

THE BLACK PANTHER

INTERCOMMUNAL NEWS SERVICE 25 cents

VOL. VII NO. 23

Copyright © 1971 by Huey P. Newton

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 1972

PUBLISHED
WEEKLY

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION
BOX 1967, CUSTOM HOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94136



BURIAL AT FOLSOM PRISON

INFAMOUS PRISON'S HIDDEN MURDER AND TORTURE
POLICIES REVEALED IN SPECIAL INTERVIEW.



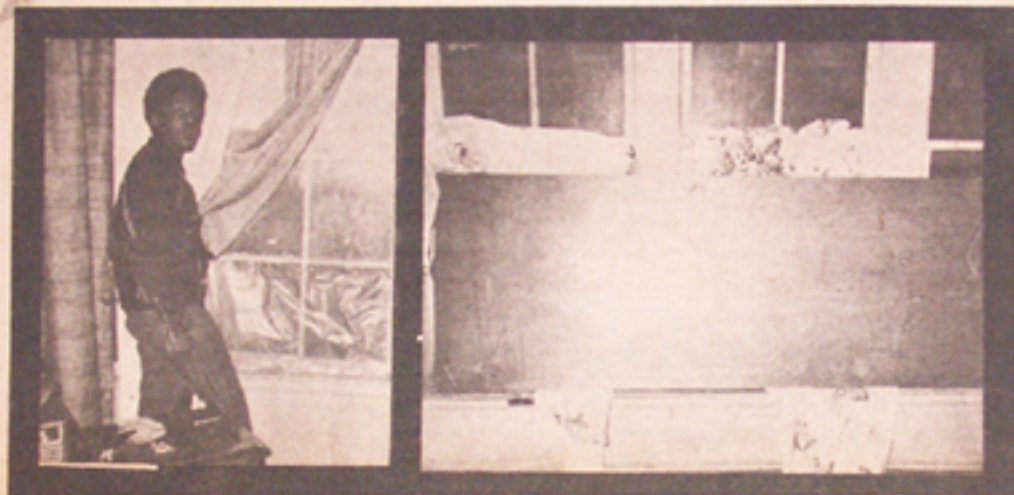
It's
it know

DEAD ON RETURN

BLACK MOTHER DIES
DAY AFTER HOSPITAL RELEASE



MRS. LOUISE HOLMES is dead now.
The hospital told her to go home and
everything would be fine.



The Chicago Dwellings Association was responsible for the maintenance of Mrs. Holmes' home. They left it like this. This sent her to the hospital with pneumonia. The hospital took care of the other part of the murder conspiracy. They sent her back.

Mrs. Louise Holmes had been very ill since the early part of the year. As her condition grew worse, she decided to seek medical treatment. On Friday, January 14th, she went to Billings Hospital on the Southside of Chicago. The doctors she saw at Billings Hospital diagnosed her sickness to be pneumonia. They then gave Louise Holmes a shot and some pills and told her to go home. Mrs. Holmes lived at 6534 South Blackstone, with her three children, Nory Joe, Beverly, and Porter. She went to bed and woke up shortly afterwards, gasping for air. Her 22-year old son, Porter, heard her and went into the bedroom. Sister Louise Holmes died in her son's arms.

The conditions that led to her death (other than the obvious fact of the racist doctors at Billings Hospital telling her to go home after they discovered that she had pneumonia) were that of racist neglect, exploitation, and genocide, perpetrated by a system which holds the accumulation of property and profits in the highest esteem, and people in the lowest, especially Black people. The

apartment building in which Mrs. Holmes lived was unfit for human occupation. Her apartment had broken windows, no water for days at a time, peeling plaster, and at the time of her death, she had not had heat in the apartment for over a month. In fact, there was ice all over the walls when she died. There are twenty four flats in this slum building and all are in the same state of disrepair.

The landlord of the building is the Chicago Dwellings Association (CDA), a quasi-public body of cut-throat profiteers appointed to the CDA by the fascist Mayor of Chicago, Richard Daley. The alleged purpose of the CDA is to purchase run-down apartment buildings from negligent previous owners and then renovate the buildings so that it would become fit enough to house human beings. The CDA bought the building in which Mrs. Holmes died, in 1968. That was over three years ago. Still the building has not been renovated. In fact, the condition of the building has steadily deteriorated since the CDA took control.

