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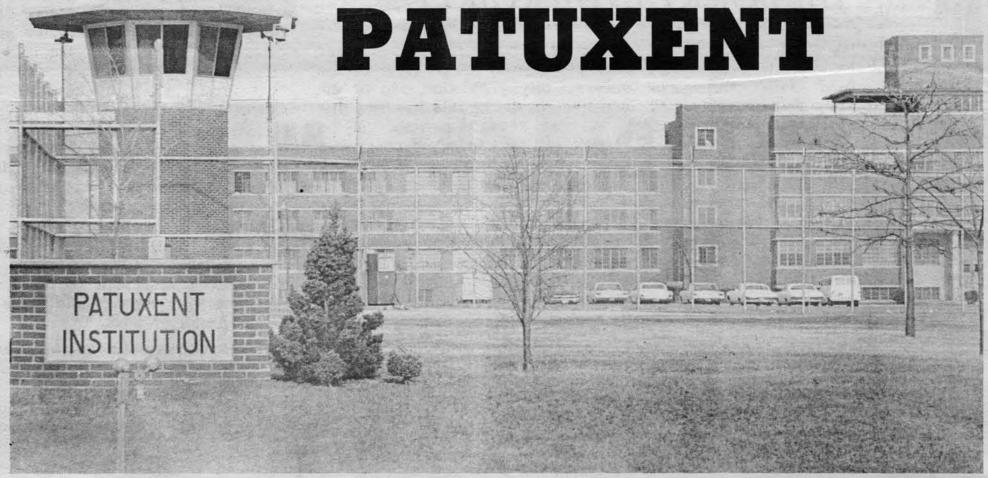


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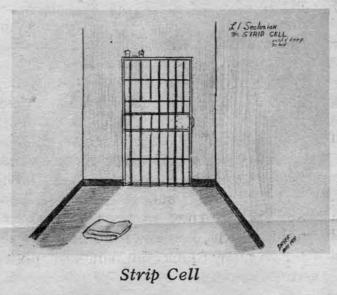


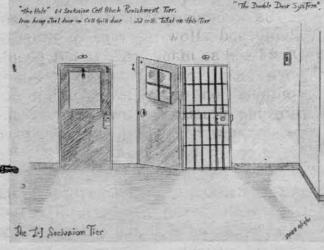
Seclusion and Isolation for the "Defective Delinquent".

In 1951, the racist Maryland Legis- son hospital, to function as an extenlature deemed it necessary to establish another concentration camp under the guise of a rehabilitation center, known as Patuxent (said, "pa-tucksent") Institution. Patuxent, a maximum security facility, was created as a means of ending "recidivism" (repeatedly returning to "crime" or "criminal habits"). These so-called recurring crimes are merely acts of survival on the part of the oppressed people, in their efforts to resist the bonds of a capitalist society. Patuxent is a threat hanging over none head of every inmate in the Maryland Penal System. An inmate's release is not dependent upon termination of his sentence, but rather upon the decision of a Board of Members, including a Chairman, two Associate members and two psychiatrists. A satisfactory review by this Board means an inmate's behavior has been found acceptable in practice, according to the values held by the two psychiatrists, along with the confirming opinions of the other three Board members. Understanding the concept, the creation and the administration of the Patuxent Institution in particular is a guide to understanding the reasons for the existence of all prisons, and of the brutalizing, dehumanizing effect they have upon the people they exist to oppress.

Patuxent was first initiated as a pri-

sion, so to speak, of the Clifton T. Perkins State Mental Hospital in Jessup, Maryland. Prisoners who were considered "anti-social" or "incurably criminal" were at first taken to Clif-





Seclusion Tier

ton T. Perkins Hospital for psychiatric testing and "treatment". When it became evident to the oppressive forces that most inmates were going to survive, by any means necessary, once they were released, it became necessary for the State to confine them for indefinite periods of time. Any concentration camp serves the purpose of detaining, maiming and killing the oppressed people, so that they cannot strike directly and effectively at the object of their oppression.

According to Article 31B of the annotated code of public general laws of Maryland, Patuxent is an institution for the "defective delinquent", which is defined as, "An individual who, by the demonstration of persistant aggravated anti-social or criminal behavior, evidences a propensity toward criminal activity, and who is found to have either such intellectual deficiency or emotional unbalance, or both, as to clearly demonstrate an actual danger to society so as to require such confinement and treatment, when appropriate, as may make it reasonably safe for society to terminate the confinement and treatment." Under this definition it is possible for any inmate, and particularly those who are Black or who oppose the oppressive nature of this society, to receive such extended or

TOWARD A JURY OF PEERS

In the continuous court battles that members of the Black community are forced to fight daily throughout America, we are constantly confronted with racist and fascist juries which are unrepresentative of the background from which we come. We are constantly forced to fight courtroom battles against the deeply entrenched racist and fascist mentalities of white jurors who are committed to upholding the standards of white, middle class America, and who are completely out of touch with issues that are relevant to our lives and life style. In some cases, members from the Black community (our peers) are completely excluded from even being called and examined for prospective jury duty; and because of this, Black people cused of crimes find themselves repeatedly being tried by all white, racist

presented in numbers anywhere near proportionate to their ratio of the general city population. One of the negative results of this has been that prosecutors have been able to rely on blanket guilty verdicts from racist juries, without even the most rudimentary evidence of guilt being submitted. In the recent case of our Party Chief of Staff, David Hilliard, for instance, after trying to railroad him for over three years (attempts which became especially intensified after our Chairman, Bobby Seale was kidnapped in August, 1969; our Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton had been incarcerated since October, 1967) the fascist State of California (Ronald Reagan Land) gathered together a jury with not one Black community member (David's peers) on it, and convicted him of two counts of assault

Black community members on the jury lists that try people from the Black community; and this plays into the oppressors' hands when selecting juries, and in the other areas as well.

In the application of our analytical method, dialectical materialism, it's the social phenomena around us; the Black Panther Party actively seeks out the internal contradictions inherent in these phenomena, especially the basic contradictions (we know that it is the struggle of opposites inherent in contradictions which determines the character of and causes phenomena to change and develop) and by making use of our knowledge of the internal working of the opposites struggling for dominance in phenomena, we seek ways to increase the positive aspects of phenomena until the positive aspects dominate the negative and these phenomena become tools for liberation in the hands of the community instead of tools for oppression in the hands of the oppressor.



juries of non-peers. It has long been the position of the Black Panther Party that this situation must be stopped, as it is a threat to the continued survival of our people, for the prisons of this country are nothing but concentration and slave labor camps where Black and other oppressed community members are placed to get them off the streets and out of the way.

When looking around the country at the court scene, we find that in most cities the lists from which potential jurors are drawn are not composed of the general population at large, which would include substantial numbers of members, but in-Black community stead, only include voter registration lists. And since it has been a general people, especially pattern for Black in the big city ghettoes, not to register numbers, this has to vote in large though Black people meant that even sizeable proportion may make up a when the prosof the city population, made up to try pective jury lists are contain mostly cases (cases which few, if any, Black and poor people), Black people are on the lists. And even when Black community members are on the lists, they are not rewith a deadly weapon, without any physical evidence being submitted or any testimony that he was even at the scene of the alleged act. In contrast, at the recent murder/kidnap trial of our Party Chairman, Bobby Seale and of Ericka Huggins, a jury contained five Black people which (Bobby's and Ericka's peers) refused to believe the testimony of the States' two lying pig witnesses; and Bobby Ericka subsequently walked. State's Attorney of Connecticut, Arnold Markle, has vowed to never again let so many Black community members sit on another jury.

The community cannot sit back passively and allow the type of situation David and so many more of our people have found themselves faced with to continue on unchallenged. This deplorable situation is one that the community now has within its power to at least partially change, if it will but apply itself to this problem. To do this Black people must begin to register to vote in large numbers. The fact must be faced that the attitude in the past of shunning registering to vote has been self-defeating and has led to a situation where there are little or no

We know that a jury of peers and complete justice in the courts will not become a reality for Black and poor people until the entire legal apparatus, from police through district attorneys, judges, etc., is in the hands of the community. But that must not stop us from intricately studying the courts and jury system, ferretting out its internal contradictions, and through actions based on the struggle of the opposite aspects of the jury system, use what aspects of the jury system we can to transform the courts and negate their negative role.

