

TAKE THE LAND !!



THE ENEMY IS SHARPENING HIS SWORD AND WE, TOO, ARE SHARPENING OURS.

China

by the Cartoon Group of Peking

"ACTION MAKES THE VANGUARD. ACTION IS WHAT WILL AWAKEN THE REVOLUTIONARY ENERGY AMONG OUR PEOPLE.

It is what will truly unite all revolutionaries, will stimulate the development of GUERRILLA LEADERSHIP.

The VANGUARD will be GUERRILLA WARFARE, the command will be a GUERRILLA COMMAND, but the commanders will be those who prove themselves by flesh and blood in the struggle, not anyone named by a decree from the cities."

- Action for National Liberation -

Carlos Marighella -

check it out .

The International Solidarity Day for African Prisoners of War has been called, endorsed and co-sponsored by all of the major Black political organizations in North America, representatives from Liberation Movements, and Governments on the African Continent. Our purpose is to call International, National, as well as local attention to the fact that:

(1) Raids during the fifteenth through the nineteenth century, by Europeans and Africans acting on the behalf of Europeans, upon Africa for the purpose of capturing prisoners and reducing those captives to slavery -- and any resistance to those raids or the subsequent subjection to slavery, constituted a state of WAR; and that

(2) a) African people in North America, who are offspring of the above mentioned captives have been and are presently still subjected to slavery.

b) That the present Federal, State and local penal systems in the USA are the main institutions for housing, distributing and maintaining of slaves and the system of slavery. And that the wide publicity given to the highly publicized acquittals of a few was to camouflage the issue of slavery in the penal system being raised in the courts.

(3) a) That a State of War has been continued and presently exists between all those who reject and resist the subjugation to slavery of African people and against those who consciously and directly benefit from this system of slavery and actively work for the continuation of that slavery.

b) This state of affairs must be defined as WAR and not as "conflict" (as the Vietnam War was called) not "Police Action" (as the Korean War was called) nor as "Crime in the Streets", "Urban Crisis", "Riot", nor even "The Movement" as this WAR for African People's Liberation is presently referred to.

Furthermore, we cite the following incidents as further evidence that a state of WAR does exist:

1. Attempted murder of P.O.W. Ruchelle Magee and further detention in an effort to continue to enslave him.

2. Murder of Fred Billingslea, Willie Christmas and James McClain in their attempt to argue the issue of slavery of African People in the California Penal System. Murder of Jonathan Jackson in his effort to help dramatize the issue and free them from slavery.

3. Brutal attack and capture of 11 citizens of the Republic of New Africa -- including President Imari A. Obadele I.

4. Spread of deadly narcotics throughout the African community with military (police) protection of distributors.

5. Assassination of Kimu Olugbala (s/n Anthony White) and Changa Olugbala (s/n Woodie Green) because they were alleged to be members of the Black Liberation Army and threats issued by N.Y.C. policemen that if suspected members of the Black Liberation Army are not convicted and executed by the State criminal-judiciary system that they would shoot and kill them in the streets.

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. We vow full support and encourage all Africans in the world to vow full support for, and believe that "ANY AFRICAN WHO IS AN ORGANIZED, INTELLIGENT, MILITARY MANNER RESISTS SLAVERY OF AFRICAN PEOPLE ANYWHERE THAT SLAVERY EXISTS AND IS THEREBY CAPTURED AND DETAINED, IS UNTIL HIS RELEASE TO BE REGARDED AS AN AFRICAN PRISONER OF WAR."

It is for this reason that we will be here on this day -- to express outrage at this "undeclared war", and to announce that our opposition is not just verbal opposition but action oriented opposition. Action designed to bring to the attention of the world the plight of African Prisoners Of War inside the United States and on the continent.

On March 30 - 31st in Jackson, Mississippi will be held the 1st Annual African Prisoner of War Solidarity Day. Speakers will include, Imamu AMIRI BARAKA, OWUSU SADAUKA of the MALCOLM X LIBERATION UNIVERSITY in Greensboro, N.C., ALEXANDRO NGINA from THE NATIONAL UNION FOR THE TOTAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA, a representative from PAN-AFRICANIST CONGRESS OF ANZANIA and others.

