

People rampage against war

Nixon's decision to mine the Hai-phong harbor, thus escalating the war to a still higher level, has activated the anti-war movement across the country. At Stanford University, Tuesday May 9th marked the most militant actions of the year, as students and comrades from the community picketed and successfully blocked several supply trucks. This action was followed by a noon rally attended by over 1000 people, after which students and community people took over Stanford's placement center and the Old Union, both crucial university buildings, and held them until police cleared the buildings at 6:00 PM.

White Plaza, the main gathering place at the university, which adjoins the Placement Center and the Old Union, was barricaded at every entrance and renamed Quang Tri Plaza. After a meeting at 8 PM that night, a group of about 500 marched to Encina Hall and smashed windows until the police chased the crowd. The crowd regrouped into two groups, trashing the Faculty Club, the Education Building, and Hoover Tower.

The militance of the crowd and the aggressive tactics of the 200 police on campus attracted large groups of people from the dorms, who joined in the action. Many of these students were new to the movement. They

were attracted by the fact that we were actively resisting and successfully stalemating police repression.

Tuesday night's action was in sharp contrast with the Monday night march to Stanford President Lyman's house, in which the crowd of 450 felt powerless and ineffective. This was because this was a non-violent attempt to engage in "rational dialogue" with President Lyman. Time and time again it has been clear that Lyman refuses to engage in any form of dialogue with us. Time and time again it has been clear that the only effective means of protesting the war is militant action.

During the course of the evening, Santa Clara County Lieutenant Don Tamm's jeep was trashed and badly damaged. At least one police car was gutted by fire. The crowd managed to charge the police on several occasions, demonstrating the effectiveness of People's War. In spite of the 9 arrests, the actions Tuesday were clearly successful and raised the level of struggle at Stanford. People's War was actually implemented Tuesday night. The crowd was mobile and efficient. The police were constantly forced to adjust to our tactics.

It was clear that repression breeds resistance and that resistance can smash repression. Militant action is

the most effective and meaningful form of protest in view of the repressive conditions in which we live. It is the only means of effectively discouraging Nixon from taking more desperate and vicious actions against the Vietnamese people. Militant struggle involves the day-to-day practice of People's War.

Hanoi has been watching the actions at Stanford and all around the country. They have thanked the people in America for participating in the struggle against U.S. imperialism. We know that the Vietnamese' struggle is also our struggle, and that we share a common enemy in U.S. imperialism. One of the major strongholds of that enemy is Stanford University, where millions of dollars of war research are funded by the Department of Defense for the war effort in Indochina, where the Board of Trustees are also the corporate rulers of America, in whose interests the Vietnam War is being escalated. It is here at Stanford that we must fight this enemy, U.S. imperialism. The action Tuesday was a great step forward in our struggle.

DARE TO STRUGGLE! DARE TO WIN!

Nick Baran, Stanford Venceremos

Stanford physical plant picketed

"We have a right to picket here, no matter what you say", shouted a woman worker the police pulled from the picket line.

from talking with physical plant workers last week at Stanford.

The picket began as part of the May 4th offensive to get Stanford out of the war.

WHY THE PHYSICAL PLANT?

The Physical Plant is a target at Stanford because it is a nerve center for the University. Workers there provide the maintenance of grounds, buildings, electricians etc. which keep the University functioning.

Shipping and Receiving is located there also, and trucks go in and out daily bringing vital supplies to Stanford and delivering them to all parts of the University.

Many Physical Plant workers are against the war. Only these workers can effectively shut down the plant, and in so doing slow to a standstill the day to day functions of Stanford University.

Students and workers realize that Stanford is a vital cog in the U.S. war

machine. They are beginning to understand that Stanford as a whole is a target. As one picketer who works at Stanford said, "we should make all of Stanford a target and not just places like

Stanford" as a whole is a target because it perpetuates the ideas and attitudes which make the genocide in Southeast Asia, and the oppression of Third World and white poor and working people at home, seem acceptable. Stanford is producing tomorrow's oppressors: the managers, lawyers, and scientists needed to run and serve the imperialist empire.

THE PICKET

Thursday and Friday (May 4th and 5th) and early this week, picketers slowed down trucks coming in and out of the physical plant while others leafletted and talked to the drivers in the backed-up trucks.

Police told the drivers "move your trucks, or else..." One driver responded "I can't just run over the picket line." and went back to talking with the picketers. The police told drivers to pull off the road if they wanted to talk, but when drivers did so, it suddenly became ille-

gal. The police became totally frustrated trying to prevent the picketers and workers from talking and threatened to bust the drivers if they didn't drive through the lines.

The idea of workers and students getting together freaks out the administration and police who profit from keeping them divided. They fear the potential strength of such an alliance, with good reason. They know that if workers and students get together they would get Stanford out of the war. Workers at the Physical Plant have been threatened and told not to take leaflets or talk to picketers. Most workers have ignored the threats. The people plan to continue the picket and continue to build the alliance.

WHAT STUDENT PICKETERS HAVE LEARNED

Students on the picket line learned several things:

1) Most of the workers are against the war. The Archie Bunker image of a narrow-minded pro-war worker just doesn't hold. Most workers know who profits from the war, and most know that it is the workers who pay through the nose for it. One worker, who was asked what he thought we should do to end Stanford's role in the war, said "As long as some one profits from it there will be war." Others felt that if they had a union for protection they could collectively take action. Two drivers said we should come back with more picketers so they wouldn't be able to drive through the lines.

2) Workers are quite willing to have students as allies, but they want consistent allies. They don't want students to show up for one or two days doing a trip and then disappearing while they are left holding the bag, with their livelihoods at stake. That's why it's important that students are consistent in whatever action they take to build the alliance.

If the students show workers that they can be consistent and serious in their actions against the war and against Stanford; then workers will see students as an ally and be encouraged in war protests of their own.



Mt. View people demand an end to the war

On Monday, May 8, 40 members and supporters of the Mountain View Committee to Support the Vietnamese Peace Plan (MVCSVPP) confronted the local City Council with three demands concerning the war in Indochina: 1) Support and publicize the PRG 7-point peace plan;

2) An end to military recruiting in Mountain View.

Katarina Davis Del Valle from Mountain View Venceremos talked about the seriousness of Nixon's recent fanatical escalation of the war, "and the special outrage of the Chicano community against the war." She presented our demands to the bewildered Council.

Jim Legowski from the Mid-Peninsula chapter of Vietnam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) urged the Council to support these reasonable demands, particularly the PRG's 7-point peace plan. He talked about what actions veterans around the country were taking to end the war.

The City Council used several methods to avoid dealing with having to take a stand on the war. Councilman Gordon said our demands couldn't be met because we "don't represent the majority of the Mountain View people." At this point a young man from the audience jumped to his feet and shouted out that last year the council had refused to have a special vote to find out how the people of Mountain View did feel about the war in S.E. Asia.

Councilman Jelavich said that the Council didn't have enough information to take a public position. They were all in agreement, even newly-elected Judy Moss, probably the most sympathetic council member, that they were elected to deal with "local issues" and not to take positions on national affairs.



But war-recruiting within the Mountain View city limits is certainly a local issue, as are the war deaths and the continued drafting of Mountain View sons. And if we end up in a nuclear war resulting from Nixon's insane game of Russian roulette, Mountain View will feel it.

As we expected, the Council refused to take a position on the war. Many of us from the Committee to Support the Vietnamese Peace Plan are revolutionaries; some of us are in Venceremos. Knowing ahead of time that the Council would not be moved to action by our demands, why did we spend our time working around this issue?

There are several reasons for revolutionaries to be bringing people into struggles against local city councils and the local power structure. First

members who can be temporary or even permanent allies in the struggles of the poor and oppressed people. As revolutionary struggle intensifies in this country, such allies can be useful in many ways: providing information, using influence to aid the people, raising money and special resources and getting publicity.

City Council meetings are an easy way to tell the public about revolutionary ideas and activities. At such meetings we can speak our politics openly and we usually get good press coverage. By making correct political demands on our local politicians, such as support for the PRG 7-point Peace Plan, we can educate more and more people as to the class nature and bias of these "representatives of the people", and the real corruption of the American political system.

By coming out openly at the Mountain View City Council we found several more progressive people from the community who are sincere about ending the war, and we know that the war will be ended only by all honest groups uniting and struggling together.

The oppressed peoples and nations must not pin their hopes for liberation on the "sensibleness" of imperialism and its lackeys. They will only triumph by strengthening their unity and persevering in their struggle.

--Mao tse-tung

Carrie Ballinger
Mountain View Venceremos



REDWOOD CITY COUNCIL VOTES DOWN ANTI-WAR REFERENDUM: SHOW THEIR TRUE FACE

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A Peoples Victory

MENLO PARK CITY COUNCIL PASSES ANTI-WAR RESOLUTION

On April 9, the Menlo Park City Council, recognizing the ever-increasing opposition of the American people to our involvement in the imperialist war in Southeast Asia, passed the following resolution condemning the war:

RESOLUTION NO. 2492: Resolution of the City Council of Menlo Park Stating the Position of the Council of the City of Menlo Park Regarding the War in Southeast Asia:

WHEREAS, this involvement has created hardship and tragedy for all involved, Americans and Asians alike; and

WHEREAS, this involvement has caused

a severe drain on the Nation's moral and material resources; that these resources are urgently needed for the solution of urban and other problems within the City of Menlo Park, State of California, and the United States as a whole;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Menlo Park calls for an early withdrawal of all American troops from Southeast Asia and urges the Congress and the President of the United States to take such steps as will terminate United States involvement at the earliest possible opportunity.

The vote on the resolution was three to one in favor, with one abstention. This is a victory for the people, but the struggle is far from over. We plan to return to the council with ways in which any involvement of Menlo Park in the imperialist war in Southeast Asia can be eliminated.

Join the Struggle--phone 323-1913.
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VICTORY TO THE NLF!

Redwood City! Later, Janet pointed out how the war was affecting jobs, taxes, and deaths.

The council side-stepped the issue by saying it was a federal problem, then formally voted the motion down.

Workers and students unite at SLAC

On May 3rd SLAC workers and Stanford students held a joint rally at SLAC. With the upsurge in student anti-war activity some workers at SLAC also wanted to demonstrate their support of the Vietnamese.

Speakers outlined how the war contributes to worsening conditions for workers. The amount of goods that salaries can buy has decreased since 1965, the beginning of escalation in Vietnam. The wage-price freeze only works on wages, keeping them mostly below 4% growth while corporation profits have soared to \$23 billion since last August. And taxes, 2/3 of which go directly to military spending, take 1/4 the income of the average worker.

At SLAC the workers described how management asked everyone to take pay cuts in the less obvious form of Fridays off without pay, because of the economic situation. Supposedly this was so no one would be laid off but some workers were laid off anyway.

Both black and white workers explained how white supremacy was just as profitable and just as crucial a feature of the American economic structure as war against other nations. They pointed out how racism guaranteed a source of cheap labor useful for breaking working class unity and lowering all wages.

A student charged by the Stanford administration for disrupting Shockley's class explained how Shockley's "theories" on the "genetic inferiority" of blacks is a political weapon against those most benefited by revolution.

She also pointed out that Shockley's views are anti-women's rights. All the bills based on Shockley's theories propose genocide through the bodies of women by demanding sterilization and/or kidnapping of children from welfare mothers.

In the last speech, a black worker at



Archie Moore (Left), worker at Stanford Linear Accelerator, and Alice Furomoto (right) at Stanford and member of Venceremos, address a rally in front of SLAC.

SLAC impressed upon the listeners the need for militant action to resist the "justifiable homicide" committed in wars of American aggression abroad and on the streets of America at home (Gregory White in Bellhaven)

The next two mornings workers and students set up an informational picket. People passed out papers exposing the lies of Washington news releases on Vietnam and explaining the ties between how to satisfy worker's needs and what the NLF is doing.

Contrary to what the "liberals" say about "redneck" workers, most people took the leaflets and many agreed to wear armbands saying "Freeze War, not Wages", "Victory to the PRG", "Avenge Kent, Jackson, Cambodia and Greg White".

One SLAC worker who was in Vietnam 5 years earlier told the picketers about

how B-52 bomb craters and defoliants have destroyed much of Vietnam. He said that America has no good reason for doing that to generations of another people, and he was glad the Vietnamese were winning.

Another worker, when he found out one of the pickets was a pre-med student, said that he appreciated students who were willing to picket and get out the truth about Vietnam.

He felt such students would make better doctors because they would not demand payments that rise more than twice the rate of inflation like most doctors do now. He said doctors should be paid more like other workers such as auto mechanics who work just as hard and are just as responsible for people's lives.

Workers are organizing another rally at SLAC for Friday noon May 12th.



SLAC employees to stop work

At 8:00 on Thursday, May 15, the workers at SLAC will be conducting a work stoppage in protest of Nixon's recent escalation of US participation in the war in Indochina. Nixon took an oath pledging to end this war. He has purged himself of this oath.

There will be live entertainment, beer and speakers throughout the day. Among the speakers will be John Harris, Archie Moore, Perenoy, Anthony Tilgman, Alice Furomoto, Willie New berry and any others who wish to speak relating to the issues behind the work stoppage.

From most Black peoples' point of view, this recent escalation is a demonstration of racism as well as an attack on oppressed people in general. On the evening of May 8, Nixon stated, "You want peace. I want peace. But you also want honor and not defeat." The people, and certainly the workers at SLAC, know that honor can only be brought to the American people by immediately withdrawing all US forces from Vietnam and all of Indochina.

Nixon has once again taken action that serves only his own "needs;" that of the ruling class that put him in office.

The workers at Stanford Linear Accelerator are demanding that Wolfgang Perenoski, director of SLAC, make a public statement to Nixon demanding immediate withdrawal. Most of all, we are demanding that Nixon listen to us, the people, and implement our demands.

Archie Moore

TOGETHER WE WILL STRUGGLE

CHICANOS

AGAINST THE WAR

VIETNAM WAR-WHY?