Nearly all of the residents of the building are welfare recipients. They can hardly afford the high rents CDA charges for dilapidated housing. The entire Chicago Dwellings Association is connected with racist Mayor Daley. He is at the helm of the Chicago power structure and the CDA could not exist for even a day without his seal of approval. Certainly Daley does not have to worry about not having heat in Chicago's sub-zero weather. His children do not have to worry about catching pneumonia or being turned away from the racist hospitals; nor do Daley and his family have to bother about broken windows and falling plaster or receiving welfare checks on time.

A little Black child also died in this same building, last year, of pneumonia. That even brought no change in the negligent practices of the CDA. Now, Mrs. Louise Holmes is dead, and Daley can put another notch in his belt. It is the same all over the Black community of Chicago, the Black communities throughout the U.S. Nearly all the buildings in which we are forced to live are in the same conditions as the building in which Mrs. Holmes lived and died. It is not enough to just say that we are tired of being subjected to this type of treatment; we must put our anger into concrete, positive action. Elections are coming up in Chicago, and the Illinois Chapter of the Black Panther Party is sponsoring a voter education and registration campaign. Our collective vote has the ability to unseat the vile corrupticians that infest City Hall, and, yes, even fascist Mayor Daley.

We must do this for all the Black children who might have lived, for Sister Louise Holmes, and we must do this for our own survival.

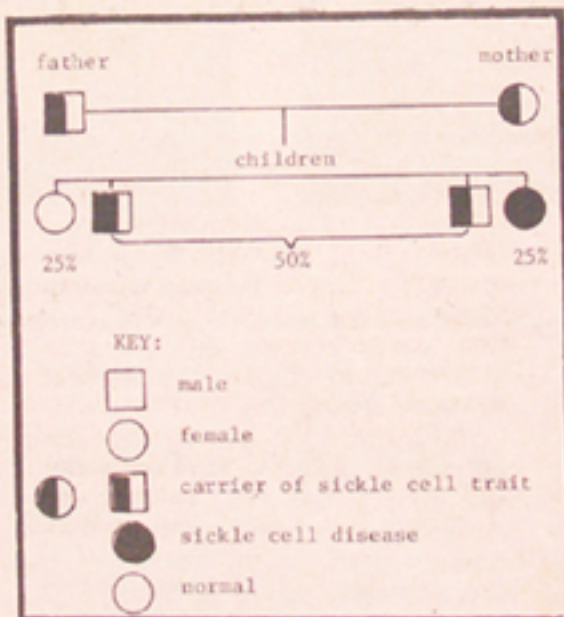
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Illinois State Chapter

... BUT SICKLE CELL STILL KILLS YOU

Four hundred years of out-right genocidal attacks against Black people in this country have still not been successful. We have, with inestimable pain and difficulty, managed to survive. The assaults upon our lives have come in so many different forms, the horror of chattel slavery, lynchings, the denial of basic human (and certainly civil) rights. As years have passed, the oppressor's, the U.S. government's methods of carrying out the over-all plan of genocide upon Black people have become, however, more and more subtle and sophisticated.

Recently, there has been much information put forward about one such sophisticated genocidal practice. It has been openly and loudly brought out that a deadly blood disease, sickle cell anemia, which is peculiar to Black people, has been virtually ignored by the government's usual medical research programs. Though the government spends millions of dollars even seeking out diseases that primarily affect whites, sickle cell anemia has been intentionally overlooked. Now that this information has been exposed, Nixon, himself, even proposed the government should include in its budget an allotment to research and develop a cure for sickle cell anemia. Naturally, he later rescinded the order. However, with so many others now suddenly loudly pro-

Panther Party is sponsoring a Sickle Cell Anemia Research Foundation, to concretely implement research and development of a cure and also prevention of this disease. The following two cases, in New Orleans, Louisiana, demonstrate the urgency of the situation:



WHAT CAUSES SICKLE CELL DISEASE?

When two carriers of Sickle Cell Trait marry, 25 per cent, or 1 out of 4, of their children could have Sickle Cell Disease. That is, at each pregnancy there will be a 25 per cent chance of the child having Sickle Cell Disease. This is illustrated by the family tree above. There are approximately 60,000 persons in the United States with Sickle Cell Disease. Ten per cent of the Black population, 2.5 million persons, are



Statistical figures say that sickle cell anemia victims die on the average at the age of 35. At 22, SISTER GWENDOLYN SNEED didn't make the average.

