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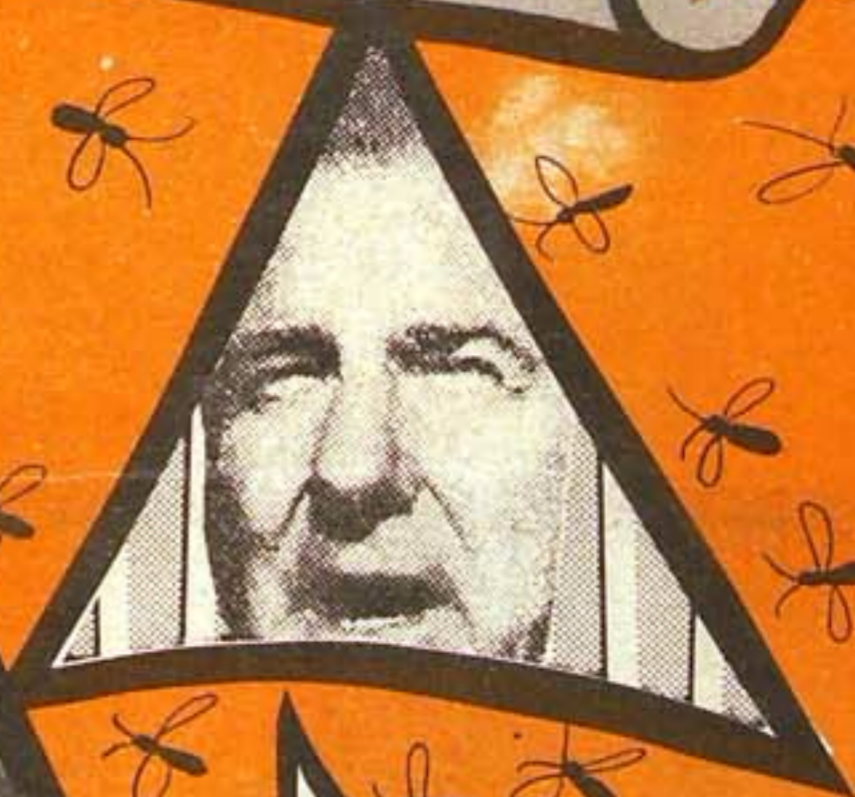
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A SUMMARY OF THE WEEK'S VIOLENCE AGAINST BLACKS OF CAIRO



Vigilante terrorizing the Black community of Cairo, Ill.

White vigilantes have been excessively active this past week in arson and other acts of violence against the Black Community of Cairo, Ill. This week (October 10-17) has seen daily series of events in which the Black Community has been brutally terrorized.

Early in the week a yellow car was observed firing for over five minutes in front of the police station towards the VFW and Pyramid Court—all Black housing projects. One Black person Monroe Jenkins was hit in the left hand by bullet fragments from a bullet which ripped through and into his car.

The first White man arrested for shooting into the Black community during this over one and a half year of violence, was apprehended by two Black citizens, members of the staff of the Front, Mr. Russell DeBerry and James Chairs. He was then turned over to Cairo policemen. The man,

from Kentucky, had fired into St. Colomba Church and at several people on the street and on the porch of the rectory.

The United Front Clothing store at 1811 Commercial was shot into by White racists on Monday evening following a city council meeting in which the members of the VFW told the Mayor they were going to take the law into their own hands and shoot at the Black people of Cairo. The police Commissioner also said that the police department had used and would use all types of machine guns and other automatic weapons. At least eight bullets broke through the front plate glass windows of the Palace.

On Wednesday evening a 45 year old Black woman was stopped on the corner of 13th and Washington by a white car with Kentucky license. Three White men got out of the car and slapped the woman several times in the face.

Cairo's new police chief was greeted on Thursday with several

cases of arson and again other violence against the Blacks. White arsonists burned a large portion of the cooperative pre-fab housing factory at 34th and Commercial resulting in a large amount of damage and setting that housing program back for several weeks. The housing factory now employs about 8 Blacks who are learning trade skills never before available to Blacks in Cairo. It had planned eventually to employ 30 Black persons as they would produce at least two new homes per week. Later that same evening the arsonists set afire and burned to the ground a church which had been converted from a small store. This church building stood only one block from Pyramid Court.

On Friday evening beginning at about 7:30 pm, a Black taxi driver and other Black eyewitnesses say they saw a yellow car and a white car, both with Kentucky licenses at and near to buildings on 12th and 14th streets which were destroyed by fires shortly after these cars were seen. Four occupied homes were burned to the ground and in some instances little or nothing was saved from the homes. Members of the Black community did much in fighting the fires and aided the stricken families in safely evacuating their homes. Commenting on the week, the Rev. Charles Koen said, "We need money to help the people who were burned out of their homes this week." The reason for these continuous acts of violence is that they are White racists' responses to the United Front's Survival Conference to be held Oct. 24 and 25 and that the spiritual power of Black folks in Cairo continues to grow and that the solidarity and unity increases and Black folks' determination deepens to go on to total victory.

UNITED FRONT INFORMATION SERVICE

RACIST JURY CONVICTS BIG BOB



Bob Heard

Tuesday, October 20, Robert "Big Bob" Heard, a member of the Black Panther Party was found guilty by an all White jury, with the exception of one "negro" lackey, and sentenced to Deer Island for two and one half years on trumped-up charges of (1) assault and battery on a pig, (2) carrying a concealed weapon, and (3) idle and disorderly conduct, resulting from an incident in December of 1969 at the Dudley Street MBTA station.

Bob upon leaving the Harvard bus on this date, was harassed and beaten by three lackey MBTA pigs who were on duty at Dudley station (pigs Arthur Sousa, Sprague and pig Sgt. Bond) for the express purpose of harassing and brutalizing innocent Black people.

The 14th Amendment to the Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical,

environmental, historical and racial background. Bob's jury consisted of 11 white suburban racists and one "negro" lackey.

The people are the makers of revolution and no force on earth can stop us. Big Bob is a living example to all those who oppose U.S.A. fascism and genocide. We must all learn from the revolutionary examples set by Bob in opposing the genocide of our people. This case is just one in many that the pigs have schemed up to try and intimidate Bob. The racist judge even went so far as to deny Bob bail for his appeal. The judge had no reason whatsoever to deny Bob bail since he has never failed to appear in court, and has never had any prior convictions.

The courtroom in which he was railroaded was packed with pigs and everyone was searched before entering, which only served to prejudice the already prejudiced jury. The deliberate disregard for Bob's rights in the courtroom were obvious. This trial shows clearly that the Black man has no rights that a White man is bound to respect. Black people cannot receive justice in a corrupt court and real justice can only be achieved when the people take power and a new constitution is drawn up by the people themselves.

SURVIVAL THROUGH SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE!

Boston Chapter
Black Panther Party
23 Winthrop Street
Roxbury, Mass.

REVOLUTIONARY DRUG PROGRAM SERVES THE PEOPLE

The Black Panther Party understands the relationship between capitalism and drug addiction in regards to the Black community. We understand that the economic structure of this capitalist society negates the whole premise that these pigs are concerned about drug addiction in the colony. To do this would mean a total restructuring of the society—economically, socially, and morally. Once we can understand this then we are able to see why all of these so-called rehabilitative drug programs sponsored by various pig institutions are unable to deal with drug addicts.