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THE DEFINITION OF A PRISONER OF WAR

FROM: THE NEW YORK STATE PRISONER OF WAR SOLIDARITY DAY COMMITTEE

Our Nation was captured 400 years ago through trickery and violence. The penetration of the African continent for the purpose of taking slaves to build up the capitalist system was an act of aggression that by any interpretation qualifies as an act of war.

African people in amerikkka are prisoners -of-war by virtue of their colonial and enslaved status.

Colonialism and slavery have been defined by international law as crimes against humanity. International law also recognizes the legitimacy of colonial peoples struggling to eradicate their colonial and enslaved condition..... whatever form it takes.

In the International context (by explanation) Political Prisoners and Prisoners Of War are synonymous. In the domestic context there exist, however, a special group of people who have been confined because they have taken conscious actions against the (1) institution of private property, (2) state, (3) process of dehumanization.

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A further refinement of this group is necessary to insure community understanding and support of the developmental process of political prisoners. That refinement is:

(1) Acts of survival in the oppressor's community

- example - 1. Conscious revolutionary actions
- 2. Unconscious revenge actions

(2) Acts of survival in the oppressed community

- example - riots, spontaneous resistance

(3) Acts as a result of dehumanization (drugs, poor housing, unemployment)

Prisoners in maximum security are part and parcel of the community in minimum security therefore the explanation is the same.

We view the whole question of drugs as being chemical warfare and those who help to perpetuate this as being agents of the colonizers.

We cannot condone Black-on-Black acts except where Black-on-Black action is designed to eradicate those Black agents of the oppressors.

- example - drug pushers
- slumlords
- officers of the state (pigs)
- traitors

Other Black-on-Black acts are to be viewed as crimes against the Black Nation and to be dealt with by the Black Nation and evaluated individually in terms of intention and motivation.

"NEW YORK STATE PRISONER OF WAR SOLIDARITY DAY COMMITTEE"

The Committee is a grassroots collective of dedicated and committed Sisters and Brothers from a variety of organizations:

The New York Consulate for The Republic of New Africa

The EAST

Y.O.B.U.

National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners

The Black Panther Party

Lincoln DeTox (OPO), Oppressed Peoples Organization

Black Liberation Party

concerned community people

Pan African Skills Project

African People's Party

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INDIAN'S PLIGHT AT WOUNDED KNEE

Wounded Knee is no longer just part of a best selling book-title. It is where, right now, the New Ogalala Sioux Nation are engaged in a confrontation with the U.S. government. The battle-ground is a community grave where 300 Lakota men, women and children were buried en masse 83 years ago, after having been massacred by Federal soldiers.

Since 1890 the U.S. government has repeatedly attacked Indian land holdings -- over 60 million acres of land, minerals, water and timber; leaving them with nothing except a 42 year life expectancy; a seven times the "national" suicide rate; three times the "national" average infant mortality rate; an average income per year for families of \$500 to \$1,500. The push-out rate in education is from 60% to 100%. Chronic illness and respiratory disease are common among the Indian population. Housing is totally inadequate.

In Custer, South Dakota, a few weeks ago, our Indian brothers and sisters made amerikkka aware of the fact that they would no longer tolerate the oppression, murder and robbing of the Indian people as a whole. Over 400 Indians occupied the village of Wounded Knee and on March 11, 13 days later, announced their secession from the U.S. government, put themselves on a war footing and said that if any Government agent entered the area, the action would be treated as "an act of war and dealt with accordingly". On that same day an FBI agent was shot for trying to enter the village. Monday, March 12, at 2:00 pm., the New Ogalala Sioux Nation declared war on the United States government. This action was provoked by the continued violations by the U.S. government of its treaties with the Sioux Nation.

A representative from the New Ogalala Sioux Nation stated that, "Our only recourse is to take the plight of the Sioux Nation before the nations of the world to avoid further bloodshed. It has been all too easy for the people who call themselves Americans to forget that they are but guests on this land. Wounded Knee 1973 is but the first step in re-establishing our sovereignty and rightful place on this land".

