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# "ONLY IN AMERICA..."



RPCN--A cold, looming Italian sits under the scorching lights of one of the City's television studios. "Nobody knows you, Thatcher," he derisively stated to Republican alternative mayoral candidate, Thatcher Longstreth. He is Frank Lazzarro Rizzo, a man who has demanded total homage from the primarily white communities, and a man who has evoked pure hatred, and stark terror from the Afro-American and Puerto Rican communities. But Rizzo is, to some degree at least, right. 'Nobody' knows Thatcher Longstreth. The people of the Black and Third World communities are 'nobodies', as Rizzo's blatantly racist history shows.

People who are not Philadelphians, will undoubtedly ask, "Who is this Frank Rizzo?" Perhaps the colorful past of the Democratic candidate for Mayor will give us a clue.

NOVEMBER 17, 1967--An estimated 5000 Black youths marched on the Board of Education to demand relevant, and much-needed curricular changes, African, and Afro-American history. The young brothers and sisters were armed with nothing except an earnest desire to learn. 5000 Black Students! Rizzo, nicknamed by the Black victims of his viciousness, 'The Cisco Kid', saw the opportunity to advance politically, and so, he did. With the blessings of the present mayor (James H. J. Tate), Rizzo, then Police Commissioner, paved his way to infamy, leaving behind him a sordid trail of Black blood. The Rev. Henry Nichols, a Negro member and official of the Philadelphia Board of Education, saw the upcoming clash, and made an appeal for peace, saying, "Mr. Commissioner! Mr. Rizzo! Can I ta-?!!" He was interrupted by some faceless, mindless minions of Rizzo's who took the message and delivered it--by word of mouth. In a piece of unused video-tape, Rizz is said to have turned around, lightened his fat hateful jaws, and reply, "Fuck that nigger!"

He turned to his eagerly awaiting gestapo and ordered them to "Get their Black asses!" It was no demonstration. It was a legally sanctioned massacre. Black high school students are no match for the sadistic band of Philadelphia's Finest that assaulted them. But it was a gleeful day for Frank. He received nothing but praise from a

great many Philadelphians, who rejoiced at a man who finally put niggers in their place--under a pig's boot.

This was the Frank Rizzo of 1967. Has time diminished the distinctly racist manner of amn who has systematically avoided the Black wards and divisions in this election? In the words of Aretha, "Aint No Way."

AUGUST, 1970--The escape attempt of young Jonathan Jackson was fresh in the Black national mind. The pigs were in absolute ecstasy over the 'capture' of Angela Davis. And here, in Philadelphia, Police Commissioner Rizzo was plastered across the front page of the Philadelphia Daily News, as a proposed hostage to be held for the release of Sister Davis. Didn't hear about it? Don't feel bad, neither did the kidnappers. It was, clearly, a weak piece of journalism, but a well-devised plot to attract attention, and votes, to the candidacy of the Cisco Kid.

Rizzo took this opportunity, the eve of the Revolutionary Peoples Constitutional Convention, to order one of the most infamous raids in history. What conscious Black man has not seen the picture of naked Black Panthers forced to strip to the buff under the gun? Rizzo succeeded his sick sharpshooters on the Philadelphia branch offices of the Black Panther Party at 4:45 am. After the early morning shoot-out, Rizzo order their captives to strip. It seems to me that the Black Man needs a Geneva Convention right here in the streets of North American.

This is the man who seriously contends for the office of mayor in the 4th largest city in the U.S. In the event that Rizzo wins (this is written on the eve of the election), many Black folks have sworn to leave the city. It may be a trip out of the frying pan, but into the fire. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is not different from Philadelphia, Mississippi. But, even if Rizzo loses, the undercurrent of white racism that is the heart of America will win. It is still a country that preaches brotherhood, but practices lynching.

"What do you mean, 'down South?'" Malcolm asked. "Long as you South of the Canadian border, you're down South."

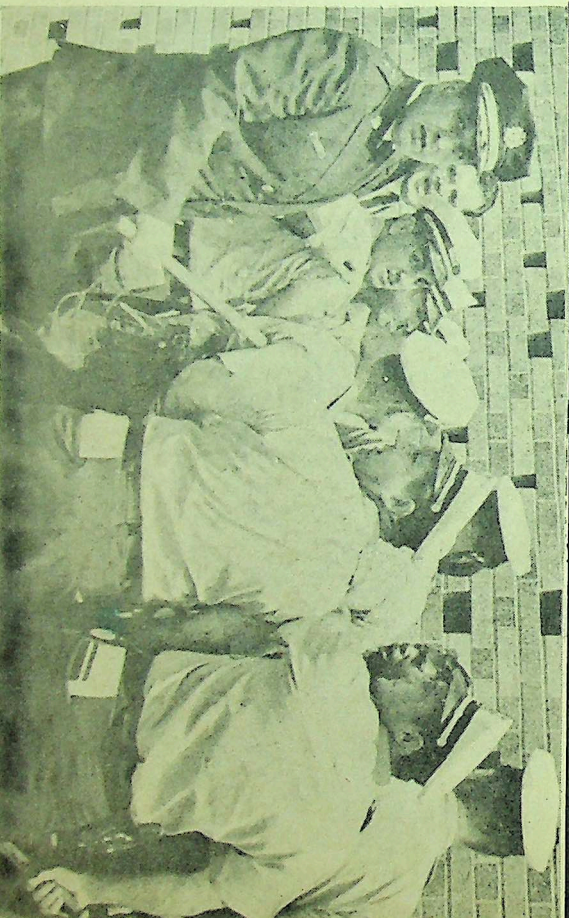
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Philadelphia, RPCN--His high shoulders moved slowly towards the rostrum. His voice, his very manner spoke of pure exhaustion, and utter fatigue. It was 10 o'clock, and the returns had been counted, counted, and recounted. On T.V. sets across the city, moved small light messages...the bitter message of defeat.

...REPUBLICAN MAYORAL CANDIDATE THATCHER LONGSTRETH CONCEDED DEFEAT TO DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FRANK RIZZO.....

There were tears in his eyes as he called for unity and support of Frank Rizzo.

In the Black community though, such high and lofty ideals were lost on the dark, wet streets of Philadelphia. A slight variation in rain was falling since 7:00, an hour before the polls closed. Few people moved in the dull, North Philadelphia streets. Those that did refused to meet the eyes of other streetwalkers. Even an outsider could feel the very obvious heaviness that prevailed. Black people and Puerto Rican people in



Rizzo, with club, leading police beating on black girl demonstrator at State Office Building, Broad and Spring Garden Streets

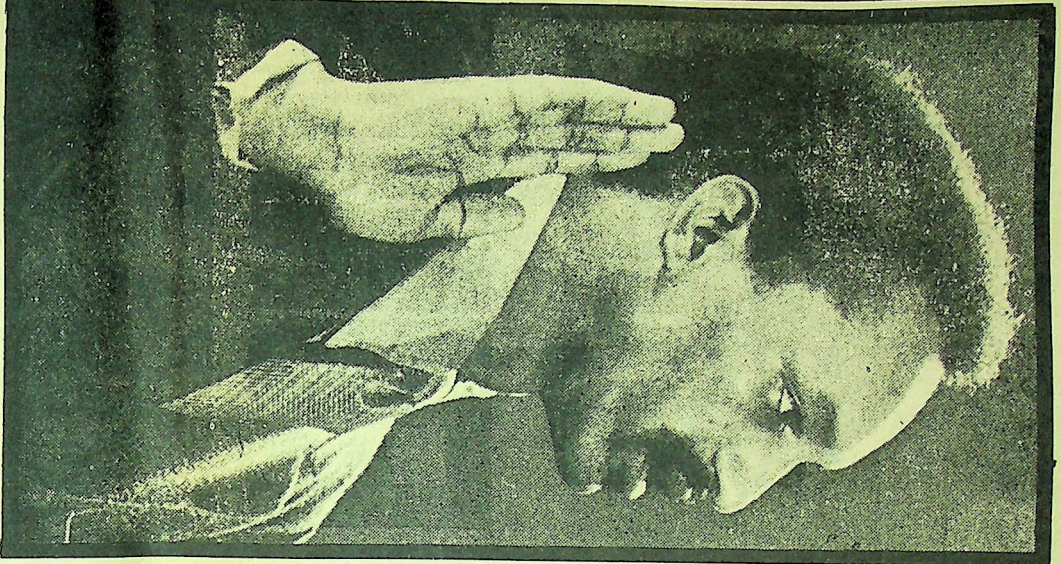
the city have been given another great Burden--by the name of Frank Rizzo. But the feeling that now

lives with us is no new one, for Black people have known what it means to be losers...we've been

losing since 1441.



# POLICE GRAFT



**Waverley Logan - former member of New York's PEP squad testifies before the Knapp Commission**

New York, RPCN--Appointed by the mayor of New York, John V. Lindsay, to head the Knapp Commission, Whittam B. Knapp, a Wall Street lawyer, stated that the New York City Police Department was full of wide-spread graft and pay-offs among its police officers.

Several of the witnesses that appeared in front of the Knapp Commission were working for the commission, such as chief witness, Detective William Phillips, who had been a police officer for 14 years. He was caught accepting a pay-off from a Knapp Commission investigator. His testimony on October 19 stated that he knew that numbers of policemen in various departments in which he had worked were "on the pad" and were accepting gifts.

He also stated that high-ranking officials in the detective division were taking graft, receiving money from hotels, prostitution, gambling and narcotics.

Phillips himself owns several homes in Long Island and an airplane. During Phillips testimony, Police Commissioner Patrick Murphy sent a bleeper over police call radios to reassure his men and tell them not to lose their morale. He added that men such as Phillips would be removed from the department.

In Phillips testimony, which lasted two days, he stated that in Harlem, over \$80,000 a month was paid out for police protection, and that this money comes mainly from gambling and narcotics.

His testimony only backs up what Black people in Harlem have known for years--that police officers are the main perpetrators of corruption and the drug traffic in Harlem.

The next major witness to testify for the Knapp Commission was Waverly Logan, a Black narcotics squad officer and former member of the PEP squad more frequently known in Harlem as the Mod Squad. The PEP squad is a Black narcotics squad in Harlem that is supposed to investigate narcotics traffic and corruption.



**William Phillips**

Waverly Logan stated that he was making between \$1100 and \$1300 a month from bribes, shakedowns, and from dope dealers. He said that comparatively, he was doing bad, that others on the squad were averaging close to \$3500 a month from bribes.

Also he stated that there were numerous cases where uniformed patrolmen would take stolen goods from drug addicts and in turn give them drugs.

Giving drugs to addicts is another example of the long-standing complaint from the Black Community that "New York's Finest" are responsible in large measure for the increasing drug traffic and poisoning of the youth of the Black Community.

Logan was dismissed from the police force for his failure to testify against two white policemen who were brought up before the civilian complaint review board.

He also testified that being on the narcotics squad in Harlem is like "becoming a millionaire over the night" because of the opportunities to make money from dope dealers and pushers.

William Klerman, president of Patrolman's Benevolent Association (PBA), made an emphatic statement calling for a halt to the Knapp Commission proceedings, saying that it was destroying the morale of his officers. Klerman is the same one that called for the arming of patrolmen with shotguns in the Black Community earlier this year.

Police Commissioner, Patrick Murphy, came out with a statement offering amnesty pending investigation to cops that talk to the Knapp Commission.

You can see the kind of situation that exists in New York City when you to have a Knapp Commission investigating police corruption. For years now, the people of the community have cried out against corruption. Organizations in the community have documented corruption time and time again in Harlem, where most of the money comes from, and the large amount of drugs brought into the community.

The police commissioner endorses corruption, the PBA endorses corruption and Lindsay endorses the corruption. If the Knapp Commission was going to do its job, it should have presented names starting from top to bottom.

So the people in the Black and Puerto Rican communities will know that there's only one way to get rid of corruption, and that is by getting rid of the corrupt.





# UN Admits Peking

Philadelphia, RPCN—Members of the International Community known as the United Nations are celebrating the victory of the seating of the Peoples Republic of China into the General Assembly. Delegates from many anti-imperialist countries have expressed complete elation over the Peking victory.

Delegates from the United States have expressed what was called, 'a monumental double-cross.' The governments of Cyprus, Tunisia, Belgium, Ireland, and Qatar, who pledged previously to vote for the resolution, tipped the intricate balance of the scales of international power, and instead voted against the pro-Taiwan resolution.

The reactionary government of Chiang Kai-Shek prepared their statement of defeat even before the actual resolution came up for consideration in the General Assembly. After the loss of a preliminary vote, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's humiliated 'Nationalist Chinese' delegates picked up their stuff and left. Foreign Minister Chow Shu-Kai tried to make it appear that Nationalist China's defeat was instead a refusal to remain by saying, "This has been a milestone around our necks for 21 years. We feel relieved that this thing is over."

U.S. Ambassador George Bush, obviously embarrassed by the unprecedented lack of support over the issue, remarked, "...the United Nations today crossed a very dangerous bridge...I hope the UN will not relive this moment of infamy."

What the U.S. delegation could more accurately label 'infamy' should rightly be attached to the 21 year blocking of membership to a country with an estimated 750 million people, the Peoples Republic of China. The major blockers have coincidentally been the infamous imperialist nations of the United States, Great Britain, France, Norway, and Yahya Khan's Pakistan.

Nationalist China's last feeble attempt to 'save face' included such ill-founded

statements as: "The government of the Republic of China, in order to realize the aspirations of the Chinese people, will struggle on until the Communist regime is overturned."

...WE DON'T THINK IT IS WORTH OUR WHILE TO STAY IN SUCH AN ORGANIZATION ANY LONGER."

"Our government was the only government chosen by the Chinese people. We could not betray them."

It does not take intellectual brilliance to understand that Nationalist China represents an estimated 14 million people, while the Peoples Republic of China represents over 700 million—yet Chiang Kai-Shek insists that Taiwan represents the masses of the Chinese people. The world community, spearheaded by the efforts of Algeria and Albania, have won a victory. A victory over the subtleridge, the games, and the lies told by U.S. delegates, and Taiwanese delegates to the United Nations.

Taiwanese Foreign Minister Chow Shu-Kai, when leaving the hall of the General Assembly of the United Nations, was warmly comforted by Angie Brooks-Randolph, assistant Secretary of State of Liberia.

The latest addition to Taiwanese Foreign Minister Chow Shu-Kai's emotional tirades have taken the foul form of fostering fear. In a truly reactionary manner, Chow warns that 'a 3rd World War' may not be far off. Chow assures the U.S. that the "balance of power" will shift to "Red China." Chow warns that Peking will become "...even more belligerent than before." "Mark my words! You will see! It'll be the beginning of a 3rd World War!" shouts the Foreign Minister of spurned Taiwan.

Chow has never been known to criticize U.S. involvement in Indo-China, the maintenance of military bases in S. Korea, S. Vietnam, or Congo-Kinshasa. Perhaps he feels that such political and military rape is by no means a contribution to 'a world war.'

## Sammy sings

# "I Gotta Be Me"



Boston, RPCN—It was recently stated in a Boston newspaper (Sunday Herald Traveler, October 24, 1971) that a well-known entertainer, Sammy Davis Jr. would be appearing in Swaziland exclusively to an audience composed of white South Africans and Portuguese from Mozambique who will pay \$210 a head to see him. His acceptance of this deal should shock and disgust every person in the world who is concerned with the liberation and salvation Black people. Indeed his music, and that of any other person, white or Black, who agrees to perform before such racist segregationist groups as these should be banned from our homes, and their actions should be condemned firmly, unequivocally in public!

The South African government practices a brand of strict separation of people by race and by color which is more encompassing, more violent, more dehumanizing, and more hated than anything white segregationists in the

United States could have hoped to dream of. This is "apartheid", the most hated word in all of Africa. It forces people to live below subsistence level in shanties, surrounded by barbed-wire fences, causes a mortality rate of 50% among Black children up to age 5, strips all Black people of all political rights including the right to own land, obtain decent education, have adequate medical care, vote, or protest government policies.

Racism is South Africa and Mozambique is not a matter of likes and dislikes, it is a matter of law. Anyone doing business with South Africa,



**Mao Tse-Tung, Leader of 750 million Chinese. UN Building in background.**

RPCN—Peking radio has described their seating in the UN General Assembly as a trend of the times—a trend against both the U.S. and Japan, who, voted against the Peking assembly seat.

They described American and Japanese delegates as, "snits in a hot frying pan." Peking (capital city of the Peoples Republic of China) Foreign Minister Chi Peng-Fei called it a "victory of the people of the whole world." He further added that the vote marked, "the complete bankruptcy of the policy long pursued by U.S. imperialism."

Peking radio added and elaborated on Foreign Minister Fei's remarks in the following broadcast:

"This is a victory of the people of the world. It is a complete bankruptcy of the scheme of U.S. imperialism, which has been controlling the United Nations, advocating power politics, obstructing the restoration of all the legitimate rights of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations.

"This has dealt a heavy blow to U.S. imperialism. It shows the trend of the hearts of the people of the world. It is the tide of the era.

But the U.S. imperialists and Japanese reactionaries will not admit their defeat. They now are still continuing with great efforts and new conspiracies to create two Chinas or one China, one Taiwan, and independent Taiwan of the fiction that Taiwan's status is determined.

The Chinese people will continue to be vigilant, joining with people of all countries to contrive their struggle to destroy completely the U.S. conspiracy," concluded Peking radio.

Southwest Africa (Namibia), Rhodesia (Zimbabwe), Mozambique, Angola, agrees in effect to obey their rigidly enforced racist laws. To perform for the white minority clique of any of these countries is to support their fascist dictatorial policies in regard to the oppressed peoples of Africa. It serves further to undermine the courageous work of just liberation movements in these areas, to cheapen the demands of the Organization of African Unity which calls for an end of dialogue with apartheid governments, and to set aside the goals of United Nations international campaign against apartheid and all forms of racism.

The Polaroid Revolutionary Workers Movement, along with the Black South African Community in the United States, and all Third World Liberationists soundly condemns any behavior that gives credence to the rule of oppressive fascist governments. Their racist laws are uncompromising. All our efforts in freeing our people from them must be just as uncompromising!



MANGROVE 9

The trial of the Mangrove Nine, seven black brothers and two sisters opened at the Old Bailey, a courthouse, in London on October 5, 1971. These nine black people face very serious charges, of incitement to riot, Affray and Assaulting Police. The charges stem from a demonstration last year of black people against the victimisation of the Mangrove Restaurant in the Notting Hill Gate area of London by the police and police brutality against the black people of the area. At this demonstration black folks showed London police that they related to self-defence and fought back. The police, both uniformed and plain clothed, attacked the demonstrators and arrested seventeen brothers and sisters. Others were arrested at various times in the year following the incident.

The sisters and brothers are not being allowed to be tried by a jury of their peers. The jurors are white, the judge is an obvious racist.

Black people in England are treated the same way Afro-Americans are treated in Babylon. The British are notorious for their racist attitudes towards all third world peoples, especially blacks, as evidenced by their heavy participation in the slave trade and colonization of the West Indies. Britain was a major imperialist nation until its shadow was eclipsed by the United States. The city of Liverpool was built on the blood of our ancestors. The ruling class in Britain must realize that it can no longer oppress black people. We are slaves no more and all the harm that the English have done is gonna come back on them double. The Irish are attacking from the outside. There are liberation movements in Bermuda,

Barbados and Jamaica, former colonies of Britain, and there is a Black Liberation Army growing right in the belly of London - all with the same purpose in mind, the destruction of British capitalism and imperialism - and the liberation of all oppressed people.

