekend shootings in which one Philadelphia policeman was killed and six wounded, the governor said he might reconsider his decision, "if this conference is going to lead to mob action or rioting or destruction."

IBO TAKES SEAT IN NIGERIAN EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Lagos (AWA) -- Docotr J.O. Okezie, representing the East-Central State (formerly known as "Biafra") was sworn in recently as a member of the Federal Executive Council. Council members have cabinet status and each represents a state of the federal union. Dr. Okezie's induction was seen as a further step toward uniting Nigerians of all areas and healing the wounds caused by the recent secessionist attempt of some Ibo leaders.

MILITANT MAILMEN CRITICIZE AFL-CIO PRESIDENT MEANY The recent Letter Carriers Union convention rejected a resolution praising Meany and passed one expressing, "unhappiness and dissatisfaction" with the AFL-CIO boss. Their ire focuses on his intervention in last March's postal strike.

THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION HOPES TO FASHION A "MORE RELEVANT" SET OF PENALTIES FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES WHO STRIKE Current maximum no-strike penalties (a year and a day in jail, \$1000 fine, dismissal or all three) have been criticized as excessively harsh, and therefore are seldom invoked.

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COMMUNITY LIBERATES TWO FLOORS OF HARLEM HOSPITAL FOR METHADONE TREATMENT

New York (LNS)--"I was going to throw myself in front of a car and then my friend told me about the program." "I know a dude who took the money his mother gave him to buy her heart medicine with. And when he came back from shooting up, she was dead."

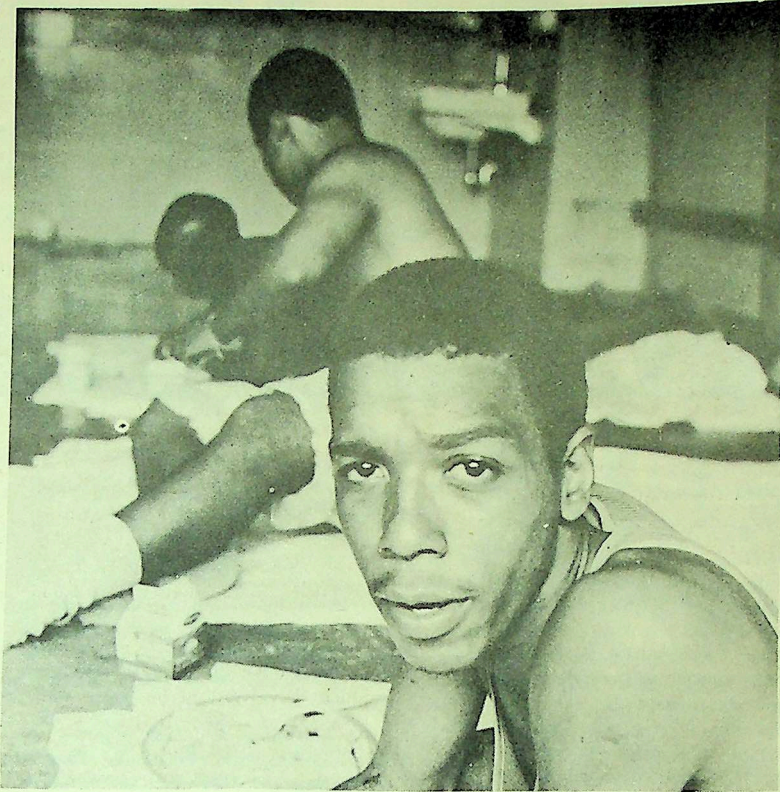
Drug addicts in Harlem and other poor neighborhoods are desperate. If they decide to kick, they have no where to go right away. That is, they had nowhere to go before the United Drugfighters of Harlem took over two formerly unused floors of Harlem Hospital and turned them into a drug rehabilitation center.

It wasn't very fancy looking in there, not even as good as the rest of the rundown hospital. Blankets were spread out on the floors because there were no beds; the hospital didn't keep its promise to provide them. Clothes were hung on clotheslines stretched across the rooms.

But every one was enthusiastic.

Many of the three-hundred young Black and Third World people now occupying the liberated drug center had tried to be admitted to the hospital before. One young man said that a common practice of the hospital was to send people away telling them to come back in two or three months. "Or they give out a little pink and white pill," he said, "and tell you to go home and kick by yourself. You find out when you try it that they are nothing but sugar pills and you have to kick cold turkey."

If someone happens to be sick and gets into the hospital for that, then they stand a chance of getting detoxified. One teenager said, "I know kids who broke their legs on purpose just to get treatment."



Treatment under the program put together by people from the United Harlem Drugfighters a variety of Harlem and East Harlem groups, including the Southwest Harlem Community Orientation Center and the Young Lords Party, consists of methadone, lots of rest, wholesome food and rap sessions. Copies of the Young Lord paper, Palante were circulating among the participants in the program. It was all made possible because enough of the hospital staff cooperated.

The Drugfighters issued a statement explaining the reason for the building takeover. The statement noted that, "There is no adolescent

detoxification hospital in Harlem, which has the largest adolescent drug problem in the WORLD"

The group demanded that hospital facilities and various funds, including emergency disaster funds be used for anti-heroin programs.

Cops seemed more pleased about the possibility of a riot than about the fact that several hundred addicts -- who survive by mugging and burglary -- were on their way to seeing things straight.

But after seven days, there has been no bust and the program is still going on.

U.S. PERMITTING DRUG TRAFFIC

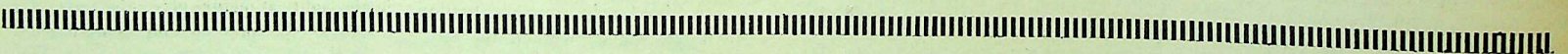
Ernest B. Browne, Jr., one of Detroit's three black city councilmen recently stated his increasing belief that the Federal Government is fostering the influx of illegal drugs into the United States. This action on the part of the government is an effort to "placate the ghettos," he says.

The Councilman's remarks were made during a hearing at which Dr. George E. Pickett, who had recently submitted his resignation as Detroit-Wayne County Health Commissioner, said that the proposed federal regulations controlling the dispensing of methadone are "a restrictive step backward in drug addict treatment."

Dr. Pickett said regulations proposed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration would make it nearly impossible for private physicians to treat addicts with methadone, a synthetic drug used as a heroin substitute.

This set of circumstances reminds us historically of the methods used by the British in their attempt to maintain their suppression of the Chinese population. The British used opium to restrain the legitimate struggle against the yoke of imperialism by the Chinese masses. Now in a period when black people, not only in America, but the world over, are struggling to rid themselves of racism, capitalism, and imperialism, we find a continuously growing drug problem in the black communities.

The government claims it is incapable of bringing a halt to the drug traffic. At the same time they find it in the realm of possibility to send men to the moon and beyond, and at the same time 9 and 10 year old children have ready access to an unlimited amount of marijuana, pills, heroin, and cocaine. In spite of the government's inability or unwillingness to cease the drug traffic, black people must struggle against the distribution of this lucrative "gift of death" in the inner cities.



The trial of Los Siete de la Raza is four weeks old. These are six brothers (seventh hasn't been caught) charged with murdering police officer Joseph Brodrik on May 1, 1969, in the Mission District, the latin Barrio in San Francisco. Brodrik and his partner Paul McGoran were harassing the brothers, calling them names and beating them up when McGoran's big .41 Magnum went off, killing Brodrik from distance of six inches.

The six brothers, Tony Martinez, Mario Martinex, Gary Lescallet, Nelson Rodriguez, BeBe Melendez and Jose Rios, were all activists in the latin community. Mario, Tony, and Nelson were going to the College of San Mateo and were trying to recruit other brothers and sisters into college. Tony and Nelson weren't even near Alvarado Street-- the scene of the shooting--on May 1. They were framed with the rest of the brothers, on no evidence by McGoran's testimony, and have been kept in jail for more than a year without even the most basic human rights.

The prosecution is really hot to convict the brothers; they are asking for the death penalty in the case. They are also charging them with assault with intent to murder McGoran and with burglary. McGoran, the third prosecution witness to testify so far, testified that he and Brodrik stopped the brothers because they saw one of them carrying a stereo from a car into a house. McGoran testified that they were not suspicious because the brothers were all latinos, but he did admit in a hearing a few months ago that he would be suspicious of anyone "brown, black, or Chinese". He testified that the brothers cursed at him (but denied that he said anything insulting) and that Gary Lescallet punched him, that he was then knocked down and heard a shot--the shot that killed Brodrik.

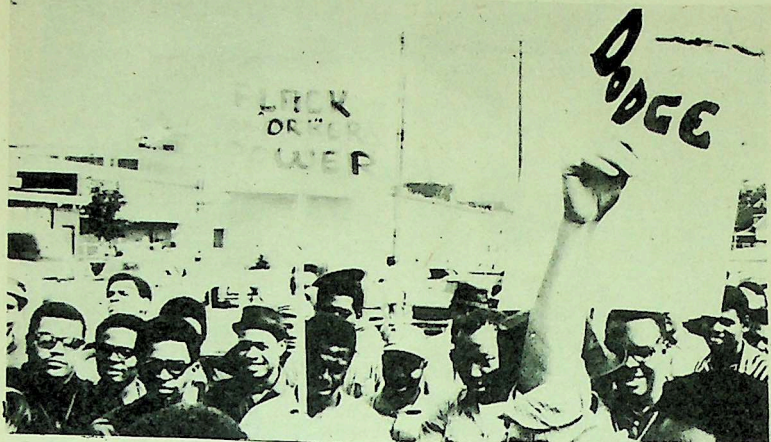
Charles Garry is heading the team of lawyers defending Los Siete. The defense says that McGoran is a "racist, a liar and a drunk", that he was drunk on May 1 and trigger-happy, started

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'FINALLY GOT THE NEWS'



(HOW MY DUES ARE BEING USED)

From the standpoint of the real interests of the working class, the present day probably represents the lowest historic ebb in the tide of what is usually referred to as "organized labor" - the trade unions.

With but a few exceptions, the unions are under the control of as unprincipled and corrupted a clique of "leaders" as ever rode herd on the proletariat of any country. Scab herders, gangsters, employment sharks - all have found ready welcome in the ranks of a labor "leadership" whose guiding star is dedication to the "American way of life" and the capitalist system.

More than an opportunist officialdom, the working class suffers from the conversion of the institution of the union itself into a part of the boss' apparatus. The sacred contract, once viewed as the register of the workers' gains, has become the written record of their subordination of the power capital. The seniority system, once a defense against favoritism and arbitrary firing, has been adapted to give legal force to the white, male monopoly of the better jobs. The automatic dues check-off has removed the union entirely from any dependence on its membership. The huge treasuries, originally conceived to stockpile ammunition for class warfare, have put the unions in the banking, real estate and insurance business. The close shop has become the token of wholesale selfishness.