(Above information given to us by representatives from the American Indian Movement (A.I.M.) and the New Ogalala Sioux Nation)

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FROM THE O.P.O. (OPPRESSED PEOPLES ORGANIZATION)

We, the Third World People of the O.P.O. (Oppressed People's Organization) located in the South Bronx, Reservation/Concentration Camp, would like to express solidarity with our Revolutionary Indian Brothers at Wounded Knee.

We feel that the military action taken was a timely and necessary act. It allows us to clearly see why we must support the Black Liberation Army, PRELIMO, Mark Essex and R.N.A. We as Third World people in the South Bronx feel that the Indian's plight against the white immigrant must be dealt with "By Any Means Necessary". We, of the O.P.O., will continue to organize and support our Black and Puerto Rican brothers and sisters. Also, we will continue to support our Indian brothers at Wounded Knee, and any other progressive tribe, organization or people who's struggle is for freedom of their people and the freeing of their land.

It is clear to us that the Indian's land was taken through armed struggle by the white amerikkkan immigrant. The same thing happened with Africa, Puerto Rico, Latin America and Asia. It is also clear to us that as Third World People, the only way we can free our land is through Armed Struggle.

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ALL VICTORY IS OURS POWER TO THE INDIANS AT WOUNDED KNEE

"ROCKEFELLER" BILL TO BE SENT TO THE STATE LEGISLATOR:

Rockefeller proposed to the State Legislators that people convicted of selling hard drugs and addicts who commit violent crimes "under the influence" receive a mandatory, non-negotiable, non-parolable, life prison sentence. The proposed measure which would be the first of its kind in the U.S., also provides a mandatory fifteen year sentence for minors convicted of pushing, or violent drug related crimes. The legislation will also provide a \$1,000.00 bounty for information on hard drug pushers. In his speech, Rockefeller lists "hard drugs" as heroin, amphetamines, barbituates, L.S.D., hashish, and included a vague, open-ended reference to other dangerous drugs.

There should be no doubt in our minds that there will be a new drug law passed by Rockefeller and his quick shuffling cohorts. We Third World people will be the ones more vulnerable to this law. It is another form in a series of genocidal methods that these mad fools are trying to enforce. It is our lives that they are juggling with, therefore we Third World people should create the option of dealing with the "drug problem" on a community level, that is the handling of the pusher and the treatment of the user as a first step.

Who is the pusher?

Before a bill of that size which effects a tremendous amount of lives can be passed, you must define the meaning of the word "pusher". For years, we Third World people were confused as to who were the pushers and who were victims. Let us of the Oppressed People's Organization define the pusher for the people. The Rockefellers, the Nixons and all those uncle Toms think we don't know. A pusher is the man who possesses all overseas connections and has all the financial backing that is necessary to purchase, process and import narcotics into this country. The pusher is the one who owns luxurious homes, many cars and sits behind the desks of many important and influential jobs within this system. The pusher never sees his product, or feels the effect of it upon our people. He does, however, enjoy capitalist gain and self-satisfaction with this oppressive method of his on our people. We must understand that the street level pusher or dealer is just a pawn and is expendable to these real pushers, which makes him a victim like the drug user.

We the people should not be impressed by the highly publicized major dope seizures, because it has not been a deterrent to the flow of narcotics into this country. The pushers you need to give life sentences are sitting in high positions, some are even 'law-makers' and 'peace-keepers'. For example, over 73 million dollars worth of drugs has conveniently come up missing from the property clerk's office in New York City. The people were told to believe that over a period of eight years, policemen had been signing out drugs and returning flour, milk, sugar etc., and that all this was done without the knowledge of the system. We ask, how many deaths can be attributed to the resale of those drugs!

We are well aware of this mad political game that the pushers are playing. We as a people won't let or allow such insanity to govern our lives any longer. We are also aware that the people that Rockefeller has this bill aimed at are not the real pushers and just the pawns who are expendable. As Third World people we must understand that we have no effect on legislation. What we must do is to become aware of the system and where we stand with it.