The possibility exists for the community to exploit the positive aspects of the jury system and thereby transform it. It is up to the community to turn this possibility into a reality. One of the keys to this, at this time, lies in the jury selection lists. By

FINALLY A REASON TO VOTE

Bernadine Garrett of Seattle, Washington, is an oppressed Black woman, a welfare recipient, mother of 3, State organizer for the Washington Welfare Rights Organization, and a strong voice for the unemployed and oppressed people here in Seattle. She is now running for Position #4 on the Seattle City Council to be the people's voice in city government. Below is an interview with Mrs. Garrett.



BERNADINE GARRETT

Q: What made you decide to run for city council?

A: I was driven to run for city council. I've spent many a day before the City Council and seen that they were turning a deaf ear to poor people. There wasn't anybody there listening. I always felt like if there was just one person there who was deeply concerned about the poor and had lived a poor life that they would have a voice; and I think it's time that poor people have a voice in city government. I feel like we should start at the city level and try to go further.

Q: How do you feel that your position on the City Council would help the struggle of Black and other oppressed people?

A: I feel that my position would make

oppressed people and Black people aware that they have someone there speaking for them, pushing for the things that they need. Poor people feel so many times that one person can't do anything. However, I feel like I'm very strongly dedicated to the cause that I believe in and my belief is that all people have a right. And I have a very strong belief about welfare recipients. I mean welfare is a right and not a privilege. I'm deeply concerned with, primarily, the hunger problem in the State of Washington in relation to poor people. I would like to see everybody have food. The first priority is to feed the hungry, lower the utility bills and things that depress people. There are a lot of things that depress them especially at this day and time due to the (economic) crisis. A lot of people say it's not a crisis. I've lived through a lot of them but this is the worst crisis yet.

Q: As an oppressed Black woman what contradictions have you come across in your struggle for representing the people?

A: My best example is about 2 years ago, when I went to work for National Welfare Rights Organization. Being a Black woman and Assistant Director of the National Self-Help Program, I had a struggle standing in people's offices waiting for them to call Olympia for me to be officially identified. I've always felt like if I had been a white woman, identifying in this, that I wouldn't have had these problems. Some people don't understand why I've been speaking out for all poor and oppressed people, regardless of race. How can you speak for poor people? The thing I've been trying to get over to people is if you are poor, you've been oppressed, just like Black people have always been. I feel that Black people have had it harder than other people, so that gives me an initiative to work and be a little bit stronger.

Q: What are you up against right now in running for City Council?

A: Running for City Council means a hard battle, but I feel like I'm here to stay. One thing in particular that I'm up against is that in order to run for City Council you have to have a filing fee of \$201.70. And being a welfare recipient and one who lives off of \$240 dollars a month, I don't

have that kind of money. And besides that I got a water bill that is due and they are subject to cut it off anytime now. You have a constitutional right to run for city office, but it's a sin and unconstitutional when they put a stipulation upon it of a great filing fee that poor people cannot pay. I'm filing a suit against the city in asking them to waiver the \$201.70 filing fee. I've also, in my suit, put in a damage fee for all the agony and the mess I had to go through. I don't know what's going to be the result of it; but regardless, win or lose, I got enough people behind me, so I'll have \$201 tomorrow evening and I will be filed for City Council.

Q: How are you planning to finance your campaign?

A: With people power, really. What I mean by that is I want to supplement people for dollars. If I have one dollar, it shows that I have to have six people for that one dollar. A good example is when we done our bumper stickers. They were all silk screened. That took a lot of people power and we done it for approximately \$20 and we had 2,000 bumper stickers. So that's what I mean by supplementing people power for dollar power.

Q: What are some of the things you have in mind to bring up when you're on the council?

A: One of the things, I think, which is primarily at the top of the list now, as I've said before, is the hungry people in Seattle. Another thing which has come up very recently is about the dogs and the police department, that I'm bitterly against (the City Council just voted 7 - 1 to add dogs to the police department). I'm not going to the City Council trying to save a budget for the city. I'm going to try to save people's lives. People's lives are at stake and the thing I'm going to do when I'm in City Council is talk about the things that I know that I can deal with and be readily intelligent about.

Q: Why did you choose to run for Position #4?

A: Well I think the city council just put another person in office, just like Ted Best and I wasn't too fond of







ALTON EDWARDS



DONALD T. GUYTON



BETTY POWELL on the right

PEOPLE'S JUDGES FREE NEW ORLEANS PANTHERS

Since its inception, the Louisiana State Chapter of the Black Panther Party has been subjected to careful surveillance and vicious attack by the State and local fascists of New Orleans. As soon as the Party's organizing bureau, the N.C.C.F. (National Committee to Combat Fascism - which has become the State Chapter) began setting up an office and working in the Black community of New Orleans, various State and local mafia-controlled officials could be found making their threats against the Black Panther Party via the local news media, Louisiana Governor McKeithen issued a press statement in which he said, "We should hit the Panthers right between the eyes; we will not let these people get a foothold in this community." It is unfortunate that the governor and other officials were not as concerned about the poverty, the indecent housing, the lack of food and medical care, which had long ago taken a "foothold" in the Black New Orleans community.

The local fascists quickly moved from these verbal attacks to gestapo raids and attacks upon Party offices and homes. The first of these came as a result of a community meeting. On September 14, 1970, a community meeting was held at which two members of the New Orleans police department, Melvin Howard and Israel Fields, who had been attempting to infiltrate and spy on the New Orleans Black community, were exposed and put out of the community and banned from the community. Because of their traitorous deeds, these two were beaten by angered members of the community. This was naturally attributed to members of the Black Panther Party, and used as an excuse for attack upon our office. In fact, the Mayor of New Or-



WILLIAM CLOUD



LEROY JONES

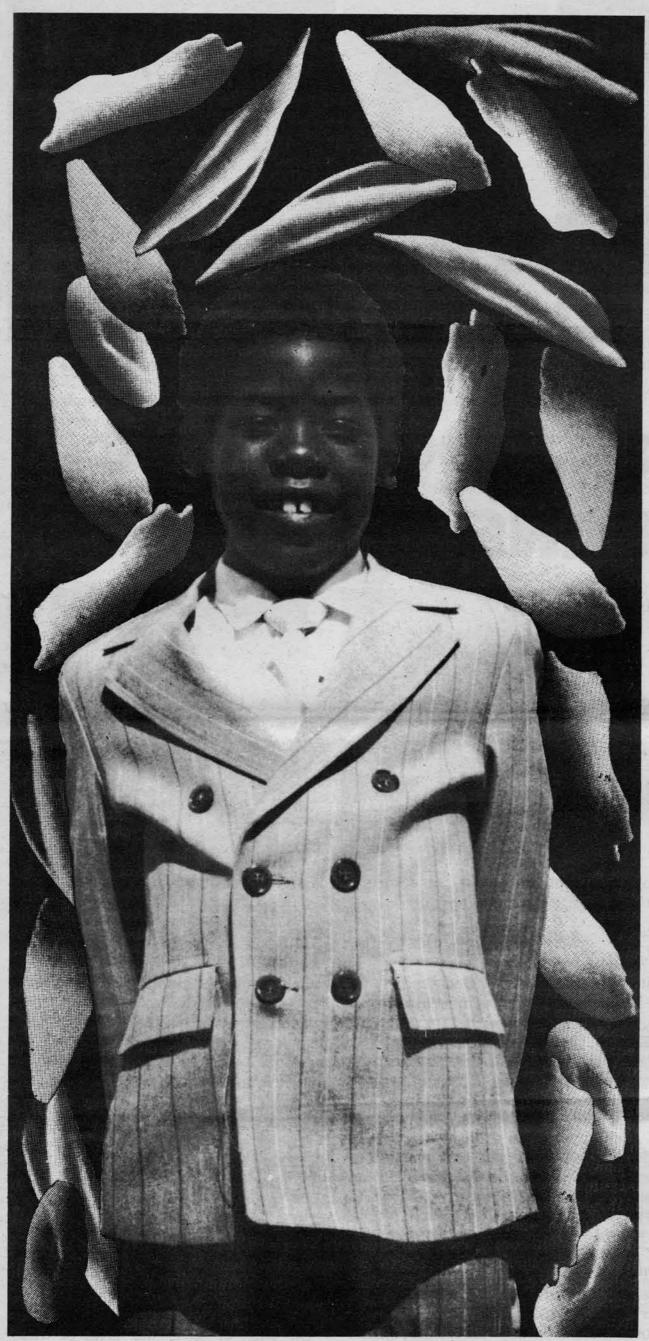
leans, who had vanguarded the threats to keep the Party out of "his city", announced a pre-dawn raid on the Party office in the Desire Housing Project. He told the residents to "clear or vacate the area." As a result of the vicious pre-dawn raid, staged by the New Orleans Police Department, twelve members of the Party were shot at and arrested, and countless numbers of Desire Project residents were forced also to suffer under what turned out to be an attack upon the Black community as a whole.