In this wasteland of labor's twisted hopes, where else could redemption come than from among those whose interests were at every turn sacrificed so that another, more favored group could make its peace with the masters? Where else, indeed, but from among the black workers at the automobile manufacturing infernos of the city of Detroit?

Born out of the struggles in Detroit, the League of Revolutionary Black Workers heralded its arrival in 1968 in a series of "wildcat" strikes at the Dodge Hamtramck and other large factories where the process of converting the sweat of black and white proletarians into gold takes place daily.

In the teeth of the "normalized" relations between union and management, the League hurled the cry - Workers' Direct Action! To the total control by the employers of the workers' every motion measured in fifths of a second, the League responded - Workers' Control of Production! In response to the sweetheart arrangement between white labor and capital which has kept the black worker as the lowest paid, hardest toiling and first fired and which has "won" for the white worker the privilege of being trustee in a jail, the League raised the demand - Black Workers' Power! From its birth in Dodge, the League has spread to other Chrysler plants, to Ford, to other industries in Detroit and now to other cities.

"Finally Got the News..." is the title of a new feature-length describing the origin, activities and outlook of the League of Revolutionary Black Workers. It was made by Detroit Newsreel in cooperation with the Central Staff of the League.

The film opens with a series of drawings from the days of chattel slavery in the fields, then shows industrial scenes from modern Detroit. In an interview, John Watson, member of the League central staff, explains that black labor is the foundation of the industrial wealth of the U.S. We are then shown scenes from inside an auto plant, while we hear various workers describe the torture to which they are subjected daily. The music in the background is the city blues which was popular a few years ago in Detroit. The lyrics of which begin, "Please Mr. Foreman, slow down the assembly line. I don't mind workin' but I sure mind dyin'."

After a straight interview with two executives of the Ford Motor Company in which they boast of how the union (UAW) and management have drawn close together, the film shifts to the League itself. In a spirited demonstration by black workers in front of UAW headquarters - featuring such slogans as "UAW means You Ain't White" - several speakers from the League lay out the demands, what the fight is about.

Then follow various scenes of the League at work: organizing for an election campaign, printing and distributing literature, loading the buses to take workers to vote, and other activities. (It is a shame that there was no footage available of the several wildcat strikes which thrust the League into public consciousness). After some narration by various League spokesmen, we are shown another side of the work - a demonstration to protest the police killing of an 11-year old lad who was "accidentally" shot while waiting for a bus.

The film touches on the situation of the black woman worker, the most oppressed of all the oppressed - and the tremendous revolutionary energy contained within that sector of the population.

The last portion deals with the situation of white workers. In giving us the thought of several individuals from this group, in their own words, by taking the viewer where the subject lives, the film helps lay bare the essential conflict that defines the status of "white worker" in the U.S. - exploited and impoverished, yet at the same time fearful and jealous of their prerogatives as whites; the pressures which give rise to bitter, despairing talk about the power of GM, Ford and Chrysler, and a massive turnout at a Wallace rally in Flint (Both of which are shown on the screen). It is this internal contradiction which Charles Johnson has summarized by saying that in order to come alive as workers, "white workers" must commit suicide as whites.

This reviewer is not a film buff, nor is he in any sense knowledgeable about film making. Yet it does seem that "Finally Got the News..." was quite skillfully done, with its effective switching of scenes, its use of symbols, its shift of tempo, its use of music. Some scenes reminded this reviewer of the work of the great Russian master Eisenstein. It is the product of good intellectuals placing their skills at the service of the working class.

To me an ardent revolutionary with a decade of experience working in large-scale industry, the most moving and memorable parts of the film were the scenes from inside the auto plants, the League demonstrations and the conversations with white workers. The only thing in it that rubbed me wrong was what I regarded as excessive obscenity in an otherwise very good background speech by one of the League spokesmen. In my opinion, the speaker's language was a negation of the revolutionaries' responsibility to raise the cultural level of the people in the course of struggle.

Two great lessons of the League of Revolutionary Black Workers, both brought out in the film: first, the stirring, inspiring force of direct action by working masses; second, the central role in the political picture played by the proletariat's (the present time represented mainly by the black workers) fight against white supremacy.

May these two mighty lessons echo over the land!



BLACK MARTYRS



California (LNS) In case you haven't heard, Psychology Today is the slick popular magazine which brought you such board games as "Black and White" which is advertised as "Experience the Ghetto. Live on Welfare. Be a Target For Police Harrassment. Try to buy in a White Suburb..." etc. Only a magazine with such a bent could out-do itself by printing an article by a psychologist who says that murdered black Revolutionaries are fulfilling their own suicidal urges.

Dr. Richard H. Seiden, associate professor at Berkeley, writes that "rather than taking their own lives by self-inflicted wounds or an overdose of pills, young ghetto blacks feel it is better to go down in an explosion of masculine rage, hate, and physical power, making a dent in the world when you leave it, and preferably in the man himself."

Although he feels drawn to admit that "police forces have mercilessly goaded

and murdered" Panthers, he points out that they "still persist in their defiant and provocative rhetoric."

"It is possible, if not likely, that young black revolutionaries are at least partially motivated by a wish to be martyred, to be ceremoniously executed, to be destroyed in violent confrontation in which they may momentarily respect themselves and from which they will gain posthumous stature, regardless of what

political or public-relations value their deaths may have."

"It seems likely that suicidal motivations are part of the fuel that feeds today's revolutionary movements," Dr. Seiden concluded.

Tell this, Dr. Seiden, to Fred and Carl Hampton, Bobby Hutton, Mark Clark.

UAW CONTRACT TALKS

THE LATEST STAGE IN THE MARRIAGE SETTLEMENT

Every 3 years the U.A.W. National Contract negotiations manage to gain the headlines of local and national news networks and much is made of the so-called struggle over increased equity for workers. These negotiations have never addressed themselves to the oppressive conditions confronting black workers. Even though the Black membership in local unions have swelled in the past ten (10) years and along with that has been an upward turn in rank and file militancy.

The U.A.W. has seldom gained anything for workers in general. They have not gained anything mainly because once again gains for workers have to be made at the point of production by workers themselves and not by pencil pushing U.A.W. representatives sitting behind conference tables. The past practices of U.A.W. national contracts have shown that even though contracts are signed every 3 years they mean nothing. The U.A.W. local memberships spend all of the duration of the contract struggle to force the Big Three to adhere to the contracts they have signed. In the past 10 years the number of grievances on the local levels have doubled and have been stock piled without any settlement. Locals have proven themselves to be powerless in even maintaining what is commonly called past practices let alone forcing the corporations to adhere to new contract items.

In the past twenty (20) years this is how U.A.W. contract negotiations went. In 1949 the U.A.W. won pensions at Fords without a strike. The following year came pensions at G.M. without a strike; although Chrysler was struck. In 1955 Supplementary Unemployment Benefits (S.U.B.) pay was won without a strike. In 1958, a time of recession, negotiations went differently. Until that year contracts had expired at different times. Talks were stalled by the U.A.W. and workers were forced to work without a contract at Chrysler and Fords until the G.M. contract expired the following year. The results were a loss of many contract rulings as related to working conditions. From 1958 on all contracts were signed in the same year. The contracts in 1961 and 1964 marked a steady down turn, as all controls that workers had over working conditions in the late 40's and early 50's were sacrificed for mere wage gains.

And around November 2, 1967 the U.A.W. had conceded to an 8 cent ceiling on the cost of living allowances. The rationale used at that time by the Reuther gang was that only twice before had the cost of living risen above eight cents in one year. But even in 1967 inflation was steadily rising and eating away at wages. The 8 cent ceiling settled for by Reuther marked a 26 cent an hour loss in pay for some 160,000 Ford workers and a saving of some \$7,280,000 for Ford based upon a 40 hour week.

The rest of the contract was nothing but so much ink on so much paper. So what was the purpose of the seven (7) week strike? It would have been more fitting had the contract been signed on October 31, Halloween Day, instead of November 2, because the contract package was nothing but a bag of tricks.

Reuther attempted to use the seven (7) week strike to develop some esprit-de-corps among the U.A.W. members. Striking Ford workers who found other jobs were ordered to give half of their weekly earnings to the Ford strike fund, while workers at G.M. and Chrysler were forced to pay \$25 extra monthly in union dues in order to help the striking Ford members. Since there were no gains (only losses) from the seven (7) week strike, we can only surmise that the strike was an attempt by the Reuther gang to regain the support of some of the disgruntled rank and file members. But many rank and file members saw through the bag of tricks. Most of the striking Ford workers who found job not only did not report their jobs, but also continued to collect their strike benefits. Many Chrysler and G.M. locals refused to pay the extra dues (Local 212 of Chrysler) and many individual rank and file members in locals that did accept it, protested the local's decision.

The G. M. and Chrysler Corporation settlement which followed Ford's settlement witnessed numerous wildcat strikes on Local supplements (Local 3).

The above mentioned contract negotiations history shows little or no gains across the bargaining table. In the present 1970 contract talks not one word has been uttered in behalf of black workers. In all three (3) bargaining packages for G.M. Fords and Chrysler Corporations, the entire question of racial

discrimination is strangely absent. Its absence is so obvious that it can in no way be considered an accident. In 1967 and 1970 highly organized campaigns by skilled trades and older workers have been witnessed. The recent demonstration at Chrysler Co. headquarters by skilled workers was applauded loudly by U.A.W. negotiations in the words of Douglas Frazer head of the Skilled Division for the U.A.W. "These workers sacrificed their lunch hours to present their case- the demonstration has good timing." The demonstration was obviously an inside job organized and sanctioned by the U.A.W. staff itself. Many of the negotiations including Leonard Woodcock the International President have been seen wearing 30 and out buttons and at the U.A.W. constitutional convention in April of this year over ¾'s of the delegates participated in a 30 and out demonstration.

Why nothing for Black workers? There is not one U.A.W. Staff member black or white who speaks out on behalf of black workers. Even though the most open struggle inside basic industry is the struggle being waged by black workers. Which is witnessed by the rise of revolutionary union movements, black caucuses, wildcat strikes and individual acts of violence (James Johnson) etc. Black workers have attempted every method possible to gain some support from the U.A.W. International Staff and have each time been rebuffed. Therefore we must go it alone. The U.A.W. International bureaucrats and Local Union stooges have placed themselves squarely in the middle between the struggle of



black workers and the racist owners and operators of the means of production.

It is incumbent upon us as black workers to address ourselves once again to the racist owners and operators of the means of production as well as the racist bureaucrats of the U.A.W. The League of Revolutionary Black Workers and its affiliates stand united behind the fellow programmatic demands.