SHE DIDN'T LIVE TO BE THIRTY-FIVE

On December 25th, 1971, 22-year old Sister Gwendolyn Sneed was murdered by America's racist neglect. Sister Gwen had suffered from sickle cell anemia from the time she was seven years old, at which time she first experienced the pain of a sickle cell crisis. At the young age of seven, Gwen began having periods of unconsciousness and high temperatures, which periods were accompanied by joint pains, leg ulcers, yellow jaundice, gall stones, blood clots and a lung infection. In addition, Sister Gwen had a heart murmur, which in later life was to limit her from physically participating in many normal school activities. She also suffered with pneumonia four times during her life. Sister Gwen at one time had to have an operation on her leg, which had become infected. Doctors claimed that they did not know whether or not they could save the leg or prevent further spreading of the infection. Although the technology of today is highly advanced, the doctors, who were supposedly skilled in keeping people alive, claimed to be unable to determine whether or not Sister Gwen's leg could be saved.

The first time Gwen was taken to the hospital, her younger sister, Debbie, was already in the Sara Mayo Hospital (in New Orleans), undergoing "treatment" for sickle cell anemia. Naturally, the racist doctors did not explain that there is no known cure for sickle cell an-

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

... BUT SICKLE CELL STILL KILLS YOU

CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE

emia, that treatments can offer only minor relief, and that such treatments are usually experimental. When Gwen herself was admitted to the notorious Charity Hospital in New Orleans, she had to endure the same malpractice and guinea-pig treatment. Sister Gwendolyn was eventually forced to be confined to the hospital every year, receiving blood transfusion after transfusion. Often, the doctors themselves commented on

sickle cell anemia (or the trait) is hereditary.

On December 25th, Gwendolyn Sneed's life of pain and suffering ended. Her parents must now watch their younger daughter, Debbie, suffer the same pain: the stiffness of the joints, frequent colds and pneumonia, and, the suffering, like Gwen, from heart murmur. Her parents know that unless a cure is

Sister Lizzie earns cannot even sustain the family under more ordinary conditions, and with the outrageous medical bills, they can hardly survive from day to day. Running from doctor to doctor, paying high bills, and never getting to any point at which even their health can be improved, has created a horrible, seemingly never-ending circle for Mrs. Williams and her daughters.

To top things off, Sister Lizzie was not even aware that she was a carrier of the sickle cell trait until one of her daughters experienced a crisis. It was then discovered that in fact all of her children had the disease. The Sister is struggling hard, however, not only does she have to witness each one of her daughters going through a crisis, but she has to do this with the knowledge that she can do nothing to help them. She has no medication at home to give them, except aspirins and lots of liquids. Each time a crisis occurs, that child has to be taken to the hospital to re-



Normal, donut shaped, red blood cells.



Red blood cells taken from a patient in a sickle cell crisis. Three of the cells are sickled and the other stretching away from its normal, donut shape.

the uselessness of such transfusions, which were undoubtedly not helping her. Finally, they discontinued the transfusions.

With all of these experiments, Mrs. Dorothy Sneed (mother of Gwen and Debbie) still does not know whether she or her nuns have the sickle cell trait. They have never been called for a test; and, the importance of the test has never been explained to them. However, Sister Dorothy's uncle has the sickle cell trait. Part of the genocidal conspiracy by the U.S. power structure against Black people is to keep us unaware and un-informed. Even though both of Gwen's parents work at Charity and Veteran's hospitals (as a nurse's aide and licensed practical nurse, respectively), neither even knew about sickle cell anemia until their daughters began to suffer the pains of the crises. Even then, no one informed them of the fact that

discovered, Debbie too probably won't live to be thirty-five.

AN ENTIRE FAMILY IS VICTIMIZED

Sister Lizzie Williams, also of New Orleans, is another victim of the genocidal tactics being used by the racist power structure of America against Black and other poor and oppressed people. Sister Lizzie has the sickle cell trait. Her four daughters, Edna, Ramona, Olibra, and Judith, ages 13, 12, 9 and 8, respectively, have sickle cell anemia, as well as other serious illnesses, which probably stem from their having the disease. The oldest daughter, Edna, has a kidney infection; the next oldest, Ramona, suffers with hypertension; and, the two youngest daughters (Olibra and Judith) both have bronchitis.

