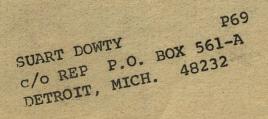


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### WOMEN BATTLE

women won a battle in Sixty Pittsburgh. We went to Pittsburgh because there, like everywhere around this country, black people are fighting for their liberation. In Pig Steel City, the struggle is around racist hiring in the construction trades. Black kids were threatening to tear down the worthless high schools which teach them lies about themselves. The black community had been shutting down construction projects, demanding that black youth be hired in that presently racist trade. For days the pigs were getting ready for another race war. The sixty of us knew that the only way to stop the race war was to put white kids against the wall and force them to make the choice of either fighting for the pig or fighting for the people of the world; to show them we were fighting on the side of black people, because by defeating the pig a better, freer way of life will develop.



We went because the Vietcong have won. Because they have defeated the most technically advanced pig in the world. White people should understand that the Vietcong are not the enemy but have won against the same enemy should be fighting. This we all common enemy is the very few ultra-rich corporation heads who make huge profits off the work, poverty, starvation, and death of the world's people. They may give whites here a little more, but it's in our interests too to destroy their system.

We were sixty women. We knew that the revolution was going on and we had made the choice to fight on the side of the people. But in order to become

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It's all jive. It makes us feel impotent and useless. It makes us hate other women who feel the same oppression we do because we are forced to compete among ourselves for men.

The Vietnamese women had no choice. When large numbers of men left to join the People's Army, women either had to get together to fight the US or be killed. Their villages were burned, their children murdered, and their fields bombed. They got together and now women are fighting at every level of the Army. Women took more responsibility for directing that war, and now participate equally at every level of the Provisional Revolutionary Government in South Vietnam. Equally. That's hard to understand in a country where the highest level a woman can aspire to is a Kewpie-doll Miss America with big tits and a brain of mush.

We won the battle at Pittsburg. We went to talk about people fighting, and when the pigs attacked we fought back. We left the battle scene with no arrests and with many kids digging the fact that we had beaten the pigs. The pig press said that we had run through the school nude. They talked about us in the only way that they know—as sex objects. The Pittsburgh pigs constantly made jokes about our bodies. That's because neither the pigs nor the pig press can understand or accept the fact that women in the revolution are full, strong human beings who are no longer mentally or physically subject to men. We're serious. We're training in karate, running, etc. We're out to smash the state, off the pig, and create a liberated, peaceful world for all of humanity.

Through the process of organizing themselves to be revolutionaries male supremacist social practices became clear to Vietnamese women. Anything which held back women from becoming revolutionary was the result of their oppression in a feudal society and had to be smashed. Women in Vietnam used to get married at 16 to a man their parents chose. Today women choose their husbands and marry when they decide that it won't hinder their part in the struggle for all the people. Women in Vietnam had no rights of any kind. Today in the liberated zones there is education for both men and women, child care centers, and health facilities. The list goes on and on. The point is that these women got together, and in doing so smashed the male supremacy in their society and in their heads and became revolutionaries.

The women's militia is growing in quality and quantity. But there's also a women's liberation movement which is counter-revolutionary. In Chicago a bunch of women were arrested for taking off their bras and throwing them into the river. This tells white America that they should worry about their own honky privileges and their own liberation before the people of the world. There's a war going on, and anyone who does not fight for black and Third World liberation and who doesn't organize white youth to join that fight is the enemy.

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Revolutionary women are pushing onward. We're going to be in Chicago October 8-11, and will be stronger than in Pittsburgh. We'll be going to high schools, to street kids, telling them that we're fighting for the freedor, of all political prisoners, in support of the Vietnamese and black liberation struggles, and for Puerto Rican independence. We're bringing the war home where it belongs. On Friday night, October 10, women from all over the country will get together to attack an agency of the war. Occupation pigs, cops of the world-OUT-you got shit comin' down at home. JOIN US!

revolutionary fighters, we had to overcome a lot of the bullshit which this society makes us believe. Women are treated as objects. We are the baby producers, the household slaves, some low-paid workers, who should be weak and dumb and can be successful only by being "pretty". We're not only slaves to the ruling class, but slaves to men. What are the special women's courses in the high schools ? Cooking, sewing, and typing. Songs on the radio constantly repeat the bullshit— "Under My Thumb" (the Rolling Stones) and a new song on the popular charts that says: "Girl, step out of your world and step into mine." All of the women's magazines dedicate themselves to telling us how to look good so that men can dig us, or how to keep the house in shape so the old man stays happy, or how to stunt our minds SO we don't challenge that all-important male ego. Be dumb.

That's just what we're beginning to do here. We got together in Pittsburgh to fight on the right side and began to smash all the bullshit that was holding us back. We found out that some women believed that we need men to lead in order to win. That's jive, because we have to fight with or without men, and everybody must be capable of leading. Also we began to see how sticking with one man was keeping us down, not letting us develop as revolutionaries. We used the relationship as a place to escape, and not as a place where we would be put up against the wall for our mistakes. In these relationships women always consider the man primary. We had to sacrifice so that could all we develop as revolutionaries and so that we would consider the liberation of all people as primary. We have taken a bite of the pear.



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Everywhere you look these days kids are tearing apart the schools—ripping them up or burning them out. From Mission H. S. on the coast toRichmondHills H. S. in NYC, kids are showing that they're hip to the fact that schools are prisons, that their teachers are pigs, and that the only way out is to jailbreak.

Some people think it's just talk when we say the schools are jails. But every kid on the street knows it's true. In NYC there are 10 to 20 uniformed cops in each high school; in Chicago GIU pigs crawl around the halls, the auditoriums, and the parks looking for kids to bust; and in Watts the riot squad patrols the corridors.



But that's just the uniformed pigs. What makes it worse is the thousands of "teachers" in the schools. Teachers are pigs because their job is to lie about how great this rotten system is, to control kids and keep them down. When kids get tired of hearing the jive they get every day, of getting commercial diplomas that don't mean shit or general diplomas that mean tickets to Vietnam—when they get tired of this, and begin to say it or act on it, the teacher-cops who've fed them this stuff use the uniformed pigs to keep them in line. That's how come so many kids are suspended, sent to "special" schools, hassled by narcs, or simply busted. Schools prepare people for lousy jobs or no job at all, for service in a pig army, for hanging on the streets, or even for Cook County Jail. That's what this country's all about anyway—sending people from one jail to another, but calling all the jails by different names.

But things are changing fast. Kids don't nod their heads anymore at the pigs in the front of the room. They don't believe the lies they're fed, and they're starting to fight back real hard. Just like everywhere White kids know that they've got some decisions to make. They can defend the pigs, textbooks, study halls, bullshit diplomas, or they can line up with the people who are winning. We all know that white kids hang back from fighting—they know they've got it a little better than the black kid in the next row who's tearing up the school. Better jobs, less chance of dying in Vietnam, less hassling from the pigs, better housing—it's the same story all over: white people being fed crumbs to keep us on the wrong side, to keep us from fighting our real enemies.

JAILBREAK

Bring the War Home Chicago: October 8-11 SDS

But those crumbs aren't so tasty anymore. Vietnam has kicked the US out, Cuba has kicked our ass, China, Latin America—the whole world is rising up hard to smash this rotten system. Watts, Detroit, Newark, Cleveland—the Black Nation is starting to take what's theirs. It's about time for white people to shuck those crumbs and line up on the right side.

That's what the National Action's all about. It's about young whites picking their side and lining up with the Vietnamese and the black liberation movement. It's about white people getting off their asses and beginning to fight hard—like we've started to do in high schools, colleges, and streets around the country. We're going to hit the high schools in Chicago during the action and we're going to tell kids something they dig already. It's time to tear down the prisons. It's time for a jailbreak. Right now.

else in this country, black people are leading the way. In Chicago last fall, black high school students shut down the schools once a week for a whole NIT & month. In Boston, black high school kids shut down their schools for three weeks straight. In Greensboro, North Carolina, black kids fought off pigs who were messing with some brothers at a nearby college. Black people have gotten together as a unit—as a nation—and they're winning. They're winning against the fat businessmen who rob their communities, against the teacher-cops who lock them in prison-schools, against the greedy landlords who charge jive rents for slum housing. against the uniformed pigs who beat down their people, and against the lying politicians who tell them to wait another four years for what they need now.