Roxbury's Black community is not unlike any other Black community in racist Babylon in regards to drug addiction. However, the community now has a revolutionary People's Drug Program. Project Concern, located in the South End, was initially thought of by Milton Blue, a right on brother who had been relating to the Party for some time through Political Education classes and as a part-time worker, serving the people. The program is run by ex-addicts who have acquired a political consciousness and therefore realize the necessity of quitting drugs in order to survive. Basing their program on the revolutionary ideology of capitalism plus dope equals genocide, these brothers through their practice, have shown that equipped with

the correct understanding of how the pigs' lust for money is the driving force behind all their actions, they are then able to recognize the various actions on the oppressors' part to ensure our enslavement.

To date, Project Concern is the first successful drug program of any kind in the city of Boston. When one notices the success of Project Concern and the complete failure of the city's institutionalized programs, the realization is that for "some reason" the pigs are not moving in the correct manner to wipe out drugs. We must understand first of all that in fact they do not want to eradicate this problem, because to do so would deplete their illegal sources of income. At the same time our young brothers and sisters would be able to see clearly their state of exploitation and rise up in a revolutionary manner to free themselves.

We say that "the youth make the revolution" and because we realize that "only a revolution will destroy the plague" we say right on to all those righteous brothers in Project Concern who are moving to save our hope—our youth.

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Boston Chapter
23 Winthrop Street
Roxbury, Mass.
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RALLY
NOVEMBER 3, 1970
12:00 NOON
NEW HAVEN GREEN
OPPOSITE THE COURTHOUSE

SPEAKERS

ELAINE BROWN

MICHAEL TABOR

PENNY JACKSON

DAVE DELLINGER

ABBIE HOFFMAN

FOR
IMMEDIATE RELEASE
OF ERICKA AND BOBBY

ROCKFORD PIGS ATTACK BROTHER DURING SEIZURE

On the North Side of Rockford, Albert Norris was attacked and brutalized by 14 rookie pigs for no apparent reason. According to witnesses the only reason for the unprovoked attack was because the brother is Black. The pigs came into the community claiming they received a report of a disturbance in the general area. Upon arriving the pigs saw no one except Albert Norris minding his own business, so he became the target of their racism. Two patrol cars approached Mr. Norris and four pigs got out and attempted to apprehend the brother. Within three minutes nine additional patrol cars had arrived. Twelve rookie pigs began beating and choking the brother as they dragged him to a squad car. In the process of being arrested this brother suffered a seizure. The pigs handcuffed him and taking advantage of his seizure proceeded to kick and punch him in the abdomen and groin. A young brother came to the man's aid and told the pigs to let him go because he was sick. The pigs then arrested the young (fifteen year old) brother for interfering with police officers. An elderly woman who had witnessed the whole attack began to tell the people who had come out on their porches about how the man had suffered a seizure

about it. The pig, showing his true racist nature, told her sarcastically to "take it to court - 9:30 a.m. Monday morning".

Recently the Rockford Police Department has been beefed up with bootlicking nigger pigs in an attempt to hide the racism that is prevalent.

But the last straw has been dropped and the bottom has fallen out of the basket. We are moving to implement point no. 7 of our Platform and Program which calls for an immediate end to police brutality and murder of Black people, and we don't care if Mayor Schleicher, State Attorney Rheinhard, or Chief pig Peterson don't like it because the people, oppressed people, are moving to get their freedom, and will take their heads in the process. To the pigs of the power structure we are saying these are your final hours because Babylon is falling, and upon the blood and the bones of the racist, reactionary pig cops will be founded the new society. Death to the racist, reactionary pigs.



and the pigs beat and kicked him while he was handcuffed. She told one of the officers how it was a shame this man was savagely beaten only because he was Black and that something should be done

PIGS BRUTALIZED OAKLAND FAMILY

On October 16, 1970, shortly after 9:00 p.m., 15 to 20 pigs vamped on the home of the Henderson family, at 3432 Magnolia St., and arrested six people.

The pigs had illegally stopped two brothers while they were driving in front of the house. The pigs questioned the brothers about the whereabouts of one of Henderson's sons. The pigs could not elicit any information out of the two but still used this as a justification for vamping on the house. The pigs then surrounded the house in preparation for their cowardly attack.

Garrett Henderson (one of the sons) then stepped out of the house and asked the pigs if they had an arrest or search warrant, but they gave no indications of having one. Garrett stepped back inside the house, and the pigs, in their fascist fashion, started breaking the glass out of the front door with the butts of their shotguns and tore into the house.

Michael Henderson (another son) was standing near the front door and the pigs began brutalizing him with their clubs and held him at gun point. One sadistic pig grabbed a 75 pound tool box lying on the floor, and slashed it against Michael's head. Then while the brother was bleeding severely, the pigs poked the barrel of their guns at his head.

At this point, members of his family and their friends who were present emerged toward Michael to give him first aid, but the pigs attacked and brutalized them. Just as Michael and his brother Garret along with two other brothers were dragged out the house, their parents arrived. Their mother got out of the car to investigate, and the pigs twisted her arms and shoved her into a police car.

Every person in the house attempting to defend himself against this vicious attack was arrested, and two of them were severely injured.

The brother the pigs claim they were looking for was nowhere in sight and does not reside at that house. This is the second time in two years the pigs have exposed their madness to the Henderson family. The pigs waged an attack in May of 1969 on the same home.

Many young pigs were used in this attack to give them "no knock" experience for future raids. The mad fools also threatened to arrest onlookers if they did not leave the block.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS

Allen Fulgham

THIS PETITION WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE UNITED NATIONS NOVEMBER 16, 1970

PETITION TO THE UNITED NATIONS

We, the undersigned citizens of the United States, gravely concerned with the continued racist persecution, conscious and unconscious, and centuries-old denial of Constitutional rights and respect for human dignity to men, women and children of red, brown, yellow and particularly black Americans, assert that:

The savage police activities, based upon official policies of Federal, State and City governments, has resulted in innumerable beatings, frame-ups, arrests and murders of black Americans, the classical example of which is the Black Panther Party. The murderous attacks on Black youth in Chicago Illinois, Orangeburg South Carolina, Augusta Georgia, Jackson, Mississippi, and the innumerable beatings, legal frameups of Brown, Red, Yellow and Black youths are not only in violation of their legal rights, but as well of this government's commitment under the Charter of the United Nations.

The Genocide Convention adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 9, 1948, defines as genocide "killing members of the group and any intent to destroy in whole or in part a national racial or ethnic or religious group". And further, according to the Convention, "Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group" is Genocide.

We assert that the Genocide Convention has been flagrantly violated by the Government of the United States. We further assert that the United Nations has jurisdiction in this matter, to hold otherwise is to repudiate its position regarding apartheid in South Africa and as well its universal Declaration of Human Rights, and its Convention for the Prevention and Punishment of Genocide.

The racist planned and unplanned terror suffered by more than 40 millions of black, brown, red and yellow citizens of the United States cannot be regarded solely as a domestic issue. The continuance of these practices threatens the struggle of mankind throughout the world to achieve peace, security and dignity.

