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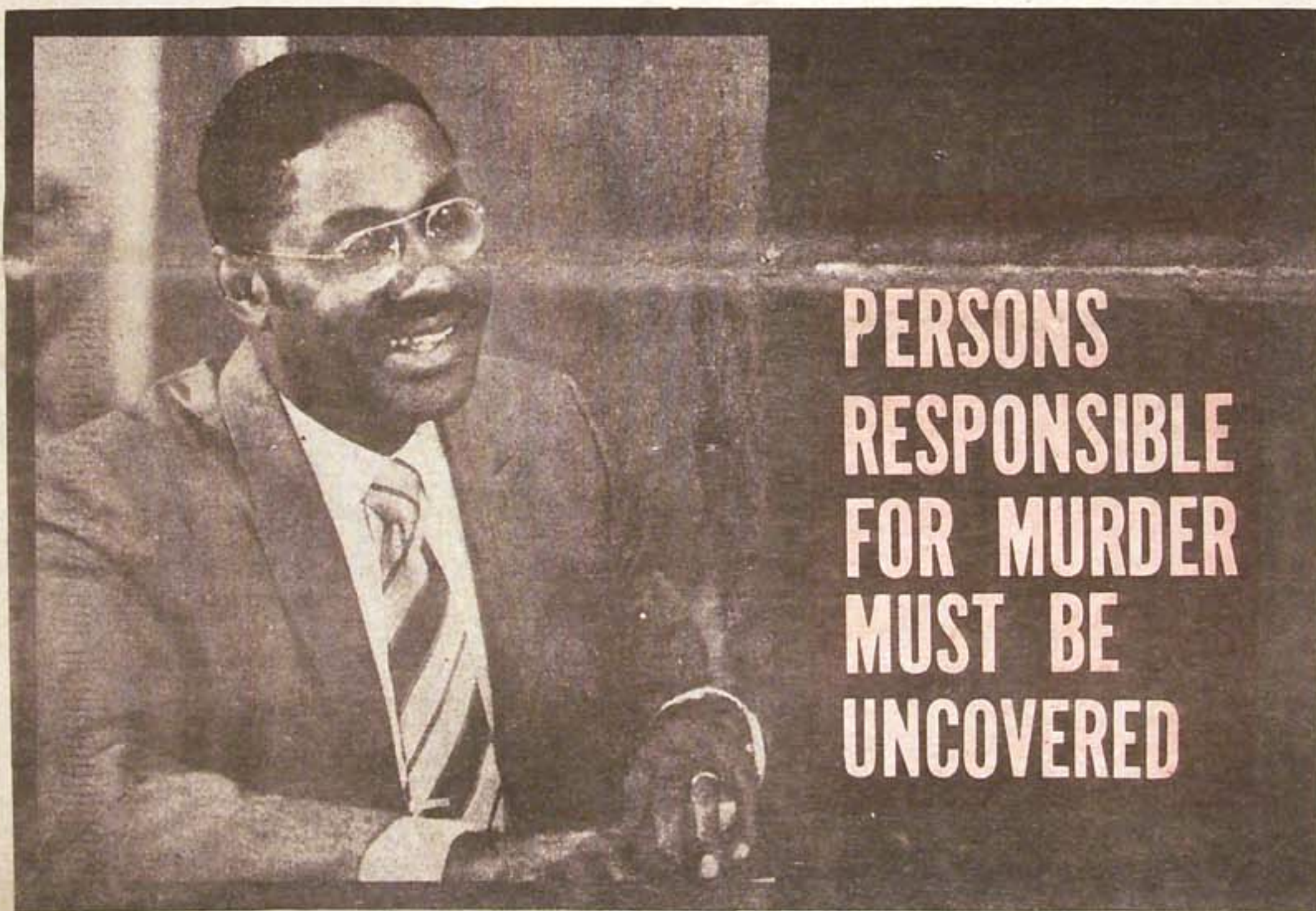
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Editorial

THE MURDER OF DR. MARCUS FOSTER

The brutal slaying of Oakland Superintendent of Schools Dr. Marcus Foster, points up a grave danger facing the Black community of Oakland and Black communities throughout this country. That danger exists for other ethnic and oppressed communities. But it is imminent and immediate for Black communities.

Powerful and evil forces in this country have grown desperate. These forces represent opposition to the most fundamental principles of democratic government. They are the forces that ridicule and reject belief in and the practice of government of, by and for the people. They are the forces that believe in rule by the elite.

The elite to these forces are those who have "made it big" in this country; the giants of industry, the leaders of the military establishment and the rulers of world corporate empires. It is that elite, using its enormous wealth and its economic and political influence, that determines who runs for President of the United States, and who wins.

Desperation among these forces stems from the mounting chorus of "No" and "Out" to their current puppet in the White House, arising out of the Watergate revelations at home, and the rapidly mounting economic and political barriers abroad to their aggressive empire building efforts and goals.

History has taught us that evil forces in desperation always seek out and attempt to blame for their evil deeds the most accessible, the most visible and the most defenseless scapegoat. In the United States today that most accessible, visible and defenseless scapegoat is the Black people of this country.

Events in Oakland in past weeks, culminating with the murder of Dr. Foster and the wounding of his deputy, Robert Blackburn, indicate to us that Oakland has been selected as the target of these forces. Oakland has been selected primarily because of the existence in Oakland of the headquarters of the Black Panther Party.

It is, through such infamous deeds as the attack on the school officials and the circulation of such literature as the letter claiming responsibility for the

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"GENTLEMEN—SYNCHRONIZE YOUR WATCHES!"

Letters to the Editor

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Revolutionary greetings Comrades. I'm writing to thank you for the Black Panther. I'm a political prisoner here in the Koncentration Kamp at Pittsburgh. Due to my conditions in maximum security, my communications with the revolutionary people are few and far between. I would like for you to put me in the pen pal section for correspondence with other comrades in the struggle. The next time I write I should be a full fledged Black Panther...

Long live the Black Panther!

Dare to struggle,

Dare to win,

LumumbaUa

State Correctional Institution
Pittsburgh, Penn.

Dear Comrades,

Please be advised that I am a Black prisoner, 25 years of age, incarcerated in the Virginia State Prison at the above address with an excessive amount of time...I've been confined ever since May 29, 1966 and I received my first conviction on December 17, 1966, in Richmond, Va.

I am trying with the greatest effort to obtain your newspaper and political literature. Unfortunately, I am without any appreciable funds to purchase a regular subscription of this most informative publication. I am greatly concerned about the political situation which exists here in Nazi Amerikkka and I would like to keep up with the latest data.

I am politically conscious of the conditions which exist in prisons and in society. I am compelled to write and request a subscription to your paper after I, by chance, happened to come across your August issue...

In solidarity,

Thomas L.XPenn
State Farm, Virginia

Brothers and Sisters:

I have been inspired a great deal to write this brief letter concerning the brothers incarcerated here at the USDB. We are

deeply concerned about the international problems of today. We are willing to give all the support within our power, if we could only communicate with you Brothers and Sisters to get some political ideas. I'm sure this would motivate us and give us a broader concept of the Black Man's Struggle. Though our power is limited, we Blacks at the USDB are making an attempt to understand our economical and political predicament.

I am sure you understand our position. Because we're incarcerated we cannot express ourselves to the fullest. The Brothers incarcerated within the walls of the USDB would deeply appreciate it if you could send us some letters, pamphlets or papers and keep us enlightened on the Black Man's progress.

Any consideration shown shall be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I greet you in the Revolutionary greeting: ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE.

I would like to congratulate the beautiful Black Brothers and Sisters on an excellent job they are doing relating the message to the people throughout the U.S.A.

We, the Brothers here, seek your aid in enlisting relationships with beautiful Brothers and Sisters and people throughout the U.S.A. who are relating to the struggle to write to us who are struggling against this inhumane condition here in the I.F.A. program in the Alabama penal/plantation system.

We ask that you make it known that those Brothers and Sisters wishing to offer support, aid or encouragement may contact Bro. Frank M. Otis or Bro. James A. Jones, at Mt. Meigs Medical & Diagnostic Center, Route 5, Box 125, Montgomery, Alabama, 36109.

We, the Brothers here, would like to again compliment you and the Brothers and Sisters on your excellent job of communicating to the people.

Bro. Frank M. Otis

Mt. Meigs Medical & Diagnostic Center
Montgomery, Ala.

COMMENT

THE ENERGY "ALERT" AND MID-EAST WAR

So, we're to keep home and office temperatures down to 68 degrees this winter, drive no faster than 50 miles per hour, pay enormous increases in fuel prices and use less hot water. Before we vent our anger at the Arabs for their continuing boycott of crude oil to the U.S., let us remember a few facts.

Until very recently, the U.S. only received six percent of its imports of crude oil from the Arab oil producing countries. That figure has for unknown reasons increased to 10 percent in recent weeks, according to Richard Nixon.

Proven crude oil reserves, i.e. oil still under the ground, in Saudi Arabia alone, are more than enough to meet the growing U.S. demands for crude oil. At the same time exploration efforts are confirming the existence of yet unproven reserves in that country and throughout the Middle East.

It is, however, Saudi Arabia that is leading the Arab boycott of crude oil to the U.S. That boycott is pledged to continue and grow, so long as Israeli troops occupy Arab territory of Egypt, Jordan and Syria. This action is directed against the U.S. because it is perfectly clear to the Arab countries that Israeli occupation can only continue because of the economic, military and political backing by Washington of aggressive Israeli expansionist ambitions.

This continues to be U.S. policy despite the fact that the United Nations, the nine-nation European Common Market and the governments and peoples of the Third World have unanimously demanded Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab lands.

U.S. oil workers in the Middle East, and particularly in Saudi Arabia, are furious at Washington's policies in the Middle East. They are on the scene. They know both the potential, the mood and atmosphere of that area and its peoples. Their question is: What do we get from Israel? Oranges?

The present "state of emergency" situation as regards sources of energy in this country is a direct result of the UNEven-handed policy of the Nixon administration in the Middle East. The long term threat results from the failure of the oil industry to expand its refining facilities in this country and its exploration efforts at home and abroad. It is also the result of the failure of government and industry to allot funds for research and development of alternative sources of energy.

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WHO KILLED MARCUS FOSTER?

PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR MURDER MUST BE UNCOVERED

(Oakland, Calif.) - The persons responsible for the brutal and senseless murder of Superintendent of Schools Dr. Marcus Foster last week must be uncovered. Not simply those who committed the infamous act, which also seriously wounded Deputy Superintendent Robert Blackburn, but those responsible for planning the deed.

The latest evidence, as we go to press, indicates that the attack was deliberate and appears to be associated with the letter from the "Symbionese Liberation Army" claiming responsibility. That letter, received by the Oakland

Tribune, The San Francisco Chronicle and radio station KPFA in Berkeley, stated that "cyanide bullets" would be used to kill Dr. Foster and Mr. Blackburn. Traces of cyanide have been discovered on the bullets that killed Dr. Foster.

Earlier reports identifying the assailants as Black persons wearing motorcycle jackets have been changed. Composite descriptions by witnesses now indicate that the race of the assailants can not be certain. They are now described as young, 15 to 20 years of age, with dark, shoulder length hair, of medium height and slender build. The complexions of the persons has been described variously as olive or tan. The possibility of the involvement of one or more young women is being considered.

Efforts on the part of the press, radio and TV to identify the so-called Symbionese Liberation Army as a Black organization and the murder with misguided, Black militants are totally unwarranted and represent a grave danger to the Black community of this city.

Firstly, there is no evidence that such an organization exists in this or any other Black com-

win, we won. All of Detroit won. Our work has only begun because Detroit has just begun."

Young ran a well organized campaign, sticking to the concrete issues affecting Detroit's total populace in order to counter the scare campaign Nichol's forces ran. Their "law and order" campaign attempted to convince White voters that if Young was elected a Black city government would subject White people to constant harassment.

Detroit's Black population did not forget that while Nichols was police commissioner, he formed STRESS, the vicious special police unit responsible for the murders of 20 Black people in the past few months. They showed their outrage by voting against Nichols, who defended his STRESS officers each time they shot a Black person.

State Senator Young has a history of involvement in the people's movements since 1936, when he joined a UAW strike at the Flint auto plant. In 1951 he helped organize the National Negro Labor Council and served as its executive secretary for five years. Now State Democratic leader, Young was first elected to the State House in 1964, and is now Democratic National committeeman from Michigan.



BOBBY SEALE [left] and MARCUS FOSTER at an Oakland school board meeting.

munity. Secondly, there is no evidence that those who carried out the attack were Black. Thirdly, Black people have rejected and do reject such methods to achieve our liberation.

On the other hand, the revelations of the Watergate investigations have clearly established that powerful, fascist elements in this country, in cooperation with high officials, do engage in assassinations, murders and violence to achieve their objectives. The widescale use of the agent-provocateur by these elements

serves the purpose of stirring up hatred, fear and disunity in the Black community and antagonism against that community, from the White community.

Recently the Bay Area has been added to the operation areas of a group calling itself the National Caucus of Labor Committees. Active on the East Coast for at least the past year, this group has incited violence and attempted to create fear and disunity in the Black communities of New York City and New

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Oakland Superintendent of Schools MARCUS A. FOSTER

BLACK MAYOR

CONGRATULATIONS, DETROIT

(Detroit, Mich.) - THE BLACK PANTHER warmly congratulates Mayor-elect Brother Coleman Young and the people of Detroit, particularly the Black and oppressed communities, for their hard-fought and well-earned election victory last week. We sincerely hope that Brother Young and the people of Detroit are successful in confronting and beginning to solve this city's many problems.

State Senator Young, a 55-year old former civil rights and labor organizer, out-pollied ex-police chief John Nichols to become the first Black Mayor of the country's 5th largest city. Backed by a united Black community and a strong rank and file labor bloc of Detroit's United Auto Workers, AFL-CIO and the Teamsters Union, tallied 230,000 votes to Nichols 218,000 in this city of almost equal Black/White population.