# HEAR SOUND

Culture is the expression of what's real to people. Coming off the energy of our lives, helping us get our heads together so we can keep moving.

Our experience is revolution. Ripping off the fucked-up honkey lives we're supposed to live. Understanding that amerika is built on fucking people over, robbing people of their work, their bread, their human-ness. And we are learning—the hard way—that survival in amerika means destroying amerika. To love we must fight. Break on through to the other side.

Bourgeois culture is uptightness, isolation, fear. Bourgeois culture wants us to sit like punks and listen to things, watch things, be passive spectators. But we don't know how to hear music without dancing. We are motion. Every time we refuse to sit still, we destroy bourgeois culture. Every move we make creates a new form.

Bourgeois culture wants us to get married, not to fuck, not to experience each other. To keep to ourselves, to be competitive. Women should just want to be wives and mothers, baby machines. Men should need to control women, to feed their own ego trips. But every time we refuse to be isolated, refuse to get into destructive scenes with each other, refuse the tightassed lives of pigamerika we build forms for survival, forms for revolution.



Revolutionary culture is the celebration of struggle. Drinking wine and making music with spoons and druns. Getting high. Running in groups, building a thing with some people we dig, moving together. Hanging loose, hanging cool.

If you go down to the river bet you gonna find some people who live you don't have to worry though you don't have no money people on the river are happy to give

Rock music is electrified culture. All the heaviest music is tied into what's happening. It comes out of our history, the freakout of growing up in white amerika. Drugs, anger, and now fighting back. Rock comes heavy off of a black thing, too. Black blues people like Muddy Waters and Otis Redding. Because black people have been fucked over worse and longer than us, have understood what survival is about. Black people have been fighting for four hundred years, and their culture is a culture of revolution. But we have to keep on our toes. There's a lot of pigs who are into getting themselves into a heavy bread scene by making plastic culture and trying to pass it off as real, living energy. Groups like the Fifth Dimension who do slick cuts of other people's music. Movies like Easy Rider that are about some Hollywood freak's idea about what it is like to be young and moving. Cats who go for the big bucks by selling \$7 tickets for us to sit in chairs and watch some music being played. If it doesn't come off the street, out of somebody's gut, it isn't real. Things have got to be a little bit dirty. White kids have a choice. We can wimp out, let ourselves be fucked over, and live our lives inside of cages. Or we can fight on the side of the Vietnamese and the blacks to destroy the pigamerikan monster. We can choose to live the culture of death, or we can make our lives a Wargasm.

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the common foot soldier

The Army's falling apart! In spite of the heavy sentences, harassment, and intimidation soldiers face, nearly every military installation has felt the rising anger of dissatisfied GIs. The blind discipline and regimentation necessary to push soldiers to fight for causes that are opposed to their interests is breaking down. GIs, better than anyone else, know the war is for shit. They fought the Hamburger Hills! Most Vietnam vets return disgusted with the experience they were forced to become a part of. More and more of them come home supporting the heroic struggles of the Vietnamese people, led by the NLF. They know the NLF has won!

Until recently, GIs have tried to deal with their oppression in individual ways. The easiest way out was thought to be Canada or Sweden, AWOL here in the states, or a dishonorable discharge for using drugs. What happened? It didn't mean shit in ending the war, 'cause the Man can continue to draft 20 more for every one that leaves and it wasn't even a way to save his ass. 99% of all guys that go AWOL are either caught or come back on their own. Nothing's changed except now they have more shit to face all over again. We're all learning that there is no way to cop out. We all must STAY AND FIGHT!

In the last year, major rebellions and insurrections have rocked military bases across the country, in Europe, and in Asia.

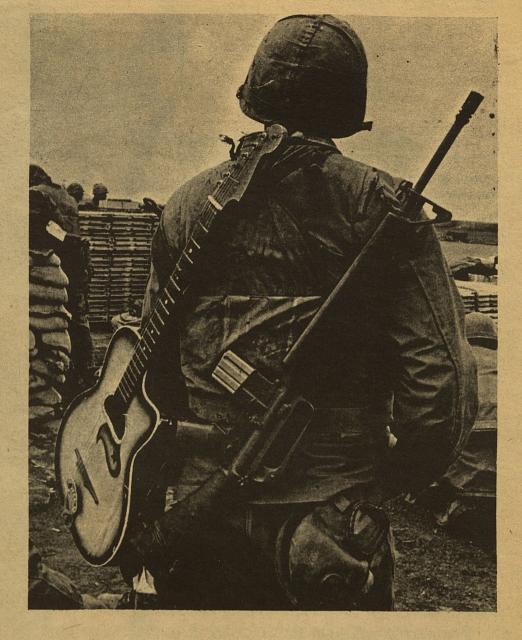
-Last August 200 black GIs refused to go to Chicago to be used as pigs in the streets against their brothers and sisters.

-In October, 27 prisoners at the Presidio stockade sat down and refused to work, protesting the senseless killing of a fellow prisoner by a guard.

-On March 20 over a hundred GIs at Fort Jackson held a rally on base to protest the war in Vietnam.

-In May the National Guard was called out to put down the people building People's Park. Many Guardsmen never showed up because they were in the streets. Many others that did refused to move on the people when ordered. Several units had to be removed when they proved ineffective.

-On June 5, 250 prisoners at the Fort Dix stockade smashed windows with wall and foot lockers and set mattresses on fire in three cell blocks.



-Reports from Vietnam have it that small groups of black GIs are now fighting on the side of the Vietnamese people. A special unit of Green Berets have been assigned to capture or kill them.

-Many units in Vietnam have refused orders to "move out". Some as many as five times. These are stories about the war that the army and the pig press hides.

-Almost every base has its own radical newspaper written and distributed underground by GIs.

-There have been many other stockade rebellions, refusals to go to Vietnam, mess hall riots, and mass sick calls.

All of this shows in one more way that young people are rising up angry. Yesterday's high school rebel is today's angry GI. To him, A BURNT DOWN STOCKADE IS THE SAME AS A BURNT OUT HIGH SCHOOL.

While GIs do face heavy oppression, they also serve a pig role as oppressors of the peoples of the world. GIs are killing Vietnamese! National Guardsmen are killing blacks! Soldiers have been used by the rich people in this country to put down wars of liberation all over the world and at home.

We know that most GIs have been drafted into that role. Even many of those who enlisted were forced to

-In July all of the 584 prisoners at the Fort Riley stockade captured the entire compound for seven hours, ransacking the mess hall and dispensary and throwing rocks and bottles at the pig officers who attempted to stop the rebellion.



do so. And it's clear that GIs are rebellious—"V" signs and fists have replaced the traditional salute. But it is also unmistakably clear that GIs still have on the wrong uniform. That when ordered to shoot-with few exceptions-they shoot! When ordered to charge, be it against the Vietnamese, the blacks, or white youth in the streets of Chicago-many still charge! If not out of hate for us, out of fear for their own necks.

GIs must be confronted with the fact that they are playing pig roles. Giving the "V" sign doesn't mean shit before firing a tear gas cannister into the crowd. It's our job to put them up against the wall. They don't want to be there, but they're afraid to make a choice. Making a choice has always meant going to jail. Now it means fighting back and winning.

Call GIs pigs, but also tell them to join us! Force them to TURN THEIR GUNS AROUND. Yell FTA (fuck the army). They'll dig it.

We're going to Chicago to fight anyone who plays pig: a pig cop, a pig teacher, or a pig soldier. It must be understood that the army is the power behind the state. It is our job to make it clear to GIs that they only have one choice-to join us and fight on to victory with the people of the world.

### THE ACTION

This October 8-11 we're bringing it all back to Chicago. But since last year's actions we've changed a whole lot, learning from that struggle and the actions we've initiated on the campuses and in the streets all over the country. Last year we knew we were against the war and we knew the elections were a shuck being run on us by the rich. This year things are even more clear.

When you get down to it, this system is nothing but the total economic and military put-down of the oppressed peoples of the world. The bald-headed businessmen who own and control this country and the world use their huge military pig force to carry out the exploitation and brutalization of the people to keep the profits rolling in. To help do this they pacify white Americans with crumbs from the imperialist table—a few more cents an hour, a few more chances to get ahead—so we won't cause trouble.