Those members of the Party arrested were: Leroy Jones, 23; Ronald Ailsworth, 21; Donald T. Guyton, 22; Charles Scott, 20; William Cloud, 18; Isaac Edwards, III, 28; Milton O. Martin, 27; Tyrone Edwards, 18; Alton Edwards, 21; Leah Hodges, 19; Catherine Bournes, 20; and Elaine Young, 22. They were falsely imprisoned and have been for the past eleven months as a result of this raid on the phoney charges of attempted

murder of the raiding police officers.

The State, even in the realization that it had no case, stubbornly refused to drop the charges. For eleven months, it has maintained exhorbitant bails on the twelve brothers and sisters, as well as leveling beatings and tear-gassings upon them, while falsely imprisoning them in the New Orleans Parish Prison. Even this mass arrest did not stop them from continued attacks upon Party offices and homes, for they have made several subsequent attacks and raids since that time, in their efforts to eliminate the Black Panther Party in the State of Louisiana.

On July 8, 1971, the trial of these twelve brothers and sisters finally rolled around, with the selection of the jury. After going through a panel of five hundred prospective people, a jury of 10 Blacks and 2 whites was se-



The above photo is of Julius Evans, age 8, who is a positive sickle cell case. He is standing in front of a magnified illustration of red blood cells taken from a patient in a sickle cell crisis. The cells are sickled, stretching away from their normal donut shape.

FIGHT SICKLE CELL ANEMIA

In Western and Central Africa. where there is a high incidence of Malaria - particularly the most severe type of Malaria, Plasmodium falciParum, a natural immunity against this dreaded disease was built up in some of the People. Since the Malaria germ attacks the red blood cells, some Western and Central Africans began to develop an immunity to the germ. The actual shape of the red blood cells in these people began to transform. Instead of being the normally round, donut shape, their blood cells became elongated into a sickle-like shape.

When the Euro-american slave traders invaded the African continent and forcibly removed the people from their homeland to the U.S., the people naturally began to be affected by this new environment. That is, what was once an advantage in their homeland, became a disadvantage in this foreign environment. Those who had the sickled red blood cells, no longer needing them to fight off the Malaria germ, began to suffer terrible consequences of their transportation from one continent to another. For eventually, as these blood cells are transferred from generation to generation (they are hereditary), Black People in the U.S. began to suffer from anemia from these sickled red blood cells. This sickle cell anemia has, then, been peculiar, for these reasons, to Black People.

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PEOPLE BEFORE HIGHWAYS

On July 19, 1971, Governor Sargent of Massachusetts authorized another study on the INNERBELT system planned for construction in Boston. The study will take 18 months and cost 3.5 million dollars, giving the people of Boston another postponement of this

D.C., a highway was used to split the Black community. The INNERBELT will cut off Roxbury from the South End, the Mission Hill Projects from the Whittier Street Housing Projects, and the Bromley-Heath Housing Projects from both. This is a calculated

will cost 80 million dollars to construct. The INNERBELT will enter Roxbury at Huntington Ave, and Ruggles St., go east on Tremont St. through Roxbury and the Southend and connecting with the Southeast Expressway at Albany Street and Massachusetts Avenue. The entire structure will cost close to one billion dollars to build.

The most controversial section in Roxbury has been the 35 acre site at the intersection of Tremont and Ruggles Sts. Here the Southwest Expressway would feed into the INNERBELT in a 20 lane, 5 level complex. Ramps to the highway will rise 52 feet, higher than the buildings in Mission Hill. Parts of the road will pass within 20 feet of the windows in the Mission Hill Housing Projects. The INNERBELT will pass through Madison Park, where housing projects and the Campus Park





How proposed Massachusetts Highways will affect the Black Communities has not been considered.

disastrous program for highway construction.

The idea of the INNERBELT, a high speed expressway, which will circle Boston, is not a new one. It appeared as a concrete proposal 23 years ago in 1948. City planners saw it as the ultimate solution to persistent Boston traffic congestion. The major highways, the Massachusetts Turnpike, Route 2, Interstate 93 and 95; along with three new roads, the Northeast Expressway, the Southeast Expressway, and the Southwest Expressway, would feed into the INNERBELT like seven spokes on a wheel. This was seen as a perfect way to enable the orderly channeling of traffic. The impact of this complex of highways, which will vary from 8 to 10 lanes in local communities, was never considered.

The Boston INNERBELT system is part of the nationwide, national defense highway system conceived in 1956. Roads from the INNERBELT will hook up directly to the Fort Devens Army Base, making the Black community easily accessible to the military. In Nashville, Tennessee and Washington,

effort to isolate and thus control the Black community.

Governor Sargent's plan to begin actual construction in 1970 led to widespread community resistance. The formation of the G.B.C. (Greater Boston Committee on Transportation), and Operation Stop, made up of representatives of the areas affected by the system, caused INNERBELT Governor to call a moratorium on construction in May, 1970. The recently announced study extends the moratorium by one and a half years; but plans for the highway have by no means been abandoned. The land in Jamaica Plain and Roxbury has already been cleared. 1,500 to 2,000 housing units have been removed; and the displacement of businesses has resulted in the loss of 3,000 jobs in southwest Boston.

The Southwest Expressway, one of the "Spokes in the wheel", will enter Roxbury at Jackson Square. It will follow the same route as the New Haven railroad at about the same height. It will be 8 to 12 lanes wide (300 - 500 feet), and the 8 mile strip High school, for 5,500 students, will be built. Throughout Roxbury, the highway will be elevated; in Brookline and the Fenway, middle class areas, it will be tunneled underground. An estimated 160,000 cars will pass through the Tremont - Ruggles Sts. interchange each day.

The damage to the community, if the highway is constructed, will be expensive. In all, 6,000 homes, 25,000 people and 1,200 acres will be affected by the road, 160 acres have been appropriated in Boston. No plans for replacement of housing have been made. The heavy traffic flow will greatly increase air pollution. The long range effects of living in polluted air are not clear. Toxic gases from the cars will create hazardous health conditions. Carbon monoxide, made by incomplete combustion can affect mental processes and cause nausea and headaches. Lead from the fuel raises the chances of lead poisoning. Constant noise from the cars, (noise pollution) causes deafness, damage to the circulatory system, and a

THE BLACK COMMUNITY IS BOYETTE'S ONLY FAMILY

When we discuss the rights of the Black man or woman in America, we have to be aware of a very fundamental point, that our very existence in this land was brought about by the greedfilled decisions of people whom we did not know, nor whose decisions were in accordance with our own (though we were never asked). So that in terms of rights, it would be only logical to say that as a group of people captured by foreign, alien forces and transplanted against our will, that such conditions disallowed for discussions of our rights. The captured cannot realistically expect to be treated as though he is not the captured.