In commenting on his victory, the Michigan Senate Democratic leader told supporters, "I didn't

FAMILY OF SLAIN 14 YEAR OLD TO SUE FOR \$1 MILLION

(Oakland, Calif.) - THE BLACK PANTHER has learned that the family of Tyrone Guyton, the young, 14 year old brother shot down two weeks ago by 3 White Emeryville policemen, plans to sue the city of Emeryville for \$1,000,000. The source of this information was the family's attorney, Lew Warden.

Warden added, in a telephone interview, that he intended to file the complaint against the city, as



Bro. TYRONE GUYTON

well as the three policemen involved, sometime in the near future. He also said that while an out-of-court settlement was always a possibility, he did not feel that it was likely that the city of Emeryville would admit its guilt without a lengthy court battle.

Warden said that he would be meeting with Tyrone's stepfather, Clarence Shepard, sometime this upcoming week, to plan their court strategy. He indicated that, at this point, the case he would present would stress "humani-

tarian issues, that this could happen to anyone's child."

Meanwhile, over 400 people, family and friends attended Tyrone's highly charged and emotion-filled funeral held on Friday, November 9. Feelings of senselessness, outrage and deep sorrow were evident as many of those in attendance openly wept. Tyrone would have been 15 years old on November 9.

According to eyewitness reports, Tyrone was gunned down from behind as he ran from a car that rammed into a corner building, just one block from his home, during a police chase. Contrary to the three White policemen's claim, these eyewitnesses also emphatically stated that at no time did Tyrone fire a gun at the officers. No gun has yet been found.

The policemen, however, still maintain this flimsy excuse to justify their murderous barrage of bullets. The second half of their story, the high-speed stolen car chase, was also discredited when it was learned that, it was two hours after Tyrone was pronounced dead-on-arrival at Providence Hospital, Emeryville police first discovered that the car had been stolen.

Despite all this, none of the policemen have received a reprimand or have been suspended from regular duty.

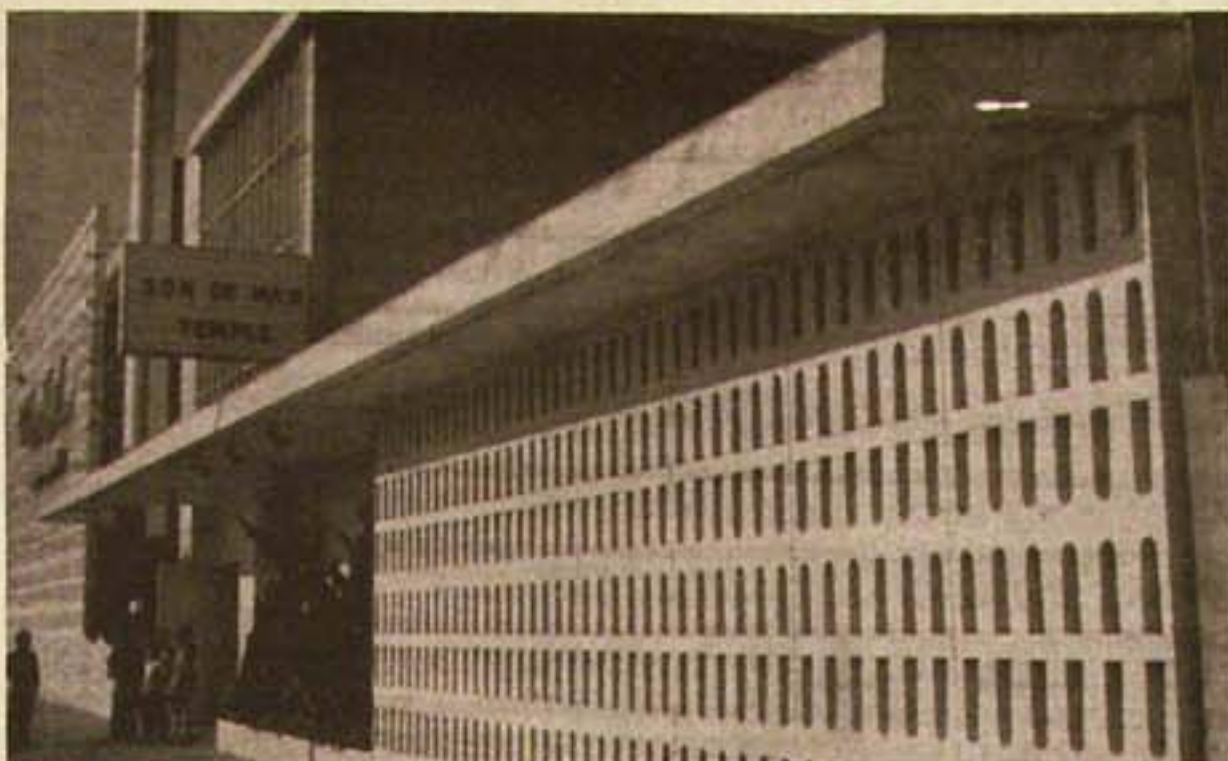
SON OF MAN TEMPLE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

THE BLACK PANTHER is printing here the statement of purpose of the Son of Man Temple, one of the many community services of the Learning Center at 6118 E. 14th Street in Oakland. The statement was drawn up by the Temple's Board of Directors.

We have always hoped that we could establish a place in our community where hundreds of ideas could grow and flourish, where people could feel free to say and do the things that seemed most natural to them. The Son of Man Temple was created for that purpose, to serve in humankind's development.

However the place in which we come together to express our humanity is not a church in the most traditional sense. We do not practice a religion; we are not Christian, Jewish, Buddhist, Hindu or Moslem. We do not honor one God or one Reverend. This does not mean that we negate any religion, we all have differing philosophies and views of our world. We are all a part of everything and it is a part of each of us.

Our belief is that every human being has the right to be free. We can all agree that we are not. Therefore, we come together to express our agreement on that belief every Sunday at the Son of Man Temple. It is a place where we can come to dis-



THE SON OF MAN TEMPLE

cover and learn. If we begin the week with this kind of unity and understanding we can carry, through each day, our concern, an enthusiastic feeling, about our survival and our freedom.

The ways in which we express this agreement about our desire to break away from our common problem, oppression, may differ. Some of us might sing or dance about it, some of us might play music about it or some of us might speak about various aspects of our problem. It does not matter what we do if it is done with sincerity and in our people's interest. Our intent is not to simply talk or sing. We will, through various community programs in action at the Learning Center, which houses our Temple, create the means of solving the problems we face.

The Son of Man Temple must become known as a community forum, a place where the dreams of the people can become ideas, where ideas can become a practical reality, where that reality will lead us forward to freedom.

Our purpose then is to come together, let our differences be minimized, let our similarities blossom. We want the belief that we should live, that our children should live, that our people should live, to be contagious. We want our belief in the beauty of life to spread to freedom-loving people everywhere.

Let us use this place, this Temple to be happy together—not about our oppression—but happy because we recognize that we are oppressed and have gotten together to throw off that oppression.

MENARD 38

ILL. PRISONERS SUFFER IN NEW PROGRAM

(Menard, Ill.) - Thirty-eight prisoners were shocked and angered by the injustice of the indictment they received for participation in a peaceful demonstration at the Illinois State Penitentiary here recently. However, they didn't learn the deepest meanings of "cruel and unusual punishment" until they were confined in Warden Israel's new North-1 Segregation Unit, three-stage program.

Modeled after the "START" program (an experimental project at the U.S. Medical Center for Federal Prisoners at Springfield, Missouri), North-1 Segregation attempts to transform prisoners into trained pets in a cage.

When the thirty-eight men entered the program they were denied all clothing, all personal and state property and were put, alone, into a cell. The prisoner must become tamer and quieter in order to receive such things as



coveralls or toothpaste. As a man loses his character to an increasing degree he is moved to a "higher stage" and can have more of his basic necessities.

In the words of Brother Steve Tillman, one of the captives, "the three stage system is designed to force us into docility, passiveness, and mental derangement. Each stage is designed to be a little better than the next. But, even the best stage is unconstitutional and has its adverse effects when one is confined for long periods of time. Beatings break the daily boredom."

The men did not enter the program until September of this year when it was created. They had been in North-1 Segregation however, since May 1, 1973, where they were confined as punishment for their involvement in a non-violent demonstration the day before. When they first entered North-1, the 38 were subjected to barbaric beatings

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FOLSOM PRISON STRIKE CONTINUES

(Folsom, Calif.) - A strike by almost all of the more than 140 men in Folsom Prison's Adjustment Center is entering its fourth week. A high level of unity among the prison inmates is responsible for the strike lasting this long. *The Conspiracy*, the newspaper of the National Lawyers Guild, reported last week.

The strike has continued despite two attempts by Folsom's administration to "set up" and kill Larry Justice, a brother whose dedication to unity has been inspirational to the Adjustment Center prisoners. The administration has also transferred many of the so-called strike leaders to other prisons throughout the state in an attempt to lower morale and stop the strike. These tactics have failed, however.

The first of five demands issued by the strikers is for an end to the long and often arbitrary incarceration of prisoners in the Adjustment Center. Men have been held in the Adjustment Center for eighteen

months without ever being charged with a violation of institutional rules.

One brother has never been allowed out of segregation because of his association with the Black Panther Party. Another brother has been held in segregation for three years over what began as a refusal to shave. The men placed in the Adjustment Center are generally those who have demonstrated the type of leadership that could create unity among prison inmates.

The records of the California Department of Corrections confirm that those held in the Adjustment Center are there for political reasons. Proven or potential leaders are kept warehoused in cells resembling the tiger cages of South Vietnam. They are isolated, receive cold food, have no programs available to them and must visit their loved ones separated by glass walls.

The other prisoner demands are for decent food, decent medical care, an end to arbitrary restric-

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A powerful, yet tender and important new album by Elaine Brown. The songs on the album weave a beautiful tapestry of protest against the quality of life for Black Americans. Listeners will find themselves engulfed in a flow of emotion as Elaine's melodic voice works its magic. Once you have heard "Until We're Free", you will understand why Huey P. Newton says: "A consuming talent, a total dedication and a proven commitment are combined in Elaine Brown, making her the first, genuine People's Artist America has produced."

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BOBBY SEALE TESTIFIES FOR CHICAGO 7

RETURNS TO SCENE OF 1969-70 CONSPIRACY TRIAL

(Chicago, Ill.) - Brother Bobby Seale dramatically returned to the city of Chicago last week, testifying in the defense of his one-time co-defendants, the Chicago 7, and bringing back memories of the stormy political persecution trial that rocked this country in 1969-70.

Bobby and his attorney, the famed trial lawyer Charles Garry, were the first witnesses presented by the defense in the long-postponed trial of the Chicago 7 -- David Dillinger, Jerry Rubin, Rennie Davis, Thomas Hayden, Abbie Hoffman, John Froines, Lee Weiner -- and their two former defense attorneys--William Kuntsler and Leonard Weinglass-- on contempt of court charges stemming from the notorious conspiracy trial. Over 150 contempt citations were handed down by their judge, Julius Hoffman, at the conclusion of the tumultuous affair.

Perhaps the one incident that occurred during the course of the proceedings that high-lighted the spectacle of government-directed political repression was the binding and gagging of Brother Bobby in the courtroom. The confrontation between a Black man, arguing for his constitutional right to defend himself in court and the "racist" courts denial of that right, to the point of physically attempting to silence him, became forged into the hearts of Black and poor communities everywhere.

"TRYING TO DO ME IN"

Bobby said, during the course of his testimony on Monday, November 5, that U.S. federal marshals tried to stuff wads of gauze down his mouth into his throat to keep him silent; the straps and gag cut off circulation in his arms and head. He recalled at one point that when he tried to loosen the pressure of the binds, the marshals attacked him: "At that time, I thought they (the guards) were trying to do me in, right there in court." He added that he never intended to be disrespectful to Judge Hoffman, however he still felt strongly that his defense of his rights was legal and proper.

Bobby also dropped a bombshell in his testimony when he told, for the first time, of a secret deal he was offered. One of the federal marshals told him, Bobby said, that Hoffman would remove the binds and gag, "If I got up in court and accused lawyer William



Bro. BOBBY SEALE

Kuntsler of being a rotten commie; that I didn't want him to defend me because he defended radicals".

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S.Q. 6 MAIL STIRS CONTROVERSY

(San Rafael, Calif.) - U.S. District Court trial Judge Broderick has still not decided whether or not confidential mail belonging to the defendants in the San Quentin 6 trial will be suppressed or admitted into evidence as a prosecution exhibit. The defense had made a motion that the mail be barred from evidence because it was the product of an illegal search and seizure. Prison guards removed the letters from the possessions of the defendants and others following the violent events of August 21, 1971, at San Quentin, during which George Jackson was murdered. The Six are now standing trial for murder-conspiracy.

At a recent hearing on the motion, the defense charged that the mail was illegally obtained because its seizure violated the

prisoners guaranteed right to attorney-client privilege. The confidentiality of inmate-lawyer mail is supposed to be respected even in the event of a criminal investigation.

The district attorney pointed out that the law was not interpreted in this way at the time. The investigations were not seeking to infringe the prisoners' rights, according to the D.A., but only to uncover "verbal contraband" that may have been smuggled into the prison.

Defense counsel Hawkin's mustache bristled as the judge obviously relished the implication of this interpretation. A subsequent court decision, the Jordan case, Hawkins replied, overturned the Corrections Department's ridiculous interpretation of the

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MENARD 38

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and sprayed with high-powered fire hoses. Human body wastes were found intermingled or just piled on top of the meals they were fed. So, to some extent the conversion from North-1 to North-1 START was not too sudden for the 38 victims.

When the "Menard 38" went to court to face charges of breach of discipline and unlawful restraint, they were not represented by a lawyer. The first charge carries a maximum penalty of 20 years imprisonment while the second carries a maximum penalty of 3 years.

Illinois governor, Daniel Walker "swore" there would be no reprisals against the Menard 38. Only criminal action would be taken against the demonstrators for violation of the law, according to the governor. However, the 38 have been beaten, peppergassed, maced, isolated, harassed and now intimidated as well as being indicted and tried for their peaceful protest.