This entire family suffers of sickle cell. The

ceive treatment. This means that if the children experience a crisis in school, they cannot be taken to the hospital until their mother gets to the school from her job, because she cannot afford the cost of a taxi cab. This has already been experienced.

Like Gwen Sneed's family, the family of Sister Williams is not only enduring the daily pain of sickle cell anemia, but struggling, like most of us to survive the everyday problems. They must go on struggling, and we must help them, to survive this genocidal plot to exterminate Black People.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

NEW YORK PIGS'

"BUSSING PROGRAM"

On Saturday, January 8, 1972, an elderly brother by the name of Felipe P. Cruz (of 489 Pacific Street), Brooklyn, New York, was standing quietly and peacefully in front of the Walgreen's drugstore located inside of New York's Port Authority Bus Terminal. At approximately 8:30 p.m., Brother Felipe was approached by officers Gerald Kaminski and Peter M. Cavallo. They simply walked up to him and told him to leave.

Since Mr. Cruz was neither disorderly nor drunk, nor violating any other law, he protested. He asked why he had to leave. After a little hesitation, one of the officers said, "You have to leave because we don't like those shoes you have on; and that hat." Of course, this was absurd. Mr. Cruz, therefore, continued to protest. Then, in front of the thousands of people that were, as usual, at the Port Authority, the officers proceeded to drag the elderly Mr. Cruz to the other end of the bus terminal, to the pig station. He was then beaten and given a summons (citation) for his hat and shoes. The summons actually read: "Harassment and loitering". Mr. Cruz even has to appear in court on the 2nd of February, to answer these absurd charges. Brother Cruz has intentions of bringing suit against the City of New York, and the New York Port Authority.



When you're a Black man, even wearing the "wrong" hat and shoes can get you arrested in New York's Port Authority Bus Terminal.



BROTHER FELIPE CRUZ was finally arrested for refusing to bow and scrape like a "nice, old negro" should.

braces in order to function properly.

Because the Port Authority is a busy area and a main center for public transportation facilities in New York, there are thousands of persons who pass through there daily. Many of them stop to talk with the Panthers and community workers there, and purchase the Black Panther Intercommunal News Service. Naturally, the pigs are upset by this. It is even more upsetting to them, when older persons show an understanding of their oppression. This is in direct contradiction to their lie that there are only a handful of young militants and "radicals" who seek a change in this society. However, their efforts to intimidate, threaten or harass the people are futile. The continued harassment has neither affected the people's thirst for knowledge, nor the quest for liberation.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
New York State Chapter
Black Panther Party

Party members. One pregnant sister was beaten until she had a miscarriage. One brother was beaten so his jaw required special

This is most assuredly not the first incident of harassment and brutality against poor, oppressed people by the police assigned to the Port Authority Trade Complex. The pigs who are in the Port Authority are the lowest, most despicable pigs to be found on the force. These are men who took the exam, and came in last, or failed, but were given a last chance to protect the government's interests. These are the same pigs who harass the brothers and sisters circulating the Black Panther Intercommunal News Service in

BUSTED- FOR NO DOPE SALES



BROTHER JOHN DAVIS was beaten by eight pigs, because he opposes the Chicago mafia's dope distribution that is destroying the Black community.

John Davis lives on the westside of Chicago. In his neighborhood, as is the case with most Black and oppressed communities, there is a constant influx of hard drugs, mostly heroin. These drugs infiltrate the Black community for the purpose of ensnaring into a vicious, even more dehumanizing cycle those of us who are forced to live in ghettos, suffering under generally intolerable conditions, such as improper medical care, indecent housing, and hunger. It is these conditions and more that lead many of us to seek escape through the vehicle of chemical euphoria, induced by such as heroin.