It only follows that after the centuries use we were put to as free, slave laborers, our position in the society had been defined, had become fully integrated as part of the American way of life. Therefore the alleged proclamation of emancipation forced out of Lincoln was a pitiful piece of paper to wave in the face of centuries of slavery. Nevertheless, because such was designated by the laws of the land, Black people began attempting to marry what existed on paper with what existed in fact. The civil rights struggle began.

How is this all linked to the current, internal Oakland Black community contradiction with Bill Boyette, President of Cal-State Package Store and Tavern Owner's Association (Cal-Pac), whose liquor stores the Black Panther Party and members of the Black community are currently boycotting. First of all, whether or not this is fully recognized, Bill Boyette is a Black man. This places him in the victimized position, like the rest of us, a position which holds few, if any, choices. Certainly even Boyette will not deny this. As such, he should have become aware that the inability of America to exercise in practice what it has on paper in regard to its Black communities, its



Willie Boyette



FROM RANDY, WITH LOVE

The letter below was written by Randy Williams to his wife, Mary. We are printing it here because although it was for Mary, specifically, it is in fact to us all - all who are out here. It is a letter of courage and strength that is transmitted to any reader. We know that Randy will be among good comrades at whatever camp he might be sent to. And his words of love for our people let us know that the struggle within the maximum security camps of this country is becoming more and more a part of the struggle in the streets:

August 3, Year of the Youth

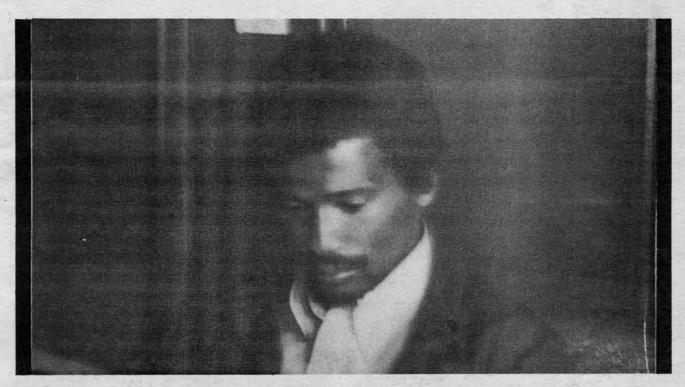
Power to the Youth, Mary Nell,

I saw Debbie and my mother in court yesterday morning; this was righteous. I was looking for them this morning, but they were not there; no one was. By the time you receive my letter the jury will be back with the verdict. Now is not the time for me to indulge in delusions that I will set foot in minimum again. I made my choice when I chose a life of struggle rather than a mere existence. The choice I made was a valid one, and one that I shall never regret having made. The only change I see is that my area of work is now in the reddest of areas. The struggle toward the transformation of this system is one that moves relentlessly forward; wherever our people are, we should be there also, in order to educate and provide correct guidance. This is resolved in my mind, and has been for quite sometime.

I will be seeing our Chief soon, in Vacaville (the evaluation center for California's penal system). However, I feel that there are things I have left unsaid, as well as undone. Perhaps it is better this way. I touched your foot in the interview room because I wanted to be close to you once again; but I saw from your expression that I had better get that concept out of my mind. When I saw the sprinkling of gray in your hair, I immediately related them to the arduous struggle. They are righteous and very appealing as far as I am concerned.

I just heard over the radio that our Minister's jury is now out deliberating. The thing I see most clearly is that I will soon be implanted in a new environment. After this period of over 15 months, a simple change in scenery is a welcomed change indeed. I guess you have noted my progressive development in the articles I have written these

past few months; my social practice has not lagged behind my expanding consciousness. As of this moment I wonder what you are thinking as you read my "waiting letter". It matters to me what your thoughts are at this moment. By this time I will have completed an article that has been developing in my tiny brain. Some of the material has already spilled onto paper in concrete form; the rest should follow now that I am no longer forced to concentrate on



RANDY WILLIAMS

(6:30) I have just been found guilty of all but one of the charges against me. Charles Garry was there with me when a jury not of my peers came back with the guilty verdict. He is a great, great man. I was not able to generate any feeling of rage or anger toward those who reaffirmed the justice of reactionary intercommunalism; they are simply typical examples of the human product produced by this sick society. These 12 represent the countless milwho are still lions of Americans sleeping, who are unaware of the tremendous power of the contending social forces locked in struggle. They can jail a revolutionary, however, they cannot jail social progress.

I shall be here until at least the 18th.

the activity taking place in the arena. I can truthfully say that the judge and deputy district attorney proved to be real tigers; together in this particular set of circumstances, in this case, they were formidable indeed. They won this encounter, however, they shall inevitably lose the struggle to impede our people's struggle toward a more just and responsive socio-economic formation. As I indicated - one part of this letter was written before my conviction and the other half after. Tell all my comrades I said power to the people; and tell Debbie and Donna to always up hold the interests of our people and to struggle relentlessly toward our goal of revolutionary intercommunalism.

With comaraderie, Randy.

THE ILLINOIS STATE CHAPTER OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY HAS EXPANDED ITS FREE BUSSING TO THE PRISONS PROGRAM. We Now Have Regularly Scheduled Trips To Statesville, Joliet, Vandalia, Menard, Dwight Women's Reformatory, Pontiac, And Vienna State Penitentiaries.

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5,000 BLACKS MAY GO TO PRISON BY DECEMBER

According to our information, nearly 2,000,000 (two million) people are locked up in the prisons and jails of this country. Of that number, nearly 50% are Black people. At the present rate, nearly 5,000 more Black people will be found guilty of some "crime" of necessity, of survival, or for political beliefs - strikes for liberation in varying forms - by December of this year. If America, if this government could do as it wishes, this figure would be greater. But it is rising, as more and more Blacks are run through the alleged judicial system into prison, for the comfort and convenience of this country. After all, according to them, we only occupy space and contribute nothing to their society, besides now causing "trouble" in the form of uniting for our liberation - certainly a crime in America. One prime reason for their ability to justify the incarceration of so many of us, which is through the use of their courts and system of "justice", is the acceptance of our automatic guilt by white people whose in-bred racism can be easily manifested in these courts. That is, the courts which stand purportedly to mete out justice to all in the name of everything American are in fact the pillars of in-justice. They serve as a convenient device to eliminate our numbers through the unanimous (and therefore supposedly democratic) vote of 12 alleged peers, 12 whites, who've been saying "nigger" and moving away from "high crime areas" (Black communities) since childhood, but who presumably listen with objective ears to a Black person brought to trial. Absurd. It happens. The court, then, stands as the prime instrument of America's brand of fascism, as it maintains, pleasantly, the enslavement of our people, of Black people.

If the court is the instrument of fascism, the jury must be viewed as the instrument of the courts. For it is an American tradition for the courts

to be the channel for the ways in which this country systematically locks up, thinks out of existence those people who are too poor to exist, starving under capitalism, or too angry to watch it continue to oppress the people. From the beginning of the American judicial system, because it was patterned after the English system, it has been based upon the service and protection of the ruling class's economic interests, while relegating the poor or working people, Black people in particular, to the level of animal - private property over people's lives.

The laws that exist as part of this country's so-called judicial system were made to serve the ruling circle's conceptions of good and bad, right and wrong. We grow accustomed to the fact that the prisons are extensions of the law enforcement agencies, and therefore we understand that in reality both the law and its enforcement are connected to this country's desire to totally control those who would change the American way of life. This fundamental formula presumes most Blacks.

It is the courts, not the jails, that initially repress the people within the judicial process. (That is, of course, if the enforcement, the police, arm doesn't take up, in one move, the tasks of judge-jury-executioner - brothers and sisters being shot down and killed in cold blood, while "justice" was being carried out on the spot.) A trial in America is in fact based upon who can play the game of words and psychology best. The outcome of a trial usually depends upon the judge's personal likes or dislikes of the defendant's race or political convictions; or the lawyer's understanding not only of law, but of human beings; or the prosecutor's ability to cleverly display "evidence".