The war's not just in Vietnam. It's everywhere-in Latin America, Asia, Africa, and the black colony here at home. Riots greeted Rockefeller everywhere in Latin America. The people knew their enemy. The people of the world are rising up, demanding freedom from US imperialist domination and the right to determine destinies. And their own the Vietnamese have shown us all that the people can win despite the Man's technology.

SDS is calling the action this year. But it will be a different action. An action not only against a single war or a "foreign policy", but against the whole imperialist system that made that war a necessity. An action not only for immediate withdrawal of all US occupation troops, but also in support of the heroic fight of the Vietnamese people and the National Liberation Front for freedom and independence. An action not only to bring peace to Vietnam, but beginning to establish another front against imperialism right here in Americato "bring the war home". We demand that all occupational troops get out of Vietnam and every other place they don't belong. This black includes and brown the workers' picket communities, the lines, the schools, and the streets. An end to "law and order" backed up by soldiers in Vietnam and pigs in the communities and schools; a "law and order" that serves only the fat cats in power and tries to smash the people down whenever they rise up.

## THE TIME

We demand the release of all political prisoners who have been victimized by the brutal attacks on the black people's struggle and the people in general. Especially the leaders like Huey P. Newton, Bobby Seale, Ahmed Evans, Fred Hampton, and Martin Sostre. We are in solidarity with the Conspiracy 8, who led the struggle last summer in Chicago. Our action is planned to roughly coincide with the beginning of their trial.

We totally support the National Liberation Front and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam. Throughout the history of the war, the NLF has provided the political and military leadership to the people of South Vietnam. The Provisional Revolutionary Government —recently formed by the NLF and other groups—is the true government of the South Vietnamese people.

We are in total support of the black liberation struggle, part of the same struggle that the Vietnamese are fighting, against the same enemy. We demand independence for Puerto Rico and an end to the colonial oppression the Puerto Rican nation faces at the hands of US imperialism. We demand an end to the surtax, a tax taken from the working people of this country, and used to kill working people in Vietnam and other places for fun and profit.

And we support GIs in Vietnam and throughout the world who are refusing to fight the battles of the rich. We support the rebellions of those GIs who have refused to be cannon fodder in a war against the people of Vietnam.

Young people are moving against this decadent pig system. We're moving because we're messed over in the schools, on the job, in the streets, in the courts, and in the army. We understand that the only way to fight our own oppression is to fight

in support of the Vietnamese and the blacks in their struggle against the world-wide pig.

When we move with the people of the world, against the interests of the rulers, we can expect their pigs to come down on us. So we're building a fighting force to struggle on the side of the Vietnamese, the blacks, and oppressed people everywhere. There's a war we cannot "resist". It is a war in which we must fight. We must open another front against US up imperialism by waging a thousand struggles in the schools, the streets, the army, and on the job, and in CHICAGO: OCTOBER 8-11.

## FOR FIGHTING

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### MOVEMENT CENTERS

The movement centers are the base areas, the places where the force that will be fighting in Chicago will assemble, deal with its business, and regroup. In the centers we'll talk about the action, break down into affinity groups, get assignments, eat, and sleep. People living together, by regions, will be the basic units in the demonstrations. If you come from a region with city-wide SDS leadership, you'll live and run with them. If you come from somewhere else, you'll probably be assigned to a center run by another city's leadership.

The regional leadership are the people who have been the most out front in building the revolutionary youth movement in their cities. They have the longest experience in taking street actions and running together that we need to be effective in Chicago. They have dealt with the relation of the military plan and the military possibilities to the political objectives of the actions. They have won the trust of the kids who are moving in the struggle in Detroit and Grand Rapids, Cleveland and Columbus, New York, Chicago, Denver, and lots of other places.

Inside the centers, we have to be disciplined so that we can efficiently take care of our people, get our work done, and be up for the next work. We will have tight security for the centers, against pigs and provocateurs. For example, no one will bring any dope in. If you do, you're playing a pig role on your sisters and brothers by inviting a bust. If anybody offers you dope, you should assume that they're a pig. People have got to be serious.

The centers are the contact place for all information —where you are during your days in Chicago, your blood type, and any special medical information about you, names back home to call for bail. Money, food and medical supplies, sleeping bags and other gear you bring will be kept at the centers. The centers are the place where you hear about what went on from our central communication network. The place from which people will move out to put up wall newspapers and get the word out in the city. Don't talk tactics inside the centers, though: they're sure to be bugged. People who talk too much play a pig role, if they're not pigs themselves. Be careful: Remember that we're out to win a war, and any fuck-up can lead to injuries or busts and will set back the whole action.

While we operate by regions, throughout the action people will break down into affinity groups—people who hang together, defend each other, move out aggressively because they know they're not moving alone. It's better if you have an affinity group before you come; if not, MOVING

What comes down on the street in Chicago is going to depend on how together we are. The struggles we've built over the last year, starting with the Democratic Convention, have taught us a lot about what it means to move in the streets, how to keep it together so we a much better way to fight. No matter what kind of group

The most important thing to dig is the idea of affinity groups. Affinity groups are groups of people who have some reason for hanging together. An affinity group is you and the couple of kids you hang with closest, go to school with, dig and trust, etc. The political level of affinity groups in Chicago will vary a lot. Some of us will be on our first demonstration and will just come with our friends. Others of us have been through a lot of this shit already, move with a group all the time in a conscious political way, and are doing full-time cities around work in the country to build a revolutionary youth movement. But everyone should come with a group.

There's a lot of reasons why. For one thing, there's the political importance of becoming part of the revolution in a collective way. When the thing used to be to burn draft cards and get carried away and let the pigs fuck us over, people related to the "movement" in a real individual way, like "I'm going to go on this demonstration because I personally feel fucked over by the draft, and I am going to show everybody (including the pig who couldn't give a shit) how morally outraged I am...." But that's not what we're about anymore. People have to destroy that idea that they are somehow going to make things better for themselves alone. To be revolutionary, people have to understand how shitty it is to be isolated, and how basic the idea of getting together is if we are going to win. And that's what we're all about doing.

Another thing about hanging in groups is that it is just a much better fight. No matter what kind of group you run with, you are together because there is some kind of common bond and trust. In a tight scene with the pigs that's crucial. When a pig grabs you you've got to be able to trust your sisters and brothers to vamp on that pig and set you free. Taking care of each other while we take care of business.

Something else we've learned this last year is that an action has to have leadership. Leadership in the streets generally comes from the people who've had the most experience in tactical situations. Their leadership is made real because people's instincts are generally right: we naturally follow others who have shown us that they are self-confident and have a handle on the scene. And one of the things that's true of good strret leadership is that it's up to where the rest of the people on the action are at. No one but a pig would

you'll get into one at the center.

People at the movement center should constantly be working out how best to apply our strategy, how it relates to the actions on October 8-11. This political discussion, going on among hundreds of people, led by the people who have been carrying out this strategy in practice, is one crucial basis of unity of the groups which will then move out and fight during the actions. If people don't stay together, they won't be able to develop this understanding, during struggle, which will mold them into a strong red army. The movement centers are part of the building of that red army: the discipline, the political discussions, the good leadership are all necessary. After actions we'll evaluate the way we acted, develop our tactical sense, dig how we could have done better.

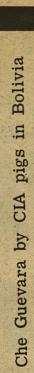
We have to get ourselves completely together if we're going to defeat the Man's technology right in the middle of his pig-pen back yard.

IN THE STREET

### try to lead people into a trap, because if you're real you know that the people's instincts would tell them that it was wrong, and you would be left alone to get vamped on. At the same time, it's good for those of us who've never been into the streets before to have people around who are heavier than us, so that we ourselves will be pushed by their militance.

So the most important thing in coming to Chicago is that everyone be hip to what's going to happen. That means people should study the legal and medical information in this paper, and should take care to bring the right kind of clothes, equipment, etc. More than that, it means that everyone should come with an affinity group, move together for the four days, and return home as a group. This is how the National Action is going to build the kind of organizations in schools and communities all over the country that can in turn pull off local actions and build for the revolution.