John Davis and another Brother, Wendell Mosley, recognized what was happening in their community. They saw that more and more of their Brothers and Sisters were becoming "strung out" on drugs, and that as heroin addicts, these Brothers and Sisters paid little or no attention to their responsibility to help fight the

oppression to which we all are subjected. In order to educate the people about the evils of drug addiction and who is primarily responsible for it, Brothers Davis and Mosley produced and circulated leaflets throughout their neighborhood. In part, this is how the leaflet read:

"The worst form of genocide in existence in the Black community is dope, and the U.S. Government has always practiced many forms of genocide against us. America's racist genocidal program started with birth control pills for Black mothers; but, this did not work so America had to come up with another way to deal with the 'Black population problem', which turned out to be all the Blacks that the police could shoot on the streets and get away with. They still were not killing us off fast enough, so the U.S. government--or organized crime, whichever you prefer--flooded our communities with. The police have a han-

hard drugs in our communities, collecting pay-offs from pushers and only using dope as an excuse to harass, intimidate, and jail innocent Blacks. This Lawndale community is infested with dope and everyone is turning their heads; but even little children know what's happening. Heroin is a known killer. It will bust your brains and eat the hair out of your nose. Those who use heroin are attempting to escape reality, but the reality of heroin addiction is an overdose, another Black grave made, and some satisfied white racists. So we have a choice. Either we can die with a needle in our arms, or we can die as Black men and women demanding complete liberation."

On December 31st, 1971, Brother John Davis was walking in his neighborhood, when suddenly eight white racist policemen stopped him on the street. The policemen told John that there had been a burglary in the neighborhood, and that since John was the only one they saw on the street, that he was the most likely burglary suspect. It is believed that the only reason that the pigs stopped Brother Davis was because of his involvement with helping the Black Community, particularly, educating the people about narcotics. After these eight racists in blue accused John of burglary, they pulled him into a nearby alley, and beat him unmercifully. They knocked him down and attempted to kick out his eyes. Their guns and billy clubs created a very deep gash in the top of Brother Davis' head. Once these vicious dogs were satisfied with what they had done to the Brother, they then took him to Marquette Police Station. The pigs also took John to the Bridwell Jail medical facility, where John refused treatment, because he was afraid that the pigs' doctors might try to finish the job that was started on him. After an 8-hour run-a-round, John Davis was finally released on bond. He had been charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest, not burglary.

Brother Davis understands the reason he was stopped and beaten. He has made many enemies among the corrupt politicians, police, and pushers of Chicago. His leaflet on dope in the community was a threat to those who profit from Black misery. John Davis and Wendell Mosley have stated that nothing will deter them from serving and educating the people, and the most beautiful thing of all is that Brothers and Sisters of the caliber of John Davis and Wendell Mosley are increasing day by day.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

NEW HAVEN'S LUXURY DEATH TRAPS

Throughout the Black communities in the United States, housing is a major problem. People are constantly forced to live in deplorable conditions with faulty utilities, bad plumbing. The problem is magnified when greedy, non-caring attitudes are encountered from those who are responsible for such conditions. The Black community in the Church Street South Projects in New Haven, Connecticut faces this problem daily.

The Church Street South Projects were supposedly formed as a co-operative with co-ownership between the management and the tenants. Instead of paying rent, the tenants make a monthly payment toward eventually owning the apartments. In theory it is supposed to show some form of socialistic sharing, but in practice there is always a loser. Of course, the loser is the tenant. This is especially the case with the residents in the six family units of "Little Green" of the Church Street South Apartments in this capitalist distortion of socialist living.

On December 31, 1971, Mrs. Claudia Kelly of Apartment 4A, "Little Green", sent her grandchildren to the downstairs area of their home to go to bed. They found the whole downstairs area covered with foul-smelling water, with toilet paper and feces floating in it. Mrs. Kelly sent her children next door to her neighbor's house to see if the back-up had come from their toilet. Mrs. Richardson, of Apartment 3A, looked at her commode and saw that it, too, had started backing up, although it had

not begun to overflow. Mrs. Richardson went next door to help Mrs. Kelly clean up the mess. They mopped and scrubbed until the floors had been cleaned. Just as they finished, the commode again began to overflow, again spilling sewage and waste onto the floor.

Mrs. Richardson returned home to find that her toilet too had begun to spill sewage onto the floor. Upon checking with other neighbors, the two women found that, out of a six family unit, four apartments had this sewage back-up. The women then called the police department, hoping to receive some aid from those who are supposedly paid to insure the safety and protection of the community. When a patrolman did arrive, he looked at their plight and offered only amused laughter. Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Richardson demanded his name but he refused to give it to them. They called the fire department. Again, they met a stone wall, receiving no assistance.