We must learn all we can about our brothers and sisters who are fighting in other parts of the world - for it is the same struggle. For more news and detailed information about the struggle of blacks in Britain, and the case of the Mangrove 9 Write to:

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VIETNAMESE SUMMER CAMP

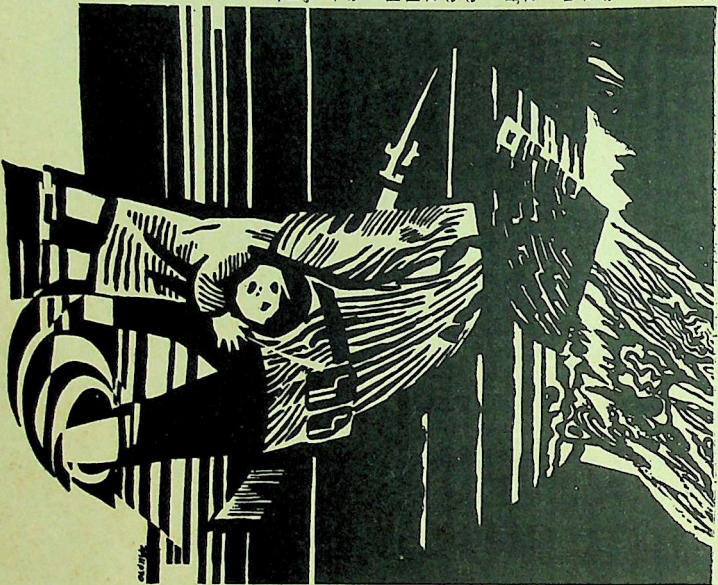
From September 1-6, 150 members of the American left met with 30 members of the Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada on a farm in Canada. The Vietnamese led workshops on the Seven Point Peace Proposal of the PRG, the Peoples War in Viet Nam, the political organizations of the NLF and PRG, and on Vietnamese culture. Other workshops explored US imperialism and the state of the American left movements. Various caucuses were held, among them, a women's caucus, a caucus of women and working class men, and several regional caucuses. More informal cultural exchanges were another important part of the camp experience. On many occasions, Vietnamese and American sisters and brothers shared food, music and poetry. In addition, several films were shown, some dealing with the culture of Viet Nam and the struggles of its people, some with aspects of the American Third World struggle. Finally, the camp concluded with a discussion of future plans and a criticism and self-criticism session.

Out of the collective experience of the camp, several areas of agreement were developed:

1. A recognition that the struggle against US imperialism in Viet Nam must be an urgent priority of all the American people.
2. Recognition of struggles against racism and sexism as important parts of anti-imperialist struggles.
3. Support for the Seven Point Peace Proposal of the PRG as the most effective plan for resolving the problems of Viet Nam in accordance with the interests and desires of both the American and Vietnamese people.
4. Support for all areas of the struggle of the Vietnamese people for independence and self-determination, including the struggles of students and other groups within the urban areas of South Viet Nam.
5. A recognition of the necessity to coordinate actions towards common goals, to build unity within the American movement and to overcome the disputes and factionalism that have plagued it in the past.
6. A resolve to help build mutual understanding between American and Vietnamese people by facilitating the flow of literature, information and experiences, to develop concrete ties between American groups and the AVPC for this purpose.

Participants have returned to the US with a renewed sense of the urgency and importance of the Vietnamese liberation struggle and a commitment to bring that understanding to the American people, and to intensify all efforts to end the war of aggression on South Viet Nam.

PARTICIPANTS included delegations from: Armadillo, Cold Steel Collective, Free Vermont, Ford Workers Def Comm, Liberation Magazine, LNS, Mayday, Mayday Women's Caravan, Guardian, Association of Vietnamese Patriots in Canada, MCHR, New Age Collective, Newsweek, American Doc Films, N.J. Same, Nomad, Peoples Peace Treaty, PCPI, Radio Free People Patriots in Canada, Red Morning, Rev. Pales Commun Nwtk, Ridgewood Friends for Peace, SNCC, Solidarite, United Black Worker's Union, US Comm. to aid the NLF, VVAW, and other organizations and individuals



LETTER TO HARLEM  
I will come back although I don't promise you  
(wandering man dares not taking an oath!)  
O sister! did we promise each other in the pre-life  
Why did we meet together in the miserable destiny now?

Harlem is very poor  
in the rich city  
as my country with misery  
with persuing hatred

Harlem is still bearing sorrow  
the young shoe-polishers  
in the worn-out clothes  
the skinny mothers  
rocking their babies in their arms  
listening to the joy burning away  
and their husbands have to escape from the houses  
because of the threatening tyranny!

As my country  
Harlem has the red-lit laterns  
Harlem has the green-lit laterns too  
but not enough  
to illuminate the souls opening in the darkness  
not enough to bring back calmness  
for the sleepless souls

Harlem has also the dreaming sky  
I'll call back the poetical aspiration  
for sorrow becomes hope  
as powerful as the steps of revolution  
for love sows the life  
and then my poems become the songs of the poor

O sister! don't ask me why I love Harlem  
(love cannot be explained by words)  
I just want to call Harlem  
a "liberty-stature-lacking-vision" land  
as I call Vietnam  
a "standing-in-struggle" land

When I come back to Harlem  
we will go through the streets, dirty and dark  
to listen to the beating of the waiting hearts  
to listen to the dream of the poor

O sister! don't ask me why I love your Harlem  
don't ask me why I love my country  
we have the same miserable destiny  
we should have the same dream!

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# DETROIT NEWS



September 10, a young Black man, Ray Vaughn was viciously and brutally beaten to death in Royal Oak (a suburb of Detroit) by a group of white racists. There was no public cry of outrage to this murder. It was more or less shrugged off with the attitude of "just another nigger killed."

On October 18, a 13 year old white boy was beaten unconscious, allegedly by some 13 or 14 black youths between the ages of 13 and 17. The residents in the community where Matthew Hocks (the white boy) lived, began a stream of outraged reactions to the beating. According to the racist Detroit News, "negroes as well as the white people in the area were outraged." Yet on September 10, when Ray Vaughn was beat to death, there was no cry of outrage. There was no plea to the police to do something about the racists that viciously beat the brother to death.

Following the incident, 14 "suspects" all of them black, were arrested and charged with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder. Thirteen of the fourteen "suspects" are juveniles and the prosecutor, William Cahalan, is attempting to have them all tried as adults.

For a total of 10 days, the Amerikkkan news media in Detroit ran a series of "tear jerking" front page articles with the intent of drawing mass sympathy of Matthew Hock and utter contempt and hatred for the 14 black brothers. Every hour on the hour, a report on Matthew Hocks' condition, along with slide remarks, were run via radio. When young Craig Mitchell and Ricardo Buck were gunned down by members of STRESS a month ago, the racist Detroit News ran a

Detroit, RPCN-Jackie Ray Ellis was released from Armore State Prison in Alabama last January 25, after doing 10 years for armed robbery. Now the Alabama "zoo-keepers" are saying that his release was a mistake and they are attempting to kidnap him from Michigan. They are claiming that he murdered a fellow inmate. On January 15, 1969, an all white jury convicted him at a ONE DAY lynching. Somehow the Alabama idiots let brother Jackie loose.

After six days on the ground in Detroit, Jackie was snatched from his father's east side home by the local police. He was held in a maximum security cell until his release on bail.

Every fact available shows us that Jackie Ray Ellis was framed and railroaded for his political activities. There were 22 witnesses who gave testimony for him at his murder trial. Five of the six lap dogs who testified against him were given an early release. Jackie was railroaded because the Alabama officials are afraid of righteous people's warriors. Brother Jackie was a member of a small

October 25 at 1:31 AM, a bomb exploded in the headquarters of the Detroit Police Officers Association at 2899 W. Grand Boulevard in Detroit. According to the police, damages were estimated at over \$3,000, but no policeman were injured in the explosion.

Since the inception of the STRESS unit in Detroit (a special "crime-fighting" unit), the murders of Black people by the occupying forces under the guise of being "police officers" has doubled, yet Police Inspector John Darnell said, "The bombing is another attempt in a long list of 'misdirected grievances' against the police."

According to information received, a call came into the 13th (Woodward) precinct approximately 10 minutes before the explosion. The caller reported a policeman lying wounded in an alley near Selden. At this the police sent a number of officers to the scene. No one was

group of brothers who organized and protested for better prison conditions. The Alabam officials aren't lying when they claim they made a mistake in releasing him. Jackie Ray Ellis was one "nigger" they would have never cut loose.

When Jackie was convicted in 1961, he took a "cop" for short time on an armed robbery charge. At the time he was 19 years old and facing 50 years in prison. During seven of the ten years he spent in Armore, Jackie was in segregated units. There was no heat in the cells in the winter, and brothers were given only slippers and shorts to wear. Conditions such as these and worse, still couldn't break Jackie's revolutionary spirit.

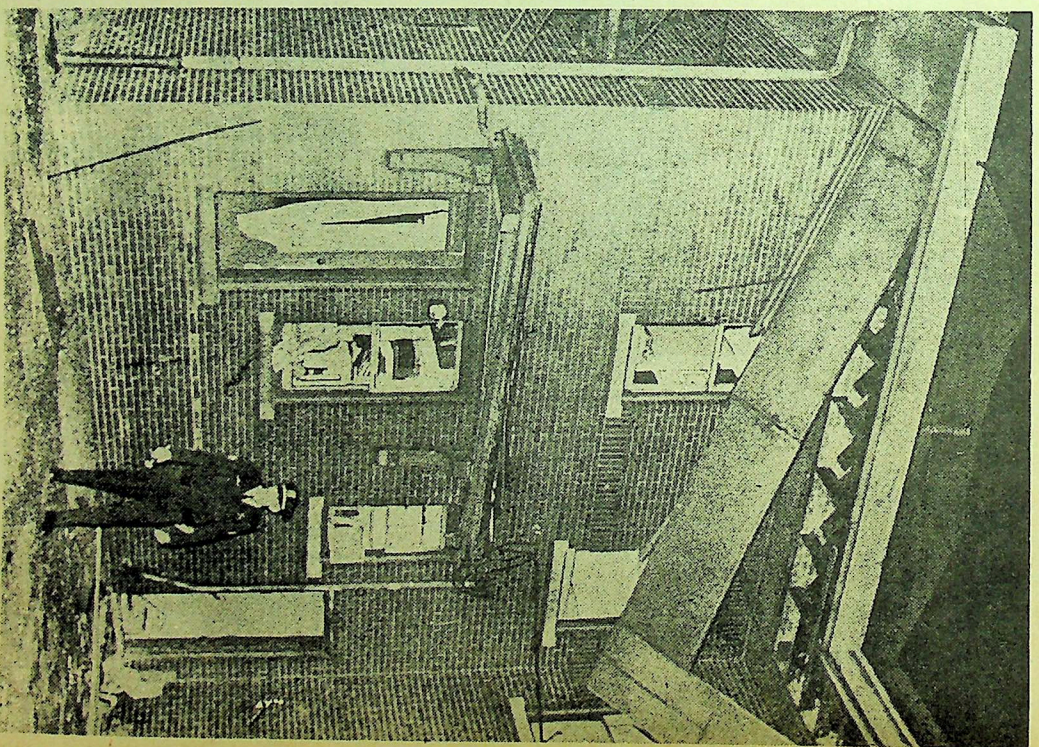
This is typical of the treatment that political prisoners in the prisons and jails of Babylon are subjected to daily. It must end, and it must end now. It can only end by supporting and liberating political prisoners. With the case of Jackie Ray Ellis, the people are calling for an end to this. The government of Babylon had best call a halt to the dehumanization of Black people, or risk the armed retaliation of the people.

found in the alley and the police said they believed the call to be a hoax to draw them away from the D.P.O.A.

The windows in ten cars in a nearby parking lot were blown out. The foundation of the building was weakened and windows in several surrounding buildings were also blown out. Following the bombing, Inspector Morris said he felt that the bombing indicated a conspiracy aimed directly at the lives of police officers. He also said that security precautions at other police installations would be doubled indefinitely.

The people realize who the enemy is, for they perpetrate acts of aggression in the people's community. It should be no wonder to anyone, especially the police, that the people have decided to protect themselves -- BY ANY MEANS NECESSARY!

## THE PEOPLE RETALIATE!



Policeman inspects bomb damage to association headquarters

string of articles totally backing the acts of brutality, harassment and murder perpetrated by the STRESS unit. They went so far as to cite how many commendations the "police officers" on the STRESS unit had been rewarded due to their "good work" in killing black people. No attempt was made to draw sympathy for 14 and 15 year old Ricardo and Craig, who were gunned down in cold blood by "officer" Worobec and other members of the STRESS unit.

We must begin to realize that the establishment press is a tool of the power structure, used to mislead and misguide the people in an attempt to sway their support. Everyday Black and Third World people are being victimized by the government that runs Amerikkka. The people are being murdered by the warmongering imperialist Amerikkkan government and the news media is used to justify the unprovoked and unwarranted attacks of the the system.

It is time for the people to relate to a support a peoples communications system. It is time that Black people in particular and all oppressed people in general do something when their own people are gunned down, beaten and harassed. It is time to do something about the racists that run amuck in our communities murdering brothers and sisters.

\*Footnote: "Officer Worobec" is the same pig that led the attack on New Bethel Church last year when over 100 men, women and children were fired upon in the church while attending a convention of the Republic of New Africa in Detroit.



# Injustice to the People

New York, RPPCN-A mother snatched from the visiting room of the Bronx County Jail by New York detectives, in the middle of her visit with her son, is one of the most recent victims of intimidation and harassment by the police across the country.

Frantic activity by "law enforcement agencies" generated in an attempt to halt the increasing assaults on police and other institutions of amerikkan society, has resulted in an all-too-familiar chain of gross injustice to the people.

The assassinations of Patrolman Joseph Pagentini and Weaverly Jones that occurred last May 21, for instance, has been solved on any number of different occasions since last spring.

Following the assassination, an 18 year old Black man from Brooklyn was thrown in jail on \$50,000 as a material witness because the police claimed that he had seen the men as they left the scene.

Hundreds of young black men have been continuously picked up off the streets of New York, and detained for questioning.

Headlines blared in June that the assassin had been captured and Edward Jamal Joseph and Richard Dharuba Moore, two of the Panther 21 acquitted in the Panther conspiracy trial, were tried and convicted in the racist media, simply on the strength of the word of Chief of Detectives, Alfred Seedman.

Their friends and relatives were harassed continuously by the FBI and local detectives all through the summer.

Then, in August, two other Black men, Anthony Bottoms and Albert Washington, were arrested in San Francisco--allegedly on charges of attempting to shoot a patrolman there.

The police claim to have found Pagentini's gun in possession of one of the men held in San Francisco. But if you remember, the police also claimed that

guards in Attica had their throats slashed by inmates.

A slew of "witnesses", about five, were flown to San Francisco, and Bottoms and Washington were placed in a line-up. Bottoms is reported to have been identified by only one witness, and Washington was not identified at all.

Bottoms was immediately indicted by a New York grand jury for the murder of Pagentini and Jones, apparently on the strength of that lone identification.

Suddenly, an October raid on a Bronx apartment produced five new "suspects" held for questioning.

Claiming that a tip from San Francisco police had led to the apartment in a search for Francisco Torres, allegedly wanted by the FBI for a West Coast bank robbery, heavily armed New York police arrested all five occupants of the apartment, and again banner headlines proclaimed their guilt. In

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West Germany, RPPCN--

In terms of the liberation struggle of black people, the brothers and sisters held in the confinement centers and concentration camps across Babylon, and the black GIs who are trained to kill and spread all around the world, are very key.

The best of our black youth, together with the Puerto Rican, Chicanos, Indians, Chinese Americans, etc. are dishied off into the Army, separating them from their communities where they are needed to help carry out the struggle, and sent all over the world. They are forced to fight and kill other people of color who are oppressed and are fighting for freedom and self-determination.

The Voice of the Lumpen in West Germany feels it is very important and necessary for the success of the revolution to politicize the Afro-American inside the oppressors war machine. These brothers and sisters have the military knowledge and skills that can be utilized, right now to prepare our people for war.

We also realize that black men and women in the military are in a very key position to strike blows to the oppressor. And the pigs in power are defenseless without their military.

In the Seventh Army in West Germany, there is much chaos in the ranks. The big pigs are confused as to what to do. They recently sent General Davidson over from Vietnam to deal with what they call "the troubled Seventh Army". Pig blood is being spilled, equipment is being liberated or destroyed. General Westmoreland had to come and check the shit out.

addition to Francisco Torres, his brother Gabriel Torres, and their sister and brother-in-law, Marie and Stanley Bailey, were arrested, along with Jacqueline Tabb. The five were alleged by the "Daily Noose" to be members of a "gang" that included Bottoms and Washington.

The five have been constantly harassed while in jail, repeatedly taken to the the D.A.'s office for "questioning" and called to appear in New York grand jury proceedings against Washington.

After being held on \$50,000 bail for possession of Marijuana (which police first claimed was heroin) and possession of a shotgun (one for all five people) Gabriel Torres received a visit from his mother on a day in early November a Bronx County Jail.

He talked to her for a few minutes, and then sat and watched as she was led away away by New York detectives, in the middle of the visit, for "questioning".

The Voice of the Lumpen is working hard to give the brothers and sisters inside the military apparatus what they need--revolutionary information and support.

The pig news media in W. Germany is bending over backwards to distort, block, and discredit everything that is done all over the world in the name of freedom. Our main function is to combat this by disseminating information and propaganda and by giving political education classes.

But propaganda and P.E. classes are but one aspect of the struggle--the aspect of laying a solid foundation for revolutionary activities. In order for the brothers and sisters here in West Germany, in So. Vietnam, in Korea, anywhere that you have military installations, including inside Babylon, what they need in order to continue to move and function as revolutionaries, is support from their communities. They need legal support, information and some righteous moral support when they throw a nigger-wrench in the war machine in the name of the Afro-American Liberation struggle.

As the struggle and the repression elevates inside Babylon, so does the struggle in Germany, inside the military. These brothers are relating very heavily to discrete but organized activities because the debts for Attica, brother George Jackson, the daily kidnappings of our warriors, and the 400 years of brutality and murder must be paid. And 50,000 young and angry black GIs are aware of their position of power!

**ACTION IS THE VANGUARD!**  
The Voice of the Lumpen- West Germany

# Woodoo in the Black Community!



### EDITOR'S NOTE:

At the time we went to press we received a phone call informing us Sandra Redd (Sandra Homels), Geronimo's other half, his Amazon Queen, his woman and peoples' fighter, had been killed, murdered, shot through the head, with a .38 (weapon, L.A. police). The pigs had her body for several days claiming that they didn't know who she was- which is a lie because they have her fingerprints.

She was a known Panther. She used to be in charge of the party chapter in L.A. Finally the pigs dragged Geronimo out of jail "to identify the body". No one was informed until Thursday Nov. 11.

Geronimo and the rest of the L.A. 13 do not intend to continue with their trial until the murderer of this revolutionary sister is brought to JUSTICE. "People's Justice"

We will have more info in the next issue of Babylon.

