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## THE PEOPLE OF WINSTON SALEM DEMAND A CONSTITUTION THAT GUARANTEES THE RIGHT TO LIVE

"The Pond" is one of the most dilapidated areas in the City of Winston-Salem, North Carolina. It has certain characteristics of a fish pond, in that the people of this area wonder around from day to day worrying about where their next meal is going to come from, and other basic necessities denied them by this greedy capitalistic system.

Most of the people are unemployed and being welfare recipients have to worry a lot about where their next meal is going to come from when their food stamps run out. A lot of them don't even know how to apply for food stamps - PEOPLE STARVE HERE. This is directly related to the system of exploitation that we now live under. It is related because it is typical of this system that a lot of people should go lacking, while a few have plenty of everything, with those in-between receiving a tiny part of that, which is rightfully theirs.

Education of the children of "The Pond" is not much at all. With the school board's new plan for desegregation it is probable that this year there will be no education at all provided by the system. Education on how to deal with the society is supposed to be provided by the government to every man, woman and child in the society.

Justice according to law is not known here, and therefore peace is a stranger.

It was here and in the immediate area (the Boston area) that the people took to the streets in 1967 to repay pigs. Pigs who thought it their duty to keep niggers in their place by beating a blood to



Winston-Salem Constitutional  
Convention Information Center

death on his own front porch. The whole community witnessed this act of aggression and responded by driving the pigs out of their community.

Housing is another area in which the people are denied. Mrs. Louise Ames, a 104 year old resident of "The Pond" has been struggling for all these years. She states that she pays \$55.00 a month to a slumlord (W.F. Baldwin) for this house that doesn't have a bathtub, hot water, sufficient heating or adequate wiring for proper lighting; she is tired but she continues to struggle, and she recognizes the need to change the constitution that allows all these injustices to be perpetrated against her, her family and her people.

The present system of government has failed to provide the basic necessities for survival - land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. It (the system) has denied these necessities to Black people throughout Babylon. And so we are now demanding a change in the system that allows these necessities to be denied. We are demanding that the constitution

be rewritten, because it allows the majority of the people to be neglected and without the basic necessities. We are calling for a Constitutional Convention. We recognize that we need a Constitution that guarantees us our most basic human right - the right to live.

We are setting up Constitutional Convention Information Centers (like the one at Mrs. Ames house) where people can come to register for participation in the Plenary Session September 5, 6 and 7\*, and the actual Convention in November. We are gathering together to bring about a change, to let the whole world know that we are determined to have the basic needs for survival - let it be known that we will have our basic human rights, by any means necessary!



We pay to live in houses that are unfit.

"We are from 25 to 30 million strong, and we are armed. And we are conscious of our situation. And we are determined to change it. And we are unafraid".

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
SEIZE THE TIME  
DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS

\*At Temple University Gymnasium  
Philadelphia, Pa.

## TERRORISM OF THE AVARICIOUS BUSINESSMEN

In the Happy Hills Garden section of Winston-Salem, N.C., the N.C.C.F. has developed a very strong relationship with the people. Everyday we straighten out contradictions through example. Sometimes these contradictions are small others harder to deal with, all of them basically develop out of the terrorists, fascist tactics of the power structure.

On August 5th a problem was brought to the attention of community workers, concerning a pig avaricious businessman named Keith Lowery, and how he was using terrorism to rob Black people in the community. The complaint originally came from a Sister Calwell who lives on Willow Street. She proceeded to tell us how her bill at one time (for furniture) amounted to \$395.00. Diligently she paid the debt, she thought she owed, to this bloodsucking pig until she had paid her bill down to \$81.00. At that time Sister Calwell found it difficult to pay \$25.00 every month and informed this slop mouth pig of that fact. It was agreed that Sister Calwell would only have to pay \$25.00 once every two

months instead of monthly.

When the bi-monthly bill day rolled around, the month that Lowery had agreed to let Sister Calwell pay \$25.00, who did she see coming up her doorstep but this lying pig Lowery. Oinking about what he would do if he didn't receive the \$50.00.

This pig vamped on Sister Calwell like a nazi storm trooper. She reminded him of their agreement, he oinked some madness and still demanded \$50 or he would send some of his lackey coons to take the furniture. Sister Calwell told this pig that he would get \$25 and nothing more. And to get off her property.

He then told Sister Calwell she had until the next Monday to get the money or else. We found out later that Mrs. Calwell was not the only victim of this foul pig. Lowery had terrorized four other sisters in the same block. We then made a move to talk to this pig, and all that resulted was a lot of pig madness. So we at the N.C.C.F. and the people in the community see the necessity to move to a higher level in order to deal with

this pig. This is why it is necessary to form Self-Defense groups, to defend the community from any type of terrorism. Be it from a pig cop, or some avaricious business-

man. We must stop them at the outer limits, of the Black community. We must be armed, because "an unarmed people are slaves or subject to slavery at

any given moment."

POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS  
Ronald/Daniel  
Winston-Salem, N.C.C.F.

## THE COMMUNITY OF WINSTON SALEM ACTS AGAINST OUTSIDERS

On August 19, off into the East side of Winston-Salem the community inflicted a political consequence upon outsiders. For too long we have let people from other communities come into our community and take over. All we did was sit by idly and let them mess over us and our children. For too long especially in the South, Whites have thought that they can do whatever they wish to us, and nothing should be done; but this time the entire community on 16th and Locust Street decided they were tired of that. They decided they were going to use some of those weapons that they used to use on each other, on the outsiders who were coming off into the community acting a fool.

This is a construction site in the community where urban development or one of those pacification programs are tearing down houses. The workers are mostly White and ever since they have been coming off in the community they have

been using it for a race track. There are no sidewalks in this section of town so people walk on the side of the street, there are ditches beside the streets. These White racists would come down the streets as fast as possible, running children off the streets purposely. And when the children went to the fools to inquire why they called them all kinds of names, they said they were going to get rid of all of them (niggers). The first day this happened the people said nothing so I guess they thought they could do what they wanted from then on. But the next day they ran children off the streets, they got a surprise. The children went off telling everybody about what was happening. This time older brothers and sisters came back with the children. They asked the men why they were doing this. Now that they saw the whole community upset they started lying saying they knew nothing about it, but the children were right there to repudiate

every word they said. The brothers and sisters let them know they weren't going to be doing what they wanted to in our community anymore by giving them a good 11th street beating.

From now on they will know how to act when they come to this side of town.

Immediately the pigs came on the set they didn't ask anybody why the fools were beat, they wanted to know who beat the fools. This shows that they have no concern for our community but they care only about the White racists coming off in our community running over us. They know that if niggers here start dealing with racists who come in the community acting insane, that we will be dealing with them when they act insane.

OFF THE PIGS!  
N.C.C.F., Winston-Salem



## ERNEST SCALES WAS CLUBBED VICIOUSLY FOR BEING BLACK

On August 18, 1970, in the Black Colony, the pigs of Winston-Salem were up to their usual actions, intimidating and brutalizing the inmates therein. About 4:30p.m. on the corner of 8th and Patterson, a corner where the lumpen come together like so many thousands of corners throughout Babylon, a group of bloods were standing around. They were having an argument as most niggers will do while drinking wine. Everything was alright until the pigs came on the scene. The pigs moved on the brothers



ERNEST SCALES

with billy clubs and vamped on the most helpless blood they could find.

They clubbed Ernest Scales, age 42, across the arm and head inflicting a wound that required 14 stitches to close. Ernest

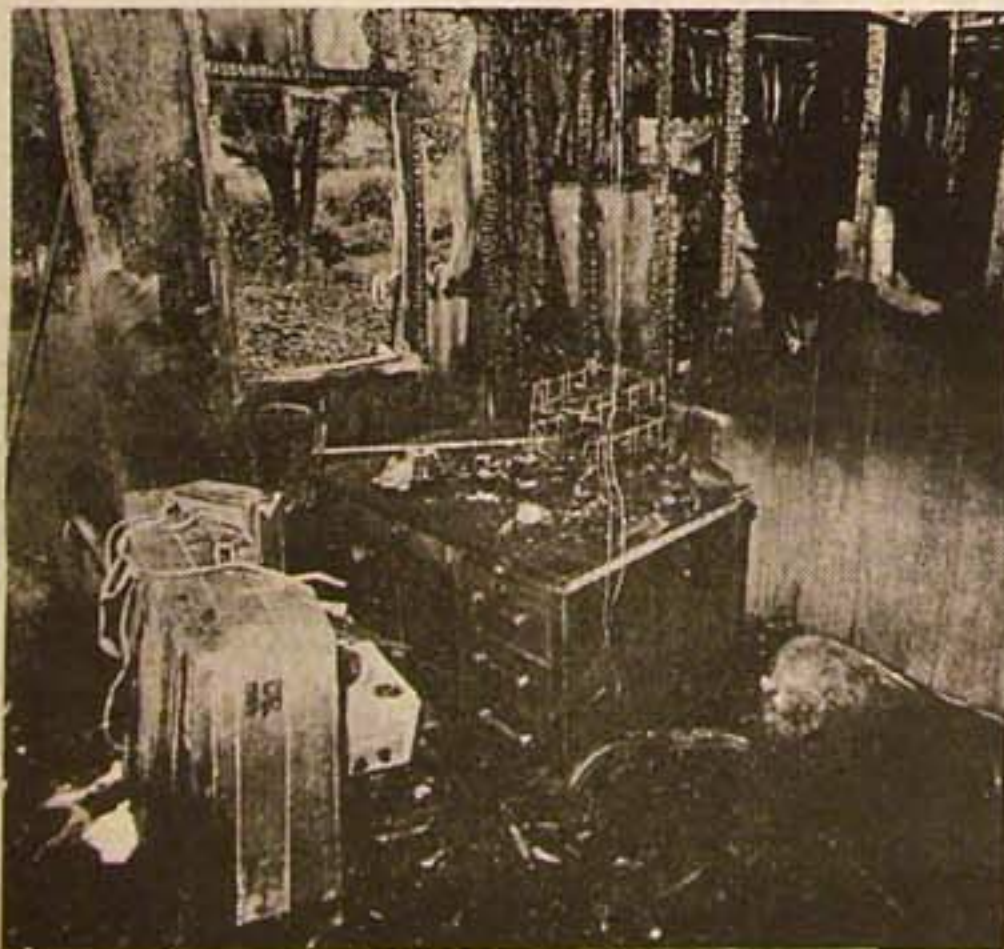
tried to defend himself with a small knife, but when the pigs hit him across the arm a number of times, he dropped the knife and then the pigs beat him in the head. Ernest Scales can't walk without the aid of two crutches. In fact, he has been on crutches for two years, due to a fall off the roof of his house. The result of his injury required surgery and four pins had to be placed in his hip to hold the bones in place.

Ernest Scales had spent 15 years of his life in maximum security, off in the prisons of North Carolina. He had been paroled to minimum security (the street) in 1968. Having been on work release, a so called rehabilitation problem of the prison system, Ernest had a little money when he got out, after the exploitative prison system of chattel slavery had gotten all they wanted out of him. With the little that Ernest Scales had, he decided to build a house. Ernest Scales got himself some land and began to build his house.

The pigs have been harassing Ernest for two years, ever since he came off the "Chain Gang." Because the prisons couldn't have a complete victory of the brother the pigs are attempting to drive him back to prison. But what the pigs don't realize is that the "spirit of the people is greater than the man's technology." Nothing in the universe can halt the surge of the people as they step forth in the quest for freedom.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
OFF THE PIG  
Nelson Malloy

## COMMUNITY PIG PRECINCT FIRE-BOMBED IN WINSTON,SALEM



The Winston-Salem pig precinct left shattered after being fire-bombed.

On Wednesday, August 18, the trailer housing a model city pig precinct station was fire-bombed and utterly destroyed by some revolutionary or revolutionaries from the Black community of Winston-

Salem. Earlier during the week the same trailer was shot up. At this time the Winston-Salem pig department has not arrested anyone for a job very well done. The pig department has no evidence

WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA

## TUCKER'S RAIDERS SHOOT, BEAT AND MURDER LAWRENCE HARRIS A MENTALLY DISTURBED BLACK MAN

Lawrence Harris, age 72, was said to have been a mentally disturbed person every since his childhood. The system has many institutions set up throughout Babylon for people like Mr. Harris. They are called insane

allow him to return home. Some times the people that knew Mr. Harris were able to talk him into going back home and putting his weapon up. Most of the time, pigs would take Mr. Harris' gun and bring him back home.

tear gas. Finally the gun battle was over and the wounded were taken to the hospital. On the way to the hospital, people from the community said that racist ambulance attendants were beating Mr. Harris in the head.