ROCKEFELLER BILL CONTINUED:

Our biggest weapons against the racist habits of this system is awareness of the things that are being done to us as a people. So let us understand why we of the Oppressed People's Organization oppose this new proposal of the governor. It has no effect on the problem and only acts as another way to keep an oppressed people oppressed.

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POWER TO THE PEOPLE
FREEDOM COMES TO THOSE WHO STRUGGLE

Oppressed People's Organization

"THE CAPTIVE AFRICAN NATION CAN SURVIVE CHEMICAL WARFARE, OR ANY OTHER REPRESSIVE MEASURES TAKEN BY THE BEAST, IF CERTAIN STEPS ARE TAKEN, THIS CAPTIVE AFRICAN NATION MUST RECOGNIZE AND ACCEPT THE TREMENDOUS TASK FACING IT BECAUSE OF ITS HISTORICAL AND GEOGRAPHICAL EXISTENCE IN TIME AND SPACE. LOCATED AS IT IS IN THE BELLY OF THE BEAST, WITH A THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF HIS SYSTEM AND THE WAY IT WORKS, THE TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF THE EVIL CANCER OF AMERICAN-LED WORLD IMPERIALISM IS A JOB IN WHICH THE CAPTIVE AFRICAN NATION WILL AND MUST PROVE TO BE THE DECISIVE FACTOR. A MOVEMENT TO MOBILIZE THE MASSES OF BLACK PEOPLE AROUND THE GUT ISSUES OF LAND AND NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY MUST BEGIN AT ONCE".

"LAND IS POWER. LANDLESS PEOPLE ARE POWERLESS PEOPLE. WITHOUT LAND THERE CAN BE NEITHER POWER NOR A NATION. LAND AND NATIONHOOD DEAL WITH THE HERE AND NOW. THERE IS NO NEED FOR CHEMICAL AGENTS TO BE INJECTED INTO THE BODY ONCE THE STRUGGLE FOR THESE GOALS HAS BEGUN. THE STRUGGLE ITSELF WILL BE THE STIMULANT. IN THE PROCESS OF THE STRUGGLE FOR A SEPARATE NATIONAL IDENTITY THERE WILL OCCUR AN ESCALATION THAT WILL RESULT IN A HOLOCAUST ENGULFING ALL OF AMERIKA. THIS WILL RESULT IN THE TOTAL DESTRUCTION OF WHITE RACIST AMERIKA. FROM THESE ASHES WILL ARISE A TRULY GREAT NATION OF PEOPLE WHERE JUSTICE AND EQUALITY WILL BE GUARANTEED TO ALL".

"EVERY ACT, EVERY ISSUE, EVERY CONTACT BETWEEN THE CAPTIVE AFRICAN NATION AND WHITE AMERIKA MUST BE RECOGNIZED AND PLACED IN ITS PROPER CONTEXT AS A POLITICAL/MILITARY CONFRONTATION. CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, BOOKS, LECTURES, ARREST OF PUSHERS AND ADDICTS, OR ANY OTHER APPROACH TO THE SO-CALLED DOPE PROBLEM EXCEPT CAREFULLY THOUGHT OUT, AND CAREFULLY CONDUCTED, ARMED STRUGGLE INDICATES A WOEFUL LACK OF UNDERSTANDING OF THE TRUE NATURE OF THE PROBLEM, AND THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL CERTAINLY RESULT IN THE END OF THE CAPTIVE AFRICAN NATION, AND THE ENTIRE THIRD WORLD STRUGGLE FOR FREEDOM AND INDEPENDENCE. THIS IS ONE WAR AMERIKA MUST WIN IF SHE IS TO SURVIVE. BUT THE SAME HOLDS TRUE FOR THE CAPTIVE AFRICAN NATION. THEREFORE, NO QUARTER WILL BE ASKED, AND NO QUARTER CAN BE GIVEN BY EITHER SIDE".