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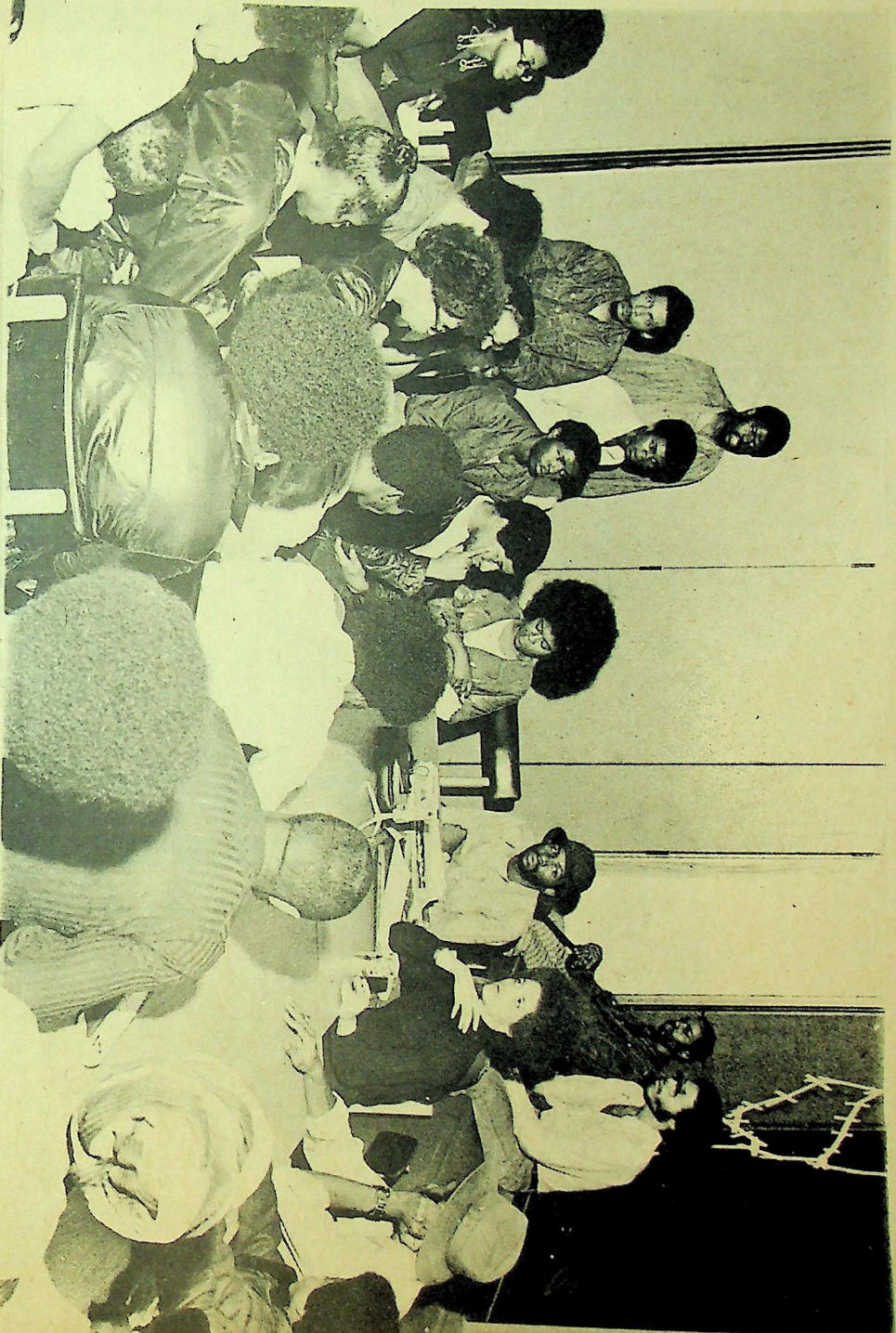
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Black Students at Stoneybrook College, N.Y., get together for a rap session with Sister Kathleen Cleaver who is currently touring the U.S. to set up new Units of the Revolutionary People's Communications Network. Many students are interested in hooking up with the R.P.C.N., which will give them a viable means of communication with the rest of the revolutionary movement throughout the world and with communities inside of Babylon.

## COOKIE HAS COURAGE!

New York, RPCN--"Tell everyone out there to be strong, and to keep on struggling. That's where my strength comes from to deal with being in here."

That's the message that Cookie (Marie Williams) sent to her comrades from inside the Civil Jail. Cookie has been held in jail, ILLEGALLY, since August 18, by an assistant district attorney in Queens named Nicholosi.

A 19 year old Black woman, Cookie has a 3 year old son. Her mother and brothers live in New York, and Cookie has lived here all of her life.

Why is she in jail? On August 18 she was picked up at her Bronx apartment, taken to the Queens district attorney's office and questioned for four hours WITHOUT AN ATTORNEY! When she refused to answer any questions, she was charged with a bank robbery alleged to have been committed last December and held in \$25,000 bail.

Ten days later, the bank robbery charge was dismissed, and Cookie was held in \$50,000 bail as a material witness in the murder of Sam Napier, a panther found dead earlier this year.

Nicholosi, the blond-haired wonder that heads the Queens Homicide division, has used every tactic he can conjure up to try to force Cookie to testify against the four Black men that are charged with Napier's murder.

One of them, Michael D. Hill, is in jail in Detroit, awaiting extradition. Defense for the other three, Richard Dharuba Moore, Edward Jamal Joseph, and Irving Butch Mason, has told the court that Cookie is a defense witness-- not a prosecution witness.

But Nicholosi refuses to allow Cookie to communicate with anyone and continues to hold her against her will. She was rearrested, WHILE IN JAIL, and



"Tell everyone out there to be strong, and to keep on struggling. That's where my strength comes from to deal with being in here."

taken to night court in Manhattan to be arraigned on a charge of riot in the 2nd degree. She has been refused medical treatment for an internal problem, and is not allowed to SEND or RECEIVE ANY MAIL. She is constantly harassed by the D.A., and has been pushed and shoved around by the detectives assigned to guard her. Her only visitor is her mother, the D.A. will not permit EVEN HER BROTHERS to visit her.

Nicholosi has to make sure that Dharuba, Jamal, Butch, and Michael are convicted of the murder of Sam Napier. These four Black men are innocent, and since he has no evidence, Nicholosi is exploiting the contradictions within the Black Panther Party to railroad them to life imprisonment. He is working to build a non-existent case by trying to intimidate Cookie.

But the day is rapidly passing when a young Black woman, politically aware and active, can be persuaded by threats or force, to lie for the State to railroad Black men.

Sisters are banding together to fight, at the side of our brothers, for the complete freedom and liberation of our people.

**DEMAND THAT COOKIE BE RELEASED NOW!** She is being held in violation of her rights--she was never asked to testify, she was never subpoenaed. She was simply thrown in jail--the same circumstances under which Leslie Bacon's arrest was ruled illegal.

Send telegrams and letters to:

Queens D.A. Mackell, or Asst. D.A. Nicholosi  
Kew Gardens, New York



# The Brownie Point System or "Rat on Your Mama"

The Brownie Point System is a new method the government has developed to further oppress black folks. It will affect all families receiving public assistance in the Hamilton Center area of New York, which is being used as a "testing ground". If the system works it will probably be used all over the country.

Black and Puerto Rican families will have their welfare grants reduced from the current grant level, averaging \$3763 for a family of 4 regardless of rent. The family will then have an "opportunity" to earn points to bring their grant back up to the current level. In other words - if you are good, you get your money, if not you don't.

Each point is worth \$12.50 semi-monthly. A typical family of 4 would have to earn eight points a month to receive their full grant. Larger families would need even more points. If you don't earn points - you are uncooperative - and no one will care if your family starves.

Welfare checks are small enough as it is in this time of inflation without a further burden on Black and Puerto Rican families.

In theory, points can be earned by:

- a. Vaccination and shots for a pre-school child
- b. Working in private employment
- c. participating in manpower training
- d. Working in public employment job slots
- e. Working off the grant
- f. Students over 15 participating in "community service program" (½ point during the school year)
- g. Parent's cooperation with the school authorities (only ½ point for children over 15)
- h. Unemployable adults, i.e. mother with children in the home, no more than one point for any one or all of the following:
  1. providing day care for children of other welfare families
  2. cleaning the house
  3. serving as a social service agency volunteer
  4. putting children in "citizen building activities, i.e., Boy Scouts
  5. activities designed to improve money management or home management
  6. participation in establishment of paternity and locating a deserting parent

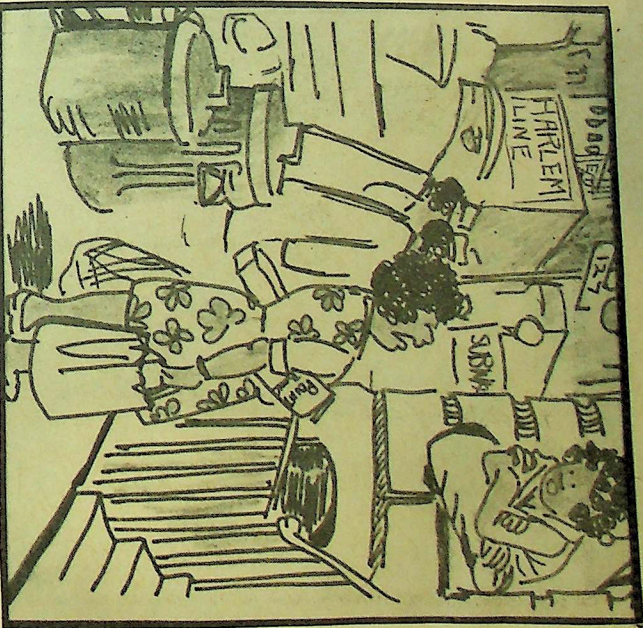
On all points the system is bound to ensure a proliferation of paper work, with a substantial risk that papers will get lost and recipients will not be credited for the incentive. Even more importantly, determination of the grant will depend on numerous, highly subjective evaluations. When is work participation "satisfactory"? What is "cooperation" with the school authorities? What constitutes self-improvement or home clean-up? Who determines whether these standards have been met? Is it to be determined by an income maintenance worker selected and trained to do simple grant computations based on objective fact determinations? Apparently the State thinks so. The purported reason for selecting Hamilton Center as the experimental area is that it is an automated, separated center.

In any case, the more arbitrary the decision the better it fits the project objective - the achievement of "behavior modification". The state is clearly attempting to train Black and Hispanic families to accept complete control over every aspect of their lives and surrender any thought of self-determination.

## PUBLIC SERVICE WORK OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM - WORK RELIEF - SLAVERY

The work relief component in the Brownie-point system is the same as the program currently applicable to all Home Relief recipients, and this second program will be applied to 25% of the AFDC caseload of all Manhattan centers, as well as the Fordham, Kingsbridge, and Staten Island centers. The brownie-point system imposes an additional sanction, in the Hamilton district, for failure to participate in work relief, since the family's grant is reduced to start with. If an "employable" mother is assigned to a job or to work relief and fails to cooperate or participating in an "approved" program of vocational training or rehabilitation.

An employable individual will be forced to work off his or her grant unless he gets a job in the private sector, within 30 days after referral to the State Employment Service (SES), or is placed in a public-service job. Statistics of the SES show that of the 55,000 recipients referred to SES in August of 1971, only 3,229 have been placed in jobs. In all of 1970, the State WIN program placed only 2,900 recipients in jobs, out of 14,800 training slots.



**"You better move them garbage cans before the Brownie Point Inspector comes!"**

The state will purportedly set up 1,377 public-service jobs for employable Blacks and Hispanic people. However, the funding for these jobs is based on an annual salary of \$3,720, although they are supposed to pay no less than the wage for comparable public employment. Either Black and Hispanic people will paid less than other people doing similar work, or there will have to be less than 1,377 jobs.

It may be safely assumed that most ADFC recipients will have no alternative but work relief, i.e. working off the family's grant. The hours of work are to be calculated by dividing the total grant by the hourly rate assigned to the work.

Why work relief? At present HR recipients working off their grant are being required to fill city jobs not otherwise being filled because of the hiring freeze, or to do tasks which free up city employees for other work. Agencies are anticipating additional layoffs of individuals such as Community Service Aides, when a supply of work relievers becomes available.

Basically, the only reasons for not working off the grant are serious health problems and the lack of day care. Obviously there are not enough openings in on-going day care facilities to free in many Black or Hispanic mothers for

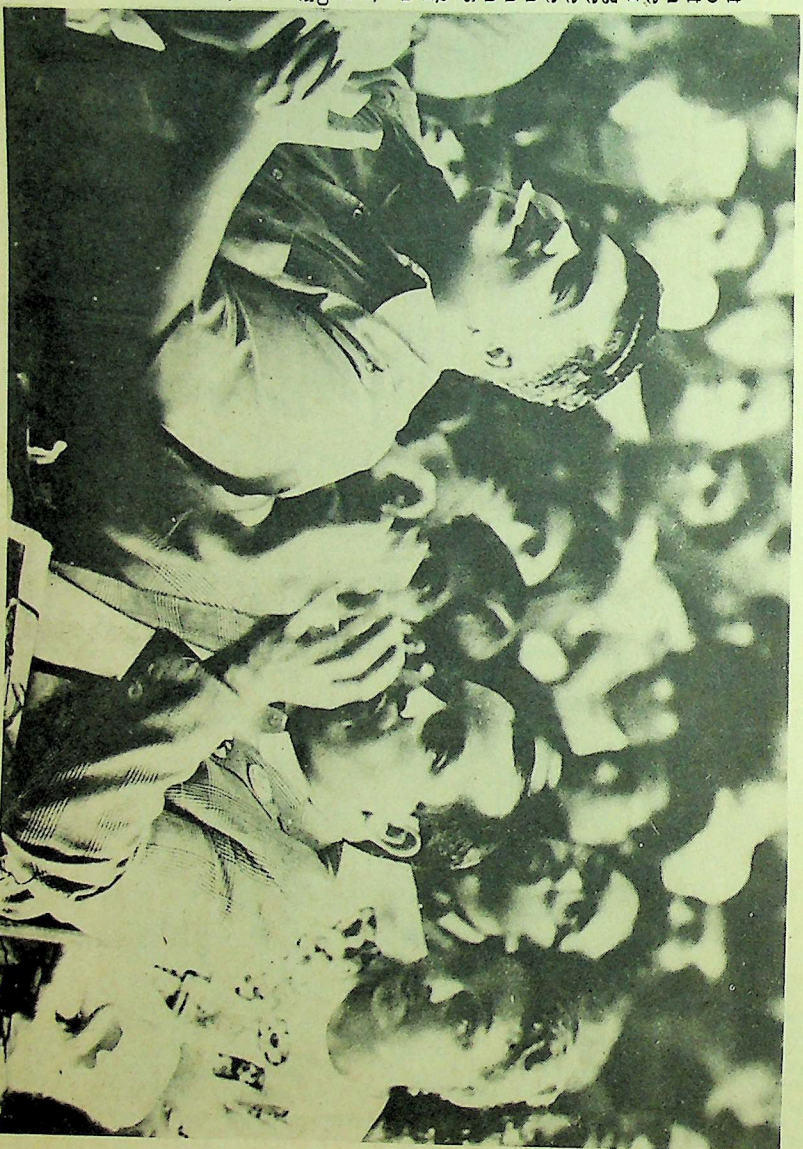
An individual cannot increase his income by work relief. A recipient can work only the hours required to work off the grant. On the other hand, loss of income is guaranteed, since no provision is made for the cost of anything other than transportation and lunches; no provision is made for extra clothing or any other items that a person might need for work.

So, with the facts all told, the Brownie Point System is a threat to our people. Children will be used to spy on their mothers - families will be competing against each other. We must attack the people who are trying to turn blacks into Brownies, and destroy the Brownie Point System.

# JAYUYA IS HERE

October 30th is an important date in the history of the Puerto Rican Revolutionary Struggle. It represents the day of Jayuya. A town in Puerto Rico, where there was an armed rebellion against oppression. Instead of celebrating Jayuya with just a march, the Y.L.P., M.P.I. and El Comité, three groups that are struggling for the liberation of Puerto Rico also had a teach-in at Benjamin Franklin High School, which is the only high school in East Harlem. Carlos Feliciano, who is out on bail spoke, and there were many veterans of the Nationalist struggle present in the audience.

The crowd was full of revolutionary spirit, and many shouts of "Que Viva Puerto Rico Libre" thundered through the auditorium. Puerto Rico is a colony, the show-place colony of the U.S. and all Puerto Ricans must understand that their oppression is a natural result of American capitalism. The duty of a Puerto Rican is to liberate Puerto Rico and all other oppressed nations. **HASTA LA VICTORIA SIEMPRE!**





# JUSTICE NOT EXTRADITION

On September 23, 1971, at approximately 2:30 p.m., Malik Hakim was arrested at the office of the Joint Center for Inner City Change, 90 Warren Street, Roxbury, Massachusetts, by the State Police. The reason given for the arrest was that tention papers had been signed on September 22, 1971 by Governor Francis Sargent. The extradition of Malik Hakim, legally known as Albert Bradford, had been pending since his first arrest in Boston on May 13, 1971 in his home. In May, when FBI agents arrested him, he was charged in the courts for parole violation, in the state of Missouri, rape and attempted murder. However, on May 23, 1971 he was charged only with parole violation and released on a bail that had been reduced from \$50,000 to \$2,500, since his first arrest Malik has continued his work in the community. Malik Hakim is now confined in Norfolk Prison Hospital following surgery due to injuries sustained at the time of the arrest.

Hakim is the director of the Malcolm X Foundation, an educational institution, project leader under contract at the Joint Center for Inner City Change where he has worked for over a year. he is a member of the newly formed Roxbury Crime Commission, prime motivator and founder of United Drug groups, CURE, Inc. and prime motivator for the formulation of the United Community Patrols in the greater Black Community. During the five months since the FBI arrest, the Black community of Boston has been working vigorously to persuade the Governor that Mr. Hakim is, and has been for thirty months, a valuable member of the community which it can ill afford to lose. Community organizations such as the Black United Front, Roxbury Multi-Service Agency, Joint Center - along with City Councilor Thomas I. Atkins, Representative Royal Bolling and Reginald Eaves, Head of the Mayor's Office of Human Rights, have spoken repeatedly in his behalf. More



## CONTRIBUTIONS CAN BE SENT TO:

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# Soledad TRIAL BEGINS Brothers

San Francisco, RPCN--The two surviving Soledad Brothers, Fleeta Drumgo, 26, and John Cluchette, 28, are going to trial in San Francisco following a contention by Defense Attorney Leonard Silliman for a change of venue. The site of the trial was in Monterey County, where the prison is located, but the defendants, Brothers Drumgo and Cluchette, have testified that they could not get a fair trial.

Upon entering the courtroom, the Soledad Brothers raised clenched fists of power and unity to the people in the courtroom. In an unprecedented attempt at security precautions, the defendants are separated from the people by a bullet-resistant glass screen.

U.S. Superior Judge S. Lee Vavuris commented, "I'll ask you not to use that salute when you come in the courtroom."

A apparently nervous at the memory of Jonathan Jackson and their self-executed collage, Judge Harold Haley, court deputies searched all spectators in a heavily guarded courtroom.

"I might act to your disadvantage," continued Vavuris. "It might lead to prejudice."

"I want you to have a fair trial," Vavuris added, apparently assuring himself, "I won't sit in this court unless you get a fair trial." Leonard Silliman, attorney for the Soledad Brothers, said that the jury panel from which potential jurors are selected "does not reflect the composition of the community."



FLEETA DRUMGO

recently members and organizations of the Greater Boston community in support of Malik Hakim and have been sending telegrams, circulating petitions and calling the Governors office to have Governor Sargent reconsider his decision of extradition.

On December 6, 1950, Hakim, then known as Albert Bradford, was arrested in connection with the robbery of a store in St. Louis, Missouri. He was then sixteen. A companion, fifteen, charged with robbery and rape for the same offense, was tried as a juvenile and served thirteen months of a six year sentence. Hakim was held over until he was seventeen and was tried as an adult. On the advice of a public defender he agreed to "clean the books" i.e. plead guilty to a number of charges (including, unknown to him rape) in exchange for which he was led to expect to be sentenced to a twenty year term with the assurance of parole in three years.

He was tried on December 29, 1950 and sentenced to three life sentences i.e. for two counts of rape and one count of armed robbery.

Hakim entered Jefferson City Penitentiary at the age of seventeen and was transferred to Moberly Minimum Security Penitentiary in 1964, where he taught music, art, philosophy, and creative writing. He was released on parole on April 29, 1968 at the age of thirty-three. He violated his parole on August 26, 1968, because of parole conditions, and came to Boston, Massachusetts, where he began his work in the community.