We, at Hamtramck Assembly are in the midst of a new Supplement Agreement. (Local negotiations) It should be understood that Local Contracts have no bearing whatsoever with National Contracts; i.e., Blue Cross, Blue Shield, wage increase, holiday pay and dental benefits. Local talks deal only with local problems, i.e., working conditions, safety, better language on contractual language, issues of job standards and settlement of grievances. Our local talk teams are making a mockery of bargaining procedures. Not only are they not bargaining for ordinary demands these clowns fail to bargain period. Its the old cat and mouse game, "my hands are tied". In the past DRUM has stated emphatically that this was a lie but research has proven this to be very true. Our informants say that management has enough information on our so-called representatives to put the entire sell out (year in and year out elected officials) Freaks to jail for years.

It is important to understand what this means. First, one would ask what this means to me. Second, how can this effect my wages. The truth of the matter is that it effects you, your wages and your entire

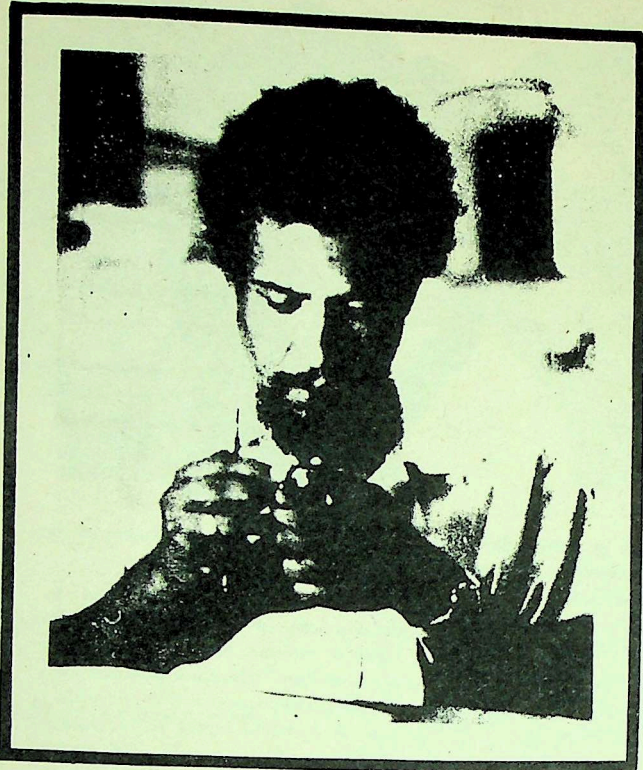
family for these traitors to govern and negotiate our contract. Every one remembers Liska's statement about our contract, "there will be no strike this year". Well, he wasn't lying. Next came the new steward rooms with locked doors and keys, then the in-plant phone,

out-plant phones and fans (yes, Fans). Now there's a new development. All stewards are given the right to leave and enter the plant at will. If you disbelieve call for one now. The plant committeemen are receiving double pay for their threats. Most carry their time cards in their pockets. Some let their stewards punch them in and out, giving them (11)eleven and (12)twelve hours a day when they are on Official Union business (which pays for loss time). Plant Protection complains daily about the gate activities but to no avail. Management, Labor Relations and Personal just call Liska to remind him that they know.

The issues on the negotiation table are beyond belief. Upon reading them one would feel it was a management policy list. Issues such as; medical excuses, bond deductions, basic job standards, first aid releases, faulty working equipment, cleaner eating areas and toilets, guards in parking lots, and bull shit like this is what our sell outs are discussing. This must stop. What about areas of discrimination, working conditions, elimination of time study, cut of check off, misuse of Section 77C, speed up, mixed jobs, call in at the gate, gambling, and hold up behind the bars and Chrysler property, job standards (i.e. job description and classification), Review Board on all racial grievances, Forman working on hourly jobs, County jail appearances of employment office, mandatory deductions of bonds and United funds on new employees, systematic racism of job placement (Black body shop; white inspection white inspection). General harrassment, better over time distribution of hours, no compulsory overtime, integration of entire medical facilities and more black personnel in management position (present No. 51)

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

In order that the position of the League of Revolutionary Black Workers can be better understood the Inner City Voice is printing both the General Policy Statement and the Labor Program of the League. Due to the length of these historic documents they will be presented in a three part series. The following is the beginning of this series.

HERE'S WHERE WE'RE COMING FROM

The League of Revolutionary Black Workers is dedicated to waging a relentless struggle against racism, capitalism, and imperialism. We are struggling for the liberation of black people in the confines of the United States as well as to play a major revolutionary role in the liberation of all oppressed people in the world.

In U. S. society, a small class owns the basic means of production. There aren't any black people in this class, nor are the masses of whites; however, they are not in the same position as blacks.

Our black community is virtually a black working class, because of our relationship to the basic means of production. Black workers comprise the backbone of the productive process in this country. Since slavery we have been the major producers of goods and services. In addition, we've produced goods under the most inhumane conditions. Our black community is comprised of industrial workers, social service workers, our gallant youth, and many ad hoc community groups.

The racist subordination of black people and black workers creates a privileged status for white people and white workers. While the imperialist oppression and exploitation of the world creates a privileged status for the people

and workers of the U. S., the white labor movement has failed to deal with the worsening conditions of black workers and the key role of black workers in the economy and the working class. The white labor movement has turned its back on black worker problems such as less job security, speed-up, less pay, bad health (silicosis, in particular), the worst kind of jobs, and in most cases, exclusion from skilled trades.

These two systems of privilege become the basis for the aristocracy of white labor which gives white labor a huge stake in the imperialist system and renders white labor unable and unfit to lead the working class in the U. S.

United States society is racist, capitalist, and imperialist by nature. It is aggressively expansive, exploitative, and oppressive. The expansion of U. S. imperialism is primarily by means of world-wide financial penetration, backed up by a world-wide military regime. This gives a monopoly control of the resources, wealth and labor of the capitalist world to U. S. finance capital. They use the most barbarous methods of warfare and subversion to maintain its billions of dollars in profit.

U. S. imperialism supports every reactionary and fascist regime in the world by means of subversion, CIA assassinations, invasions, terror bombings, and criminal means of warfare. U.S. imperialism also resorts to nuclear blackmail, to intimidate the revolutionary peoples of the world. Imperialism faces its inevitable destruction as the national liberation struggles, currently focused in Southeast Asia, become world wide. This involves the rest of Asia, including populous India, along with the emerging struggles in Latin America and the developing struggles in Africa. The workers and peoples of Europe are also drawn into the anti-imperialist struggle as the grip of U.S. imperialism loosens on Europe as the result of the struggles waged in the rest of the world.

The oppressive, imperialist nature of U.S. society is evidenced at home in

the suppression of the black liberation struggle, workers' struggles, and anti-war struggles, in an increasingly militaristic fashion. One of the essential domestic props of U.S. imperialism is the white aristocracy which shares in the spoils of the plunder of the world and is based in the domestic subordination of black workers.

The white labor aristocracy collaborates with the U.S. imperialist government in its aggressive wars, its CIA subversion and supports its political line. It also colludes with monopoly corporations at home to allow speed-up and unsafe working conditions, inflation that outstrips any wage gains, leaves most workers unorganized, and supports the brutal subordination of black workers.

The League of Revolutionary Black Workers emerged specifically, out of the failure of the white labor movement to address itself to the racist work conditions and to the general inhumane conditions of black people.

Our strength comes from the historical and heroic struggles of our people. Our inspiration comes from the revolutionary upsurges of the international struggles, and our convictions are guided by the principles of Marxism-Leninism.

The League of Revolutionary Black Workers is a political organization. We relate to the total black community. Our actual practice involves us with industrial and service workers, youth, and several ad hoc groups, these categories make up the League of Revolutionary Black Workers. Our duty is to plan the most feasible means to insure freedom and justice for the liberation of black people based on the concrete conditions we relate to. In addition, we have the task of training our people for leadership and other special capacities that make a viable organization. Most importantly, the direction of our organization is clear. We're not talking about dealing with a single issue as the only factor, nor are we talking about reforms in the system, but

we are talking about the seizure of state power.

It is clear to us that the development of our struggle based on concrete realities, dictates the need for black peoples' liberation political party. We state unequivocally, that this must be a black Marxist-Leninist party, designed to liberate black people, dedicated to leading the workers' struggles in this country, and resolved to wage a relentless struggle against imperialism.

The League of Revolutionary Black Workers sees the organization of black workers as essential to the success of the black liberation movement in America, and the ending of oppression of all peoples throughout the world. American capitalism is based upon the extraction of surplus value from wage earners within this nation and the extraction of natural resources and lucrative markets and excessive surplus value internationally through the mechanism of international imperialism. Racism has historically been used to moderate class struggle in the U.S. through the creation of a stratified working class. White workers, by and large, enjoy the highest positions within the working population, receiving higher remuneration and producing less than black workers.

Our short-range objective is to secure state power with the control of the means of production in the hands of the workers under the leadership of the most advanced section of the working class, the black working class vanguard.

Our long-range objective is to create a society free of race, sex, class, and national oppression, founded on the humanitarian principle of from each according to his ability, to each according to his needs.

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GENERAL PROGRAM

Black people were originally brought to America as slaves. Slave labor played the primary role in the creation of surplus value (i.e., capital) which led to the rapid development of modern industry. Since the demise of chattel slavery, the Black population has shifted from the position of the primary source of capital formation and industry builders as an agrarian sub-proletariat, to a primary source of capital formation as the most exploited section of the American industrial proletariat.

The policy of white-skin privilege has placed black workers at the very foundation of industry. Racism has been effectively used time and time again to prevent a unified colorless proletariat from carrying on a protracted revolutionary struggle against capitalism and imperialism. Each time white and black people have shown indications of unifying, calculated racist propaganda, legal and reactionary social campaigns have been launched by the white ruling class to turn the oppressed white population against the oppressed blacks. The history of reconstruction and redemption is a classic example of this recurring tactic. The Populist Movement disintegrated with the rise of the Ku Klux Klan, the Black Codes, universal segregation and rule-by-lynch law. Black Populist, organizationally tied to the discipline of the white leadership, were incapable of independently struggling against the ruling class and the white

racists. After the Civil War there was a conscious attempt by whites to remove blacks from any positions in the proletariat. This movement began with the expulsion of blacks from skilled trades positions, especially in the South. But developing monopoly capitalism in the late 19th and 20th Century oftentimes required a working force capable of laboring under the hardest and most oppressive conditions, and in many occupations, such as mining, shipping, railroad building, etc., the coolie labor force was found among blacks, Chinese and other minorities and European immigrants.

Racism and white-skin privilege also had its reverse effects for white laborers. In segregated industries, where whites found themselves being oppressed and exploited to the extreme that they began to organize and to carry on strikes and struggles against capitalist management; the white rulers, as policy, shipped tens of thousands of black peasants into industrial areas to break the strikes of white workers. Through this process black workers gained entrance into the modern industrial proletariat.