(Taken from DOPE -- AN AGENT OF CHEMICAL WARFARE By - Bro. H. Ferguson)

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ON THE PROSPECTS FOR A BLACK PARTY

by - Sister Bernice Jones
Black Panther Party

At a point in our struggle for liberation when it is becoming not a group of isolated events, when it is beginning to come together in a unity of purpose, we must also deal with some problems. The needs of our people will eventually determine and judge what we (you and me) will be. My, nor yours, nor any individual's desires and needs can replace those desires and needs of our people as a whole. Thus, the first and foremost responsibility of an individual is not to one's self, but to the destiny of our people. Of course there are tremendous obstacles that cross our path in fulfilling the needs and desires of our people. The government continuously and at every turn tries to sway us over to "their side". They apply that 400-year-old submit-or-die policy on us while they have all the IDM's, technology, the idiot boxes and movies on their side, always pushing individualism or death. But we are at a point of understanding their hideous threat and we must take it as that because in every dealing, especially in dealings with Third World people, the amerikkkan government has always shoved their inhumanity, unfairness, cruelty, etc.; at us. One soon sees, looking at history, that nothing they have ever done was done in our interests!

Another problem or obstacle is a tendency to move towards a "Black Nationalist Democrat" position. One of Dr. Osagyefo Kwame Nkrumah's major contributions was his deep analysis of neo-colonialism. Looking at amerikkkan politics, amerikkka and its "Black Nationalist Democrat" flunkies with their Bantustan tactics are playing us for chumps and suckers. In amerikkkan politics we ain't voting for any power for us! If the Black Political Convention goes into an amerikkkan politics bag, it will just be another sham! There is no structure in amerikkkan politics for the racist amerikkkan worker, let alone for the super oppressed Blacks (Africans) or the Third World people in this country! We cannot fall for any "Black Nationalist Democrats". If we are going to deal with power and white nationalism from a position of power, let us deal with it from that level -- not as a support group for one of their groups of power, not as lobbyists, not from a negative position, but from a position of power. The Republicans will not solve our problems. The Democrats will not solve our problems. The November white election will not solve our problems! We must start solving some of our own burning questions; do we want to separate from this beast and if we do, how? What type of economics are we going to use? (We cannot see how capitalism will solve many of our problems.) How are we going to implement any type of economics? What type of institutions do we need and how are we going to get them? Do we need some sort of military structure built into our necessary institutions? And who are our true enemies and true friends? The people, our people, must decide these questions of necessity. We are not against revolutionary Black-nationalism -- infact a Black nationalism that deals with the true aspirations of our people we stand solid with.

But first we must educate our people to all of the options present; that is a primary task for the "Black Political Convention" -- to help us to define politics, its use and its importance in and for our lives. We must counter the U.S. govt.'s propaganda. So, do we really need any "Black Nationalist Democrats"? We should know the options offered us by capitalism, "free enterprise", "competition", amerikkkan style and amerikkkan politics. If we choose this vulturistic option, we only gain responsibility for South Africa, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), Vietnam, etc...

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By aspiring to be part of the amerikkkan system, we will only legitimize that system and its repression. Victims of this repression will not separate us from their enemies if we aspire to act in concert with their enemies! The responsibility for these deeds will outweigh any small responsibility over any of our lives by far. Dr. Nkrumah brings this out in any of his works on neo-colonialism. Revolutionary Black Nationalism is what we need -- not a carbon copy of amerikkkan politics. That would only be neo-(new) colonialism.

We know that amerikkka's brand of individualism is at least partly responsible for niggers being pure pigs and selling death, deadly drugs, to their own brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, aunts, uncles and cousins! The amerikkkan propaganda is still responsible for our "Bleed when the white man says bleed, bite when the white man says bite, and bark when the white man says bark!" mentality.