Their People...

Our People...



Children of North Vietnam



Children of Northern New Mexico



Campesinos of North Vietnam



Campesinos of Northern New Mexico



A North Vietnamese Woman



La Chicana



The Chicano Vietnam Project was created as a vehicle of communication between Chicanos, Third World people and the Vietnamese people; to cut through the wall of ignorance erected by the Pentagon and the Nixon Administration, a wall built to conceal their crimes against the people of Vietnam, as they have concealed over 200 years of genocide against Third World people in the United States.

As Third World people we know that racism, the same racism directed against us everyday is one of the biggest pillars of the Vietnam War. The U.S. government could not conduct the same kind of war it is waging in Vietnam against a white people.

But the people of the U.S. have been taught to accept the murder, the mass murder of beans, chinks, greasers, gooks, spics and niggers! Be it in Vietnam, Bolivia, South Africa or in East herently criminal, in State or Atti... picious looking, the usual explanation given when one of us is killed in the streets of this country by a "law officer." It is not enough that we are the victims of this society's "law and order."

We Third World people are then forced into the military to kill and suppress our fellow victims in the Third World, in this case the Vietnamese who will never accept colonialization by the U.S. any more than we can continue to do so.

For these reasons Chicanos and all Third World people have a very real interest in the struggle of our Vietnamese brothers and sisters against the perpetrators of racism in this country and throughout the world.

To inform the Vietnamese people about the Chicano we have sent films, tapes, slides, books and other materials to Vietnam, and are continuing to do so. We invite the help of anyone who can contribute time, material, money, etc., for this purpose.

To provide our people with real information about Vietnam, we are doing the following: 1) a Chicano Vietnamese Solidarity film; 2) Chicano Vietnamese Solidarity posters (bilingual posters, Spanish and Vietnamese); 3) buttons; 4) a pamphlet, "Chicano and Vietnam"; 5) Dissemination of Vietnamese material to Chicano and Third World Media.

We are working with all Third World people to achieve these objectives.

!Chicano Vietnam Doan Ket!
! Chicano Vietnamese Solidarity!

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THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE ARE WINNING

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Next came the recital by four city councilmen on how they agonized over the proposal, but just couldn't quite see that the war had much to do with the lives of people in Redwood City. Later Janet pointed out how the war was affecting jobs, taxes, and death.

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Redwood City Pig Council Member
James S. Williams.

"Webster House" Struggle Continues

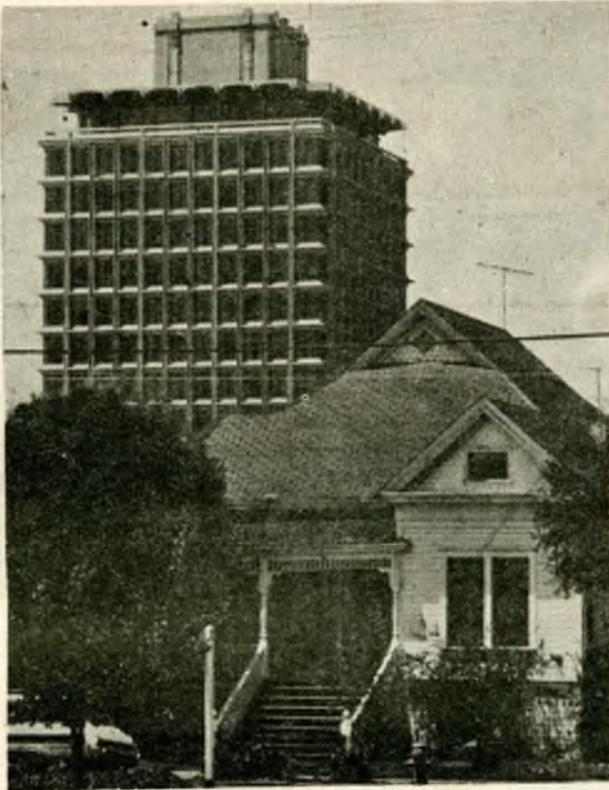
Palo Alto's "Webster House Property" is up for grabs again. "Webster House" is the city's name for the block facing Addison Elementary School, bounded by Webster, Channing, Middlefield and Addison streets.

It was once lined with old one- and two-story rentals occupied by young working families, Black, Brown, White and Asian. That was two years ago--before Hare, Brewer & Kelley bulldozed people's homes down. HB&K were rental agents for Guy F. Atkinson Co. at the time, a huge corporation with branches all over the world. Kelley's eviction of poor and working families was not unique. That has been the policy in Palo Alto for a long time. But Kelley's outrageous act proved to be his undoing. His plans for construction of high-priced town-houses on the land were never put into effect.

The residents of the block banded together and formed the Palo Alto Tenants Union. Though they were unable to save the houses on Addison Street, the power of the people's organization was a successful and militant force in the melting away of Kelley's financial backing.

Today the block is still owned by Atkinson Corporation but is managed by a different company. The land is up for sale and the City Council is now studying a plan to buy it for construction of "low and moderate" income housing.

But, as usual, no one has consulted



The Hare, Brewer, and Kelley building looms high above this empty home while it waits to be demolished.

the residents. Of course, there aren't that many residents left; not only are they gone from Addison Street, but as

families move away, their houses are left empty and all applications to the managers by people in need of housing are denied. Some of the houses have been vandalized, and smashed windows and doors need to be replaced and trash hauled away.

Families in the remaining houses feel it is criminal to allow those houses to stand empty. They are scheduling meetings to decide what they want the future of their block to be: whether existing housing should be renovated and maintained, or whether there should be new construction of low-income housing, thus serving those who pay for Palo Alto's rich tranquility. They are confident that they will be joined in their coming struggle by the Tenants Union and other progressive citizens and citizen's groups.

"DECENT FOOD, CLOTHING, HOUSING, WORK, FREE MEDICAL CARE AND GOOD EDUCATION FOR EVERY PERSON IN THE U.S. AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. As the wealthiest country in the world, the US has the resources and capability right now to provide a decent standard of living for all its citizens."

--from *Power to the People, Venceremos Principles of Unity*

Jean Hobson
Central Committee, Venceremos.
Resident of "Webster
House Property"

P.A. School

Board



elections

Doug Garrett, the Venceremos candidate for the Palo Alto School Board, came in fifth in that election with almost 700 votes.

Although we were running Doug as a candidate to win, we realized that Ted Vian was probably going to win, and he did. We felt that this was because he had the most money to spend on the campaign and because he was the "middle of the road" candidate. He never addressed himself to any of the issues or took any stands on important questions.

Doug Garrett did take stands. He named the issues and gave workable solutions to problems. The other candidates realized this and started talking about "alienation of students" and use of school facilities for child care centers. It's clear that Venceremos played a big part in what was said in the election.

The most important thing that we gained during the election was the people that we got to know and worked with, both students and non-students. Almost 700 people in Palo Alto wanted, and were going to put, a Communist on the school board.

The final results of the election on April 18, 1972, were:

Ted Vian--4705
Sally Siegal--2134
Virginia Williams--1371
Eleanor Kraft--1311
Doug Garrett--662
Greg Kerber--183

Betsy Garrett
Palo Alto Venceremos

PIG OF THE WEEK

Pamoja Venceremos hasn't had a pig of the week in quite some time now, but we felt that it was important to resurrect the title in order to say a few words about Alexander Bodi, Editor of the Palo Alto Times.

In his position as Editor of the Times, Al Bodi wields a great deal of power over all of our lives. With his editorial page and with almost dictatorial power over the content of the newspaper, Bodi paints a picture of the world that serves only one class of people - the rich.

Over the years Bodi has agitated against the interests of the people on absolutely every issue that has come before the Palo Alto area. He was for the Willow Expressway, for high rise development, for more police power, for the firing of Bruce Franklin, for the proposed Palo Alto hospital, for the reactionary slate of council candidates, for every pig and right winger that has ever run for office, for gun legislation,



and for Nixon's Vietnamization. He has fought against low cost housing, against revolutionary candidates for public office, against the Stanford student movement, against various referenda, against community control of the police for East Palo Alto, against the indictment of Larry Bringham (the murderer of Gregory White), against child care centers, and against gatherings at People's Plaza.

In short, Al Bodi has fought, tooth and nail, for the interest of the corporate capitalists and the military and against the interest of the majority of poor and working people of the Peninsula.

Everyone should be aware of this porkchop, and recognize his lies for what they are.

Don't worry though Al - when the time comes that we take over your presses and begin to publish a peoples' newspaper, we might let you deliver papers. If you're lucky.



MAY 4: COMMUNITY PEOPLE MARCH ON TIMES DEMANDING PUBLICATION OF PRG'S 7 PT. PEACE PLAN. AL BODI, EDITOR OF TIMES REFUSES PEOPLES' REQUEST.

Pre-trial Hearing at Fort Ord

THE CASE OF PVT. BILLY SMITH

The case of Private Billy Dean Smith continues with a pretrial hearing on April 26th at which about 18 civilians, many of them Vietnam vets and 6 active duty GI's, attended. When Billy came into the courtroom everyone stood up and gave him the fist. Billy dug it. The judge didn't.

Civilian defense lawyer Luke McKissik asked for a discovery motion in order to find out what evidence the prosecution had so that the defense could have some idea of how they could build the case. The motion was denied. McKissik said that when Billy was first arrested that he was subject to illegal search and seizure which would rule out the one solitary piece of "so-called evidence" that the Army has which is a grenade pin. Lots of GI's carry around grenade pins.

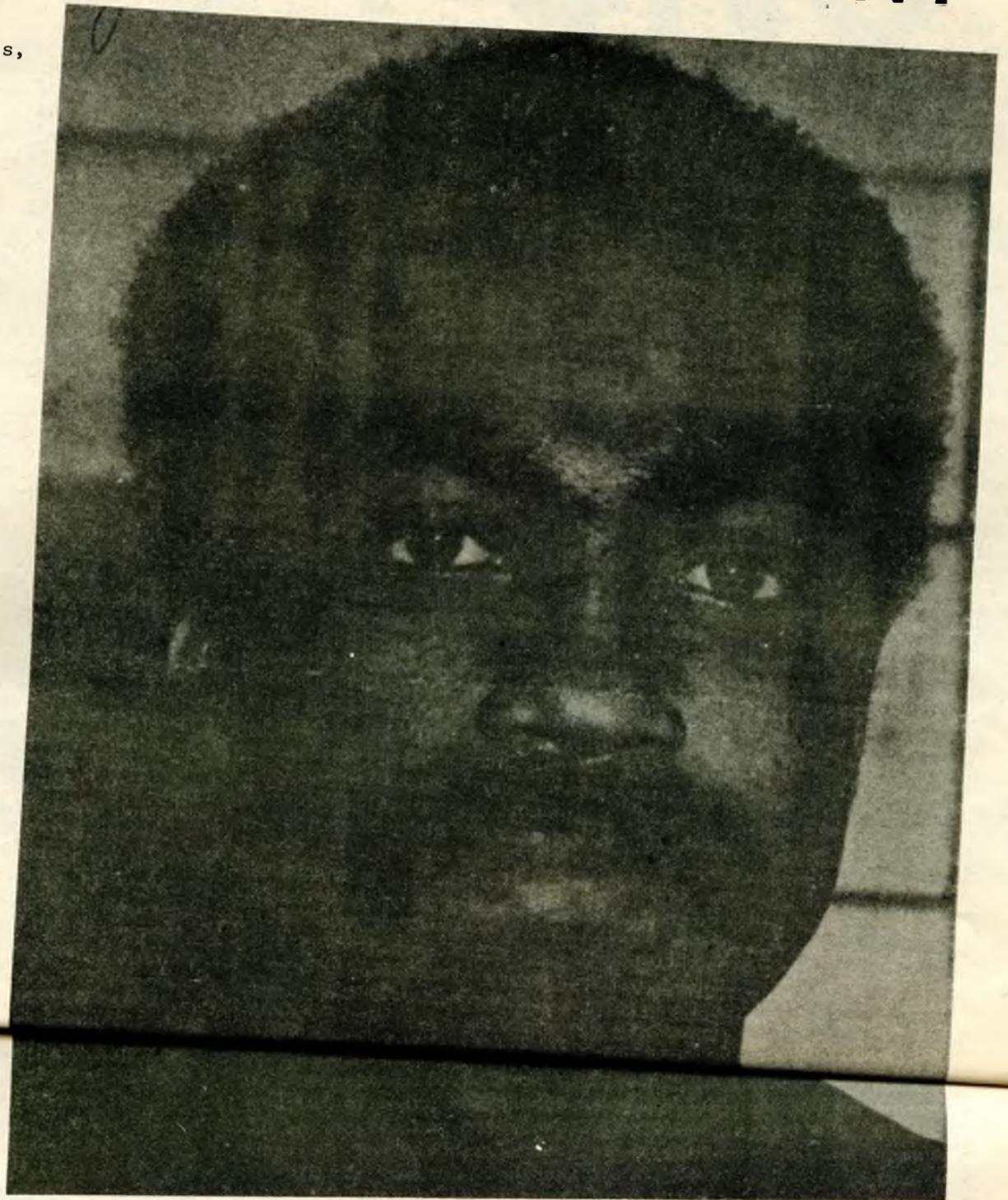
The defence also objected to the whole system of military "justice." Here is what military justice for Billy is: General Moore the commanding officer at Fort Ord is the person who brought charges against Billy. General Moore appoints the judge, a colonel from the South. He appoints the military defense, the prosecuting attorney and the jury is hand-picked by the general. Before the jury begins deliberation he instructs them about what the verdict and sentence should be. He has already stated that he thinks that Billy should be found guilty and should be sentenced to death.

The Army had it in for Billy. They have introduced false evidence since Billy was arrested in Vietnam. The commanding officer of the base is an out-and-out fascist. They have it set up so that Billy can't win "legally." They obviously don't care about what the truth is, they want to get Billy. They want to make an "example" of him in an attempt to curb the mounting GI resistance which has already reached Armed Forces.