All of this brings us to the point of the importance of juries or our

peers, people who think, live like the defendant, who understand the defendant's life. A poor Black person should not be tried by 12 middle-aged, middle class whites; he should be tried by people from his own community, with his own perspective. This is only logical. But a consistent pattern has been shown over the last year, particularly, in the courts of the United States. Anyone who reads the newspapers, watches T.V. or listens to the radio knows that in at least five major trials involving Black, political defendants (individuals who are dedicated to fighting the cruelty and neglect of the American government, who challenge its racism), the juries with over one third or more Black people acting as judges of the evidence returned with verdicts of not guilty or were deadlocked after deliberation.

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In Detroit and New Orleans, in recent trials of Black Panther Party members and community people, there were ten Black people on the respective juries; in New Haven and New York, there were five Black People. In each case, except New Haven where the jury was deadlocked and the charges were dismissed, all of the defendants were acquitted.

The North American fascists believe that they have control over the people's every movement, thought or reaction. They fail to understand that the people can comprehend their insincere platitudes and speeches about fair trials and impartial juries, that at least some of the people have the ability to sort basic truths from jokes and lies. They saw the railroads that have always occurred within the courts and refused to accept what America wished. The juror that can bring in an acquittal for a Black person in this country is one who truly relies upon and believes in the truth.

All of the visible and invisible rulers of this country have become dismayed at the trend of objective thinking that jurors from the large, urban areas, most of whom are Blacks or nonwhites, have developed through years of watching the courts' injustices. And from behind their desks, somewhere in Washington, D.C., they have been forced to resort to more blatant tactics to convict Black defendants. They have announced plans in some places to cut juries down to six people, reducing by law of averages the possibility of acquittals; in other cities they are refusing to let lawyers for the defense question prospective jurors at length (in the case of Chairman Bobby Seale and Ericka Huggins it took three and one-half months and over 1,500 prospective jurors to seat a jury even one third objective.) the fear in this case being that too many racists, super-patriots and robots may be slipping by.

A prime example of how local governments plan to manipulate even this already corrupted system exists in Los Angeles, California. The superior court judges there are developing a strategy for putting a quota primarily on the amount of Black people and other non-whites that would be seated on juries. There, the jury selection process, as it stands, has produced too many of the people's judges. Therefore, the strategy is to restrict the choosing of the jurors, or rather bring about de facto all-white juries, through manipulating the lists that more racists or mindless, middle-class whites, who, because of preconceived ideas about Blacks, will feel the necessity to do as they have been programmed to do and railroad innocent people through the courts. It happens that a great many Black persons now serving sentences in California prisons have been convicted on charges stemming from Los Angeles.

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have been meting out justice to a greater extent, and fewer Blacks have been convicted. (In civil cases involving large corporations, this has caused a great loss in money.) To alleviate their problem, a new proposal was made for the selection of juries for that city's trials.

The proposed procedure of choosing jurors insures conviction of a Black person. Because a great percentage of the population of the City (as opposed to the County) of Los Angeles is Black and the outlying cities of the entire County of Los Angeles are small, suburban, provincial, white communities. Under the new proposal a person arrested in the Central District (or the City) will be tried by a jury chosen from a list of prospective jurors taken from the entire County - not just from the Central District. That is, those tried in the City, who will be mostly



In fact, proportionately, Los Angeles sends more Blacks to prison than any other city in California. But, in the past several years, convictions of Black people in L.A. have not been so easily obtained. Juries chosen from voting lists in L.A., because of the great proportion of Blacks in the city,

Blacks, will be tried by juries drawn from the entire County, mostly whites. And, due to the fact that Black people usually do not vote, nor register to do so, the chances of being chosen for jury duty are already slim; with the delivery of this new process to the people, the chances of Black people

being chosen are almost zero, simply because the County as a whole is predominately white.

What is happening there shows that the courts feel and know that their apparatus can break down, as it stands, if they do not convict certain amounts of poor and oppressed people, mainly Blacks and non-whites. For if the courts fail to railroad, then the prisons, that detain men and women as free laborers, slave laborers, will not be able to function, put their goods out so cheaply. If we, Black and poor people, are tried by juries of our peers, most of the prisons in this country would out of necessity be closed down. Of course, this will not happen. The prisons and the state governments work hand in hand to keep intact their policy of near chattel slavery, reminiscent of the barbarism this country was founded upon. Therefore, the maintenance of racist, predominately white juries is the prime factor in maintaining the status quo relationships slave/slavemaster.

David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party, was recently falsely convicted and sentenced to serve 10 years for assault with a deadly weapon. There was no gun, no weapon presented as evidence. His jury was all white. Randy Williams of the Black Panther Party and Melvin Holloway were also recently convicted and sentenced to 2 to 14 years on each of eight counts (to run consecutively, or one by one) of assault with the intent to commit murder on police officers. The evidence was the testimony of the eight pigs. Their jury was all white. Romaine "Chip" Fitzgerald of the Black Panther Party was convicted

of murder of a security guard on the testimony of one "witness". His trial lasted four days. He was sentenced to the gas chamber by an all white jury. These are strong testimonies to the point. In the case of Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party, only one Black sat on the jury. She voted to convict him. This proves that a truly representative cross-section of the community must sit on juries in order for justice to prevail.

These are cases in which members of the Black Panther Party were involved. But, across the country, thousands of Blacks are falsely convicted, daily, and sentenced to long terms of imprisonment, because of these same conditions. By the end of this year, we estimate 5,000 more will suffer the same, if we do not move in unity to correct this. Who among these 5,000 will be your brother or sister, or son or daughter, or wife or husband, or friend, or member of your community, neighborhood, can be up to you.

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Clarence Shipley and his baby are struggling to live.

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In their insatiable desire for profit, greedy and racist slumlords throughout this Empire have subjected Black, poor and other oppressed people to every indecent and inadequate housing condition imaginable. Not only must Black and other oppressed people struggle to pay for their imprisonment in these housing camps, but their lives are also filled with the daily frustrations of attempting to improve the living conditions in these human concentration camps.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shipley of Baltimore (Maryland) have been struggling against these conditions for the entire two years that they have been renting a house on West Saratoga Street in Baltimore. The Concord Realty Company has consistently refused every request from the Shipley Family to make much needed repairs on the house. In fact, every request, from a new paint job to their request for the re-wiring of faulty electrical circuits has not been just refused, they have been ignored.

The living conditions at the house are so bad that they go beyond mere inconvenience; they are hazardous and deadly. For example, the house rests on an unstable foundation; as a result, the front wall of the Shipley home is collapsing and the front steps are crumbling away. The plaster is falling off the walls; there is no garbage collection service and the wiring is so faulty that sparks and flames fly when switches are turned on or off in the house. As a result of this, there has been an electrical fire in the Shipley home. Concord Realty Company continues to ignore the Shipleys' requests to rectify this hazardous situation.

This home, like most in the Black Community, is in violation of every article of the Maryland Housing Code, yet demands upon the Housing Authority, the landlord and the Bureau of Public Works have all been ignored. It is clear that the greedy slumlords and racist government agencies are conspiring to commit genocide upon us, Black people, through their neglect, and the perpetuation of living conditions unfit for any human being.

It is evident that the control of housing and public housing agencies should be in the hands of the People. We must unite the Black Community and fight for our right to live in decent and adequate housing.

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FOR CROSS SECTION OF COMMUNITY ON JURIES AND FOR PROBATION OR APPEAL BAIL BOND FOR BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED COMMUNITY PEOPLE, DO HEREBY PETITION THAT BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, PRESENTLY HELD BY ALAMEDA COUNTY AS A POLITICAL PRISONER, BE GRANTED HIS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF AN APPEAL BAILBOND OR PROBATION, PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE TO A HIGHER COURT.