So we don't need any "Black Nationalist Democrats!" Nixon? Wallace? Humphrey? McGovern? Not only are they all the same, but even if President Julius Nyerere of the Republic of Tanzania was president of the USA while the government has the same form of government, structure and institutions, which are capitalist and white nationalist, he could not help us. It would be a contradiction and an insult to our intelligence if a group of Black nationalist said that they have the interests of our people at heart and simultaneously backed McGovern, Humphrey or Wallace, or Nixon or any one of those do-nothing absentia slave masters. Backing anyone for an office in the U.S. government is dangerously similar to Bantustan politics. To fall into a "Black Nationalist Democrat" position would be like putting ourselves into a Swaziland, South Afrikkkan Bantustan situation....We don't need that! What is a McGovern going to do for us that Kennedy or any other cracker didn't do -- As Brother Malcolm said "There ain't no difference between a democrat and a dixiecrat."

Do we still want to be white? We still have white religions, money concepts, hopes, desires, politics, all of which were not developed with us in mind. Are we chumps or something? Woodpeckers don't build sparrow's nests! Robins don't even build sparrow's nests. Why are we bent on building structures and institutions which are mirror images of amerikkka, especially when it is to our disadvantage? We need the power in the hands of our people, and nothing in amerikkkan politics or anything else that she has in mind. We need some self-determination, some land, some things of our own; and doing for self does not mean yourself or myself, but for our collective selves. We do not need any left-overs from this diseased system.

The Black Political Convention must become a force in the hands of Black people, not in the hands of "Black Nationalist Democrats!" We need an economic and military force for any politics that our people develop. If not, it will just like Liberia or Swaziland or Bantustan, and we don't need that --- No Bantustan Politics!!

ONE IS EITHER PART OF THE PROBLEM OR PART OF THE SOLUTION

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

BLACK PANTHER PARTY (NEW YORK)

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RESPONSES FROM KIMU AND WOODY'S EULOGY

From Brother Jamal: (14-14 Hazen Street, E. Elmhurst, N.Y.)

This is in acknowledgement to Changa and Kimu's eulogy. It was timely, simple, and indeed, very moving. We read it to all the brothers and they, too, were deeply inspired. Thank you.

The loss of our comrade affects us in many ways. Many of us had the pleasure of knowing the brothers personally; those who never met them still know them for they had met a thousand times in the bloodstained battlefields of Babylon. If they have met but one warrior, one slave who dared to say 'no' then they have met Changa and Kimu.

So two warriors have passed in the sense that their physical selves are no more. But they are alive within us each day. They reinforce our commitment and whisper to us in a piercing voice. "Be free, be free."

UHURU NA UMOJA, JAMAL

From Mahmoud Abdul-Malik (Theodore Payton) : (125 White Street, NYC)

Please believe me, our comrades have not died in vain. In death they will be the light that shines to lead the people out of oppression and away from the evils that are so contrary to God's plan. Nothing can stop the inevitable victory, for the will of Allah is irresistible. The oppressors strive to perpetuate genocide and exploitation; but today is the 'day' of the 'New Nigga' who is no longer willing to die passively. If it must be death, we must fight to, and beyond the point of the grave. As a revolutionary I will never submit to the oppressor. As a Muslim I submit only to the will of Allah and seek death in His name and for His glory. His fight is the fight of the people and His cause is the cause of the oppressed. His plan cannot be thwarted for He is the Best Planner. His power is the power of right and the people are His instruments. No matter by what name He is known or to what ideology the revolutionary may attribute his motive for revolt, The Divine Plan is evident in all doctrines based on the humanity of man for man; the elimination of evil and all its attributes.

There are thousands of other brothers just like Kimu and Changa whom we have lost in death, but who will live on in the ideals of those who'll follow and pick up the torch and load the gun and strike blow after blow until the enemy and his lackeys are destroyed. The people will prevail and we will be victorious because we're more than willing to pay the price of freedom. Let me live a free man or die in the effort to experience the joys of free men as did my two dead brothers. In the name of the Almighty Allah, the Merciful, the Mercy-giving, from whom all things came and to whom all things must return, Power and Freedom to the People! Your brother in struggle and strife,

Mahmoud Abdul-Malik

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COURTS?