What they can't understand is that such actions on their part can only serve to heighten the contradictions between GI's and the military. Those GI's who came to Billy's hearing knew that from that point on they would be branded as trouble-makers and be subject to a lot of harassment. They came anyway. All of the GI's that drove by while we were waiting to go to court gave us the fist. We have to get the word out on Billy Smith. This is what the Brass is afraid of. They want to keep this thing quiet because they fear riots at Fort Ord and other bases around the country and the world.

All Power To The People !
Only the power of the people will free Billy Smith!

David Strain
Mountain View Venceremos



Billy Dean Smith, No 55L-82-1246, is a black private drafted into the U.S. Army after several unsuccessful attempts to resist induction. On March 15, 1971, he was in Bien Hoa, Vietnam. After six months of what the Army calls "a bad attitude" toward the slaughter of Vietnamese "gooks", Billy had earned the enmity of his white commanding officer, Cpt. Rigby. Smith had been given three Article 15 punishments by Cpt Rigby within a few months for minor infractions, and was being processed for a "212" discharge for unsuitability and unfitness, because Cpt. Rigby did not believe Billy would ever make a good soldier.

On March 15, 1971, at 0045 hours a fragmentation grenade exploded in an officers barracks in Bien Hoa killing two lieutenants and wounding a third. Cpt. Rigby and Sgt. Willis, who were to have slept in these barracks, arrived on the scene, decided they were the real intended victims, and that the guilty party could only be Pvt. Billy Dean Smith. Together they called a batallion formation. Without a single scrap of evidence they called Billy to the front of the formation and told him he was under arrest for murder. Billy has been in solitary in the Fort Ord stockade in California for almost a year. His trial is due to begin this August.

SF Rally at Presidio

On Saturday, May 6, over 300 brothers and sisters marched from the Civic Center in San Francisco to the Lombard Street entrance of the Presidio, demanding that Pvt. Billy Dean Smith be set free.

Speakers from Vietnam Veterans Against the War, Venceremos, United Prisoners Union related Billy's case to the importance of GI resistance in ending the war in Vietnam and to racism in this country and in the military, and to the necessity of freeing all political prisoners across the country and around the world.

Mildred, one of Billy's sisters, told about Billy's high spirits and read from some of his letters to his family, told about his hatred of the war and his understanding of racism within the military.



Who runs the R.C. City Council

The recent city council elections in Redwood City provide a clear example of who rules America. The four newly elected council members, together with the three who were not up for re-election are all white and all live in the wealthier outskirts of town.

There were 18 candidates running. Except for a few, their platforms were all alike, and echoes of past elections (revitalize downtown, let the federal government handle the housing problem, etc.). What really mattered was how much money a candidate spent on his/her campaign. The four who spent the most won.

Many times, before the council, citizens have stated that the council does not represent the people. That there are no poor, working or Third World people on the council; that they do not understand the problems of most of the citizens because they do not live with them.

More people of voting age live in the city portion of the E.O.C. Target Area (the flatlands) than live in the surrounding wealthier sections. Yet in this election 60% of the people who voted live in the foothills. It is easy to say that if people don't vote, they get what they deserve. But people don't vote because it's a sham, guided by wealth, racism and class position.

There are other ways to pick repre-

sentatives. In Cuba the people choose who will participate in the government by selecting, at their place of work, the worker who does good work, helps others and has the interest of the nation as a whole at heart. For the people who live in the flatlands of Redwood City, the best example of such a governing body is the Neighborhood Development Council. It is composed of people who live in the community and belong to active, low-income organizations which serve the community such as People's Medical Center, Probe, People's Food Co-Op, etc.

The difference in outlooks between the city council from the foothills and the people from the flatlands was clearly illustrated in the recent anti-war resolution brought before both groups. The city council, refusing to deal with the fact that the war is causing suffering here as well as in Vietnam, tried to appease the people. They stated in their resolution that they abhor bloodshed and costly wars and urged our government to make all possible efforts to get out. Even this failed to pass.

On the other hand, the Neighborhood Development Council (NDC) voted to support the Seven Point Peace Plan of the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG), and to deal with Ampex' B-52

radar equipment contracts. The NDC understands that the American people will win only if the Vietnamese people win.

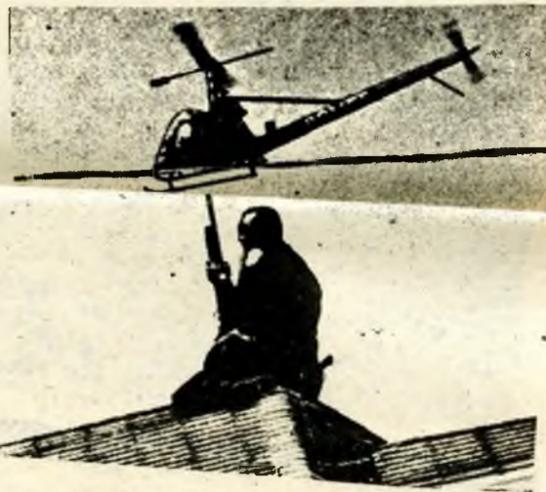
So, if elections are a sham and a farce, why does a revolutionary organization like Venceremos run candidates in local elections? We run candidates primarily to bring out the real issues which are important to the people and force the wealthy politicians to face up to these questions. For instance, in the recent Menlo Park elections, most of the candidates wanted to talk about bicycle paths and height limits on new buildings, but because Venceremos was part of the election, candidates were forced to deal with the questions of child-care, low-income housing, the war, community control of the police, transportation, East Menlo Park's colonial status, etc. Palo Alto elections have actually forced liberal candidates to move to the left because of the presence of revolutionaries in the elections.

Redwood City Venceremos did not run a candidate in the recent elections because we were not prepared to do so on the basis of our practice. We hope that people in Redwood City will bring their ideas, problems and grievances to the Neighborhood Development Council, for that is where they will be listened to.

Myron Filene
Redwood City Venceremos

Cussin out the copter

The students at Ravenswood High school. The three ran to the school, mingled and changed clothes with the students so the pigs couldn't spot them. Then to top it all, these righteous students formed a mess of four letter words with their bodies to let the pigs know how they felt. To quote the R.C. Tribune, "Surprised deputies gave up the search!" The spirit of the people will beat the pigs every time.



East Redwood City Fair

The Association of East Redwood City Organizations is holding a community fair on June 3. It will be held on the site of the Fair Oaks Community Center which is across the street from People's Medical Center.

Plans include informative booths, games, food, music, and the raffling of a Honda Sports Coupe. Any E.R.C. organizations or individuals who wish to help or have a booth should contact Virginia Lesh: 369-8018.

Unite to fight R.C. evictions

Jackson Ave. in Redwood City is a busy street lined with large apartment complexes. But nestled between the concrete are two older homes. The houses at 127 and 131 Jackson are graceful with wide front porches, lots of gingerbread, tall stately windows and plenty of flowers. Because of an anonymous complaint, these homes have been condemned. Apparently that's all it takes - just one little phone call and two families are being evicted.

These two houses were built in the early 1900's according to the building codes existing then. They were built to last a long time and they will. No one had thought of planned obsolescence for homes yet.

City Hall says those codes are now out of date and they must be brought up to the current codes or else they go. The landlord, who has vast holdings, bought the houses, sight unseen, three years ago because the property was situated in a prime location. Since that time he has refused to repair or maintain the houses, saying he can't afford to replace the foundations. We say they've lasted this long and they'll make it a while longer.

The Building Commissioner says the houses are uninhabitable yet he has



131 Jackson St.

never been in our homes. We are being evicted "for our own good." We say a roof over our heads is for our own good.

The situation brings to light some serious defects in our city's govern-

ment. There is no relocation program to assist us. Just as there is no low-income housing being built in this area for families. This leads us to believe that Redwood City feels it's suitable for families to live in the streets. All of us who rent are in a vulnerable position - we have no protection.

Have you ever thought about not having a place? It's pretty easy to find food and clothing but what about a place to live? It's a basic requirement but it gets harder and harder to obtain. It's inhuman to give people only thirty days to find a new place to live-- especially when those people are on welfare. It takes a lot of money to move nowadays. We feel we are being railroaded out of our homes.

Our immediate problem is to either save our homes or at least stall long enough to harvest our vegetable gardens. We are trying to do this through legal channels. But we have to start thinking about protection for all renter some strength. We need representation and we must have your support. We will not be pushed out in the streets by City Hall.

Dale DeLouche 127 Jackson
Kathy Gieger 131 Jackson

PING-PONG



On Friday, April 28th, hundreds of people expressed their solidarity with the Chinese people at the Stanford ping-pong match. The team from the People's Republic of China ended their United

Maples Pavilion. A highly-spirited crowd marched to the pavilion from White Plaza with flags and banners to join with brothers and sisters from the community in a show of support for the Chinese people. Venceremos, an organization guided by the principles of Marxism-Leninism-Mao tse-tung thought, and one of the larger organizations in this part of the country, had many of its cadre there. We sat several hundred strong in the upper eastern bleachers, chanting and waving our flags and red books. We put up banners such as "Defeat U.S. Imperialism" and "Victory to the NLF," written in both Chinese and English.

On all four sides of the auditorium the capacity crowd of people cheered, applauded and waved five-star flags of the People's Republic of China at the

first appearance of the players and throughout the whole tournament. We cheered the Chinese players and stood during the Chinese National Anthem, but sat with raised fists during the U.S. National Anthem. Lyman attempted to speak and was met with jeers and shouting. We attacked Lyman not so much for what he was doing there, but because he is an enemy of the people. He has actively supported Stanford's involvement in the war, yet at the same time he tried to proclaim friendship with the Chinese people. The two views are contradictory, since the Chinese people are directly opposed to U.S. imperialism. We will continue to publicly attack Lyman and all other enemies, as we did earlier this year when former Assistant Secretary of Defense David Packard and Vice-President Spiro Agnew came to Palo Alto.

The Chinese players were unbelievably good; in fact they were so good that they had to play each other because no one else

could stay in the game with them. As the exhibition matches continued, it became obvious that the pigs were very upset by our continued support for the Chinese and our treatment of Lyman (the Santa Clara County Sheriffs,

ing Aaron Manganiello, and the Central Committee of Venceremos, on a misdemeanor "Assault and Battery" warrant. Earlier that week, Aaron had attempted to turn himself in to the pigs on that same warrant, but they had sworn up and down that there was no such warrant out for his arrest.

Our show of solidarity with the Chinese people made the event a political victory, but we must learn to always be on guard for unprovoked pig attacks such as Aaron's bust.

DEFEAT U.S. IMPERIALISM!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

--Venceremos Organization



WHAT NIXON REALLY SAID



by Jeff Freed, S.F. Venceremos

To say that Richard Nixon's speech on May 8 was a pack of lies is a gross understatement. The speech represented a desperate attempt by the spokesman for the U.S. imperialist ruling class to hide the fact that they have decided to try to pull victory from defeat in Indo-China by resorting to mass murder. Also, the lies and deceptions were calculated to disarm the righteous anger of the American people and enlist the support of the sell-out leaders of the Soviet Union to restrain the victorious Vietnamese, Laotian and Cambodian revolutionary armed forces.

The key in Nixon's speech is what he has made. The facts are that despite the attempt to portray massive supplies for the Indo-Chinese struggle coming by sea, less than 10% of the materials used against the US aggressors and their Saigon puppets comes by ship. Most foreign supplies come by rail or truck convoys across the Chinese-Vietnamese border. The real situation seems to be that Nixon is using the mining of harbors as a cover for mass murder, with US air power employed mainly against civilian centers in the North.

While Nixon was speaking, news reports coming to this country indicated that massive US raids were made against the populated Red River Delta area. This delta, like the Mekong Delta in the south, is where most people in the north live. The area is primarily agricultural and exists around an extensive system of dikes and waterways that keep the farm lands and villages from being flooded. If the dike system is destroyed there is going to be flooding, destroying the food crops, and probably killing thousands, if not millions, of people.

The relationship between the mining of harbors and attacks on the Red River Delta dike system is very close. Many people in this country will conclude that the mining of the harbors is likely to

lead to World War III; all that needs to happen is for Soviet ships to be attacked or blown up. It is natural for peace-loving people under these circumstances to focus their attention on getting the US to lift the blockade, and urging the Soviet Union to avoid a confrontation. In this whole set-up the thing that gets forgotten is the Vietnamese struggle. With eyes on Haiphong Harbor, the American people may be deceived into ignoring the US-Saigon defeat in the South, which may soon include the capture of Hue. It will also serve as a cover for bombing attacks on the dikes.

This course of action by the Washington bandits is the current version of an old plan. Back in 1952-53, when US imperialism saw the failure of "Vietnamization" and desperate escalations. By 1952, it was clear that the French were being defeated, and it was a US suggestion that the French build, train and equip a large puppet army to help them fight. This plan was put in action, with the US paying 80% of the bills. At the time, Nixon was Vice-President and a staunch supporter of the French. As it is now, this 1950's puppet army started collapsing when faced with the victory of people's war. The US response to this was a plan to call in massive air power, a possible invasion of the North, and to make war against the whole population. Nixon went along with using all these means; he had supported mass murder in Korea, and he supported it for Indo China.

While massive air power and invasion never came about, due to the rapid defeat of the French, war against the Vietnamese people did take place. As the French abandoned their bases in the Red River Delta they blew up dikes and other water-retaining systems. The result was flooding, famine, and epidemic. Estimates for 1953-55 are that between 500,000 to a million people died because of these actions. It is exactly this kind of mass murder that is being set in motion right now.