On the basis of simple justice, it is time for the Human Rights Commission of the United Nations to call for universal action, including political and economic sanctions against the United States. We further demand that the United States government make reparations to those who have suffered the damages of racist and genocidal practices.

Name	Address	City, State, Zip
Huey P. Newton		
Tobby Seale		

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF: The Committee to
Petition The United Nations of the Conference
Committee, 33 Union Square W.,
New York, N.Y., 10003, Room 907

STUDENTS DENIED THE RIGHT TO FREEDOM OF SPEECH

The basic rights laid down by James Madison, George Washington and Benjamin Franklin in the U.S. Constitution approximately one hundred and eighty years ago have since that time been a beautiful theory on paper. On the concentration camp like campus of Fremont High School in Los Angeles, two sisters attempted to have a conference with the principal regarding a mass rally with the students. In route to the office to request to see the principal, the sisters were deterred and escorted to the boys' Vice Principal's office. Behind closed doors, they were questioned extensively and when they complained about this type of treatment, the Vice Principal called the pigs. The pigs were needed to deal with "two young ladies" who were trying to start an uprising at Fremont High School. The questions continued and finally the administrators decided that the sisters had weed or red devils in their possession. Subsequently the sisters were searched and though nothing was found, their parents were called and they were kicked off campus. The school administrators in cahoots with the pigs, harassed, exploited and railroaded students

out of school. The rights of students to speak, assemble, remain silent, must be respected. The rights of students to a fair judgment by their peers and a path to voice their grievances must be made. The Revolutionary People's Constitutional Convention on November 27, 28 and 29th will be the final drafting of the new Constitution in which the students as well as all oppressed people will have their rights recognized.

WRITE THE NEW CONSTITUTION!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Southern California Chapter



STATEMENT BY ERNEST CRONEY, 3116914 ..MARQUETTE PRISON, SEPTEMBER, 1970

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
It is an overwhelming situation I find myself in now, because I have been systematically blocked from writing or seeing anyone of the "free world" for nearly two years. Therefore my confidence and ability to communicate is drastically marred. Please do not be alarmed, they have not destroyed my mind, and fortunately I have so far been spared mutilation. But, if I at times confuse the issues I will attempt to present here, then let this confusion in itself serve as proof of the urgency of this communication.

When I first arrived at Marquette Prison in July, 1967, there was a Black inmate named James Newton being kicked and brutally beaten about the head with heavy metal cell keys. I later found out that it was because he had been talking during the all-day silent period. There were about 55 of us who arrived, chained together, on two buses, and three fourths of the 55 were Black men. Among the 55 prisoners, 15 of us were closely aligned. Our cause was survival. One of the 15 was a White soul brother named Earl Moore. He was told on our first day in Marquette that if he remained with the rest of us as he had been, the prison administration would see to it that his entire stay would be made much harder. But he stood fast, and remained with us until he was discharged.

On our third day here one of our fifteen named Dease, became extremely ill. He asked the guard on duty if he could see the doctor. He was refused. Upon refusal he began to call out in hopes of attracting the attention of a more sympathetic guard. This summons brought the reluctant attention of Capt. George Summers and a half dozen guards, who threateningly told him to shut up or he would get a taste of Mar-

quette discipline. By this time Dease was so ill he could not reply or even move. What followed ten minutes later and in the years that followed was beatings, gas, and constant humiliation.

In the spring of 1968 we were all in F-Block, which is a solitary confinement unit (the hole) where, among other degradations, food is served unsanitarily by guards. And the guard in charge of F-Block at that time was a sergeant who is known by the name "Nazi Charlie." He tried very hard, to say the least, to live up to his name, with such tyrannical and filthy deeds as spitting on inmates food, using the same gloves that are normally used for picking up toilet brushes and dirty clothes to pass out bread and other food, wiping his dirty hands on clean pillow cases and towels which were then given to the inmates of F-Block to be used for the following week, and on and on.

Brothers and sisters, Black men are barbarically punished here for as little as "having an improper attitude" toward the all White prison administration. (There is not one Black guard or Black official in Marquette Prison). The treatment of Black inmates in the past and the present, inflicted by the White guards under the direction of the all White administration, has successfully gained for them the status of over 100 years ago, that of "master and slave." The Department of Corrections is well aware of the atrocities committed against the Black inmates here, because it has been informed again and again of the treatment inflicted upon us. Yet they do not intervene or act in the interest of the inmates, and Department of Corrections officials (such as Perry Johnson) who have contributed heavily to this situation have only been rewarded with promotions and advancements instead of re-

primands and dismissals. (Perry Johnson is not Warden at Jackson Prison he was Assistant Deputy Warden here during one of the worst periods of mistreatment and brutality against Black inmates.)

There is no redress of grievances here at all, and inmates are even punished for attempting to bring their plight to the attention of other government agencies and or the mass news media. There are even institutional mail regulations here which prohibit inmates from writing about the conditions inside this place. Throughout

Michigan's penal system Black inmates are handicapped and tortured in this neo-colonialized slave system, more so in Marquette. I have seen a Black man beaten and hanged by prison guards in Ionia Reformatory. His only crime was being Black and alone. It was labelled "suicide." Recently here in Marquette, a Black man named "Sonny" McCree was killed by another inmate who had been talked into attacking "Sonny" by a guard who said that "Sonny" needed to be taught a lesson. The administration was aware that this other inmate was murderous and psychopathically violent, yet they allowed him to stay in the population and egged him on to acts of violence against his brothers. The death of "Sonny" McCree was covered up and labelled an accident by the Marquette Prison administration.

Not long ago four Black inmates Raymond Callahan, Lamont Dozier, Nabors and Griffin were unmercifully beaten and gassed because they had the nerve to ask that the doors be closed while there were still freezing temperatures outside. Not only were these four inmates beaten and gassed and carried off to F-Block in laundry baskets (after being beaten unconscious), but the whole population of B-Block, where they were kept was subjected to massive tear



gassing even though they had no part in the affair. And in the following months (the incident occurred in February 1970) the four men have been periodically beaten and gassed while kept in F-Block or the hole. Raymond Callahan was so brutally beaten, harrassed, and totally humiliated until his whole personality was broken down and he can hardly talk anymore. He is now being kept under psychiatric care in Jackson Prison. I will now give you a roll call of the Black men and one White man who dared to be men up here: Leroy Frost, Charles McIne Aaron Jackson, Danny Patterson William Barnett, Clarence Hester, Norman Richardson, Otis Adams, Jerome Loines, Archie O'Quinn, Robert Zeigler, Willie Harris, Clarence Hinton, Lenny Tyson, Leroy James, Charles Payton, Ronnie Griffin, Lamont Dozier, Larry Coney, Curtis Clark, Earl Moore, Raymond Callahan, Gregory Callahan, Robert Shipp, Ronnie Howard, George Douglas, Roger Johnson, Gregory Mercer, Earnest McFarlin, Eugene Wilson, Melvin Lemmons, Chester Dickerson, Lemmie Smith, James Newton, Eric Woods, Joe Young, Harold Glover, James Britton, Panchito Silva, Dease, Nabors, and myself, Ernest Croney. All of these

brothers have been beaten and or gassed, many of them a number of times, for refusing to submit to the humiliating and tyrannical treatment offered by the Marquette Prison administration.