Mrs. Kelly then tried to contact Ron Williams, a Black man, who is the manager-representative for Ripps-Calechman (the owners of the projects and the most notorious real estate pigs in the state of Connecticut). Mrs. Kelly later found out that the reason they couldn't reach Williams that night was that he was having a party at his house and had just refused to answer the phone. When Mrs. Richardson approached Ron Williams the next morning about his lackadaisical attitude toward

their problem, he told her, "I have my own life to live and must have privacy." What Ron Williams was saying was that he put his own personal interests above the lives and welfare of the people of the Little Green area, in particular, and the whole Church Street South Projects, in general, of which he is supposed to be the manager.

In some of the apartments the water rose to a level of two feet, contaminating every piece of clothing and furniture it touched. When large numbers of people are exposed to raw sewage one of the most grave dangers is an epidemic of infectious hepatitis. Each family in "Little Green" has a number of children, all of whom became susceptible to disease and infection from the waste. Throughout the night the water level kept rising and falling as the commode would fill and overflow. On Sunday, January 4th, Mrs. Kelly contacted the Connecticut State Chapter of the Black Panther Party about the conditions at Church Street South. Chapter members and community workers went over to help begin the clean-up at "Little Green". Each apartment had to be disinfected, the walls and floors, inside and outside steps, doors and door knobs. While this part of the clean-up was being organized, WYBC, the Black-oriented radio station in New Haven, sent out a call for help to the rest of the community. Community teams were formed and the work went even faster.

CONTINUED ON PAGE 17



KELLY tried to get a decent place for her children to live. In a community attempts to live with some dignity are cruelly

"BLACK PANTHER PARTY NOT NEEDED"

TENNESSEE RACISTS' YEAR-OLD PREDICTION YET TO APPEAR

In spite of a year of constant harassment by the tools of the racist State of Tennessee, the Black Panther Party's Tennessee Chapter expanded its operation in the State, serving more people than ever before. From the beginning, local fascists attempted to impede the work of this fairly recently organized Chapter (late 1970). However, the Black community was not fooled when the Memphis newspapers "welcomed" the newly formed Chapter (headquarters in Memphis) with the headline, "Black Panther Party Not Needed". The Memphis government even foolishly attempted to bribe and brainwash the people, particularly the Black people, into believing that if the community would refuse to participate in the Survival programs sponsored by the Black Panther Party that the city government would insure a "City-wide" free breakfast program (which was soon initiated, being composed of a cup cake and carton of stale milk). Naturally, such an insulting compromise gesture was not acceptable. The Black Panther Party sponsored breakfast program (hot, free, home-cooked meals) expanded.

The next major project by members of the Party was also assaulted. Housing had become such a problem for poor Black people in Memphis that even the average public housing units were better than what the people could themselves afford. Rats and roaches infest most Black people's homes. There are many houses with bad plumbing or no plumbing at all. Around the time the Tennessee Chapter was first organized, there were large units of public housing, newly-built, that were unoccupied, and which the local government was refusing to fill. They had been vacant for months. Therefore, the Chapter felt it was only natural to begin to alleviate the people's housing problems as soon as possible, by helping people move into these projects right away. Ten families were provided with housing in this way. Members of the Chapter simply moved them into the public housing.

Racist Memphis Housing Authority Director Orville Ledbetter said, after that, that he wanted to meet with Black Panther Party members

to "discuss the situation". Instead, he sent Memphis police, in the dead of night, to raid the office. He also swore out "peace warrants" against the Panthers. The State of Tennessee enacted what is called the "peace bond" laws a long time ago, in an effort to cease hillbilly feuds. Since the 1800's, however, these laws have hardly been used. The concept was, originally, that one of the feuding families could go to the local sheriff

and tell what the other was doing. Then, the sheriff (at this family's request) would swear out a warrant against the other family, for endangering the lives, or "peace", of the family swearing out the warrant. The family against which the warrant was issued would then have to pay a "peace bond", a sum of money, to guarantee that they would keep the

CONTINUED ON PAGE 16



The Memphis government offers a Free Breakfast of one cupcake and a carton of stale milk.