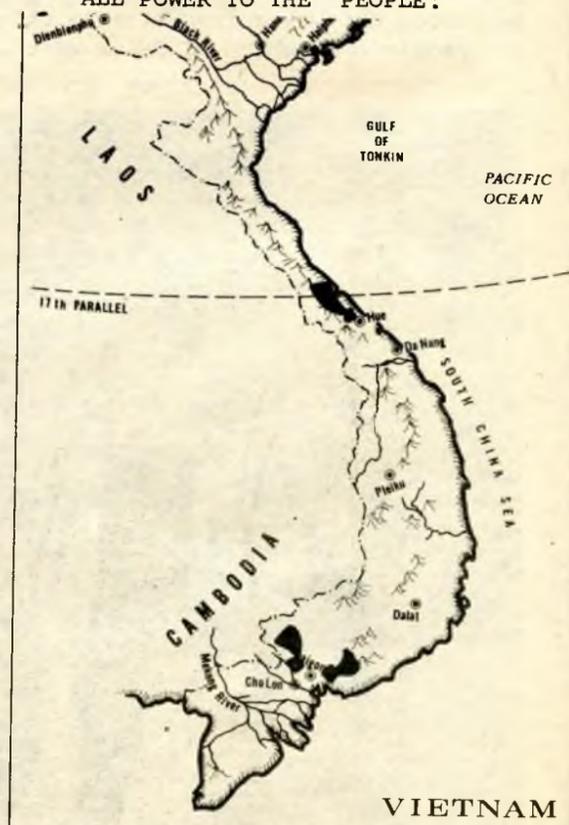
All of us need to be clear that the

The eyes of the bombers, the tanks, and of the U.S. Army will never see victory. For this is a peoples' war. Vietnam will not stop fighting unless there are no more Vietnamese.

mining of harbors and bombing of dikes is a desperate act by an imperialist ruling class facing defeat at the hands of the Vietnamese and other Indo Chinese peoples. The Vietnamese defeated the French after suffering enormous losses. But as their victory comes close it will be up to us in this country to rise up and moved against savage practices like the bombing of the dikes.

To protest is not enough, to march is not enough, to mourn is not enough! We must reach out and punish the murderers and stop their insanity and their out-of-control machine. This can only be done with day-to-day planning of concrete actions to stop war-related research, contracting, munition and supply movements as well as apply overall political pressure through our actions on a long term basis. We must throw the war effort into total chaos.

**VICTORY TO THE VIETNAMESE!
DEATH TO THE FASCIST PIGS!
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!**



Despite all attempts by Nixon to turn his failure into victory, the Vietnamese Liberation Army Advance almost unopposed while retaking their homeland.

Shoot Out With KKK

History, even fairly recent history, gets distorted. When we think of the Civil Rights Movement in the South, we think only of protests for equal rights, using the tactics of non-violent resistance.

But a key part of that history is the story of a Black working class movement in Monroe, North Carolina, which allied itself with other oppressed nations in the world and made use of organized and armed self-defense.

In 1955 a man named Robert Williams, an ex-Marine, returned home to Monroe and joined the local chapter of the NAACP. It was a time when plants were moving in from the North to avoid labor unions and find cheap labor.

As the years progressed, under Williams' leadership, the Black community in Monroe developed a concrete 10-point program aimed at fighting for jobs and against racial discrimination. As Williams described it, "We began a recruiting drive among laborers, farmers, domestic workers and the unemployed, and ended up with a chapter that was unique in the whole NAACP because of its working class composition and a leadership that wasn't middle class."

ARMED STRUGGLE IN MONROE

When the Ku Klux Klan began to mobilize against the people, Williams started a National Rifle Association (NRA) chapter for training self-defense units in the Black community.

In the summer of 1959, an armed Klan motorcade attacked the home of NAACP member Dr. Albert Perry. Community self-defense groups shot it out with the Klan and repelled the attack.

The Black community continued organizing, using both self-defense and non-violent sit-ins, but the self-defense aspect began to upset the bourgeois leadership of the national NAACP. In 1960, Robert Williams visited Cuba as the representative of Monroe. On his return he was promptly blasted by NAACP spokesman Roy Wilkins for being a "pawn" of the Cubans and for linking the strug-



Armed in the Perry living room. Dr. Perry at the left, next is Robert Williams.

gles of the Cuban people to Black people in this country.

Williams replied that "as for my being used as a pawn in the struggle of Cuba against imperialist and racist north america, I prefer to be on the side of right than on the side of Jim Crow and oppression."

To Wilkins' condemnation of internationalism, Williams retorted that "it is foolhardy for an oppressed Afro-American to take the attitude that we should keep this life-death struggle a family affair...My cause is the same as the Asians against the imperialist."

With public attention turning to Monroe, northern Freedom Riders came down in the summer of 1961 to help implement the 10-point program. The Freedom Riders insisted on using non-violence at all costs.

One day the Klan and their supporters became so incensed at the Freedom Riders picketing of City Hall, that they charged the line and almost beat several demonstrators to death. When Williams called up the Governor to ask protection for the Freedom Riders, the Governor said, "You mean to tell me you're not dead yet?"

Community people had stayed away from the picketing, but when the self-defense guard heard that the lives of

the Freedom Riders were in danger, they jumped into their cars and rode to town, breaking through the mob's blockade to rescue the picketers.

The racist mob then fanned out all over town. That evening a Mr. and Mrs. Stegall drove through the Black community with a bumper sticker reading "Open Season on Coons." The Stegalls were stopped at gunpoint and taken to Robert Williams' home. Williams told the Stegalls they should stay there a while and then split because they might get killed if they left his protection.

Later a sheriff's plane was fired upon while flying over the Black area and the Chief of Police called Williams to say, "The State Troopers are coming. In 30 minutes, you'll be hanging from the courthouse square."

The community held off the attack and helped Williams get away. The next day, in New York, where he was seeking support, Williams learned that he had been indicted for "kidnapping" the Stegalls. So Williams went into exile, spending almost a decade in Cuba and the Peoples Republic of China.



Guards at Dr. Perry's home with a various assortment of weapons.

HARPERS FERRY TO THE RNA

Robert Williams eventually returned to this country and organized the Republic of New Africa (RNA). While in Michigan, over a year ago, he was arrested, and is now in an Ann Arbor jail awaiting extradition back to Monroe to face the railroad kidnapping charges. In February of this year, two dozen Klansmen in green satin robes marched through downtown Monroe demanding that Williams be immediately returned for "trial."

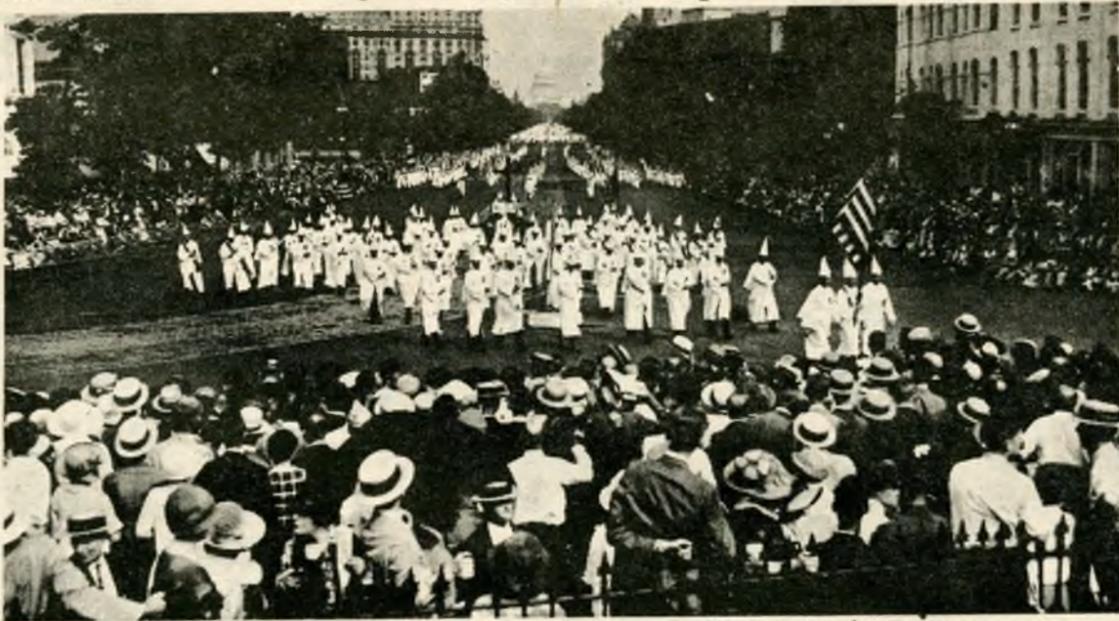
It's bad enough that this case is unknown to most of us, but it would be much worse if we lost sight of the lessons of Monroe - of that working class NAACP chapter which, a decade ago, protected itself by organizing armed self-defense.

And Robert Williams has done something else to correct one of the pacifist distortions of American history. At the end of his book on Monroe, Negroes With Guns, he quotes from Henry David Thoreau. The same Thoreau idolized by every "no rocks" pacifist. The Thoreau, who, in reality was not a dogmatist and who wrote this defense of John Brown and the raid on Harpers Ferry:

"The question is not about the weapon but the spirit in which you use it... I think that for once (the raid on Harpers Ferry) the Sharpes rifles and revolvers were employed in a righteous cause. The tools were in the hands of one who could use them."

Use them.

Jeffrey Youdelman
Venceremos



Klan marchers in Washington, 1925. Not much different in Monroe



UNITED FRONT

What I want to talk about is two alliances that are necessary at this time, how they are to be achieved, and how they relate to each other.

The first is an alliance within the existing student movement, an alliance between those people who are committed to revolution in the United States, that is the seizure of power by poor and working people, and those who are committed to non-violence, that is people who are, when you get right down to it, basically reformist.

We have to reiterate very frequently that the basis of the alliance within the student movement has to be a united front. Neither side can impose their views on the other side; neither side can vote or force the other side into acting on a view they reject. Obviously those people who believe in non-violence cannot be voted into armed self-defense or doing things that they consider "violent" like breaking windows. On the other hand they must understand that there's no way that they can vote the people who are committed to proletarian revolution in the U.S. into accepting tactics that many of those people have already tried themselves and found counter-productive. There has to be room in that movement to test both lines in practice. And it's clear that if "non-violence" works, everyone's going to be for it, because nobody who's sane wants any unnecessary violence. But those people who are committed-or say that they are committed to non-violence have to go out and act on that. On college campuses when I ask them "what act of non-violence" have you committed lately?" Most haven't the faintest idea what I'm talking about. Those who are using the term "nonviolence" as a way of justifying inactivity, those for whom pacifism really mean passivism, those people are an insult to the memories of the martyrs of nonviolence in this country, people like Schwerner, Goodman and Chaney, who went out and put their bodies on the line in their commitment to nonviolence. It was through that commitment the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee transformed into a revolutionary organization. Because they went out and tested that line in practice and found out it didn't work. Non-violence has never achieved anything constructive, though I don't expect a lot of people here to accept that.

It's not just a question of recognizing that each group has the right, and in fact the duty to put its theory into practice. There's also a question of understanding what we're talking about when we're talking about violence. We have almost a parody of the usual pacifist argument in today's Daily article called Left-- Right Show Similarities, Tom Viden who ridicules the idea that people can fight for peace. He says we live violently whatever we call it no matter who's side we're on, it's all violence, if we want peace we'll only find it by showing the effectiveness of peaceful means. I suppose that most of us would recognize at this point the basic fallacy of that argument, that the Vietnamese cannot have peace simply by not fighting. Although there is a contradiction, the only way they can have peace is to go out and fight for it as they're doing now. In fact we wouldn't even be here today, and we wouldn't have the consciousness that we have, if it weren't for their very successful military struggle against imperialism. It depends what we consider peace. If we consider black slavery in the U.S. before the Civil



TEXT IS A SPEECH BY BRUCE FRANKLIN, CENTRAL COMMITTEE, VENCEREMOS

War to be a state of peace, then I suppose it's possible to say that the only way we can have peace is not to engage in any violence. But most of us recognize by this time that it was necessary for people to fight and die in order not to be owned body and soul by a master.

Much more immediate is the false consciousness presented by the idea that breaking a window, if it is done in an attempt to affect social change is "violence." Stop and think about it—we wouldn't consider it violence if the authorities at Stanford U. decided to tear apart the whole front of Tressider Union, breaking all the glass there, in order to expand out onto the terrace. That would not be violence, but if someone threw one rock through one of those windows, that would appear to be violent. Why? Not because it's violent, but because it's an attack on private property.

Let's get it even sharper. How many people here think that it's an act of violence to use physical force, to prevent people from attending classes if they want to attend classes? The majority of students at Stanford U. would agree, that's violence, that's force and violence. Now just think about this for a minute: the vast majority of people in the U.S. are prevented physically from attending those classes. Now is that violence or not? See when I pose that question, of course, the immediate image that came to mind was a picket line of students, preventing other students from going to class. The image that did not come to mind and there's a good reason why it didn't was of the corporate powers who own and control Stanford, denying the use of those facilities to the vast majority of people in this country.

If they have a fascist professor teaching that Third World people ought to be exterminated because as he puts it, "nature has color-coded human genetic materials to select for intelligence," and somebody goes into that classroom to argue with that professor, then those people are arrested, and forced to face charges of "trespassing". People with guns on their hips take those people who go into those classes out, put them into cages, force them to go to court, and

after they are convicted by white middle class juries, force them into cages for a period of time for going into that room. We aren't supposed to see that as force and violence. Think about it.

The worst possible thing that Stanford U. can do to a student as punishment within the university is to throw you out of the university. That's a punishment that they have already put down on the overwhelming majority of people in this country, not to mention the rest of the people in the world. But somehow we think of that as appropriate, as fitting, because they—the white-male faculty, the white-male Board of Trustees who own and control the means of production in this country have the right to decide who's to use those facilities. Where did that right come from? That right came from stolen labor and stolen land and stolen wealth. It rests not on justice, but on injustice — not on the sanctity of a person's most private property—his labor—but rather on the theft of that labor. That's why we talk about Stanford U. in its essence as a violent institution. We're not even raising the question now about the direct ways the university participates in the war in Indo-China, just the very nature of the institution itself.