Eventually, the union movement was forced to reach an unstable accommodation with black labor. With the sections ruling class switching its position from incipient facism to racial "liberalism" (favoring equal employment) the white unionists finally understood that no significant organization of workers into unions could take place without the inclusion of black workers. As late as 1940 the U.A.W. was forced to include blacks in the unionization drive when black workers at the huge Ford Rouge complex broke the picket lines of striking white unionists. The accommodation was the institutionalization of white-skin privilege within the working class and within the union. Under this de facto settlement, union leadership remained firmly in the hands of whites. Blacks were relegated

permanently to the lowest paying, most unsafe jobs (production and foundry) while white workers held cleaner better paying positions and monopolized the skilled trades.

Under this agreement, it was the Black laborer who was hardest hit by the excesses of management, constantly facing speed-up, industrial disease, accidents, and threatened by lay offs, etc. But simultaneously, black workers were shifted to the most productive sectors of industry where the formation of finished goods was literally the union of sweat, blood, muscles, life and raw materials and the transformation of these elements into finished products. Being located at primary points of production, blacks have become increasingly essential to the continuation of American industry far out of proportion to the black percentage of the population.

As the most exploited and productive sector of the proletariat beset by all the other contradictions of a racist society, black workers have become the first to recognize the oppressive nature of capitalism, and the leading force for opposing this unnatural deadly system.

Though both the unions and the companies have used innumerable tricks to prevent the organization of blacks into independent groups, hundreds of black caucuses have spontaneously risen within industry over the past decade. These caucuses have attempted to struggle along class lines and against racism using every conceivable tactic and strategy, from internal reformist unionist tactics to undirected black cultural nationalism to anarchistic sabotage movements.

The League of Revolutionary Black Workers and its affiliates represents the highest level which the conscious insurgent movement of black labor has reached. In the League there is a substantial base in the black proletariat established which is organized and guided by the principles of Marxism-Leninism.

There is total independence from the established union bureaucracy and an affirmed unity with all elements of the justice and equality. It is only through the mechanism of just such a disciplined organization following the correct analytical and organizational principles through which the most advanced section of the proletariat will be organized to assume its proper position as the vanguard which will guide the proletariat and all progressive sectors of society in the successful struggle to overthrow and forever eradicate the evils of racism, capitalism and imperialism.

What is the overall position of black workers in the economy? In 1970 the total civilian labor force is approximately 84,617,000 with a total black labor force of approximately 9,560,000 or 10-11 per cent of the total labor force. The total labor force represents a 59% participation rate by the entire white population and a 62.4% participation rate by the total black population.

Unemployed statistics show that there are 2,214,000 or 3.1% of the white labor force out of work as compared to 532,000 or 6.1% of the black labor force out of work.

In concluding the findings of these tables we state that black workers make up significant section of the reserve army of the unemployed and that the rate of unemployment among black workers is twice as high as that among whites. The labor participation rate percentages categorically demonstrate that blacks as a people are more of an integral part of the proletariat than whites and would even have a greater labor participation rate if jobs were not so hard for black workers to find.

Tables found in the 1969 U. S. Statistical Abstract based on the findings of the 1969 U.S. Census further indicate that black workers are disproportionately

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located in blue collar and service worker positions. In blue collar positions black workers are mainly operatives and laborers working on the hottest, dirtiest and most dangerous jobs. In this category black workers comprise 23% or nearly 1/4 of all positions. Figures fail to present an adequate picture in the operatives and laborers sector, for in many industries and key plants such as auto, steel and rubber industries, and plants like Dodge Main, Eldon Avenue, Ford Rouge, etc., black workers make up 70% to 85% of the work force and have the ability to bring all production to a halt, by methods of closing down the hot dirty foundries, steel mills and production plants. Whites working in the operatives and laborer category are able to gain the fruits of their white-skinned privileged positions by being placed in the easiest jobs such as stock chasing, transportation and light assembly positions, leaving black workers to make up only 3.1% of all apprenticeship positions which are directly related to the lack of upward mobility from the operative blue collar sector.

In the skilled trades sector black workers once again are heavily concentrated in dirty, hard positions. They comprise 12.3% of all masons, tilesetters and stonecutters. Twenty-two and eight tenths per cent of all plasterers, lathers and cement finishers placing them at the bottom of the building trades. Black workers make up 23.3% of all furnacemen, smelters, and pourers, and 25% of all metal molders, all found in the smog and polluted air of the foundries.

To the contrary, the percentage of white craftsmen and foremen is double that of blacks and a definite product of the white skinned privilege which degrades black workers, especially in the area of promotions.

One half of the white working force

is employed in white collar positions, as compared to one quarter of the black working population. But even in these categories black workers perform the hard and steady physical work. Eleven and eight tenths per cent of black workers in this sector are tied to low clerical positions categorized by low pay and constant physical work. Black workers are employed to such a degree in the clerical sector that once again, they are essential to many industries and have the power also to bring all work to a standstill. The table on government employment depicts the essentialness of black workers in government.

In the service sector black workers are employed three times to the degree of whites and have a near monopoly in household services. Whites working in the service sector enjoy the luxuries of the homes of the ruling class barons, and earn lucrative salaries for their services, mainly the management and overseeing of black service workers.

In the farm worker sector, black workers perform mainly in migrant employment categorized by next to slave wages and subhuman living conditions by the families of those involved, while whites in this sector are mainly owners of the land and the farm products being produced.

Census figures also show that black workers are systematically excluded from all decision-making positions, from positions as judges, lawyers and administrators, and are left virtually in a powerless position not only in industry on the job, but also at home in the black community. Black workers find themselves as paupers as the white skinned privilege outside the places of work takes the form of white racist domination in order to maintain the resolute privileged position occupied by white workers. Black workers therefore

become the victims of racist and anti-black and backward administrators who only carry out those policies which are in opposition to the interests of blacks.

Categories in which white workers are heavily concentrated are areas of highest pay and power.

Professional positions, categories in which whites are employed heavily, represent the areas of highest pay scales.

Management and skilled positions in which whites are employed up to five times the degree of blacks also, are the recipients of high pay scales.

In comparison, the economic position of black workers in their areas of highest concentration, blue collar service, lower clerical and farm labor, represents the lowest position on the wage scale. The combination of the dual oppression of black workers of the hardest, dirtiest, jobs and at the same time receiving the lowest pay, has had the effect of raising their political consciousness more and more to the point of open class war at the point of production. The struggle of black workers has been systematically stifled by the overall political economy of poverty. The ruling class has systematically dressed up the realities under which black workers live. Through constant streams of propaganda in the form of advertisements, they have been able to some degree, to foster false hopes and dreams in the minds of black workers. The educational system has perpetuated false notions in terms of understanding the fundamental characteristics of life under Monopoly Capitalism.

Both the unions and the companies have denied blacks the knowledge of the fundamentals of organizing techniques and propaganda skills which has fostered strong feelings of individualism and personal gain.

The ruling class has acted as though it was seriously addressing itself to the problems of black workers by extending its rolls of non-productive employees in order to have more troops to dupe the already confused and unorganized black workers. The companies have created hard-core programs and backed certain community organizations and propagandized heavily about them via the mass media. They have mixed repressive techniques with soft-lined measures in order to crush and stifle rebellion simultaneously. Many reform groups and civil rights organizations have attempted to gain purely economic reformism without addressing the importance of the political economy of poverty. The monopoly capitalist class has to maintain a system of strict poverty domestically. It cannot afford to spend billions of dollars thrown away annually on imperialist wars

here at home for fear of it changing the objective power relationships between itself and the proletariat. During a few lucrative months during 1966, before the rising inflationary prices and high taxes had begun to deplete the wage gains of workers, it became necessary for many companies to stop paying afternoon shift workers on Thursday, which had been a long-ago established standard, because over half of the workers would not come to work the following Friday. Once black workers had earned enough to meet their immediate objective necessities, the extra day gave them time to explore organizing methods or hire organizers or buy guns which they in turn could use in their struggles against the ruling class.

The Monopoly corporations have placed great emphasis on the political aspect of the economy of poverty. They have done everything possible except slow down the level of production and raise the economic level of workers which is the reality which has sparked class struggle among black workers inside basic industry.

So that reality still exists. Black workers are the main producers in this society. It is the bare hands of black workers which turn raw materials into finished products. They are transforming those raw materials far out of proportion to what statistics show? They are producing in increasingly greater numbers as production becomes harder and faster. Black workers are toiling under more and more severe working conditions while black children and wives go hungry because of the low wages, inflationary prices and increased taxes. They exist as the most oppressed and exploited section of the proletariat and have the power to bring all of industry to a screeching halt. Their only hope can be seen through open class war and the potential of carrying out a black general strike which would bring the entire U.S. productive capacity and its Monopoly Capitalist owners to their demise.

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the black plan

A question posed by the Detroit Board of Education was what did the Black Community think of its plans for the decentralization of public schools?

The P.A.S.C.C. understands the concept of decentralization as being a breakdown or division of the public school districts into smaller districts, thus making attendance of certain schools mandatory, resulting in some students having to travel out of their immediate communities, in some cases passing one school to attend another, in order to comply to either the population or the integration requirements of the decentralization districting bill (Public Act 244).

Everyone remembers last year when high disturbances erupted at two Detroit high schools, Pershing and Cooley. Black students clashed with white students, white parents and subsequently with police, as a result of picketing and intimidation by the whites, who did not want to have Black students attend "their school."

While the school board surely wants to forget, it is certain that Black parents and inner-city residents remember the school year of 1963 when young Black students were bussed from neighborhood schools to three schools in outlining areas. At all three schools the students were met by angry and hostile white parents. For an entire month, the students went to school daily facing threats and intimidation. After the reactions of the first day, Black parents began driving their children to school and

personally accompanying them to their classrooms. As the days passed there were more clashes between parents (these were limited to shouting matches), until the fourth day of school when police detectives began to accompany the buses to and from the bus stops. In response, the whites from the Noble School area stopped their picketing, but activities kept up for two weeks at the Guest School, and for about a month at the Monnier School.

The citizens in those elementary school areas clearly showed the board what they thought of those intergrating efforts and Black parents let them know what they thought of any plan which called for their children being bussed out of their neighborhoods.

The board had good reasons to offer for bussing the students, the main one being to relieve the stress at over-crowded inner-city schools. Yet, when confronted with request for a safer plan by Black parents who were shocked at the report that the whites had threatened to go in and pull out the six, seven, and eight year olds from "their schools", the board seemed dumbfounded.

Since 1963, situations have become more tense than relaxed and the current opposition to decentralization (or forced integration, urban style) is on a much broader scale. In showing their extreme displeasure on April 7 of this year, some citizens began a recall campaign to remove four of the seven school board members, including the board president. Consequently, all four, Peter Grylls, Andrew Perdue, Rev. Darneau Stewart,

and President A. L. Zwerdling, were recalled in the August 4 election.