THE U.S. CONSTITUTION STATES THAT JURIES SHALL REFLECT A CROSS-SECTION OF A COMMUNITY, OR A PEER GROUP. THERE WERE NO BLACK PEOPLE ON THE JURY IN THE CASE OF BROTHER DAVID HILLIARD, ALTHOUGH 38% OF THE OAKLAND COMMUNITY IS BLACK. FIVE BLACK PEOPLE SAT ON THE JURY IN THE RECENTLY DISMISSED CASE OF BOBBY SEALE AND ERICKA HUGGINS, EVEN THOUGH ONLY 9% OF THE NEW HAVEN COMMUNITY IS BLACK. THEREFORE, THE CASE OF DAVID HILLIARD, PARTICULARLY, CLEARLY POINTS OUT THE NEED TO HAVE PROPER REPRESENTATION ON JURIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

IN THE LIGHT OF THESE FACTS, WE THEREFORE PETITION THAT DAVID HIL-LIARD BE GRANTED HIS CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF AN APPEAL BAILBOND OR PROBATION, PENDING APPEAL OF HIS CASE TO A HIGHER COURT, AND THAT THE RE-TRIAL JURY REPRESENT A TRUE CROSS-SECTION OF THE COMMUNITY.

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PEOPLE'S JUDGES FREE **NEW ORLEANS PANTHERS**



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lected. This increased the odds for a fair trial; but no one was overly confident, knowing how the mafia-controlled fascists in New Orleans would attempt to intimidate and pressure this possible group of peers. The arrogance of the local fascists could be seen in the presentation of their so-called evidence, charging each defendant with five counts of attempted murder against New Orleans assassins, who had attempted murder on them.

Prosecutors Numa Bertel William Ary presented such a poor case that they only more thoroughly revealed the nature of the State's vicious, pre-planned conspiracy to destroy the Black Panther Party in New Orleans. A tape of Governor McKeithen's threa-



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tening statement was actually played as part of the State's evidence, as ridiculous as this may seem. (Their own extreme racism blocked their ability to pretend at objectivity.) Major Morrison of the New Orleans Police Department appeared as a State's witness, only to end up admitting that he had arrived at the Community Information Center on the morning of the raid in an armored tank mounted with an M60 calibre machine gun (like those used in Viet Nam). He stated that he had come to serve Ronald Ailsworth with a warrant, which, as a matter of fact, he also admitted he did not have with him at the

rect orders of New Orleans Pig Chief, warrant. The further absurdity of this trial came when one cooking utensil, a pot, which the police allege was used to assault the two police informants, who had been put out of the community meeting the night before the pre-dawn raid, was presented as "evidence".

As prosecutor Numa Bertel further attempted to prove a conspiracy on the part of the New Orleans Panthers, he looked and sounded only more absurd. One of his final bits of evidence was the testimony of Major Drake of the New Orleans Police Department, who testified to his (Drake's) knowledge of the plan to assault and raid the office several weeks before it actually took place.

The defense then presented its witnesses, which were the people, the people of the community from the Desire Projects who were also subjected to the same vicious attack by the New Orleans Police Department on the morning of September 15th (1970). They included a Mr. Anderson, who testified as to how he and his family were caught in a volley of gun fire by the New Orleans Police Department as they (the Anderson Family) were attempting to clear the area that was under attack and running for fear of their lives. A Mr. Willie Campbell told of how he had been shot at and his home fired upon on that same morning. And a Mrs. Virsa Sevalia testified that Mrs. Olga Stanley, another resident of the Desire Projects, was shot from a New Orleans Police Department helicopter, which was also used in the raid. Other residents were forced to remain on the floors of their homes throughout the entire attack in order to protect their lives. The defense rested with the testimony of Harold Holmes, a member of the Louisiana State Chapter, who explained the Party's ideology and principles as well as our position on self

When the jury returned from its deliberation, after hearing all this, they returned, after only thirty-one minutes,

time. He said that he went under the di- with a just verdict. The trial in itself had been an insult to their intelligence, as Giarusso, to serve this non-existent well as an insult to the Black community, which had suffered through the New Orleans fascists' vicious attack. But the jury did not betray the community, they returned a people's verdict of not guilty for all twelve defendants.

> However, even before the jury could return, the F.B.I. had placed a "hold" on all the defendants, to insure that they would not get out of jail right away. The twelve brothers and sisters were then informed that they were under investigation for an alleged federal gun law violation, stemming from the original arrest and raid upon our office in 1970.

But, even this act of treachery was not



MILTON O. MARTIN

able to dampen the people's spirit or will that the twelve brothers and sisters be set free. Already, the new bails stemming from these charges have been posted in the case of seven of the twelve of them; although two brothers, Charles Scott and Ronald Ailsworth, face extradition to New Haven, Connecticut, on charges there. However, they, along with other political prisoners across the country, will be set free. With more of the people's judges, all political prisoners can be set free.

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THE BLACK COMMUNITY IS BOYETTE'S ONLY FAMILY

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Black people and our rights under the law was finalized on the balcony of the Lorraine Hotel in Memphis, Tennessee, where Martin Luther King was shot down and killed.

A piece of paper will never be or really come close to reality, especially when America constantly proves that no real attempts will be made to do so - to implement our paper "citizenship". It only follows, therefore, that our survival in America has not and does not depend upon what is written in America's law books. The blood of our people unjustly spilled onto America's streets confirms this. Our survival depends on ourselves - as it has. We need each other, for none other than our Black communities cares about us.

It is therefore difficult to imagine how Bill Boyette got caught up in America's false propaganda that stated he had rights. Our human rights were negated from the point of forced entry into this land. Our civil rights, or rights by law cannot reverse the



process. Therefore when Boyette begins charging other Blacks, specifically the Black Panther Party, with denying him his constitutional rights, his statements take on the form of jokes. He cannot believe that what never was could be taken away.

Boyette has said he has a right to

choose to donate or not donate to the Black community survival programs. We ask in the name and interest of our community, for the survival of our Black people that he (and others like him - Black businessmen) simply return some of the profit he makes from his liquor stores to our community, our Black community. Our community is like a big family, whose survival depends upon each other. Boyette wishes to leave the community. He refuses to donate a small, minimal amount weekly to our survival.

Specifically, it is not white America, but the Black community and the beauty of our people that brought him up and cared about him. It is the Black community and not white America that patronizes his stores and pays him nearly \$1,000. daily. It is the Black community which supports him and his individual family. (We help each other.) Bill Boyette cannot go to the big, white corporate capitalists and expect to get anything when business looks bad; he cannot go to the fine, white com-

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FINALLY A REASON TO VOTE

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him (Ted Best protected the interest of the West Seattle Businesses and now is being investigated for receiving \$2,800 in "pinball money" for his campaign.). Then another reason is because I picked up the paper one morning and I seen Ken Rogers, who was a Boeing Supervisor, also from West Seattle, running for Position #4 (Ted Best held this position until he resigned about 6 months ago and Ken Rogers was appointed to take his place). Ken Rogers said that the ESP Program was a form of welfare or just another welfare handout. I'm uptight against people who say that about welfare and welfare recipients because I feel that welfare is a right and not a privilege. ESP was designed by the Federal government as a tax free money of \$80 a week for people who had no unemployment and these types of things. The only reason it was done is because there is a crisis, and Washington without the ESP Program would naturally have to put more people on welfare. Now they could be welfare recipients as far as I'm concerned, getting the \$80, but now as soon as the Boeing Engineers and some of the middle class suburbia get out of a job, they come up with a thing called ESP. So if they get ESP they don't have to go on the welfare rolls. Stack Panther P Q: What are your future plans with the Welfare Rights Organization?

A: I will work with the Washington Welfare Rights Organization as long as it is in existence. Approximately two years ago I decided to dedicate the rest of my life to the movement of poor people, and my priority was welfare rights. I used to think that I could talk to the Department and talk to the people. But I was bullshitting myself and the people too. One day they (the Welfare Department) put me in a trick, and they are the cause of me being as strong as I am today about the welfare movement. Because, I went to the welfare office one day and they had every police in town there for me. I decided, well you know, I can hang it up. I can't trust the man and you can't trust him. I wanted to believe that he gave me a hard time all my life, but I really just didn't want to face reality "that you can't work with the system and the people too--that's impossible."