When we follow that line of argument out, addressing that question of violence, we get at the second alliance that is absolutely necessary now. That is the alliance between students and workers. It's not a coincidence that the leadership in the anti-war movement is now passing from students to workers and why it is workers who came up here and said the most important things today providing some sort of leadership for the student movement. But when we talk about student-worker alliance, if that's the correct slogan, then we have to understand the basis for the existence of that alliance.

As the worker from the physical plant laid out, almost everyone down there is on the side of the anti-war movement but practically everybody there is scared of losing their livelihood, and they live in a state of intimidation. While the worst thing that can happen to a Stanford student, if you do something against the interests of the rich people

on May 4 at White Plaza

AT STANFORD

who run this university, is to be thrown out of the university, the worst thing that can happen to a worker is to lose one's livelihood. Again we must recognize that by official figures fourteen percent of the people in E.P.A. and E. Menlo Park are not allowed any livelihood at all, are permanently unemployed, and that even in Sunnyvale, which is essentially a white working class city of 100,000 by official statistics 8% of the population is unemployed. Again that is the worst thing that Stanford U. or some other employer can do to someone, and that's what they do permanently to a significant section of the population of this country. That is part of imperialism.

Students must understand how workers here at Stanford University are subjected to daily violence, and that students themselves, whether they're conscious of it or not, participate in that violence. Most Stanford students treat the workers here as if they were invisible, as if they don't exist. Everything happens magically. Buildings spring up out of the ground by magic. Books are manufactured by magic. Typewriters are made by magic. The thing I'm speaking [microphone] through is made by magic. Nobody did it. We walk past workers on the campus and they don't exist. That's one part of it.

There is an image of the workers that is banged into people's heads in classrooms through out this University and through television, radio and all the media, in a constant cultural saturation, to create in the minds of the students an image of workers as Archie Bunker or as a word that nobody should ever use, "redneck", because it refers to someone whose neck is red because he has to work under the sun, who works to produce things that other people consume. That fearsome image separates students from workers.

In order to achieve the alliance, it's not just necessary for students to understand that workers exist, that they're not invisible beings, that they

made everything here and maintain everything here, they must understand that the workers have a more advanced anti-war consciousness than the students do (and that's been proven statistically time and again). And they must also understand the alienation of the lives of workers here, think of the violence that it means when you as a worker here have to sell your human essence, that is, your creativity, your labor, to somebody else who owns this University simply in order to exist. You sell your labor to build and maintain educational facilities which are denied to you, where it you go into that classroom, it's against the law, violence will come down on you if you get out of your place as a worker, and insist "I've got a right to an education and the buildings I've built and maintained." You sell yourself and this is what hurts, in order to create the instrument of your own exploitation and oppression.

Beyond even the fact that these educational facilities are denied to you, is the fact that it is here that people are trained to oppress and exploit you, that it's right there in the business school they train the corporate managers to rule over the workers and to keep them in their place. So, we say yes, slavery was abolished because of the civil war, but that's just chattel slavery, wage slavery is the life that most people still lead in this country. Wage slavery comes out in very sharp form on this campus. In the maintenance of these educational facilities to train people to exploit and oppress the very people who build and maintain them, or in the hospital where workers have to scrub the floors and clean the piss and shit of other people, and then are denied the use of those same medical facilities that they maintain.

That understanding is absolutely necessary if we're to have a serious alliance between students and workers. There are a number of workers here today and I'm sure that nothing I said is

news to them. But its news to most students at Stanford. Most students have never been exposed to that basic elementary truth about their own existence and about the existence of the majority of people who not only built and maintain this place, but provided the wealth of their parents, the wealth that sent them to Stanford,

If the physical plant workers as they did this morning, tell the students "come back here with 250 people and block this place so that we can say well, we couldn't get in," then the absolute minimum is to work night and day to make sure that that comes true. If we don't have enough people here in White Plaza, then the Stanford students who are here have to make a commitment to go into those dorms, and classes and find other students and persuade them to get out there and show that they're capable of allying with workers. Then we can talk about putting an end to the war, which is not, as you know, just a war against the people of Indochina, but a war against all Third World peoples everywhere and a war against all poor and working people, everywhere. Then the words, "Power to the People" can be something more than a slogan.

At California's Stanford University, 300 students blocked the entrance to a hall at 7:30 a.m. At noon, 1000 students assembled for a rally and then marched through the campus. More than 500 students blocked the street in front of the campus. Among the demonstrators were hundreds of high school students who had marched to the campus to join the protesters...

...The American students have the spirit of resolute struggle and are not cowed. They are actively preparing to launch a struggle of greater dimension.

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PRISONERS STAND WITH VIETNAMESE

Open Address to the Revolutionary People

The people of Vietnam have and continue a valiant and indefatigable struggle to unite their country under a banner free from imperialist domination, but the imperialist monster Amerika wants to keep Vietnam divided.

The war-mongers of Amerika contrived false claims of an invasion to justify their renewal of massive bombing raids of the North. These beastly acts are criminal in nature and serve to depict the warped mentality of the imperialist agents and their lackeys.

This very minute they are committing chemicide, napalmicide, and the most heinous of all genocide.

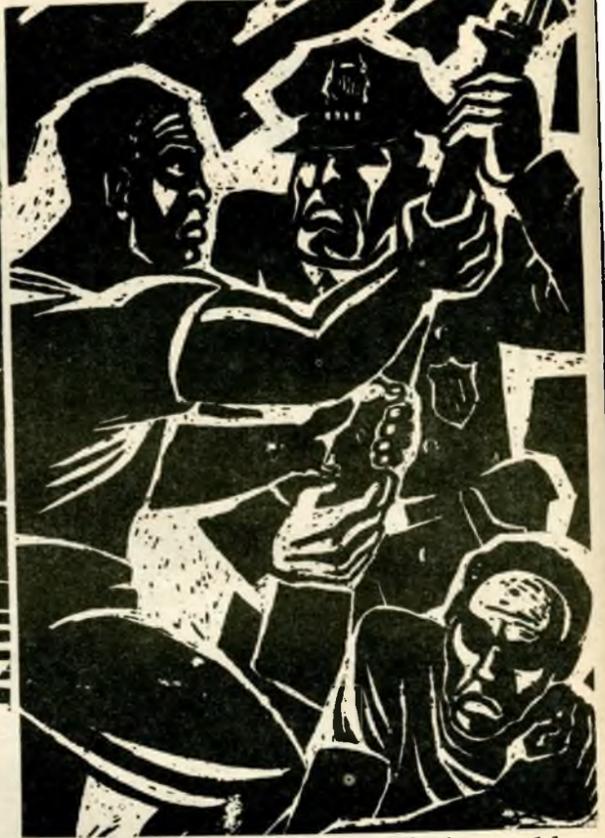
If we do not take steps to deal with the criminals responsible for the war crimes being committed against the people of Vietnam, it will only be a matter of time before the destructive forces of imperialism will be unleashed against other Third World countries.

We cannot tolerate this, therefore it is incumbent upon us, the revolutionary people of Amerika, to initiate actions to not only end the war in Vietnam but all wars of imperialist aggression.

We as political prisoners stand united with the people of Vietnam and the world who struggle with the resolute will to fight and win.

Venceremos!
David Johnson

Vietnam: the bombing is murder, there is just no other way we can view it. The Comrades in Vietnam are winning and will win the ultimate: freedom. Che said, "If the US bombs destroy what we've built, too bad, we'll just have to build over." The bombing is murder, true, but conventional efforts will ~~strong people, accustomed to defeat-~~ ing the conventional Yankee with all



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his conventional efforts and advanced technology.

The war must not end. Let the war go on until the Yankee imperialist is totally destroyed in body and mind.

We here who want the war ended must end it right here. Pulling out of Vietnam only means that the reactionary troops of US imperialism will go elsewhere to inflict the teeth of exploitation. The heart must be made defunct here in Amerika. If the imperialists want to go on with this fight, let them; they will continue to lose. If the people want the war to end, stop it in this country. To pull out of Vietnam doesn't stop the war, it only places it in another country. To employ this policy is to condone the unjust war that Amerika

has waged upon the people of the world. To employ this policy is to fail the people of the world; and lastly, to employ the policy of merely pulling out of Vietnam is to in fact say: pull out of Vietnam and start bombing and making war in Africa or South America or in some other country where innocent people live.

Those who want the war to end must end the war here in Amerika! No one protested the war at Kent State, Jackson State! No one protested the war at Attica, San Quentin or Soledad! Let's stop the war here! When the war is stopped in Amerika, the world will be in peace.

Power to the People!
johnny larry spain

HUGO PINELL'S MOCK TRIAL

On April 22, 1972, after a three week trial on a charge of murdering a guard at Soledad Prison, Hugo A. Pinell was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter, by an almost all white jury in Salinas, California (there was one black man on the jury).

The charge came out of an incident on March 3, 1971, when a guard at Soledad was injured, and subsequently died because of medical malpractice.

To say that Hugo got a fair trial would be stretching the truth beyond imagination. The lawyer that Hugo wanted to defend him was promised a court appointment by the court. The judge changed his mind without notifying Ed Caldwell, Hugo's lawyer. He appointed a Public Defender, who was ordered to proceed to trial even though he did not have Hugo's legal file and had done nothing to prepare.

The prosecution relied totally on the testimony of prison guards, who said they saw Hugo stab the guard with a sharpened toothbrush through the food slot in his cell. They said the guard then locked the food slot, stumbled, and was aided by other guards.

The defense showed that no where in the grand jury records nor in the reports made immediately after that incident is there an indication that the guard took the time to lock the food slot after being stabbed (this is important because when they went to get Hugo to charge him with this incident, the food slot was locked.)

The defense brought into the record the fact that the guard died many hours after he was injured; that medical records were mysteriously lost; that the

doctor who treated the wound was so incompetent that he severed an artery and that as a result of this severed artery the guard bled to death.

Defense witnesses consisted of brothers inside who testified to the fact that the prison is out to get Hugo; that he is subject to constant harassment and brutality; that they were threatened with death and life in prison if they testified for Hugo; and that Hugo was asleep at the time of the incident.

Doctors who treated the guard testified that the wound the guard received was not sufficient to have killed him, and that the sharpened toothbrush could not have caused the injury (this toothbrush was found in the central sewer many hours after the incident happened.)

Hugo testified that he was approached by Captain Moody to testify against George Jackson in 1970, that he refused, and he was told he would never get out of prison alive. He testified that after August 21, 1971, he was beaten many times and had teeth knocked out.

During the second week of the trial, Hugo was attacked by three guards at Soledad. He tried to bring this out at the trial, but was not allowed to do so by the judge. He did manage to tell the people in court, however, that the brothers who were going to testify for him, and those who already had testified, were in strip cells. They were being gassed. Their food had all kinds of shit in it, and that they needed help.

He appealed to the people to do something: "Soledad is going back to

the way it used to be and the people have to know about it. Something has to be done."

When Raymond Marquez attempted to tell the jury of the treatment and life Hugo has inside, he was ordered, removed by the judge. After the judge and jury left the courtroom, the guards went to remove Raymond from the courtroom. He resisted and three or four guards jumped him. Hugo attempted to go help his comrade, but he had six or seven guards on top of him. Within seconds there were at least 20 guards in the courtroom. When they carried Hugo out, he was visibly in great pain.

The next day, Hugo tried to relate to the court how he had not been able to eat in days because of the bad food. He was denied that right. Later on that day, he fainted in court. Even then, the judge would not listen to him.

By the time the jury got the case, Hugo was feeling so bad that he could not make it out to the courtroom and two doctors were called in to examine him. He kept talking about his unbearable head pains, and again asked that the people do something for the brother at Soledad.

On Saturday, April 22, 1972, the jury handed down their verdict: another life sentence for Comrade Hugo A. Pinell.

Over Hugo's objections, he will now be transferred to San Quentin where he is treated worse than at Soledad. People are asked to write to Raymond Proconier, (head of the Department of Corrections), and the Warden at Soledad urging that Hugo not be transferred to San Quentin.



ON SHOULD VENCEREMOS MEMBERS DRINK?

The following article was read and discussed in the Palo Alto Drug Collective. We decided to give it our full support and appreciation for the criticism. We feel unity around this question will take our practice forward a great deal.

Ministry of Information
Pamoja Venceremos

I have great respect for Venceremos; your active struggle for the liberation of all oppressed peoples, your dedication to seize the power held by the ruling class by any means necessary, and particularly your principle of leadership; that people and nations of color and women, as the most oppressed have the greatest understanding of how to deal with oppression. However, Venceremos appears to have a serious weakness which undermines my confidence in its strength; that is your dangerously liberal attitude toward alcohol (beer, wine or whisky) by members of Venceremos at parties.

I am responsible for 3 main reasons. 1) The 'Principles of Unity' states that "Venceremos cadre are always on political assignment to serve the people." No dedicated doctor or NLF soldier drinks when he/she is on call. 2) Last week, I was picked up by a member of Venceremos who was driving after a party. He told me he was totally out of it, without identification, and having trouble staying on the road. Venceremos cadre who are allowed to drive after drinking at parties are endangering the lives of the people in the streets and the security of the organization with the possible arrest of a member who is not in full control of him/herself emotionally or intellectually. 3) Most important, Venceremos discipline is not truly revolutionary if cadre will not abstain from drinking alcohol or doing anything which causes your sister's or brother's downfall. In America, there are 5 to 9 million alcoholics whose lives have become unmanageable, many of whom are from poor and oppressed classes, young and old alike. Alcoholism has become the No. 1 health problem in this country. Worst of all, the understanding and treatment of alcoholics is degrading and deplorable.

At the recent Billy Smith rally in S.F., while a drunk brother was staggering thru the crowd, members of Venceremos were openly drinking beer. While others drink, it is nearly impossible for those with an alcohol problem to accept the fact that they can't drink too. For that brother and millions like him, alcohol is the main enemy. The use of alcohol, especially in public, is aiding the enemy of those people. "To see someone harming the interests of the masses and yet not feel indignant, or dissuade or stop him or reason with him, but allow him to continue. This is an eighth type...of liberalism" Mao Tse-tung.