The new charges of rape and attempted murder stem from a crime of that nature which allegedly occurred to a white woman, in an art store on the same date (August 26, 1968) of Hakim's departure from St. Louis, Missouri.

Hakim has kept his identity open, his legal papers are under his given name of Albert Bradford, e.g. bank account, social security, marriage license, application for passport.

If Malik Hakim is returned to Missouri to stand trial on the current charges, which he denies, he will still be returned to prison as a parole violator.

Silliman asked that the questionnaires used in securing jurors be brought into court to determine who was selected and why. Court officials are expected to reject this constitutional and valid request as "stalling."

The Soledad Brothers are charged with beating to death Soledad, State Prison guard John V. Mills on January 16, 1970. It remains to be seen who will be charged with the deaths of over 40 inmates of Attica Prison. With some idea of American justice, it'll probably be the surviving prisoners.



JOHN CLUCHETTE



October 6, 1971

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Commissioner Russell G. Oswald  
State Office Building  
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Albany, N.Y. 12225

Dear Sir

On behalf of the PRISONERS LIBERATION FRONT (the coalition group consisting of 3 organizations Black Vanguard for Liberation, Young Lords Party, and Weathermen) and other prisoners of Wallkill, we submit to your attention the attached demand for immediate implementation of the reform demands agreed to by you during the negotiations last month at Attica Correctional Facility.

Also submitted herein are five additional penal reforms set forth in the petition endorsed with the signatures of 201 prisoners out of the total population of 448 - which although overlooked by the drafters of the 28 Attica reform demands comprise basic reforms long overdue and prerequisite to the eradication of the abnormal, frustrating, and de-humanizing conditions under which prisoners in N.Y. State prisons are forced to live.

Unless these conditions are promptly eliminated they will continue to cause many other Auburn and Attica-type situations, since a sizable segment of prisoners will no longer passively submit to its dehumanization.

Although the five additional penal reforms are self-explanatory and well known to you, the following examples of the injustices they'll correct will enlighten those less familiar.

1. Suppose you were serving a 25 to 30 year sentence for possession of one ounce of marijuana, or 40 to 60 years for robbery as a second felony offender, for a crime committed in August 1967 - for which you must serve 16 years 4 months for the marijuana sentence, and 26 years 8 months for the robbery, before meeting the parole board - while in the next cell to your right is a prisoner who also was convicted for robbery and is a second felony offender, yet has a 25 year sentence and meets the parole board in one year; and in the next cell on your left is a prisoner serving 15 years for having sold a kilo of heroin after having previously been convicted of a felony and who meets the parole board in one year.

Several cells further down the gallery is another reidivist convicted of the highest crime in the book: Murder during the commission of a robbery - a Class A felony. Yet he meets the parole board in ten years. Next to him is another prisoner who killed two persons. What is his sentence? Seven years, and he meets the parole board in one year.

Why the disparity between your sentence and that of the four prisoners just mentioned? The answer is that they happened to have committed their crimes one month after you committed yours - during September 1967 when the "New Penal Law" came into effect.

How would you feel if you were forced to serve 16 years in prison for possessing an ounce of pot, or 26 years for a \$70 robbery, before meeting the parole board, while those with more serious crimes receive only a fraction of your sentence?

2. On top of this, prison officials play games with prisoners' so-called "good time". The law says you earn ten days "good time" per month as compensation for good behavior. But after you earn the ten days per month "good time", this earned "good time" is taken away from you and you are forced to serve the entire balance of your sentence on parole.

For example. Let's say you have a 3 year sentence on which you earn ten days per month "good time". This amounts to one third of 3 years, or one year earned "good time". If the parole board releases you in 2 years, you should have only 4 months left to do on parole because you already earned 8 months "good time" which should be deducted from your 3 year sentence. But this is not done. After you serve your two years in prison, they still force you to do the other year on parole. All we want is to be credited with the "good time" we already earned.

3. Most criminologists are in agreement that no man should be imprisoned for more than seven years. They state that if the rehabilitative process has failed to reach a prisoner in 7 years, any additional time he is forced to serve for that crime is merely retributive and antithetic to rehabilitation.

The "lifer's bill" introduced in the last state Legislature by Senator Dunne (which was not acted upon) will make a prisoner serving a life sentence eligible for parole in 15 years. This law will correct a great injustice being done many men now in prison who have already served 25, 30 and more years and who were fully rehabilitated during the first five years of their sentences, but are still being punished in prison merely because of stupid antiquated laws.

4. Every prison in N.Y. State has prisoners who originally were sentenced to Elmira Reformatory but were later transferred from Elmira to State Prison. Although such transfer changes their reformatory status, they still do not earn "good time" as do other State prisoners.

5. Last, but not least, we should be allowed to earn five additional days per month of "incentive" good time, as distinguished from the ten days "compensation" now earned.

The PRISONER LIBERATION FRONT is the organization whereby we, the politically aware prisoners of Wallkill prison, seek to exercise by democratic means our human and constitutional right to petition for a redress of grievances and meet with the administration to work out grievances.

Many other prisoners in Wallkill fully support the attached reform demands but are unwilling to openly endorse them with their signatures for fear of retaliation by your Correction Department and the Parole Board.

We hope that unlike the Attica reform demands - which were initially submitted to you in July 1971 but ignored - the attached petition for the immediate implementation of the Attica and Wallkill reform demands receives your prompt attention. We await your response.

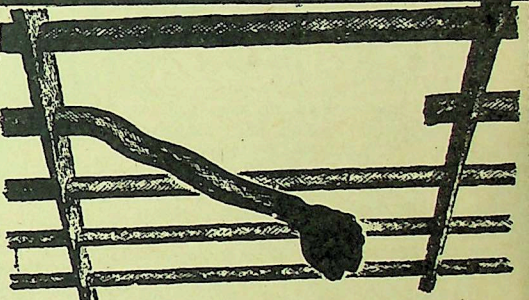
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# Dateline... Maximum Security

NEW YORK-LEO WOODBERRY and TYRONE SIMONDS are in Rikers Island awaiting trial on multiple counts of attempted murder on police officers. The F.B.I. has been constantly harassing them, but the brothers are strong, righteous revolutionaries with their minds fixed in only one direction-freedom!

NEW YORK-FRED "SOLLITAIRE" FERNANDEZ, who was shipped to a federal penitentiary a couple of weeks ago, has been treated most viciously by the representatives of the State. he was taken to Lewisburg, Pennsylvania on a maximum security bus and kept shackled, hand and foot, for the entire trip. On arrival, he was immediately separated from the other brothers and placed in "the hole," without bed or table, chair or toilet. The State recognizes the power of ideas, and a Black man whose will cannot be broken is dangerous indeed. HASSAN HOWARD, convicted in the same bank robbery case as SOL, has been sent to the Petersberg Youth Facility.

NEW YORK -JEROME REID is in Kew Gardens awaiting trial on an armed robbery and homicide charge. Although he was sixteen when arrested last February on a bank robbery charge, the Queens D.A. has insisted that he must be tried as an adult on these trumped up charges.

NEW YORK--Don't forget to write to SAM PERRY, LEVI VALENTINE and ARTHUR LEE YOUNG, arrested with RAP BROWN-ROY WILLIAMS. Their only protection from the racist brutality in the jails of New York is constant communication with the people.

OSSINING, N.Y.-STEPHEN LAMONT GILL is confined at Sing Sing Concentration Camp, where he has been sentenced for 25 years on a first DEGREE MANSLAUGHTER CHAOFOR an Alleged Murder, of one, Ira Gross someone whom the brother had no knowledge about. He has many grounds open for an appeal-but, this is being blocked by Judge Beisheim and Company.

LOS ANGELES-The L.A. COUNTY JAIL had a four hour rebellion on Nov.6. The L.A.P.D. claims to have video-taped the whole thing and that they plan to use the tape for criminal prosecution THE MARTINEZ COUNTY JAIL in northern California also rebelled the same week-end. Built to hold only 125 inmates, the jail has been severely overcrowded withover 200 brothers currently incarcerated there.

If you have news of brothers and sisters being held in maximum security in your area, please write to BABYLONat 248 W. 102nd St., N.Y. 10025, so that we can get the information to the people.

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NEW YORK--ANTHONY "KIMU" WHITE, is confined in the Tombs while awaiting trial on charges of attempted murder on police officers...the police actually attempted to murder him. He writes, to his people "I am not the First Black man that the oppressor has attempted to silence or destroy. But let me say to my oppressor, you have not silenced me, nor frightened me by putting me in jail. I will continue to struggle until freedom is won....Amerikka is an outlaw, and her crimes are against the oppressed masses. It is now time that we all join ranks and take up the call of Malcolm, Lumumba, Che, and my brother, Harold Russell--a call for revolution...The only thing that is relevant to Black people in Babylon is revolution--who needs change more than you and I?"

NEW YORK--DHARUBA, JAMAL & BUTCH were denied a change of venue (location) for their Queens trial. That means an all-white racist jury--Queens is famous for them. The brothers are pushing for a speedy trial but D.A. Nicholosi wants more time to fabricate his non-existent case. DHARUBA appeared Nov 8, in Manhattan court in front of "Justice," John M. Murlaugh, charged by the State with submachinegunning two of D.A. Hogan's bodyguards. Murlaugh denied a motion to disqualify himself, although three jurors from the N.Y. Panther conspiracy case signed affidavits that he was biased. Murlaugh also refused to assign Robert Bloom as defense counsel!

LOS ANGELES--JOHN BROWN, WALLACE POE and NATHANIAL CLAY were shot down by Los Angeles Police who attempted to assassinate them on September 13th. Brother Poe is in the hospital--in poor condition. Brother Clay is in jail with two bullets in his arm.

All three brothers are being charged with assault with attempt to commit murder when in actuality they were assaulted by L.A. police!!

SAN FRANCISCO--THE SAN QUENTIN SIX went to court in the first week of November, and demanded that RUCHELL MAGBEE be assigned as their lawyer. Of course, the request was denied and the brothers were forced to accept court-appointed attorneys against their will.

The Six were selected from the 26 survivors of the August 21 debacle in which George Jackson was murdered, to be the scapegoats on which to hang the assassination of two white guards and two white convicts. When will the prison officials stand trial for the murder, terror, and brutality inflicted on the brothers in the San Quentin Adjustment Center?

NEW HAVEN--LANDON WILLIAMS and RORY HITHE will be in court on Nov. 19 for sentencing. They've been ignored and neglected for months, and a strong show of support is needed on the 19th. Their spirits are high, and they love the people--let them know that the people love them!



# INTERVIEW WITH GERONIMO

## INTRODUCTION

The following was based on interviews made on several occasions with Elmer "Geronimo" Pratt, and Roland and Ronald Freeman. Geronimo and Roland are two of the six brothers still held hostage in the old Los Angeles County Jail, while on trial for charges arising out of the attack on the Black Panther Party headquarters by the Los Angeles Pig Department. Recent testimony by former intelligence agent Louis Tackwood has completely exposed the assassin's role the LA pigs were playing as part of a nationwide assault against the Party being directed by the FBI.

On December 8, 1969, the brothers and sisters of the LA Panther Party held off the invading pig forces for five hours without suffering a casualty.

Ronald Freeman was being held at New County Jail in LA. Ronald has been unjustly held in captivity by the pigs for some twenty months on charges ranging from 1st degree murder to kidnapping to simple assault, of which he has not been found guilty. Yet, at the termination of each of the false charges, whereas he has proven his innocence, the pigs charge him with another bogus crime. This is due mainly to brother Ronald's long-standing membership in the Black Panther Party and his indifatigable spirit and ability to organize.

The interviews were held before and after the rebellion at Attica. A portion of the interview with Geronimo and Roland was made while they were on the same row, and the rest was made after they had been seperated.

## ON ATTICA AND THE STRUGGLE IN THE PRISONS

Roland Freeman: We followed the events on the radio. The brothers say: "Long Live the Spirit of Attica and Brother George Jackson". I trust there will be action not only in the prisons, but in the county jails because the level of consciousness is rising.

The massacre was a classic example of the extent the power structure will go to keep the people oppressed. The demands were just - anybody who has been or is in prison knows that. The pigs showed the whole world their true face and had to keep its system running, and as usual it was Blacks and Puerto Ricans who bore the brunt.

There is tremendous progress being made inside the prisons. You don't have to be a revolutionary to be aware of capitalism and imperialism and the general oppression that goes along with it. You just have to open your eyes. People in Attica had a common lot. All were suffering from the prison system. They set some beautiful examples with the unity, the demands, the dug-in trenches. You would think they would act wild, free like that for a little while. But they got themselves organized.

From Attica, the struggle is going to be escalated, not repeated, escalated to a higher level. The prisoners have a higher consciousness than ever before. It was a new experience, and people in jails throughout the country can learn from it.

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People here start talking about communism. If he can't tell me what dialectical materialism means, he doesn't know anything about communism.

Most people in the jailhouse would rather go to jail than go in the service and fight for this country. Most black brothers would fight here rather than go to jail.

When people talk about self-defense for black people, what it means is that we engaged in self-defense for the survival of black people in general - not just from armed attacks, but from genocide, from racism, by any means necessary with whatever we have at our disposal.

We can't wait for nobody to run up - strike and hurt us. That's being done everyday.

People's consciousness is being blocked like water. LA is supposed to receive so many dollars for jobs - a token to bring up people's hopes in the system. There's nothing there. We have to change the system totally.

GERONIMO: Here at Old County Jail (Los Angeles) they have what they call "Panther Row". In March there were eight brothers there all identifying with the Afro-American Liberation Army.

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publishes things one way, but it isn't that way at all.

The U.S. is the only country I know of that doesn't exile political prisoners, at least legitimately. Like Papa (Eldridge) and the others were forced. The guards at Attica said that the government should let political prisoners go anywhere they want to, or the prison system will collapse because of the political prisoners. They know what they're talking about.

ON THE LUMPEN:  
GERONIMO: The lumpen has a higher level of understanding here in Babylon. They are the most advanced lumpen in the world, although some have been misdirected by capitalist ideology. But that is no longer a major obstacle. We have learned ways of dealing with 'em, and have the examples of George Jackson and Attica. Brothers and sisters on the street are on a higher level of receptiveness and understanding. Even black workers are oppressed by the system for the most part and haven't been completely 'bought off. They may work on a job as a front for the "life", since their job doesn't pay enough to support a family.

One of the most ideal urban guerillas comes from the "life" on the street (the fast-life, night-life, slick-life, etc.) They have been down, have hustled, played con. What we do is contain that energy, point it in the right direction and make them beautiful communist revolutionaries. In the confines of the life, the brothers are communistic toward one another, but exploitative toward the rest of society. I consider myself an ex-lumpen of that caliber. I've been on stuff, OD'ed, coke, speed, was into dealing, playing con, gaming in general, swindling in general. Most of the brothers have had to do that in order to get us some means of survival. So that we, from the start, know the downfalls and the corrosiveness of the many poisons that are injected into our people's bodies both mentally and physically.

One of the main reasons the pigs have been keen on me is that I trained Special Forces at Fort Bragg and endured three wars (four now). When I got out guys were being offered high-paying jobs - including myself - by the CIA. What saved me was my love for the "life". I had some women, did a little drinking and the rest. I was making big bucks.

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Geronimo: We see that as mainly a part of the continuous movement to eliminate the revolutionary vanguard in California prisons. We've had many very courageous brothers who have been eliminated before they were able to move into the spotlight. George was very much into the prison struggle. Every inmate has been a student of his. We're continuing to educate along the lines that he laid down, and move on to a higher level of struggle.

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When we started coming in contact with urban lumpen, it sparked antagonisms in the higher echelons of the party. David and Huey were not from the lumpen area, and Elaine Brown in particular. Like, as an example, Sandy Red, she is one of my revolutionary mates. We don't relate to the concept of marriage in the American culture. We don't have hangups there ... We were going to a class that Elaine was teaching on the woman question, when Sandy Red ran it down it was like a different language, clearer, more comprehensive. She has been effective in dealing with dope dealers, dealing with pigs on the street. She's readily a much more potential revolutionary warrior ... an indigenous, which is important.

We used to call Bobby Seale lumpen, because he thrived with the people so much. We recognize revolutionary intellectuals. The lumpen can readily identify with so-called intellectuals mainly because of a history of everyday constant contact with people from all strata of society. So that in that sense, when one defines/understands one can KNOW how to relate. But, on the contrary, the so-called intellectuals don't have the vision (I call them the children of the Bourgeois - Huey, Elaine, etc.), the magnified scope, in order that he may be able to penetrate the somewhat extraordinary fibers that make the lumpen what he is. The so-called intellectual is unable to condescend and make those necessary ties that would surely bind us together indivisibly. So that - in dialectics the unity of opposites - it is necessary for each entity to tally with the other. So what we've experienced under the Newton administration was a sort of pig-legged relationship between the lumpen and the bourgeois intellectuals.

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"hole" on B'A'A'C' (Bare-ass and concrete). Bread and water twice a day. My mind was in a hell of a grind. I tried to contact David, somebody to lend an ear. It was like I was already tried and convicted. When Papa contacted me, it was like a fresh breath of life. Eldridge told me that he knew what was going on, that the brothers were not expelled, that he would talk to Huey.

I was a member of the first cadre of the Central Committee. I just couldn't understand how they could take the word of a known liar without talking to me. After I heard of the New York thing (the

purge of the NY21), I tried to contact brothers and sisters in New York to say we were still with them. The majority of the brothers and sisters here are with us. The pigs are trying to implicate everybody that doesn't relate to Huey. We are concerned for our comrades in New York, Dallas, New Orleans, Detroit, etc ... concerned for their welfare. Newton was a sham, a Manchurian Candidate in reverse.

The comrades here like Paul Redd, Ike Houston, Jackie Johnson, Willie Stafford, etc. etc. are molding themselves into capable revolutionaries, good examples of what we had started, what Bunchy exemplified. I am very much satisfied with the way things are coming out. Some of the brothers who were more familiar with military affairs are becoming more political here, writing and reading and teaching. It's not a one-sided thing. They are balancing out to become more complete, well-rounded, seasoned guerillas.

## ON THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

Ronald: Huey caused confusion. What is the Black Panther Party? Why is this all going down? Before his recent position on Black capitalism, he was against it. Instead of trying to support them, we should put them out of business. We don't need their support.

In the beginning we had a party of no compromise. When we tell the people about oppression, jobs, etc., the change from capitalism to socialism, we didn't distinguish between Black and White. If a man makes money off another man, that's exploitation, and we're against it.

There is a conspiracy by the system to bust true revolutionaries ... putting them in jail and leaving the "revisionists" on the street.

They once said that if the vanguard was working for the needs of the people, it would be forced underground. There would be harassment and persecution, because in the struggle between capitalism and socialism, the capitalists won't sit idly by.

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There has been a tremendous response here and in other POW camps. And there have been some changes. In prisons you can't receive things through the screen. Everything has to be X-rayed. Certain brothers were locked into maximum security for no reason at all. There used to be some little skirmishes between the brothers - which were on the racial side - but the brothers are moving to more relevant issues that are political, rather than pimping, cars, etc.

**RONALD FREEMAN:** Most of the brothers coming out of the joint, if not revolutionaries, are potential revolutionaries. The jailhouse unmasks the viciousness and ugliness of the system. It throws everything at you, and gives you nothing. You come out and realize the system is corrupt - dog eat dog. They want to find solutions to change it. Basically, they would become violent revolutionaries. They see what keeps them in jail. They see a man with a gun in their community, how they keep it together with the gun, and that the only way to change it is through the gun. You can't tell brothers who have been in the jailhouse there is any other way. He won't go for it.

There are others who go for the money and end up back in here.