We move on the courts to show that the pig power structure will have to pay

a price for jailing our leaders. WOMEN'S MILITIA STRIKES

FREE THE CONSPIRACY 8

An attack on an imperialist stronghold by a fighting force of women from all over

executed by Vietnamese puppet pigs \* and in support of the people's guerrilla movements all over the Third World. October 15, 1964 for trying to assassinate US Secretary of Defense McNamara, two years to the day since the murder of Che Guevara by CIA pigs in Bolivia \* in memory of Che, and Nguyen Van Troi, DAY OF THE HEROIC GUERRILLA RALLY IN LINCOLN PARK 8

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BRING THE WAR HOME

A massive march in support of the Vietnamese, blacks, and worldwide liberation struggle. From Haymarket Square, scene of the most important struggle in American labor history in 1884, to last year's Grant Park convention battleground.

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We move on the high schools of Chicago. The schools are prisons and the prisons must be liberated. After the action, regroup **JAILBREAK!** WARGASM!

### fire next time page 10 AHMED EVANS

Ahmed Evans is scheduled to die in the electric chair September 23. If he does, he will become the first black man to be tried, convicted, and executed by the state for his role in the black liberation struggle. The state has no right to execute him, but it has the power. It was that power which Ahmed challenged; it is that power which we must challenge now to save the life of Ahmed Evans.

On July 23, 1968, the black people of the Glenville section of Cleveland responded to months of harassment by the pigs by taking up arms in self-defense. The battle ended 15 minutes after it began, and the black community emerged as the unquestioned military victors. The police suffered 17 casualties, including three dead. The black community-seven casualties with one dead. The police, who had no idea who had killed the policemen, chose to pin the blame on Ahmed Evans and four others. Ahmed has never denied his participation in the Battle of Cleveland, and showed revolutionary determination in the statement he made to the court after he was sentenced to the electric chair. "I don't think there is any doubt that the people of my race have every right in the world and every reason in the world to resist," he said. Having accepted the necessity for revolutionary violence, Ahmed Evans has accepted the fact that his own participation in revolutionary violence will perhaps mean his own death.

Since the arrest of Ahmed Evans last summer, the police of Cleveland have continued their war against the black community. Four other men have been indicted for the gun battle. Brother Non-Du was sentenced last week to consecutive terms totaling 100 years in prison

with no chance of parole, and it is obvious that the other three defendants will receive equally harsh sentences. In April of this year the brother of Ahmed, William "Bootsie" Evans, was found shot to death near the office of Ahmed's attorney. It was claimed that Ahmed's brother was killed during a hold-up, and the Cleveland police prosecutor ruled that the shooting was "justifiable homicide". Black nationalists in Cleveland believe he was murdered by the police as a warning to Ahmed's

A People's Court was organized by the July 23 Defense Committee last May to expose the racist court that framed Evans and to indict the true criminals-Cleveland's ruling class and its racist pigs. Witnesses from the black community testified as to the real nature of the "Glenville Incident" and the circumstances surrounding the death of several black people in Cleveland and the shooting and beating of many others. Hundreds of black people gathered to hear the testimony and proclaim the innocence of Ahmed Evans and the other four defendants, and to indict the pigs for their crimes against the leople of Cleveland.

The sentences that have come down from this trial are among the heaviest yet in the black liberation struggle. The racist US ruling class has tried to isolate revolutionaries like Ahmed Evans from the people, and by handing down sentences of death hopes to frighten people away from the struggle. But as Ahmed Evans said when he was sentenced: "The electric chair, or fear of anything, won't stop the black man of today."

The July 23 Defense Committee is planning further actions in Cleveland to force the pig courts to free Ahmed, and revolutionaries across the country are invited to show their support by taking appropriate actions across the country. Ahmed must be set free!







### **BOBBY SEALE**

The crucial thing to understand about the arrest of Chairman Bobby Seale of the Black Panther Party on bullshit charges is that it was a political arrestan attempt by the racist power structure to destroy the Panthers and their revolutionary program in the black community. The US government on all levels is clearly threatened by the Black Panther Party's revolutionary programs like Breakfast for Children, community control of the police, free medical care, and in general self-determination for black people.

Seale is being held, along with Erica Huggins and eight others, on charges of murder, kidnapping, and conspiracy as the result of the death of Alex Rackley in Connecticut May 21. Seale's probation records show that he was in New Haven for a speaking engagement May 19, but was back in Oakland by May 20. Besides the fact that Seale had never known Rackley, there are incredible falsities in the entirely fabricated murder story. A traitor named George Sams who had been kicked out of the Panthers and reinstated on dubious grounds implicated Seale in the murder.

It is clear that the US government is gunning for Seale the same way it has attempted to destroy the entire Panther leadership. It is another episode in the fantastic repression which has been coming down on the Panthers in their heroic and revolutionary struggle for black liberation. As Chairman Seale has said: "The key symbol of repression is the pig policeman...but if we worry about what is going to happen to us we couldn't accomplish anything. Justice is gonna come when the masses of people rise up and see justice done."

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### Larry Roberson

Larry Robersonof the Illinois Chapter Black Panther Party was murdered by fascist pigs in Cook Butcher Shop County Hospital September 4, 1969. Larry is the 22nd Panther to have been politically assassinated by the fascist pig power structure.

Larry Roberson was shot in July after he left a Chicago restaurant to check out pig harassment in the community. Brother Larry questioned the pig brutality and harassment of the people, and went about heightening the contradictions between the pig power structure and the people. This is why we must fight to implement Point 7 of the Black Panther Party program: "We want an immediate end to police brutality and murder of black people."

For. coming to the defense of the people he loved, Larry was shot twice in the stomach and kidnapped, chained to a hospital bed, and surrounded by fascist security pigs.

Fascist pigs are oinking to the people that our revolutionary brother Larry Roberson died because of hepatitis. We,

the Black Panther Party, realize that hepatitis is caused by poor food and lack of medical treatment, We charge the fascist pig power structure with conspiracy to commit murder and with murder of the servants of the people.

Brother Larry would always stand up for the people he loved, stand up against exploitation, oppression, racism, fascism, and any other rotting slime to ever drop from the foul-smelling womb of a fascist pig.

Larry Roberson died for the people he loved. When fascist pigs try to jail revolutionaries, chase freedom fighters, and murder liberators, they come up with the answers that don't answer, solutions that don't solve, even endings that don't end.

We of the Black Panther Party say you can kill a liberator, goddamn it, but you can't kill the liberation!

Blood to the Horse's Brow Death Befall All Fascist Pigs!

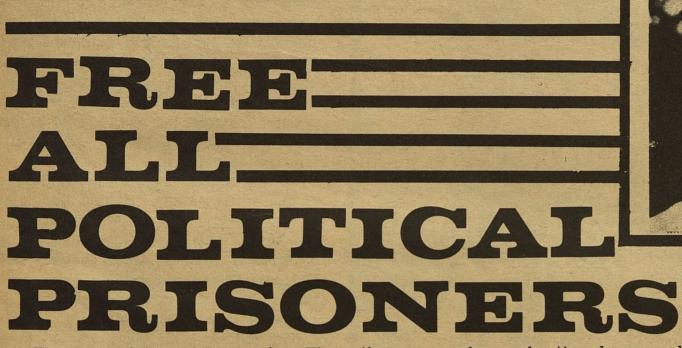
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## **CONSPIRACY!**

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Last year in Pig City Chicago thousands of young people came because of the war, the demand by black people for liberation, and the ever-growing reality that this system just can't make it. Thousands of young people came and fought. Eight organizers of the Chicago demonstrations, including Black Panther Party Chairman Bobby Seale, face charges of conspiracy and face a possible ten-year sentence.

The Conspiracy 8 go on trial September 24. The trial will be taking place in Chicago during the National Action. We must demand that the Conspiracy 8 be free. These eight people organized one of the most successful anti-war actions ever, and the fight now must be to BRING THE WAR HOME!



The revolution is on! The revolution is attacking everything that is bad about this country and building up new and out-of-sight things. The revolution is forcing people to take sides. No one can sit on the fence any longer and think that the revolution is something in the future. The revolution is being led by the black and brown colony that asshole-sucking sissies like Nixon and Rockefeller have oppressed the hardest. Black people have picked up the gun and are busting loose and running over the Man.