A number of Black inmates here have attempted to bring an end to this situation by petitioning the state and federal courts for an end to beatings, gassings, unfair treatment severe mail censorship (including, as in my case, being cut off from writing anybody for months at a time, even their own sisters and brothers, mothers and fathers at home), and other humiliating violations of the law. Yet these petitions and suits have consistently been denied by the state and federal courts usually on legal technicalities that stem from the fact that the inmates prepare their own briefs and petitions without an adequate knowledge of how to do them right. But the longer this goes on the more determined the Black prisoners here become to put an end to these conditions of degradation and despair, by any means necessary. All Power To the People! Power to the brothers who fight the brutal prison conditions!

FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!

OPEN LETTER TO D.C., G., AND J.C.

I have seen you in your day to day work so I know your concern for the minds - bodies - spirits of the suffering people. And how you miss the people and how all of us, who are committed to fight to the end with you, miss you.

Wherever you are, know that people are working as never before. The Peace Movement is being driven by the example of the Black Panther Party across the old class and castelines toward the G.I.'s, the labor insurgents, the barrios, the ghettos - toward, at last, the people.

We know now that old John Brown was right: "The cost of repression is always greater than the price of Freedom".

We embrace you from afar and we work side by side. In the revolution, those who belong together need not be glued together. And we are all together as never before.

Donald Freed
Los Angeles - New York

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**WE HAVE TO BEGIN TO DRAW
PICTURES THAT WILL MAKE
PEOPLE GO OUT AND KILL PIGS'**

EMORY DOUGLAS
MINISTER OF CULTURE
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

Our Minister of Culture, Emory Douglas has a new book in printing to be released in the near future. The title is "We will not hesitate to either kill or die for our freedom."

**WE WILL NOT HESITATE
TO EITHER KILL OR DIE
FOR OUR FREEDOM**

Revolutionary Art
by Emory Douglas
Minister of Culture
Black Panther Party



Emory illustrates the essence of revolutionary art, "the people", in pictures as well as gives the Black Panther Party's position on revolutionary art.

CONSPIRACY CHARGES DROPPED

APPEASEMENT OR TRAP?

Last week on October 19th, Chicago Federal Court Judge Julius Hoffman, internationally recognized fascist, dismissed conspiracy charges against Black Panther Party Chairman Bobby Seale. This dismissal comes more than a year after the original trial for Chairman Bobby and seven co-defendants in this case was begun.

Prior to the trial date (Sept. 24th) and on that date, Chairman Bobby had made motions to the court for a postponement because his attorney, Charles Garry, could

not be present to represent him. His motions were denied and the trial began as scheduled. During the proceedings Chairman Bobby repeatedly demanded his right to defend himself since his right to counsel had been denied. As the days passed and Chairman Bobby's objections increased, Judge Hoffman's fascism became more overt and blatant. Finally, the judge ordered Chairman Bobby bound, gagged and beaten in the courtroom.



Chairman Bobby Seale

On November 5, 1969, after six weeks of trial, Chairman Bobby was separated from his co-defendants and at that point his case was declared a mistrial.

At the same time, because of his consistent demands for his constitutional rights, Chairman Bobby was found guilty of 16 counts of contempt of court and sentenced to four years in prison.

Last week the original conspiracy charge was dismissed at the U.S. Government's request. However, Chairman Bobby still remains convicted of the 16 counts of contempt and that case is now on appeal. One must not be misled by the fascist government's request for dismissal in this case. It is only because the Chairman is now facing conspiracy to commit murder and kidnapping charges in New Haven, Connecticut and the government, in conjunction with the state of Connecticut, has already unequivocally decided Chairman Bobby's fate in this case, that they dropped the charges in Chicago.

The poor and oppressed peoples throughout Babylon and the world must move positively and immediately to ensure that they are the determining factor in Chairman Bobby Seale's future.

RUCHELL MAGEE FACES DEATH IN THE GAS CHAMBER AT THE HANDS OF THE SAN QUENTIN FASCISTS

31 year old Ruchell Magee, the brother who stood so boldly with three other revolutionary brothers (Jonathan Jackson, William Christmas, and James McClain) to escape the prison walls of fascist San Quentin on the date of Aug. 7th of this year so that they could join their oppressed people in our struggle, is now attending hearings in San Quentin courtroom.

Ruchell is the only one of the four brothers who was not murdered by the fascist San Quentin guards. He was only wounded and now faces the wrath of the oppressors. Last week on the date of Oct. 14th, people came to San Quentin's courtroom to attend Ruchell's hearing. Ruchell again stood before the court to question the judge about the petitions he filed a few weeks ago, charging Louis S. Nelson (Warden of San Quentin) for murder of Jonathan Jackson, James McClain and William Christmas, because it was Nelson who gave the word to the guards to fire on these revolutionary brothers and the jurors and the judge who were taken as hostages.

Ruchell also filed a petition on his conviction of kidnapping for purposes of robbery (he was sentenced to prison in 1965). Ruchell states in the petition that his trial which sentenced him to San Quentin was illegal and against his constitutional rights. In Ruchell's petition he also states that his case should be removed from San Quentin and that he should not be prosecuted by the state since the state refused him permission to file civil or criminal actions in California.

Ruchell demanded that he defend himself in court (the constitution of the U.S. states that every man and woman has this right) and yet on Oct. 14th Judge Wilson said



Ruchell Magee

the Supreme Court ruled that Ruchell was not competent to represent himself. The appointed Attorney (Clinton White) withdrew from the case, because Ruchell does not want him as his attorney, but wants to represent himself. Judge Wilson told Clinton White that the court will not allow him to withdraw. On Tuesday, Oct. 20th, Ruchell again appeared in court, and Clinton White also appeared. The fascist judge was persistent in implying that Clinton White is Ruchell's attorney and

Ruchell was equally persistent in denying this. The judge told Ruchell to be quiet. And when Ruchell refused and continued to expose to the people present in the court, the fascist games being played on him, the judge ordered the guards to take him out of the courtroom. A few minutes later he was brought back into the courtroom.

Ruchell was dragged from the court three times. The judge recessed the hearing until Tuesday, Nov. 17th. In the meantime no one is able to correspond with Ruchell, and he himself stated that his mail from his friends and relatives has been held up by San Quentin's fascists. There has been no date set for Ruchell's trial as of now, there are only hearings. As with the case of our Chairman Bobby Seale (when he was in Chicago for the Conspiracy 8 trial) Ruchell is also being denied his constitutional rights, and plans are being made to railroad him off to the gas chamber. Since no one can correspond with him, and no one can give to the people the true facts concerning the physical condition he is in, there is no telling what those fascist dogs are doing to him.