They have some heavy brothers in the pen, in the State pen, that they'll never let out, because they're studied or well-versed on what's going down in the U.S. The ones that would make good leaders they won't let out. There are hundreds of George Jacksons in State pens across this country.

More people are getting versed on communism. It's no dirty thing no more. Nine out of ten people you talk to here would prefer communism. They don't just talk about communism, like saying that if China comes here they will fight. If they say anything, it is that China will come here and free everybody.

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### ROLAND FREEMAN: PRISONS

There was the struggle in the 50's and 60's - ban the bomb, then civil rights, demonstrations, riots, and then into Revolution. And now the prisoners have taken the vanguard role in the struggle. Many of these "soldiers" are here in the prisons and continuing the struggle.

Once the people get a little consciousness, they strive for more. They've moved from demonstrations to open revolt. Every day now something is happening in the prisons.

Any humane person can clearly see the situation, the contradiction between the prisoners and the power structure.

The struggle of black people is an international struggle, so you're never out of it. All the struggles are related.

The prisoner has nothing to lose. He might be killed at any time. He doesn't have much hope. That's a very dangerous situation. If a person outside of this country can look at it, things here are in pretty bad shape. The situation facing the U.S. power structure is that they have to get rid of the revolutionaries in jail but the structure can't handle it. Like cancer, the Revolution will spread.

If they continue putting revolutionaries in jail they're going to make the Revolution in jail.

The more the power structure attacks the people, the more the people continue to unify, unite, and begin the counter-attack.

Every action has a reaction. Some people think the struggle here in the U.S. is like a play, like it's not the real thing. You make a mistake and you have a chance to straighten everything out. Well, you have a chance, but the real thing is already here.

A lot of black people come down from Quentín and Soledad and tell us what's happening up there. Black people have been coming to visit their relatives in jail ever since we got off the boat. We communists are pretty good. The press

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There is a sharp distinction between the brothers from the South and the brothers from the cities. The brother in the city grows up around dope dealers, around the "life". He is familiar with the ghetto, and big city. He knows how to survive. In the country the lumpen is raised religiously, baptized, he's not ready for the city, not on the lumpen side. We have two people, one in the South and one in the city, not 21 years old. The brother in the city is far advanced in the area of political understanding, and has seen more brutality at the hands of the occupying forces of pigs and feels the brunt, the main aspects of dealing with them. The brother in the country is not too familiar with the "life" and its vices. He has religious hang-ups. He is easier to deal with, easier to organize. He doesn't have as much "unlearning" to do as do the children of the black bourgeoisie. He is used to the farm, he can identify with the reality of the land, whereas the brother in the city is confused with the many vicissitudes of the "life" and its offerings.

The brother from the country comes to the city and learns how to deal, to deal dope, manipulate women, pimp women - but he looks at it from another level - not from survival, but as an art to eliminate the oppressor. The city lumpencapitalistic goals. We learn from experience that the brother from the South gets more deeply convicted, becomes more seasoned than the brother from the city. The city brother can be bought off. He becomes a freak for sex. The brother from the South can control it. The brother in the city never wants to leave childhood, while the brother in the South, by necessity, left it a long time ago.

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Ronald, the warden at San Quentin lies. Back when they struggled with Ruchell Magee, after the Soledad Brothers arrived, they said it was a race riot. They separated the prison population. All colors - Black, Brown and White - were in the strike. The guards broke it up. White and Brown prisoners were sent to the lower yard, the Black prisoners to their cells. They divided the inmates to retain control.

What went down with George Jackson, or what they say went down, is impossible. You can't stick a piece under a wig. I believe they killed him.

If he was moving to escape - George Jackson, being a warrior, being a revolutionary, being a soldier, that would have been a bad tactic. You live to fight another day. However they did, they killed him.

Roland, now that they found that George Jackson was shot in the back, they say he must have fell. They're trying to keep it covered up.

### ON THE SPLIT IN THE BPP AND THE BUST

Geronimo: It starts from dialectical understanding of leadership. There was a lack of political understanding and an insufficient military understanding on the part of the Newton-Hilliard clique of the Central Committee. The gist of what I'm trying to say is that in the political, as well as the military, we were gathering ground. But there were shortsighted moves from the Oakland clique which impeded our progress.

The pigs had to move in the political arena since they couldn't penetrate the military structure we had built. So they did it using Huey, who we related to at that time, and his followers and disciples.

at we were able to salvage the military apparatus for the most part. We know that the military has to work in unison (a reciprocal thing) with the political ... we are not ultra-leftists. We are putting much effort into clearing the air over the political arena that had been obscured by the Newton clique. Things are moving fast. We are very optimistic.

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In Dallas, when I got busted, I didn't want to bring heat on Oakland. Then I started hearing fucked-up information. I started sending information. I started sending information. I started sending messages to Huey through Luke McKissick (an LA attorney). McKissick told me he couldn't reach Huey. I tried to send messages to other brothers. Huey wouldn't accept a call from Dallas. This was just before their "open" attack on me in the Panther paper (January 23, 1971).

An FBI agent called on me down in Dallas. I was about to spit in his face when he pulled out the Panther paper and showed me the article expelling me, and calling me an enemy of the people. I didn't want to believe it. They had even talked to me. We signed extraction papers to come back and deal with the thing. All this time we had received no support from the Party. Within five days we were on our way back here. Then back in isolation for three days. They wouldn't let me go to the new County Jail or here (old County Jail). I was in "protective custody" in the glass house at Parker Center (LAPD headquarters) while they were keeping Cotton at New County Jail to finish carrying out his big lie mission. They were in the process of indicting me for a murder in '68 which I knew nothing about. Then I was sent to New County, and they put me in maximum security. They sent Cotton to his new "home", as guest of Sgt. Callahan, happening in court at having people out of the LAPD. It was a hell of a job. I was watching to get as much cleaning up all the lies that Cotton told. Cotton told information about the case as possible and about me. It seems that Elaine Brown was talking to the people who are interested been playing along with Cotton, trying to get where they can't pick up a gun, or protect him. She is highly suspect also. something like that. They can stand up in New County, a courtroom and be counted. The pigs do react to public pressure when they see the

people, it would be forced underground. There would be harassment and persecution, because in the struggle between capitalism and socialism, the capitalists won't sit idly by.

The brothers in jail are strong, they're lumpen. Huey can't speak to them. The way Huey talks now is like a big contradiction. But the brothers are relating to a solution ... through the barrel of a gun. They just can't sit around and be pacified like vegetables. We relate to revolutionaries around the world. We see what they are doing in Brazil, Uruguay, the Palestinians. They don't ask for money, they take it. Revolution is fight on, either by either the oppressed stop the oppression or the world will be destroyed. From capitalism to communism, from the dog eat dog to the people. I did my bit and you do yours. You know from each according to his ability to each according to his need.

Roland: The political significance of the attack on the Panther office (in LA) goes back to Black people's right to life, their constitutional right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness ... to the very core of having the right to life without the constraints that have been placed on us all these years, to stand in a crowd with our heads up.

When they came they showed a total disrespect to the Black community. They wouldn't let Black people out of their houses, they were shoving teargas into people's houses, poisoning pigs at women and children, and people going to work. The police came to kill that's what they came for. It didn't make no difference who got in the way. They fell as though constantly degrading the people and putting people in jail would destroy our organization.

### ON THE LACK OF SUPPORT IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY FOR THE LA 13 TRIAL

ROLAND: The lack of support is additional. In all but a very few instances the people don't turn out to support ... they go through such a struggle day by day to live that they really haven't the time to come to court. In addition, Black people know the courts are rigged. They know what's going to happen. Another reason is that the people don't know the situation. I don't think it is a question of a ballot.

Over was of slowing down what's happening in court at having people out of the LAPD. It was a hell of a job. I was watching to get as much information about the case as possible and about me. It seems that Elaine Brown was talking to the people who are interested been playing along with Cotton, trying to get where they can't pick up a gun, or protect him. She is highly suspect also. something like that. They can stand up in New County, a courtroom and be counted. The pigs do react to public pressure when they see the

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public getting around. The only thing we have going is that they are supposed to go by their laws. With the public observing this, they are more likely to go by the laws they wrote themselves.

An important fact that support is not there is due to the Panther Party. They haven't made any effort. There has been only one article in the paper. They are the only ones who haven't made any effort in that area.

### ON THE BPP AND THE CHURCH

Roland: As far as the Petalua clique moving in that direction, the Black Panther Party has always moved in that direction, beginning with the Breakfast for Children which always took place in a church. The difference was that there no compromise of our principles or ideology. We worked with them. We cooperated, like with the free breakfasts and free busing.

But the point of departure was on whose ideology, the church's metaphysical or our dialectical...we wouldn't compromise that. Neither the church or Black capitalism are solutions to the problem. For hundreds of years the church hasn't solved our problem. We have to do it ourselves.

We don't distinguish between Black and White pigs. It is a class struggle. Our problem is racism and we know that stems out of capitalism. There is a point of departure. Like Mao says, every class is stamped with a brand. We live in a class society. We recognize that for what it is, just because a man's Black doesn't mean anything.

Malcolm X said, "Religion is between man and his god." I look at the world and the position of the church and can't go along with it.

(The Party) moving to Atlanta is a move on Newton's part to try and get some more money. I relate him to Jesse Jackson and the country preacher. I think the Afro-American Liberation Army is making it harder for him to stay in Fresno.

### ON G.I.'S:

Ronald: When they get out of the service, this is where they come - jail. One guy, he was in Vietnam, he got five to life for armed robbery. They are in a position where they were ready to go. They understand they were sent over there to kill. They know they've been played off. When they get out they are much more aware of how they were used while in the service. A lot resort to crime...they don't fear dying and they don't fear killing. This country owes them something, and if they can't get it they just take it. They don't have no more hangups about too much of nothing.

### ON AMERICA

Ronald: Then there is America's technology. Here people are paid not to grow things. There is the technology here to take care of the world. People are starving and lack shelter. They can construct low-income housing from synthetics, and yet they still don't do it. No profit in it. Technology has just one function - to serve the betterment of mankind. We just have to turn the whole thing around. The have-nots will rise up and take from the haves, and the last shall be the first.

Some people, they're hungup on the unknown. When you talk about change from capitalism to socialism, they don't know what will happen. They only know what they got.

"How come you ain't doin' nothing, man?"

"I got to live."  
Instead of the people working to change the system, they'd rather work 40 hours. Rather than move against the oppressor, they prefer tokenism.

### ON THIRD WORLD REVOLUTIONARIES IN THE U. S.:

Roland: They would have to understand revolutionary principles and follow them, and not follow the line of the Newton clique. They are waiting to check it out, they hasn't got much up his sleeve. He has clearly gone astray from the revolutionary theory of Mao, Che, and Fanon, who laid down the known guidelines which have to be used and applied. You have the guidelines. You can see when a person has gone astray. It's

nothing new. It's simply a person who has gone astray.

To third world people who follow principles laid down by revolutionaries like Mao, etc., they have to compare their positions with the revolutionary positions. They could follow the guidelines - but they have backed down. They must be picked up and carried to higher levels. People are going to make up their own minds. If it keeps you from doing what you want to do, you have to act and let mothers follow your example. When we talk of revolution we don't talk of robots - we talk of people finding out what's happening and moving their struggle. Most of the people involved already know revolutionary principles. They should be able to judge by actions.

The Chicano Liberation Front is setting some beautiful examples. The police are so upset they're shooting each other in East L.A. They are setting some beautiful examples of what direction things should go.

We have all paid a big toll to get the knowledge that we did, to get to this level of consciousness and action.

For a third world group, the CLE is moving in the right way in the U.S. The Tupamaros are doing the job in Uruguay. We look at the prisons. The only way we can succeed in our struggle is to fight for it. If people are willing to sweep the dust out of the corner, then they are willing to obtain their freedom. We cannot afford the luxury of living at the price of our freedom.

Even though I'm in jail, I know the struggle can do nothing else but intensify. It can do nothing but go forward. Things are at a lull. Then, all of a sudden, someone blows up the capital.

Geronomo: When Huey went into the joint, who really built the Panther organization were brothers like Eldridge, D.C., Bunch, and John, and many other unknown warriors. Those were brothers who stood up to the pigs. We held Huey in high esteem and loved that man. But now he is negating everything he laid down, and we're not going for it. We see a whole lot of bourgeois tendencies, bourgeois mentality as opposed to the mentality of the lumpen. There seems to be some aberrations there also. A revolutionary party must struggle with its mistakes. You can judge a revolutionary party by the way it deals with its mistakes.

The pigs have been perpetrating all of this. We won't fall into the trap of fratricidal war. We'll move in a way to show the people the correctness of our position. But the killing of brothers Robert Webb and Fred Bennett was a heavy loss. And we are committed to our conviction that those who are guilty will be dealt with. And as for all those lies, we are committed to the concept of People's Tribunals to expose the lies that have been told to our people.

Ronald: Huey and his clan have broken off connections with third world people in L.A. They no longer are concerned with the struggles of all oppressed peoples. They talk, but that's all. They have no communication with the Brown Community. They don't work with the Chinese or Japanese-Americans. They have no alliance with any of the oppressed peoples. For the third world, the so-called Black Panther Party offers no solutions.

### ON THE AFRO-AMERICAN LIBERATION ARMY:

Geronomo: We view ourselves at this particular time as a political cadre of the Afro-American Liberation Army, which has roots buried deep in the annals of our history, starting with Nat. Turner, Denmark Vesey, and Toussaint L'Ouverture up to Malcolm, Bunchy, and George. They've laid a rudimentary base for our revolution.

We see our task, in dealing with the courts, is to politicize as much as we can, effectively representing our comrades-in-bars, from Chip (on Death Row) to Dhanba (New York), and we see the necessity for regimenting our political arm to stay in tune with the military.

Just as Papa said after he began to view the problem from the underground, I also say there is no problem in organizing ourselves into an invincible force. It's a matter of understanding that we can

defeat the enemy, not letting ourselves be fooled by his outward show of strength which covers his inner decadent, moribund weakness.

There are those who, like Mao says, "work halfheartedly without a definite plan or direction...so long as one remains a monk one goes on tolling the bell." We want to deal with that. We feel as though we are extremely oppressed, and we have to resist to the extreme. As brother George says, we need extreme measures to solve extreme problems. I don't prescribe half measures. Life without control over the determining factor is not worth the effort of drawing breath. We relate to things in-fro. In revolution one wins or dies, and that death becomes meaningful. We see brother George's death as meaningful.

Since the murder of brother George, security here has tightened ten-fold. The guards have viewed the actions of the pigs in Quentin as a P.E. class for them to justify their pigish acts. The murder of brother George had a tremendous impact on all the brothers.

Afro-American Liberation Army ideology is the collectivism of revolutionary principles learned from over 400 years of struggle - from Turner, Vesey, Toussaint, to brother Malcolm, Bunchy, Melville, and George. That is the magnifying glass through which we study Marxism-Leninism.

Ronald: We want to politicize events in the community - what's happening. Showing the oppression and repression, not just resistance but reaction. Like, a landlord moves to evict somebody...the landlord is evicted out of the community, and the land becomes liberated territory. Or, aggroer doesn't sell adequate goods and what he has he sells at high prices. We go and take the groceries, dealing with the needs of the people. As the police move as an occupying force in the community, they will receive the consequences fit for fat, or maybe fat-fat-fat.

The days of talking about problems too long. The time to move was yesterday. Anything we do, we're behind. We don't worry about being ahead of the people. We must wake the masses to deal with the problems, to correctly analyze what is going on in the community and the rest of the world, that America is not isolated. People around the world are moving. Basically, people here know things at a general level. They read the mass media, but they don't know what's happening in the third world.

The people make history. They have to be brought up to date on what's going down and they'll deal with it.

### ON LEGAL DEFENSE:

Geronomo: We see that our defense should be set up on the same level as that for Angela and the Soledad Brothers...all progressive movements, all revolutionaries coming together. We'd like to pull together one defense for all political prisoners. A true united front. There are many other unknown prisoners, like one brother in Soledad with 32 murder cases, all in self-defense.

They were inquiring as to why we didn't have our own counsel. They told us they had sent well over \$100 to the P.O. box looked into it. A lot of funds were sent to this box and we didn't know about it. The Newton clique is using this money for their own interest.

We have brothers and sisters struggling on the streets to maintain support trying

to get some people to relate to some of the brothers here like Jackie Johnson and Willie Stafford. They're somewhat fresh from the South and have no family here and are a long way from home. Newton is trying to maintain a smokecreen over our case. The "Movement" and movement lawyers have heard a lot of lies. They have been lied to, to a great extent. Newspapers have been blocked from interviewing us, as the Zionist Judge Dell has prohibited all reporters. All this is in conjunction with what the Newton clique has been doing.

We came to certain agreements with the four Funkies of the Newton clique... when we talked we came to certain prior agreements that were later violated, such as the wearing of Newton buttons, and their sleeping in court and not participating. We have some questions about operating in the judicial arm of the oligarchy anyway, but I won't go into that right now.

The funky defendants with Huey identify with the Black bourgeoisie and don't seem to be worried. They know that the pigs aren't shooting for them.

Ronald: I'm suing the city for false arrest, damage to character, etc. The pig who arrested me was from homicide. Worked on the case with the Metro Squad and the Crime Conspiracy Squad.

Since 1968, I've been arrested 20 times, charged with murder three times, attempted murder once, possession of narcotics twice, use of explosives and firearms with intent to commit murder.

I was busted on November 15, 1969, on a murder rap. I beat that and got out on March 31 this year. I was rearrested on April 13 on the counts of assault with intent to commit murder, two counts of battery.

In April, 1970, they put some 50 people stripped naked in a small cell. They tried to put me in, but I wouldn't go. I said to the deputy, "This is inhumane. Why don't you put some of the people in another cell." This was refused and they told me again to go in.

I asked for the pig's badge number. The pig went to apply a wrist lock and only caught my thumb. Then in the scuffle he accidentally got struck in the temple and mouth. The five dogs jumped me. That was the first case. In the second, I was sent to "Siberia" - that's Adjustment Center Number One - There you can take showers when the guards open the gate. They can open the gate at any time, and you have to be ready. So on this occasion two out of the thirty made it to the showers. I refused to go back to my cell until everyone could take a shower. Then I was jumped by four deputies.

They have to realize they can't treat humans as they want. They don't quit, working as overseers for their owners.

The system will fall, like feudalism does not coincide, like slavery, capitalism does not coincide with the people's basic needs. And the people are going to move to change it, not only in America, but throughout the world - in Latin America, Africa, and Asia. When and how will be determined by the level of oppression and repression.

### P.S.

Geronomo: We send love and greetings to Eldridge, D.C., Kathy, Pete, Connie, Cef, and all the brothers and sisters in Algeria, the Congo, and the rest of the third world. Tell them that all comrades send their love, warm regards, and spirit of togetherness.