The Menard 38 were protesting the dirty, dilapidated, inadequate physical condition of Menard Prison and the arbitrary, brutal behavior of its guards. A special report prepared for the Director of the Illinois Department of Corrections stated that changes had to be made within the prison system. According to the report these changes are a must if prison inmates are to be rehabilitated or discipline is to be maintained. The investigator who authored the report was commended for his "exceptional" work. The Menard 38 called for the same changes. They are locked in the North-1 Segregation Unit and face 20 years in prison.

The Menard 38 are calling on the community for support. Although they have already received publicity from Chicago-area papers such as the *Black X-Press* and the *Chicago Defender*, both Black publications, they are also seeking additional press and air coverage. A Menard 38 defense committee is also in the planning stages.

GUARDS ROB DAVID HILLIARD

(Vacaville, Calif.) - Recently a gift package of nearly \$200.00 of fine, imported cheeses was sent to David Hilliard, incarcerated leading member of the Black Panther Party. The authorities here at the Vacaville Medical Facility refused to permit David to receive the package.

The cheeses were sent by an anonymous friend living in Los Angeles, California. He had read in THE BLACK PANTHER of David's incarceration and of his chronic ulcer condition. He knew the cheeses could be eaten freely by ulcer patients and he knew David's ulcer diet at Vacaville was inadequate.

But the Vacaville authorities claimed that the rules and regulations governing the receipt of packages prevented David from receiving the gift. He was told that he could either "donate the package to the State" or return it to the sender.

No effort was made by the authorities to indicate what rule or regulation was being violated. Our efforts in searching through the California Department of Corrections "little red book" of rules and regulations turned up no such rule or regulation.

Clearly, David Hilliard has once again been the victim of resentful harassment and intimidation by Vacaville authorities. Vacaville guards take every opportunity they can to make David's life more miserable than



Bro. DAVID HILLIARD

it already is as a prison inmate, suffering from a chronic illness in the inhuman conditions of prison life.

David sends word to THE BLACK PANTHER to forward his thanks to the person who sent the gift. He also reminds us that such actions by prison guards are common and that most prison inmates have no way of exposing such behavior on the part of the guards.

He emphasizes that many gifts sent to prison inmates end up in the homes of guards, having been "intercepted" with various excuses preventing their delivery to the prison inmate. He expresses his confidence that the outside community of concerned persons will take it upon itself to act so that this situation will be changed and prison inmates may freely receive gifts sent to them by family, friends and loved ones.

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BLACK TOBACCO WORKERS FIGHT FOR JOBS

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(Louisville, Ky.) - Eight Black tobacco workers recently filed complaints against the P. Lorillard Tobacco Company and the worker's do-nothing union, Local 201 of the Tobacco Workers International Union. The sworn complaint was filed with the National Labor Relations Board and the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission.

The complaints follow what is believed to have been the first sit-down strike in this period by Black workers in the South.

The eight workers, seven of whom have now been fired, are attempting to draw attention to the job discrimination practiced by P. Lorillard. They also seek to publicize the struggle by workers, both Black and White, to halt the negative effects of automation. The eight workers latest move is an effort to continue and develop the struggle they started with Lorillard in the summer of this year.

In past years Black workers played a major role in production at tobacco plants. But, as automation made the work cleaner, cooler and easier, more and more jobs have been reserved for Whites. Now, even some Whites are losing their jobs as cheaper machinery replaces them. Blacks are still the first to go.

In late August, 1973, the eight workers staged their sit-down strike. At the beginning of the second shift the eight men entered their department, closed the door and stopped all work, refusing to budge from where they sat. The company refused to send its representative or a



Support grows for the eight Black workers unjustly fired by P. Lorillard Tobacco Co.

representative of the workers' union to discuss the strikers' protests.

Finally, the stalemate was broken. Six hours of futile pleas by the workers to redress their grievances were answered with ruthless hostility. The police were called and the eight peaceful men were dragged bodily from the building, beaten and arrested. Two sympathizers who watched from the sidewalk outside were also beaten and taken into custody.

Although all of the eight courageous men were fired at the time, one has since been rehired. In the weeks since the strike the brothers have been organizing community support in Louisville and working with local community and civil rights groups.

ILL. TELEPHONE WORKERS PROTEST DISCRIMINATION

(Chicago, Ill.) - Thirty-six Black and 36 White telephone installers and repairmen employed by Illinois Bell at the Stewart Area Garage here in a letter to THE BLACK PANTHER have requested help in alleviating severe racial discrimination at Illinois Bell.

The telephone workers write they "have a justified and human right" to oppose:

1. In the past five years, one White and twelve Black installers have been fired.
2. During the same period, more than 60% of Black installers have been continuously reprimanded and given days off for infractions, however small.
3. There have been no Black installers or repairmen utilized as temporary foremen.

The letter continued, "the... important issue is the double

standard seemingly imposed on men based upon whether they happen to be Black or White. We ask these questions:

1. Why are Black men fired for infractions of company policy and White men are only reprimanded for those same infractions?
2. Why are Black men reprimanded and given days off with no pay when this is not done to White employees for the same infractions?
3. Why are some Blacks followed by management personnel in hopes of finding fault?
4. Why are those Black men who have proven themselves to be qualified for promotion not promoted?"

All inquiries or expressions of support should be made to: Mr. Leonard Plesko/Stewart Installation Wirechief/ 230 W. 77th Street, Chicago, Ill.

IDLE D.C. HOSPITAL TO OPEN?

(Washington, D.C.) - After standing idle for over 1½ years in the heart of the Washington, D.C. ghetto, the brand new 256-bed extended health care, health maintenance facility is finally to open. The \$3.6 million building, the National Medical Association Foundation's J.B. Johnson Continued Care Center, was completed in April of 1972, and has yet to open due to lack of funding promised by the federal government at the inception of the project.

The National Medical Association, the organization of Black doctors, originally began the venture after President Lyndon Johnson personally encouraged the association to create a model ambulatory-care and nursing home facility in Washington for the city's poor. Johnson promised full governmental cooperation and assistance.

"But the federal government gave us verbal cooperation and very little else", explained Dr. Leon E. Cooper, executive director of the National Medical Association Foundation (N.M.A.F.).

The project was in difficulty from the outset, and much of the monumental cost of building the badly-needed facility was met by the N.M.A.F. and its members.

During all of these tribulations the N.M.A.F., realizing that the Black community here needed a total health-care delivery system rather than the nursing home the government proposed, began broadening plans for services to be offered in the new facility. The center will provide a health maintenance program. It will combine hospital, clinic and extended-care nursing home facilities.

INSIDE OUT

A.I.D. TO OAKLAND?

Certain people were invited last Friday to attend a dinner / conference at the Oakland Hilton Inn, sponsored by the National Institute of Consumer and economic Development (NICED). This group was to honor all those who contributed to African Famine Relief.

It seems either that N.I.C.E.D. is a core of naive and misinformed individuals or they are a government front group. People from all ranges of Oakland life were invited as guests and speakers. These included Mayor Joseph Alioto of San Francisco, Mayor John Reading of Oakland, Assemblyman Willie Brown and many others.

Carlton Goodlett's news service, *Muhammed Speaks* and THE BLACK PANTHER were also invited -- to receive awards for their papers' contribution to the famine relief. Strange, however, was the fact that the most honored speaker, Fermino Spencer, is an Agency for International Development (A.I.D.) representative. A.I.D. is the group which sent American Dan Mitrione into Uruguay to quell freedom-fighters by training police in anti-guerrilla tactics.

A.I.D. sent "aid" to victims of the famine. Why? Can the same organization which sent police forces to many Latin American, Asian and African countries be so honored by the Oakland progressive Community? Can we be sure that because Fermino Spencer is Black that he is not like Mitrione? We think that the Black Community of Oakland can not be so fooled.

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law and returned the right of confidentiality to attorney-client correspondence.

"Since we have it, let's use it", the D.A. squeakily plead.

"Two wrongs don't make a right", defense counsel Hawkins told the court. Since the law is clearly interpreted now and the loopholes of ambiguity no longer aid the prosecutions' persecution, the law does not recognize the mail as evidence.

The judge had to recognize the defense point, though he wished to side with the prosecution. He then astonished the many spectators when he suddenly adjourned the proceedings and ordered the courtroom cleared.

The San Quentin 6 are charged with five counts of murder, conspiracy and a variety of lesser offenses stemming from an alleged prison - break attempt. George Jackson the revolutionary, author, and prison organizer was murdered by prison authorities on that day.

EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH CONGRESSMAN RONALD V. DELLUMS:

"NO RHYME OR REASON FOR WORLD-WIDE MILITARY ALERT"

U.S. Congressman Ronald V. Dellums, [Democrat, California] representing the 7th Congressional District, talked with *THE BLACK PANTHER* during a working visit to his district from Washington, D.C., two weeks ago. Last week we published the first part of that interview. This week Congressman Dellums discusses aspects of the Middle East situation and the world-wide military alert.

PART 2

B.P.: Do you think there is any connection between the pressure of the people toward impeachment and the action that Nixon took in relationship to the Middle-East War?

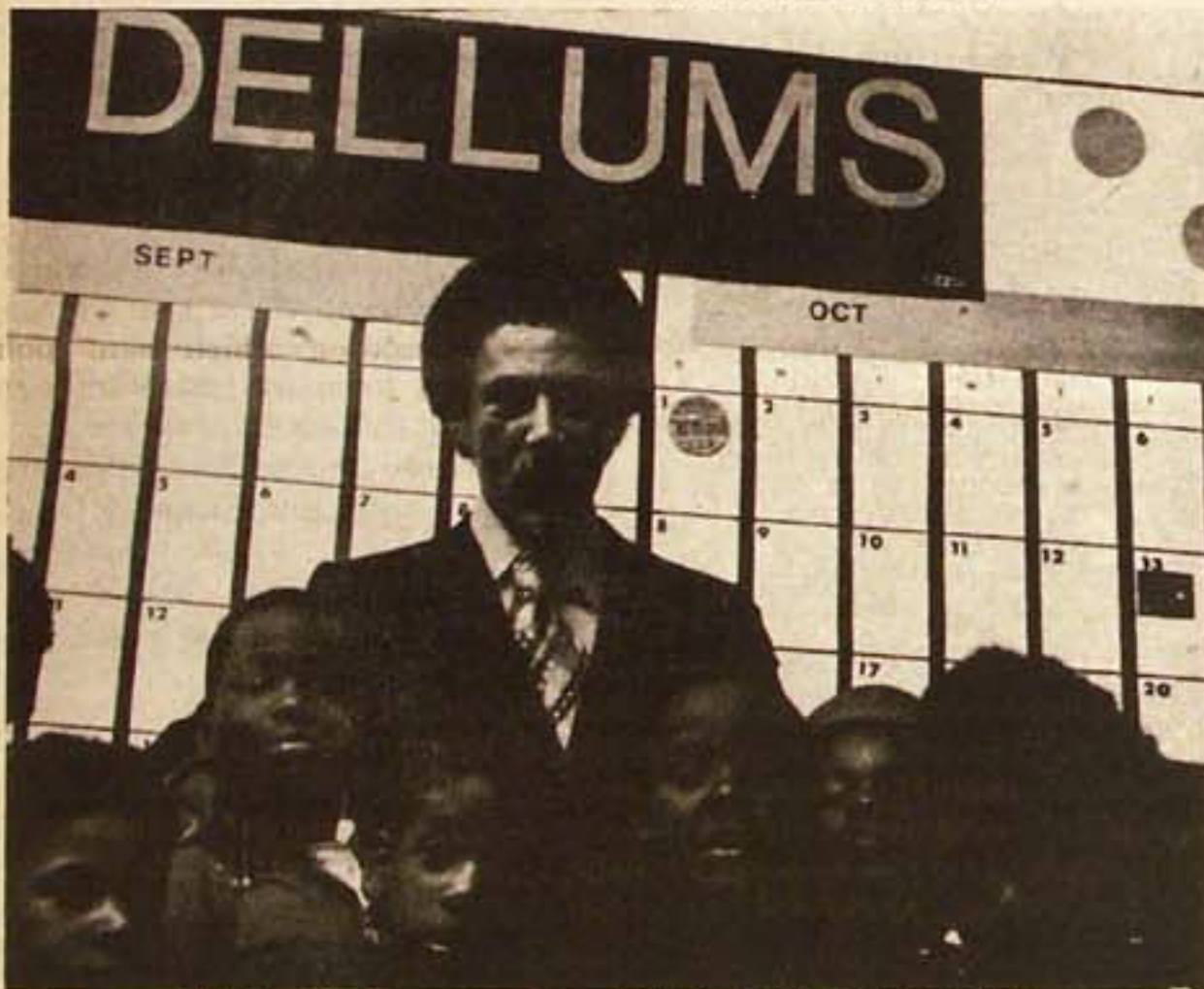
DELLUMS: The establishment of the Military Alert?

B.P.: The world-wide Military Alert.

and the United States. The United States wants it and feel they need it. Russia wants it and feels they need it. That's the most favored nations status that will probably be challenged on the emigration laws.

I've said all along that the only thing the Nixon Administration wants out of the 93rd Congress is that trade bill. So, Russia had no reason, it seems to me, to enter into a cliff-hanger that would destroy the world by intervening unilaterally in the Middle East. I mean, we sat down with some of the most competent foreign policy people in the Congress and we couldn't come up with one reason. The Nixon Administration has not given us one reason, we have not been briefed. I'm a member of the Armed Services Committee. I'm a member of the United States Congress. No one in the administration, State Department-

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California Congressman RONALD V. DELLUMS

DELLUMS: First of all I sat down, as soon as the alert went on. I was as paralyzed as I am sure you were because the ramifications are fantastic. Because if the United States and Russia were to enter into a face on confrontation, the logical conclusion would be the destruction of humanity.