Throughout Tennessee, in Memphis benefit from the Survival



COMRADE EVA THOMPSON (at right) and these youth were held at gunpoint by North Carolina pigs, who ransacked the Day Care Center in a phony "man-hunt".

ANGELA DAVIS DAY-CARE CENTER RAIDED

On Tuesday, January 4, 1972, the High Point, North Carolina Police Department unjustifiably invaded and searched the Angela Davis Free Day Care Center, a community Day Care Center instituted by the Black Panther Party. Children from the community stay at the center during the day when their parents are working or are unable to be at home to care for them during the day.

Haven Henderson, a member of the North Carolina Chapter of the Black Panther Party, whose assigned task is to work at the Day Care Center, was standing at the door when police drove up in front of the Center that day. Several pigs jumped out of their cars and quickly ran onto the porch. They began asking questions. They pretended to be looking for a brother from the Black community, and threatened to "tear down" the office if they weren't allowed in. At the

said, "We got the warrant, but let's just go on in."

They pushed the door open, almost knocking over a sister who also works at the Day Care Center. Approximately seven police officers went charging into the Day Care Center while others ran around to the back of the Center, threatening and endangering the lives of the children. The fascists had their hands on their guns, ready to fire. One policeman actually had his gun drawn, at Comrade Haven's back.

While "searching" for the brother, the pigs took the opportunity to ransack kitchen cabinets and bedroom drawers that were obviously too small to contain a person. The police were further disappointed. They were unable to do whatever they had really planned. The people in the Black community had come outside, gathering in front of the Center. Even when the police first drove up, the people in the neighborhood had come outside of their homes to watch. Their presence



COMRADE HAVEN HENDERSON was vehemently pushed from the doorway by berserk North Carolina pigs.

and angry protests let the High Point fascists know that they were not just attacking the Day Care Center, but a united Black community. This latest attack came as no surprise. Since the opening of the Black Panther Party's community information center in High Point, the local power structure has constantly led and launched attacks against the local offices of the Black Panther Party.

CONTINUED ON PAGE 18

BURIAL AT FOLSOM PRISON

INFAMOUS PRISON'S HIDDEN MURDER AND
TORTURE POLICIES REVEALED IN SPECIAL INTERVIEW.



People all over the world have become familiar with the brutality of the American Penal System. In 1968, skeletons of tortured prisoners were found at the infamous Cummins Prison Farm in Cummins, Arkansas. People realized that the nightmare of Southern Justice was not a part of the dark past. Some of the horror of prison life was also exposed North of the Mason-Dixon line, at San Quentin and Attica prisons: The blatant, vicious murder on August 21, 1971, of Comrade George Jackson, Field Marshal of the Black Panther Party, by prison guards; the 42 persons massacred at Attica on September 13, 1971; the survivors of both slaughters, who were beaten, stripped naked, denied all human rights and dignity. Such startling and shocking events rocked the People's consciousness, arousing great concern for the over three million men and women incarcerated in America's prisons and jails.

Of course, we cannot view the a-

trocities of San Quentin and Attica in isolation. The U.S. government and its ruling circle want us to believe that the murderous, dehumanizing nature of America's prisons is not a widespread thing. They would have us to think that Cummins, Attica, San Quentin are the exceptions, not the rule; that the era of "prison reform" is upon us; that these blatant examples of American fascism are going to be "corrected". Thus, accurate information about most prisons is practically nil. Folsom Prison is historically infamous. Today, Folsom contains those prisoners who are generally considered "the worst of the lot". Within the California Prison System, itself, it is well known that Folsom is the last stop, the end of the line. Prisoners are sent to Folsom to be broken, defeated and forgotten.

With this idea in mind, the California Department of Corrections has recently (in the last six months) transferred a large number of Brothers, who have

fied as "militants" or "potential revolutionaries", to Folsom. These Brothers have been classified as the "hard core", trouble-makers. In other words, they are, or have the potential of being some of the most positive contributors to the People's Struggle for Liberation. One of these men is David Hilliard, Chief of Staff of the Black Panther Party. Since his arrival at Folsom, David Hilliard has been incarcerated in the Adjustment Center where he is subjected to Folsom's particular brand of fascism.