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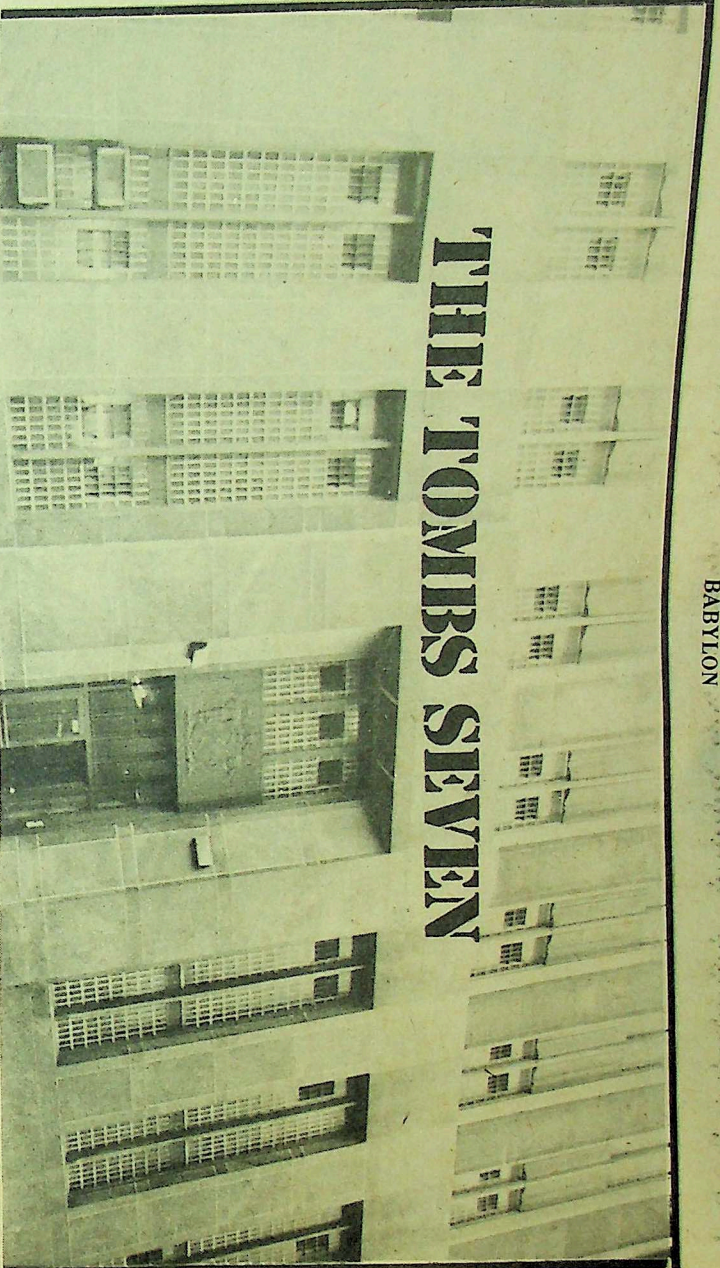
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## THE TOMBS SEVEN

New York, RPPC— On October 2, 1970, the tense overburdened N.Y. City Prison System burst asunder in a chain of rebellions that still reverberate through the country's penal system. Every detention center except Bronx County, was taken over by its inmates; hostages were taken and demands were made for overdue reforms and humane treatment. The upheaval compelled city officials to go into a series of insincere negotiations to obtain the release of the hostages and retain control of the prisons.

After much haggling, lies and phony immunity promises by the Mayor's office, combined with punitive violence at Queens, Brooklyn and Rikers Island jails, hostages were cut loose and the jails reverted to a state of armed siege. Pacification was done with clubs, tear-gas, terror and Death. Prisoner appeals for change and the tenuous commitments given by the Corrections oligarchs were disregarded in the orgy of repression that followed.

A few months after the suppression of the upheaval numerous indictments were handed down in Queens and Brooklyn. Around Jan. 22, 1971, Manhattan's D.A.'s office called a press conference to announce a series of indictments against nine men, among them a black Corrections Officer, for "leading and instigating the Tombs rebellions".

The major indictment is a judicial perversion—72 counts of malicious fantasy, an obscene piece of legal pornography, obtained through officially sanctioned perjury and coerced testimony. Rebellion participants were pressured, threatened and bribed to testify at secret Grand Jury proceedings, so that a Correction Dept. extravaganza could be clothed in the mantle of legality.

A spokesman for the N.Y.C. Corrections Dept. contended that "...the rebellions were instigated by a few psychopathic radical revolutionaries inside the jails and their supporters on the outside!" Not a word about the unbearable situation in work about the unbearable situation in the Detention Houses, especially Branch Queens and the Tombs, where the overcrowding, filth and the keepers bestially drove many to suicide. Not a word about the steadily increasing complaints, petitions, reports, surveys, legal actions, newspaper stories and protests including a similar demonstration in August which clearly exposed contradictions within the prisons.

During the last few years, the irreconcilable contradictions of Amerikkkan Society have been magnified a hundredfold within the confining walls of its concentration camps. Hundreds of prison uprisings, the Soledad Brothers Case, the murder of George Jackson and the savage blood-letting at Attica show that prisons have concentrated the racism, exploitation and oppression of Babylon. Along with this concentration of evil goes the development of ever increasing resistance. Rudimentary, sporadic, groping, unorganized, sometimes violent, but nevertheless directed against the inhuman Capitalist Society.

The prosecution of the "Tombs 7" has become one of the major prongs in the reactionary offensive against those who

resist insane domination. By piling a multitude of life sentences on these Black men the omnipotent administrator will try to stop the train of rebellions that are making its exploitation of prisoners more difficult. Attica was raw, brute force, naked and undisguised, to suppress the just demands of its helpless victims.

Mirroring the Queens indictments, where members of the Black Panther Party and other alleged "radicals" were charged with a multitude of charges, N.Y.C. D.A. Frank Hogan conveniently accused another group of "radicals" with 50 counts of kidnaping (1st degree), 14 counts of unlawful imprisonment, 5 counts of not endangerment (1st degree) and one count of interference with government administration. In addition to this catalogue of imaginary offenses individual brothers have been charged with everything from attempted murder and assault to possession of explosives.

Who are the Tombs 7? These are men who are being blamed for a protest action in which hundreds of inmates participated, and which was termed justified by some of the more thoughtful penal officers. We will attempt to give a brief run down on them in the order that they appear on the mad-cap indictment instigated by those who usurp the name of the "people" to buy their misdeeds.

Curtis Brown is the first name on that instrument of legal lynching. When the rebellion exploded, he was at the Tombs waiting disposition on a writ he had put in to reverse a thirty year sentence. During his captivity he has obtained great expertise in law, a skill which he puts to use preparing his own legal briefs and the indictment. Given the pigs desire to project fear into potentially rebellious inmates, we believe that Brother Louis was chosen at random, so that the general population, not only the alleged "militants" would be touched by this vindictive prosecution.

Stanley King—a member of the "Inmates Committee" is a very vocal brother who had also been a spokesman and delegate during the first Tombs rebellion in August. After being released on bail he became active, organizationally in the fight for prisoners rights. Brother Stan, like all the indicted, had the enmity of the Corrections officials because of these activities. To further confuse the issues, (and confirm a day-dream) he was accused of being a Black Panther Party member.

Herbert X. Byden was appointed by the Inmate Council to handle our phone communications. Brother Herb also had figured in the negotiations during the August rebellion. Besides being active in the Inmate Self-education projects (OUR schools, since we didn't get any from the pigs). Brother Herb was a people's legal technician, challenging the inequities of the prison system in the courts. As a believer in Islam he was a choice target for the reactionary biases of scapegoaters. His presence on the indictment is supposed to give weight to a corrections fantasy of "radical conspiracy". A curious fact that Brother Herb and Stan were taken up to

the 11th floor of the Tombs by the authorities, so that they could talk on the phone with some of the brothers that held Queens in hopes that some assisting brothers that have less understanding of fascist legal "trickology". Prison hacks despise jailhouse lawyers.

Legal actions by inmates make waves that tend to inhibit the more blatant acts of brutality. Brother Curtis was particularly disliked by the more ignorant elements amongst the guards because he initiated a legal suit that forced the dismissal of a die-hard racist, and convicted him of assault. Additionally Brother Curtis was a member of the inmate committee that was set up during the uprising to negotiate with Lindsey, McGrath etc.

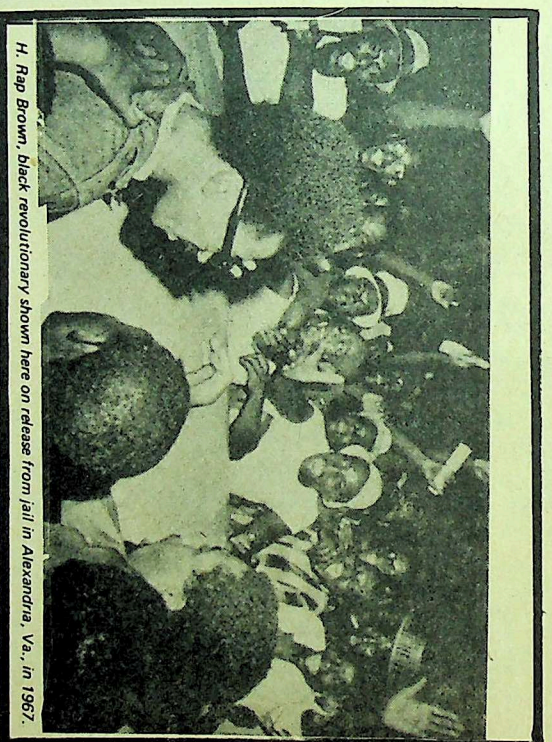
Next on the indictment is Brother Louis Cabrera. He is the one brother whose appearance on this indictment doesn't fit the obvious design. Even using the criteria of the pigs, Louis could not be termed a "leader" nor was he a "spokesman". He had no affiliation that could be termed political. It is believed that he was charged to make it appear as if there was no political motive behind rebellion. If there was a conspiracy,

Corrections engineered it!

Franklyn Myers—another member of the inmate committee, a fiery blood who had antagonized Corrections by denouncing the horrors of the Tombs over the air. Since the electronic media is supposed to be an exclusive prerogative of our oppressors, Brother Frank is made to pay. Before being released on bail, Brother Frank had also taken part in the fruitless negotiations with Corrections Commissioner McGrath and his confederates.

Nathaniel Ragsdale --was another brother caught in the net because the rest of the inmates nominated him to represent them on the inmate council. Brother Nat's inclusion in the indictment dovetails with the overall scheme of the fascist pigs, in that through being subjected to imprisonment and barbaric treatment, he had begun to understand that the basic causes of his incarceration, and the oppression of our people were rooted in the exploitation and racism of the System. By speaking up he took a step that made him a target of repression.

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H. Rap Brown, black revolutionary shown here on release from jail in Alexandria, Va., in 1967.

New York RPPC—Rap Brown/Roy So they removed one of his Williams is now in Bellevue testes—which will probably cause sterility.

Black people will immediately understand why this has happened—our history is studied with castration of Black men, a feeble attempt of a racist power structure to destroy our race—genocide!! We ask all Black, Puerto Rican, Asian-American, Native American, Chicano and other country radicals to deal with this situation in a revolutionary manner. It is up to us to Liberate our Liberators!!



# Anatomy of a not so Pat-Riot

## by Herbert X Blyden

Patriotism comes in many forms. Mao, Fidel, Uncle Ho, Malcolm, George Washington, John Brown, J.F.K., R.F.K., M.L.K., Lenin, Marx, to name a few, were in their own manner a patriot to many of their followers-- alive, and/or dead!

Therefore, by looking at patriots the way they appear on the surface, could be quite misleading to a people.

Attica is a Patriot: "The Tribe" has a song about Attica: in the churches, schools, synagogues (metropolitan New York) in the streets, all over the planet today we hear of Attica!

This is a case of Patriotism in its truest sense. For the mere mention of the word creates nostalgia in some people and who knows what else in others. But it makes one think: What is the difference between and "innate" and an "Outmate"? If Rockefeller can vamp on his own people and receive the Humanitarian award, then it goes beyond saying what can and will occur in the ghettos of this land--oppressed people beware! You who are not in the ruling 400 also have got to be watchful.

This system creates patriots! Perhaps the play on words is irksome to some of you. So be it. The reason that the word game is in play is to emphasize the POWER of the spoken word, especially when deliberately spoken in such a manner as to be construed as tactical-jibes.

Assistant Commissioner Dunbar's inflammatory propaganda on Attica is a point in question. **THE SPOKEN WORD** All the so-called great men of our time and the time of yore spoke in such a manner as to influence the people. **ORATORY** Eloquence, however, does not in and of itself make one great or even a leader. It helps of course if the News Media is looking for a story.

Sensationalism helps to create the image for sale (Capitalism at its very best). Attica was a perfect case for the Image-makers to get the press rolling and the cameras snapping. Now **ROCKFELLER** is a patriot. Attica should be the Patriot! And, to a great many of us, Attica is alive and well and indeed patriotic. We must therefore defend Attica much as some people defend their prized possessions.

Attica is the continuation of the efforts of poor and oppressed-people to achieve a place in the sun: Free from want, but want to be free. That yearning is so fervent, much as a peptic ulcer, that his burning desire cannot be shot out by the gaspings of present day Adolph and his stormtroopers.

The struggle started over 400 years ago; as Denmark Vessey and the martyrs of his era. Or as Paritce Lumumba, Edward Wilnot Blyden, W.E.B. Dubois, Marcus Garvey, Elijah Muhammed, George Jackson, the Schwemer-Chaney Trio, Jackson State, Kent State. Oh! Yes, and the Vietnam patriots!

This proves that the Attica patriot was nothing but the continuation of World Revolution that has been going on for some time--over 400 years in this wilderness alone.

There are those in government who are clamoring for conspiracy indictments against the INMATES. If such should ever be the case, then it is the duty of the OUTMATES to revolt!

J.F.K. said: "Those who make pacific revolution impossible, make violent revolution inevitable." This statement goes a long way towards appraising both factions to resolve their differences in an atmosphere of mutual respect and trust or collide with drastic results: this time it was Magnums, Shotgun, etc. against the MIND. What next?

The question then arises as to what is meant by "both sides." MIND and MATERIALISM.

First of all we are dealing with on one hand, oppressive capitalism, and on the other conciliatory-collaborationist socialism.

Even as this missive is being written the **ROCKHEAD**, the leader of the 400 million and a maxi-maxi concentration

camp the coalition of reformists.

Mind you, the reformists are for a meaningful change WITHIN the system, a policy which was arrived at after backroom politics as vocal as seen and heard in any smoke-filled district, backroom in this troubled land in days gone by.

Moreover, were the forces of Evil not unleashed that fateful morning of 9-13-71 to destroy the myth that poor-oppressed-people can come to an understanding with rich-oppressor hue-mans a great many believers would have flipped our-theyr-your lids!!!

At any rate there was an impasse! General Amnesty and/or Free, unobstructed passage to a non-impedistic country for the faction of the Workers. Coalition that mistrusted the negotiators.

These two (2) points are still very much alive because the **LIBERATION FACTION** was and is for change from **WITHOUT** not **WITHIN**!

True, the Manifesto of Demands was for **INSIDE** change. But again it shows the ineptness of the people who profess to run the correction system, they refused to implement basic changes which were at the very least humane and minimal. Rather, there was a polarization of attitudes: Manusi is unfit to govern anyone who has basic knowledge of self and kind.

Therefore, the revolution proceeded to **PHASE 2**: Everyone seems to be using (moving in) steps on the treadmill of progress today, even tricky Dicky!

Naturally this is NOT Marxist Socialism because Marx is dead and Attica is alive and well, hence this is **ATTICA SOCIALISM**. Some revolution indeed.

By the way, Attica IS a rather old world. Look up its origin.

We are on the road (presently we are concerned, specifically those of us who profess to adhere to a strict-socialist doctrine within the confines of the tenets of our by laws, about seeking refuge or political asylum in a socialist country) towards definition of the two (2) forces in the world today, **RELIGION** and **POLITICS**, then determining each function vis-a-vis the proletariat. Then and only then can we instruct the masses of the fallacies of collaborationist politics.

In so doing the masses will determine the fate of the non-scientific application of either-force!

Some of us advocate separation of forces where, as here, those who want to exercise their prerogative to work **WITHIN** the maxi-maxi system can do so and those of us who seek Freedom, Justice and Equality can either obtain it or move on to the higher plateau of life and die knowing that the work will get done because of the blueprint left behind and the fact that the masses are cognizant of their responsibility. Death need not be sorrowful. Rather, some of us are walking dead and pitiful but not necessarily sorrowful-eyes-of-the-beholder-but?

I am not a leader nor is anyone in Attica a leader. A revolt of this nature, with the spontaneous combustion of Raicism coupled with abuse and inhuman treatment at the hands of an ill-trained force of overseers, perhaps through no fault of theirs because of the built-in stop-gags in this Social-Order-of-Things, nevertheless leaves an observer with one thought in mind: Who or what is the real criminal? The logical answer is naturally the system and the supporters of that system. But is this the only answer? Emphatically no! We are equally guilty for allowing it to continue for so long without crying out for change, not violently but in Civil disobedience. We are civilized people and some of us ARE innocent of the crimes charged and for which we were found guilty by a jury of **PEEKERS? WHOSE PEEKERS?** All the noise in the Right Wing reactionary press about murderers, rapists, robbers, kidnappers, etc., etc., is but another example of Raicism in this decaying society. The bloodsuckers of this country are the very ones who are name calling. The major periodicals in the New York Metropolitan

area especially The Daily Noose. The Timeless; The Amsterdamer; The Courier-Carrier; Newsday but not Night, are but a few examples of the media who are enthralling themselves off the blood of Attica's dead. These periodicals and the Radio and T.V. stations are geared towards profit. This is a capitalist system. Then why in Heavens name can't there be any sincerity in presenting the facts? True, some papers and a few stations editorialized truthfully, only to have the managers select the format for general news coverage which explained that what the Editor says was not really what's happening.

Then there are some periodicals with the reverse approach: The reporters speak and then the Editors explain that the reporters are not to be believed, etc., etc.: The Anatomy of a Not So Pat-Riot. All the while the people of this nation are buying the papers and looking at T.V. or listening to the radio trying to ascertain exactly what are the true facts: The Pentagon Papers and Dunbar's Attica releases are questions in point!

However, this is news because the media people are rich and powerful! New York Times-vs.-United States of America, WOW!

As for the hypocrites in the churches, they are the very ones who condone the conditions that exist prior to an Attica, then they start bleeding at the heart after a tragedy, that they are responsible for, occurs.

The church is the bedfellow of the political machine in America. If you don't believe that fact check out who owns the tax-exempt land worth billions of dollars while people are starving. This is the land of the Free-White-Wasp- Rich-Jew-Negro Integrationist-Catholic-Free---enslaved, trapped, greedy murderers and oppressors. Sorry if I touched all the bases. The truth once known, should set one free. But I am still incarcerated because of insipide of that fact.

The churches in America and the news media are specifically the target because they have the power to insist on change, but instead they seek the glory for change. God should get the glory, we are his children. Some of us refuse to consider the fact that we are not Supreme. Only after the facts of life and death are brought home to us do we recognize the existence of a masterbuilder. Up until that point we are the big spenders, the High penthouse dwellers. How high is a penthouse?

Your dreams of supremacy are but dreams. Wake-up and come down to earth and recognize your fellow man in need and try to repent if you say you are religious.

Those who are not religious should write to their representatives in government, local state and federal and inform them that Attica is a pariah in that men were murdered when they were confined there and again on 9-13-71.

The "forces" are working for change in incarceration from maximum security to maxi-maximum security.

Now I ask you, is this anyway to run a correctional system? If your answer is YES I know you: If it is NO you know me; if you have no answer, you are more guilty than some of these inmates and you had better "watch that man." The time for change is NOW! My name is Attica because I identify with Attica. What do you pious "hypocrites" identify with? In peace, I hope that before long you find the answer or your days of suffering will be many.

This was not such a Pat-Riot after all, now was it? And Rockefeller killed all those people, for what? Because he has to suppress the desires and aspirations of a people who identify with the **THIRD WORLD MOVEMENT**. He is **FIRST WORLD** and he is collaborating with **SECOND WORLD** Russia (Nixon is going to Russia and "sometimes" Third World member China) to discuss the situation in the communes not the ping-pong-pang!