We pulled together about 20 members of Congress and sat down and said, okay, can anybody in this room come up with a rational reason why Russia would intervene unilaterally in the Middle East. We could not come up with one iota of a reason that Russia would unilaterally intervene in the Middle East. It had no reason to.

Secondly, Russia desperately wants the U.S. to pass that foreign aid bill that opens up trade relations between Russia

"HEIL TO THE CHIEF"

MARINE COMMANDER

VISITS JAPAN BASE

Last month General Robert Cushman, Commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps, America's top Marine, visited the Marine Corps Air Station at Iwakuni, Japan. *THE BLACK PANTHER* reprints below an account of that visit that appeared in the G.I. publication *Semper Fi*, under the heading *Heil to the Chief!*:

Well our great green Kommandant has come and gone. The pigs are through sweating over his being here, and the ones that could get through the flashing lights, armbands and waving flags now have a nice brown tint to their noses.

Isn't it strange how so many people can be affected by one man? It reminds one of a god descending to check on his disciples. The porkers made sure that anyone who wasn't starched and spit-shined stayed a good distance away. Did this give him a impression of Iwakuni? Of course not; he's a general, he's not supposed to see the way things actually are!

They show him things like flags and nicely dressed Marines, clean, well-kept aircraft, new banking facilities and nice officers' housing. One can only imagine what he thought of the meal they served in the mess hall the day he was here, complete with all the trimmings. All these things are great and appreciated, but why not show him the other side too?

Why shouldn't he see the Marines in fluff dries? Surely they're not ashamed to be seen in them, and by seeing and talking with (not to) a few of these people, he might just learn a little



Blacks are the greatest victims.

about his Marine Corps. Why shouldn't he see the place we live in: the windows with no curtains, light fixtures hanging from the ceiling, walls that haven't been painted in years and the wall lockers that we dug out of the junkpile. Is there something wrong with the place I live in that he shouldn't see? You're damn right there is! Maybe if he saw it, some pig might, like I said, might get his ass chewed. And we all know that can't be allowed to happen. Right, Maj. Merrihew??

Why not let him talk with a few people in a squadron who aren't afraid to tell him the way things really are? Show him the way we risk our necks every time we jack an aircraft because of our so-called "up-to-date-equipment." Why not let him try to do a job with half the tools and manpower he needs? What's wrong with the meals the mess hall serves everyday? Why make a big change just because the boss is here?

SICKBAY WAS CLOSED

Why not let him go to sickbay or Dental with a snuffie and see how much of a hassle it is to get treated? When he came to Nam Phong earlier this year, sickbay was closed for a whole day in order to conduct a field day. Is it right to deny medical attention to someone just so the floors can be clean for him when he comes in? It actually happened, ask around, you're sure to find more than one person that was victimized.

Why didn't someone ask him to comment on his involvement in Watergate? It is one of the most widely talked about problems today.

Are we afraid of our own leader? Are we scared he won't approve of the way things are? Why hide the real Marine Corps from him? He's a grown man, I'm sure he could take it. Although if he's as isolated from reality as he seems to be, the truth could be quite a shock to him.

You and I know the Marine Corps isn't as great as it's cracked up to be. Everywhere you look there is revolt, hate and discontent. The Marine Corps is living in the past, covering up real problems with old traditions, old heroes and mostly tired old lies: "It worked fine 40 years ago, why change it?"

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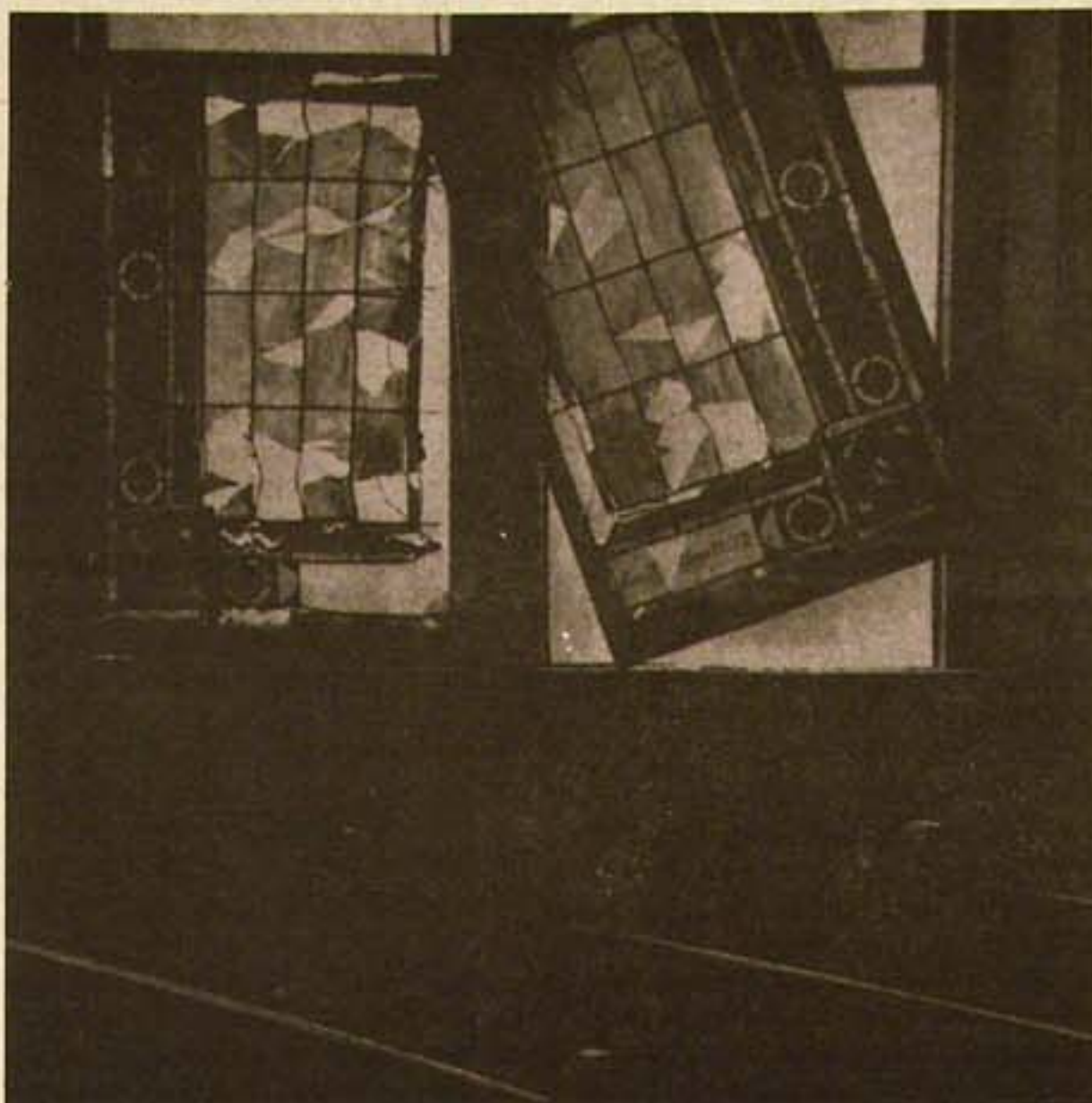
"INSPIRED BY POLITICS" SAYS REV. WILLIE STAFFORD

(Atlanta, Georgia) - A federal raid on the offices of a Black church here October 17, was inspired by politics, said the Rev. Willie J. Stafford, pastor of the Free For All Missionary Baptist Church.

"They know I supported Maynard Jackson", the well-known minister said, referring to Atlanta's newly elected Black mayor. Federal agents, who searched the church offices at 815 Lynhurst Drive, S.W., went through church sermons, records and items connected with the church's daycare programs.

The search was made in connection with an alleged investigation of fraud involving federal government-subsidized free lunch programs operated in connection with the daycare centers. The search occurred the day after Maynard Jackson defeated incumbent Mayor Sam Massell in the run-off race for mayor.

The federal government is likely to be charged with violation of the First Amendment concerning freedom of religion as a result of the raid and the intrusion into the files containing Rev. Stafford's sermons.



*No Black institution,
even the Church, is
exempt from violence
and police raids.*

ATLANTA BLACK COPS RE-INSTATED

(Atlanta, Georgia) - Three Black police officers who were suspended for criticizing Atlanta Police Chief John Inman were ordered reinstated with back pay October 19, by a U.S. District Court judge.

The officers, two former presidents of the Afro-American Patrolman's League (AAPL) Caesar C. Mitchell and Floyd L. Reeves, and the current president W.D. Cameron, had charged Inman with racial discrimination and blocking the investigation of a police murder of a Black woman.

During the court hearing Inman testified that he demoted and suspended the three officers because they criticized him publically. This is against police department rules, however, the

judge said that this regulation had been ruled unconstitutional.

An AAPL spokesman said that it is clearer now that Inman must be fired either by the new mayor Maynard Jackson, a Black man or the City Council, which has a Black majority.

An AAPL suit charging that Inman has violated their basic rights under the First, Sixth, Ninth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Amendments, has not yet been heard by the courts. The suit challenges the "pattern and practice of racial discrimination" practiced by Police Chief Inman in the hiring, assignment, transfer, promotion, suspension and termination of Black officers.

charges Judge Hoffman had given the two lawyers, Kunstler and Weinglass.

The trial of the Chicago 8, changed to Chicago 7 when Bobby Seale's case was severed from the rest, was one of the first open moves by the government to repress the then New Left through the courts. In not one of those cases, ranging from the 1969-70 Chicago 7 trial to the 1973 Vietnam Vets trial in Florida, did the government ultimately get convictions or prove the various "conspiracies" for which the defendants were wrongfully charged.

CHARLOTTE 3 APPEAL DENIED

(Charlotte, N.C.) - The North Carolina Court of Appeals recently upheld sentences given to three local Black activists falsely convicted of burning a riding stable here in 1971. Jim Grant, T.J. Reddy and Charles Parker, known as the Charlotte Three, were sentenced to a total of 55 years following their biased and partial trial in July of last year.

The appeals court coldly disposed of their case by saying, "Defendants cannot expect the impossible--a perfect trial". This statement was in response to 56 pages of errors that occurred during the trial, attorneys for the three men cited in the appeal.

The high court did not discuss the fact that the Charlotte Three were found guilty on the testimony of two young men who were granted immunity from prosecution for their help in sending the Three to prison. The two witnesses were not only granted immunity from prosecution, they were also supplied with comfortable living quarters, a police guard, and money in payment for testifying against the three community organizers whom the police had been following closely for some time.

Meanwhile, in Washington, the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear Brother Jim Grant's appeal of a 10-year sentence for allegedly helping two young men, wanted in connection with an arms charge, escape to Canada. Grant's attorneys had appealed on the grounds that his jury was illegally constituted. The selection process discriminated against Black people.

PEOPLE'S PERSPECTIVE

\$16,000 FOR INFORMERS

(Chicago, Ill.) - The Chicago City Council recently approved a new \$800,000 police undercover operation to plant paid police informers inside crime syndicates and "militant" organizations. Mitchell Ware, chief of the Police Bureau of Inspectional Services, said "if you really want to go after criminals, sometimes you have to use people who are not priests and nuns". The new agent-provocateurs will receive \$16,116 a year.

CONGRESS VETOS NIXON

(Washington, D.C.) - Congress overrode a Presidential veto last week and enacted into law a bill to limit the President's power to commit the armed forces to war without congressional approval. It was President Nixon's worst legislative setback of the year and an indication of his dwindling power. The House voted against Nixon, 284 to 135, and the Senate, 75 to 18. A two-thirds majority in both the House and Senate is required to override a veto. The votes marked a further erosion in Nixon's strength in the Democratic-controlled Congress, particularly in the House, where Nixon support has usually been high.

7 R.N.A. MEMBERS CONVICTED

(Biloxi, Miss.) - Seven citizens of the Republic of New Africa (RNA) were convicted in U.S. District Court recently on charges stemming from a shoot-out at RNA headquarters in Jackson, Mississippi in August, 1971. Charges against the two women and five men included conspiracy to assault federal officers, conspiracy to possess weapons and assault on a federal officer. Sentences range from three to 22 years. Judge Walter L. Nixon, Jr. set the appeal bonds at \$20,000.

BLACK MAYORS "TOOTHLESS"?

(Chicago, Ill.) - Renault Robinson, executive director of the Afro-American Patrolmen's League, complained recently that being a Black mayor today is like being a "lion without teeth". As soon as you get in power "they" (the White power structure) withdraw control of the police force, he said.

BOBBY SEALE

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Just prior to Bobby's testimony, on Saturday, the presiding judge, Edward Gignoux, flown in from Maine because no Chicago judge would accept the case, dismissed nearly half of the contempt charges. His action freed two of the Chicago 7, John Fronies and Lee Weiner, from all further prosecution.

Later during the week, even more contempt counts were set aside when Gignoux dismissed seven of the fourteen contempt

IN SEARCH OF COMMON GROUND

CONVERSATION
WITH ERIK H.
ERIKSON AND
HUEY P. NEWTON

The following is an excerpt from *In Search of Common Ground*, the record of two conversations between Huey P. Newton, leader and theoretician of the Black Panther Party and Erik H. Erikson, psychoanalyst and Harvard professor. This selection Part 8 in our series, is taken from the first exchange. The speakers are in a room at Yale University. They discussed the Black bourgeoisie, education and community control of institutions in the community. The book is available in local bookstores.

PART 8

QUESTION: You were saying something a while ago about the problem of simplifying your ideology for the masses. Could you say a little more about it?

NEWTON: Yes, that's our big burden. So far I haven't been able

to do it well enough to keep from being booed off the stage, but we are learning. I think one way to show how dialectics works is to use practical example after practical example. The reason I am sometimes afraid to do that is that people will take each example and think, "Well, if this is true in one case, then it must be true in all other cases." If they do that, then they become historical materialists like most Marxist scholars and most Marxist parties. These scholars and parties don't really deal in dialectics at all, or else they would know that at this time the revolutionary banner will not be carried by the proletarian class but by the lumpen proletariat.