They came - 35 carloads of them - but one shotgun blast was enough to make the pigs run for cover, until they could commit their cowardly murder of a 72-year old man.

asylums. Mr. Harris had been admitted to one such hellhole called Cherry Hill, on a number of occasions. Because the type of society that we live in is designed to dehumanize Black people from the time they fall from their mothers' womb, we can see the affliction that had weighed heavily upon the shoulders of Mr. Harris for so many years. The degradation of a human being in the form Lawrence Harris emerged as the product of this decadent society. On that morning, not fully realizing what had happened to him, Mr. Harris acted like a man possessed with the never ending desire to protect himself against an attacking enemy and free himself from his tormentors.

On numerous occasions, Mr. Harris would walk the streets of the community in which he lived, brandishing a rifle or a shotgun. The people would call the pigs and they would take his weapon away from him and

They were probably hoping the brother would kill a nigger in the community during one of his moments of rage.

On August 20, 1970, Lawrence Harris defended his home against fascist pigs. Between 7:30am and 9:00am, Thursday morning Mr. Harris and Mrs. Douglass another occupant of the house at 2309 Booker St., were wounded along with two pigs, L.A. Stoakely and R.U. Lloyd.

Pig Stoakely bit the dust and oinked his last oink, lying in the street bleeding from his head and chest. He oinked to the people. "Please call me an ambulance." The people ignored him because they couldn't interpret the oink or relate to it. On the fateful morning 35 cars of pigs converged upon the home of Mr. Harris and tried to arrest him after receiving a complaint. Immediately two pigs were shot as they approached the house. The pigs fired a barrage of shots into the house along with

Shortly after Mr. Harris arrived at the hospital he died. The people believe that the attendants killed him, as they carried him to a hospital 9-10 miles away from the incident, instead of to the hospital right in the Black Colony, which is only about a mile away.

They called him mentally disturbed, insane, crazy nigger; but we can only see him in the true light of reality - a madman who never forgot who the real enemy is and finally decided to end his misery and kill his tormentor.

Unfortunately, only one pig was killed and the brother is dead. But everyone should take the example set by Mr. Harris, who had nothing more than a single-shot 12 guage. He dealt righteously using what he had to get what he needed.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS  
Nelson Malloy  
Winston-Salem N.C.C.F.

or leads whatsoever as to who committed the revolutionary act, but we know that it is only a matter of time before these foul depraved traducers invent some so-called evidence and begin to run amuck and just start snatching niggers off the street to make someone be the scapegoat for this revolutionary act.

The pigs have already begun their frame-up by putting their bootlicking nigger lackeys into the Kimberly Park Community telling people that they know that the local organizing bureau of the Black Panther Party did the fire-bombing and the shooting and that they are going to make us pay for it. Our position on this is very clear and simple and that whoever committed this revolutionary act did a beautiful thing and ESCAPED! So we say right on!

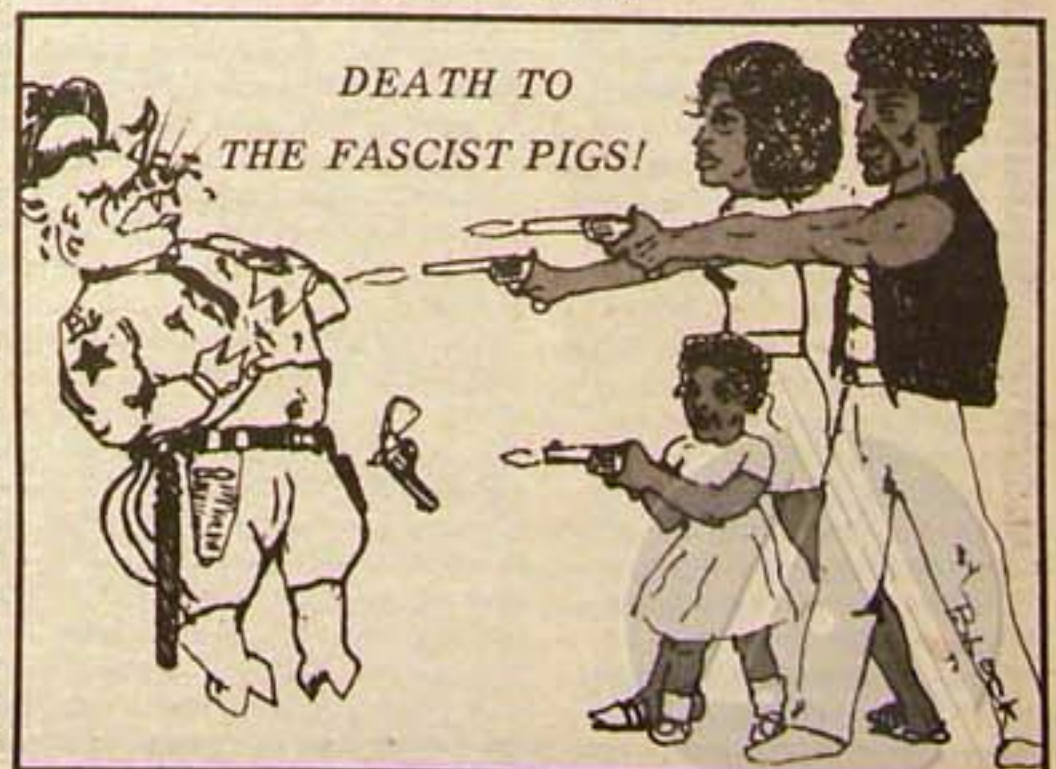
We in the N.C.C.F. would like to inform the pigs of the power structure in Winston-Salem and also the Uncle Tom bootlicking lackeys from the Model "Pig" City Poverty Program that we know that you can very easily put up another trailer or office building in the Black community to house

the so-called Community Police Precinct but remember that it will most definitely meet the same fate but only the next time some pigs and nigger lackeys will be destroyed with the trailers. Because we are sure that there are enough "together" brothers and sisters around who are prepared to struggle to the bitter sweet end to see to it that the racist dog

policemen withdraw immediately from our Black community and that our stand for the complete emancipation of our Black people is not compromised one iota!

DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS!  
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

N.C.C.F., Winston-Salem  
Larry





# TO MUCH VILLIFICATION MEANS PIG CONSPIRACY

Our party has been struggling since 1966, and many of us longer than that, and one of the most essential things we have learned from our many historical experiences, is to be alert, and pay close attention to the many methods of villification against us and our struggle by the pigs. We understand very clearly that the power that determines what will be rests in the expressions of the people. Understanding this we know that whenever the pigs of the power structure prepare to move against the people's liberation forces, they go to extreme measures to villify those forces to make the liberation struggle look criminal, and to possibly receive a pat on the back from the people after they attack the liberation forces.

In the Black colony of Chicago, Ill. Territory of Babylon, the pigs via their fascist lying new media have released countless news articles and random information about alleged plots and plans of conspiracy to murder, kidnap, and destroy by the Illinois chapter of the Black Panther Party. First of all we were suppose to kill a pig every week! secondly, we were suppose to retaliate in a reactionary manner for the death of our Deputy Chairman Fred Hampton, and Mark Clark. Thirdly, among this reactionary retaliation was a plot to blow up railroad tracks. A plot which was further personified when the pig forces murdered and

mutilated our comrade Babatunde X. Omawali and then placed his body on some railroad tracks (undamaged railroad tracks); fourthly, the most recent plot, is for us to kidnap a federal judge. From reading the pig news releases one would think that the pigs are aware of all the Party's plans, in fact it appears that pigs have even stepped forward and created these erroneous, stupid and villifying plans. Essentially we in the party say damn whatever the pigs write or say, but we must make the masses of oppressed people whom we serve aware of what the pigs are doing and planning. By villifying us (lying and making us look bad), the pigs hope to isolate us from the people, and then to eliminate us period. However the Black Panther Party through our work will continue to expose our enemy for exactly what they are--pigs.

The pigs understand that our purpose as revolutionaries is to make revolution and that with the structure of this society run they, the pigs are our enemies. We endorse and support people attacking the fascist pigs of babylon, because it is a fact that the pigs represent a special elite body of armed men, and their specific job is to protect the lives-property and other interest for the capitalist ruling class oppressors. The pigs setting our general line which is calling for their death, which is calling for people's revolution to overthrow oppressive institutions of capitalism, have attempted to consture

our general line as part of our specific plan of action. By employing bootlicking traitors and opportunist liars, they develop wild imaginary plans which show through the ignorance of the plans that the Black Panther Party had nothing to do with it. It is a fact that we could as a people, aggress against the pigs and bring all hell down on fascist babylon, however this will happen as soon as the oppressed people decide to do it and not before. A look around the country, the world, and we see oppressed people whom many thought had "no" political ideology or concern, taking up the gun and killing pigs. The reasons they are doing this, is because they have no other choice. And right now in Babylon the fascist pigs in their attempts to stop the freedom struggle of oppressed people is enacting a design by which the only method left for the people to obtain liberation is to kill the pigs. This will happen, and it will happen soon. However it is necessary still for us to combat the wild lies of villification which appear in the pigs news media, so that the pigs won't confuse people, isolate us and eliminate us.

WE ENDORSE DEATH TO THE PIGS, LET IT COME SWIFTLY WITH THE LIBERATION

Monk Teba

# ONCE AGAIN THE GUN, THE TOOL OF LIBERATION SPOKE ALOUD FROM AMIDST

Once again the gun, the tool of liberation, spoke aloud from amidst the oppressed masses of Chicago, and once again a fascist pig caught occupying our community fell. This time a pig named Alfano who was known to most as a brutal bull, and a member of the fascist Chicago Gang Intelligence Unit, which has sworn to eliminate the so-called gang problem, even if it means eliminating Black people. The Gang Intelligence Unit has a history of brutalizing and murdering Black people, they are responsible for supplying the state with (false witnesses), phony information and other types of internal pig conspiracies by which they help railroad the Black youth into jail.

Pig Alfano was shot in a neighborhood which the Black P. Stone Nation is located. Immediately after, the pigs began to arrest members of the Stones in mass. Over 20 people were arrested and charged with various minor charges, initially as a smokescreen to cover up the mass detention, harassment and the subsequent trials of the arrested victims. This particular neighborhood is known most for its internal reactionary violence, however, with the proper political ideology directed at the oppressor, people are starting to revert from internal reactionary violence to revolutionary violence, by picking up the gun. Revolutionary violence is a type of phenomenon which the pigs are

trying to stop, and substitute it with reactionary violence. The Gang Intelligence Unit has been known to start reactionary violence by spreading rumors from one gang to another, by picking up members of a rival gang and disposing of them at the headquarters of another gang, shooting people and blaming it on the gang. Whenever a violent internal situation developed in the Black colony, the oppressor had full control, and would exercise his control to remove Black people from the street, by charging them with whatever crime committed. However, when the youth resorts to revolutionary violence directed at the oppressor, the oppressor is no longer his controller, because he is now the controlled.

The pigs have clearly declared war on the revolutionary Black youth and the Black community in general. It's time for Black people, the attacked and oppressed members of the lumpen community, to turn our guns on the oppressor and begin to kill more of them.

TAKING UP GUNS AND FIGHTING BACK IS THE ONLY THING THAT WE CAN DO. The pigs charge that a conspiracy was designed by the Stones in which they allegedly planned to kill some pigs to outdo the revolutionary act carried out by Jonathan Jackson, William Christmas, James McClain, and Ruchell Magee. We know through observation that the pigs are clearly lunatics, because what

those revolutionary brothers did, was commit revolutionary acts, based on the principle of liberty or death. So we say that this is ideal courage, and we support this type of action against the oppressor. We endorse it and we know it will continue because this is the only way we can obtain our freedom. The pigs of the power structure claim they will attack the Black community in retaliation, but this doesn't upset the people, because we have been under constant attack ever since we have been in Babylon. However, if the pigs are stupid enough to think that our community is passive and meek and will allow them to simply slaughter us, without our fighting back, without killing them, then we must serve this warning. WE ARE OVER 30,000 STRONG, UNAFRAID OF DEATH AND WITH THE COURAGE TO KILL. If the pigs attack the Black community, we the Black kamikazi, in the spirit of liberation and the courage of revolutionary suicide will send mighty Babylon (America) sinking into the sea.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

BRING MORE AND MORE DEATH TO THE PIGS, AND SPIRIT OF LIBERATION!

BLACK PANTHER PARTY  
Chicago Chapter  
Monk Teba



WE DO NOT REQUIRE THEM TO  
DIE HAPPY, AS LONG  
AS THEY REALLY DIE DEAD



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Star 434  
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PH. THOMAS J.  
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Killed - Mar. 3, 1970

PH. MELVIN  
BROWN

10th District  
Star 12360  
Killed - June 3, 1970



Det.  
JAMES A.  
ALFANO, Jr.  
Gang Intelligence  
Unit  
Star 4707  
Killed - Aug. 13,  
1970

PH. Kenneth G.  
KANER

7th District  
Star 2662  
Killed - June 18, 1970

Sgt. JAMES  
SEVERIN

Task Force Area 8  
Star 1319  
Killed - July 17, 1970

PH. Anthony  
RIZZATO

Task Force Area 8  
Star 12407  
Killed - July 17, 1970

WHERE HAVE ALL THE FLOWERS GONE? WHERE HAVE ALL THE FLOWERS GONE? GONE TO GRAVEYARDS EVERYONE.