# THE PURPOSE OF PUNISHMENT

## A Childrens Play

### Act 1



#### THE PURPOSE OF PUNISHMENT

M.Y.: (Sits on the edge of the stage, legs dangling. He is handcuffed, a fact which he ignores, though his gestures are quite awkward.) Dig it. If you came to be entertained, you better leave. Go home and watch the boob tube or read the New York Times. We're here to show you something you don't want to see. There's no plot, no heroes. You're here to think. About the purpose of punishment. About the injustice of justice. About a hundred and ninety five year old piece of paper written by hypocrites and worshipped by hypocrites. The Sixth Amendment guarantees a speedy and public trial by an impartial jury. The Eighth Amendment guarantees no excessive bail, no excessive fines, no cruel and unusual punishment. Crap! Justice is a bummer, a nightmare of degradation for the poor and for the black and for the young and for Chicacos and Puerto Ricans and Indians and prostitutes and run bums and junkies and ex-convicts of every description. And you know it. And you do nothing about it. "All animals are equal. But some animals are more equal than others." Orwell. Law and Order, right? Look 'em up, right? Well take a look friends. Take a little look at a system that says you're innocent until proven guilty and then treats you as if you're guilty anyway, a system that treats humans like animals and takes away their pride and self-respect, and then refuses him a driver's license or a job, a system that still believes in a death sentence in all but nine states that is rejected by over seventy other countries. Take a look at the most expensive criminal justice and correction system in the world. It doesn't work! And because we have failed to hold it accountable, we are equally to blame for its incompetence. What is the purpose of punishment, anyway? Do you know? The people you will meet here are real, these are their actual words.

#### SCENE 1 A PRISON DIAGNOSTIC HOSPITAL

Dr. Guy: About 90% of the inmates here at the prison are black. That's what caused the riot here last July. This hall was covered with blood, guy's were lying everywhere. One white inmate had his hand almost severed by a meat cleaver. It

was hanging on by a thread. It was some show. (A guard unlocks the gate, and they walk in to sit down in a cell-office in the first section.) I've been in court all morning with a Competency Hearing. This kid had the shortest tour in Vietnam in history. Three hours. He got off the plane in Saigon and bumped into an Army psychiatrist who apparently thought the kid was acting strangely, so he had him shipped back on the next plane. He got out on a medical discharge. One day he came home and his wife said she was leaving because he didn't do anything for her in bed. She took the kids and went to live with her folks, he moved in with his best friend. But he was pretty tense and brooding. He told nine different people that he was liable to kill somebody if he couldn't get back with his wife. Nobody paid any attention. So he made a list of the nine people and decided to kill them all. The first on the list was his friend's wife. He went to her one day and stabbed her quite a few times. She didn't die too easily, so he dragged her to the bathroom and stuffed her in the tub. Her little kid came to see what was happening. She wasn't on his list, but he killed her too. Then he went to his wife and told her what he did. She didn't believe him, so he started to strangle her, but she was smart enough to tell him how much she loved him and how good he really was in bed and how she wanted him back. They went to several hospitals for help. Nobody believed the story. Finally somebody did and he was arrested. By then it dawned on him that he had killed his best friends wife and his own Godchild. He went into a catatonic stupor, expecting to lie there until he died. That's when they sent him to me. I put him on massive tranquilizers to bring him around. Now we'll get him to Byberry for treatment.

M.Y.: ...aggression is a drive as innate, as natural and as powerful as sex...the theory that aggression is nothing but a response to frustration is no longer tenable.

r. Guy: They usually come here from low socio-economic groups. I almost never meet a high school graduate. The incredible thing is their ability to adapt to a prison situation. Prison is like a confirmation of the life they've led. They always thought they had no freedom, now

the know it. And there's a bitterness why are they in prison for stealing a lousy few bucks when there are men stealing millions with a pen? This really is a "School for Crime." They brag about their exploits. The more they talk, the more they learn from each other. By the time they get out, they know much more than when they went in.

M.Y.: (Turns to the audience) There are four prisons in Philadelphia. Three are at Holmesburg. The Detention Center, which is overflowing with adult males awaiting trial that can't make bail or are in on a non-bailable offense. The House of Correction, which was supposed to hold adult males sentenced to short thirty or sixty day terms, but instead is packed with men, women and sixty five juveniles - to be tried as adults all in different wings and most awaiting trial or sentence. They spill over from both places into Holmesburg, where they mix detainees with convicted criminals and sentenced inmates. You can wait for six months or a year to trial, sometimes longer. And you can wait almost as long here to be sentenced. The most anyone can be sentenced to at Holmesburg is two years. The daily population is about 3500. Twenty five thousand are processed through here in a year.

(They get up and make rounds. They are joined by Dr. Sheffer, two social workers and a guard. They stop as Dr. Guy talks to Theodore, the double murderer awaiting the results of a Competency Hearing. Theodore sits on a bench in the middle of the corridor, his head slightly bowed.)

Dr. Guy: This is Theodore. I told you about Theodore. How are you Theodore?

Theodore: (smiles shyly) Fine.

Dr. Guy: I think we made out good with the Judge today. Theodore, I think you'll be going to Byberry. How do you feel about that, Theodore?

Theodore: (smiles again) Yes.

(They move on as Dr. Guy asks each man how he feels, how he slept last night. They are stopped by Speed Freak who does a nervous little dance as he talks.

Speed Freak: I didn't sleep last night. Doc. My feet and shins are burning awful. I've shot up these veins so often, I can hardly touch them. But it really burns from when they was frozen. I need

something for the pain, Doc.

Dr. Sheffer: Sure, he wants something with Morphine in it.

Speed Freak-% Naw, Doc, even aspirin would help better than these tranquilizers I'm getting. I think I may be a little psychotic, Doc, I been psychotic before. I think I was when I held up that bank, a voice told me to do it. I had a gun that didn't even work, no bullets. I think I'm innocent, Doc, I hear voices.

M.Y.: (Turns to audience) In 1968, there were 90 million firearms in civilian hands in the United States, the highest gun to population ratio in the world. In opposition to gun control legislation, the National Rifle Association says that guns don't kill people, people do.

Dr. Guy: How do you feel? I'm Dr. Guy.

Hyper: I'm fine Doctor Guy. There's no problem. I'm in control of my emotions. know...

Dr. Guy: (interrupts) Have you been on any kind of drug or medication? Hyper: No. Sir I don't need no medication I didn't do nuthin' I just went into that Adams store to borrow some money from Mister Adams I didn't have no gun I was just gonna borrow some money cause I needed some money...cause you ain't no man if you ain't got no money...(takes a deep breath) you a man Doc so you know I got to be a man if I had a gun I'd a got that money I'd a shot somebody that's what I'd a done I just needed some money so's I could be a man you know Doc and so I could go up to Boston where I got a cousin...(takes another big breath) so I don't need no medication I'm in control of my emotions just let me go back to my cell block cause I'm just fine.

Dr. Guy: Well, I think you're pretty hyper. I think you better take some tranquilizers for a few days.

(as they walk back to the offices they talk)

M.Y.: What is the purpose of punishment?

Dr. Guy: We call it the three R's Removal, Rehabilitation, and Revenge. Deterrence? That would be a fourth purpose, but it's not practical, it doesn't deter anyone, certainly not those who have committed the crimes. Even capital punishment is no deterrent. These people have nothing, so they are risking nothing.

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# TOWARDS A PEOPLE'S ARMY



all where the ruling class is coming from and how readily they turn the guns upon the people. In both of these cases, what must be taken careful note of is the eagerness with which policemen, state troopers and national guardsmen did their killing. Backed up as they were by authority, in the highest seats of power, these murderers of the people knew that what they did would be written off as justifiable homicide. The line that was drawn, with the blood of the people, defines both the nature of our movement and the lengths to which the enemy will go to contain our struggle. What Frederick Douglass said a hundred years ago is still true today:

*An unarmed people is subject to slavery at any given moment.*

We have the choice of moving now, or waiting, on CP Time, to make a final rush for the door when it begins to close. The door is already closed. Our task is to open it. What our enemy is doing is trying to seal that door forever. In concrete terms, we must, over-night, pull together some political machinery and back it up with guns. When I say "political machinery", I'm not talking about the Republican or the Democratic Parties. We must come together in a United Front organized on a community by community, city by city, state by state basis. We must pool our strength, through organizational machinery, with all the other oppressed people inside Babylon and the world who have not made their separate peace with the enemy and continue to struggle for their human rights. This must be backed up with guns so that the uncle toms and traitors cannot destroy it from within and the enemy cannot smash it from without.

*There is a world of difference between 30 million unarmed niggers and 30 million niggers armed to the gills.*

Eldridge Cleaver

The decisive moment in the Afro-American peoples' struggle for their freedom and liberation will be when the fascists of Babylon, in order to tactically cope with the Afro-American Peoples' Army, move, in one form or another, to run down the Concentration Camp/Strategic Hamlet bit on us. This is a battle that we dare not lose. For if we as a people allow ourselves to be thus totally fettered again, as during the time of slavery, it is clear that we might as well kiss life and the planet earth good-bye. Already, white racists are busy regretting that they did not kill off all black people when they had the earth under their heel. The trends in the world today dictate that we, as a people, if we truly intend to survive, must snap to attention immediately, unite immediately, and deal decisively with the forces that are preparing a final genocide for us.

We must understand this fact: at this very moment, men are discussing and negotiating a fundamental deal that will perhaps shape human destiny for the next 1,000 years. Various countries, which we thought were our friends and allies to the end, are now making a separate peace with our sworn enemy, the fascist imperialist U.S. government and ruling class. The coming into view of the dialogue and negotiations between the United States government and the government of the Peoples Republic of China should be the final signal necessary for each and every one of us to sit up and take notice.

Already the Western Imperialist powers -- England, France, West Germany, Belgium, etc., etc. -- have united into the Common Market and NATO. Eastern European so-called socialist countries have united in the Warsaw Pact. Discussions have been underway on how to merge the Warsaw Pact countries and the NATO countries into a unified command. They are quickly resolving contradictions between capitalism and socialism, between Christians and Jews, between Catholics and Protestants. Their continued support for the racist colonialism of Portugal in Africa, their stepped up aid and support to South Africa and Southern Rhodesia, and added to this is our own experience, bloody and brutal, which clearly indicates that the long-range plan of the fascists for

Afro-Americans has nothing to do with any peace, harmony and brotherhood. While they do everything in their power to keep our people weak, disorganized, confused and disunited, they are moving at a feverish pace to strengthen each other, tighten each other's organizational machinery, and wipe away their disagreements for a perfect harmony.

The ruling class of the United States is unfolding a global plan to carve up the planet in such a way that when the deal goes down the Afro-American people will find themselves trapped inside and at the mercy of a white racist empire uniting the customary grouping of Western Capitalist sweetheart nations, and including Spain, Portugal, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, and Israel. In return for this the United States is going to pull its forces out of Asia -- South Korea, Indochina, Japan, the Philippines, Thailand and Taiwan, etc.

To cope with this situation, we have one and only one path open to us: to arm and organize ourselves into a powerful, deadly, invincible block inside the United States so that the United States cannot do anything of which we do not approve. There is no other path open to us. Only an Afro-American Peoples' Army can guarantee us against another plateau of control, such as was done to us after the Civil War. Our first battle is for the right to organize our Peoples' Army. We can never get the enemy's permission to do this. Our Peoples' Army must guarantee its own existence through its own strength. Again, there is no other way. Our Peoples' Army must come into being through combat, fighting from its inception for its right to be.

There are those, I know, who feel let down at this point, because here I go again talking about guns. But whether we like it or not, the world that we live in is controlled with guns, organized and controlled by those who rule. This is the basic fact that we have to deal with. Those who cannot move beyond that point -- I don't know what to say to them. I would hope that Artica speaks louder than words. Kent State and Africa, unless we look upon these as freak incidents that more than likely will not repeat themselves, should make it clear to





# ON PEOPLES POWER

Speech delivered at the closing session of the Extraordinary Congress of the Congolese Worker's Party, March 31, 1970.

Comrade Members of the Congress  
Comrade Militants

In the face of the eternal menace of the aggressions of the colonialists and of international imperialism, aided by those within the country who have sold themselves, the traitors to the nation, the opportunists and the unaware, our Party must know how to unite the entire people in the resistance for national salvation.

The appeal for help launched by the necessary who was shot down like a mad dog, an appeal launched to the reactionary who is the most detested by the peoples of Africa who are struggling against exploitation and colonial domination, is a fact which justifies our preparing as never before to erase the after-effects of imperialism, to punish the blood-thirsty, dollar-greedy assassins, by a general mobilization, which is methodical, organized, disciplined, and led by the Congolese Worker's Party.

Everyone knows that in our economic projects according to the Five-Year Plan of 1970-1974 we are already predicting that by 1973 we will be importing foreign workers, because by that date there will be little or no unemployment in the Congo.

It is for that reason, which is amply demonstrated, that the attacks against our people are proof of the deteriorating process of the capitalist system, and the irreversible acceleration of the revolutionary process of our people, which is following an upwards sweep, in spite of the difficulties inherent in the struggle itself.

The duty of our Party is to establish urgently a concrete regulation so that each cadre, no matter what post he occupies, will be required to carry out a concrete ideological task.

Within each department of the state apparatus there must be created a political and ideological guidance, because the ideological work is the essential condition to the success of any work.

Thus, the Congolese Worker's Party has to take serious charge of the ideological work: Party School, newspaper, information, radio, cultural organs, education, "the indispensable condition for the seizure of power." Further, the Congolese Worker's Party must provide itself with a security apparatus which is completely devoid of all bourgeois or regressive tendencies, a healthy security apparatus, politically and ideologically solid, which is technically capable of assuming, with a ferocious jealousy, the defense of the fruits of the Revolution of August 13th, 14th, and 15th, 1963.

Ideological work is capable of galvanizing, of awakening the consciousness, the dynamism, the initiative and the creative spirit of the masses towards accomplishing the tasks that the Congolese Worker's Party sets for them.

Every militant must study systematically the principles of Marxism-Leninism, and must forge himself ideologically in the practice of work and of struggle.

The teaching of Marxism-Leninism to the upper and middle-level cadres becomes an urgent imperative in the current stage of our Revolution. The cadres and leaders who have an advanced knowledge of Marxism-Leninism are few. This explains why our cadres are often inclined towards empiricism, towards dogmatism, or towards infantile leftism. This explains why our leaders often drown in details or in red tape, and it explains the discrepancy between their conceptions and their ideology with respect to the evolution of our anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist, anti-neo colonialist struggle. This theoretical study must be closely allied to the realities of our society. We cannot look at ideological work as a "talisman" or magic thing which will permit us to convince the comrades, which is something to be taken out and used only when and if it is needed.

A large number of cadres, aside from their specialized tasks, don't bother to spend time on Party work, or work only with their speciality and delay all political and ideological operations.

In the present circumstances of our anti-imperialist struggle, and of our struggle against the enemies of a free and prosperous Africa, under the direction of the Congolese Worker's Party, we must organize an armed resistance to defend the ideals of the August Revolution. The Congolese Worker's Party must unite all the forces which are susceptible of being united, to mobilize all the classes and the patriotic forces of the People's Republic of the Congo, the working masses, the peasants, the soldiers, the revolutionary intellectuals. We must organize the armed resistance of the entire people, all those who are aware of the struggle for liberation, and aware of the exploitation of capitalism.

This resistance has to be generalized, and certainly we must pay attention to, and learn from, the errors of the past. The mobilization of the most conscious sectors of our population must of necessity lead to revolutionary people's war against the wars of imperialist aggression and against all the anti-nationalist and anti-popular forces.

The national liberation struggle of our small Congo can end in the form of an armed struggle of long duration, patient and determined, which will of necessity lead to the final victory, to the victory of the proletariat.

The Congolese Worker's Party must lay down the principles for building our Army on a political level: strengthening of the leadership of the Party with regard to the army, political work inside of the army; a process aimed at constant educational action, by teaching proletarian ideology to the cadres and soldiers, and in doing so, cementing the union between the Army and the people by applying conscious, strict and far discipline.

Comrades, the key problem of the Revolution is that of power. Comrade Lenin wrote: "The transfer of power from one class to another happens to be the primary, essential and fundamental criterion of a revolution, in the purely scientific sense, as well as in the political and practical sense of the term."

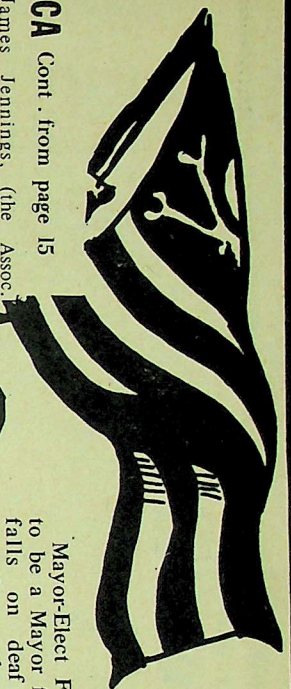
To make revolution is to awaken the consciousness of the masses, to organize them, and to lead them to overthrow the power of the ruling classes and to place this power into the hands of the people. Once power is achieved, it is necessary to organize and lead the masses in order to maintain, consolidate and to increase that power, and to make it the instrument that will transform the former society and build the new society. It is only through the destruction of the state apparatus or through the complete transformation of its bourgeois and colonial structures that the oppressed and exploited masses will see their liberation. At all levels, even in the present phase of the national liberation struggle, the struggle that we are leading against all forms of colonial domination, the question of whether we must create the revolutionary state apparatus must be considered. The seizure of state power by the masses does not mean the changing of one team by another. The conquest of power by the people must take into account the contradiction between the State and the Revolution, take account of the expropriation of the expropriators in order to, eventually, put to the benefit of the collective, the goods and the means of production used by the ruling and exploiting class.

The Congolese Worker's Party has clearly defined its position, let me remind you: our struggle is anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist, anti-neo-colonialist, and anti-feudal.

Comrades, our victory, the victory of our people, depends on these key prevailing factors, which we must never forget are factors which find their relationship or causality in the inheritance which is, rightly or not, called tribalism, carefully maintained by colonialism, the sad effects of which were demonstrated by the dramas of 1959. In order to destroy that plague, the unity of all the progressive and patriotic forces is necessary. And as we know, there is no political, economic, or social program







**ATTIGA** Cont. from page 15

Mr. James Jennings, (the Assoc. Director of the Division of World Justice and Peace, U.S.C.C.) in his column: "The Progress of Peoples: Touting the Third World," explains fully what is taking place in the world today. See Catholic News, 10-14-71 at pg. 7.

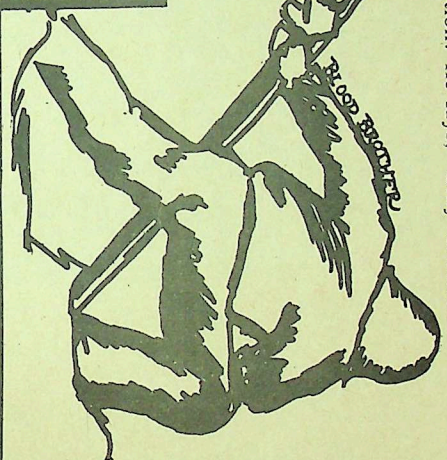
This policy vis-a-vis China-U.S.A.-Russia is symptomatic in that there is a revolutionary pattern being followed even if it is conciliatory-collaborationist socialism, be it Maoism or Attica socialism. This is evolution within the revolution. The changing times indeed!

In conclusion, I would like to say that if there is any amongst you who are concerned about the drift that this country is taking and you feel that you can get those members of the "Attica Liberation Faction" a safe passage out of Babylon, for whatever reason, please make the necessary arrangements and I will submit the list of names of the members. The P.O.W./M.I.A. situation could be cleared up and most of the issues on Vietnam can then be settled, if your government is sincere that is.