We are asking the people of the community to attend the next hearing, which will be Tuesday, Nov. 17th, at 9:00 a.m. at San Quentin's Prison Courtroom to demand an end to the unjust fascist court system of the U.S. that we Black as well as all oppressed people have been victims of.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
DEATH TO THE FASCIST U.S. COURTS

Black Panther Party
Ministry of Information
Oakland, California
Candi Robinson



A POEM

A shot in the dark
A pig lies dead
Another pig lies wounded
And a Black man lies with a bullet in his stomach.
Shot while unarmed

In the night
And then held three years
On a false charge
Of murder.
Who is this man?
His name is Huey P. Newton

Who was arrested because
He had stood up for his rights
And the rights of Black people
throughout the world
POWER TO THE PEOPLE.
Steven Levinson, Age 11

FREE ROLAND CHAMBERS

"To be a revolutionary is to be an enemy of the state. To be arrested for this struggle is to be a political prisoner." ---Bobby Seale.

On Friday, October 9th, another one of our people's warriors, Roland Chambers, was railroaded to jail by this government's fascist court system. Because of an alleged probation violation, Roland was sentenced to three months for charges of assault and battery on a pig, and attempting to rescue a prisoner. The facts of this case display an overwhelming contempt not only for Roland's "rights" but any pretense of "justice" or "law and order" in a country gone mad with fascism.

A series of events led to the final frame-up, a false bust, being beaten at pig pen #9 (so badly that Roland was on crutches for the next three weeks), and then being sentenced to three months, (sentence suspended) and one year probation. The very first time Roland went to see his probation officer, pig Leehan, he was asked all kinds of questions; questions designed to obtain information about the functioning of the Boston Chapter. Roland, of course refused to answer and pig Leehan immediately revoked Roland's probation. Another ransom (bail) was set and two weeks later the

set up was complete. Because of some "constitutional" trickery, there is no appeal for the case.

After spending less than a week in one slam, Deer Island, Roland was shipped, like a slave, to the oldest, most decrepit, run-down, prison in Massachusetts, Bridgewater House of Correction for the criminally insane. This was an inhumane, outrageous attempt to break his spirits and keep him from organizing the many illegally held Black prisoners at Deer Island.

Babylonian justice in the form of the U.S. Constitution, which is a trickbag, called for his false arrest and treatment like a slave. To incarcerate someone in an insane asylum because he is a servant of the people, shows to what extent the oppressors will stoop to keep us enslaved. A constitution that serves the needs of the people must replace the existing slave document that keeps us all in chains.

SUPPORT THE REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION!
FREE ROLAND!

Michael Fultz
Boston Chapter
Black Panther Party

ROBINETTA GLADDEN RAILROADED BY FASCIST COURTS



of all others into the courtroom was denied. This is the juvenile courtroom procedure that the pigs have set up, and it is another one of the fascist system's railroading tactics.

Robin's defense attorney, Novick had her along with her family under the impression that she would have all charges against her dropped, and would be released into the custody of her parents. However while the sister was in court the presiding pigs, and a racist judge dominated the proceedings. When her attorney moved to cross examine, his words were as light as a feather, and didn't amount to a grain of sand.

The courtroom proceedings went on for three hours, and Robin was found guilty. Now the pigs are putting the sister through a week of psychological treatments and observations before the judge will make the decision on her sentence.

Robinetta Gladden is a strong sister, and her revolutionary love and courage for the people and party is strong, and Robin is determined to lead the people to revolution.

FREE ROBIN NOW!!!!!!
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!
DEATH TO THE PIGS!

Rosalyn Sisk
Philadelphia, Pa.
Black Panther Party



BRAD BERNER

GENE LEWIS KILLED IN CHICAGO COURTHOUSE THE MAXIMUM IN HIS QUEST FOR FREEDOM

On Monday morning, October 19, 1970, in the confines of racist, fascist Cook County Courthouse a brother named Gene Lewis, was shot and killed by Chicago pigs, as he struggled to free himself from the judicial lynching and rail-roading by the American judicial system. To examine Gene Lewis' background one discovers a life similar to our own, a life style which could be a stereotype for most of the youths who have grown up in Chicago. It is the way people live and their actions which dis-

"killer", a convict, but we the people who loved Gene Lewis in the broadest manner, say that he was an enslaved man who chose to struggle by any means necessary for his freedom.

Even though Gene Lewis may not have understood the academic definitions of a revolutionary, his social practice proved that he was a freedom fighter who chose the freedom of death over a life of enslavement.

Most of us first became familiar with the name Gene Lewis, when

pressed at last had been able to strike a blow against the oppressor.

During their search and destroy mission, the pigs discovered a motel where Gene was supposed to be living, and surrounded it hoping to kill him. However, Gene was able to outmaneuver the pigs and escaped from the motel, making the pigs look like the reactionary fools they are. The pigs then intensified their search, and once again discovered his whereabouts. A trap was laid to kill him. Gene Lewis was able to elude this trap at first, but was caught after an auto chase and crash which injured him so badly that he could not escape. The pigs thought that they had him for good, but failed to realize that a man determined to be free can never be captured.

Using his creative abilities, Gene Lewis was able to escape from Cook County jail in less than 10 days after his capture. It was apparent by his actions that he had studied Cook County Jail (which is supposed to be a maximum security institution) and understood it well. He passed himself off as another prisoner, who was in jail on an attempted robbery, with a bail of \$1,000. Bond was posted for Gene Lewis, under his assumed identity, and he walked right out of Cook County jail, once again proving to the pigs that they were a bunch of reactionary fools. This escape by Gene Lewis alarmed the pigs locally and nationally, because Gene's courage and creative ability presented a threat to the reactionary pigs' oppressive system.

It was this alarm, this fear by the pigs of Gene Lewis, which intensified their manhunt and led to the discovery of his whereabouts once again. This time Gene was in Atlanta, Georgia, when allegedly local pig detectives chased him in a late model sports car stolen from the loop in Chicago. This chase ended up with Gene surrendering (according to the pigs) in a nearby apartment building. He was then transferred to Chicago to stand trial for murder (he was supposed to have killed a stool pidgeon) and armed robbery. Once again the pigs thought that they had Gene Lewis in maximum imprisonment, but his zest for living proved stronger than bars and he organized another escape. This attempt proved that the pigs are reactionary fools, if they think that a man determined to be free can be held captive. The pigs in their attempts to play down this organized escape attempt, used a bootlicking warden Winston Moore to lead the attack against Gene Lewis and the other prisoners who were seeking freedom. By doing this the pigs hoped to play down the escape attempt by playing up pig Winston Moore. However, the people had been observing the actions of Gene Lewis, and they had grown to respect him as a man who would never give up in his fight for freedom from this oppressive system. Again using his creative abilities he secured two guns, and two racist, fascist pigs (one was a bailiff and the other a States Attorney) as hostages. Gene Lewis was motivated by the same spirit as Jonathan Jackson, James McClain, William Christmas, and Ruchell McGee. This spirit and determination was for freedom from the oppressive grips of this exploitative system.

Gene Lewis, like Jonathan, James, William and Ruchell, was a tired man, determined not to be enslaved or die an enslaved man.

The pigs moved just as they did



Gene Lewis chose the freedom of death over a life of enslavement



Gene Lewis' mother helped by Panthers after finding out about son's brutal killing

tinguishes some people from others. We in the Black Panther Party say that "social practice" (what you do) is the criterion of the truth, and Gene Lewis' social practice, the way he lived and died, proves that he was a man determined to be free.