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## SCHOOL DESEGREGATION IN THE SOUTH

# "LET US NOT BE FOOLED INTO BELIEVING THAT THIS MAN IS DEALING IN OUR FAVOR"

We all know from our historical experience that this government has never given Black people anything out of the kindness of his heart. We know that anytime they, (the power structure) approves something we had better, for our own safety, oppose it.

This historical truth holds true with the school desegregation in the South. We find that for some strange reason the Nixon Administration in the Southern parts of racist America, that part of Babylon that has exploited Black people not just because it is economically good for them to do so, but simply because we are who we are, Black descendants of slaves. In the midst of the most overt racism ever implemented in this country, where Blacks have been and still are being lynched, where Black people still work in chattel slavery (share cropping) this man has said let niggers go to school with crackers—let integration come.

That's what it amounts too, now to really see why the low down deceitful fools are coming out the way they are, as I pointed out from the start, he is doing us no favor like some of the bootlicking fools will want us to believe. Some fools like the ones who belong to the N.A.A.C.P. (National Association for the Advancement of Caucasian People) so-called liberals and all these mad dogs will say this is a good thing that the power structure is doing. They are trying to make us see where this is the best thing that has ever happened to us here in the South. They want us to believe this game that the administration is running on us. But they don't fool us for a minute.

Although it seems that this is the best thing because we have local all White racist buffons school boards who oppose these desegregation plans put forth by the higher buffoons in Washington. Let us not be fooled again. It is true that these two different sets of buffoons are at each others throats but neither means us any good.

The local fools don't want these plans implemented because they are simply racist (and we here in the South know all about that), and they are still going off on ego trips about that superiority jive.

The fools in Washington got a whole new maneuver in mind for us. They have a national perspective on things and these conniving

dogs of the earth see that niggers are getting themselves together all over the country. They see the danger in having an all Black school in the middle of an all Black neighborhood. We just might decide to take it over and give our people an education that exposes the truth of this decadent American society. So these masters of tricknology and deceit, seeing this danger, have decided all of a sudden, after years and years of court suits to let niggers go to school with White folks in the South. Now we will be split up and we will no longer have the strong hold that we would have in our own community. That's one angle of the napes in Washington. The other is this: These nuts in Washington also have an international concern that the local nuts don't have because of their Southern localized mentality. This trick started with the traducer Kennedy. Realizing that the world now has its eyes on them the fools in Washington see a necessity to throw up a camouflage. So just like Kennedy did with the Civil Rights Movement, because the eyes of the world were on him, they think that they can use that same trick, not just to pacify some of the bootlicking fools but also to make it seem as if they are dealing with the domestic problems. They try to cover up the fact that they are perpetrating systematic genocide on us.

Let us not be fooled into believing that this man is dealing in our favor. He NEVER has. He NEVER will. We have nothing to gain by leaving our community and going to his racist school each day for the sake of intergration. Let us say here in the South now that we know our strength and we are going to use it. Let us vow that this school year when they bus us to their neighborhood to schools that are miles and miles from the safety of our neighborhoods that those of us who remain in the community will righteously deal with the racism that will be coming to our neighborhoods. Let us move to take our schools back and when the pigs come to our community, NIGGERS pick up your guns.

PUT THE PIGS ON THE RUN AND OUR PATH TO FREEDOM WILL HAVE BEGUN.

N.C.C.F., Winston-Salem, N.C.  
Hazel

## DENVER, COLORADO

# TERRORIST PIGS BRUTALIZE AND JAIL BLACK COUPLE

On Saturday, August 1, 1970 at about 2:00 p.m., Peggy Futrell age 22 and Marvin Futrell, 27 (a Black brother who had been on parole from Canon City State Pig Pen for about 6 weeks) were having a family dispute at their home at 1614 E. 32nd Avenue, when 2 killer pigs cops arrived at their home and without delay, ran in to the backyard, immediately grabbed Peggy and started dragging her through the alley. One of the pigs pushed her against the apartment building and when she slid down on the ground the pig kicked her in the breast and side.

Marvin could not stand by and witness his wife being cruelly brutalized by this pig any longer, therefore, he picked her up and took her in their apartment.

After Marvin and Peggy were in their bedroom along with their 2 year old twins, Marvin and Marveta, approximately 12 greasy pigs immediately rushed in without a search warrant, tear gassed their home, started beating and clubbing Marvin, while pulling his hair out acting like animals. They handcuffed Peggy and Marvin and drug Peggy outside barefooted, after tearing her clothes. They also pulled Marvin outside by his hair, and put him and his wife into two different pig mobiles.

At least 14 pig cars were in the area and about a hundred Black people were shouting names and witnessing the pigs inhumane treatment and the unjust kidnapping of Marvin and Peggy from their home. The pigs showed that they had no regard whatsoever for human life when they left the two year old twins, Marvin and Marveta, alone in the tear gas infested apartment with no one to take care of them. Marvin was brutally beaten and clubbed on his neck, face and ribs enroute to the local pig station on Colorado Blvd.

After they took Marvin to the local pig station they pulled him out of the car threw him up against the building and 5 pigs began to sadistically beat him again. One pig was allegedly off duty and had changed clothes but he jumped in like it was a free "Kill the nigger", game. Marvin and Peggy were jailed at a newly built pig substation, precinct #2974, District 3 on Colorado Boulevard in the middle of the Black community. Peggy was thrown in the same dungeon with her husband after a pig guard had slammed

the cell door on her foot and chained her arms and feet, just as Black people have been shackled as slaves, brutalized, jailed and murdered for over 400 years by racist dog oppressors who profess that a "Black man has no rights that a white man is bound to respect..."

Some neighbors, friends and other concerned people came down to the pig station where Marvin and Peggy were being held. The people asked a pig sergeant if the couple were being held at the station. The pig lied and said they were downtown at the city jail. At this time Marvin was heard kicking on the cell door and mumbling in his attempts to tell them about his badly injured



Marvin and Peggy Futrell and their twins Marvin and Marveta.

eye. When the people asked the pig sergeant why it was necessary for the police to brutalize Peggy and Marvin the way they did, the pig twisted his snort and oinked "what were the officers supposed to do, they had to defend themselves." The people clearly realized that a pig is truly a low natured beast that has no regard for law, justice, or the rights of people; a foul depraved traducer, usually masquerading as the victim of an unprovoked attack."

The pig sergeant blatantly lied again when he told the people that Peggy had refused to see a doctor and later oinked to the people that Peggy wouldn't be allowed to see a doctor until Monday, August 3rd.

While transferring Marvin to the city jail, Denver's finest blue shirt sadists brutalized him again in their usual gestapo fashion.

His wife was also transferred to the city jail. Marvin while in the city jail asked a pig guard to see a doctor because he thought he was losing his sight, but the pig refused to get him a doctor and told him that he would be alright. The pig matrons refused to give Peggy any clothes while in the city jail and oinked that she couldn't see a doctor until Monday morning, August 3rd. Peggy and Marvin were both charged with the same trumped up charges:

1. Resisting arrest; 2. Interference with the duties of a law enforcement officer; 3. Destruction of public property; 4. Destruction of private property; 5. Under the influence of alcoholic beverages; 6. Filthy language; and 7. Disturbance of the peace.

The fascist pigs who savagely violated the human rights of Peggy and Marvin Futrell have no rights to unjustly charge oppressed people of anything because the racist oppressor has no rights that Black people and other oppressed people are bound to respect.

Black people should not respect laws and rules that do not serve us! Therefore, the "no knock" laws, including the constitution should be rewritten or abolished

through the blood of the oppressor.

Whenever anyone in the uniform of a pig policemen or anyone for that matter enters our homes in a violent manner doing bodily harm to our family, friends, and loved ones, we should relate to the first law of humanity "survival", and therefore draw the line of demarcation at the threshold of our doors with arms and force. The injustice and brutality of Black people by pig policemen can only be stopped by Black people armed for self-defense who refuse to allow fascist pigs to deny us our long overdue unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS!

N.C.C.F.—Denver, Colorado  
Information Cadre

## Death To the Fascist Pigs



## SOUTH BALTIMORE SLUMLORDS

From the very beginning of our people's forced bondage into this racist hell hole, properly called "Babylon", our people have been herded like cattle into various dwellings from caves, to tents, log cabins on down to sad and slay board huts. Although given different names they all added up to the same grand total, indecent housing.

For more than 40 years our people have been victims of the pigish slumlords of South Baltimore which have disregarded the right who have disregarded the right to a high standard of living. A good example of this avaricious action is, Mrs. Redd of 1019 Leadenhall Street, who has complained about the holes in the roof, and her seven

room house that has only one plug—a wall socket that is located in the living room. Because of this she has to run a long line of extension cords through her three story house. The light sockets in two rooms of the house are not in use because of shortages

in the wiring. The electrician from the Gas and Electric Company said that she would have to call her slumlord and have him send an electrician of his choice to fix the wiring because if he did it he'd have to charge her more than normal service charge for just investigating.

She had made numerous complaints to her slumlord, Sam Belowitz and his lap dog son, who handles all his business. This racist slumlord said he couldn't un-

derstand her because he claims to be slightly deaf.

She was told to talk to his low lived son, when she did, all she got out of him was loud oinking rhetoric. He said he couldn't do anything about it because this is his father's house, even though he handles the business.

After many years of exploiting our people and robbing them of their pennies, these pigs have closed their ears to the loud cry of the masses. Babylon is perpetrated by these racist slumlords. We must put an end to the robbery by capitalists of our community. We must put an end to indecent housing unfit for the shelter of human beings.

BLACK PANTHER PARTY  
Baltimore Chapter  
Patty



# HUEY

## NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

PRESS CONFERENCE, August 22, 1970

**BIG MAN:** This press conference is to announce a mass demonstration, rally that we are going to hold on the New Haven Green, starting Tuesday, August 25. This is in relationship to the ending of the trial of Lonnie McLucas. The trial will end Tuesday, August 25, and we'll hold a mass rally and demonstration and a vigil until the jury comes to a verdict. You can ask your questions then. We have the Minister of Defense, Supreme Commander, the leader of our Party here. He'll respond to your questions.

**HUEY:** First, I'd like to say it is very important that the community comes out and support the rally, because only with the power of the people, are we able to achieve justice or to receive justice. The only reason that the courts made a concession in my case, reversed my case, and let me out on bail is because of the power of the people. It's not because of the justice of the court. So, we're calling for the community to support all political prisoners and prisoners of war. At this time, the racist, reactionary government is about to commit a legal lynching on Lonnie McLucas and the New Haven 9, and we are asking the community to come and issue a mandate against this. We were informed by McLucas that he was offered a deal by the District Attorney. Whenever there is a serious case against a person, where there's really substantial evidence, no deal is offered. McLucas was offered a sentence of 15-20 years with a guarantee he would be out in 8. They offered him this only if he would testify against everyone else, including our Chairman Bobby Seale, Landon Williams and Ericka Huggins because these are the people they really want--Ericka Huggins, Landon Williams, and the Chairman Bobby Seale. So, they're willing to make any sort of deal because they know that they don't have any evidence on anyone because everyone is innocent. But if they could use that old tactic of divide and conquer, then they would simply try to divide our Party members against each other, and pay them off, and have a legal lynching based upon some testimony coming from one of our comrades. But, of course, none of the Party members will go for this. The only ones who are agents will go for it, such as Sams who is the only murderer and who's already accepted the deal. But we think that what has happened is that the F.B.I. used Sams as an agent and then dumped him. They have a history of doing this and they will do it again, it seems.

The rally will be at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 25, and we're asking everyone to stay until the verdict comes in. The jury goes out Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning. We're ask-



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ing everyone to stay until the end and to mobilize the community against this legal lynching.

We're very concerned about what's happening now in America as far as the persecution of prisoners of war. The revolutionary movement is reaching a very decisive level. We're demanding that the powers that be in this country follow the Geneva agreement relating to prisoners of war. They have no right to inflict any punishment on a prisoner of war. They are required to keep him until we negotiate for his release, and they have no right to brutalize him and they surely have no right to murder him. If they try to do this, the people can only take appropriate actions and we're convinced that we will only get justice when the people start acting in a revolutionary manner. I think it's unnecessary to go into exactly what the tactics should be. I think our actions should speak for themselves. If we're really going to take some real revolutionary actions we don't have to talk about them. The Panthers have a maxim and it says: "To say what I want to say, I can't do what I want to do and to do what I want to do, I can't say what I want to say." So, just observe my actions and you'll know what I want to say. So, we'll observe this maxim and, in the very near future, you'll see some very revolutionary action. But this will happen only if we can mobilize the community behind us. So I emphasize this, not to be redundant, but just to impress upon you the absolute necessity to educate the community. In spite of the revolutionary action we, the vanguard group, take, it is still necessary to educate the community by any means necessary. This includes using tactics which may appear reformist but which in fact are not. I say they're not reformist because any action taken in the community, that won't impede the future revolutionary goal is appropriate action--whether it is a Medical Program or a Child Care Center, or whatever. Whatever the community needs, we should be there to serve them. Serve the people!