As white revolutionaries in the country mother we must arm ourselves and support the colonies around the world in their just struggle against imperialism. We must get it together fast and defeat the reactionary forces who are on the verge of extinction. We must be willing to lay down our lives if necessary, for we will win by any means necessary.

All reactionary forces on the verge of extinction invariably conduct a last desparate struggle against the revolutionary forces, and some revolutionaries are apt to be deluded for a time by this phenomenon of outward strength but inner weakness, failing to grasp the essential fact that the enemy is nearing extinction while they themselves are approaching victory...



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Take away the sign  $\land$  (man) from the sign  $\square$  for prison, Add to it a (probabilily) that makes the word  $\blacksquare$  (nation) Take the head-particle from the sign & for misfortune : That gives the word  $\gtrless$  (fidelity), Add the sign  $\uparrow$  for man (standing) to the sign Æ for worry That gives the word 𝔅 (quality). Take away the bamboo top  $\backsim$  from the sign  $\lessapprox$  for prison, That gives you  $\gtrless$  (dragon).

People who come out of prison can build up the country. Misfortune is a test of people's fidelity. Those who protest at injustice are people of true merit. When the prison-doors are opened, the real dragon will fly out.

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### MARTIN SOSTRE

Along with Huey Newton, Robert F. Williams (in exile), Herman Ferguson, Arthur Harris, Edward Oquendo and many other unnamed heroes, a black political prisoner in New York State has received one of the severest sentences handed down by the courts to any liberation fighter — 31 to 41 years, a life sentence for a man of 44.

Martin Gonzales Sostre, like several other black liberation fighters and anti-war activists, was framed on a trumped-up narcotics charge. The ruling class has used this type of frame-up in many instances in an attempt to deprive highly political cases of a political defense and to hand down harsh sentences to militants. Knowing this, Martin Sostre fought at every turn to bring out the political character of the frame-up.

this, Martin Sostre fought at every turn to bring out the political character of the frame-up. "The main question in this case," he told Judge Colucci during a hearing for bail reduction, "is U.S. oppression of the black people." The issues of the black liberation struggle and the Vietnamese liberation struggle were the two main issues in his case, he repeatedly told the court.

Martin Sostre, who grew up in Harlem, had been imprisoned on a narcotics charge as a youth and spent 12 years in Attica prison near Buffalo. His prison experience was like that of Malcolm X and Eldridge Cleaver. While there, he became a revolutionary Nationalist, deeply committed to the black liberation struggle. In prison he also studied law, and it was Sostre who waged the legal struggle which resulted in a court ruling that for the first time gave Muslims the right to hold religious services in prison.

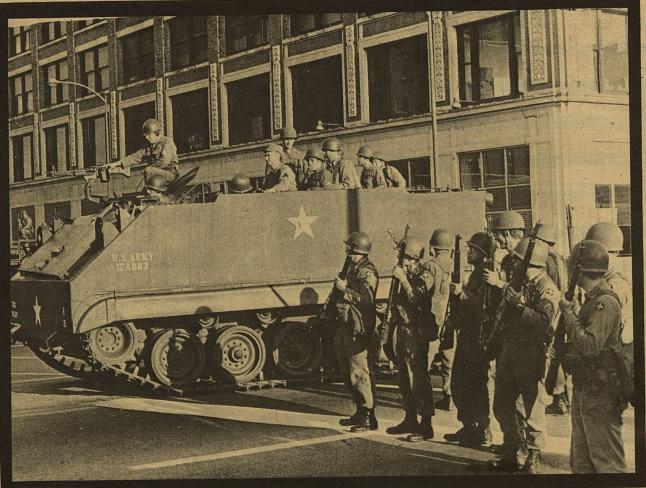
Men like Martin Sostre can be put in

--Mao Tse-Tung

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100 100 100 100 100 100 jail, but that repression will only deepen the resistance of black people to US imperialism. For every Martin Sostre held behind prison walls, there are dozens outside, organizing and preparing the black communities inside the United States for armed revolution. And throughout the world the repressive mechanisms of US imperialism are being turned around. For every Nguyen Van Troi assassinated by the American ruling class and its lackeys, thousands more have joined the People's Liberation Armed Forces of Vietnam. Long live the victory of People's War! fire next time page 12

# ...VIOLENT



The United States has occupational troops in over 60 foreign countries, from Puerto Rico to Thailand; from West Germany to India; and from Guantanamo to South Korea. All over the world the United States has guns, bombs, and missiles to protect our "freedom" and "national security".

And at home, pigs are needed to patrol the black community. Pigs occupy black and brown communities just like troops occupy Vietnam. Busting heads wherever they can. Arresting people on trumped-up charges just for trying to stay alive. Black people have always had to fight just for what they need to survive food, housing, clothes, jobs. Because the rich dudes have kept black people on the bottom, blacks have fought together as a people against the pigs, and the imperialist system, that keeps them down.

The communities that black people are forced to live in don't simply form little neighborhood groupings like you find in the suburbs. Black country, black people will off the pig here and create a much better, more human way to live.

The key position of blacks in every large city makes their victory certain. The rebellions in Detroit, Newark, LA have spread everywhere, and now black people don't have to destroy their own homes to do it. The pig is the enemy, and he is the target. Guerrilla warfare is happening in the ghettos.

The black colony can and will bring this country down to end their oppression. What white youth must dig is that they should support black rebellion. It's in our interest to refuse the pig roles we are forced into to keep our crumbs. It's in our interest to end the pig control of our lives. Even though we have more than blacks—a little "better" job, a little "better" school—that job and school are bullshit. There's a war going on and we have to choose a side.

The only people the troops abroad and the pigs at home defend are the rich people-the ruling class-who own and run this country. The giant corporation executives. The people who pay for the Democratic and Republican parties and make the laws international the land. The of businessmen who stay rich off the labor of black and poor and working people all over the world, who profit from military spending, who profit from Vietnam.

Behind all the pigs in the world are a few millionaires. Behind the "riot squad" riding four deep through Watts or the "tactical unit" busting up a wildcat picket line, behind the National Guard and the US Army stand the rich people who run every large company you can name.

The soldiers, the pigs, and the laws that they defend make OUTLAWS of every black person, every poor person, every young person in this country and in the world.

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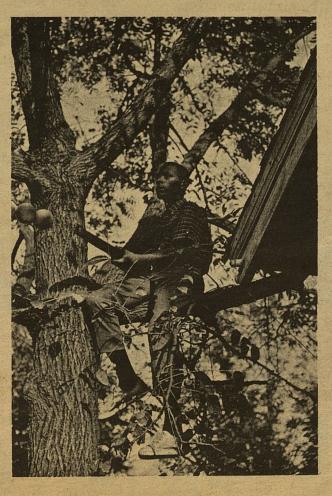
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There is a saying that political power grows out of the barrel of a gun. The people who run this country know it's true. The only reason they were able to mess over Vietnam so long is that they had the guns, bombs, and troops. The only reason they've been able to rule over black people for 350 years is that they've got the pigs to keep black people down. And the only reason kids don't tear down the schools they are in-schools that teach kids lies and train them for the slaughterhouse of bullshit jobs that benefit no one but the boss—is that the pig is just down the corridor or roaming nearby. But we can't let the pigs keep us down any longer. In almost all the countries of the world, in the black and brown communities, in the schools and shops, people are getting together to defeat the pig and the Man the pig defends. In Vietnam 500,000 US troops are being defeated by a people's army, led by the National Liberation Front and the Provisional Revolutionary Government. The Vietnamese have shown us that the pig can be beaten. All around the barricades are going up. And you're either on one side or the other.

communities from Watts to Harlem to South Chicago make up a SEPARATE NATION, AN OPPRESSED COLONY which along with other US colonies—like Vietnam, Guatemala, and Puerto Rico—produce huge profits for the real rulers of this country. Blacks are put down as a PEOPLE and together are fighting back as a PEOPLE.