Taxes from the sale of alcoholic beverages are second only to income taxes in revenue collected from the people by our fascist government. Liquor stores in 1/3 of our States are directly owned and operated by those State governments.

Most people can drink and not become addicted but they do so at the expense of

those who cannot control their use of alcohol, who suffer years of despair and debilitation unaware that they have a disease as devastating and fatal as cancer.

A few people become addicted after their first drink, others after a period of use. When a person becomes addicted, his/her body chemistry reaction is different than that of the non-alcoholic. An alcoholic is powerless over alcohol. It is not only a question of willpower, he/she needs help to recover.

People drink for a change of feeling; from frustration, boredom, inferiority, etc. to elation, relaxation. At parties, alcohol dissolves the social tension by depressing people's central nervous systems; beginning with the brain center which regulates one's judgement and sense of responsibility, loosening one's normal controls, then interfering with the motor area functions. The noise level goes up and the group feels more together. The fact is that after a few drinks, people feel better, mentally and physically. In our oppressed society, it is obvious why this social lubricant is so prevalent.

Can Venceremos develop a high enough revolutionary consciousness that alcohol will be recognized as a destructive rather than beneficial social element among your members? The feeling that you will win must be great enough that you will not want to change your consciousness with alcohol. You can set the example of responsibility and confidence that you will win so that those who feel powerless over their situation will regain hope and stop trying to escape with drugs and alcohol. Provide disciplined leadership and the cause of the revolution will help the people overcome their weaknesses and join the struggle.

An alcoholic staying sober with the support of the Palo Alto Drug Collective.

PALO ALTO DRUG COLLECTIVE:
3381 Park Blvd., Palo Alto
493-0484
MEETINGS ARE ON SUNDAYS AT 7:30

My Sister --

Received your letter - i greet you with comradely thoughts and revolutionary love.

People should not report their car stolen until after several days pass because by then it's probably abandoned. I say this as another poor person, having had a car stolen, but knowing that the policeman, acting even for personal property, becomes a dangerous outlaw or criminal who will attempt to halt someone from "joyriding", dead or alive.

I was about the same age as the murdered Black Brother, the first time a pig shot at me - over a petty theft. The bullets are generally reserved for Third World people; racist pigs are extremely careless about injury and death to everyone, because people let them do the racist dirty work, in a "care-less" society. Born and bred under repressive conditions some are bribed into hugging the chains of a hostile class which gives them the role of gunslinger over the People. Class society will have to be overthrown before the killings stop, but it is beautiful that you use whatever openings there are - which hold them off and keep them from gaining more and more power.

I think that much of today's racism stems from fear that Black and Brown people may pull together even larger numbers...and perhaps come marching up the El Camino. That vision is real in that if our streets need sweeping, there will be those - maybe their own children - who will step forward for the job. But they see resistance as ruining the country because miseducation from the bosses and owners isn't about to reveal that it's a growing number is simply defending themselves by fighting back, how can they be expected to know that fighting for freedom is saving the country? Or that what is won in struggle for those at the bottom of the social scale favors and is in the interests of the overall majority,

the ordinary working class People?

Let me quote my Brother's letter:
"I was in ignorant error about the Venceremos Sisters and Brothers - owes to my isolation and caution in the cage, limited my perspective. They are doing real good things."

From what little I know about Venceremos, but with what you have run down, I know that it is a beautiful and strong group...

Must close to get this out
LIBERTAD!
sleepy

Sleepy is doing an indeterminate sentence in San Quentin for a narcotics conviction.



People's Doc

Artificial respiration

We've done several articles about common diseases and what to do about them. Now we're going to do a series of articles about first aid -- the kind of medicine we practice in the streets and for emergencies occurring during house defense. Save this series and you'll have a People's First Aid handbook.

Our first article is about artificial respiration. Artificial respiration is forced breathing when natural breathing stops. The body always needs oxygen. Without oxygen you will die within six minutes. The average rate of breathing for a resting adult is 16 or 17 times a minute. It's faster for children, as well as with exercise, excitement, and disease.

The times when you might have to use artificial respiration are electric shock, drowning, gas poisoning, drug overdoses, chest injuries, or choking, and destruction of breathing passages. Here is how you do it.

If you find someone who is not breathing for any reason, you should immediately start artificial respiration. Remember if someone doesn't breathe for six minutes, that person is dead.

If there is anything in the mouth wipe it out with your fingers.

1) Tilt the head back so the chin is pointing up. (Fig 1) Pull or push the jaw into a jutting out position. (Figs. 2 & 3) These maneuvers should relieve blocking of the airways by moving the base of the tongue away from the back of the throat.

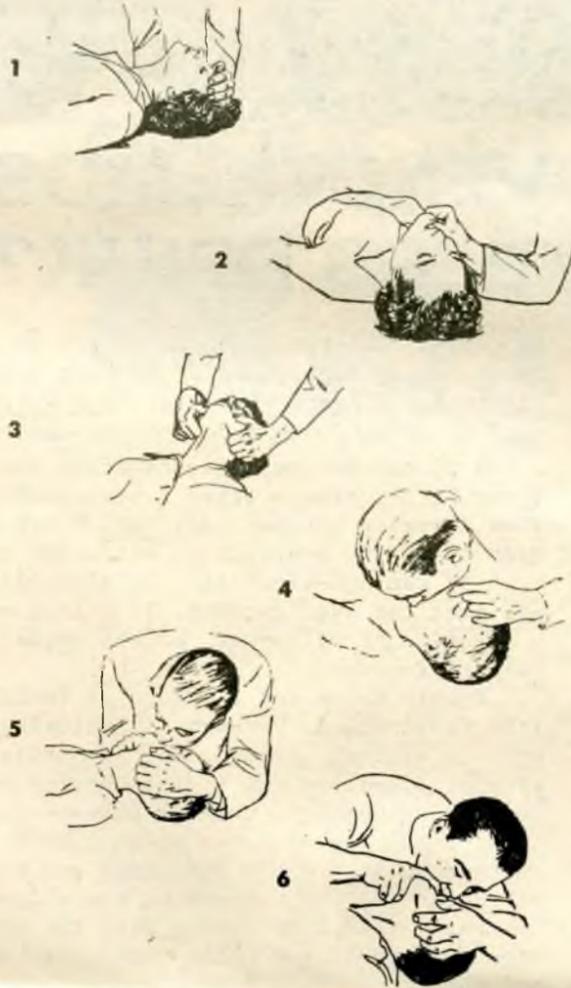
2) Open your mouth wide and place it tightly over the brother's or sister's mouth. At the same time pinch the comrade's nostrils shut (Fig. 4) or close the brother's or sister's mouth. Your efforts should tell you whether or not anything is blocking the airway.

3) Remove your mouth, turn your head to the side, and listen for the air rushing out again. Repeat the blowing effort. For an adult, blow vigorously at the rate of about 12

breaths a minute. For a child, take relatively shallow breaths appropriate for the child, at the rate of about 20 times a minute.

4) If the air is not coming out, recheck the head and jaw position. (Fig 1, 2, & 3) If the air still won't come

Mouth-to-Mouth (Mouth-to-Nose) Method of Artificial Respiration



Chicano sister fired

In this country which is run on a capitalist system where the profit of a few is put before the needs of the majority, Third World women are especially forced to work for the lowest wages.

As if this were not enough to have to put up with our sisters are subjected to racial slurs, jokes and other indignities such as being leered at, manhandled, propositioned and assaulted, by the bosses who feel as if they own not only our time and work but also bodies and minds.

Many women don't complain because they fear losing the only means of support for them or want to avoid the shame which this racist, sexist society wrongly puts into women.

At Flexable Plastics a factory in South San Francisco which employs many Third World women, Martha Lepe a Chicano woman was manhandled by Bob Spencer (a foreman) when Martha hit Bob for touching her she was fired. Later when other workers learned what had happened to Martha the company told Martha that they would do her a favor and say she was laid off, this way she could collect unemployment.

This has not been the first time that Bob has been known to insult women at Flexable but it will be the last. The women have said Basta.

But we must understand that things of this nature occur in all factories where there are women workers.

Sisters get together and expose pigs like Bob Spencer and get them out of your factories.

Pamoja Venceremos Freedom
(Together we will win Freedom)

Gloria Mariscal and Becky Ortega

out, quickly turn the comrade on her side and give a couple of good whacks, between the shoulder blades, because by doing this you may clear the air passages. Again sweep your fingers through the sister's or brother's mouth to remove anything. Then try breathing again.

For a small child there are some differences. First of all, put your mouth over the child's mouth and nose, and breathe shallow puffs about 20 a minute. If you meet resistance in your blowing efforts, recheck the position of the jaw. If the air passages are still blocked, the child should be held by the ankles for a second and should be hit 2 or 3 times between the shoulder blades in the hope of dislodging anything blocking the airways. Then continue breathing.

For both a child and an adult you must continue artificial respiration until you get further help or until your comrade is breathing for himself. If you have any questions or want demonstrations call People's Doc at People's Medical Center 365-2691.

Next time: Heart massage

Cut open and bleeding, bombed from the sky
Dismembered brothers on roadside lie.
Vietnamese revolutionary, dead on the ground
American leaders not making a sound.

But rock thru a window, Bank America burned
Suddenly now, everyone's concerned.
"Damn violence"

"Violent destruction"
Do they think they'll end the war by burning the schools?
There should be an answer, to stopping the war
But destruction and violence, I wholeheartedly deplore.

But since most of the violence is coming from the chiefs
I guess it's with them I must settle my beefs.
For what is a burnt building, when compared to a man shot down.

The senders of the bombers
Are the ones that are insane,
And they are the ones we should quickly arraign.

I now know my real enemies:
They are killers and thieves,
They are the Heads of the Government,
They are the Commanders and Chiefs.

D. Minkler



"People's Patrol" are really sheriffs

April 24, Redwood City -- Deputy Sheriff McMahon, employed by the Peoples Patrol Company, attempted to search our car tonight on Warrington St. in Redwood City.

The caper began at the Apollo gas station on Middlefield Rd. when we pulled in to get 54¢ worth of ethyl in our ride.

The off-white Peoples Patrol compact fast back, with two rear aerials and a search light on top was by the gas station office. The driver of our car went to check out what this Peoples Patrol was.

An amiable conversation with the Peoples Patrolman McMahon told our brother that all Peoples Patrols are Sheriff Deputies, with the power of arrest, with radios tuned to, and able to call into, the sheriff's radios, and that he, Nicholas McMahon, did drive that same car off a truck loading dock this March the 6th.

This ended the conversation and we left.

When we got to Warrington St., we stopped, and this same Peoples Patrol car was behind us, flashing his light. Whereupon Deputy McMahon gets out, telling us the Apollo gas station man said we stole

six quarts of oil, and would we let him "look through" our car.

When we refused to let him illegally stick his nose in our ride, he started oinking about getting warrants and calling more sheriffs.

We told him he best get the warrants and sheriffs, 'cause that was the only way he was gonna get his nose in our ride. We know that to physically restrain a police officer from illegally searching our car is a crime.

We told him if he was to search our car, it would be without our permission and he would have to prove he has "reasonable cause" to search in court, and if he couldn't prove it, we would slap him with a suit for violating our civil rights.

He went back to his car supposedly to call for a warrant and sheriff reinforcements, and one of our people went to a neighbor's house to call our friends so that there'd be plenty of witnesses to what was about to happen.

But McMahon returned three minutes later saying a warrant was too much trouble.

We got righteously pissed off at him for messing with us, and in a revealing conversation, this punk told us he used to be an outlaw biker (now he carries his gun legally), how the law is a game, and that he was "testing our reaction" to being asked to be searched. This outlaw chump was telling us he was testing us to see if we'd stand up for our rights!!

He also told us Peoples Patrol is sheriffs deputies in the pay of private companies.

We feel McMahon is just a punk with a badge and a gun who hired himself out to rich companies. He's a deputy of Sheriff Earl "Justifiable Homicide" Whitmore, and he's power tripping and will push us as far as we let him. You might not believe it but if you were on Warrington St. Monday night, you would have seen it.

The lesson is, DON'T BE INTIMIDATED and IF YOU STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS, YOUR RIGHTS WILL STAND UP FOR YOU!!

Oh, yeah. We didn't steal no oil, and we wrote this because we know the biggest deterrent to pigs illegal search is the light of the eyes of the people.

All Power to the People.

City Prison BALTIMORE & STEEL PLATE

BALTIMORE (LNS)--In the past two years, the Baltimore City Jail has had a rebellion almost every three months--the conditions in the jail are so bad. The prison which was designed for 980 now holds almost 1400, of whom 90% are black. The medical facilities are so poor that the state has refused to license them.

On April 6, around 200 inmates participated in a rebellion, less than two months after another. The administration's "promises" were broken as soon as the press' interest waned.

Warden Schoonfield insists that there were no problems in the jail until "outside agitators" started coming in. He named as outside agitators legal Aid lawyers.

The April 6 rebellion started after Schoonfield released watchdogs to attack friends and relatives who were standing near the prison and shouting to the inmates. The prisoners started breaking windows, and shouting, trying to make the warden call the dogs off. After several hours, the rebellion was quelled.

Although most of the 1400 inmates did not participate in the rebellion, all of the inmates were placed in 24-hour lockup and are now receiving only two meals a day. Schoonfield says that, "two meals a day are enough for grown men who are inactive"--more food breeds restlessness which leads to rebellions.

Schoonfield refused to negotiate with the prisoners, stating that the Baltimore City Jail is "my jail and I'm going to take it back." In response to the broken windows, he is installing metal plates to that the inmates can't see out at all. As he says, "Either them or us are gonna live."



Inmates in Long Island City knocked out bars. Is windows of steel plate any way to "rehabilitate?" We need fresh air, not steel plate, to get our heads straight.

Terror In A Small Town

Harrisonville, Missouri: The city council of Harrisonville passed three ordinances a few weeks ago, banning public obscenity, limiting picketing and public gatherings in the town.