**PRESS:** What's going to happen if McLucas is found guilty? Do you have any plans?

**HUEY:** First thing, we want the people who are there to issue the mandate against this conviction. We don't think he is going to be convicted because there's no evidence against him. If injustice is done, we will take measures to correct this and institute justice, re-

volutionary justice. As I said before, I don't think that it's necessary to discuss tactics, especially if these tactics might be military tactics. If we have to engage in military tactics, it won't be for political reasons because we're not playing any games. We want our comrades free and we want all political prisoners set free as well as prisoners of war.

**PRESS:** Would you answer a question I think a lot of White people have had? They say that somebody, Alex Rackley, has been shot and they feel that there should have been an arrest of at least someone in connection with the killing; and a trial. How do you feel about that?

**HUEY:** In the first place I don't endorse the reactionary racist courts. I don't think they should deal with any of the people, because they haven't earned that right. I think that the community should make rules to revolutionize its judicial system and handle its own problem. The community's problem is the judicial system. It is the judicial system that is the problem, not the people, just as the prison problem is not the prisoner. The real problem is the prison authorities. The prison administration needs to be separated and isolated for their racism and their reactionary attitudes. We contend that the prisons are not rehabilitation centers; they are concentration camps where racism is practiced and encouraged by the prison administration. They use the lack of social consciousness of the prisoners to institute this racism so you have race wars inside the prisons. I think this kind of thing is ending now because prisoners are more and more taking action against the real enemy. As far as this particular case, where Rackley was killed, he certainly should not have been killed. He was a member of the Black Panther Party in good standing. George Sams is guilty of murder. I think George Sams should be dealt with; he should have to stand before a revolutionary court. I don't even wish the reactionary racist courts upon George Sams. It hasn't improved him. He's been in and out of penitentiaries all his life. He has spent most of his life between going to mental institutions and prisons. As far as I'm concerned, George Sams is a madman and true revolutionary justice in his case would be putting him in a therapeutic environment. The only problem is that we don't have a therapeutic environment in the world today because of United States imperialism--bureaucratic capitalism at home and imperialism abroad. So what we have to do is move in such a fashion that we'll transform this society and therefore transform the world, and then we'll have a society where we can help madmen and where we could really develop all human beings to their highest level.

**PRESS:** Do you have a revolutionary  
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## SAN QUENTIN PRISON

"We wish nothing more than to re-enter the Black community and take up our rightful role as Black men and warriors, helping to establish freedom for our people."

August 5, 1970

There was a big clamor over the "Tiger Cages" of Con Son not too far back. Congressmen had inspected the prison camp on the island off the coast of South Vietnam and declared it a dungeon with human conditions. There was a big furor which followed, the American press and citizens wept and cried for correction of the situation. The great humanitarian public brought about a change almost over night.

Well my fellow humanitarians there are "Tiger Cages" right in your own back yard. If you travel across the Golden Gate Bridge north to San Rafael and take the San Quentin cutoff, you will see one of America's oldest symbols of oppression.

The entire prison is a glaring example of medieval torture in the familiar style of the Bathgate and the Bastille. Though the whole prison is funky, filthy and nasty, one particular area completely outdoes anything imaginable by the most warped mind. The southwest housing unit contains "A" and "B" section. These are the two places a man is sent if he has committed a minor infraction of the many and diverse, petty rules or breaks one of the guards personal regulations promulgated usually on the spot at his whim or fancy and depending of whatever mood he happens to be in.

"A" Section is a semi-isolation unit where inmates are only allowed four and one half hours on the yard a week with no chance of exercise. In that time one must take care of whatever business he wishes to conduct; canteen, library, household, receiving education dept., inmate activity council, etc. since the only means of communication is by talking, or if the distance is too far, shouting, from cell to cell and teir to teir. This results in twenty-four hour, non-stop screeching, screaming and shouting, the noise is deafening. It is as if your head were placed in a bell inside an echo chamber and the bell was beaten continuously. One conversation would not be bad, but each teir contains fifty, two man cells and there are five teirs. Rapid calculation will give an idea of the noise. There is a constant assault of the eardrums the whole time a man is incaged here.

There are homo-sexuals and psychopaths on the fifth teir and they discuss their various perversions and sexual fantasies constantly. Many of these men should be in one of the many mental institutions the California taxpayer supports, but instead they are placed in prison, probably purposely by prison officials to add to the psychological torture that is part of San Quentin's rehabilitation program.

One of these men had an epileptic seizure the other day; the rest of the inmates tried for one solid hour by banging the bars, throwing burning paper and anything they could, to try and summon the sadistic guards, to come to his aid, he finally came out the seizure by himself still with no word or help from the apathetic guards. One of the biggest fears a man behind these bars has is, the death that can result from the need of emergency medical attention. But to keep one's sanity the thought is pushed back in your mind.

# EULOGY TO THREE MURDERED REVOLUTIONARIES

Headline--"Three Cons Make Fatal Attempt to Escape." This headline and that thinking has flashed across the San Francisco Bay area and the world. Once again the cause of the Blackman has been misconstrued by the White racist and monopoly owned news media. The American people have been lied to most effectively by a disreputable press and Black revolutionaries have been degraded.

We brothers of San Quentin and freedom fighters around the world however, know the truth about what happened. After years of analyzing news accounts and actual conditions we have learned that the F.B.I. and C.I.A. controlled news does not let anything become public which is detrimental to the long existing fascist regime here in the U.S.A.

Those three brothers the other day were making a strike for freedom. They realized that it is impossible to receive justice at the hands of a racist court. They knew after serving many years in the confines of California prisons that it was hopeless for a Black man to remain a man and still expect any consideration from a fascist and racist adult authority. Black people and all clear thinking individuals must not be fooled by newspaper and radio renditions of those brothers and their action. They were in prison because, like so many others before and since, knew that one must in this

society of dog eat dog take hold and seize their own destinies with force if necessary. Those beloved and courageous brothers picked up the gun in order to liberate themselves and others from a hell hole worst than death.

San Quentin, like prisons through out capitalist America, exist to enhance the power structure; they function to fatten the pockets of politicians and greedy prison officials and as a blanket intimidation to stifle the brave thrust of revolutionaries in trying to overthrow a corrupt super-rich ruling class.

Black and revolutionary inclined men, women and children should cheer those brothers for their attempt at freedom. They should be held as revolutionary martyrs and heroes because they have given up their lives so that others could see the foul conditions which Black men have to live under.

The propagandized press have taken it upon themselves to put that dog judge Haley up as the hero, to extol his accomplishments, at the expense of our revolutionary brothers. If we were to examine his record we would probably find that he is responsible for thousands of broken homes and hundreds of fatherless children because of his position as municipal and superior court judge, hovering over the freedom of poor and oppressed people who have come before his court looking

The inmates in "A" section are allowed to shower twice a week--five minutes per man--and no matter what the weather we must leave our cell dressed only in whites, (tee shirt and shorts) the reason supposedly is so that we can change after the shower, a laugh, ninety-five percent of the time there is no clean whites so after taking the five minute shower we must put on the same dirty clothes worn all week.

There is no hot water in the cells, hot water is delivered by the teir tender only when he feels like it and if we have something to put the water in. If we used to care anything about our personal hygiene, cold water is the only out. After months and months of this however one chooses to remain funky rather than risk pneumonia. If we had any good health habits on the street, they are soon smothered in here.

"B" section or the "hole" is a step down from "A", no soap, no toothpaste, showers rarely, and the guards are recruited especially for their sadistic tendencies. They do all they can to fan racial flareups so it will give them a chance to prove their manhood by firing into a mass of confined people. A few weeks ago there was a fight between Whites and Blacks which had been brewing out of small incidents all week, then escalated into a full fledged riot. The guard emptied his winchester into the yard, then his revolver and finally it was broken up. Luckily only one person was wounded in the leg. When a directive came from the warden to cut down on the number of shots fired into groups of prisoners, to show the brutal nature of the pigs they were talking of striking because they could not use their weapons at will.

The inmates of "B" section is virtually cut off from all types of communication therefore vulnerable to any type of physical attack by the inhumane and fascist pigs. The guards know that there will be no retaliation because the man is a "convict" therefore he has no human rights.

The Blacks are treated partic-

for justice. Do not be fooled by this attempted trick. They have made it a point to blow out of proportion a false criminal nature of these brothers and not exposing what is really behind their action. Even associal warden Parks exposed his fascist hand by slandering the brothers, calling them "vicious" and "hate filled". He has tried to deny the revolutionary ideals from a question put to him by a newsman concerning the brothers statement of being revolutionaries. This shows how warped the mind of a fascist pig thinks. This brings to light the racist nature of prison authorities who will stoop to character assassination in order to prolong their own rule over a empire of legalized slavery and corruption.

Any man who tries to gain his freedom from San Quentin by whatever means available to him should be considered nothing else but a brave man and a lover of freedom, for he has taken steps which other are scared to make. It is foul conditions that those three brave Black brothers lived under, they have been misused, mislead, and tortured at the hands of racist prison authorities and taunted by the fascist representatives of Reagan, the adult authority.

Their move was justified by historic precedents of men before them who have tried to gain their freedom from oppressive forces.

The attempt at freedom was an attempt for all Black men, their murder is the murder of all oppressed people trying to throw off the bonds of imperialism and their blood running in the streets of Marin county is our blood flowing through the streets of every city and county of imperialist America where men have stood up to fight this avaricious beast who has been sucking the blood of impoverished and economically exploited people all over the globe.

Three slaughtered Black brothers we have heard your cry for freedom. Revolutionary Black men we have felt your pain of gunshot wounds inflicted by the cannibalistic gestapo. You have not died in vain because by your death our eyes have been opened. Your last breath in a racist atmosphere has been another breath for freedom. The destruction of your beautiful Black bodies have become the creation of hundred of revolutionist who will step in your place and carry on the struggle until every fascist swine is wiped from the face of the earth. Rest easy Black brothers the fight is ours now, it will continue and intensify either until we are all murdered or victory is won.

PEACE TO THE BROTHERS  
DEATH TO THE PIGS  
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WE WILL FIGHT WITHIN THE PRISON WALLS UNTIL WE ARE MURDERED OR VICTORY OF THE PEOPLE IS WON!

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## NEW HAVEN CONN. HUEY'S PRESS CONFERENCE

court system now, other than the Central Committee, that would handle this sort of situation?

**HUEY:** At this point, we can't really talk about any revolutionary institutions. We can talk about a process that is in the making. We have a provisional revolutionary judicial system which we realize can't function to its greatest capacity, because you can't have isolated pockets of human treatment when, all around you, reaction is pressing in. So, we don't claim to have developed any utopia in our commune system in which we live, or in the Party itself. We have problems because we exist in a backwards society. So we know our chief task at this point is to transform the society. It's not simply to erect justy institutions because it's impossible to do that either in this country or in the world as a whole today until reaction, and that consists of the 76 companies that as a whole today until reaction, and that consists of the 76 companies that control the world, is killed once and for all.

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## THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY'S POSITION ON THE MURDER OF ALEX RACKLEY



Alex Rackley  
murdered by fascist pigs

The position that the Black Panther Party takes is that the pigs murdered Alex Rackley. It must be understood that the murder of Alex Rackley and the frame up of Bobby Seale and the entire Connecticut State Chapter of the Black Panther Party as well as Landon Williams and Rory Hithe is a very carefully constructed plot put into action by the F.B.I., C.I.A. and various Justice Department task forces. George Sams and the pigs are responsible for the murder of Alex Rackley. In relationship to this fact, questions arise such as: Why did Judge Mulvey squash the subpoena to get the F.B.I. arrest

records so that the defense could produce evidence as to the police role in the murder of our party member Alex Rackley? Why did Mulvey squash the subpoena for the F.B.I. surveillance records of the New Haven Panther Party office, thus hiding the pigs role in this whole frame-up? The people must see and understand this. The people must also ask why did the pig state's attorney Markle vigorously object to Warren Kimbro testifying to the fact that George Sams was actually a "bodyguard - henchman for Stokely Carmichael."