QUESTION: Talking about contradictions, one of the most obvious contradictions within the Black community is the difference in outlook between the Black bourgeoisie and the Black lower class. How do you raise the level of consciousness in the community to the point where the Black bourgeoisie sees its own interests as being the same as those of the lower class?

NEWTON: Well, we are again dealing with attitudes and values that have to be changed. The whole concept of the bourgeoisie - Black bourgeoisie - is something of an illusion. It's a fantasy bourgeoisie, and this is true of most of the White bourgeoisie too. There are very few controllers even in the White middle class. They can barely keep their heads above water, they are paying all the bills, living hand-to-mouth, and they have the extra expense of refusing to live like Black people, you see. So they are not really controlling anything; they are controlled.

In the same way, I don't recognize the Black bourgeoisie as different from any other exploited people. They are living in a fantasy world, and the main thing is to instill consciousness, to point out their real interests, their objective and true interests, just as our White progressive and radical friends have to do in the White community.

QUESTION: How do you go about raising the level of consciousness in the Black community? Educationally, I mean. Do you have formal programs of instruction?

NEWTON: Well, we saw a need to formalize education because we didn't believe that a haphazard kind of learning would necessarily bring about the best results. We also saw that the so-called halls of learning did nothing but miseducate us; they either drove us out or kicked us out. They did me both ways. So what we are trying to do is structure an educational institution of our own.

Our first attempt along these lines is what we call our Ideological Institute. So far we have about fifty students, and these

fifty students are very well, may I say very unique students, because all of them are brothers and sisters off the block. What I mean is that they are lumpen proletarians. Most of them are kick-outs and dropouts; most of them left school in the eighth, ninth, or tenth grade. And those few who stayed all the way didn't learn how to read or write, just as I didn't learn until I was about sixteen. But now they are dealing with dialectics and they are dealing with science - they study physics and mathematics so that they can understand the universe - and they are learning because they think it is relevant to them now. They will relate this learning back to the community and the community will in turn see the



Bro. HUEY P. NEWTON

need for our program. It's very practical and relates to the needs of the people in a way that makes them receptive to our teachings and helps opens their eyes to the fact that the people are the real power. They are the ones who will bring about change, not us alone. A vanguard is like the head of a spear, the thing that goes first. But what really hurts is the butt of the spear, because even though the head makes the necessary entrance, the back part is what penetrates. Without the butt, a spear is nothing but a toothpick.

QUESTION: What about Malcolm X University? Would you say that it has value?

NEWTON: The whole issue is: who controls? We, the Black Panther Party, control our Ideological Institute. If the people (and when I say "the people" I mean the oppressed people) control Malcolm X University, if they control it without reservation or without having to answer for what is done there or who speaks there, then Malcolm X University is progressive. If that is not the case, then Malcolm X University, or any university, by any other name, is not progressive. I like its name, though. (laughter)

QUESTION: The thing I don't understand is: if unity of identity is going to exist in revolutionary

intercommunalism, then what will be the contradictions that produce further change? Like, it seems to me that it would be virtually impossible to avoid some contradictions.

NEWTON: I agree with you. You cannot avoid contradictions, you cannot avoid the struggle of opposite tendencies within the same wholes. But I can't tell you what the new opposites will be because they are not in existence yet. See what I mean?

QUESTION: I guess so. But how does all that fit in with your idea of a unified identity?

NEWTON: Well, in the first place, we do not deal in panaceas. The qualitative leap from reactionary intercommunalism to revolutionary intercommunalism will not be the millennium. It will not immediately bring into being either a universal identity or a culture that is essentially human. It will only provide the material base for the development of those tendencies.

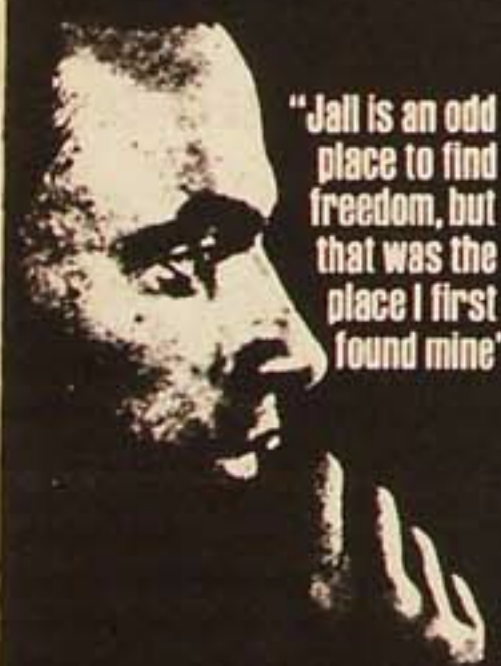
When the people seize the means of production, when they seize the mass media and so forth, you will still have racism, you will still have ethnocentrism, you will still have contradictions. But the fact that the people will be in control of all the productive and institutional units of society - not only factories, but the media too - will enable them to start solving these contradictions. It will produce new values, new identities; it will mold a new and essentially human culture as the people resolve old conflicts based on cultural and economic conditions. And at some point, there will be a qualitative change and the people will have transformed revolutionary intercommunalism into communism.

We call it "communism" because at that point in history people will not only control the productive and institutional units of society, but they will also have seized possession of their own subconscious attitudes toward these things; and for the first time in history they will have a more rather than less conscious relationship to the material world - people, plants, books, machines, media, everything - in which they live. They will have power, that is, they will control the phenomena around them and make it act in some desired manner, and they will know their own real desires. The first step in this process is the seizure by the people of their own communities.

Let me say one more thing, though, to get back to your question. I would like to see the kind of communism I just described come into being and I think it will come into being. But that concept is so far from my comprehension that I couldn't possibly name the contradictions that will exist there, although I am sure that the dialectics will go on. I'll be honest with you. No matter how I read it, I don't understand it.

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

REVOLUTIONARY SUICIDE



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IMPEACH NIXON MOVEMENT GAINING MOMENTUM

Moves on the part of Congress and community-based organizations for the impeachment of President Richard Nixon are steadily gaining in momentum as the list of political crimes committed by the President increases. Proceedings by the House of Representatives' Judiciary Committee to determine whether there are legal grounds to impeach Nixon are under way. Meanwhile movements for impeachment have been started by among others, the American Civil Liberties Union, the AFL-CIO, a coalition of San Francisco/Bay Area organizations, and a coalition of New American Movement, People's Party and Socialist Party - USA. At the same time many conservatives and moderates are now calling for Nixon's resignation in order to "spare the country the agony of impeachment proceedings", the demand met with vehement refusal by the President.

At present, the investigation of the Judiciary Committee into the impeachable acts of the President is bogged down in the legal technicalities and partisan arguments between the pro-Nixon Republican members of the committee and the solid Democrats intent on subjecting Nixon's administration to thorough scrutiny.

Congressman Peter Rodino, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee has promised to push forward his committee's investigation. Rodino, a Democrat from New Jersey, had requested

and been granted power to examine and subpoena not only the records of the Senate Watergate Committee, but also those of the committees on armed services, banking, government operations, ways and means and many others that have been looking into "the President's conduct". He is supported in his move for a thorough investigation by the twenty other Democratic members of the committee, while the seventeen Republicans are crying out that Rodino is on a "fishing expedition". Rodino is expected to continue pushing, but pressure from the people is necessary to keep him pushing hard.

If the Judiciary Committee decides that there are grounds for Nixon's ouster, they will draw up the articles of impeachment. The majority of the House of Representatives must vote to impeach Nixon, but impeachment itself does not result in the removal of the President. Like an indictment, it begins a trial of the President before the Senate. A two-thirds vote of the Senate is necessary for conviction.

In order for the House to impeach Nixon, there must be a concerted effort by the American people to pressure their Congressmen to support the proceedings. The American Civil Liberties Union (A.C.L.U.) began working for impeachment in October. It is circulating an impeachment petition nationwide while encouraging all citizens to write their congressmen.

Last week the AFL-CIO asked its 13.5 million members to press Congress for Nixon's removal. This extremely significant move by the enormous labor organization may provide incentive to other unions and labor organizations to demand an end to Nixon's anti-labor administration.

The newly formed Committee on Un-electing the President (C.O.U.P.) has called for "Home Town Actions for Impeachment" in every community in the country, the week of November 10th - 17th, to demand that Congress quit stalling and impeach Nixon now. C.O.U.P. was initiated by a coalition of New American Movement, People's Party and Socialist Party - USA, and is an "explicitly radical and socialist movement for impeaching the system as well as Nixon." Anyone wishing to become involved in "home town actions" as part of the C.O.U.P. should write 1065 - 31st Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20007 or call (202) 338-1900.

Last week the Berkeley-Oakland Chapter of the New American Movement announced the formation of the Bay Area Coalition to Impeach Nixon (B.A.C.I.N.)—a broad coalition organizing a sustained impeachment movement around the Bay. The group is organizing rallies and engaging in other political activity as an attack on the policies of the Nixon administration. Those in the Bay Area who are interested in joining the B.A.C.I.N. should call 548-3231 or 626-8798.

In order to speed up the impeachment process, let your opinion be known by those who will finally decide, your congressmen. Write to your representatives, and shower Representative Rodino with mail demanding that the Judiciary Committee speed up their investigation and call on the House to impeach Nixon now.



Five of the Watergate burglars sentenced last week. [left to right] E. Howard Hunt; Frank A. Sturgis; Bernard L. Barker; Virgilio R. Gonzalez and Eugenio R. Martinez.

WATERGATE: "WILL THE GENERALS GO FREE?"

The question was a valid one: "How much more punishment do you mete out to the soldiers when the architects of the plan, the generals, haven't spent a day in jail and may never do so?"

Judge John Sirica never provided a valid answer. He couldn't.

Sirica did, however, mete out his own version of "justice" and quickly, in a low-key and unemotional manner, he sentenced six of the originals, the Watergate burglars, to minimum prison terms.

The heaviest sentence Sirica delivered went, understandably, to the spy who the White

House left out in the cold, E. Howard Hunt. A director in the sordid Watergate scenario and an old hand at breaking and entering, Hunt, the Watergate widower, received a sentence of from 2½ to 8 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Then, in quick succession, Sirica dealt with the Cubans. Previously sentenced to long prison terms, the four had a couple of months ago appealed their guilty pleas and demanded a retrial. While Sirica denied them a retrial, obviously their pleas that they were innocent dupes, who thought their illegal entries were in the American interest, fell on sympathetic ears.

Three of the four, Frank Sturgis, Eugenio Martinez and Virgilio Gonzalez, received terms of one to four years. Having spent nearly a year in jail already, most of which they spent in stony silence, they will be eligible for parole just before Christmas. The fourth Cuban, Bernard Barker, the man who hired the three others and was involved in some of the shaky Florida money deals, got 1½ to 6 years.

James McCord, the ex-CIA man who got sore at the President and then, once he began talking, wanted to go on national tour, was sentenced to a one to five year prison term. Unlike the others, McCord had not been sentenced earlier this year, pending his decision to sing his now well-known tune, the Watergate blues. This he did before the Senate Select Watergate hearings, and as the word of his startling performance spread, he was quickly accompanied by a chorus drawn from some of the highest-levels of federal government. In fact, McCord's vivid tune was only out-done when a dark blond soprano, named John Dean, hit a sequence of notes that almost cracked the Executive Seal.

The seventh Watergate original, G. Gordon Liddy, has already been sentenced by Sirica to a maximum of 20 years. Liddy still refuses to come forward and claim credit for being the plumber behind the \$250,000 Nixon repair-the-nation plan. Instead, Liddy remains in federal prison, dreaming of new enemy lists and repeatedly convincing himself that his kidnapping-prostitution plan for the Democratic Convention would have made him a White House "player".

So, for what it's worth, the courts have brought "justice" to bear in the case of the bungled burglary...And soldiers die on the battlefield, alone, while the generals plan more wars.

OPERATION GEMSTONE: THE GREAT WATERGATE CONSPIRACY FLIGHT 533: THE WATERGATE MURDER

Last December United Airlines Jetliner 553 crashed just before it reached Chicago's Midway Airport, allegedly due to a series of mistakes and equipment malfunctions. Forty-four passengers and crew members were killed, including Mrs. E. Howard Hunt, wife of the convicted Watergate conspirator and attorneys for Northern Natural Gas Company in Omaha, Nebraska. Mrs. Hunt was carrying \$10,000 in cash and \$2 million securities, payoff money, to keep her husbands co-conspirators quiet. The attorneys were returning from Washington, D.C. after attempting to blackmail former Attorney General John Mitchell. This week's excerpt details the controversy that arose, following the crash, which surrounded the money Mrs. Hunt was carrying and why she was making the trip. This chapter in the book was written by Barboura Morris Freed, of the Citizen's Research Investigating Committee and wife of C.R.I.C. editor, Donald Freed.

December 11, 1972—Monday

It was now 4 days since the crash of Flight 553. The Monday morning bylines read: SAD CODY VISITS SITE OF CRASH, ALL VICTIMS IN JET PLANE CRASH IDENTIFIED AND TOWER ORDER TO JET ROUTINE: EXPERTS. Was the last an indication that someone, somewhere was listening to the F.B.I. tape confiscated from Midway Control Tower that so far had never been specifically mentioned as in evidence? Or as in any particular investigating body's pos-

session? There was some information referring to the new factor: POLICE HERE IMPOUND \$10,585 FOUND IN WRECKAGE OF PLANE and WATERGATE FIGURE'S DEAD WIFE HAD \$10,000 TO INVEST: HE SAYS.

Chicago police had said it was they who, on Saturday, a day post-crash, had found and impounded the Hunt money in an evidence vault. Only now on Monday, federal officials reportedly were conferring on a pending investigation, to determine the original source of the money which belonged to Mrs. E. Howard Hunt. The F.B.I. and the United States Attorney's office were discussing "the possibility of withholding" the money from "potential claims" made by relatives pending investigation. They declined to comment further.