In 1963 it took the enthusiasm of concerned parents to insure the safety of young black children. In 1970 the physical and emotional safety of many young students may be secured by the actions and organizing of such concerned people as the Black parents and students P.A.S.C.C. The group's first newsletter clearly stated its purpose: "Each community has the right to control its own destiny," is our clarion call and we will continue to struggle to this end."

The Detroit Board of Education has confirmed that decentralization of the school district was decided when the legislature passed the Senate Bill into law. The Board has been carrying on hearings, but as usual the information gets to most Black parents too late or on such a second-hand basis that they do not know where the meetings are to be held if they want to participate. The P.A.S.C.C. is out to change all that, realizing that the schools of the community should serve the community and that the responsibility of enforcing this rests on the people of the community. What and where your children learn should be decided with your voice heard as loudly as any other.

Having come to grips with the fact of decentralization and realizing what is about to be forced onto our community, the West Central Organization sponsored a series of meetings aimed at giving some understanding of decentralization and what it means to Black in particular, and the total community in general. Out of these meetings came the awareness that

decentralization was much more than the division of the school system, but a farce as well. The Board explains that decentralization would allow for more direct community

involvement, when the truth is that the Senate bill itself seemed aimed at destroying any aspect of actual community control.

With this knowledge a coalition was formed; it joined the West Central Organization, the twenty other community-based groups. Thus, the P.A.S.C.C. was formed and undet its co-ordination, John Watson, the group has proposed its own plan; the Black Plan, a division scheme which draws the regional boundaries so that they follow the natural patterns of the neighborhoods in the city. This plan assures the Black community control over its own school board, that board must serve and answer to the immediate community in the region, thus insuring the Black voice in the education of Black children.

The P.A.S.C.C. and the Black Plan should get the support of our total community. Black parents of the city should especially find out more about the Plan. For any information concerning decentralization, the Black Plan, or how you can become involved, phone 866-1266 or contact the Central Office at 12019 Linwood (between Elmhurst and Monterey).

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testimony. Yet judge Lawrence Mana refuses to let the defense question McGoran about personality traits or past experiences. In denying this basic right, Mana is forcing them to bring in character witnesses later, which is a violation of law in that it places the burden of proof on the defense instead of the prosecution.

Judge Mana was brought into the case at the last minute after another less strict judge, had heard 13 months of pre trial motions. Mana acts like antomton, is sustaining prosecution objections and sometimes takes on the role of prosecutor himself.

The jury took 2 weeks to select. Despite its shortage of poor and young people this jury is attentive and open minded. It consists of 7 women and 5 men, most of them government or bank employees.

Everyday the courtroom and hall are crowded with supporters of Los Siete. When the courtroom is full people fill up the other courts where black or brown prisoners are on trial. Los Siete's Defense Committee has made a point of educating people to the fact that all people of color in the jail are political prisoners even if they don't have the same love and support of eople on the outside as Los Siete do. The incident of Los Siete is not an isolated one in the brown community or any other third world community in San Francisco. The entire brown movement is on trial with Los Siete.

threatening the brothers, picked a fight with Gary, and shot his partner by mistake, McGoran has a long history of brutality, racism and lying and the defense is planning to call witnesses who have been unlucky enough to have had experiences with McGoran's brand of "justice" in the past. Already, during cross-examination, Garry has brought out inconsistencies and lies in McGoran's testimony. When the jury goes out at the middle of August, Los Siete is calling for a national demonstration in San Francisco to demand the freedom of the 6 brothers, the 3 black men from Soledad prison framed for the killing of a guard and all other political prisoners in the jails of America.

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12. We demand that the U.A.W. end its collusion with the C.I.A., the F.B.I. and all other white racist spy
13. We demand that the U.A.W. end all interference in the political, economic, social and cultural life of the Black

community. That community and the Black workers in it are to exercise self determination in all political, economic, social and cultural activities and are to use black contributed union funds in any such activities. This means that the UAW end its affiliation with MDCDA, New Detroit, and other such programs and place all administration authority and funds in the hands of the Black community.

14. We demand an end to the harrassment of Black revolutionists and their leaders by the auto companies with U.A.W. Cooperation.
15. We demand that the U.A.W. use its political and strike powers to call a general strike to demand immediately:
 - a. An end to the Vietnam war and withdrawal of all American troops.
 - b. An immediate end to all taxes imposed upon workers.
 - c. Increases in profit and industrial property taxes to make up the difference.
 - d. Reallocation of all Federal monies spent on defense to meet the pressing needs of the Black and poor populations of America.
16. The U.A.W. must prevent retired workers from controlling in-plant union policies. In every U.A.W. election the Reuther machine buses in

retired U.A.W. members, who are neither familiar with, or concerned about conditions inside the plants. These workers, the vast majority of them reactionary, anti-black, white racists, inevitably vote for reactionary, anti-black, white racist candidates who do not represent the Black workers in the plant. The U.A.W. must establish a special department for retired workers which related directly to the U.A.W. International in pressing their economic demands, so that they cannot hinder the struggle of rank and file workers inside the plants.

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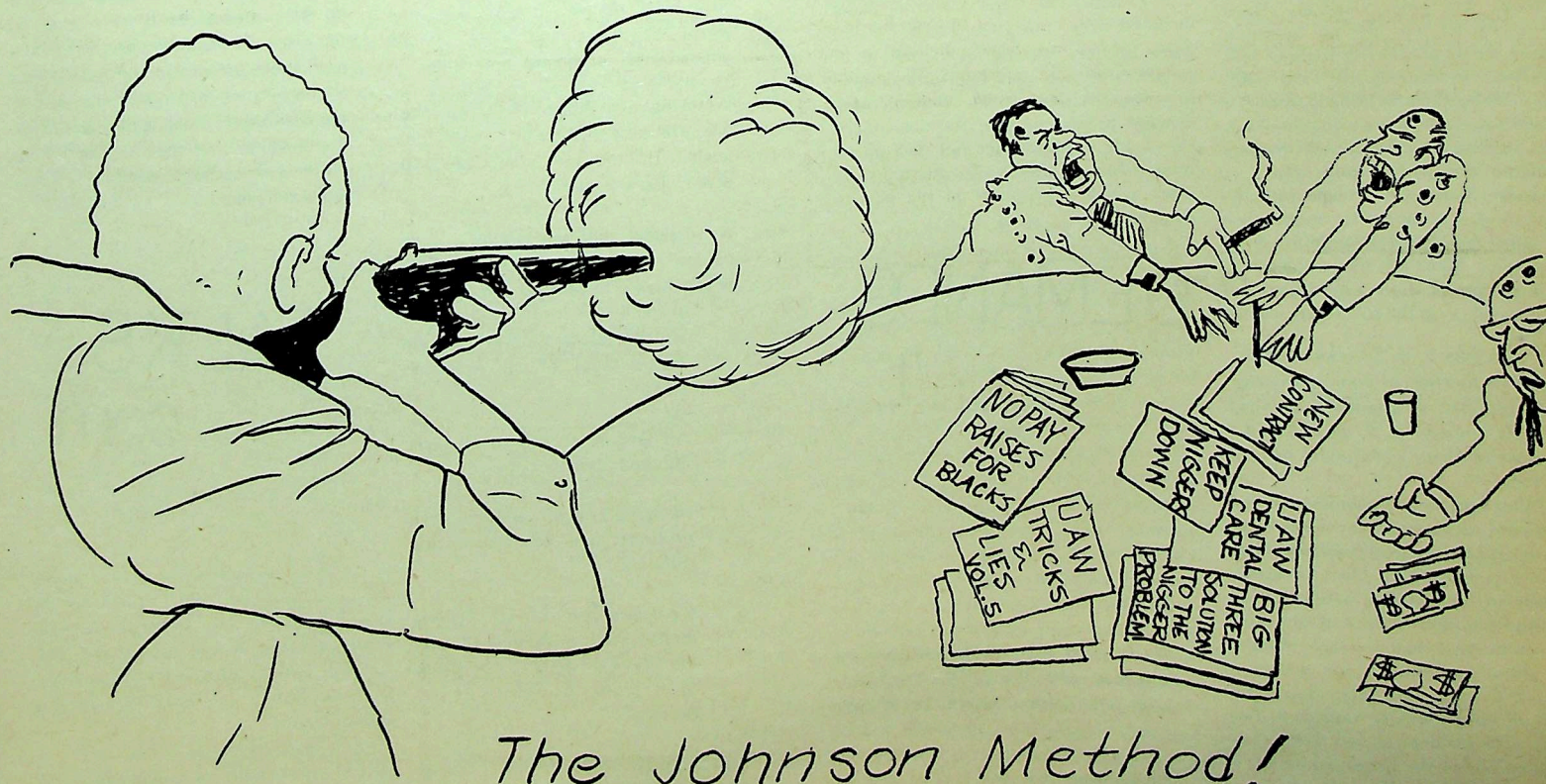
These are a few issues that should be negotiated on. But, of course the teams should be able to bargain in good faith, not with a deal or compromise. This can only benefit all workers of Local No. 3, not just a selected few- present administration.

DRUM says conditions couldn't be worse so why not recall all representatives on the grounds of TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION.

PROGRAMATIC DEMANDS:

- 1 Halt U.A.W. racism. 50% representation for black workers on the international executive board. Fire Woodcock and elect a Black president and one Black vice president, 50% of all international staff members should be black. Open skilled trades and apprentices to any black worker who applies. Recognition of DRUM and its affiliates as the official spokesman for Black workers on the local and national level with the power to negotiate Black demands on the company and union and the power to call officially sanctioned strikes.
- 2 We demand that the grievance procedure be completely revised so that grievances are settled immediately on the job by the workers in the plant involved. The grievance procedure is used to prevent workers from using their strike power to fight abuses from management. Since the procedure completely ties the hands of workers and basically serves company interests it should be scraped and replaced by a completely new system, eliminating the company's rights on safety. The U.A.W. must fight for the right of workers to control changes in production standards in the plant. The company will not have the right to in-
- 3 Elimination of all safety and health hazards in the auto industry. This means cleaning the air in the foundry and redesigning dangerous machinery and cut back in production on hazardous jobs, and that safety rules be adhered to. The U.A.W. must establish safety committees in every plant. These committees will have the power to shut off unsafe machines, and, if necessary, to close down entire plants because of conditions which are unhealthy or unsafe for the worker.
- 4 The union must fight vigorously against speed up and increases in production standards. The companies should double the size of their work force to meet the present workload. There were 650,000 production workers in auto in 1947 producing 4.5 million vehicles. In 1966, 650,000 workers produced nearly 10 million vehicles
- 5 We demand the end of the checkoff of union dues. While the checkoff was progressive in the 30's today it prevents workers from disciplining poor union leadership.
- 6 We demand that all U.A.W. investment funds be used to finance economic development in the black community under programs of self determination. The union now holds over \$90,000,000 in strike funds when a bank in California folded two years ago. We demand that all such money be held in black institutions and used in the black community.
- 7 We demand that the union end its collusion with the United Foundation. Black workers should contribute only to black controlled charities working for the benefit of the Black community, and that the \$300,000 dollars in Peoples State Bank in Hamtramck be removed immediately and placed in Black Banks.
- 8 We demand that all monies expended for political campaigns by the U.A.W. be turned over to the Black United Front for Black controlled and directed political work.
- 9 The union must fight for a five hour work day and a four day work week. The profit level of industry is high enough to increase employment and end layoffs.
- 10 The union must fight for an immediate doubling of the wages of all production workers. Since 1960 wages of black workers have risen less than 25%. Yet profits have risen more than 90%. The pitifully small increase the black production workers have received has been completely wiped out by inflation. We know how wealthy the company is. We know how low their labor costs presently are. In fact, we know that it costs less than \$100 in labor to produce a \$3,000 car. We say increase that labor cost to \$200 per car and double the wages immediately.
- 11 We demand a cut in union dues. The union already collects \$10 million a month from its members and can't defend the rights of the workers.