From: Sister Yuri Kochiyama

What's happening in the courts is ~~what's happening in the courts is~~ what's happening in prison -- the procedure and process of tightening the cuffs, dimming the lights at the end of the tunnel. The best of the warriors are being charged with all the unsolved crimes in the city and being whisked away. But until that trip to some maxi-maxi, support and concern must be given to every warrior caught in the dragnet. Here are some of the cases:

THE NEW YORK FOUR: Francisco Torres, Gabriel Torres, Albert Washington, and Anthony Bottom. The Charge -- police killing in the Colonial Houses in Harlem. Next court date is March 29, at 100 Centre St. Part 36, 13 floor. Trial to begin soon. A sequel to the case of Richard Dharuba Moore.

RICHARD DHARUBA MOORE: In an atmosphere of hysteria about the BIA, the third trial of Dharuba ended in a conviction. Sentencing date -- April 12, at 100 Centre St., Part 37, 13th floor.

CLINTON MOODY: Bank Robbery charge. Brooklyn Federal Court, Tillary St., 4th Floor. (John Thomas and Fred Fernandez being served subpoenas as witnesses).

WILLIAM OWENS: Bank Robbery. In court on April 6, Westbury Federal Court.

NEW YORK SEVENTEEN: The 1967 conspiracy and anarchy case (of which these charges have been dropped), aimed at crushing out RAM and Jamaica Rifle and Pistol Club. Four took pleas to 'legal' possession of weapons -- Milton Ellis, Merle Stewart, George Samuels and Abe Taylor. Hampton Rookard will fight the case.

Muhammad Ahmed (Max Stanford) took a plea for bail-jumping. All five to be sentenced March 30, at Kew Gardens Court (Union Turnpike stop on E. train). Muhammad is now transferred to the Old Queens Prison, 1 Court Square, the same prison as Rap Brown.

The trial is still pending for Harriet Noel, Mandela MacPherson, Al Haynes, Michele Kourouma, Herman Ferguson and Arthur Harris. The D.A. is pushing for extradition of Harris from Sweden. Those released from the case are; Ursula West, Fred Fernandez, Muriel Kourouma, John Shabazz, and Raymond Smith.

YORUBA GUZMAN: Lost his last appeal. Charge -- failure to report for induction. Will soon begin sentence.

PANCHO CRUZ: Appealing his 7-year sentence. Lost motion on application of bail. Receiving much harrassment because he organized a sit-down strike in Comstock prison. Now in solitary. Losing sight from one eye.

ISAAC DUKE RICHARDSON: Sent out from Kew Garden Prison to Dannemora's infamous Unit 14.

DANIEL TURNER: Convicted of assault on policeman although on Flimsy evidence. Coming up next on robbery charge. Last year, convicted on outright frame-up of murder charge, although a confession letter by the perpetrator was available. Coming into Brooklyn Supreme Court.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE COURTS CONTINUED:

SAM PEITY, LEVI VALENTINE, ARTHUR YOUNG AND RAE BROWN: Charge -- attempted murder of a policemen and attempted robbery of the Red Carpet Lounge, a well-known hang-out for drug pushers. After 10 weeks of trial, case now going to summation.

JEROME REIDE: Still being held in the Federal Prison. Sentencing for contempt of court March 29, Brooklyn Federal Court 225 Cadman St., 2nd floor; Judge Bruchausem. John Sellers also being held.

MANUEL JOVETTE: Accused of crime he did not commit (1st degree murder). Also tricked by his lawyer to plead guilty to get only "time served" (2 years). Instead received 12 years. Denied appeal by Judge Asch, but Court of Appeals unanimously agreed to retire plea. Scheduled for March 23.

MALIK RICCIO AKILI: Charged with robbery. Appearing in court March 23, 100 Centre St. Part unknown. Needs \$229.00 more for bail. Already has \$1770. Send monies to: Vera Underwood, 216 W. 64th Street, Apt. 4E, NYC, NY 10023.

CARLOS FELICIANO: (Synonymous with Puerto Rican Independence). Manhattan trial to begin on April 26th. 100 Centre St.