What I will do when I become City Councilwoman is to see money allocated from the city to do a research thing on sickle cell anemia for several reasons. Primarily because we find that there's a high rate in the Black

community. It's primarily found in Black people and I think this is a very dreaded disease, which should be looked into. Another thing I'm going to stress is that no one in the city of Seattle will go to bed hungry at night. Each person will have a place to stay; I don't mean like under the bridge, but I mean a decent place to stay and a decent meal. There's a lot of issues that I feel that I will work directly on. I think I will have a different stand on them than most people in the city government and I realize that a city suffering from a crisis doesn't have any money, but they're certainly getting money from somewhere. I see X number of buildings going up everyday; some of them are useless. Some of them are buildings to look at. I was just looking at the Seattle First National Bank and they got a piece of bronze sitting in the front of it for X number of dollars and I think about how many hungry people those dollars could have fed and clothed. One of the things I think City Council got is their priorities the wrong way. I'd like to shuffle the priorities around. The things I'm talking about are usually last in the City Council, and I'd like to make them on tob.

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munity housing, unless they let him and our support is good enough. They offer him few choices; we offer him his survival. If it were not for the Black community, he could not eat good food, live in a decent home or give his children an education. So when we ask for help from the child, in our collective survival, he says he has a right to even refuse small, regularly donated amounts toward free food, clothing or shoe programs to maintain our survival. He doesn't tell the tax collector about his rights, he wouldn't tell the Army about his rights, nor the rent man, nor the man who collects the car note, or the phone company, nor the police who run wantonly through our communities. He knows they won't listen or care. Yet he can tell the Black community he has choices. But he must know that he has no other function in the American Empire than to remain in his place with the rest of the victims. If he doesn't realize this now, he will, when his business deteriorates and a Colonel Sanders Kentucky fried chicken store decides that Boyette's store would make a good location for their business. If his store gets replaced by a freeway, a Standard Oil

gas station or MacDonald's hamburger stand, then he will understand,

It is for these reasons we are boycotting him and will until he responds to our needs. Instead of even attempting to talk it over, Boyette screams about his rights. Now his store has lost more in three weeks than if he had donated the small, regular amount of his choosing, on a weekly basis, for a whole year. He continues to deny the community, continues to attack the people who picket his store, as if criminals, animals or foes that deny him his right to live. He has attacked the Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party, Huey P. Newton, saying that Huev and the Party are not the real voices of the community. He has turned to those who deny him his rights by taking our Minister of Defense to court to stop the boycott (as absurd as this is in light of his position in society). And, he has said that if Huey P. Newton would run for public office. even as dog-catcher - in his words he would lose. The people cast their vote daily when they walk or drive past Bill Boyette's store in support of the boycott. Bill Boyette has already lost; he has lost the respect and pa- ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

tronage of the Black community.

We are not boycotting his store out of hatred; we do it out of concern for the people of the Black community. We feel that the fact that one of the Cal-Pac members, Jim Hadnot, said that they (other Association members) were "ordered" not to donate shows that it is Bill Boyette who is showing such a total disregard for the welfare of his people. However, the Black community will hold no grudges against him. What we do now is a criticism of his distorted values and his selfishness. Our boycott or his stores, our picket lines, are to help discipline him, so that he might remember where he came from - the very community he exploits and now refuses to give even a little help. And just like the son who strayed from his family for a while to throw away his money and energies in an alien community, returned, having learned his lesson, we know that he will return. He has no other real choice. Then, we will welcome him with open arms, back into the Black community - the only family that he has.

MEN HAVE LOST ARMS LEGS AT PATUXEN

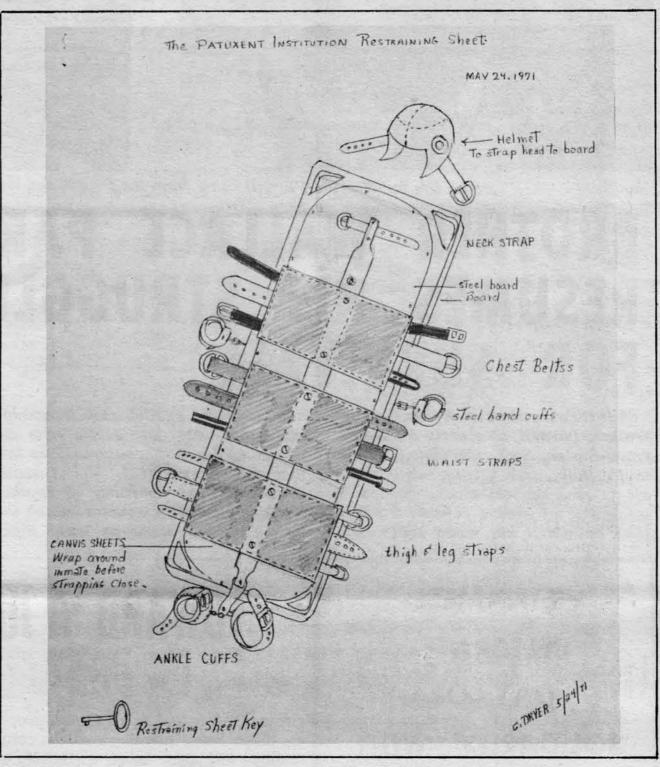
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indefinite sentences. In America, to be "anti-social" is to be anti-capitalist, anti-racist, anti-fascist. In Baltimore, being "anti-social" can mean a stay for an indefinite period at Patuxent.

It goes without saying that the psychiatrist, who controls an inmate's release, is a tool of the fascist societyat-large. Dr. Harold Boslow, Director of Patuxent Institution, is known to encourage passivity, corporal punishment and homosexuality. Drs. Klark, Carney and Sarongan are the diagnostic staff psychiatrists, who, based on their own racist and fascist standards, have been chiefly responsible for keeping as many Black and poor men incarcerated indefinitely at Patuxent. This diagnostic staff is also responsible for establishing to what sector of the prison population a given inmate will be assigned. The population is divided into four levels, from one to four, level one including the active resistors.

The active conditions at the Patuxent Institution are such that any inmate aware of his constitutional and human rights will refuse to submit to servility, and will, therefore, suffer beating, torture and intimidation. Like other prisons, Patuxent metes out punishment in the form of confinement in the "hole" for up to 120 days, along with periodic beatings and interrogations. This has resulted in the deaths of inmates Ronald Handy, Joe Benton and several others. But very special to Patuxent is a torture device known as the "restraining sheet", designed by a former guard (see diagram). The use of this archaic and cruel device has resulted in the limbs of several amputation of the inmates, not regarding the psychological effect this medieval device can have.

The active conditions at Patuxent, along with the entire concept of its being, has aroused the attention of the Black community, for naturally mostly Blacks are singled out for such special methods of "rehabilitation". A committee, "The Concerned Parents, Relatives and Friends of Inmates of Patuxent Institution", was formed to expose the vicious purpose bizarre, archaic practices of the institution. In this regard, then, it is important to note that the prison system concept is designed to systematically detain oppressed people for the purpose of killing, brutalizing and intimidating and thereby controlling them. The specific tortures and intimidation given at Patuxent and other similar concentra-



tion camps make men vegetables and detention center in the United States. render them useless against the oppressor. For the principal complaint resisted the oppressor or who are of many of the inmates is that they, in fact, are being driven insane.

Patuxent Institution, a supposed "rehabilitation center", is just one example of the concept and practices of every prison, concentration camp and

The idea is to confine those who have potentially capable of doing so; the purpose is to render them useless to themselves, the People and our struggle for Freedom.

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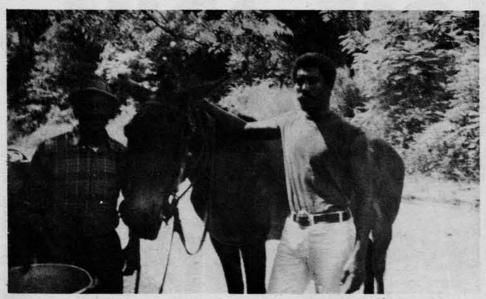
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The newly completed People's Free Medical Clinic of the Cleveland, Ohio munity has banded together against Branch of the Black Panther Party was dynamited by unknown fascists. enemies of the Cleveland Black community at 5:30 a.m., Wednesday morning, August 18th. The People's Free Medical Clinic was almost completely destroyed by the blast. Two sticks of dynamite were found at the scene after the blast, Fortunately, although one brother was in the building at the time of the explosion, he was not injured.