Sams, and Sams alone, gave the orders to shoot Alex Rackley. Sam terrorized almost everyone in the New Haven Chapter who were young and impressionable so they believed George Sams was correct in the things he did and said because he constantly stated that he was sent out by National Headquarters. The Black Panther Party stated that Alex Rackley was a member in good standing with the Party and we maintain that position. The only persons to assume that he was an informer are George Sams and Warren Kimbro. In the tape recording of Sams' and Kimbro's interrogation of Alex, it is obvious that the man was in pain from the brutalizing treatment Sams had put him through. He would have said anything to put an end to his pain. Alex Rackley was a rank and file Panther so he was not in any party confidential information. Alex Rackley went to New Haven of his own free will and because he wanted to. He was not kidnapped and brought there.

The practice of the Black Panther Party is to expel and to expose through our national newspaper agents, provocateurs, pigs, and counter-revolutionary fools. We are well aware of the fact

that the pig police move on people that the Party expels and denounces in an effort to get them to inform on the Party. The members of the New Haven Chapter were young and they were immature, so they cannot and must not be blamed for what George Sams did or made them do under the threat of death at his hands. These people made and signed statements out of fear and without knowing what these statements meant. The pigs implanted fear in these people by telling them that they were going to get the death penalty, but by making statements they would be let off or get a lesser sentence. It must be clearly understood that the ultimate goal of the pigs is to murder Bobby Seale in the electric chair. Lonnie McClucas did not engineer this frame-up nor did he give the orders to murder Alex Rackley; George Sams did.

As always, our Party is responsible to the masses of poor and oppressed people. The Black Panther Party has to stand in the judgment of the people, because in that period of our Party's development, we allowed a maniac such as George Sams to come into our Party. Sams is a Black tool of a vicious racist pig power structure in their attempt to murder the Chairman of the Party, Bobby Seale. Black people need only to look at history to see how their leaders and organizations are destroyed. Malcolm X stated before his death that he had the best organization for Black people in the Western hemisphere and niggers destroyed it. We will not allow our Party to be destroyed by the pigs!

SEIZE THE TIME!

FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!

National Headquarters  
Black Panther Party

## TWO BROTHERS RIPPED OFF THE STREETS AND JAILED FOR MINDING THEIR OWN BUSINESS

It is a fact well known that countless black people are ripped off the streets of the colony everyday. In most cases they are brutalized and charged. Many times the only crime committed by our brothers and sisters is the crime of minding their own business.

Joe X Gee and Sammy Brouten two lumpen brothers, became the victims of this racist law, and capitalist order. It is the same "law and order" the imperialist rulers of Babylon use to daily oppress people around the world.

It is becoming increasingly clear to the residents of South Baltimore that the pigs are using laws against us that are in violation of our human rights. The right of mankind to simply live peacefully and mind one's own business.

Walking near Charles and Hamburg Sts. on the 4th of July, Joe X Gee and Sammy Brouten were illegally kidnapped off the streets of So. Baltimore. They were not charged with anything, yet they were held in jail overnight. During this time they repeatedly asked why they were being held and what they were charged with. They received no answer.

The morning after their arrest, they were brought in front of the

racist pig magistrate at southern police district and charged with burglary.

There were no witnesses to substantiate this charge presented in court, knowing this, the judge and lackey pigs tried to get the brothers to plead guilty to the charge of rouge and vagabond, a lesser charge, this the brothers did not do.

The pigs failing in this attempt to railroad the brothers should have dropped the charges, but the owner of the store demanded that something be done to keep him from going out of business. He stated that he always is harassed by dope addicts and people who stick him up. He demanded that the judge make an example of the two bloods. The pig who made the initial arrest was not in court, in his place, were two rookies who asked the judge for a postponement so they could get smokehounds (winos and drunks) the judge told the pigs to get a warrant for the smokehounds and arrest them as material witnesses. The trial was postponed until July 10, bail was set at 3,000. Sammy was able to make his bail, Joe was not.

The next six days were a living nightmare for Joe Gee. For six days of his life he half lived and half died. In a hellhole

that is reminiscent of ancient castle dungeons. Upon entering the "N" section of the Baltimore City Jail he was told he was on lockup. Having done nothing to break the rules of the jail, he asked "why lockup?" He was told that several months ago, there was a food strike on the section and as a result the entire section was placed on lockup by the warden.

He was given two paper cups one for food, one for coffee. These had to be used until they fell apart. Meat was served in the palm of his hand on a slice of bread. Countless other dehumanizing acts were inflicted upon him. acts the pigs call rehabilitation.

On Friday, July 10, 1970, when he was brought to trial, the judge called for the owner of the store. Pigs who were in the court tried hard to pass a wine off as the owner of the store. When this failed, the pigs twisted their story and said the trembling shaking wine was their witness. A witness it turns out who did not witness anything. At this point the railroad attempt should have been discontinued, but it was not.

Since the owner was not in court the judge tried to get the pigs to get a warrant for the owner so he could testify against Joe and Sammy. This the pigs refused to do, showing clearly the relationship between the pigs and the avaricious businessman.

Seeing that the tracks were bent and the engine to the train was out of steam, the judge decided to stop playing railroad baron. He reluctantly dismissed the charges.

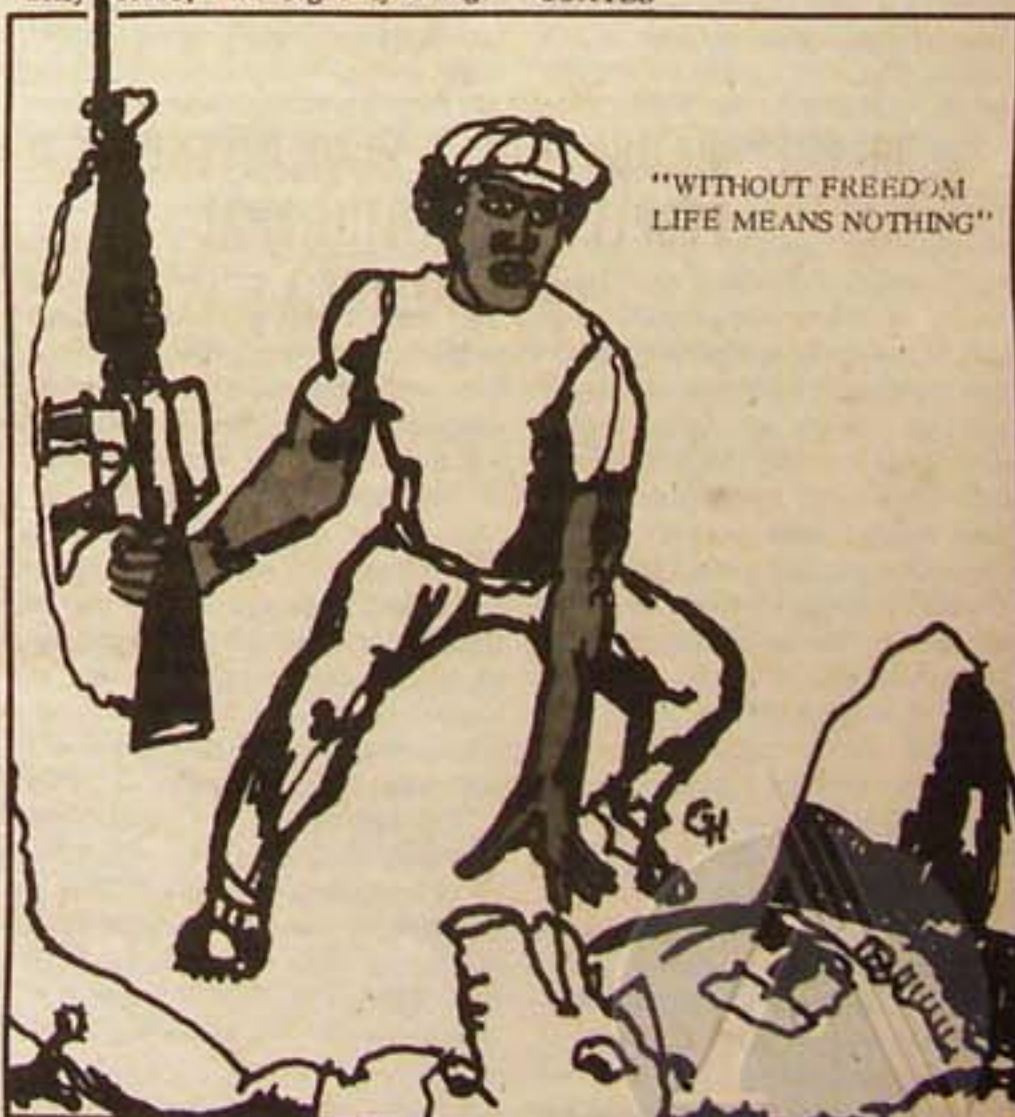
This incident further proves why we believe all black men should

be released from federal, state, city prisons and jails. We know that our black people when taken into the racist courts of this country do not receive fair and impartial trials by their peers. We also know that black people are daily problemized and arrested the same as Joe and Sammy for no more of a criminal act than minding their own business. This problem has all the characteristics of a colonizing sickness, a sickness used to "keep the natives in their place", with the use of mace, billy clubs, and legal lynching.

This colonial sickness can be cured here in Babylon the same as it has been cured in North Korea, Cuba, Algeria and any other places that the carriers of the sickness were forcibly kicked out of.

Black people must eradicate our communities of this sickness. The very ones who perpetuate this sickness in our communities must be annihilated. Death to the fascist pigs. Not only is that all they deserve, but it is all that we need to be free.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
COATES





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.





## BOBBY'S APPEAL



## PART VI

B. THE COURT ERRED IN PROCEEDING AGAINST APPELLANT ON SERIOUS CRIMINAL CONTEMPT CHARGES WITHOUT ACCORDING HIM A JURY TRIAL.

In *Bloom v. Illinois*, supra, the Supreme Court found serious criminal contempt charges indistinguishable from other serious criminal charges in determining the right to trial by jury. Wholly apart from the aggregate term imposed, discussed in II A, supra, there can be no question that the contempt charges in the instant case were serious, and therefore that a jury trial was mandated.

The right to jury trial has traditionally turned on the seriousness of the charges; and seriousness has been defined in terms of the nature of the crime and the consequences of conviction, involving such factors as the stigma attached to conviction and the type of punishment involved. (70) Certainly the actual or potential sentence has always been considered one indication of the seriousness of the crime and can in itself define the crime as sufficiently serious to mandate jury trial. (71) But it is also clear that sentence has been traditionally considered only one indication of seriousness, (72) and that a crime may be serious and require jury trial even where the potential or actual sentence is petty. (73) While the Supreme Court found in *Cheff* and *Bloom* that criminal contempt was not necessarily a serious crime, apart from the sentence imposed, it would appear that certain contempts can and should be treated as serious even where sentences under six months are imposed.

(70) See generally *Frankfurter & Corcoran*, *Petty Federal Offenses and the Constitutional Guarantee of Trial by Jury*, 39 HARV. L. REV. 917, 980-81 (1926);

Broadly speaking, acts were dealt with summarily which did not offend too deeply the moral purposes of the community, which were not too close to society's danger and were stigmatized by punishment relatively light.

(71) See *Bloom* and *Cheff*, supra; *Duncan v. Louisiana*, 391 U.S. 145 (1968).

(72) See, e.g., *Duncan v. Louisiana*, 391 U.S. at 159;

"Crimes carrying possible penalties up to six months do not require a jury trial if they otherwise qualify as petty offenses...."

"(The penalty authorized) is of major relevance in determin-

ing whether it is serious or not and may in itself, if severe enough, subject the trial to the mandates of the Sixth Amendment." (emphasis added)

See also, *District of Columbia v. Clawans*, 300 U.S. 617 (1937). Other traditional tests for seriousness have been whether it was an offense indictable at common law (*District of Columbia v. Colts*, 282 U.S. 63, 73 (1930); *Callan v. Wilson*, 127 U.S. 540, 554-57 (1888)), or an offense that is malum in se (*District of Columbia v. Colts*, supra; *Cheff*, supra, 384 U.S. at 387-90 (dissenting opinion of Mr. Justice Douglas); *Frankfurter and Corcoran*, *Petty Federal Offenses and the Constitutional Guaranty of Trial by Jury*, 39 HARV. L. REV. 917, 980 (1926)). See also *Baldwin v. New York*, 38 U.S.L.Wk. 4554, 4555 n.6, 4556 (1970), decided by the Supreme Court June 22, two days before this Brief was filed.

(73) See *District of Columbia v. Colts*, supra, 282 U.S. at 73, holding a jury trial required where the offense--reckless driving--involved a maximum penalty of \$100 and 30 days;

Whether a given offense is to be classed as a crime, so as to require a jury trial, or as a petty offense, triable summarily without a jury, depends primarily upon the nature of the offense. The offense here charged is not merely malum prohibitum, but in its very nature is malum in se.