Black auto workers
one and only solution
to big three auto tricks!



The Johnson Method!

WAYNE COUNTY'S "TIGER CAGE"

county jail

The "new" Wayne County jail was built to alleviate the overcrowding and subhuman conditions that existed in then old county jail. However, the new county jail now finds itself faced with the same set of problems that it was built to solve. The reasons for the low level of prisoner existence are vast.

Many Innocents

A majority of the inmates of the Wayne County Jail are not convicted of crimes but are awaiting trial!!!! The wait for a trial can be as long as a year. Those who are awaiting trial are Black and cannot afford the high cost of legal fees, so consequently they are forced to remain in jail for as long as a year in many cases. It is not uncommon for an inmate to wait for one year, be brought to trial and then have the charges either dropped against him or be found innocent. It was discovered that last year a brother had been in jail for 18 months for stealing a box of 39 cent cookies. He was eventually acquitted.



Wayne County's Tiger Cage

The public majority views criminals as vicious maniacs who are in jail because they have committed horrible crimes and thus deserve to be punished. This however is not true of the majority of prisoners in the Wayne County Jail. Many of them are awaiting trial for something as trivial as a traffic fine! There has been no loud public outcry against the conditions in prisons because people fear that if the necessary plans are undertaken to reorganize our entire penal system into an institution that rehabilitates prisoners and attempts to make them into productive citizens, that the tax payer would have to foot the bill. So public opinion about prisoners for the most part is unsympathetic.

The conditions at the Wayne County Jail are very similar to South Viet Nam's tiger cages where prisoners are forced to stand for days on end and receive no medical attention. Wayne County Jail provides totally inadequate sanitation. There is no place where an inmate may shower or dress in privacy. There is no place where an inmate may laundry his clothes. Washing and drying are done in the cell. Prisoners are in these cells all day. There are no recreation facilities. A modern up-to-date library is virtually non-existent at the jail. In addition to these subhuman conditions there are prison fights, suicides and homosexual rapes.

Due to the overcrowding of the jails, there is no real attempt to place prisoners in cells according to the crime they have allegedly committed. Many prisoners who are in for first degree murder are placed with first offenders or juveniles.

Revising the Penal System

Many of the inmates of the jail are Black and in jail because they are Black and poor and cannot afford to pay high legal fees. The tenacles of racism and economic oppression are again evidenced in the legal system in the country. In order to develop a new penal code we must first change our attitude toward the person who has committed the crime. A penal institution should not be a torture chamber where people are judged guilty until proven innocent, but one where justice and all the avenues to receiving justice are open to all people. Secondly, a penal institution should not be designed to punish people convicted of crime, but to advise them, retrain them and hopefully help them develop into productive citizens through intensive rehabilitation and schooling.

America's judicial and penal institutions are incapable of producing or instigating the kind of changes that are needed to correct the constant injustices found in the Wayne County Jail. If these conditions are to be corrected, then it is black people who will have to correct them.

Cops Rape !

Two white Jacksonville policemen, one 26, the other 25, have been suspended from the police force for the alleged raping of a 24-year-old woman while they were on duty.

Clayton Morgan, 26, 3543 Bessent Road, and John Loftus, 25, 5714 Justine Terrace, are to appear before Justice of the Peace Jesse Leigh at a preliminary hearing.

Sheriff Dale Carson said Wednesday that notices were served on the men following a report of rape by a black woman.

According to the woman, she and a male friend were sitting in a stalled car at Seventh and Spearing. Two white patrolmen in uniforms approached them at about 1:30 a.m., Wednesday. She said the patrolmen offered to drive her home.

She was driven behind a warehouse, she said, and raped. She could not remember the exact location of the warehouse.

When Morgan and Loftus were brought before Justice of the Peace Leigh, Morgan was handcuffed. The handcuffs were later removed. Loftus' hands were free. He tried to shield his face behind a

newspaper. No statements were made.

Morgan has worked in the department for two and one-half years. Loftus has been in the department about 20 months.

The probe Wednesday was made by members of the sheriff's and state's attorney's office.

Rape is a capital crime in Florida, but no white man has been sentenced to death for the rape of a black woman.

We sincerely hope that this retrogressive move of the NAACP will be checked by the same whites that were so outraged last April, and caused injury to many black children in the Osborn and Denby are. It is better that whites should stop a so-called integration plan in opposition to a black group- the NAACP- than for black children to be subjected to the cruel and open racism that they will meet if they are to be bussed into alien schools so distantly removed from their homes that it would take an hour or more of bus riding to get to school. And bus fares that will come out of the pockets of black parents who will not even have voting control over the school that their children attend will have to be paid. It will be in the best interests of black children for the community to unite with Parents and Students for Community Control (PASCC) against an organization which after decades is no longer working in the best interests of the black community- the NAACP's suit to gain an "Integration Plan."

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Many, automakers especially, watched as Woodcock obtained the presidency with only a one vote majority (13-12) over Doug Fraser. The subsequent 25 - 0 solidarity vote belied the serious divisions which still exist within the UAW hierarchy. Woodcock also hopes that the strike will unite the rank-and-file against revolutionary elements within local unions throughout the country and particularly Detroit, where the League of Revolutionary Black Workers are waging a relentless battle against the UAW and Big Three corporations.

Contracts Cancelled

One blow to this plan, however, may be the fact that Chrysler and Ford did not extend their contracts when they ran out September 14. This leaves 200,000 workers-slaving without union protection, which they never had anyway. More important, though it deprives the UAW of its dues checkoff and initiation checkoff (for new employees). Dues, which average \$7.50 (2 hours pay) and initiation fees \$20.00, are greatly needed for strike benefits. Going around the plant floor trying to collect dues for a do-nothing union is no easy task. One interesting note is that while G.M. strikers are getting at most, \$40.00 a week, UAW staff members are getting half salaries. (Executive board members get \$22,932, vice presidents \$27,132 and staff members average \$13,000, half of that is more than most hourly workers get in a year.)

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Detroit to a position of inferiority and asserts the inferiority of Negroes generally thereby creating and perpetuating badges and incidents of slavery." In short form, what this is saying is the children will go to all black schools are made to feel inferior, thus creating a slave mentality. But this is not the case. It is true that black children going to black schools are made to feel

inferior, but this is not because they are going to black schools alone. This is because those black schools are being completely controlled by white people who believe and perpetuate in their administrations that black people are inferior. Black people controlling black schools, not bussing black children to white schools to further instill a feeling of

inferiority, by the blatant racism in the white schools, would remedy the situation.

It is unfortunate that black people, while trying to overcome obstacles in the form of white racists, have to overcome other obstacles in the form of other black people -the NAACP- which wants to destroy the very thing which we have been trying to gain for many years-control. We, the black people of Detroit have been given the opportunity to gain community control of our schools, but our progress will be impeded by a step that will set us black 10 years- forcing black children to the horrors of evil, brick-throwing, spitting mobs of whites, which the parents of this generation of school-age black children thought that they would mercifully avoid.

NYERERE OUTLAWS 'SOUL'

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It is very important for the imperialists of this country to create and manipulate the image of Black people in America. Why? This country is the stronghold of Imperialism in the world. Black people are the most oppressed class in this country. Therefore, the struggle for national salvation is materially linked with the destiny of the oppressed of the world. The racist, monopolistic, capitalistic imperialists of America cannot afford the truth to be known. This article clearly shows the level of deception and how they use reactionary Blacks to promote imperialism. The masses of Black people are a victim of circumstances. As the revolutionary movement develops, these reactionary Blacks will be dealt with.

Last November the Tanzanian government announced that it had outlawed 'Soul music' in Tanzania and would take immediate action against Soul night clubs that continued to ignore its decree. At first Nyerere's actions appeared to me to be a deliberate slap in the face to the Afro-Americans, alas, an indication that Tanzania was relapsing into a self-induced coma of ultra-reactionary nationalism similar to that which has characterized Ghana since the overthrow of the Nkrumah regime.

This explanation, however, proved insufficient. For there was still to be considered the somewhat incongruous fact that, while K.A. Busia had issued and ruthlessly executed an "Alien Quit Order" uprooting thousands of Africans--some of whom were second-generation Ghanaians--from their home, not even he had tampered with the Soul Joints which are becoming increasingly popular in Ghana's urban centres. Nor has the Busia regime interfered with the record distributors who are doing a booming business in Afro-American music. What, then, could have led Julius Nyerere to take such a radical step as the abolition of Black American music. The answer was not far to be sought.

One evening during the Christmas Holidays when I had decided to stay in my room and read rather than go into Accra, I was repeatedly interrupted by pandemonious outbursts coming from the students' lounge. This, of course, was not unusual and I knew it meant that James Brown was making another of his frequent appearances on Ghanaian television.

In the past I'd been preoccupied with my research and had never bothered to go over; this time, however, having caught up with my work at the beginning of the break, I decided to go and see what it would be like to catch 'J.B.' in Africa. The lounge was packed and James Brown was just concluding his rendition of "When I Rule The World." Then, out stepped a short Black figure with shiny white teeth, clutching a portable microphone in his hands: 'Start from the

bottom and move to the top; that's the American way!' Glancing slyly out of the corner of his eyes--which tended to give his face a somewhat impious expression--the speaker went on to explain to his soul-struck audience how the Horatio Alger story was still a 'living reality' in American life and how hordes of formerly impoverished scions of the Americans were battling their way from the bottom to the top of the economic ladder. And as living proof of Black prosperity he called out the general manager of James Brown Enterprises along with J.B. himself, both of whom gave glorious testimony to the blessings bestowed upon them by Black Capitalism.