Carlstead and Hunt had immediately on Friday, identified and requested "the bag she was carrying." The government was already engaged in withholding the \$10,585 from the claimant relative. What else might they have had? Was the holding legal? Could there have been temerity and ambivalence on the federal investigating duo's side as to where the bill markings did, or might lead? At what point was it assessed that the \$10,000, including one bill marked "Good Luck F.S.", was or was not part of a cache of "laundered" Watergate bills? Had, in fact the F.B.I. recovered the "purse" and checked the bills prior to Sergeant Leo Clark's announcement of the Chicago police find, and the Justice Department's entrance into the investigation? Were

the bills "now pending investigation" the same ones recovered? How many times did this "packet" (another referent as to the bill's packaging was now in use, enabling spokesmen to drop allusions to handbags, purses, bag within a bag and other luggage) change hands?



The White House: seat of Watergate corruption.

Another "decline to comment" issued forth from another concerned party, William O. Bittman, Hunt's attorney. He would not now address himself to any possible claims. "Right now the family is concerned about the tragedy, not about recovery of personal effects," he lied.

Howard Hunt had stated, from his home on Sunday night, that his wife was taking the money for delivery and investment with Harold C. Carlstead, the "C.P.A." married to her cousin. At that same time, 4 days post-crash, he said that the money had no connection to the Watergate incident and that Mr. Carlstead had substantial investments in motels in the Chicago area. Hunt then noted his no-travel court order as if to infer that his disability was Dorothy Hunt's sole reason for having to travel. Then he went on to say that the "planned" investment had been under

discussion for a "long period of time." He backed up this statement with, "I've been unemployed for 6 months and now I have to find a way of providing for my family and children," as if his family and children were two different entities.



The Watergate Apartments -- where Nixon's henchmen were caught in the act of burglarizing.

It was quite unlikely that Everette Howard Hunt, Jr., was facing poverty. During his long careers as writer and spy, he had made no less than \$20,000 a year from the sale of his books. Now he had ready what were sure to be two top sellers: *The Berlin Ending*, and the nonfiction *Give Us This Day*, his bitter account of the Bay of Pigs "betrayal." He had Latin American based investments with Bernard Barker and Frank Sturgis, and Nicaraguan real-estate under the guiding hand of President Somoza, whom Hunt often referred to as a "business partner."

Howard Hunt had worked as a C.I.A. clandestine for at least 20 years, since the Marshall Plan's inception, and had received a tidy "retirement" sum from the agency plus a \$20,000 a year pension on the occasion of his last, his third and supposedly his real retirement from the C.I.A. In 1970, Hunt, as

C.I.A. now insists, shifted to the "private sector." First he went to Robert R. Mullen & Co. He was well paid at Mullen, the public relations firm with intimate Republican party ties, a strong chain of "old boy" C.I.A. links, and Howard Hughes' mammoth account. Hunt first reportedly received \$24,000 a year and was soon upped to \$32,000 annually in spite of his many and long absences. Hunt and his colleagues at Mullen were all outspoken admirers of the late Joseph McCarthy so he was quite at home in his private office in the building across the street from the C.R.P. and just one block from the White House. He "left" the C.I.A. well paid. He joined Mullen to be well paid.

"TRIPLE HATTING"

In Who's Who Hunt is listed as the firm's Vice President, though Mullen now denies he was ever any more than a "salaried employee." Then in 1971, Hunt via Charles W. Colson began "triple hatting", as the clandestine jargon has it, for Mullen, C.R.P., and the White House. Retaining his C.I.A. yearly pension and his Mullen fee, he stepped down the street to the "Room 16 Project" where he was paid \$100 a day as a special White House counsel. Besides this, all his expenses were paid as they had been at Mullen and C.I.A. Hunt was also working on a project to "stem" narcotics traffic, with D.A.L.E., a task equally rife with financial possibilities. Along the campaign line he had been privy to project budgets for equipment and contract agents.

Dorothy Hunt had her C.I.A. salary and expenses as well as her salary from the Spanish embassy. She had functioned for 6 months as "bag lady" for the Watergate Seven and had been given large sums of money for dispersal, though not as much as she had demanded.

At any rate, the Hunt's, with their five cars, homes, and servants, never had to grapple with poverty and for Hunt, a new pay day was

coming with the re issuance of his old books. And now Hunt for his "family and children" would add a quarter of a million dollars to the coffers-Dorothy Hunt's airplane life insurance.

Howard Hunt made it clear to reporters the night before that he had made no attempt to conceal the fact that his wife was carrying cash and referred to his Chicago "relative," H. C. Carlstead, when saying, "We notified the airline immediately and described the purse she was carrying."

On the Monday after the crash, it was belatedly admitted for the first time that H.C. Carlstead had been the one who had identified Mrs. Hunt's body, even though Howard Hunt was in Chicago by the late evening of the eighth or early morning of the ninth. When had Carlstead identified Mrs. Hunt?

All further attempts that day for detailed commentary, from Hunt or Carlstead or Bittman, came to no account. Reporters were left on the shore of a vast dead sea of all parties "declined to discuss." Hunt refused to call Carlstead to the telephone, saying his lawyer had instructed them both not to "make any statements whatsoever."



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THE GLASS HOUSE TAPES

By C.R.I.C. and
Louis E. Tackwood

The art of the double-cross was a speciality in the survival kit employed by Louis E. Tackwood during his years as a paid police informer and agent-provocateur. It was an art which he valued highly since, more than once, he had been forced to use it in order to survive.

Even as the end drew near, when his cover was finally about to be blown and he would be forced to choose sides and reap forever the consequences of his choice, Louis E. Tackwood was not above a final double-cross.

The following excerpt from The Glass House Tapes, the book written by C.R.I.C. [Citizens Research and Investigating Committee] of Tackwood's verbal confessions, documents this last double-cross. The question was whose side would Tackwood finally choose: the people's or the government's.

PART 7

Tackwood was back. He had survived again. His performance at the District Attorney's office was a complete fabrication, under C.C.S. direction for sure, but a command performance nonetheless. The entire charade was put on for the exclusive benefit of one reporter, Jerry Cohen of the *Los Angeles Times*. Cohen had pressed for a reply to C.R.I.C.'s allegations from the District Attorney, so Tackwood's "confession" was quickly staged for Cohen's benefit.

Tackwood did so well that the C.C.S. released him. He was on the streets again.

FALSE DECLARATIONS

The next day Cohen had his home address; he drove down to the apartment accompanied by Leroy Aarons of the *Post*. They convinced Tackwood that they knew the declarations given to the District Attorney were false and that they would like to hear his version of the story. They told him that they were working with C.R.I.C., and he could trust them to handle the information with discretion. Tackwood agreed and returned with the reporters to the *Times* building.

The undercover agent had now surfaced to tell his story to the world. He began a seven-hour marathon interrogation with Flemming, Aarons, and Cohen. Armed with the material scoured from the hidden corners of Tackwood's past, they took him back over his ten-year career with the precision of good investigators. No detail of his life as an agent was left out; they had names, dates, and places of incidents in Tackwood's past that



LOUIS E. TACKWOOD agent-provocateur.

had been lost in the recesses of his memory.

At the end of the seven hours the reporters were convinced that there was a big story, perhaps one worth a congressional investigation. They only had to convince their editors to run it, and for that they needed to have Tackwood take a lie detector test.

An examination was set up by Cohen with the well-known polygrapher Chris Gugus in Hollywood. Tackwood came to Gugus' office accompanied by C.R.I.C. members. Gugus was reportedly a trusted professional who had high recommendations. But when C.R.I.C. members learned Gugus was an ex-Sheriff's officer and noticed the framed autographed picture of Gugus and J. Edgar Hoover, they wondered if they had fallen into a trap.

Chris Gugus had more the appearance of a dentist than a polygrapher. He wore a long white smock and horn-rim glasses, and walked with sort of a cock's strut. He kept a secretary who seemed never to have anything to do.

Gugus conducted a preliminary test and decided Tackwood was too high strung and nervous to go through with the examination at the time. He recommended that he be put up overnight to relax with a private detective to guard him. The press put up the hundred dollars for the night and everyone returned home wondering what the results would be the next day.

Events began to turn quickly now. C.R.I.C. was beginning to have doubts about what press intentions were, and consequently began to move ahead with plans to break the story open to other media. Arrangements were made with KPFK to have a press conference in their studio where it could be broadcast live in Los Angeles and Pacifica's sister stations in Houston, Berkeley, and New York.

The polygraph test of Tackwood was held the next day. His allegations were vindicated. Under the curious circumstances it was difficult to tell who was more surprised: C.R.I.C. or the press. Yet all the accusations against C.C.S. and their conspiratorial activities were substantially verified by the polygraph. Perhaps more amazed than anyone was Chris Gugus. He asked Tackwood to return the next day in order that other questions concerning his police work could be gone over in more detail.

That night the C.R.I.C. members were meeting again. Life in Venice seemed recently to be an endless series of meetings and traumas. Tonight was a combination of both; they were planning their first press conference. Would the press even attend? How could they deal with the underground press in the same room as the establishment press? Was there a conflict? How could they maintain control of delicate material without stifling Tackwood? They had become painfully aware of their inexperience as spies in the last few months. Now

they were confronted with their lack of skills in dealing with the press. They would have to learn fast.

The press conference was the key. Once Tackwood's story was public knowledge, C.C.S. and the D.A.'s office would not be able to suppress it, nor would they so easily be able to frame them for a conspiracy. Forces would be set in motion that were beyond the immediate control of the police. C.R.I.C. advised Tackwood to complete the polygraph test. They didn't want to open up themselves to a kidnapping charge. Dan Lund would go with him to prevent his being kidnapped by the police.

S.I.D. MEN ARRIVE

Tackwood was delivered to Gugus' office at the appointed time. Minutes later, four well-armed detectives from the Special Investigations' Division of the District Attorney's office arrived. In a confusing and rancorous tragi-farce, the four S.I.D. men began unstrapping Tackwood from the polygraph machine while Dan stood helpless outside the room.

Banging on the door, he yelled, "What's going on here? Who are those men? Let me in." The door opened abruptly. Gugus was crouched shivering behind the desk, and Fleming and Aarons stood with their mouths gaping. Tackwood made no protest at his seizure by the D.A.'s men.

Why did Tackwood consent to go along? Was he effectively kidnapped? Could C.R.I.C. members expect to be arrested at any moment on conspiracy charges? The questions were many, some remain unsolved to this day, but C.R.I.C.'s choice of action remained clear: plow ahead and hold the press conference, no matter what. Of course they would have to hold the conference missing their star performer; "Charley" was gone again.

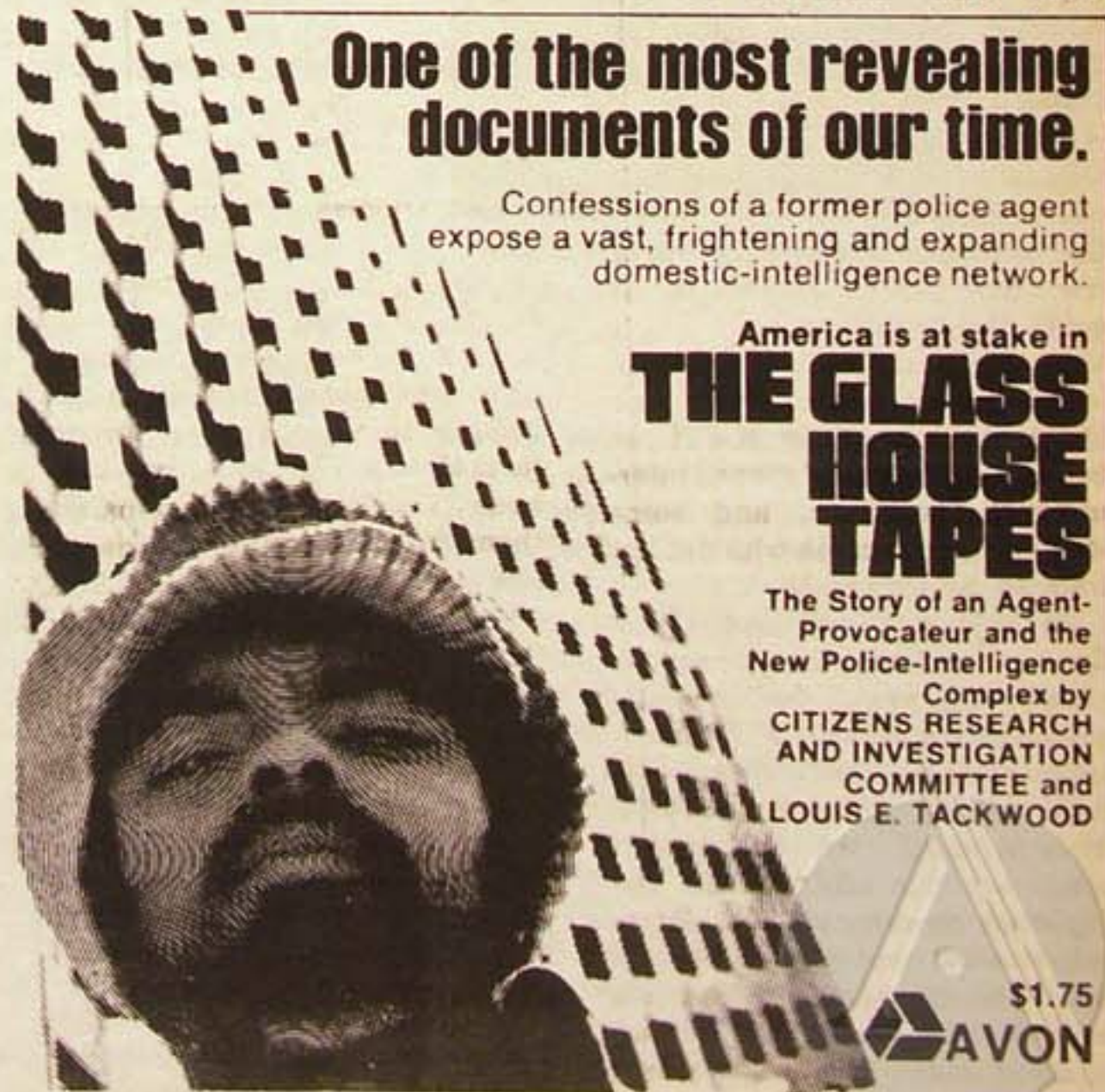
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Intercommunal News

93 NATIONS VOTE TO SEAT GUINEA-BISSAU AT U.N.

U.S., BRITAIN BLOCK MEMBERSHIP

(United Nations, N.Y.) - The recently created West African Republic of Guinea-Bissau and the anti-colonial, self-determination forces of the world won a stunning victory here last week. Against the opposition of the U.S., Britain and South Africa, ninety-three nations of the world voted in favor of the immediate admission of Guinea-Bissau as a member of the United Nations organization.