The street people felt that the ordinances were aimed at them, directly curbing their activities and their access to the town square. Using the new laws, the storeowners on the square ordered the street people to disband, but

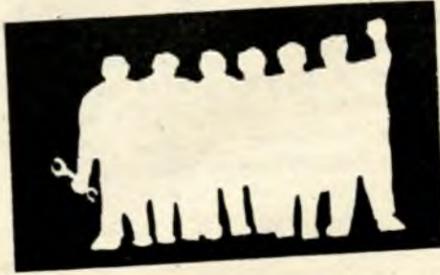
Charlie Simpson, 24, used \$1500 of his savings to bail eight of his friends out of the Harrisonville jail that night. The following night, the people met in their square, rapped down what the Man had done and what the new city ordinances were all about. Later Simpson stepped out of his car on the courthouse side of the square and fired his rifle in bursts and then randomly; 50 shots from an M-1.

In a few minutes two pigs were killed, a sheriff and three residents of the town wounded. Then Simpson put the barrel in his mouth and offed himself.

The street people in this town of 3,500 say they can understand what drove Simpson to murder: "It just got to be too much for him...He just couldn't stand it, this town, the war, the lack of prison reform...He loved people but it finally got to him." One person commented, "There isn't anything to do in this town except meet in the square. Where do they want us to go?" Another said, "I expect to see the courthouse or school burn down." But a guy named Allen had a different approach, "A pig came up to me and said, 'You got two of ours, now we're gonna get you. You had your fun, now we'll have ours.'"

ARM YOURSELF OR HARM YOURSELF

Damn a government that keeps a working man poor
Damn a government that makes an unwanted war
It's had all the money, much more than it needs
But the poor and the needy it's failed to feed.
We'll stop this insanity before it can grow,
We propose revolution, a united overthrow.
We're taking over leadership,
There's a large group in command
They call us the proletariat
And united we stand



Stambaugh House raps

The Redwood City Drug Program is at Stambaugh House Monday thru Friday from 3:30-5:00 to rap with anyone who needs drug help, or wants to offer it.
Stambaugh House
142 Stambaugh St.
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Nixons Escalation DESPARATE SPEECH-FUTILE ACTION

The Vietnamese people fore-saw Nixon's treachery and prepared many alternatives to conventional means of continuing their struggle. Success relies on the true "secret weapon"--the people united by socialist ideology fighting for their self-determination as a nation--for freedom.



In his April 26 speech on television, President Nixon called the current Vietnamese offensive a "desperate gamble," but the only desperate gamble in Vietnam appears to be his own. Alternating between tough talk and seemingly baseless optimism, the President is throwing ton after ton of sophisticated arms into a war that the Vietnamese are winning by reliance on a much simpler weapon not in the American arsenal -- a people united by socialist ideology, fighting for self-determination of their nation.

Far from being the "desperate gamble," Nixon calls it, seasoned observers believe the current offensive is the result of at least two years preparation. "The North Vietnamese don't deal in half-measures or without a long-term plan."

The "conventional" nature of the offensive has been very much exaggerated. While enormous publicity has been given to the destruction of large numbers of North Vietnamese tanks, newsmen report that "several Vietnamese officers who have come in from the field claim that many if not most of the tanks used by the other side are American models, presumably captured over the past two years in Cambodia and Laos." The war "is now conventional in the sense of Dien Bien Phu," the An Loc-like battle



The Vietnamese people have shown their courage many times in the battlefield. "When you are ready to die for your freedom, the threat of death no longer intimidates you." NVA recruit. "Better to die on my feet than to live the rest of my life on my knees." Emiliano Zapata.

that broke the back of the French in 1954. North Vietnamese tactics appear to be the same as they were then -- entrapment and seige. It is a war in which air supremacy is "but a limited asset."

The Saigon Army (ARVN) is dissolving before the eyes of two hundred million American viewers. Nothing that Nixon says or does can resurrect the myth that it was ever more than a gaggle of press-ganged mercenaries held together by American money, weapons, and troop presence. Now all that is falling apart.

"The traveler gets a strong impression that Vietnamization not only never worked but never happened," two veteran war reporters write from Saigon. The American-established communications systems for military aircraft are beginning to malfunction. The ARVN troops are not using the helicopters left them as the backbone of their war effort. Now it is the popular forces that have and can use the "lines of communication and the sophisticated supplies."

Saigon's northernmost city, Quang Tri, was going to be held at all costs. But on May 2, while Secretary of State William Rogers was saying in Washington that "we are encouraged" by the "courageous fighting" of the Saigon troops, they were streaming out of the provincial capital, given up without a fight.

Thousands of ARVN troops fled out of Quang Tri down Highway One, "most of whom did not appear to have had much combat with the advancing North Vietnamese troops." The entire Third Division -- 10,000 men--was in rout, without organization or control, their officers were fleeing too. Many did not stop at Hue, but continued south with their rifles, artillery, tanks, and armored cars.

The next major city south, Hue, became a "huge revolving door," with leaderless troops and refugees streaming in from the north, while Hue's own population made off for Da Nang, with provincial government bureaucrats in the lead.

As the city became a madhouse, Tens of thousands of refugees tried to flee. Behind them, gangs of drunk, leaderless troops from the shattered Third Division roamed Hue, looting and burning. They set fire to the big central marketplace, holding off fireman at gunpoint. A big American-built cement plant burned-- police said that drunken troops with no money or food were responsible. Rival factions clashed with each other in sporadic firefights. The deserters said that they had had it with their officers, who had abandoned them in Quang Tri and left them to find their way out of the North Vietnamese encirclement unaided.

While events in the north have been most dramatic, the month-long seige of An Loc, only sixty miles north of Saigon, has been equally significant. The 15,000 man relief force drawn from Saigon and the Mekong Delta and attempting to march north on Highway 13 has been stopped and is retreating slowly back to Saigon, fearful of being surrounded itself. If An Loc falls, say observers, "the repercussions in Saigon will be considerable."

In the Central Highlands, ARVN troops have been forced to withdraw from three of five firebases north of Kontum, in what one observer called "a serious defeat for what are generally reckoned to be South Vietnam's best troops."

And in the central coastal province of rice-rich Binh Dinh, American officers conceded that there Vietnamization has "failed one of its most crucial tests." The test was holding a fire base near Landing Zone English. There, after their commander and the district chief "took their refrigerators, got in a jeep, and fled," Saigon's 40th Regiment melted into the night, leaving the base to Liberation forces. Many took to the hills. Landing Zone English fell the next day, with landing craft taking 2500 ARVN off the beach in what United Press International described as "a miniature Dunkirk."

Major George H. Watkins Jr., one of the last to leave, explained what had happened in Vietnam: "The Americans were sincere; they tried to help the Vietnamese armed forces, and they brought equipment here. But the one thing the Americans cannot bring here is leadership --they cannot bring that in from their arsenal."

"When the Communists were here before, from 1945 to 1954, the people didn't have much to eat or good clothes on their backs, but morally they were happy, because the Communists brought justice to this land for ten years, not the corruption we have here now."

As he spoke, National Liberation Front cadres (members) were reported moving among the province's refugees, urging them to join in the overthrow of Saigon dictator Nguyen Van Thieu.

Dave Ransom
R. C. Venceremos

LO QUE DIJO NIXON EN VERDAD



por Jeff Freed, S.F. Venceremos

Al decir que el discurso de Nixon el 8 de Mayo era un montón de mentiras es un gran entendimiento. El discurso representa una tentativa desesperada por el hablador de clase gobernante del imperialismo yanqui para esconder la realidad que ellos han decidido a cambiar un derrote a una victoria en IndoChina, con el recurso de asesinato de masas.

Además, las mentiras y decepciones fueron calculadas para desarmar el coraje de la gente Norte Americana, y para enlistar el apoyo de los lider vendidos de la Union Sovietica, y detener las fuerzas revolucionarias armadas victoriosas de los pueblos de Vietnam, Laos, y Cambodia.

Lo principal del discurso es lo que Nixon no dijo. Sería un error al pensar que el anuncio de minar el Norte de Vietnam era la unica escalacion que fue hecha. La verdad es que, aunque tratan de traer las provisiones mayores para la lucha en IndoChina llegan por mar, en realidad nomas 10% del material usado contra los agresores yanqui y sus titaros de Saigon llega por barco. La mayoría, de las provisiones extanjeras llegan por ferrocarril o camion cruzando la frontera China-Vietnams. La situacion verdadera parse que Nixon esta usando la minacion como les usa para la matacion, con fuerza aerea, que es usado primariamente contra areas pobladas de ciudadanos en el norte especialmente en la area de la Delta de Rio Rojo.

Mientras Nixon hablaba, reportes llegaban a este país de ataques areos contra area poblada del Rio Rojo. Esta delta, como la delta de Mekong en el Sur, es la area adonde la mayoría de la gente vive. Esta area es una area de agricultura existe sobre un sistema de diques y pasos de agua que previenen que los terrenos y pueblos se llenen de agua. Si el sistema de diques es destruido habra ogadero de matas de comida y probablemente matara a miles de personas, si no cien de miles.

La relacion entre la minacion del mar y los ataques del sistema de diques en la delta del Rio Rojo es muy cerca. Mucha gente en este país pensaran que al minar el agua puede seguir en la III guerra mundial: todo lo que tiene que pasar es que un buque Sovietico sea atacado o destruido. Es natural para una

gente que ama la paz bajo estas circunstancias a poner su atencion para que los rusos eviten confrontacion.

Pero en todo esto la cosa que es olvidada es la lucha de los Vietnams. En poniendo la atencion en el puerto de Haiphong, la gente de este país puede ser que ignoren el derrotamiento del E.E.U.U. y Saigon en el sur, que muy pronto puede incluir la captura de Hue. Tambien servira como desatencion del bombardeo a los diques.

Este curso de accion por los bandidos de Washington es la version corriente de un plan viejo. Recordando en 1952-53 cuando los imperialistas yanquis estaban repaldando la colonizacion Francesa en IndoChina habia igual con el fracazo del plan "Vietnamization" y escalaciones desesperadas. Para el ano 1952 era claro que los Franceses estaban

Estados Unidos que los Franceses estaban y equipar un titero ejercito grande para que les ayude a pelear. Este plan fue puesta en mocion con los Estados Unidos pagando el 80% del costo. En ese tiempo Richard Nixon era vice-presidente y un apoyador grande de los Franceses. Como en el caso hoy este ejercito titero de las 1950's emezó a desbaratar enfrentados con las victorias de la gente en guerra. El respuesta de los Estados Unidos era un plan de llamar masas de fuerza aerea, posiblemente la invasion del norte y hacer guerra contra la poblacion entera. Nixon siguió con usando estas maneras, el apoyo la matansa en Korea, y lo apoyo para IndoChina.

Mientras grandes fuerzas aereas y una invasion no ocurrieron por la razon que los Franceses fueron rapidamente derrotados, una guerra contra le gente Vietnams si tomo lugar. Al abandonar sus bases en la Delta de Rio Rojo los Franceses destruyeron diques y otro sistemas para detener agua. El resultado fue inundacion, hambre y epidemia. Calculaciones para 1953-55 era que entre 500,000 a un millon de personas murieron por etas acciones. Es exactamente esta clase de matanza que se esta poniendo en mocion ahora.

Todos nosotros debemos estar claros de que el mineo de los puertos, y el bombardeamiento

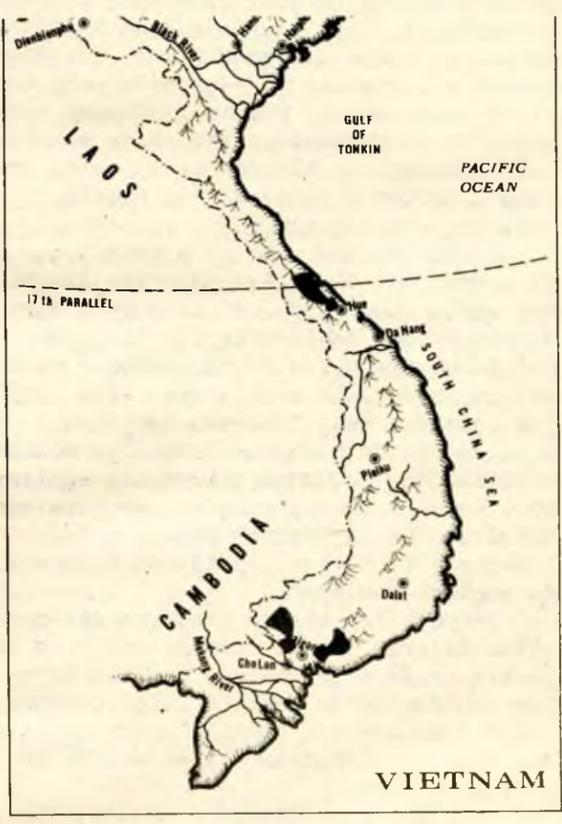
Los ojos de los bombarderos, los tanques, y de la fuerza militar de los EEUU nunca verán victoria. Porque esto es una guerra popular. Vietnam no cesará luchando a menos que no hay ningún Vietnams.

de los diques es un acto de desesperanza por clase gobernante imperialista enfrentandose derrota a manos de la gente de Vietnam y de mas gente de IndoChina.

Los Vietnams ganaron a los Franceses despues de sufrir perdidos enormes y ellos por sierto derrotaran la agresion yanqui pero al cercarse la victoria, será nuestra responsabilidad en este país levantarnos y movernos contra estas practicas salvajes como el bombardeo de los diques.

los asesinos y parar sus loquesas y sus maquinaria que esta fuera de control. Esto nomás puede ser obtenido con planificar acciones concretas dia a dia, para parar inversiones relatados a la guerra, contratores de munisiones y provisiones del ejercito, tambien la aplicacion de presion politica con nuestras acciones en bases de termino largo. Nosotros poner todo los esfuerzos militar en un estado de confusion total.

