AFRIKAN WOMEN was taken. Finally, another



Discussion in the Politics workshop focused on the triple oppression of Black women, the national question and the question of class struggle and national liberation.

The Congress of Afrikan People's Afrikan Women's Conference was called to provide a forum of principled dialogue around the issues of Nationalism, Pan-Afrikanism and Socielium around Afrikanism and Socialism among Afrikan men and women in an effort to heighten and intensify our participation in the struggle. These are brief reports from workshops that took place at the conference:

### Politics

The workshop in Politics dealt with the question of Women's oppression the question of women's oppression and generally agreed that women suffer triple oppression that of, race, class and sex. Though the burning questions of the workshop were the questions of "Which way the strug-gle" — the national question, the question of class struggle, the nature of a liberation movement here in north america. These critical ques-

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tions were dealt with, for the first time, by (afrikan-american, afrikan and west indian women) who were obviously involved in struggle though in different ways because of their different views.

The workshop ended too soon even though the workshops were in full session for 23 hours (17 hours saturday, & 6 hours sunday). The political workshop had to table the common agreements or resolutions (there was not enough time to go through each one and take a workshop vote) until the next meeting to be held January 1975 to discuss the formation of black women's united front,

Although the workshop was not able to deal with each resolution it did end with the unanimous agreement that we should put forth an anti-racist anti-capitalist, anti-imperialist, anti-colonialist and anti-neo-colonialist position. Workshop panelists were Evelyn Monroe- All Afrikan Peoples Revolutionary Party, Joyce Johnson-Youth Organization for Black Unity,

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#### Social Organization

As characterized by the definition As characterized by the definition of Social Organization which was stated to be the living together process, the science of people living together, the ordering of peoples's lives and relationships formed during this process, the discussions in the Social Organization Workshop cen-tered for the most part around relationships formed through strugrelationships formed through struggle. The concensus reached through principled dialogue was that all of the present relationships we as an oppressed, subjugated and exploited people are involved in are creations, extensions of the system that dominates and exploits us. Further the discussion around the complete discussion around the complete transformation of the society being decisive factor in the total develop-ment of healthy, revolutionary rela-tionships was at a high level.

Finally what is most inspiring to us, is that all of us though not always in complete agreement at least began to discuss principally how we as Black Women could best struggle and how the institutions and relationships created through our struggle would be proof of the validity of that struggle. Workship panelist were Jaribu-Congress of Afrikan People and Aneb

Usef-Somalian Mission (who submit-ted a position paper). Other invited panelists did not attend.

#### Education

What was clearly demonstrated within the Educational Workshop was heightened political awareness and educational development. The workshop within the spectrum of principled dialogue dealt with aspects of education from organizing for community control of present public schools to the creation of free and public independent schools. Imperialism, Socialism, Capitalism, Neo-Col-onialism, and Feudalism were also dealt with. Out of the active participation and perserverance of workshop participants and panelists major agreements were reached. Of those agreements an anti-imperialist, anti-capitalist, anti-colonialist, anti-neo-colonialist, and anti-feudalist

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part of those agreements was the call for a Black Women's United Front to support the struggle of oppressed people throughout the world and support of liberation movement struggles. Workshop panelists were Hisani Mweusi- Afrikan Liberation Support Committee, Tsehai Tsehitila-Ethiopian Students Union, Yvette Francis- Afro-Carribean Liberation Movement and Ibura- Congress of Afrikan People.

In the Health, Welfare and Employ-ment Workshop discussion centered around coming to the understanding that protracted struggles to minimize the exploitation and dehumanization of people in today's institutions are of people in today's institutions are necessary only to heighten the consciousness of the people and thereby constantly intensify the total struggle for world socialist revolu-tion. For most brothers and sisters this very basic political education



Dr. John Henrik Clark discussing the historical contribution of Afrikan women at the Afrikan Women's Conference.

took place as the topics discussed expanded from specific problems that people now have under the bourgeois system which causes welfare and unemployment and inferior health institutions, to the broad and basic institutions, to the of out and basis contradictions of this capitalistic system, that uses racism and imperialism to exploit rather than serve the people! And while there was unprincipled dialogue and ideological struggle coming from a diversity on the need for a progressive united front of Afrikan women to struggle against oppression of the people, and a definite need for everyone to put down reactionary tendencies within the revolutionary movement — male chauvinism, cultism, metaphysics and reactionary nationalism or radi-calism — so we can come together in stronger, more progressive formations to wage socialist revolution. Workshop panelists were Ruby Grace



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and Marion Kidd- National Welfare Rights Organization, Sunkrea- Pan-Afrikan Congress, USA, Tamu Aljuwani- Black Worker's Congress, and Staarabisha- Congress of Afrikan People.