When we talk about freedom, we are not just talking about freedom from the maximum im-

in 1969 some brothers ripped off an armored pay truck at the Seeburg plant on Chicago's Northside. The name Gene Lewis was attached to this robbery, and the pigs began to search for him. The truck allegedly contained \$38,000 in wages which in actuality were slave wages as the company of Seeburg had been known to exploit its workers. Many people were glad to hear

in Marin County, California. They opened fire without concern for human life. It didn't matter that Gene Lewis held two of their fascist cohorts at gun point. They fired at Gene Lewis anyway. Witnesses say that it was the pigs' bullets that wounded the hostages, this is supported by the fact that Gene Lewis held the guns at the hostages' head, and the wounds received by the hostages were in their hand and arm area.

people who move in this manner revolutionaries, because they live and struggle to be free under a system which wants to keep them enslaved, and by living and struggling this way they are seeking a change.

The pigs posed over Gene Lewis' dead body as though they had finally captured, killed and stopped him. But the spirit of Gene Lewis lives on, his determination for freedom will not be forgotten or halted in



Gene Lewis an enslaved man determined to be free used his creative abilities to gain his freedom and proved that a man determined to be free can never be captured

prisonment of handcuffs and steel bars, but also freedom from the oppressive effects caused by a system based on the exploitation of man by man. The reactionary news media called Gene Lewis a

that these oppressive pigs had been robbed and that some of the brothers got away with the money. The people paid close attention to the various pig reports concerning this action, knowing that the op-



Daley's fascist troops seek to villify Gene's family as they arrest his brother who wanted to find out about Gene's death

Numerous reports say that Gene Lewis was shot from 10 to 30 times, and one report said that a pig emptied his gun in Gene Lewis' body as he lay on the floor. No attempt was made to save his life or secure a doctor; instead the pigs laid his body on the floor so that photographers (some of whom arrived 30 and 40 minutes later) could take pictures of his dead body and hopefully stop other people who are also sick and tired of this oppressive system, from moving in a determined manner to free themselves from the clutches of this oppressive system. We call

the halls of Cook County jail. His death will only add to our determination as oppressed people to obtain maximum freedom from this system and if death is the maximum test, then by death we shall be free.

Gene Lewis is free at last.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
IF DEATH IS THE MAXIMUM
TEST FOR FREEDOM, THEN BY
DEATH SHALL WE BE FREE.

Illinois Chapter
Black Panther Party



Audrea Jones

AFFIDAVIT

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, ss:

I, Audrea Jones, being sworn, say:

I am Convention Coordinator for the Revolutionary People's Constitution Convention to be held in the District of Columbia in November 1970. I am also a member of the Black Panther Party which originally called for this Convention.

On June 19, 1970, the Black Panther Party held a press conference and rally at the Lincoln Memorial to call for a People's Constitution Convention. The Black Panther Party obtained a permit from the National Park Service for this rally and a couple of thousand people attended this rally. At this rally we announced that there would be a plenary session in Philadelphia to be followed by a convention at a subsequent time and place not then decided upon.

We then held a planning session at Howard University in August 1970 to prepare for the plenary session to be held in Philadelphia. Approximately fifty organizations were represented at this planning session. At this planning session an agenda committee was established. This committee planned the subsequent plenary session and is currently planning the agenda for the People's Convention. The planning session was peaceful. The Dean of the Howard Law School has written us a letter of recommendation based in large part upon the manner in which we conducted our planning session at Howard University. A copy of this letter is attached to this affidavit.

The plenary session for the People's Constitution Convention was held in Philadelphia at Temple University on Labor Day weekend, September 4--September 7, 1970. Numerous organizations encouraged people to attend this convention. As a result approximately 20,000 people came to Philadelphia for this session. In preparation for this plenary session, the following committees were formed: housing, food, transportation, day care centers, and medical stations. These committees operated effectively to house and feed and transport and provide medical care for the numerous people who were able to use the Labor Day weekend to come to Philadelphia.

The plenary session in Philadelphia began Friday morning with registration at numerous local

churches. Beginning Saturday morning the session itself got underway at McGonigall Hall at Temple University. Temple University gave us permission to use this Hall. The Hall itself was used all day Saturday and all day Sunday, until the session ended on Sunday evening.

The work at the plenary session was conducted in work shops which covered numerous problem areas, such as children's rights, women's rights, welfare rights, rights of GI's, drugs, community programs, social programs, internationalism, and police harassment. At this session their need to update the document which is the present Constitution was discussed. For example, it was clear that the Constitution would have to be changed if the present Constitution permits no-knock laws and preventive detention. Numerous position papers were drafted in the various work shops on the various areas discussed. These position papers pointed out the stuff that should be put in the new Constitution.

There were three main speakers at the convention, and I was one of them. A copy of my address to the convention is attached to this affidavit.

At the plenary session we also voted on whether to hold the convention in Chicago or Washington. In open session, the numerous people at the session, at least one-third of who were White, voted to hold the convention in Washington, D.C., in November. The site for the convention was to be selected by the convention coordinator.

Soon after the end of the plenary session we began to look for an appropriate site for the convention in the District of Columbia. We expect to have approximately 7,500 to 8,500 people at the convention. There probably will not be as many people as were at the plenary session, since that session was at the end of the summer on a long holiday weekend when people could more easily get away to come to Philadelphia. However, we do expect at least a minimum of 7,500 to 8,500 and we wanted to be certain that the site we obtained would be able to hold that many people plus any additional people who might come to the convention.

A member of the Party was functioning as the convention coordinator in the early weeks of September. After a thorough

search of the Washington, D.C. area, he decided upon the D.C. Armory and went to the Armory and obtained an application form. After completing the form he personally took the completed application to the D.C. Armory to Mr. Hayes. Mr. Hayes refused to accept the completed application. He then had Mr. S. David Levy, attorney for the Black Panther Party in the District of Columbia, mail the form by registered mail to Mr. Hayes on September 18, 1970. The completed application mailed to Mr. Hayes requested rental of the D.C. Armory for November 6, 7 and 8, or November 13, 14 and 15. A copy of Mr. Levy's letter to Mr. Hayes on September 18, 1970, is attached to this affidavit.

On September 24, 1970, Mr. Hayes wrote to Mr. Levy that the Armory was going to be used on Friday night, November 6, for Kappa Alpha Psi's Harvest Ball, and for November 13, 14 and 15, as part of the Ski Show. On September 25 I went to the Armory with two other members of the Black Panther Party, Big Man and Jim Williams. We talked with a secretary who showed us a copy of the letter which Mr. Hayes had sent to Mr. Levy.

We asked to talk with Mr. Hayes and after the secretary went to see Mr. Hayes she came back and said we should talk with Mr. Bergman. When she returned to tell us to see Mr. Bergman she noticed that we had been looking at the file which contained our application. In that file there was a notice that someone from the Police Department had been notified that we had made our application. This secretary mentioned to us that the references on the application were good, she specifically said we had beautiful credit references and said that Joe Miller, one of our references, had said we had paid our bills on time.