Already, the Cleveland Black Comthis racist attack against one of the People's Survival Programs. A fund has been started by the Cleveland Black Community for the purpose of rebuilding the People's Free Medical Clinic.

More information and pictures will appear in next week's issue of our paper.

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New life for Wallace Parnell came from the People and the Black Panther Party.

BROTHER WALLACE PARNELL RESUMES HIS STRUGGLE people's vary, and concerned people with face of the face

A little over three weeks ago*Brother Wallace Parnell, an elderly Black man from Burton, South Carolina, lost his mule, Dolly, after a tremendous rainstorm in Burton, which caused a weakening of ground beneath a septic tank on which his mule, Dolly, was

standing. The ground gave in and his mule fell into the septic tank and drowned. For Wallace Parnell his last means of survival had actually drowned. Upon learning of Brother Wallace Parnell's troubles, which are basically the same as most Black

people's troubles, though they may vary, and because we are primarily concerned with the survival of Black people within the richest empire on the face of the earth, the Black Panther Party sent Brother Russell McDonald, a member of the North Carolina Chapter of the Black Panther Party and "country farm boy" himself, to Burton, South Carolina, with the intent of purchasing another mule for

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VIETNAMESE CELEBRATE DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH BLACK AMERICANS

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SPECIAL REPRESENTATION RSVN IN DRVN HANOI ENTRUSTED TRANSMIT CABLE QUOTE OCCASION IN-TERNATIONAL DAY OF SOLIDARITY WITH BLACK AMERICANS, SEND YOU WARMEST GREETINGS, MILITANT SOLIDARITY, WISH YOU MANY SUC-CESSES IN COURAGEOUS, PERSISTENT STRUGGLE AGAINST RACISM, RE-PRESSION, TERROR, FOR DECENT LIFE, DEMOCRACY..... DEMAND OF NIXON IMMEDIATE END TO GENO-CIDAL WAR OF AGGRESSION IN SOUTH VIET NAM, LAOS, CAMBODIA AND SERIOUS RESPONSE TO SEVEN POINT PEACE INITIATIVE BY PRG SOUTH VIET NAM. MAY FRIENDSHIP BE-TWEEN PEOPLE OF SOUTH VIETNAM AND BLACK AMERICANS DEVELOP FOREVER. SOUTH VIET NAM PEO-PLES COMMITTEE FOR SOLIDARITY WITH AMERICAN PEOPLE UNQUOTE

TOWARD A JURY OF PEERS

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getting more and more Black people on these lists, members of the community will then be in a position to influence the outcome of a trial from the inside! Just one conscious community member on a jury can possibly increase the positive aspects of a particular trial and transform it negating its negative role where the defendant would be convicted without proof of guilt; and bringing about a situation where the defendants could end up with at least a hung jury, a positive situation, vis-a-vis a false, racist conviction.

This job of transforming the courts must be gotten across to the people of our exploited and victimized communities. It lies in their hands. Then as the State becomes more and more open in its attempts to exclude members of the community from the jury lists and from juries, as they will do (their clean-up now being "The Black community just doesn't register to vote".), they will more and more expose the hypocrisy of American justice to the world. The entire community of victims - revolutionaries, political activists, church members, unemployed, welfare workers, the families, young and old - must unite

behind the plight of the accused defendants and put a stop to this wholesale shipping of Black people to this country's concentration camps. If some of the members of our community are in need of rehabilitation, then we must rehabilitate our own; for it is asinine to expect the victimizer, who created and profits off the misery, to take steps to correct it. With the recent addition of our highly active 18, 19 and 20 year olds to the ranks of potential voters, we have an unprecedented opportunity to swell the numbers of Black people on the jury selection lists from which the juries come.

So the Black community must become registered to vote; members of the community of victims must get their names on the lists of potential jurors-to neglect to do this is to submit to a form of genocide. The reactionary intercommunal forces must find themselves thwarted in their perfidious attempts at "legal" suppression through the courts. Through their unity with each other and concrete action based on that unity the people of the community can accomplish anything!

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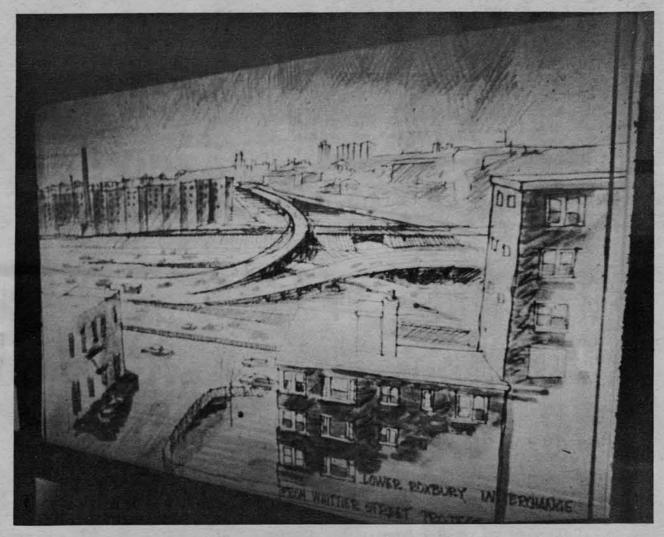
PEOPLE BEFORE HIGHWAYS

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Governor Sargent says the road will add new life to the community by attracting industry. However, increased taxes will cause many small, Black businesses to sell out. The roads will section off our community, and cars speeding through at 60 miles an hour will be a danger to children. The system is designed to serve white suburbs at inner city expense, while rapid transit, upon which most Roxbury residents depend, steadily deteriorates.

Putting aside the disastrous effects of the INNERBELT on the community, there is a question of whether the road will actually help the traffic problem. A single lane of the expressway will carry 3,000 people per hour. Busses on city streets can carry twice as many. Despite the greater efficiency of public transit, money has been allocated to highway construction, only exposing the U.S. and Massachusetts governments' lack of concern for inner city needs.

The community can use the many acres which have been appropriated for the highway construction. We need housing to replace 20% of the housing judged as substandard. We need schools, recreational facilities, shopping areas. We do not need a highway which does not serve our needs and destroys our communities. Right now, the Franklin Lynch People's Free Health Center, which serves medical needs free of cost, is occupying the land at Tremont and Ruggles Sts. This



Proposed Highway Cordon of Black Community.

is the type of program needed and Governor Sargent's 3.5 million dollar study cannot tell us different.

It stands to reason that the acres of land in the Black community, that have been allocated for highway construction, can be of great use in building the much needed housing for Roxbury, to replace the 20% housing that has been judged as substandard. The need for decent housing, schools, shopping centers and other community based facilities are beyond the imagination. To talk of constructing super

highways that cost millions of dollars when people's basic needs are not being met is absurd, and shows a total disregard for basic human rights.

Presently in the Roxbury section of the proposed super highway 95, the Black Panther Party's People's Free Health Clinic is housed in a trailer, not only to serve Black people with free intensive health care, but also to expose the absurdity behind the highway construction scheme when more functional programs of this sort can be implemented.

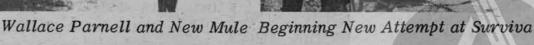
BROTHER WALLACE PARNELL RESUMES HIS STRUGGLE FOR SURVIVAL

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Mr. Parnell. Upon arriving in Burton and contacting Brother Parnell, it was learned that he had been able to secure another mule, which he had appropriately named Dolly Jr. But Brother Parnell had trouble working his new mule, because it was of a different size than his previous mule; and his old, worn-out equipment would not work properly on his new mule, Dolly Jr. Comrade Russell was able to purchase the necessary equipment for Wallace Parnell and now with another mule and new equipment Brother Parnell has resumed his work of collecting trash for his living and making a buck here and a buck there.

There are thousands upon thousands of Wallace Parnells throughout the





South. Recognizing that this is the Empire that spends millions to send men to the moon to get a couple boxes of rocks, one cannot help but ask the question, will the Wallace Parnells ever receive their 40 acres and 2 mules for survival?

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