The Speaker--the host of the show--was none other than the Afro-American millionaire, comedian Nipsy Russell who is fond of doing back-to-Africa jokes which usually end with the punch line 'I don't wanna trade my Cadillac for no elephant.'

As the show went on, the camera slowly panned the audience, picking up the U.S. flag, along with clusters of bubas and Afro-styled heads, bobbing and weaving to the pulsating rhythm of 'It's Your Thing' done by Marva Whitney and the Famous Flames.

When the 'Nipsy Russell Show' came to an end, I felt as if I had been given a one hour lecture by Julius Nyerere himself on 'Why I Banned Soul Music from Tanzania!' For what I had just seen was a visual illustration of the destructive uses to which Afro-American music is being put in Africa. Indeed, the 'Nipsy Russell Show' was nothing less than a visualized myth, namely the Myth of Afro-American Affluence which is widespread in Africa and which carries with it some serious implications for the future of Africa itself as well as for relations between Africans and Afro-Americans. Moreover, for the African, the myth need not even be visualized because it is inherent in his interpretation of another equally destructive myth, that of 'Soul' which is manifested in Afro-American music itself whether recorded, live, or experienced visually through the medium of television.

The Myth of Afro-American Affluence is based largely on the fallacy of over generalization: 'Afros' (as we are called) live in America, which is a rich country, therefore all Afros must be rich. Otherwise, goes the myth, how could they live such an out' a sight life with their bushy hair styles, way out fashions, swinging music and wild dances?

Due to the propagation of the Myth of Afro-American Affluence, Black poverty, oppression and exploitation in the United States is inconceivable to the average African. To him Soul symbolizes affluence, not oppression. He does not



understand the escapist and reactionary nature of the Soul myth because he cannot accept the fact that there is anything to escape from in America. Moreover, most English speaking Africans--not to mention illiterates and those who speak other European languages-- cannot understand Afro-American dialect when spoken rapidly; the content and meaning of the music thus escapes them.

For the African then, Soul is the affirmation of the good life in America, not a cultural reflection of the long years of suffering inflicted upon his fellow African brothers in a strange and distant land. Indeed, the mere mention of the word conjures in his mind a thousand images of luxury and wealth, not the least of which is James Brown sliding over super-slick floors, flinging off one diamond studded cape after another.

This naive conception of Afro-American life has given rise to a sociological phenomenon which can be accurately termed an 'Afro-Quake.' Everything Afro-American, or that is believed to be Afro-American, is almost sure to go over big. Our dance, dress, and certain of our mannerisms are being widely imitated. A popular night club here in Accra called the 'Tiptoe' sells fried meat on sticks which it calls 'Afro-Khababs.' The young teenage waiters who serve it even have the name stenciled across the front of their sweat-shirts. I was literally swept from my feet when, not long ago, a brother (jokingly, thank goodness!) called me a 'Jive Time Nigger' and held out his hand for me to tighten him up on the issue! Moreover, many businesses, irrespective of what it is that they are selling, find it profitable to include the prefix 'Afro' in the title of their establishments; thus: 'Afro-Clothers,' 'Afro-Food,' 'Afro-Wigs,' etc. Needless to say, the hustlers are

probably having a field day and I wouldn't be at all surprised if someone tried to sell me some 'Afro-Grass' or and 'Afro-prophylactic'!

The current Afro fad however, is not rooted in any genuine understanding and appreciation of the historical, political, and economic ties that bind us and make us a common people with one destiny. The Afro buffs know much about James Brown and Otis Redding but little concerning the ideas and historical importance of great Black men such as Marcus Garvey, Malcolm X, Blyden and Elijah Muhammad let alone the African Diaspora and the international machinations of imperialism. To be sure, many Africans in the bush have oral traditions which speak of 'sons across the sea' and Herskovits found that the Dahomeans even sacrificed a lamb to our 'safe return' each year. But the current sociological phenomenon which is sweeping Western Africa is more concerned with what is believed to be our way of life than with us as a people. It is due more to the popularity of Soul music and its implied myth of Black Affluence than to the prevalence of any widespread historical and political consciousness; more to the influence of American propaganda than to the writings of great African and Afro-American intellectuals such as Blyden, DuBois and Kwame Nkrumah.

Soul and Myth of Afro-American Affluence are thus the dual epicentre of our current wave of popularity in Africa. But the Afro-American has nothing for which to be proud. For all indications are that when the hot molten sounds of Black American music have cooled and crystallized Africa will come down from its Soul Trip to find one great igneous extrusion stretching from the Drakensberg Mountains in the South to the Atlas in the North; that being American economic imperialism.

SOUL MUSIC

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The effects are already visible from close up. A 45rpm record which normally sells for 79 cents to 95 cents in the U.S. sells for \$2.00 and up here. A James Brown album which sells for \$3.98 in the States goes for anywhere from \$10.00 to \$19.00, and a \$30.00 cadet tape recorder starts at around \$100.00 and up. (This, of course, is chicken-feed in comparison with the big time dough Kaiser Aluminium and other capitalist profiteers are ripping off from Africa with the aid of corrupt and self-seeking politicians.)

Yet, unless the course of political events here in Ghana and the rest of West Africa is radically altered, this is only a sample of what is yet to come. For Africa's Soul Set-- 'Jet Set' if you will--are not only the largest purchasers of radios and televisions, but they are also the leaders of tomorrow. It is they, for example, who will determine if the London Rhodesian Company ('Lon-rho') shall retain its dirt cheap monopoly of the Ashanti Gold Fields, which was secretly signed by the National Liberation Council before it was dissolved. English and American propagandists have not taken this fact lightly. Indeed, they continuously bombard the dormitories, cafeterias, dining halls, canteens--in fact, anywhere there is a radio and people to listen--with 'Soul Sounds,' interspersed with periodic, lopsided news broadcasts and other programmed propaganda. Both the target and the victims of this communications gimmickry are the young educated elite--mainly students, teachers, professional and civil service workers--who are most susceptible to the Myth of Afro-American Affluence. And it is they as well who, because of their economic status, are best able and most likely to adopt what they consider the basic patterns of Afro-American life. Thus if a person from the Black community of Los Angeles, for example, was blind-folded and taken to Saint Nitouche's in Accra, it would probably be some time before he realised that he was in Africa, rather than at Moverick's Flat or some other night spot in L.A.'s Grenshaw District.

To put it in more anthropological terms, is the current 'Afro' craze in Africa derived from a sense of brotherhood with fellow Africans abroad or is this simply young elitist Africa's way of 'snatching' for what it believes is its capitalist future? Indeed America is the Godhead of modern capitalism; the meaning of this for the African, especially the pro-elite student

sector in the non-socialist countries such as Ghana and Ivory Coast, is that he cannot separate the fact that we dance and sing 'soulfully' from the fact that we dance and sing 'soulfully' in America. In his estimate, it is because we are in America, because we are--so he is led to believe--participants in its 'affluent society' that we are able to live such a carefree, in a word, 'Soulful' life.

In Africa then, the concept of Soul has become impregnated with the ideological germs of capitalism. The Afro-American life style thus symbolizes a capitalist heaven. Consequently, an 'Afro' is not a long lost brother to be welcomed home, nor is he viewed as the tragic figure which, in fact, he is. The 'Afro' is, instead, an ideal type: an image liberated from the object of its origin, so as not to be polluted or distorted by concrete reality. Afro-Americans are therefore to be idealised from afar, to be emulated as far as dress and dance is concerned, to be seen with on occasion: but not to be trusted! Their ideas are too radical; they are too militant, too much for rapid change, too anti-American and furthermore, they don't understand! Beneath it all, however, what really disturbs the African elite about the Afro-American viewed from close up is that it is forced to make a choice between the image as reflected in the Myth of Afro-American Affluence and the concrete object with all of its psychological dents and bruises which belie the myth of a capitalist heaven in America. I have been approached on countless occasions by young high school and university students wishing to know about 'life in America,' only to find that what they really wanted to know was how much James Brown made or did he really have his own airplane. Usually, though certainly not always, when the conversation turned to the plight of the Afro-American masses or to Africa itself, sign of boredom set in and my curious brothers suddenly discover that there is some place else they should have been at that time!

One of the problems is that Africa's new Soul Set, mainly the non-socialist elite, views the Afro-American stereotype of today as the African of tomorrow. There can therefore be no tampering with the Myth of Afro-American Affluence by Afro-Americans themselves or anyone else. For this is tantamount to interfering with his future as he sees it and the elitest African will brook no resistance in his fanatical quest for a capitalist tomorrow. Moreover, he will hear nothing of sacrifice and struggle, not to mention socialism or a dictatorship of the proletariat; it's freedom, wigs, foreign aid, Mercedes and democracy for him and poverty and oppression for the masses who can neither vote, read, wear wigs nor drive a Volkswagen, let alone a Mercedes.

Yet everyone, the oppressor and the oppressed, the rich and the poor, can relate to soul music. Dealing mainly with love and sex, it is politically neutral, if not downright passive and submissive to the simple and uncomplicated rhythm appeals to the mass mind. Like alcohol

and drugs, Soul music is a psychological depressant and at the same time, hallucinatory. Not only does it demand total involvement, but its monotonous rhythm is hypnotic, inducing a state of blissful euphoria which releases one's inhibitions and at the same time retards the thinking process.

Soul music therefore creates and thrives in an anti-intellectual atmosphere. This is true in the ghettos of America as well as Africa. In America, however, there has developed in recent times a semi-progressive trend in Soul music as reflected in the recordings of the Impressions, Johnnie Taylor and a few other artists who have managed to break away from the masochistic tradition of Afro-American music. But even this mild progressivism is neutralized in the African context because the English language has not been mastered well enough to understand Afro-American dialect. So there remains only the physical and emotional involvement with the rhythms, leaving the intellect untouched.

It is no wonder then, that the ultra-conservative Busia regime of Ghana--in spite of the fact that the country is now experiencing a resurgence of traditionalism--with its pro-American bent, has not tampered with its Soul Joints. For it is better for people to do the Boogaloo than think about the endless problems with which the

country is faced; or, to put it more bluntly, it is better to have them release their frustrations on the dance floor than against the regime. Moreover, the hallucinatory nature of Soul music, along with the whole atmosphere of fantasy and romanticism in which Soul Set (Cult) moves, provides a convenient medium through which the non-socialist elite can enter its capitalist tomorrow with a minimum of sacrifice and effort. The wigs, the Afro-style clothes, the natural hair, the Soul night clubs: this, in the mind of the elite, is capitalist America via Black America.