Big Man, Jim Williams and I were then taken in to see Mr. Bergman. Mr. Bergman asked us to write down our names and titles. I told Mr. Bergman that we now understood from Mr. Hayes' letter that the Armory was going to be used on the 6th. I said that was ok with us since we actually wanted the Armory on the 7th and 8th only. I said this because I knew that in Philadelphia we didn't use the Hall at Temple

University on Friday night. We registered in churches that night and used the Hall only on Saturday and Sunday. We could do the same in Washington. We could have our registrations at various churches on Friday and use the Armory on the 7th and 8th, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Bergman then told us that the Armory Board was in the process of deciding that the Armory should only be used for circuses and rodeos and not for rock groups and organizations like ours. I said that that would not be applicable to us because our application was already on file. He then said that the Board had already decided to make this change and that a letter was in the process of being drawn up by the Corporation Counsel's office. I said that limiting the Armory to circuses and rodeos is the same as saying that Black people can't use the Armory. I said Black people make up the great percentage of the people in the District and pay taxes. Mr. Bergman continued to shake his head, no, and that was the end of our meeting.

We then went to the law firm of Arnold & Porter and had a revised application prepared. That revised application was filed with Mr. Bergman's secretary on October 5, 1970. A copy of that revised application and the letter and enclosures that accompanied it is attached to this affidavit.

We are continuing to go ahead with our work in preparation for the convention to be held in the District of Columbia in November. The theme for the convention will be Survival Through Service To The People. We again will have work shops on various topics such as children's rights, women's rights, internationalism, GI rights, welfare rights, drugs, community programs, social programs, Free Breakfast Programs, Health Clinics, etc. Numerous organizations already are encouraging people to come to D.C. for the convention in November. These groups include Women's Liberation, The National Welfare Rights Organization, The American Friends Service Committee, The New Mobilization Committee, and innumerable local groups in Washington, D.C. and cities throughout the country.

There are already over ninety convention centers in the District of Columbia alone providing infor-

mation on the convention. There are already over a thousand such centers on the east coast providing information with respect to the convention.

Copies of some of the literature being distributed at these centers are attached as exhibits to this affidavit. We have already named the members of the various committees for housing, food, transportation, day care centers, medical stations, information, communications, and legal defense. We are preparing the document which will be the new Constitution. Copies of this document will be available to everyone at the convention. The people will be able to discuss this document in the various work shops. There will be an opportunity for amendments and changes to the document and then it will be voted on at the open convention.

We do not expect any violence at this convention. There has never been any violence at any of the rallies or conventions held by the Black Panther Party. I have already mentioned the press conference and rally at the Lincoln Memorial on June 19, 1970, and the planning session at Howard University in August 1970 and the plenary session in Philadelphia in September 1970. There was no violence at any of these gatherings. We have had other gatherings. We held a birthday rally for Huey Newton at the Oakland Auditorium in February 1967 after obtaining a permit from the Oakland Police Department. There were over 6,000 people at that rally and there was no violence. There was a rally held by the Panther Defense Committee for May 1st in connection with the trials in New Haven, Connecticut, in 1970. The permit for that rally was obtained by the Panther Defense Committee for May 1st for use of the New Haven Green. Over 30,000 people made it to that rally and there was no violence. There are numerous examples to indicate that the Black Panther Party can hold a rally or convention of thousands of people, 20,000 in Philadelphia, and 30,000 in New Haven, without violence.

We need to know as soon as possible the dates when we can use the Armory so we can properly prepare housing, transportation, food and medical services, and all the other committee work which must be done to hold an orderly convention in the District of Columbia in November 1970.

FREE PRISON BUSSING

In an effort to continue serving the needs of the oppressed people of Babylon, the Black Panther Party's Free Bus to Prison Program was begun a few months ago.

On Sunday, October 18th the Illinois Chapter sent a bus, to Joliet and Statesville Prisons. A total of 25 adults and 11 children made the trip. The bus picked up passengers at both Chicago's West Side (2350 W. Madison) and South Side (253 E. 35th St.) offices. Before the bus left, the people had coffee and donuts at the office. Upon arrival at the prison (around noon), everyone went inside the office of the prison, where the people signed in for their visitations. When we tried to take some pictures of the people registering in the office a black guard said that we could

take all the pictures that we wanted but not inside, only outside.

While the Panthers and the children on the bus were waiting outside for visitation to end, they talked about the Black Panther Party's 10-point Platform and Program. Also, while they were waiting a prison bus that had brought some visitors back from the honor farm drove up. The people on that bus were invited to make the return trip with the people who had attended the Free Bus Program. If the people were to use the usual public transportation, they would have to wait for an hour in a shack that holds approximately 12 people and does not have any heat, drinking water or toilet facilities and then pay \$2.00

to get on the bus. These are some of the conditions that have created the Free Bus Program.

As the Black Panther Party's Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton pointed out we consider our people in jail as political prisoners and move to liberate them. Until the conditions in Babylon are such that the prisons and other incarcerating institutions are levelled, we will have to let our people within these walls know that we are concerned, and that the prison system will have no victory over them.

Please send donations to:
Free Bussing Program
2350 West Madison Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60612
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE



WITH EVERY PIG ATTACK ON THE WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY TO

Since its inception the Black Panther Party has been under constant attack from the pigs. The original strategy of the pigs was to rip off the leadership one by one...in October of 1967, Black Panther Party Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton was incarcerated for the murder of a police officer; Eldridge Cleaver, the Black Panther Party Minister of Information and Bobby Hutton, B.P.P. Treasurer were forced into a shootout with pigs that left Bobby Hutton dead and Eldridge wounded; in January 1969, Bunchy Carter, Southern California Chapter Deputy Minister of Defense and John Riggins, So. California Deputy Minister of Information were assassinated.

However, over the past year and a half, the pig's strategy has changed to one of armed attack on Party offices followed by mass arrests that usually result in conspiracy charges. These large scale raids have occurred from New York to Chicago to Los Angeles to New Orleans.

In an attempt to thwart the Plenary Session for the Revolutionary People's Constitutional Convention that was held September 5th - 7th the Philadelphia pigs raided 3 Party offices simultaneously and arrested the people who had been working for the Plenary Session. The Philadelphia attacks proved to be only a temporary setback because a few days later 10,000 people came together in Philadelphia to begin to write a new Constitution that will be relevant to the masses of poor and oppressed people throughout Babylon.

The Party suffered its most recent attack on Saturday evening, October 24th in Detroit, Michigan. At the end of a pig raid that lasted a total of nine



RACIST PIGS WITH SHOTGUNS AND HIGH PRESSURE WATER UNDER ARREST

hours, 15 National Committee to Combat Fascism Community Center (an organizing bureau of the Black Panther Party) workers were incarcerated.

Prior to the raid at approximately 6:00 p.m. in Detroit, two N.C.C.F. members were passing out leaflets about the Free Breakfast for School Children Program. They were around the corner from the community center when they observed two pigs beating a 9 year-old boy from the community. Immediately, they approached the scene of the beating and the pigs responded by demanding to see their I.D.'s and telling them to get off the public sidewalk with those leaflets. The pigs called for reinforcements who, when they arrived, beat the 2 N.C.C.F. workers with clubs and blackjacks and then arrested them.

