

An Open Letter To Mayor Bradley

"IT IS FORTUNATE THAT THERE WERE NO FATALITIES IN A CIRCUMSTANCE THAT COULD HAVE BEEN A MAJOR CATASTROPHE. THE PERPETRATORS OF THIS HEINOUS ATTACK MUST BE APPREHENDED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE."

--Basil Patterson, Vice-chairman,
National Committee of the Democratic Party,
On the February 4, 1975 bombing of the
Socialist Workers Party in Los Angeles.

February 2, 1975, marked the beginning of a wave of terror and bombings that has persisted for some 90 days. On February 2, 1975, three thousand people assembled at Santa Monica Civic Auditorium at a Rally for the Reopening of the Rosenberg Case were gassed and forced to evacuate the building. Two days later on February 4, 1975, bombs were exploded at the Unidos Bookstore in East Los Angeles and the Socialist Workers Campaign offices in Los Angeles. Twenty-five people narrowly escaped the explosion of the fragmentation bomb at the Socialist Workers Campaign headquarters.

More bombings and gassings followed throughout February and March. A film showing at Cal State L.A., the Committee to Re-open the Rosenberg Case office, KCET-TV Station, the Palestinian Voice, and the National Committee Against Repressive Legislation were all victims of new terrorist assaults.

Right-wing terrorists, Nazi's, as well as anti-Castro Cubans, have taken credit for many of these attacks. The March 21, 1975 Free Press, carried an interview with a leader of the Nazi gang, Joe Tommassi, who boasted about the bombing of the Socialist Workers Party as a "very successful mission."

Despite the Nazi's public confession, there have been no arrests! The bombings have continued unchecked. The Committee to Re-open the Rosenberg Case and the Unidos Bookstore were victims of second attacks on April 2 and April 13, 1975, underscoring the presence of an immediate threat to all those who wish to engage in legal political activity.

We join Basil Patterson and call on Mayor Bradley to act now to put an end to this wave of terror and bombings. Only the arrest and conviction of these terrorists can bring a halt to these attacks, which threaten the basic liberties of every citizen in the city of Los Angeles.

Please list my name as one of the signatories of the above letter.

Signed _____ (_____)
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