The fight of blacks for survival in this country has become a fight to throw all pigs out of their communities, to get all the fat imperialist businessmen, teacher pigs, and riot police out. The fight is one of a people struggling to control their own nation, their own common destiny. Black people have learned that it's no good to march and pray and sit-in for voting rights so they can elect a pig Nixon. Just like the Vietnamese have thrown the troops of the US businessmen out of their



The people who want freedom are all on one side.

The pigs of the world are on the other.

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The Vietcong have won the war, and everything the US invaders do gets turned around by the Vietnamese and made into a strength for them. Over four-fifths of South Vietnam is now composed of "liberated zones" where American and puppet army troops can't go. US bases and "strongholds" in the cities are attacked all the time. And the Vietnamese have organized a new government the Provisional Revolutionary Government—to finish the job of kicking out the US, to govern themselves, and to reunify with North Vietnam. The Vietcong have done all this in a country smaller than Pennsylvania, under the constant terror of 540,000 US troops and daily B-52 bombing raids.

The Vietcong built a people's army, and their strategy of resistance is People's War. Their victory is based on total organization of the people of the entire country. And they have smashed every new strategy thought up by the generals in the Pentagon war room.

First the US policy was to set up a fascist puppet regime—the Diem Regime—and to support it from behind the scenes. Landlords were returned to power in the countryside, the people's lands were stolen from them, and an unbearable tax system was enforced. But the fascist Diem could not hold down the Vietnamese people without help.

The next US policy was called "limited" or "special" war: US advisors directed and controlled the puppet army and put down the popular insurrection. This strategy assumed that the puppet army would be willing to fight their own families and villages and take orders from American brass. Instead they deserted in large numbers or refused to fight.

So the US cooked up another plan called "search and destroy" and landed 50,000 marines and GIs. The Vietcong and the villagers who were fighting for the liberation of their country could seldom be found by the companies sent out to search for them. They were like fish and the entire Vietnamese population the water. As for the "destroy" part of the strategy, the US indiscriminately bombed entire villages and rice fields throughout South Vietnam because they could not find an "enemy" army to fight. Every time US troops were sent into a province—like Operation Junction City in 1966—they were surrounded and wiped out by the People's Liberation Armed Forces (PLAF) and the local militia brigades.

After two years of this losing policy, the US lies about a "quick victory" were exploded. During the Tet offensive and uprising in February 1968, hundreds of US bases and US "controlled" cities were simultaneously attacked and infiltrated by the liberation forces. The VC proved that they had won the total and active support of the population in the large cities and in most of the countryside. The US invaders were no longer on the offensive. Now their only plan was the defensive one of trying to hold on to their fortified bases and give up any thought of mobility. Still another policy:"clear and hold." However the US had to have a way of controlling the rural population while they continued to defend their bases and bomb the entire country. The situation has

gotten so heavy that B-52s now take off from Guam and Thailand—since any time they land in Vietnam they are attacked and destroyed.

The US's answer to increasing military defeat was the "pacification program". In Vietnam, "pacification" means rounding up entire village populations, destroying the villages, and putting the people in concentration camps near US bases and cities. But these "strategic hamlets" became instead a source of constant harassment against the US forces. The shelling of Saigon, Da Nang, and Tan Son Hut air base now occurs regularly, and 300,000 US troops are tied up defending Saigon itself.

Finally this year Nixon dramatically announced the new "winning" policy for Vietnam: "interception from afar". Now the men who are making profits from the war plan to meet the enemy by dropping bombs and GIs in a liberated area. But like Hamburger Hill, the VC are easily able to attack the GIs from fortified positions and B-52s end up bombing the GIs themselves.

Special war. Search and destroy. Clear and hold. Pacification. Interception from afar. No wonder GIs are refusing to go out on missions and morale is at an all-time low. For the GI invader the enemy is everywhere at the same time that he is nowhere. Vietnamese children gather intelligence; old men and women sharpen bamboo poles into spikes; women fight in the "long-haired army" and produce food for the country. Ambushes and traps are always a danger. People train bees in the jungle to give honey to the VC and to sting American soldiers. Underground tunnels connect villages and house factories, schools, and whole villages. The Americans are surrounded, infiltrated, defeated.



This is not the first time the Vietnamese have fought to defeat invading armies. Under the leadership of Ho Chi Minh they have kicked out the Japanese, the French, and now the Americans. All the earlier invaders of Vietnam and other colonies around the world recognized when they had lost and had the sense to withdraw. The French forces were finally smashed during the "impossible" attack on one of the world's best-defended military bases: Dien Bien Phu. There, in 1954, the French moved all their forces and artillery into a valley surrounded on three sides by unbreachable mountains. In news conferences. the French commanders explained how the Vietnamese would have to attack through the one opening on the valley floor, and that was how the French planned to defeat them. The Vietnamese took apart their artillery, rockets, and mortars, and carried the pieces up the steep slopes. They set up a battery of weapons and dug into the mountainside, holding the French in the valley and battering them for three months until they surrendered. It's obvious that the US commanders would have withdrawn their troops by now if they gave a shit for the lives of the Vietnamese or for the lives of the American GIs. The Vietnamese people have kicked the ass of the biggest monster in the world. Now it is just a matter of how long the pigs who run this country can keep on lying to themselves and the people of the world. Long live the victory of people's war.

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People all over the world are fighting to kick the United States out of their country-and they're winning. The Vietnamese have defeated half a million American troops and all of the man's technology. Here at home the black liberation struggle fights the pigs every day.

We're going to join that fight because that's the only way we are going to win. We're not going to sit on the sidelines or make excuses not to fight anymore. Being a fighting movement means being serious about things that we never thought about before. For example it means giving medical help to brothers and sisters hurt in the street. This article is going to lay out some street medicine. But we have to deal with all of what it means to be a fighting movement. So we must not be afraid to talk about serious wounds.

As our struggles get more intense and militant, medical protection is going to be more and more our own responsibility. We need to create street medicine-practice that fits the needs of battle situations.

For the National Action this fall we're not going to be giving treatment to people in the streets. The job of street medical cadre is to get people away from the pigs without hurting them worse. It's a job that goes fastfind out what's wrong, deal with the most apparent injuries, and move him to a medical center. And we should be confident about the medical situation. Collectives and affinity groups protect their members. Fewer sisters and brothers will get hurt because we're not going to let them get hurt. We will fight, defend ourselves against the enemy, and protect the men and women fighting our struggles. All the sisters and brothers coming to Chicago should know more street medicine than is laid out here. Off the pig-not just the ones with the gun, but the ones with the medical bag.



So far the pigs have used five kinds of gas on peopletwo kinds of tear gas, nausea gas, blister gas, and mace. There are ways to deal with most of them.

Wear heavy clothing so your skin isn't exposed to blister powder or nausea gas, both of which affect your skin. If you're really badly burned or gassed, get to a medical center. Don't rub your eyes at all when you've been gassed.

Last year people thought vaseline was the answer to gas. It's not. It makes mace worse if you can't wipe it off instantly. And it always makes tear gas worse. So you shouldn't use it.

A good gas mask is protection against mace and tear gas. But most gas masks people have are cheap and no good. They leak or trap gas near your face. Also if you're wearing one when nausea gas is used, you could choke on your puke. They're a drag to carry with you all the time. So wet cloth spread over your nose and mouth is just as protective.

CN (weak) and CS (strong) come in cannisters shot from guns, in grenades, and from helicopters. If you're going to throw cannisters back at the pigs (you should) wear gloves because they are very hot. If you are tear gassed, splash lots of water into your eyes. Get to a fountain or open up a fire hydrant. If it's not to cold out, soak yourself entirely in water to wash all of the gas from your skin and clothes. You can also wipe the gas off with mineral oil or alcohol. But if you use water, use a lot; a little only makes it worse.

Nausea gas is shot in canhisters. When it lands a little puff of smoke goes out, and then nothing visible happens. It looks like a tear gas dud. But it ain't. The gas is totally odorless and colorless. So far it's been used rarely because in the streets anybody (including pigs) is vulnerable to it. If you're in a closed-off area, the possibility exists.

Blister gas is a powder. The pigs throw it into crowds after they've nosed the people with water. It burns the skin and lungs. Water makes it work, so more water doesn't help.

All the treatment we do for gunshot wounds on the streets is just until the person can be moved. He should be off the streets instantly if possible. Never try to remove a bullet that is still in the body. Treat a bullet wound in the arm or leg like any bleeding injury-apply firm direct pressure with a sterile bandage or clean material.