RICHARD KYLING HEART, JAMES HARRIS, ROBERT WAKEFIELD, ROBERT THREAT: Case beginning in Bronx Supreme Court. Part 27, 8th floor. Robert Threat and Richard Heart's bail lowered to \$500.00 anyone interested in helping with bail, send money to NCDPP with donation earmarked for Heart and Threat.
National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners - P.O. Box 1184, NY 10027

MARTIN SOSTRE: The threatened transfer of Martin Sostre from the Clinton to the Diagnostic and Treatment Center at Dannemora State Mental Hospital has been postponed because of a flood of letters to State Correction Commissioner Russel G. Oswald protesting the transfer. We must stay behind this giant of a warrior! These are the kind of brothers the state wants to reduce to a vegetable. These maxi-maxi experimental chambers must go!

MY FAITH, MY CONSOLATION LIES IN THE
BELIEF THAT AS OUR BODIES PILE UP IT WILL
BE USED AS A LADDER BY OTHERS TO CLIMB UP
AND TAKE THE HEAD OF THE BEAST AND NO MORE
WILL IT LIVE OFF THE BLOOD OF OUR PEOPLE!

--THE NEW YORK FOUR--

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our position

(1) The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information on the Bandung (Third-World) struggle against imperialism; also to give direction and serve as an inspirational force for the African captive in the United States struggling for National Liberation.

(2) We do not advocate a return to Africa or any other Third World country. The battle ground for our people is here. As long as the U.S. led forces of imperialism continue to exist, our people, where ever we may be, will never have complete independence.

(3) All National Liberation Struggles are fought for land and independence. Our purpose (TAKE THE LAND) is not to outline a strategy (be it in terms of a "limited-objective" as with the RNA, or any other such program of that nature) to achieve this goal. That is the job of the Vanguard which will only come into existence through revolutionary action. Our job (Black people's) is to support that Vanguard and help it to grow through active participation.

"The citizens of the captive African nation are too highly visible, too controlled, and too unorganized at this point to risk a confrontation with racist america. Therefore, the captive nation must decide, based on careful analysis of her situation and the strengths and weaknesses of both the enemy and herself precisely the form of armed struggle she will use in moving from a passive defensive role to a revolutionary offensive role."

(4) We see the current movement towards running black candidates for public office in an attempt to achieve political equality and freedom in the capitalist system as unnecessary, wasteful effort and an illusion our people can not afford. Our so-called 'Nationalist' leaders know better. However, they seem to be more suited to compromises and electoral agreements instead of working towards the development of a mass revolutionary party whose most effective weapon would be that of revolutionary violence. The big problems in the lives of our people can only be resolved by force. On the other hand, the rhetoric of violence will no longer suffice.

"Words must match deeds -- or else commitment will be forgotten, and pacifism will continue to be praised."

(5) We do not advocate any kind of "rain-bow" alliance with white folks. Such an alliance is not only counter-revolutionary, but an open invitation to death and defeat.

(6) We are anti-capitalist, anti-amerikkka, and separatist by necessity. The only realistic solutions to the plight of the Black colony in amerikkka today are to be found in the politics of separation, a necessary historical stage of development.

(7) TAKE THE LAND has no one single organizational base. It derives its information, support and contributions from organizations and individuals which are truly concerned about and working towards the National Liberation of Black people in this

The struggle against the beast must and will be successful. But our people must fight. Preparation and training (political, physical, and technical) for the inevitable battle must be done by each of us. Land and control of the land is power.

AND MORE LAND

THE NEXT TIME A CRACKER OFFERS YOU
FREEDOM BY RAISING YOUR PAY
OR LENGTHING YOUR TITLE OR MAKING
NEW BELL BOTTOMS
TELL HIM YOU DON'T WANT NO TRICK MONEY,
BULLSHIT STATUS, FAGGOT CLOTHES
BUT THAT YOU'LL TAKE SOME HILLS,
VALLEYS, STREAMS AND LAND
AND MORE LAND, AND MORE LAND
AND WATCH HIS IDIOT SMILE
SINK INTO HIS PALE FACE
AND WATCH HIM WATCH YOU
A LITTLE BIT CLOSER THAN EVER BEFORE.

I TELL YOU, KEEP AN
EYE ON HIM. HE THINKS!

P.H.



take it!!