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In the instant case there can be no question that appellant was charged with serious crimes. Sixteen different contemptuous acts were charged, each of which allegedly "constituted a deliberate and willful attack upon the administration of justice in an attempt to sabotage the functioning of the federal judicial system." He was accused of misconduct "of so grave a character as to continually disrupt the orderly administration of justice." (TR 5411, 5410) It is clear from the trial judge's reaction throughout trial, from his charges and from the extraordinary four-year term ultimately imposed that he felt appellant was guilty not merely of disobedience or breaches of decorum but of a virtual assault upon the entire administration of justice. Under traditional tests, this charge cannot be classified as a petty offense. (74)

(74) See *Callan v. Wilson*, 127 U.S.

540, 555 (1888), holding that a conspiracy cannot be considered petty. The common law "petty offenses" were of a nuisance nature and did not involve "serious immorality. Classic instances were disorderliness, drunkenness, vagrancy and violations of health, safety, trade, fish and game regulations. See IV BLACKSTONE, COMMENTARIES 279, 281; STEPHEN, A HISTORY OF THE CRIMINAL LAW OF ENGLAND 264-65; *Frankfurter and Corcoran*, supra n. 70, 39 HARV. L. REV. at 983-1019. In every case in which the Supreme Court has held an offense to be triable without a jury in a federal court, it has emphasized the lack of serious immorality associated with the offense. E.g., *District of Columbia v. Clawans*, 300 U.S. 617, 625 (1937) (selling unused railway tickets without a license; "its moral quality is relatively inoffensive"); *Schick v. United States*, 195 U.S. 65 (1904) (sale of unstamped oleomargarine; an offense "not necessarily involving any moral delinquency"). (END OF FOOTNOTE)

C. APPELLANT'S CONDUCT CONSTITUTED AT MOST A SINGLE CONTEMPT AND THE COURT BELOW THUS ERRED IN IMPOSING A SENTENCE IN EXCESS OF SIX MONTHS WITHOUT ACCORDING APPELLANT A JURY TRIAL.

The vitality of *Bloom* can be preserved and the constitutional issues discussed above avoided if this Court determines that appellant's conduct constituted at most a single contempt, since there would then be no question but that appellant was entitled to a jury trial. Whether appellant's conduct, assuming it was all contemptuous, constituted sixteen crimes or only a single offense is a question of statutory construction. *Ladner v. United States*, 358 U.S. 169, 173 (1958), and a trial court cannot alter the substance of a contemnor's action by merely describing it as one or several contempts. (75) In order to decide how many different contempts, if any, appellant committed, this Court must determine what is the "allowable unit of prosecution" under 18 U.S.C. § 401(1). *Bell v. United States*, 349 U.S. 81 (1955)--the facts which, if proven, constitute a single crime. When a series of acts constitute but a single unit of prosecution, even though each one of those acts occurring by itself would have constituted a complete unit of prosecution, that series of acts is denoted a "continuing offense." (76) A statute may define a continuing offense although words such as "course of conduct" do not appear in the provision. (77) Such a single continuing offense may be involved even though the various component acts were charged as separate counts and were subject to proof by different facts. (78)

(75) Thus the federal courts have repeatedly reversed multiple penalties imposed for an act or series of acts which constituted but a single offense. See, e.g., *Heflin v. United States*, 358 U.S. 415 (1959); *Bell v. United States*, 349 U.S. 81 (1955).

(76) There are many such continuing offenses in federal law: assaulting two federal officers with a single shot (18 U.S.C. § 254, *Ladner v. United States*, supra); willfully remaining in the United States after one's alien permit expires. (18 U.S.C. § 1282(c), *United States v. Cores*, 356 U.S. 405 (1958)); transporting several women across state line in a single car for immoral purposes (18 U.S.C. § 2421, *Bell v. United States*, supra); violating a provision of the Fair Labor Standards Act with regard to half dozen different employees (29 U.S.C. §§ 215, 216 (a), *United States v. Universal C.I.T. Credit Corp.*, 344 U.S. 218 (1952)); one conspiracy to commit several crimes (18 U.S.C. § 88, *Braver-*

*man v. United States*, 317 U.S. 49 (1942)); transporting goods across several state lines at an illegally low rate. (49 U.S.C. § 411, *United States v. Midstate Horticultural Company, Inc.*, 306 U.S. 161 (1939)); several fraudulent entries in a bank book to conceal a single embezzlement (12 U.S.C. § 592, *United States v. Adams*, 281 U.S. 202 (1930)); illegally cohabiting with more than one woman over a three year period (22 Stat. 3, Ex parte Snow, 120 U.S. 274 (1887)). See also *United States v. Johnson*, 323 U.S. 273, 281-82 (1944) (use of the mails for a particular illegal purpose); *Dunn v. United States*, 284 U.S. 390, 397 (1932) (maintaining a nuisance).

Where a defendant guilty of only one continuing crime has been mistakenly convicted of several offenses, all but the first conviction must be reversed. See, e.g., *Yates v. United States*, 355 U.S. 66 (1957).

(77) See *United States v. Universal C.I.T. Credit Corp.*, supra, 344 U.S. at 277.

(78) *United States v. Empsak*, 95 F. Supp. 1012 (D. Del. 1951). (END OF FOOTNOTES)

Appellant maintains that the appropriate unit of prosecution for a direct contempt under § 401(1) is the entire course of a contemnor's conduct during a trial. This interpretation of § 401(1) is supported by (a) the statutory language, (b) the legislative history and the purpose of the statute, (c) the need to prohibit improper multiplication of offenses by the prosecution or the trial court, (d) the policy of lenity applied in interpreting criminal statutes, (e) the incongruous results which would follow from any other unit of prosecution, and (f) the previous applications of § 401(1). These various considerations are discussed separately; their effect, of course, is cumulative.

(a) Statutory Language. Section 401(1) penalizes "(m)isbehavior of any person in (a court's) presence or so near thereto as to obstruct the administration of justice." The term "misbehavior" is a "collective noun," and has no plural. (79) "Misbehavior" depicts a course of misconduct or a series of incidents, rather than an individual contemptuous act.

(79) See *Webster's New International Dictionary*, 2d ed. p. 525. (END OF FOOTNOTE)

Had Congress desired to make each contemptuous act a separate and complete crime, it would presumably have done so clearly and explicitly (80) by making punishable, for example, "every act interrupting or tending to interrupt" a court proceeding, (81) or by making punishable a number of specific actions, such as interrupting the judge, refusing to stand when the judge enters and leaves the courtroom, or assaulting any person in the courtroom. (82)

(80) *Bell v. United States*, supra, 349 U.S. at 83; *Ladner v. United States*, supra, 358 U.S. at 178.

(81) See *La. Rev. Stat. § 15:11* (emphasis added).

(82) Compare *Blockburger v. United States*, 284 U.S. 299, 302, (1932) (successive sales of morphine two crimes because the statute prohibits any sale in the absence of certain requirements, rather than forbidding engaging in the business of selling illegal drugs); *Clark v. District Court*, 125 N.W. 2d 264 (Iowa 1963) (seven violations of an injunction seven different offenses because the injunction prohibited specific acts such as the fitting of dentures, rather than barring in general terms the practice of dentistry).

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(b) Legislative History and Purpose. It is clear that when § 401 was first enacted in 1831, it was intended to work a "drastic cur-

tailment of the contempt power as it had theretofore existed." *Bloom v. Illinois*, supra, 361 U.S. at 203. A construction which fixes the entire course of trial misconduct as the unit of prosecution clearly effectuates this policy. Secondly, the contempt power as defined in § 401(1) was not intended to protect the sensibilities of judges or parties from every harsh or unkind remark, nor to impose vengeance for insults (*Brown v. United States*, 356 U.S. 148, 153, 161 (1958)), but rather to punish serious obstructions. Thus the concern of § 401(1) is with the adverse impact of misbehavior on the trial as a whole. (83)

(83) Compare *Ladner v. United States*, supra, 358 U.S. at 175-76; *Bell v. United States*, supra, 349 U.S. at 83, 84. In *Ladner* the court concluded that the purpose of the statute barring assaults on federal officers was to assure the carrying out of official tasks, rather than the protection of federal officials, and thus held that only one crime was committed when two officials were wounded with a single shot. In *Bell* the court reasoned that the concern of the Mann Act was the use of interstate commerce for immoral purposes, not safeguarding the virtue of individual women, and thus concluded the defendant had committed only one offense when he transported two women across a state line at the same time. (END OF FOOTNOTE)

Section 401, moreover, fixes no specific penalty, and provides no standard for assessing punishment other than the magnitude of the adverse impact of the misconduct on the trial. The relevance of any particular contemptuous incident can only be evaluated in the context of the entire trial. And to try to assign to each contemptuous act, with the precision needed in allocating jail terms, a portion of the total disruption or prejudice caused by a contemnor would be an impossible task.

(c) Improper Multiplication of Offenses. Unless the entire trial is the appropriate unit of prosecution under § 401(1), the vaguely worded statute will give no guidance whatsoever in determining how many contempts have been committed in an extended course of misconduct. A given court might punish as distinct offenses each disruptive action separated from another by a warning from the bench, or by a short or lengthy period of calm, or each incident unless it is somehow related in purpose, style or effect to other incidents, or each sentence, word, paragraph or movement which disrupted the administration of justice. (84) Without a precise definition of the appropriate unit of prosecution, the number of offenses committed will turn solely on the "ingenuity and whim" of the prosecutor and the trial court, an entirely impermissible result, particularly in an area where judges are likely to become emotionally involved. *People v. Riela*, 200 N.Y.S. 2d 43, 46, 7 N.Y. 2d 571, 166 N.E. 2d 840 (1960), cert. denied, 364 U.S. 474 (1960); *Yates v. United States*, 355 U.S. 66 (1957); *Ex parte Snow*, 120 U.S. 274, 282 (1887). (85)

(84) The absence of a clear unit of prosecution has wrought utter confusion in the state courts with regard to the use of contempt to punish violations of injunctions. E.g., compare *State v. King*, 47 La. Ann. 701, 17 So. 288, (1895) with *Hickinbotham v. Williams*, 228 Ark. 46, 305 S.W. 2d 841 (1957); compare *State v. Frontier Airlines, Inc.*, 174 Neb. 172, 116 N.W. 2d 281, (1962); with *Solano Aquatic Club v. Superior Court*, 131 P. 874 (Cal. 1913).

(85) The appropriate unit of prosecution fixed for § 401(1) would

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more Blacks were brought in. No reason was given for such an arrest until several days later. They were taken one at a time for interrogation. The questions implied was about the killing of officer Schull. Looking at the actions which took place here, it may seem to some harsh, but expected under the circumstances. This is only a surface observation. If reviewed from beneath the surface you will see the beginning of another conspiracy to falsely prosecute Black prisoners wantonly. Along with this it should be easy to imagine some of the torment we, the victims, are experiencing, knowing that some of us will be sacrificed. We have now decided to fight with all that we have left, "life and dignity". With one defending the other, power to those who are willing to struggle, 12 will struggle here together. We will not be forced or bribed to separate. We will retain our dignity. We will not lie or turn against our brother, or sacrifice him to save ourselves from the threat of a trial of defeat.

From this point on, we will not eat, expecting that the power and will of the people is stronger than the officials of this prison. Our strike will last as long as the oppressors practice these injustices against us. Our

strike will continue as long as this coercion continues. We have no other means of defense. Therefore we will undergo this added hardship, hoping you who believe in humanity will add your support and show your concern before other lives are destroyed. The only thing these fascists will yield to is the will of the people. Do not let them misuse the power you have vested in them. We are human, and no longer the society-made criminals. We're a part and extension of the struggling. Humanity, and love for the people.

We openly oppose the elements within society which produce the so-called criminal. We oppose the elements within the prison which attempts to keep the prisoner a slave to his condition. Because of these things we are being persecuted. The officials here are opposed to what we are, so much so that their rational reasoning has been destroyed. The original objective of the investigation has now become obscured in their racist sickness. No longer do they seek the person responsible for the officer's death. It makes little or no difference that we know nothing about the officer's death. They have decided to sacrifice some or all of us. The proposition is, "either lie and help them prosecute, or be prosecuted". We are bribed with freedom, and threatened with death or extended stay in prison.

We have chosen our human dignity. We will not be a part of murder or unjust prosecution. Possibly our dignity will cost some of us our lives. But without one the other is meaning-

less. For ten days we have been held incommunicado. No formal charges have been made because first they have to set the stage for conspiracy. If they are unable to use one of us against the other their conspiracy might fail; that is, they might not take us to court on trumped-up charges. But even if that be the case we will still be prosecuted in the follow manner:

We will be transferred to a maximum security prison (San Quentin or Folsom) probably to spend more time in the hole and once we are there we will always be the victims of staff harassment. But the worst of all the evils is that when we appear before the parole board any consideration for parole will be judged on the bases of our being falsely accused of killing a prison guard. Our situation is desperate. We ask the people for support in the following demands because if any are denied, 12 Black people will experience another atrocity at the hands of racism.