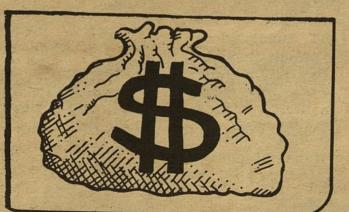
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If the brother or sister is shot in the chest, you got to do two things-stop the bleeding and make an airtight bandage over the wound to keep air from escaping through a hole in his lung. First use a sterile or clean bandage to stop bleeding. Second, overlap adhesive tape until it covers the area in an airtight seal. Until you're ready to transport the person away, keep him lying on the side that's hurt.

If the gunshot wound is in the stomach or any part of the guts, there's probably internal fuckups. Cover the wound with a clean or sterile bandage and carry the person right away to a medical center. Don't give the hurt person anything to eat or drink.

#### Street Medicines

Let's get into what things we need to know in the streets from now on. People are going to be running in groups in Chicago, not alone or with a couple of friends. These affinity groups must be trained in street medicine. We have to get the injured people away from the pigs immediately. When you see someone lying on the street, don't panic. Don't make the person afraid. Stay calm and think what has to be done. Find out what is wrong with the person. Get a total picture before acting. If you can't



deal with a person's injuries, there are going to be trained medical cadre fighting in the action and others waiting near the action. They will have to evaluate how and where the wounded person should be moved. Off the Pig Hospitals

We've got to keep away from hospitals if possible. Last year at the Democratic Convention, many hospitals openly co-operated with the pigs. Pigs station themselves in most emergency rooms and bust people injured in street fighting or illegal activity who come for treatment. Doctors are required by law to report to the pigs any gunshot or knife wound or act of violence. In addition, admission clerks and nurses may decide to report injuries to the pigs.

The most important thing is your health. If you have only a minor injury, treatment right on the street might be enough. For a somewhat more serious wound, you should go to a movement center or medical center. If you have a critical injury, you will need facilities that only a hospital can provide. There will be friendly hospitals where the pigs are less likely to find you. You can find out where they are when you get to Chicago.

If you do go to a hospital, treat the doctors and nurses there as if they were pigs. The doctor is going to want to know how you were hurt. You don't have to tell him. Don't screw yourself. Anything the doctor records on your chart becomes part of a legal document which can be used against you in court. Tell him only your name and address.

#### **Preparing Yourself**

It's a political responsibility not to get hurt unnecessarily. We can prevent some injuries and keep others minor. Our people don't have to be taken off the streets for small injuries-they can keep fighting if we do certain things.

Mace is not a gas. It is a liquid the pig sprays from a can directly at your face. It causes heavy eye pain and can cause temporary blindness. Mace makes your breathing hard. You can wash your eyes out with boric acid if you have it. It won't hurt less, but will be safety against eye infection.

#### **Head Injuries**

Don't panic if you see someone with blood streaming from the head. Stay cool and look closer. Most scalp wounds bleed lots and look worse than they really are. For most head wounds put pressure on the wound with a clean bandage or piece of cloth to stop the bleeding. In the case of a broken skull, press the artery on each side of the neck and get the comrade off the street and to a medical center fast. The most important things are to control the bleeding and not to injure him more. All head injuries should be x-rayed. Watch for these further signs of brain injury: lots of sleepiness, vomiting, headaches, and blurry or double vision.

#### **Bullet Wounds**

The pigs haven't used their pieces much on white youth so far. But they did at SF State and Berkeley. If fighting in Chicago is very intense, if thousands of people are coming to increase the struggle on our side, they may use them again. We should know how to deal with gunshot wounds in case it happens.

1. Get a tetanus shot. Tetanus is lockjaw. You can get it from lots of street injuries if you haven't been immunized in the last five years. You can get free tetanus shots from city health clinics or a movement doctor.

2. Know the address and phone number of the medical station near the staging area of each day's actions.

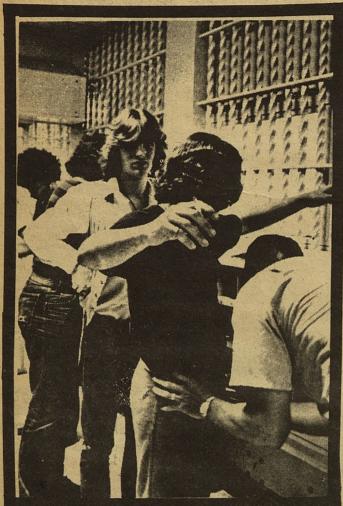
3. Wear a motorcycle helmet or surplus army helmet. Last year people got attacked for having helmets. That was because only a few people wore them. If we all wear a helmet, the pigs can't single one out for it. You protect everybody in the action by wearing a helmet. We got to prepare for what is coming down and not be scared of looking and acting like an army.

4. Wear protective clothing. Wear hard shoes, never wear sandals! Wear shirts and jackets with tight cuffs and high collars for protection against gas. Men should wear jock straps or cups. Women should wear bras. No one should wear earrings or anything around the neck. Get shatterproof glasses if you can and strap all glasses around your head so they won't be knocked off. Do not wear contact lenses --- they trap gasses in your eyes.

5. Don't carry scissors-you could be busted for carrying a concealed weapon.

6. If you have an illness that you know about, carry a card that tells about it, like "I am a diabetic on insulin" or "I have penicillin allergy".

7. If you have to take some medicine regularly, you can take it into the streets. Keep it in a labeled prescription bottle, or the pigs will bust you for dope and take the medicine. It's technically illegal for them to take labeled drugs, although that probably won't stop them.



8. Carry a magazine or rolled newspaper for a splint. Some Other Stuff Also carry a square foot of clean material for a bandage, a tourniquet, or a gas mask.

9. Everybody should carry (in an army belt or shoulder bag):

goggles for gas and mace protection

sterile 4 x 4 gauze pads to stop bleeding and cover nose and mouth

- a roll of half-inch adhesive tape
- some bandaids
- a wet handkerchief
- a plastic bag of wet cotton balls to rinse out eyes

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- and wipe wounds
- a small bottle of eyedrops

Sprains and Fractures

You shouldn't stop participating in the National Action because of a sprain unless it's totally necessary. Some minor injuries should be treated later on-not during part of the action.

It's really easy to tell a fracture if the bone is sticking through the skin or if the part is misshapen. There are other signs of breaks or fractures—heavy pain, swelling, and an inability to move part of your body. Whenever you think there's a broken bone: "splint 'em where they lie". It's real important not to move the fractured part of the body because the broken bone might hurt nerves or blood vessels as it's moved. You can use almost anything as a splint: a folded newspaper, belts, boards from the streets, torn up material. If you can keep a broken part in place and splint it so it won't move, do it. But if the arm or leg is spread out away from the body, be cool and let a trained medical cadre do the splinting. Don't fuck around if you're not sure of what to do.

There's a couple of things you shouldn't do anything about. One is eye injuries-just cover the eye and get to a center. The same with convulsions. Don't interfere in fits. If it's easy, put a belt between the person'e teeth so he won't bite his tongue. After it's over, get him away. Transportation

The most important job is to get an injured person away from the pigs as fast as possible without hurting him any more. In most cases, he will be able to tell you if he can walk. But with serious injuries he should be carried. Two people can do a cross-hand seated carry. That's okay for a serious sprain or a leg broken in a bent position. For most other serious injuries, it's much better if four or five people carry the injured brother or sister in a lying-down position. A good arrangement is one person supporting the neck and head, two for the shoulders and back, one for the ass and upper legs, and one for the ankles and feet. Keep a broken leg splinted tightly to the good leg, and don't move it around. Keep an injured head at least level with or above the rest of the body so blood doesn't rush to the wound.

Dare to Struggle, Dare to Win

This is where it's going to be at from now on. We're a movement that fights for the national liberation of Vietnam and the black people. And we protect the people fighting for that. We got a job to do about medical protection for that fight. To be calm and positive in the face of all injuries, even serious ones. To know how to get a hurt sister or brother away from the pigs and take care of him until medical cadre or a doctor is around. Everybody has to be prepared with more street medicine than is in this article. And everyone has to know when not to mess with a medical problem that they don't know about. For the future we got to be even more ready to be our own medics. Fight to win. Power to the people.