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La Chicana



El Proyecto Chicano Vietnamita fue creado como un vehiculo de comunicacion entre los Chicanos, la gente del Tercer Mundo y el pueblo Vietnamita; para romper los cadenas de ignorancia creada por el Pentagono y la administracion de Nixon, una pared hecha para cubrir los crimines contra el pueblo Vietnam como han escondido mas de 200 años de genocidio contra la gente del tercer mundo de este país.

Como gente del tercer mundo nosotros sabemos que el racismo, el mismo racismo que se dirige contra nosotros cada día, es uno de los pilares mas grandes de la guerra contra Vietnam.. El gobierno Norteamericano no podria conducir el mismo tipo de guerra que esta en estos momentos conduciendo en Vietnam contra un pueblo de piel blanca.

La gente de los EE.UU. ha sido enseñada a aceptar este asesinato, el asesinato en masa de "beans, chinks, greasers, gooks, spics and niggers." Tanto sea en Vietnam, Sud Africa o el East Los Angeles, Jackson State College, o la prision de Attica.

Dado que ellos "creen" que somos esencialmente criminales, inferiores y sospechosos la explicacion que generalmente se ofrece cuando uno de nosotros es asesinado en las calles de este país por un "agente de la ley." No es suficiente que seamos las victimas de lo que esta sociedad entiende por "ley y orden."

Nosotros, la gente del Tercer Mundo, somos forzados a meternos en el ejército de los EE.UU. para matar y someter otras victimas como nosotros en el Tercer Mundo. En este caso, el pueblo Vietnamita jamas aceptara cualquier clase de colonizacion por parte de los EE.UU. tanto como nosotros en este país no podemos seguir aceptando la misma forma de esclavitud.

Por estas razones los Chicanos y todos los pueblos del Tercer Mundo tienen gran interés en la lucha de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, Vietnamitas contra los perpetrantes del racismo en este país y del mundo.

Para mejor informar al pueblo Vietnamita acerca de las actividades Chicanos hemos enviado peliculas, cintas grabadas, libros y otros materiales a Vietnam y continuaremos haciendo lo mismo. Pedimos la ayuda de todos aquellos que puedan contribuir tiempo, materiales, dinero, etcetera para esta causa.

Para proporcionar a nuestra gente con informacion real y creible acerca de Vietnam estamos en estos momentos haciendo lo siguiente; 1) produciendo una pelicula sobre la Solidaridad entre Vietnamitas y Chicanos; 2) carteles en español y vietnamita, ilustrando la solidaridad entre Chicanos y Vietnamitas; 3) distintivos; 4) una panfleta intitulado "Chicano y Vietnam;" 5) diseminacion de material Vietnamita a grupos publicitarios Chicanos y del Tercer Mundo.

Estamos trabajando con toda la gente del Tercer Mundo para conseguir estos propositos.

LOS VIETNAMES SON GANANDO

En el ultima junta del concilio de Redwood City, William Rhodes trató de sacar las fuerzas contra la guerra, usando la razon de traicion. Esta accion fue en respuesta de las palabras de Janet Swift, que digo aunque el concilio no haga nada para terminar la guerra el pueblo Vietnemes esta ganando. Se desmascara Rhodes de su mascara liberal, al tiempo que la gente empezo aplauder y cantaban "el pueblo Vietnemes esta ganando."

Aunque Rhodes tomo el primer lugar de la noche, los demas del concilio llegó muy cerca en segundo. Al principio Mary Henderson que había ofresido la junta pasada un proposito debil, desidio hacer un cambio pequeño esta junta. Ella puso dos palabras mas, "nuestro gobierno." Este cambio de palabras cambio la mocion original de "nosotros firmamente apollamos todo esfuerzo de termina el involucimiento Americano en la guerra" para que lea "nosotros firmamente apollamos todo esfuerzo de nuestro gobierno."

Después los cuatro miembros del concilio dijeron que no entendieron como la guerra tenía algo que ser con las vidas de los residentes de Redwood City! Después Janet les hizo ver como la guerra afectaba los trabajos, empuestas y la muerta en Redwood City!

Después de que Norris, Rhodes, Williams, y Weymouth se sentaron satisfechos que habían evitado el asunto discutido, diciendo que era una problema Federal, siguieron a votar la mocion pa bajo.



Miembro Fascisto de R.C. concilio

Chicano Vietnam Project

Doan Ket Solidaridad

El "juicio" de Hugo Pinell

El dia 22 Abril, después de tres semanas de juicio, Hugo Pinell fue encontrado culpable con el cargo del asesinato de una guardia de la prisión en Soledad, por un jurado, casi totalmente blanco (un hombre negro en el jurado.)

La carga salió del incidente del 3 de Marzo 1971 cuando una guardia fue herido, y después murió por mal práctica medical.

Al decir que Hugo tuvo un juicio justo será estirando la verdad. El abogado que Hugo quería que lo defendiera, fue prometido por la corte, que lo iban apuntar para defenderlo. Pero el juez cambió de mente sin avisarle y Ed Caldwell el abogado de Hugo. El juez apunto a un abogado publico, que fue ordenado a seguir con el juicio aunque el no tenia la historia legal del caso de Hugo, y no había hecho nada para prepararse.

La prosecución dependió totalmente en el testimonio de guardias de la prisión, ellos dijeron que vieron a Hugo (apuñalar) la guardia con un sepillo de dientes filado, por el abujero de comida en su jaula. Ellos dijeron que después la guardia cerro el abujero, se cayó, y fue ayudado por otras guardias.

La defensa enseñó que en ningún lugar del reporte del 'grand jury' ni en los reportes hechos inmediatamente después del incidente hay algo que diga que la guardia tomo tiempo para cerrar el abujero después del herido esto es importante porque cuando fueron agarrar a Hugo para cargarlo con el incidente el abujero estaba cerrado.

La defensa puso en los datos de la corte que la guardia murió varias horas después, que la historia medical del guardia fue misteriosamente perdida, que el doctor que cuidio a la guardia era incompetente y daño una vena grave y por esto la guardia sangro a muerte.

Los testigos de la defensa que eran pri-



sioneros testigaron a la realidad de que la prisión estaba por mucho tiempo tratando agarrarlo y constantemente lo brutalizaban, y que ellos eran amenazados con muerte y enprisimiento por vida, si ellos eran testigos para Hugo, y que Hugo estaba dormido cuando ocurio el incidente.

Doctores que trataron a la guardia tambien testigaron y dijeron que la herrida que había recibido la guardia no eran suficiente para matarlo, y que un sepillo de poca filado no podría hacer hecho la herrida, (el sepillo fue en contrado varias horas después en la cana central.)

Hugo testificó que el Capitan Moody le pidió no quiso hacer esto, el capitan le dijo que no iba a salir vivo de la prisión. Hugo tambien dijo que después de 21 de Abril 1971, fue atacado varias veces y le tumbaron dientes.

En la segunda semana del juicio, Hugo fue atacado por tres guardias de Soledad. Trato de sacar esto en el juicio, pero no fue permitido por el juez. Pero si pudo decirlo a la gente presente en la corte que los prisioneros que iban hacer testigos para

el, y esos que ya lo habían hecho estaban detenidos en jaulas encuerados, Les estaban hechando gas. Sus comidas tenian toda clase de susieda y que necesitaban ayuda. El pidió a la gente que hagan algo: "Soledad esta regresando a tiempos pasados y la gente deben saber de esto." "Algo debe de ser hacho."

Cuando Raymond Marquez trato de informar al jurado del tratamiento y la vida que tiene adentro, fue ordenado retirado por el juez. Después de que salió el juez y el jurado de la corte, las guardias fueron a sacar a Raymond. El resistio y tres o cuatro guardias lo brincaron. Hugo trato de ayudar a su camarada, pero tenia como seis o siete guardias. Adentro pocos segundos había por lo menos 20 guardias en la corte.

Cuando cargaron a Hugo pa fuera, planamente se veia que estaba en gran dolor.

El dia siguiente Hugo trato de relatar a la corte, que no había podido comer en varios dias por causa de mala comida, fue negado su derecho. Después en el día se desmayo en corte. Hasta así el juez no queria escucharlo. Para cuando el jurado recibio el caso, Hugo estaba tan enfermo que tuvieran que llamar a dos doctores para examinarlo, siguió pidiendo que la gente les ayuden a los presos políticos en Soledad.

El sabado 22 de Abril 1972. el jurado salio con el veredicto: otra sentencia de vida para el camarada Hugo A. Pinell.

Aunque Hugo protesto, el será transferado a San Quentin donde es tratado peor de que en Soledad. Estamos pidiendo que la gente escriba a Raymond Procnier, (cabeza del departamento de correcciones) y el mayordomo de Soledad, urgiendo que Hugo no sea transferado a San Quentin.

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Nuestras hermanas son espuestas al racismo y varias otras indignidades por los mayordomos que creen que son dueños de no solamente su tiempo pero tambien sus mentes y cuerpos.

Muchas mujeres no se quejan porque tienen miedo de perder la única forma de ganar su mantenimiento, o quieren evitar la verguensa que esta sociedad racista, sexista les quiere emponerles a las mujeres.

A Flexible Plastics, una fábrica en South San Francisco, que de trabajo a muchas del Tercer Mundo, Martha Lepe, una chicana, fue manoseado por Bob Spencer (un capataz), cuando Martha le golpeó, ellos terminaron su trabajo. Mas tarde cuando otros empleados entendieron lo que pasó con Martha, la compania la dijo que iba a prestarla un servicio la compania iba a decir que elimino su trabajo para que ella pudo recibir assegurancia de desempleo.

No es la primera vez que Bob Spencer ha insultado mujeres pero sera la ultima vez. Las mujeres han dicho Basta!

Pero debemos comprender que estas experiencias ocurren en todas las fábricas donde trabajan mujeres.

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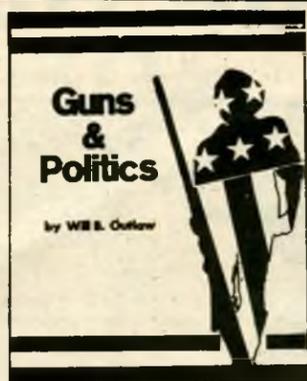


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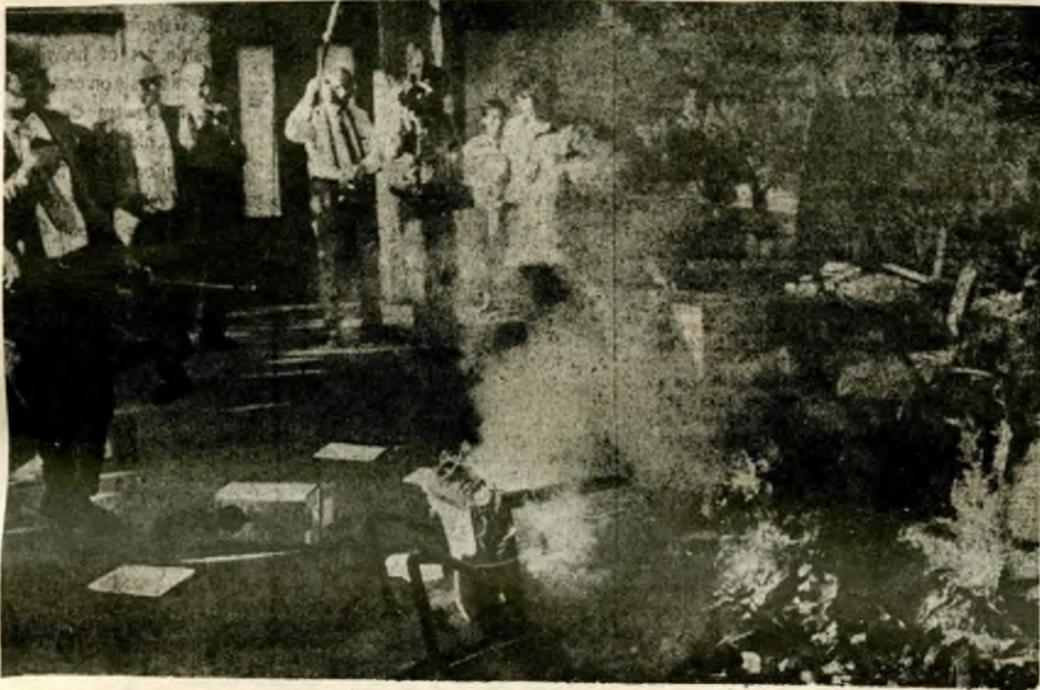
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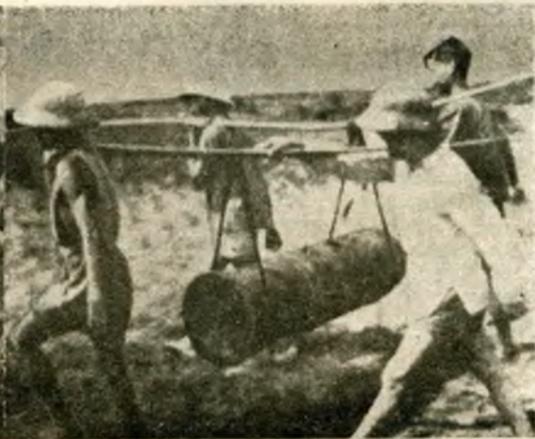
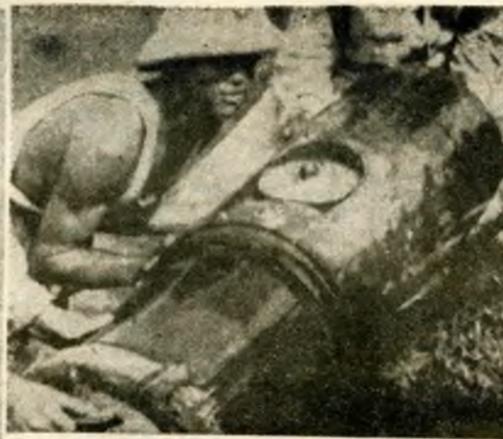


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