1) We want to be returned to the main line population from which we were taken with a court restriction to remain there...or be charged properly so that we may have everything out in the open.

2) We want any mention of the accusation removed from our record. We will also support the Chicanos hunger strike here in "O" wing. We will remain hungry. Liberty, justice and the pursuit of happiness is what we desire.

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presumably apply to the similarly worded provisions dealing with direct contempt of military tribunals, 10 U.S.C. § 848, 22 U.S.C. § 703. If the unit of prosecution is not fixed as the entire trial, the maximum penalties established by those two provisions will be virtually meaningless. See *United States v. Empsak*, supra; *State v. King*, 47 La. Ann. 701, 17 So. 288 (1895); *Maxwell v. Rives*, 11 Nev. 213, 221 (1876). (END OF FOOTNOTES)

(d) The Policy of Lenity. Even were the appropriate unit of prosecution not apparent on the face of § 401(1), this Court would nonetheless be compelled to conclude that the appropriate unit for direct contempt is the entire course of trial conduct. When a penal statute allows of several possible interpretations, the federal courts traditionally apply what is known as "the rule of lenity" and adopt the least harsh construction. (86) This policy is particularly applicable in deciding whether a defendant may be charged with and convicted of multiple violations of the same statute. (87)

(86) See e.g., *Heflin v. United States*, supra, 358 U.S. at 419, where the court held that a bank robber could not be prosecuted for possession of stolen money as well as for theft itself, explaining: "(W)e resolve an ambiguity (in the statutes) in favor of lenity when required to determine the intent of Congress in punishing multiple aspects of the same criminal acts." See also *Prince v. United States*, 352 U.S. 322 (1957).

(87) *Gore v. United States*, 357 U.S. 386, 391 (1968). In *Ladner*, supra, the Supreme Court held that: "(T)he policy of lenity means

that the court will not interpret a federal criminal statute so as to increase the penalty that it places on any individual when such an interpretation can be based on no more than a guess as to what Congress intended." 358 U.S. at 179. In *United States v. Universal C.I.T. Credit Corp.*, supra, 344 U.S. at 222, the Court held that an employer who pays less than the minimum wage is guilty of but a single crime although he may underpay many employees, explaining: "(W)hen choice has to be made between two readings of what conduct Congress has made a crime, it is appropriate, before we choose the harsher alternative, to require that Congress have spoken in language that is clear and definite." See also *Bell v. United States*, supra. For applications of similar state policies of lenity to contempt cases, see *People ex rel. Amarante v. McDonnell*, 100 N.Y.S. 2d 463, 467 (1950); *Maxwell v. Rives*, supra, 11 Nev. at 221. (END OF FOOTNOTES)

This policy of lenity is best effectuated under § 401(1) by treating several contemptuous incidents during one trial as a single contempt, since this interpretation of § 401(1) materially increases the likelihood that contemnors will receive the protection of a jury trial, by preventing trial courts from splitting lengthy jail terms into a number of short consecutive sentences. The policy thus preserved is particularly appropriate here because a right of constitutional proportion is involved.

(e) Incongruous Applications. If the course of trial conduct is not accepted as the unit of prosecution, incongruous results are bound to occur in the application of direct contempt statutes. The right

to jury trial established by Bloom is to be afforded in the more serious cases of contempt. But if the unit of prosecution is not the whole trial, an extended course of contempt may not be subject to a jury trial requirement, while a single outburst, less disruptive in its total effect, may require such a jury trial. The opposite sort of incongruity is possible with regard to sentencing. The more legally distinct crimes committed, the greater the total sentence a trial court is likely to impose in a § 401(1) case *Yates v. United States*, supra. Yet the fact that the contemptuous conduct occurred in a single outburst is not a guarantee that it was less disruptive than a number of incidents spread throughout the course of a lengthy trial.

(f) Previous Practice. While the courts have not heretofore explicitly considered what the appropriate unit of prosecution is under § 401(1), the interpretation of that provision advanced by appellant is supported by the general practice of the federal courts in dealing with contempts. Multiple incidents of contempt at a single trial have generally been treated as but a single crime. (88) In the few cases where the conduct has been divided into counts, this has been done to facilitate appellate review and the penalties imposed were usually concurrent. (89) Moreover, in applying the rule that a single contempt cannot be penalized by both fine and imprisonment (90) the federal courts appear to have assumed that a single trial can give rise to but one direct contempt. (91) Both federal and state courts have consistently held that multiple refusals to answer questions at a trial or before a grand jury constitute but a single offense. (92)

(88) See, e.g., *In re Osborne*, 344 F.2d 611 (9th Cir. 1965) ("nu-

merous" contempts); *United States v. Schiffer*, 351 F.2d 91 (6th Cir. 1965) (seventeen contemptuous acts); *Tauber v. Gordon*, 350 F.2d 843 (3d Cir. 1965) (continuous contemptuous comments); *Shibley v. United States*, 236 F.2d 238 (9th Cir. 1956) ("many" contemptuous acts); *Offutt v. United States*, 145 F. Supp. 111 (D. D.C. 1956) (44 contemptuous incidents).

(89) See, supra p. 59, n. 64. A number of decisions applying similar state contempt statutes have stressed that only one trial was involved in holding that a series of contemptuous acts constituted but one contempt. See e.g., *State v. Grey*, 225 La. 38, 72 So. 2d 3, 6, (1954); *Gautreaux v. Gautreaux*, 220 La. 564, 57 So. 2d 188, 191, (1952).

(90) *Carter v. United States*, 135 F.2d 858 (5th Cir. 1943).

(91) See, e.g., *In re Osborne*, supra (fine and jail term improper although the defendant was guilty of three types of contempt involving at least 10 incidents); *Shoemaker v. K. Mart*, 294 F. Supp. 260 (E.D. Tenn. 1968) (only jail or fine will be proper in forthcoming contempt hearing, although court order that witness not discuss case with plaintiff may have been violated several times). See also *International Brotherhood of Teamsters, etc. v. United States*, 275 F.2d 610 (4th Cir. 1960); *McNeill v. United States*, 236 F.2d 149 (1st Cir. 1956). (92) *Yates v. United States*, supra; *United States v. Empsak*, supra; *United States v. Abe*, 95 F. Supp. 991 (D. Hawaii 1950); *People ex rel. Amarante v. McDonnell*, 100 N.Y.S.2d 463 (S. Ct. Kings Cty. 1950); *Maxwell v. Rives*, supra. (END OF FOOTNOTES)

Fixing the entire course of trial conduct as the unit of prosecution is particularly appropriate in this case. The sixteen alleged contempts were not related incidents,

but were part of a single course of conduct that arose over a single issue—the continuing dispute between appellant and the court regarding appellant's right either to represent himself or to be represented by attorney Garry. Half of the sixteen incidents were concentrated in a four day period from October 27 until October 30, 1968, (93) and another three occurred on a single day. (94) Four of the incidents arose when appellant asked to be allowed to cross-examine a witness, (95) and four others arose when appellant sought to argue motions on his own behalf. (96)

(93) Incidents 8 through 15.

(94) Incidents 5, 6 and 7.

(95) Incidents 10, 12, 15, 16.

(96) Incidents 1, 2, 5, 13. The close interconnection between the allegedly contemptuous incidents in this case is typical of direct contempt cases. See, e.g., *Yates v. United States*, supra; *Wood v. Georgia*, 370 U.S. 375 (1962); *United States v. Sacher*, supra; *Gautreaux v. Gautreaux*, supra; *State v. Mouser*, 208 La. 1093, 24 So.2d 151 (1945). Where multiple violations of a single statute typically or necessarily involve a single motive or impulse, the Supreme Court has consistently favored treating those violations as constituting a single continuing crime. *Blockburger v. United States*, supra, 284 U.S. at 302. In *United States v. Universal C.I.T. Credit Corp.*, the court held that several violations of the minimum wage law constituted but a single crime where they resulted from a single management policy decision. *Supra*, 344 U.S. at 244. And in *United States v. Midstate Horticultural Company, Inc.*, the court held that interstate transportation of goods at an illegally low rate was only one crime, although it

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## TO ALL PROGRESSIVE ARTIST WHO ARE STRUGGLING AGAINST THE RACIST U.S. GOVERNMENT ...WORLD ENEMY NUMBER ONE



TO MY COMRADES, THE PROGRESSIVE ARTISTS IN RACIST AMERICA. TO ALL OF YOU, WHO ARE FIGHTING IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST POLITICAL DOMINATION, ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION AND SOCIAL DEHUMANIZATION AT THE HANDS OF THE FASCIST U.S. GOVERNMENT

The Black Panther Party calls upon you to unite with the revolutionary forces of the world so that the final blow can be struck in the heart of the fascist U.S. Government.

The time has come when all artists must take a stand against the reactionary forces in racist America or bite the dust, along with all other reactionaries.

Therefore, the Black Panther Party says, "a thing is only good when it brings real benefit to the people". The real benefit at this time would be for all progressive artists to take up their paints, and brushes in one hand and their gun in the other, attacking the foul depraved U.S. Government. The American people and the struggling people of the world will be victorious! The fascist U.S. Government will surely bite the dust! This being our major theme we won't leave any stones unturned. This theme should surely inspire you, the progressive

artists of racist America, to project in your art the essence of the people's struggle, which is uncompromising.

For example, our pictures must show fascist judges, lawyers, generals, pig policemen, firemen, senators, congressmen, governors, presidents, etc. being punished for their criminal act against the American people and the struggling people of the world. Their bridges, buildings, electric plants, pipelines, all of the fascist American empire must be blown up in our pictures.

Our art must show the youth who will make the revolution, the mothers who have suffered so much in raising their family. We must condemn the genocidal war that the fascist U.S. Government is carrying on in Asia, and praise the NLF of Vietnam, the revolutionaries of South America and Africa.

We must surely expose how the Yankees are exploiting the peoples land in Africa, Asia and South America, we must praise our revolutionary comrades here in America, those who stand in the vanguard, the Black Panther Party, the Weathermen, and all the political prisoners of war across the country.

The progressive Black artist, in racist America, must expose the traitors in the colony, dope dealers, bootlicking Black politicians, thieving businessmen, all the corrupt elements of the Black community, as well as project means for dealing with these elements. On the other hand, we should give strength and guidance in our art to the many Black people who are the victims of thievery and lies.

The progressive White artist in the oppressor country should inflame the progressive elements in the White community to taking the lives of the corrupt government officials. As well as projecting a means to an end for the release of political prisoners of war.

So comrades, these were just a few suggestions I project to you. I am more than confident that you progressive artist will be able to come up with a means to the end of exploitation and the racist practice of the fascist U.S. Government.

There can only be true love of humanity when class distinctions have been done away with, all over the world.

Classes have split society into many antagonistic groupings, therefore, there will be love of humanity when class distinctions have been done away with, but not until then. We cannot love the fascist U.S. Government that is based on social evils, our aim is to destroy social evils. To me this is practical thinking, but some of our artists still don't understand this. If their thinking doesn't change, they are surely to bite the dust, along with all other reactionaries. Remember our major theme--the American people and the struggling people of the world will be victorious! The fascist U.S. Government will surely bite the dust!

### INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the first part of a continuous revolutionary art class.

1) All art work should be no larger than 20 inches in size.

2) Use any media (ink, chalk, paints) you please as long as it is black and white.

3) All art work should project social realism (i.e. human figures) instead of the pig cartoon image.

4) The first part of the class starts September 1, 1970 and ends October 15, 1970.

5) All art work will be criticised or praised, which ever it deserves--all such criticism or praises will be forwarded back to the artist. The praised work we will keep, the criticized work we will send back to you for correction.

6) The best art work will be accumulated for a people's revolutionary art book (Titled: The American people and the struggling people of the world will be victorious! The fascist U.S. Government will surely bite the dust!). Plus many of the art works will be reproduced in poster form--under the revolutionary people's banner, the New World Liberation Front.

7) Please send return address along with the art work plus postage.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS

Emory Douglas  
Minister of Culture  
BLACK PANTHER PARTY

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## BOBBY'S APPEAL

involved a series of acts over an extended period of time and the crossing of several state lines, because the crime was "set on foot by a single impulse and operated by an unintermittent force." *Supra*, 306 U.S. at 166. See also *Justice White dissenting in Toussie v. United States*, 25 L. Ed. 2d 156, 166 (1970).