#### Communications

The Communications Workshop centered around Communications as Revolutionary Education. It was agreed upon that communications in and of itself was a mere tool of and of itself was a mere tool of capitalism and imperialism. Com-munications must be about bringing the masses to socialist revolution. The method we, as revolutionaries, had to use was a two fold approach- to press existing media (T.V., Radio, printed media) to its fullest extent. This heightens the contradictions within the system and also we get desired coverage. But simultaneously, to utilizing existing forms, we must develop alternative communications methods such as drama, the news-papers, films, and just talking to people to the fullest extent- especially those things we control (newspapers and drama). With this agreement we continued, that the communication form must be technically correct and politically clear. From this point, we went into discussions intended to enhance ideological clarity, e.g. principally how we could "control" any media, definitions of terms that people were still unclear on. The panelists acted as resource people in areas where specific technical questions were asked. Both panelists and participants cited sources of ideological and technical information to answer more intricate questions. The Communications Workshop ended principally in unity around an anti-racist. anti-capitalist, anti-im-



Bibi Amina Baraka, Social Organization Chairperson of the Congress of Afrikan People.

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Workshop panelist were Doris Innis-Congress of Racial Equality, Furaha and Kimya- Congress of Afrikan People. Other invited panelists did not

# F.B.I. Harassing CAP

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Afrikan People member and the Congress of Afrikan People "advocated the violent overthrow of the U.S. government".

A few days later, two FBI's "visited". he home of Detroit Congress of the Afrikan People Chairman, using clear undermining and intimidating tactics. Telling an obvious lie, they said that there "have been several arrests of members of the Congress of Afrikan People for extremist and subversive activities and some had been arrested for carrying explosives with plans to blow up federal buildings." These charges are lies, and are part of the FBI's continuing fascist repression, utilization of lies, intimidation and character assassination. These agents also told Cheo Pili that they were checking all of the offices that belong to the Congress of Afrikan People, and would be harassing and intimidating CAP members.

to the St. Louis office of the Congress, using the same techniques of intimrepression. The only way the ruling bourgeois dictatorial oligarchy can stay in power is through threat and use of its awesome power, and even that power will not be sufficient to stop the united masses from acheiv-ing a socialist society. The FBI hopes that through its intimidation and harassment, it can destroy the reputation and work of the Congress, and finally the Congress of Afrikan People itself.

Clarence Kelley, FBI's new J. Edgar Hoover, in response to the facts of official harassment and intimidation, said, "You may be assured that it is not the policy of the FBI to engage in harassment and intimidation", and saying further that, "I have looked into the allegations...and have found no. breach of our policy in the conduct of (201) 248-2940

#### **Institutional Development**

Striving for clarification of our role as women in the world-wide struggle for liberation. Institutional Development Workshop participants agreed that institutional development should be defined as the continued, active struggle against social, political, economic oppression through the initiation of programs and the creation of systems that can begin to alleviate the suffering of oppressed people and justly expose the forces of greed and corruption that exploit us. Discussion was long, intense, sometimes emotional, most times searching and rational and all who participated can concur that it was fruitful. The statement issuing from the forum emphasized organization and ideology as the two major components of institutional development

The Workshop panelists were Mumbiwa-Maina- Pan-Afrikan Students in the Americas, Inez Reid- Black Women's Community Development Foundation, and Anasa- Congress of Afrikan People.

On Sunday, the last day of the conference there were speakers who summed up the conference's aims and objectives as well as provided revolutionary direction for future struggle. There was a representative from the revolutionary liberation party of UNITA (National Union for the Total Independence of Angola) and our Chairman and Comrade in Struggle, Imamu Baraka ended the session with his address, entitled, "Afrikan Women Unite...to Struggle."

**Conference** Speakers

The Congress of Afrikan People's political consciousness was heightened from its participation in the conference and we thank the people and the struggle for that lesson.

Conference information is now in the process of being compiled and mailed out to all attending participants

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ry was invaded by the Portuguese, an why Tanzania faces constant undermining of her socialist policies by the urban Petit Bourgeoisie, and why Park Chung Hee of South Korea can sentence hundreds of Korean revolutionaries to death. But neither the Congress of Afrikan People, or the world socialist revolution of which it is a part, can be stopped. ALL CAPITALISM EVENTUALLY

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