Admission could not be achieved this year because two of the seven states that voted against U.N. recognition and admission, the U.S. and Britain, are permanent members of the 15-nation U.N. Security Council and have veto power against admission. The other states voting against admission were Portugal, Greece, Brazil and Spain. Thirty nations abstained in the vote.

Although last week's vote prevents Guinea-Bissau from becoming a full member of the United Nations, it assures the new Republic of membership in the several specialized agencies of the United Nations for which the veto is powerless. These agencies include the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank) and the International Monetary Fund.

The debate in the General Assembly of the United Nations last week on Guinea-Bissau was introduced by a proposal by 58

nations entitled: "Illegal occupation by Portuguese military forces of certain sectors of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau and acts of aggression committed by them against the people of the Republic".

Portugal, backed by the U.S., attempted to prevent the debate, arguing that the newly proclaimed Republic of Guinea-Bissau represented a political propaganda move in support of a "fictitious claim to independence by a movement based outside the territory and unable to achieve control over the least bit of that territory." The Portugal move was defeated by a vote of 88 in favor of debate and 7 against.

Tanzania's Head of Mission to the United Nations, Ambassador Selim Ahmed Selim, forcefully put the case of Guinea-Bissau during the debate. Quoting from the report of the United Nations Special Mission that traveled to the liberated areas, some 4/5ths of Guinea-Bissau, to investigate the claims of the PAIGC for independence and Portuguese



aggression, said: "In paragraph 78 of its report it is written: 'The Special Mission was able to observe the marked progress achieved by the people of the territory, through their national liberation movement, the PAIGC, both in their struggle and in their work of reconstruction. In the liberated areas visited by the mission, the colonial administrative machinery has been replaced by new administrative, political and judicial institutions representative of the people. Educational and health services have been created, often where none previously existed.'"

"The proclamation of independence of the state of Guinea-Bissau is but a fact which exists and which is indisputable, except by the Portuguese, who continue to commit acts of aggression against the Republic of Guinea-Bissau," Ambassador Selim continued.

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African miners, such as the above in Namibia [South-West Africa] are now represented in the Organization for African Trade Union Unity.

ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN TRADE UNION UNITY FORMED

This week THE BLACK PANTHER presents an interview with Dennis Akumu, Secretary-General of the newly-formed Organization of African Trade Union Unity [OATUU]. The interview is taken from Africa, a magazine published in London that covers the business, economics and politics of Africa. The OATUU was founded to coordinate the activities of 41 African trade union centers. Its declared aim is to remain totally independent of all international trade union bodies. The interview follows:

AFRICA: What is the history of the Organization of African Trade Union Unity?

AKUMU: There had been attempts to form this organization over a period of 15 years and it had proved impossible, because the Trade Unions in Africa were split, like anywhere else. There were divisions between the pro-left-the pro-Communist, if you like-and the pro-West, ICFTU, as well as the pro-Christians, international Christians, and some that are autonomous-who did not want to be involved.

At the Pan African Trade Union Conference in April this year we ended with about twelve trade unions affiliated to ICFTU (Brussels-based), and with about five trade unions affiliated to WFTU (Prague-based, the Communist one), and four affiliated to the Christian movement (also Brussels-based), and we had about twelve to thirteen autonomous centres which were not affiliated to any of those. First, there was a small preparatory committee, and

Kenya was in this preparatory committee. Then there was the main congress, in which the pro-West, pro-Communist and Christian cases were put.

There was a case for looking for a compromise and I think that is why I was elected as Secretary-General. Also I was chosen because I had long experience - some twenty years in the Labour movement. Another factor was that my movement in Kenya is autonomous - we are not affiliated to the West, East or the Christians, but we do have very good relations with all of them. So I

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VIRGIN ISLAND 5 TRANSFERRED TO STATES

(St. Thomas, Virgin Islands) - The Virgin Island Five, the brothers falsely convicted in August of killing eight Whites on a plush golf course here last year, have now been taken from the islands to an unknown prison farm in rural Georgia. They have been transferred to separate them from their families, friends and support groups in hopes they will be forgotten and to undermine their efforts at achieving justice.

The Five, Ishmeali LaBeet, Rapheal Joseph, Beaumont Gereau, Warreh Ballentine, and Meral Smith, are now locked down in damp cells without access to sunlight or fresh air, and are being fed mush unfit for human consumption.

In a letter received by THE BLACK PANTHER from Brother LaBeet, he writes that prison au-

thorities are now trying to systematically wear down the Five's health in order to justify and quietly arrange their "accidental" or "natural" deaths. He states that they are kept in constant isolation in order to drive them to insanity "so they can hopefully do a little brain surgery on us that would leave us like vegetables".

Brother LaBeet issued a call in his letter for the people to aid and support the V.I. Five. They were convicted last August, each sentenced to eight life sentences and 90 years, and then shipped to Georgia.

Their appeal is still pending before the Third Circuit Court of Appeals, and they are badly in need of financial assistance in order to meet the exorbitantly high appeal bail set for them.

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MID-EAST CEASEFIRE TENTATIVE

OCTOBER 22 PULLBACK AT ISSUE

(Washington, D.C.) - The cease fire agreement to which Egypt and Israel affixed signatures last week must free the Egyptian town of Suez from Israeli encirclement and guarantee Egyptian access to its troops on the east bank, or the war will become hot again.

Already, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat is facing criticism at home for his handling of the ceasefire agreement. Egyptians are not sure what he agreed to in his talks with U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, but reports that he is angling for U.S. support for direct Egyptian-Israeli negotiations soon is not going down well.

The original Egyptian demand that the ceasefire agreement include withdrawal of Israeli troops to positions held on October 22, has reportedly been dropped by Sadat. Wording of the agreement on this point is unclear. The agreement reads: "Both sides agree that discussions between them will begin immediately to settle the question of the return to the October 22 positions..." (our emphasis)

Egypt earlier had refused to consider the return of Israeli POW's until Israeli troops pulled back to the October 22nd lines. The present agreement states that "as soon as the United Nations checkpoints are established on the Cairo-Suez road, there will be an exchange of all prisoners of war, including the wounded".

These are clear concessions made by Egypt in the interest of peace and a resolution of the current stalemate. It looks as if the Israelis clearly gained the maximum benefit. It remains to be seen just what is finally achieved in settling the question of the return to the October 22 positions.

LIFTING THE NAVAL BLOCKADE

Nothing is contained in the agreement on the lifting of the naval blockade against Israeli shipping in the Strait of Babel Mendeb. This is Israel's exit route from the Red Sea. Major shipping needs are met through these straits. However, reports are widespread that Sadat also agreed to lift that blockade.

Other terms of the agreement are the commitment of both sides to scrupulously observe the cease fire; the town of Suez will receive daily supplies of food, water and medicine and all wounded civilians will be evacuated; there shall be no impediment to the movement of non-military supplies to the east bank.

Meanwhile, Kissinger apparently failed in his effort to persuade Saudi Arabian King Faisal to relax his oil embargo on

the U.S. Kissinger was told that production cuts imposed since October 17, would not be relaxed until there is a physical withdrawal of Israeli forces from all Arab lands occupied during the 1967 war.

The *New York Times* reported that no Saudi Arabian crude oil is being shipped to the U.S. or to refineries anywhere in the world that supply American customers, including the U.S. Navy's Sixth and Seventh Fleets, in the Mediterranean and the Far East.

In Europe the Arab use of oil as a weapon has resulted in a declaration by the Foreign Mini-



Israel's desperation led her to attack civilian targets.

sters of the nine Common Market countries last week supporting the Arab demands for a pullback of troops to the October 22 cease-fire lines, and an end to the occupation of Arab lands seized in 1967. The Common Market countries called for peace negotiations "in the framework of the

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THOUSANDS ATTEND FUNERAL

A.I.M. LEADER'S MURDER SPARKS NEW ACTION

(Rapid City, S.D.) - The October 17, murder of a lifelong citizen of the Pine Ridge reservation, Pedro Bissonette, has created a new political situation in that community. A criminal complaint has been filed demanding the arrest of Tribal Chairman Richard Wilson.

New evidence reveals that the state's official account of the death is an outright lie and the AIM leader's death was cold-blooded murder. Residents of Pine Ridge have held a hearing to investigate the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Police who committed the murder. And when BIA policemen pistol-whipped five Indian youth five days after Pedro's death, two of the cops were shot and wounded.

Over two thousand people attended the three day wake and funeral services conducted by the



Al Fatah, Palestinian guerrillas, members of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION ON MID-EAST WAR

[Beirut, Lebanon] - The following is an interview with Abu Faysal, a spokesman for the Palestine Liberation Organization. In it Brother Faysal, explains the role of the Palestine guerrillas during the recent Mid-East War. The interview, conducted by Fred Lowe and Susanne Roff, was held on October 10, four days after renewed Israeli aggression broke the sensitive stalemate, called peace, in the Middle East and the latest hostilities began.

The Palestine Liberation Organization [PLO] is the umbrella coordinating council for the overall movement to liberate Palestine from Zionist domination. It includes such groups as Al Fatah, the Democratic Movement for the Liberation of Palestine, Black September, and others. Though a spokesman for PLO, Abu Faysal

is also a member of Fatah, the largest of the Arab groups dedicated to the liberation of their homeland.

Question: We'd like to just have you talk about the situation in the South of Lebanon.

FAYSAL: We have been in South Lebanon since 1969--and it's not all of South Lebanon really, it's an area called Arkoub. We have been there for all that time and our presence has been known and for a long time we operated from there. However, we have stopped our operations from there for a long time to stop the retaliatory measures against civilians--as it was the habit of the Israeli Air Force at the time to hit whenever we hit military targets inside occupied Palestine.

They would retaliate by hitting civilian targets in Lebanon, mainly refugee camps. So to avoid giving them their excuse for hitting our civilian areas, Lebanese and Palestinians, we stopped operating from South Lebanon and we have been since, 1972, completely operating from within occupied Palestine, with our own bases inside the occupied territories. Up to the present, really, most of our operations are still carried out by our people inside the occupied territories.

In Arkoub, we have some of our forces in that area and we are stopping Israeli attacks into South Lebanon. The minute fighting started Israel tried to go through that part of South Lebanon and our position there was defensive--to stop them from occupying the areas. We were forced to take a defensive position, and to have the upper hand in it too. So we have been forced to occupy areas that were held by the Israelis before this war, 6th of October. And we have occupied almost all the hilltops except one and this

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Africa In Focus

UGANDA

The U.S. State Department has announced the closing of the U.S. embassy in Uganda. The last American there, charge d'affaires Robert Keeley, is being returned to the U.S.A. Department spokesman George Vest claimed the closure was the "result of an accumulation of actions by the Uganda government which had created conditions making it impossible to conduct diplomatic relations effectively". President Amin had earlier declared that all Americans in Uganda would be immediately arrested if the U.S. intervened militarily in the Middle East war.

EGYPT

The South African Defense Ministry refuses to comment on reports that the Mirage fighter-jet shot down by the Egyptians in last months Mid-East fighting was a South African plane. According to informed British sources the French-built plane was piloted by a "volunteer" South African airman. The sources report that the South African government sent a number of volunteer pilots to Israel with their aircraft to gain battle experience. This development is testimony to the unholy alliance between the South African racist settler regime and Israeli Zionist aggression.

PORTUGAL

The Democratic Electoral Commission, a Portuguese political party, has announced its support for "self-determination, independence and the end of the war" in the African territories held in colonial subjugation by Portugal. The organization has been denied TV or radio time and the government of Portugal has falsified its election results. Despite such political repression, the CDE has declared that Angola, Mozambique and Guinea-Bissau should have the independence they have actively sought for many years.

TANZANIA

The Tanzanian Foreign Affairs Ministry has sharply criticized the U.S. for the dispatch of a U.S. task force into the Indian Ocean. Many other African and Asian nations bordering the Indian Ocean heartily concur with the Tanzanian position. It is widely believed that the task force, consisting of the aircraft carrier Hancock, five destroyers, a tanker and some submarines, are heading for the Red Sea area where an Arab blockade of Israeli shipping is in force.

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION ON MID-EAST

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was to stop Israeli attacks and barrages on the area, and we succeeded.

Our major operations are being carried out from within...our operations are in the heartland of Palestine: Tel Aviv area, Jerusalem, Haifa, Nahariya, Gaza. These operations you cannot carry out from Lebanon. It takes more time; chances of fighting with enemy patrols are greater, so our operations have been carried out from within and our position now in Southern Lebanon is defensive. But we have occupied areas that were occupied by the enemy.

The situation is completely under our control now and the enemy is not able to change their situation. We have sent some of our units to Al-Mutallah village which is in Palestine and was occupied in 1948, and we were engaged at least until 1:30 last night in serious fighting--but our position is really to stop reinforcements from going into our area and into the Golan Heights. We succeeded in cutting down the number of reinforcements going there by land which is the major route to the Golan Heights.

We have to be careful about not hitting civilians. There are Jewish civilians too, and up to now, and I think it will continue so, the Arab armies have been avoiding civilian targets. So we have to go

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was elected unanimously as a compromise candidate.

AFRICA: But even so the Pan African Trade Union Conference did have some difficulties. Four countries - Mali, Senegal, Mauritania and Tunisia - walked out from it.