(END OF FOOTNOTES)

Should this Court conclude that the appropriate unit of prosecution under \* 401(1) is the entire course of trial conduct, this would not impair the power of a trial court to cite a party

or spectator for criminal contempt without waiting for the end of the trial. Nor would it necessarily mean that a contemnor could not be adjudged and punished in separate contempt proceedings for contemptuous conduct during the course of a trial, since such an adjudication and sentence might be held to break up the continuing offense into two or more distinct crimes. (97)

(97) Compare, e.g., *Bullock v. United States*, 265 F.2d 683 (6th Cir. 1959); *Tobin v. Pielet*, 186 F.2d 886 (7th Cir. 1951)

(END OF FOOTNOTE)

## IN PREPARATION FOR A REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

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15. Drugs  
Submitted by the Agenda Committee

Information centers set up for revolutionary constitutional convention

SET UP BY: Sally & Richard Garvel - 777 Huntington Ave. Boston, Mass. (437-5956)

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Panther Defense

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Ecology Food Store  
Northeastern University  
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CONNECTICUT New Haven  
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*Huey would say, "a newspaper is the voice of a party, the voice of the Panther must be heard throughout the land."*



We found we as citizens of this country were being kept duped by the government and kept misinformed by the mass media.

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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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## CONCERNING THE SUB-HUMAN CONDITIONS OF BRIDGEPORT CORRECTIONAL CENTER

Mr. McDougall  
Commissioner  
Correctional Department  
State of Connecticut

Dear Mr. McDougall:

This letter is to formally notify you of the atrocious sub-human conditions which exist in the Bridgeport Correctional Center. As you and I both know, there have been many previous complaints about these conditions, whether they were formal or informal, many of which came from the inmates themselves. If the inmates have not formally or directly notified you, I am sure you can understand why since this would mean that they would be labeled as a troublemaker in the institution and would be dealt with accordingly. It has been brought to my attention and the attention of the people in general that the following conditions exist:

1) The unsentenced inmates presently are not allowed to eat in the dining hall. These inmates receive the food in their cells. The plates are stacked up on top of each other with the bottom of the plates on top of the food. When the food does arrive, it is usually cold, insufficient, and

hard to digest. The serving of the food in the cells has caused the presence and breeding of rats, mice, flies, waterbugs, and roaches of enormous size.

2) The cells themselves are filthy and there is no ventilation. The linen is dirty and not changed very regularly.

3) The unsentenced inmates do not receive any recreation. The television is cut off from 5 o'clock to 7:30 so that inmates cannot watch the news.

4) Only the immediate family of inmates are allowed visitation rights. Many of the inmates have no relatives locally but do have close friends who might be able to help them in their subsequent cases. These people are not allowed to see the prisoners. Prisoners are locked up in maximum security for not shaving although officials have never stated that there was a regulation against the wearing of beards or mustaches.

5) Perhaps the most fascist and repressive tactic used in the Bridgeport Correctional Center is the convening of Kangaroo Courts which are conducted under the jurisprudence of his honorable George H. Conway, Warden. (I did not realize that George Conway was also a judge.) Top

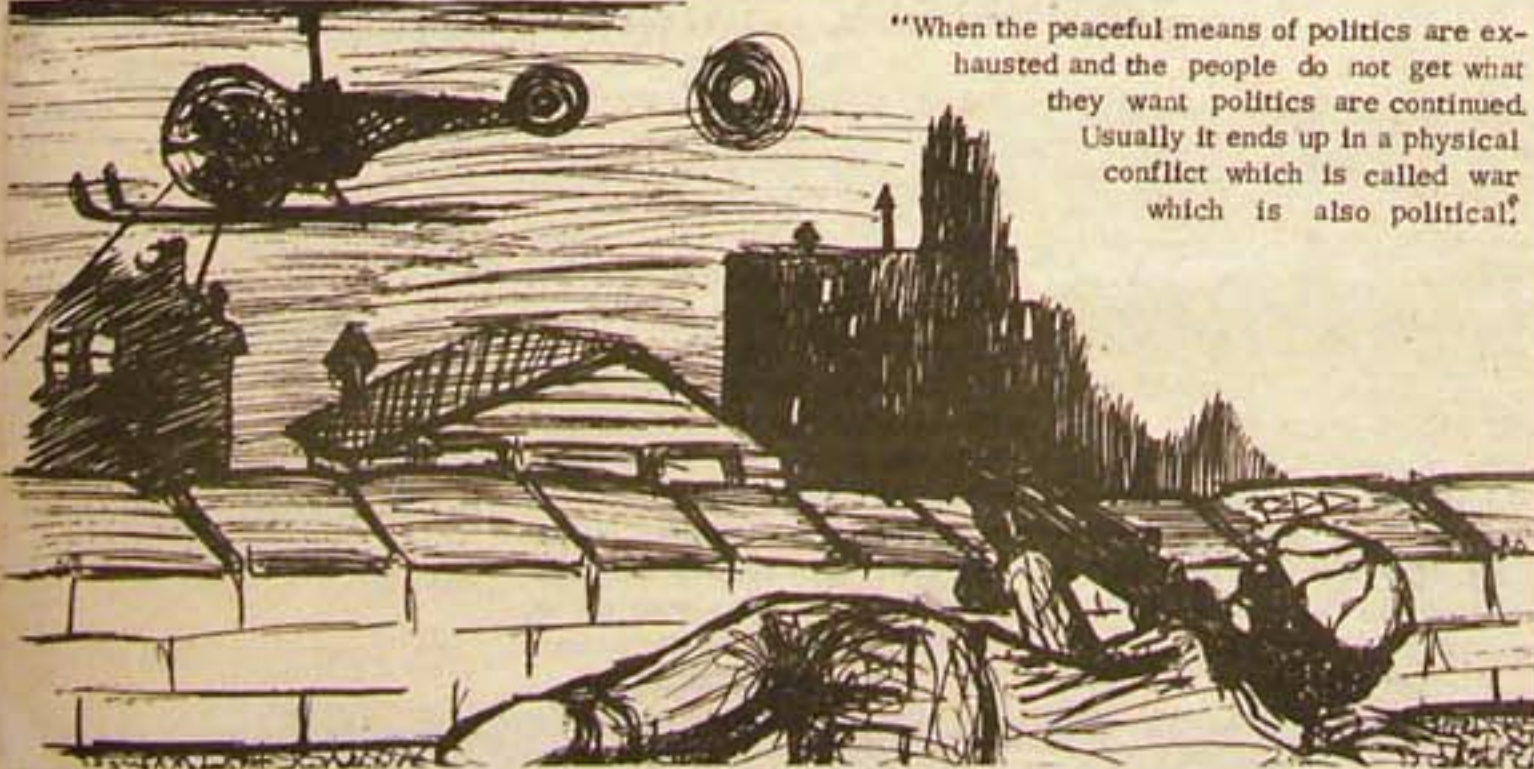
guards, usually sergeants, act as jurors. The Kangaroo Court is usually convened when officials feel that it is necessary to discipline an inmate for some violation of rules. The jurors also execute the punishment which is usually a sadistic beating or placement in the hole and other undue harassment.

Further I wish to bring to your attention that many of these unsentenced inmates have been in jail now for long periods of time; this is not detracted from a sentence that they may receive when they finally come to trial. I find this, as you should find it, contrary to the innocent until proven guilty theme that our judicial system so proudly espouses. Now, Mr. McDougall, since you have been FORMALLY made aware of these intolerable conditions, What Do You Plan To Do About Them? We are asking that an immediate investigation of these conditions be started and that private citizens such as myself also take part in this investigation.

Lawrence Townsend

cc: George H. Conway  
Gov. George

"When the peaceful means of politics are exhausted and the people do not get what they want politics are continued. Usually it ends up in a physical conflict which is called war which is also political."



## 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.





# MIS- INFORMATION A REALITY IN NEW HAVEN

For as long as we Black people have been forced to live in this racist nation, we have been the victims of a well planned program of mass misinformation. This misinformation has been one of the very causes of the great division that has existed among our people since we were first forced into slavery. This division has never helped Black people. It has only helped those people who benefit from our subhuman existence in this country. In order to reach as many people as possible and to saturate our Black people the pigs who control our destiny find it necessary to use methods that will spread lies, falsehoods, and deceit. The most available methods are T.V., radio and newspapers. All of the means of communication now are held in the hands of the enemy. Even when we look at most so called Black or negro newspapers and so called Black radio stations, we find they are guilty also of spreading the same brand of misinformation. This is precisely because even these so called Blacks are controlled by the most oppressive dictators the world will ever see Nixon and his mouth piece, Agnew.

In their ever increasing attempts to destroy the Black Panther Party, these fascist dictators with their faithful lapdog J. Edgar Hog use the tactic of misinforming Black people so skillfully that one must ask the question, "Did they invent misinformation?"

At this time, in New Haven, Connecticut, the dictators of the world daily push one sided stories in front of the masses of Black people with the vain hope of once again misinforming and dividing Black people. This division they hope will drive Black people away from the one party that has won the trust and faith of the people.

In New Haven the pigs push daily in their unconstitutional attempts to railroad Lonnie McClucas. Lonnie is one of the 9 Panthers being illegally held in New Haven in connection with the absurd charge of murder of another Panther. The Chairman of the Black Panther Party is also illegally held in connection with this case. The pigs have started Lonnie's trial first and separately in hope of a fast conviction. This would set the stage for the fast railroading of our Chairman Bobby Seale. Pigs of the world know Bobby Seale stands in defense of all oppressed people. For this very reason, they feel he must be destroyed. They also realize that Black people at all economic levels will not tolerate the murder of Bobby Seale and because of this fact all levels of Black people are united behind Chairman Bobby. Unity at last for Black people. This type of unity the dictators cannot tolerate. The dictators feel that a wedge must be driven between the people and Bobby Seale between the people and the Panthers. It is at this point that mass misinformation plays a key role. It is skillfully concealed as the truth and

passed on to the people.

The pigs have gone to the extreme in the case of the New Haven Panthers. We must not forget that in New York, Panthers await the verdict of a surely racist court. In Baltimore 18 Panthers, ex-Panthers, friends and sympathizers must shortly come to trial. Also in Baltimore 3 more Panther including John Clark, area Defense Captain await verdicts as a result of gun charges that stem from seriously exercising the so called guaranteed right to keep and bear arms.

Because of this the pigs must go to the extreme to convince the people they are justified in prosecuting Panthers.

Connecticut plays as the key to all Panther trials on the East coast as well as the entire country. If the pigs are successful in their attempts to legally lynch the

Connecticut Panthers it is a certainty that other Panthers will be legally lynched. Connecticut is the first room in a racist tenement which has been preplanned to house pig hearted cold blooded fascism, stands as a contradiction to man's basic drive to be free. Misinformation stands as a contradiction opposed to man's ability to seek the truth. These two contradictions are necessary ingredients in the conspiracy of Babylon's rulers to enslave and rape the world. These two contradictions can only be solved through armed revolutionary struggle. It is armed resistance that will bring an end to the dictatorship of the pigs. It is armed resistance that will establish and secure the dictatorship of the people. In an all out effort to destroy the Connecticut Panthers, the New York Panthers and the Baltimore Pan-

thers, they have created a situation that has offended the conscious mind of every freedom loving person in the world. The dictators have set concealed as well as blatant examples that Hitler would smile approvingly on.

Those who appreciate freedom and its values can never be satisfied living the life of citizen slaves. This is a universal law of oppressed people. The dictators, the courts continue lying and misinforming the masses of Black people. In order to constantly keep Black people in a position of subhuman slavery, the sadistic madness of this racist nation maintain tight control over any and all information that we as citizen slaves are allowed to come into contact with. Eldridge Cleaver Minister of Information of the Black Panther Party has pre-

viously stated the information is the raw material for new ideas. If ideas can be controlled the minds, and actions of oppressed people can be controlled.

The truth is the light in this dark hour of our enslavement. Black people demand the light to see by. By standing together demanding the truth nothing but the truth. Black colonies are resisting the attempts to misinform them. We ask the people to check out and analyze this gross misinformation that the court is pushing. And while this is being done remember where this information is coming from. It is information of the pigs by the pig and for the pig.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!  
Baltimore Chapter  
Coates

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Where is Freedom when a peoples right to "Freedom of Speech" is denied to the point of murder? When attempts at "Freedom of the Press" brings bombings and lynchings?

Where is Freedom when the right to "peacefully assemble" brings on massacres? Where is our right to "keep and bear arms" when Black People are attacked by the Racist Gestapo of America? Where is "religious freedom" when places of worship become the scene of shoot-ins and bomb-ins? Where is the right to vote "regardless of race or color" when murder takes place at the voting polls? Are we free when we are not even secure from being savagely murdered in our sleep by policemen who stand blatantly before the world but yet go unpunished? Is that "...equal protection of the laws"? The empty promise of the Constitution to "establish Justice" lies exposed to the world by the reality of Black Peoples' existence. For 400 years now, Black People have suffered an unbroken chain of abuse at the hands of White America. For 400 years we have been treated as America's foot-stool. This fact is so clear that it requires no argumentation.

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I KNOW ONE THING THEM PIGS HAD BETTER STAY FROM MY DOOR TRYING TO  
KICK IT IN TALKING ABOUT THEY DON'T NEED NO SEARCH WARRANT



KILL THE PIGS BEFORE THEY KILL YOU