The community had come out and had witnessed both the beating of the 9 year-



FIRE PIGS ATTEMPT TO EXTINGUISH BURNING PIG CAR THAT PEOPLE DEALT WITH



PIG GLEN SMITH
DEAD

VANGUARD PARTY, THE PEOPLE'S WHO DEAL WITH THE PIGS GROW



POWERED RIFLES MANHANDLE BROTHERS

old boy and that of the 2 N.C.C.F. workers. The people gathered in the street and began to show their hatred for the pigs, the oppressors and murderers in the black community, by throwing bricks and bottles at them. The pigs pulled their guns but when they saw that this had no effect on the people, they withdrew from the community.

However, two nigger pigs riding in unmarked cars and dressed in street nigger clothes remained in the area. When they were spotted, again the people began throwing bricks and bottles at them. One pig was driving across a vacant lot to escape the people, when he was shot in the hand by an unknown person. At this point, the other pig got out of his car with his gun drawn. Again the unseen assailant fired and the second pig fell dead with a bullet in his head.



PIG MARSHALL EMERSON
WOUNDED

Soon after the shooting a total of 600 pigs surrounded the N.C.C.F. Community Center with 2 tanks and automatic weapons. The streets around the center were blocked off and the people were not allowed within a block of the center. The center was under attack for 9 hours while 7 men and 8 women defended their lives.

For 9 hours the people in the streets threw a nigger wrench into the man's machinery. While the pigs were concentrating on the people in the community center, the people in the community were concentrating on the pigs. Outside of the pig barricade, 4 pig cars were burned, one fire department pig was shot to death while sitting in the seat of his truck and the community has reported at least five other pig deaths. It was the people who were on hand at 4 o'clock in the morning to ensure the safety of the brothers and sisters coming out of the community center. Now these 15 brothers and sisters are jailed and face murder, conspiracy to murder and arson charges.

With every pig attack on the Vanguard Party, black people's willingness and ability to deal with the pigs grow.

As in Philadelphia, after each raid, 10,000 or more of the oppressed masses come forth ready to deal with the pigs. That is - 10,000 more niggas who will not hesitate to either kill or die for our freedom.

There are 10,000 more oppressed people who will fight with the courage and determination of the Vietnamese people who have fought for more than 6 years against the highly developed technology of the U.S. aggressors.



FASCIST PIG STANDS GUARD AFTER PIG ATTACK

REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

NOVEMBER 27, 28 & 29, 1970
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OPENING OF INTERNATIONAL SECTION OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY ALGIERS, ALGERIA NOVEMBER 13, 1970



*Eldridge and Elaine at opening of International Section
November 13, 1970 - Algiers, Algeria*



D.C. greeting African brothers



*Chinese 2nd Ambassador (R), Press Attaché (M)
and Cultural Attaché (L) talking with Eldridge*



*Ethiopian student, Chinese 2nd Ambassador and Eldridge
Cleaver*



*Opening attended by cross section
of Liberation Movements*



Korean Ambassador talking with Eldridge



Press Conference prior to opening



*D.C. and representative from ANC (African
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THE LUMPEN

BLACK PANTHER PARTY

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- NO MORE
- PEOPLE GET READY
- REVOLUTION IS THE ONLY SOLUTION
- PIGS
- LATEST RECORDING
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RULES OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

**NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
1048 PERALTA STREET
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

Every member of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY throughout this country of racist America must abide by these rules as functional members of this Party. CENTRAL COMMITTEE members, CENTRAL STAFFS, and LOCAL STAFFS, including all captains subordinate to either national, state, and local leadership of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY will enforce these rules. Length of suspension or other disciplinary action necessary for violation of these rules will depend on national, state or state area, and local committees and staffs where said rule or rules of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY WERE VIOLATED.

Every member of the Party must know these verbatim by heart. And apply them daily. Each member must report any violation of these rules to their leadership or they are counter-revolutionary and are also subjected to suspension by the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

THE RULES ARE:

1. No Party member can have narcotics or weed in his possession while doing Party work.
2. Any Party member found shooting narcotics will be expelled from this Party.
3. No Party member can be DRUNK while doing daily Party work.
4. No Party member will violate rules relating to office work, general meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY, and meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY ANYWHERE.
5. No Party member will USE, POINT, or FIRE a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone.
6. No Party member can join any other army force other than the BLACK LIBERATION ARMY.
7. No Party member can have a weapon in his possession while DRUNK or loaded off narcotics or weed.
8. No Party member will commit any crime against other Party members or Black people at all, and cannot steal or take from the people, not even a needle or a piece of thread.
9. When arrested BLACK PANTHER MEMBERS will give only name, address, and will sign nothing. Legal first aid must be understood by all Party members.
10. The Ten Point Platform and Program of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must be known and understood by each Party member.
11. Party Communications must be National and Local.
12. The 10-10-10-program should be known by all members and also understood by all members.
13. All Finance officers will operate under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.
14. Each person will submit a report of daily work.
15. Each Sub-Section Leader, Section Leader, Lieutenant, and Captain must submit Daily reports of work.
16. All Panthers must learn to operate and service weapons correctly.
17. All Leadership personnel who expel a member must submit this information to the Editor of the Newspaper, so that it will be published in the paper and will be known by all Chapters and Branches.
18. Political Education Classes are mandatory for general membership.
19. Only office personnel assigned to respective offices each day should be there. All others are to sell papers and do Political work out in the community, including Captains, Section Leaders, etc.
20. COMMUNICATIONS--all Chapters must submit weekly reports in writing to the National Headquarters.
21. All Branches must implement First Aid and/or Medical Cadres.
22. All Chapters, Branches, and components of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must submit a monthly Financial Report to the Ministry of Finance, and also the Central Committee.
23. Everyone in a leadership position must read no less than two hours per day to keep abreast of the changing political situation.
24. No Chapter or Branch shall accept grants, poverty funds, money or any other aid from any government agency without contacting the National Headquarters.
25. All Chapters must adhere to the policy and the ideology laid down by the CENTRAL COMMITTEE of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.
26. All Branches must submit weekly reports in writing to their respective Chapters.

Huey would say, "a newspaper is the voice of a party, the voice of the Panther must be heard throughout the land."

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ALL POWER
TO THE PEOPLE!
SEIZE THE TIME!



July 1967--Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton (right) and Chairman, Bobby Seale (left), reading an early edition of B.P.P. Newspaper at the home of Eldridge Cleaver, Minister of Information B.P.P.

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October 1966

Black Panther Party
Platform and Program

What We Want
What We Believe



Huey P. Newton Minister of Defense
Black Panther Party

1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.

2. We want full employment for our people.

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessmen will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. We want an end to the robbery by the CAPITALIST of our Black Community.

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people; therefore, we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for its people.

5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the racist military, by whatever means necessary.

7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives a right to bear arms. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self-defense.

8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.

We believe that the courts should follow the United States Constitution so that black people will receive fair trials. The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical and racial background. To do this the court will be forced to select a jury from the black community from which the black defendant came. We have been, and are being tried by all-white juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in which only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determining the will of black people as to their national destiny.

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them; a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But, when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.



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