AKUMU: Yes. Not only that, we also had a lot of difficulty because every time there was a word which the pro-ICFTU didn't agree with they would threaten to walk out - the others would threaten the same. But finally, Tunisia and Senegal walked out over the issue of this affiliation because it was going to be laid out, and it was laid out in the Charter, that the eventual aim of the Pan African Trade Union organization, the Organization of African Trade Union Unity, is to cut out all international influence. Tunisia and Senegal felt that was interfering with the autonomy of their country. Partly we agree because they remain a sovereign independent trade union, operating in their independent republics. But this is a subject that has been put on ice for another three years, when we will have the next Congress.

AFRICA: But nevertheless the OATUU is totally African. It is totally independent of any international bodies of whatever leaning-East or West?

AKUMU: Yes, but without being introverted, because we still have bilateral arrangements with other international bodies to work together. But in terms of affiliation, under which they might influence our policy, we want to be in a position to disagree. We disagreed with the communist group at the ILO Conference in Geneva this year, just as we did with the Western group over the American approach to South Africa. We wanted to be reasonably independent.

AFRICA: What kind of objectives did you define at this inaugural session of the OATUU?

AKUMU: The objectives are fairly long and complex. But if you ask me what we think will be its function I could answer you as follows: That an organization intended to co-ordinate activities, organize seminars, re-define the role of the trade union as it sees it in the developing countries.

OATUU should also discuss continental economic policies - for instance, what is going to be our basis for discussion with the European Economic Community over our own produce? We feel very much aggrieved that we have doubled, or tripled, the quantity of our own produce but this cannot bring enough money because the prices that Europe pays are still too low. But the prices of European manufactured goods have tripled. This is an area where the trade unions, and the people that are toiling, can play a leading part.

AFRICA: That seems to be a duplication of the basic political bargaining that is being done by African governments - taking a role for instance in haggling over commodity prices.

AKUMU: Can I answer that? Maybe I can't. The answer is... yes and no. But I can tell you this, that governments tend to play shy of their former colonial masters. We don't, because we produce the commodities and we want to see the results.

15,000 FOR IMPEACHMENT

(Boston, Mass.) - A coalition of political groups said last week that it has gathered 15,000 signatures on a petition calling for impeachment of President Nixon in the district of the House majority whip, Representative Thomas P. O'Neill, Democrat of Massachusetts.



Arab fighters are constantly on the alert for an Israeli attack.

around it, have to wait. We have to do things to cut down civilian losses. Even though Israel has hit Damascus, causing hundreds of casualties, killing diplomats and others, expecting I am sure, that Syria would hit civilian targets in retaliation, which was faulty, for Syria's interest is in regaining the land, not to kill people.

The same is true in Egypt, up to now Egyptian forces have not reached any civilian area as they have been fighting in the desert. But yet Israel hit civilian areas in Port Said and other Egyptian cities.

I would say that this is the complete reverse of 1967. Now we find ourselves in the position that Israel was in 1967. Our information, Arab information as well as the revolution's information, is very moderate, very calm and cool, and there are no exaggerations on the result of the fighting. While you find on the Israeli side, exaggerations.

Question: Has coordination between the Palestinians and the Egyptian and Syrian forces been good?

FAYSAL: Certainly. We are fighting, of course, our own war, which is a people's war, guerrilla-type. The Egyptians and Syrians are fighting a classical war--the fact is each has his job in this war. For one thing we are fighting in our land and Syria is fighting in its own land and that's the only difference. There is good coordination between the three fronts.

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DELLUMS

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ment or the Defense Department has given us one single reason. There have been all kinds of speculations on the question. There has even been a statement from the State Department that from their view Russia was standing down, not building up.

So, it leads one to the obvious conclusion that there was only one reason that the President would do this and I would tend to agree with it, although I could not in fact substantiate it: that this was a smooth maneuver. Nixon's greatest claim to fame over the past 5 years has been his foreign policy. That has been his strong suit. He has been in trouble from day one on the domestic issue. Watergate and all the attending problems has really seriously crippled his effectiveness.

Where then, if you were in trouble, would you go? You would go to your ace, you would go to your strong suit and his strong suit is foreign policy. And given the hot-war nature of the Middle East situation at the time, it certainly was a very powerful move on his part. It jolted everyone for a few moments. And for a few moments many people backed off of the impeachment issue and said, Hey we're getting ready to go into World War III, and it pulled a lot of people back and I think in certain quarters it gave him some type of prestige. Well, we've got to respond to our President.

IN TIMES OF DANGER

In times of danger internationally, this country, no country, has ever removed a President. And I think that in some way that was explicit and implicit in his moves. I see no other rhyme or reason for why he did it. It was not in the best interest of Russia, so I can come to no other conclusion than that it was a grand stand play on the part of the President.

I think that was very tragic. My final comment on it: If you recall during the press conference that Secretary of State Kissinger held when asked that question specifically--was there some move to handle the domestic issue--he said "It is a symptom of our time that people would consider that possibility." I said he doesn't know how right he is. It is a symptom of our time, because when American people can reach to that point it means that they have lost all respect and that the administration has lost total and absolute credibility in the eyes of the majority of the American people. It is symptomatic of the evil, of the injustice, of the insanity and of the criminality of this administration.

B.P.: Reactions from Europe on this order by the President has suggested that the European nations, even some of our best friends, West Germany and Britain, are incensed over this action

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by the U.S., particularly this world-wide alert, and that this move has jeopardized America's relations with its former allies in Europe. Do you have a comment on that?

DELLUMS: I think that that's possible and let me tell you what I think the potential connection is. First of all, it's obvious that if the United States and Russia move outside "the spirit of detente" it does endanger the European nations. We have a huge NATO apparatus. We've got over 311,000 troops in NATO countries. We've got 219,000 troops in West Germany alone. We spend 17 billion dollars a year to maintain our NATO commitments. We're in at least one or two billion dollars in deficits of payments. We have a fantastic commitment there.

Now, the United States and Russia are presently engaged in mutual balanced force reduction talks.

The European nations have a vested interest in seeing to it that those talks go very smoothly and very carefully because they see their destiny involved in that. That is why many European nations fought hard against any unilateral withdrawal of troops on the part of the United States and they all said let's wait until the mutual balance of force reduction talks because they were frightened that any further reduction of the balance of power between the Warsaw Pact and the NATO nations would make the European nations vulnerable. So, for them to come head-on in this situation certainly then throws those talks into serious jeopardy.

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Aerial view of Folsom Prison.

FOLSOM STRIKE

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tions on visiting and mail, and an end to guard violence. Guards have injured a number of prisoners during the past five months as a result of indiscriminate shooting into the exercise yard.

Rifles loaded with live ammunition have replaced the already dangerous shotguns that were used to break up fights on the exercise yard. One prisoner's wife was cut off from visiting him because he took a lock of her hair back to his cell.

The strike has remained peaceful with the exception of Sunday, October 21. On that day two prisoners on the second tier

developed conditions that required immediate medical attention. One brother had a seizure and was hemorrhaging. When guards did not respond to demands for medical care, the prisoners got the guards' attention by kicking out toilets and burning mattresses.

The strike began October 5, when most of the Adjustment Center prisoners refused to comply with prison rules that require standing for count, compulsory shaving and haircuts. The prison administration has pretended to the public that the strike does not exist, yet it has taken emergency measures within the prison. The administration recently told the press that only a handful of prisoners are participating.

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Ms. JOSEPHINE BAKER

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The story of this Black child, born in the slums of St. Louis, Missouri, who became the toast

of Europe, friend and confident of the Western world's most fabled artists and a legend in her own time should be known by all. We cannot tell it all here.

Her visit to the Bay Area last week, however, gives us the opportunity to do honor to one of the greatest humanitarians of our age. We chose to do this by selecting just two of the many phases of her life to recall for our readers.

For four years during World War II, Josephine Baker, already at the height of stardom, able to write her own ticket, chose to become a member of the Free French Forces of her adopted country, went into the underground and worked for the liberation of France and the world from the scourge of fascism.

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Josephine Baker refuses to allow herself or others to be categorized according to nationality, race, color or any of the other traditional classifications. For her we are all one in search of loving acceptance for what we are.



The famous silhouette of La BAKER, a great lady of the stage.

True, Josephine Baker to this day continues to be a beautiful woman who knows the pleasure and joy of being beautiful. Her gowns and ensembles are breathtaking and she wears them like the Queen she is. But Josephine Baker's true beauty is her pure spirit totally dedicated to bringing happiness and beauty to others.

Her too brief appearance at the Circle Star Theatre (whose barn-like auditorium failed utterly to do her justice) proved once again that Josephine Baker remains a great lady of the stage of entertainment and on the stage of life.

ENTERTAINMENT

A GRAVE SONG

To The Man-Child:

This world -
They'd never let me be
the magnificent hobo; no
rather outcast or reprobate
O you world!
you blood thirsty machine
I am going to catch you
justice will come for me
and I will speak the word
with a vengeance.

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Chicago, Illinois

MID-EAST CEASEFIRE

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United Nations" rather than through bilateral diplomacy of the U.S. and the Soviet Union.

Portugal is due for special treatment by the joint might of the Arab countries. Portugal was the only NATO country that provided stopover facilities for the U.S. resupply of weapons to Israel during the fighting. All other NATO "allies" refused. Now Arab countries are planning a full economic boycott against Portugal in retaliation. Portugal's continued role as a colonial power in Africa (Angola, Mozambique) contributed to this decision by the Arab countries.

Last week Arab countries agreed on an immediate 25 per cent cut in oil production and a continuation of the 5 per cent monthly cut on production as long as Arab lands are occupied by Israeli troops. They assure "friendly countries" that this decision will not affect their flow of Middle East oil.

At latest count only six African countries, including the Republic of South Africa, maintain diplomatic relations with Israel. At the beginning of the October 6th war, 29 African countries had such ties. Black African countries have one after the other broken those ties in protest against the continued occupation of Arab and African territory by Israeli troops.

V.I. 5

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Their families and friends have organized a defense committee which is engaged in efforts to have the Five rightfully returned to the Virgin Islands. The support committee is asking that petitions be circulated calling for the return of the Five. Petitions, donations, and expressions of support may be sent to the Virgin Island Five Defense Fund, c/o Asia LaBeet, P.O. Box 2088, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 00801.

A.I.M. LEADER'S MURDER

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stances of the death. An experienced independent pathologists' report clearly indicates that Pedro Bissonette was murdered.

Defense attorneys for the Wounded Knee 7 considered Pedro to be the most important defense witness in the upcoming Wounded Knee trials. Because of his life-time personal knowledge of the area, its people, institutions and problems, the former boxing champion was a valuable source of information. The community is joined by the Wounded Knee Defense Staff in losing a valuable asset.

Richard Wilson's hired agent - provocateurs continue to be joined by BIA police. On Sunday, October 21, one of Wilson's agents ran down and seriously injured Agnes Lamont and another Indian sister in a speeding car. Mrs. Lamont is the mother of Buddy Lamont who was killed by U.S. Marshals during the Wounded Knee occupation.

In a complaint filed with Pine Ridge police chief Delmer Eastman, Susie Bissonette, Pedro's mother, charged that Richard Wilson paid one of his son's friends, Billy Changing, to get

drunk and ride up to Pedro's wake at 5:30 a.m. on October 24. Young Billy Changing failed to provoke an incident at the time. However, he did make a full confession of what he had done. The confession was recorded on tape by attorney Mark Lane. Wilson paid Changing \$50; doing so he violated the penal and motor vehicle codes of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Susie Bissonette, Josephine Bissonette and tribal lawyer Ethel Merrial are plaintiffs in the complaint which includes a copy of the tape of Billy Changing's admission and a demand for the arrest of the reactionary tribal chairman.

Meanwhile, during Pedro's funeral, two Wounded Knee movement veterans were tried and convicted on a cattle-rustling charge. An all-White jury convicted Oscar Bear Runner and Yank Badhand of stealing one dead calf from a White rancher. During the three-day trial one juror, a U.S. marshal's daughter, was often seen doing cross-word puzzles. Another elderly juror slept through portions of the trial. The two W.W. II veterans did not know they were doing any harm when they took the dead calf, earlier killed in a hunting accident.

The Nixon supporters, in desperation at the mounting demands for impeachment, are perfectly capable of engineering a situation in Oakland that would justify a massive, armed onslaught against the Party and the Black community in the hope that such a move would ignite a flame in Black communities around this country. Such a development would give Nixon the excuse he needs to declare a State of Emergency around the country, opening the way for the imposition of a police state to secure his position.

Such is the plan. But it will not succeed. The real perpetrators of this crime against the people of Oakland will be uncovered. The struggle for improved school programs and facilities, adequately paid teachers and police-free schools will go on. And, the Black Panther Party will continue to be a leading force for change and for the power of the people in this community and in communities throughout this country.

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attack by a so-called Symbionese Liberation Army that these forces hope to incite and inflame the Oakland community against the Party and the Black community. Defense against attacks by the Party and the community will be the excuse for wholesale, military assault.

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Jersey. Amamu (Leroy Jones) Baraka has been their special target. NCLC literature spouting revolutionary rhetoric refers to Baraka as a CIA agent and a fascist pig.

Little notice has been given to the appearance early in October of an American Nazi Party pamphlet in a San Leandro shopping center. San Leandro is the extension of Oakland, southward. The pamphlet attacked the Oakland school system and said: "There might be shotgun blasts into the guts of 'mixmaster' principals and superintendents", after having exhorted the reader with: "Should we do some killing? Should we cut off, root and branch, the satanic Jews and all their lackeys who are stirring up the niggers against us?"

Rumors and suggestions that the Black Panther Party had something to do with the murder of Dr. Foster is precisely what is desired by those who actually conceived and carried out this murderous attack. Similar stories were circulated following the mysterious crash of the Oakland Police Department helicopter last month.

The Black Panther Party's recent successful negotiating role that prevented an Oakland school teacher's strike, and its open criticism of the role of the Oakland public schools administration in that confrontation, is expected to give validity to the suggestion that the Party played a role in Dr. Foster's killing.

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