**RIZZO** Cont. from page 1

Mayor-Elect Frank Rizzo's pledge to be a Mayor for ALL the people falls on deaf ears. His victory portrait on the front page of the city's daily news looked more like a white power salute than a salute for unity. What's the Cisko Kid's reaction? He says, "Only in America



could a guy, like Frank Rizzo become mayor." You're so right, Frank. But, we wonder. What does that say for America?

Mumia Philadelphia correspondent

**PEOPLES POWER**

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built on the principles of Marxism-Leninism which could ever be carried out, however great the man in charge of this program might be, unless a strong organization existed, capable of transformation and of creation.

Any solution, any project, any form of anti-imperialist struggle, or any national liberation struggle depends, therefore, on the lines of force which were defined previously: Organization. And for us, the Congolese Worker's Party must be this much-sought tool, that will solve the problems of the masses.

Our work, the work of the Central Committee must produce efficient results. Failing this, our people will be exhausted, discouraged, and will be entitled to deny us its militant confidence.

Away with anarchy, liberalism, division and hatred, sectarianism, regionalism, letrism, opportunism, the sectarianism carefully maintained for tribal or regional purposes, so that the torch of the Revolution of the 13th, 14th and 15th of August, 1963, may be lifted high, and that the red flag, symbol of our strong determination to liberate ourselves from the hands of capitalism, may float, with its flaming scarlet, over our land.

Long live the Congolese People, united, strong and invincible!

Long live the martyrs fallen in combat! Long live the victory of the Revolution of the Three Glorious Days, in Work, Democracy, and Peace!

All for the People, nothing except for the People.

This is the second in a series of articles to be reprinted from ETUMBA, in the organ of the Congolese Workers Party (in the Peoples Republic of the Congo (Brazzaville)).

**CHILDRENS PLAY**

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In seven years I've talked to plenty of prisoners. None of them thought about punishment before they decided whether or not to carry a gun.

M.Y.: (turns to audience) Why do we kill people to show people that killing people is wrong?

Dr. Guy: As for Removal, with the present set up prison makes them worse criminals. Unless you put them away forever with no chance for parole, it does Society more harm to remove them than to leave them alone. Unless you are prepared to Rehabilitate, and that doesn't

exist here or in most places I've seen. Prisons are overcrowded and under staffed. Society doesn't care much anyway. he purpose of punishment is revenge.

Editor's Note: Some young brothers and sisters in Mount Vernon, N.Y. are doing this play - to raise money for Stephen Lamont Gill, a political prisoner, and for all political prisoners.

We suggest that other groups of young people across Babylon do the same.

**TOMBS SEVEN**

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Ricardo deLeon, spokesman, committee member and negotiator. Of particular interest to the State because of his past associating with the Black Panther Party and for being one of the advocates of inmate protest against the disastrous conditions of the Tombs. Some of the manifestos, petitions, letters, newspaper articles, etc., that focussed attention on an intolerable situation were the products of his activity. Red-baiting fascists have harped on the Black Panther Party label as evidence of a "revolutionary conspiracy" to seize the jails.

The case of the Tombs Seven has a number of parallels with other recent acts of repression. An overloaded indictment, with obviously racist overtones, in which various representatives of a group which the ruling class finds obnoxious are lumped together and charged under tenuous legal theory and no evidence for clearly political reasons. "Law and Order" advocates aim to silence prison protest by jailing these men to cover up the shortcomings of the Corrections Department.

In addition to these charges, the New York City and the State Corrections have continuously harassed and persecuted the accused. Official power has been harnessed to hamper them and their lawyers, to keep them from preparing an adequate defense. When this legal circus began the brothers were all housed in the Tombs, under maxi-maximum security conditions --an excuse for irksome provocations. Verbal abuse and illegal punishments from racist officers, mail delayed and stopped, visitors blocked and discouraged. With sophisticated deviousness and guile, every attempt to formulate a defense program has been frustrated by the Department of Corrections.

Being under long State sentences due to prior judicial railroadings, most of the brothers were transferred to different

State prisons. Frank Myers, the only brother left in the Tombs, was yamped on and brutalized by some reactionary guards. Because of that he was hooked up with an additional assault charge.

In the case of P.O.W. Ricardo deLeon, certain expose articles and letters in which he has published his political beliefs and practice have infuriated Corrections to the point where his meddlesome obstructionism has reached vendetta proportions. Between April and June he was transferred back and forth from the Tombs to Sing-Sing three times, creating a situation where all communications were lost, making it almost impossible for his attorneys to even begin to work on the defense. To culminate this blatant disregard for his legal rights, after the last trip to Sing-Sing, he was spirited away to Clinton State Prison, caged in solitary, and kept out of contact with his lawyers and comrades. In the past Attica repression, most of his legal papers, writings and research material was confiscated by the Clinton Prison goons.

Herbert Bylden has been through the Attica debacle and since then has been played up by the fascist "Daily Noose". Sly innuendoes pertaining to Attica with the object of creating a climate where a non-peer jury of middle-class whites will convict "with all deliberate speed" on the basis of the brothers being implicated in every slave rebellion since Nat Turner!

At this time, all the brothers are separated, scattered through the various city concentration camps, locked under "maxi-maximum" security-- the corrections goons even go as far as keeping them from seeing each other when they make court appearances! Peoples lawyers defending the bloods are trying to get them all housed in Manhattan so that the preparation for trial can advance. At least communications and conferences would be easier. But Corrections, a party with a

stake in the outcome of this case, is definitely opposed to any move that will expedite the defense.

Presently, after all the inferences on the part of the D.A.'s office, city and state Corrections officials, the Tombs 7 brothers are being pushed to trial. It has become necessary that a militant and determined struggle be advanced to force the Department of Corrections and the D.A.'s office to cease their arbitrary persecution of men who in reality have committed no crime, and have already been ruthlessly punished for a year by the State.

The people will have to say "STOP!" to these mad-dog machines that threaten to further waste these brothers lives, while the real criminals, those responsible for the unbearable conditions that force men to rebel, rather than to remain submerged in the pits of a capitalist created inferno, prance about the country seeking higher political office, so that they can keep on trampling the hopes of the damned!

We must remember that it is only the power of the people that can terminate all this insanity. Outrages and abuses by power hungry bureaucrats must cease. The power vested in the masses-revolutionary power, directed against the slimy oppressors, will end this, and other outrages "Where Tyranny is Law, Revolution is Order!"

RICARDO DELEON

FOR NEW IDEAS  
INFORMATION IS THE RAW MATERIAL



# Poets' Page

drink,  
my baby,  
from the Mother and Source  
of the rushing River Nile,  
drink,  
Th' sweetness,  
from the  
Satisfier of Sojourner Truth,  
Nourisher of Nat Turner,  
the Preserver of our princes  
Simbas, Sons of Malcolm...

drink,  
little one,  
from the Cup of the very Cradle  
of Creation  
for strong limbs,  
and stronger minds  
in readiness  
for the Armegeddon  
to come,

Drink,  
so that New Africa's princess  
may  
revolute...  
revolute...  
revolute...

and in so doing  
some day,  
give milk...

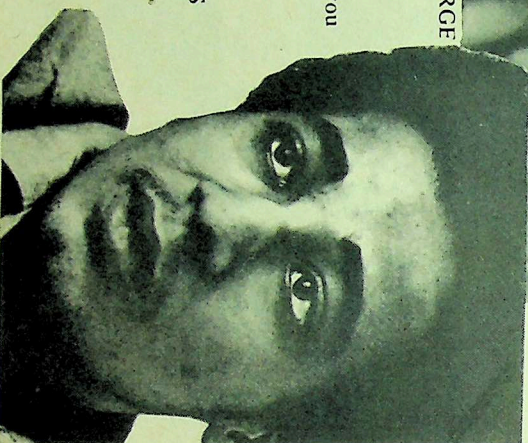
MUMIA



## FOR JONATHAN AND GEORGE

Two Black Warriors  
Trap in/by  
White man's hell  
They tortured you/whipped you  
Tried to break you  
But didn't  
As Black warriors you  
Fought  
Many wounds  
To prove your BLACKNESS  
Prove you did  
In many  
ways  
actions  
words.

To show us  
the way,  
But we were too busy  
Riding our long cadillacs  
Selling our sisters  
Or just didn't care.



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## FOR MRS. GEORGIA JACKSON

Black Queen Mother  
You brought two warriors  
Two true Black Men  
To this oppressed land to be  
MURDERED/by the oppressor  
the white beast  
Cause there/our people just didn't care.

Beautiful Black Mother  
How you must feel  
To have lost two sons/in just one year  
If not for the steel bar's  
That lock me in/I too would die  
And avenge/your grief

Your two sons/were Men among men  
Who stood up for us/ in this/fucked up land  
Sorry are they/that would not help

Oh Beautiful Black Mother/a Queen true  
You stand among many/who have lost hope  
All PRAISE be to you/ you stood by your sons  
And still do/look/you can't be men  
Look what has happened/because of you.

Oh most Beautiful Black Mother  
You're my love supreme/ what  
Our women could be/ you're a true Black woman  
My dream come true/don't let our fucked up  
People / do anything / to change you

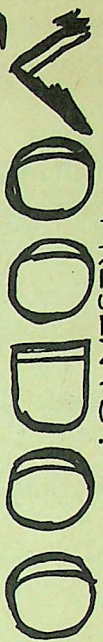
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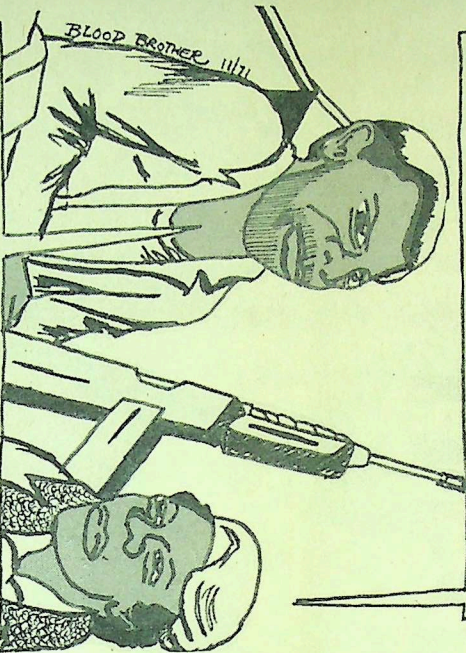
# THE Revolutionary Peoples Communications Network

PRESENTS:



TODAY, WE ARE STILL OPPRESSED AND JUST AS THE RACIST OPPRESSORS OF OLD COULDN'T BLOCK COMMUNICATIONS OF BLACK PEOPLE, THEY ARE UNABLE TO BLOCK OUR WOODOO OF TODAY...

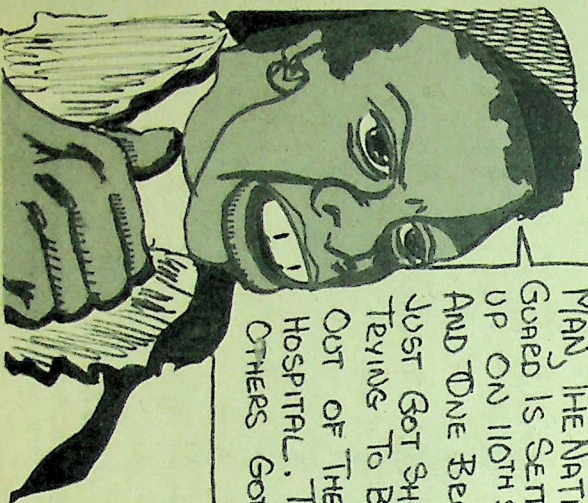
WE CAUGHT THOSE WHITE DUDES BEFORE THEY RETURNED THE WOODOO



GOOD. EVERYTHING SHOULD BE COOL FOR A WHILE. LETS GET OUT HERE. WE GOT MORE WORK. THE NATIONAL GUARD WILL BE HERE TONIGHT, AND WE SHOULD BE READY.

SOON THE MOMENT OF EDUCATION AND INFORMATION BREAKS...

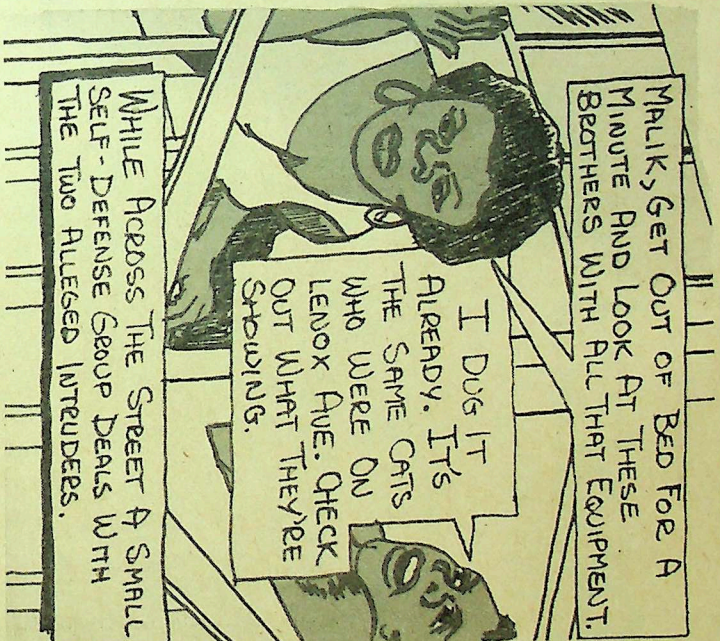
MAN, THE NATIONAL GUARD IS SETTING UP ON 110TH STREET. AND ONE BROTHER JUST GOT SHOT TRYING TO BUST RAP OUT OF THE HOSPITAL. THE OTHERS GOT AWAY.



MALIK, GET OUT OF BED FOR A MINUTE AND LOOK AT THESE BROTHERS WITH ALL THAT EQUIPMENT.

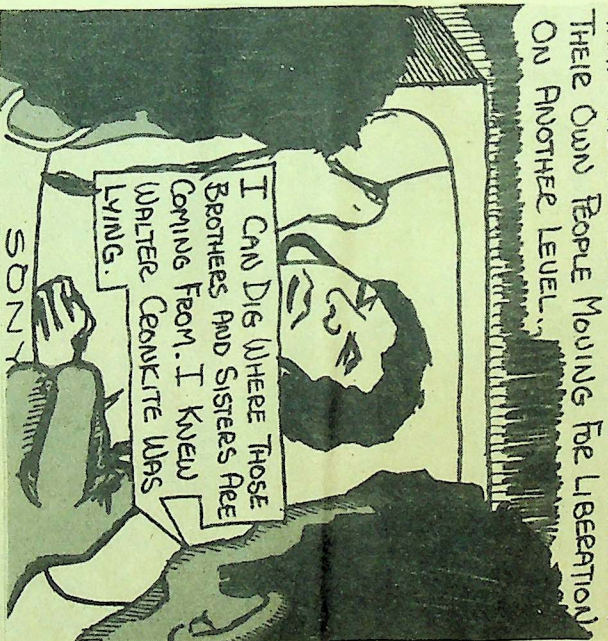
I DUG IT ALREADY. IT'S THE SAME CATS WHO WERE ON LENOX AVE. CHECK OUT WHAT THEY'RE SHOWING.

WHILE ACROSS THE STREET A SMALL SELF-DEFENSE GROUP DEALS WITH THE TWO ALLEGED INTRUDERS.

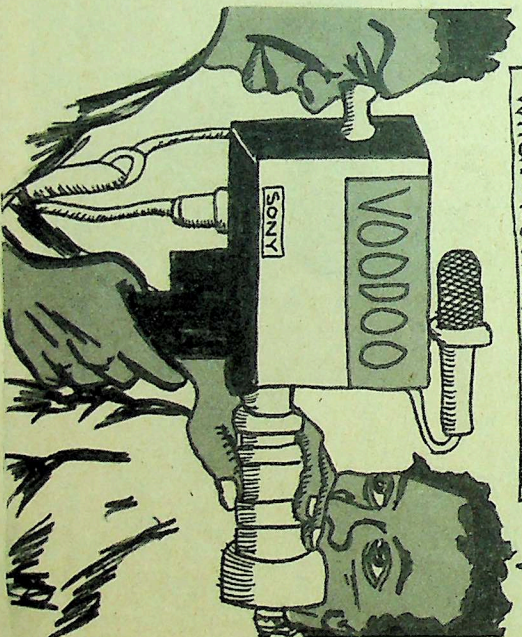


.. BUT FOR THE TIME BEING, THE SISTERS AND BROTHERS ON THE STREET CLEARLY SEE THAT THE SO-CALLED TERRORISTS ARE ONLY THEIR OWN PEOPLE MOVING FOR LIBERATION ON ANOTHER LEVEL.

I CAN DIG WHERE THOSE BROTHERS AND SISTERS ARE COMING FROM. I KNEW WALTER CEANETTE WAS LYING.



GET ALL OF THIS. WE GOT TO MAKE SURE THE REST OF BLACK AMERICA DIGS THIS. I'M GOING TO CALL THE WITSA - DOCTOR.



TO BE CONTINUED...



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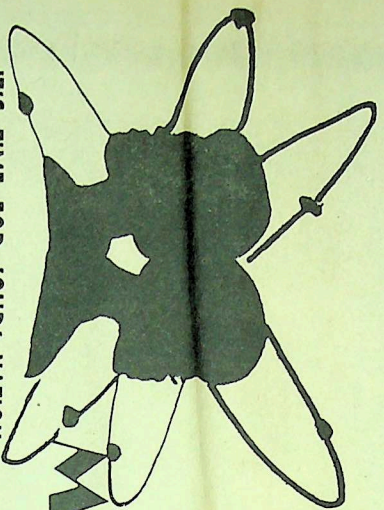
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# Rizzo Country



FRANK RIZZO  
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*Malcolm X*

" I was in Washington, D.C., a week ago, Thursday, when they were debating whether or not they should let the bill come onto the floor. And in the back of the room where the Senate meets, there's a huge map of the United States, and on that map it shows the location of Negroes throughout the country. And it shows that the Southern section of the country, the states that are most heavily concentrated with Negroes, are the ones that have senators and congressmen standing up filibustering and doing all other kinds of trickery to keep the Negro from being able to vote. This is pitiful. But it's not pitiful for us any longer; it's pitiful for the white man, because soon now, as the Negro awakens a little more and sees the real game that he's in, then the Negro's going to develop a new tactic.

These senators and congressmen actually violate the constitutional amendments that guarantee the people of that particular state or country the right to vote. And the Constitution itself has within it the machinery to expel any representative from a state where the voting rights of the people are violated, that particular person should be expelled from Congress. And when you expel him, you've removed one of the obstacles in the path of any real meaningful legislation in this country. In fact, when you expel them, you don't need legislation, because they will be replaced by black representatives from counties and districts where the black man is in the majority, not in the minority.

If the black man in these Southern states had his full voting right, the key Dixiecrats in Washington, D.C., which means the key Democrats in Washington, D.C., would lose their seats. The Democratic Party itself would lose its power. It would cease to be powerful as a party. When you see the amount of power that would be lost by the Democratic Party if it were to lose the Dixiecrat wing, or branch, or element, you can see where it's against the interests of the Democrats to give voting rights to Negroes in states where the Democrats have been in complete power and authority ever since the Civil War. You just can't belong to that party without analyzing it.

I say again, I'm not anti-Democrat, I'm not anti-Republican. I'm not anti-anything. I'm just questioning their sincerity, and some of the strategy that they've been using on our people by promising them promises that they don't intend to keep. When you keep the Democrats in power, you're keeping the Dixiecrats in power. I doubt that my good Brother Lomax will deny that. A vote for a Democrat is a vote for a Dixiecrat. That's why, in 1964, it's time now for you and me to become more politically mature and realize what the ballot is for; what we're supposed to get when we cast a ballot; and that if we don't cast a ballot, it's going to end up in a situation where we're going to have to cast a ballot. It's either a ballot or a bullet."

## Malcolm X