### DON'T COUNT ON IT!

In Illinois there is a law which explicitly says that pigs, caseworkers, and teachers are all alike, and if you touch any one of them it is aggravated battery, a felony; anyone else you touch, it is a misdemeanor. Dig who the law protects—who the enemies are! Bring the war home!

Every time someone talks about the National Action in Chicago we say "This year it's going to be different." And it's true. Last year in Chicago, we were basically without leadership. In the streets we were not up front with our politics, and although a lot of brothers and sisters fought back when attacked by cops, we were largely on the defensive.

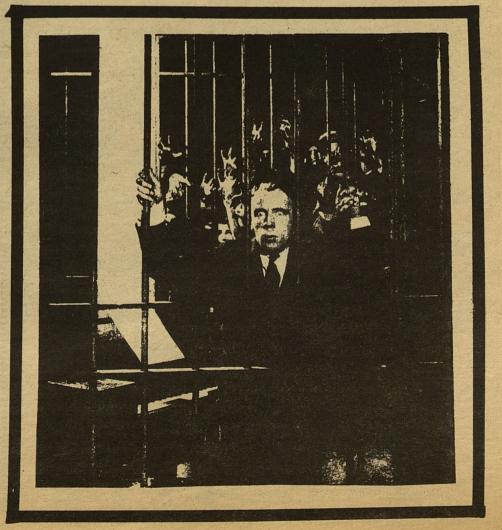
October 8-11 begins the offensive. This means we have to think about everything we do in a whole new way 

With regard to the law-pig-court situation, it means that we have to be very clear about who they are and how we must act in retaliation to them. We should understand the National Action is a military-political situation. We must view every situation strategically and act in terms of political goals.

#### ABOUT CARS

The basic thing about cars is that most of the time they're more trouble than they're worth. The best thing to do when you arrive is to find some legal parking place in a residential area not to close to a movement center, and leave your car parked for the whole action unless it is absolutely necessary to use it. Cars with out-of-state plates and 10 freaks in them are always suspicious. even in normal situations. People with out-of-state licenses have to put up \$25 in cash or sit in jail for any moving violation, such as things like a broken tail light. If people are arrested in a car. the car can be impounded. Tires of cars with out-of-state licenses are frequently slashed. Dope can be easily planted. Use the Chicago Rapid Transit System.

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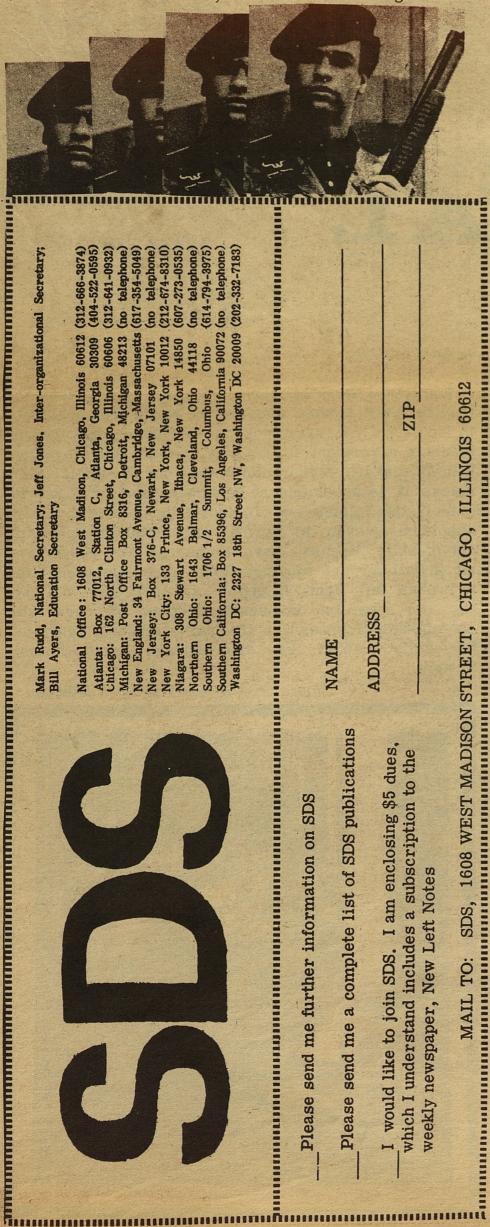
We must be ready to fight the pigs wherever they are, fight to protect our people, to continue the action, to do real damage. On the other hand, the object is not to get busted. Once busted we are prisoners of war. The pigs are the occupying army; there is no way that they can be talked to, organized, or convinced of anything. They might try to bait you, or intimidate you, or cajole you into talking. DON'T TALK TO PIGS, OF ANY VARIETY. It can only hurt your brothers and sisters on the streets.

We must not trip out on attempting to harass pigs when it will only result in a needless bust and serves no political purpose. For example, there will be times in a car or walking in a small group when you will be stopped by the pigs. If there is no one around who can dig our fighting back or if there are more pigs than there are of us, then you should probably avoid a confrontation. If this means playing dumb, or not wearing pins, or ditching leaflets, then do it. Most of the time, however, we will be into the fight.

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### **ABOUT ARRESTS**

One thing for sure, no one at this point really knows what procedure will be followed. Illinois has established special procedures to put into effect during mass arrest situations, but they were not used during the Convention. The regular procedure is to take people to the nearest precinct, hassle them for awhile, fingerprint them, check for outstanding warrants, and do the bureaucratic bullshit. If charged with a misdemeanor, then bail can be set at the precinct. For felonies, a bail hearing must set, for which there will be lawyers. For be misdemeanors, the bail has been running from \$150 to \$350 cash for the standard demonstration charges: disorderly conduct, mob action, resisting arrest. In non-mass situations, it takes about eight hours



to get people out. But the pig courts can do whatever they want. So far the way in which the pig courts have treated white movement people is just another case of whites having it better because they're white. Few people have been beaten. Bail, although getting higher, is still such that we get people out fairly quickly while blacks and Latins are still in jail. This is true both because we have more access to money and get lower bail. What we have to understand is that we make it clearer that we're fighting on the side of the Vietnamese and blacks, then this privilege will go. That's why the brothers and sisters in Columbus, Ohio were busted on heavy felonies for only leafleting. The leaflet said that white people should fight with the blacks who were involved in the rebellion at the time.

### ABOUT BAIL FUNDS

Because we have little money, regional bail funds should be set up immediately. If you have money, bring it with you. There will be a place where it will be held. It is also real important that besides bringing money, people bring the names of people back home who can be contacted for bail. These names should be turned in at the movement center.

### GENERAL STUFF

There is virtually no way to have a gun legally in Chicago without being a resident of Illinois, and even then the chances are very slim that you will be able to obtain a permit. If found with one, you will definitely be charged with all kinds of shit. DON'T BRING GUNS! If you see someone shooting in any crowd situation, then that person is a pig. Beware of pig provocateurs; they will fire merely to give the cops an excuse to fire into the crowd.

NO DOPE! Dope will not be permitted in movement centers. People will be searched. Dope is something that legally endangers everyone and in a mass situation is counter-revolutionary.

Don't bring anything to Chicago with you that you wouldn't want the pigs to get ahold of. No address books. When you are on the streets you should carry only two pieces of ID and a small amount of money.

Chicago has a curfew law for everyone under 18 which is 10:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11 Friday and Saturday. In situations where lots of young people are on the streets, the Chicago pigs will make a lot of curfew busts, because they understand that young people getting together is a threat to the power structure in this country. If you can get ID that says you are 18, do it; but come anyway. As is always the case, if there are attempts to bust people, their brothers and sisters will defend them from the pigs.



LEGAL APPARATUS

For the days of the action, there will be a centrally operated legal staff. Lawyers will be available 24 hours a day at a phone number everyone will receive when they arrive in town. Those lawyers will be available for bail hearings, arraignments, and speeding up the process at the cop station if that's possible. Also they will be able to answer any specific questions that come up during the course of the action. The lawyers will also work along with the bail fund co-ordinators and help to see that the money gets to the right place. Technical legal information will be available when people arrive in Chicago.