Yet, and this point cannot be overstressed: it is from this Soul Set that non-socialist Africa (mainly Western Africa) must choose its future leaders. It is they for example, who will determine whether or not Kaiser Aluminium shall maintain its lily-white segregated community at Tema in Ghana or whether the same company can continue to import raw material from the West Indies to be processed in Ghana's smelter when the country has one of the largest bauxite deposits in the world. The point is that the abolition of the kind of economic exploitation and blatant political abuse that is reflected in the Kaiser contract

with Ghana requires a firm and impeccable ideological commitment: a commitment to the idea that Africa and its resources are for the benefit of the African people, not the maintenance of a self-seeking elite. It is doubtful as to whether or not non-socialist Africa's new Soul Set can meet this challenge. For Soul, like its African forerunners, 'Negritude,' 'African Socialism' and the 'African Personality,' is an ideological

anti-Christ. Its mystic nature renders it void of analytical and critical content and the carefree, party-all-the-time atmosphere in which it thrives militates against the ideas of sacrifice and struggle.

Posing the progressive regime of Julius Nyerere against the reactionary Busia Government then, we can understand very well why the former should move to ban Soul music from Tanzania and eradicate its regressive influences from among a people who are striving to build a socialist society: a task which demands that problems not be covered up, rationalised and turned away from, but exposed and tackled head on, utilising the collective will and intellect of all the people.

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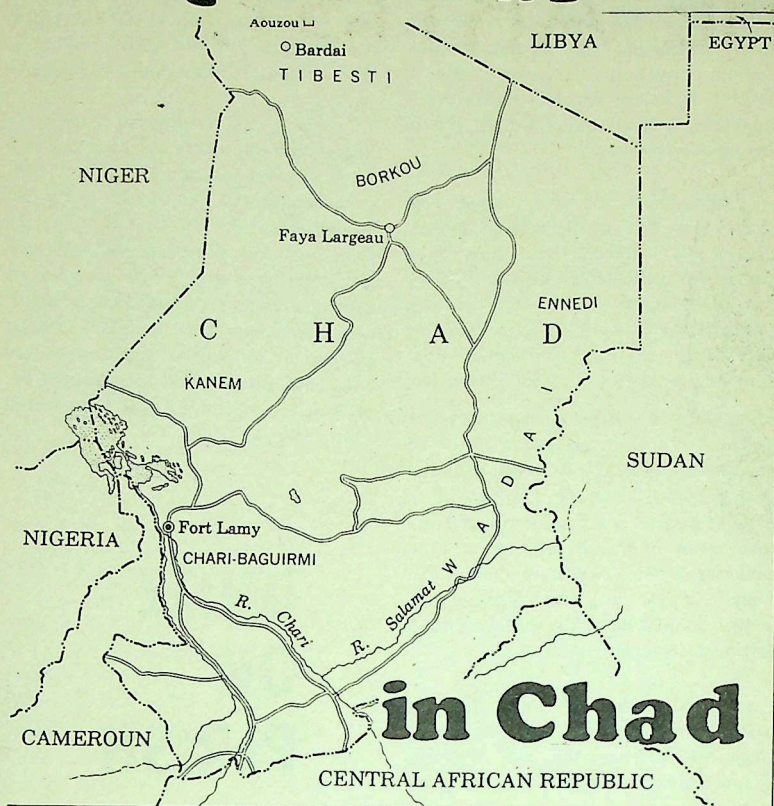
terms were that they would have a hand in provincial and national government. Now, in the words of a popular news magazine, "the white man is back" in the Congo and doing business at the same old stand. Luxury foods are being ordered from South Africa along with certain industrial equipment, despite the request by the UN that such trade be eliminated.

Prices have risen more than 200 per cent, but even salaries in the cities have only been raised only 25 per cent.

According to United Nations economic reports the per capita national product of the Congo amounts to less than ten dollars annually. But copper production is maintained and the expensive living of the Belgian businessmen is uninterrupted.

President Mobutu is said to be looking for more American investments and more American aid for the Congo. But so far the aid has affected only the betterment of the foreign-owned sector of the economy. And the Congolese ministers are functioning just as the late Frantz Fanon, the author of "The Wretched of the Earth", said they would: as artificial capitalists functioning as middlemen between the natural wealth of their country and the money available in Western capitals. This is neo-colonialism in its classic form. This is political freedom without economic substance.

People's War



Africa today is a very turbulent continent. There are military conflicts raging in southern Africa, specifically in Angola, Mozambique, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), and to a lesser degree even in the Union of South Africa. In the North, Arab brothers clash daily with the representatives of imperialism, Israel.

The most recent people's struggle and least publicized of all the African Wars of National liberation is being waged in the remote desert state of Chad, by the Chad National Liberation Front (FROLINAT). This fight is against some 6,000 troops of the Chad National Army and 4,000 French soldiers sent to aid in the maintenance of "law and order".

FROLINAT operates the northern part of the country near its Libyan frontier. It originated in June 1966 after the Chad National Union (U.N.C.) under the trade union leader Ibrahim Abatcha and the General Union of the Sons of Chad led by Ahmed Moussa. Both outlawed by President Francois Tombalbaye's ruling Progressive Party (PPT), the only political organization legally in existence there. The Chad National Union was proceeding from a Marxian analysis and the General Union of the Son of Chad was a Muslim nationalist group. Both groups were enemies of the ruling PPT which represented Foreign interest, particularly the interest of France, and practiced a

policy of discrimination against Muslims when hiring persons for governmental administrative positions. Both of these outlawed organizations were forced underground and effectively merged to form the Chad National Liberation Front dedicated to freeing Chad from foreign political domination, economic control and toward building a socialist nation to meet the needs of all its people. Abatcha was killed in action and a split ensued resulting in the establishment of a breakaway organization made up of supporters of Ahmed Moussa. The group suffered various ideological problems and has been dissolved. However, FROLINAT, the original organization has grown and become strong. In 1966 FROLINAT was operating with about twelve small bands of dedicated men who ambushed government troops on main roads and kidnapped government officials. By 1969, under the leadership of Dr. Abba Siddick, FROLINAT had grown to become two large groups struggling on two fronts. The 2,500 man First Liberation Army operates in the central and eastern areas. During the early part of 1969 the Second Liberation Army was expanding its efforts in Kanem near Chad's boundary with Niger in the West. As the conflict became more intense FROLINAT was able to secure more modern weapons after attacking bases and convoys of the government troops to reinforce the out-dated Italian Stattis, German Mausers and spears with which they were originally equipped.

In March of 1969 it was painfully obvious to President Tombalbaye that his government would soon be dislodged by FROLINAT forces if something was done to maintain his dictatorial rule. At that point he asked for direct military aid from France. President De Gaulle responded without securing approval from the French National Assembly (reminiscent of American intervention in Vietnam) by air lifting hundreds of elite troops of the French Foreign Legion along with 350 advisors to command the units within the Chad National Army. On the diplomatic front, as part of the aid

agreement reached between de Gaulle and Tombalbaye, and administration mission was set up in Fort Lamy, Chad's Capital, with none other than the former colonial Governor General, Pierre Lami as its chief. The agreement represents no less than a re-colonization of Chad by France.

With the use of more advanced equipment (helicopters and jets) by the French troops along with their massive numbers (approx. 4,500 strong) the foreigners were able to temporarily stem the tide. In order to counter the mass deployment of France-Chadian troops and material the large bodies of FROLINAT have broken down into small guerrilla groups of no more than 20 men adapting the hit and run highly mobile

strategy that characterize the Viet Cong and southern African Freedom fighters. At this writing FROLINAT operates principally in the mountains of the north near the Libyan border.

It should be pointed out that any "victories" won by the French can only be temporary. Have they forgotten Dien Bien Phu or Algeria? FROLINAT, though young, compared with other organizations committed to national liberation, is learning from the experience of other such organizations. It understands the necessity of the education of the people. It knows the importance of using seasonal change to its advantage. With these lessons in mind the rebels have already initiated a program of education centered around the need of the people to resist imperialist oppression. The leaders of FROLINAT are also waiting for the rainy season which comes in July and lasts until early October in Chad. They know that such conditions will severely limit the maneuverability of the French men and machines of war. But the Greatest lesson of them all has become part of the Cadres of FROLINAT; as General Vo Nguyen Giap, Defense Minister of North Vietnam, has said "time is always on the side of the forces of revolution".

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United Nations (AWA) - President Joseph D. Mobutu of the Congo (Kinshasa) is now on a state visit to the United States. He has come a long way, with important assistance from American official sources, from his sergeant's rank in the Guard Mobile of the Belgian colonial administration, to instant general, with a short wait in the wings before proclaiming himself President of the Republic.

The former sergeant is now being hailed by Secretary of State William P. Rogers as a soldier-statesman in the mold of George Washington and Dwight D. Eisenhower, according to the public prints. And in greeting Mobutu at the White House on August 4, President Nixon said the U.S. had made a "good investment" in the Congo because it has become a "strong, vigorous and stable country". The word "stable" was used here to mean that "law and order" has at last prevailed in the Congo.

Mobutu's first step toward the "law

and order", Nixon loves so well was to hand the late Congolese Prime Minister Patrice Lumumba over to Moïse Tshombe, the in rebellion against the Congolese Government, for execution. He next brought Tshombe, a proven traitor to his country, to the capital as Prime Minister, while he (Mobutu), the head of the army, cooperated with white mercenaries from South Africa, Belgium and Rhodesia against his countrymen who still pursued the ideals of Lumumba. This campaign against the "rebels" led to the bloodbath of November, 1964, in Stanleyville, in which reportedly more than 10,000 Congolese were slaughtered by Belgian paratroops, ferried in American planes from the British-administration island of Assension, off the West Coast of Africa.

According to public records, the United States Government and private investors have injected \$800 million into the economy of the Congo since it became independent in 1960 under the

leadership of Patrice Lumumba. But it appears that most of this "investment" has been in the form of military hardware, military training and police training. Private investments, of course, have gone into companies engaged in exploiting the mineral riches of the country - copper, tin, industrial diamonds, gold, cobalt, zinc, and uranium. Americans of the Central Intelligence Agency organized the Congolese Air Force in the early 1960's and recruited pilots from it from among Cuban refugees. This was to enable Mobutu's army to fight the pro-Lumumba revolutionaries. At about the same time the United States Aid for International Development (AID) programme built a Policy Academy and recruited former New York State Policeman, John F. Manopoli to head a police-training program in Leopoldville.

It was not long after that - in 1966 - that four members of the political opposition were arrested and

subsequently hanged in public by the Mobutu Government. In 1966, the Congolese students got restless as a result of deteriorating social and economic conditions. Mobutu's reply to their demands for more freedom and more foods was an attack in which more than 60 students were mowed down by army and police gunfire. This "no nonsense" way of dealing with student unrest acted out what Vice President Spiro Agnew is able to express only in words. But it was one of the ways in which President Mobutu has brought law and order to his country.

While all of this strenuous attention was being paid to law and order, the roads were left in decay, bridges went unrepaired, it was impossible in 1968 for produce from the countryside to be brought to the capital.

Moreover, the Belgian plantation owners, who had fled during the turmoil that followed the coming of independence, were invited back. Their

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