As the prison is isolated from large urban areas, Folsom officials have been able to maintain one of the most repressive and tightly secured prisons in the State, in fact in the country. Using rustic racists from the nearby namesake town of Folsom and some of the system's most notorious guards, collected from other State prisons Folsom has become

common to most U.S. prisons, inmates at Folsom are shot at, daily, by gun tower guards. How many have been murdered on the prison grounds is not known. Folsom's private burial ground is, however, usually freshly turned. Recently, two such occurrences at Folsom were uncovered.

On December 31, 1971, Norman Miller, a twenty-five year old Black prisoner, who had been locked in the Adjustment Center, was wheeled out of his cell on a hospital gurney. His face was covered. He was dead. At the time, guards explained to his fellow prisoners that this young Brother (who had had no previous medical problems) had died of a heart attack. Subsequent inquiries from interested lawyers, newsmen and people in the minimum community to Folsom officials got a different response. Associate Warden Jake Gunn told several newsmen that he had no knowledge or record of anyone named Norman Miller. Gunn simply lied that there was, in fact, never a Norman Miller at Folsom. To this day, Warden Walter Craven and crime-partner Gunn are denying that Norman Miller ever existed.

Two weeks later, there was another unusual "death" at Folsom. On January 10th, a white prisoner, 40-year old Durwardk Power, suddenly died in Folsom's hospital, having been there for a week. This prisoner's body is still in the morgue. According to Mr. L. Wilfred of Sacramento County Coroner G.L. Neilson's office, Durwardk Power's body had not been fully examined, after nearly a month. Folsom's Associate Warden Gunn had said Power had an unidentified head wound. Gunn claimed Power had epilepsy and might have hit his head during a seizure. Wilfred's records showed no head wound. As for Norman Miller, Neilson's office had "no record of receiving such a body".

When a Senate Investigating Committee recently toured Folsom, supposedly conducting a study of prison conditions, they naturally saw none of these things. Smooth-talking, ultra-fascist, Warden Craven, personally, conducted the tour (as he usually does). Any sign of resistance or discontent in the prison was, as usual, well hidden. It wasn't too well hidden this last time, however. Craven overconfidently included the infamous Adjustment Center in this last tour. He must have forgotten that the Adjustment Center houses the men that the California Prison System has been unable to silence. Craven's smokescreen collapsed when a Brother began to shout from his cell one of the tiers in the A.C.

hurried the State Senators to another area of the prison.

Folsom Prison cannot hide. This house of rock cannot contain the ideas, the dreams for liberation of all mankind. The many beautiful men inside this rock say, "No. There's no hiding place..." Folsom officials have tortured, brutalized and committed murder upon inmates for a long time now, without being discovered or thereby punished. The following interview with a Brother who spent time in the Adjustment Center there clearly and fully exposes the lies, the tactics used at the "end of the line" to destroy the will to fight oppression and survive. This Brother (who must remain anonymous) is only one of many who survived, and won't forget:

Question: Brother, how much time have you spent in the California State Prisons and in which prisons have you done time?

Answer: About 5-1/2 years in the California Institutions. First, I went to D.V.I. (Deuel Vocational Institute), which is also called Tracy. I stayed there for approximately 5 months. I was then transferred to Soledad, where I stayed for approximately 18 months. I was transferred to the Conservation Center in Jamestown, and eventually back to Soledad, where I stayed in different wings.

Question: Many people, in the last few years, have become more aware, and therefore, more concerned about the conditions in prisons like Soledad and San Quentin. However, very little is actually known about infamous Folsom Prison. Have you ever been incarcerated in Folsom, in Folsom's Adjustment Center, in particular?

Answer: I was released from Folsom Adjustment Center.

Question: Could you tell us how the Adjustment Center at Folsom is set up and how it is situated in relationship to the rest of the prison?

Answer: Folsom Adjustment Center is very different, as far as the structure, from other Adjustment Centers I have been in. It has "floors" (most inmates refer to them as floors, but they are still tiers). Inside that (A.C.) tier you have no communication with all the other brothers, up on the second and third tiers. It's really constructed to break down all the communications between brothers. There's no way that you can possibly talk to them, without some kind of code, or maybe the deaf language, once you get to see them. They've stopped that now. You get a Bad Conduct Charge, if you communicate using the deaf lan-

guage, or if you communicate with any code.

On top of the first tier sits the second tier and you can tap out a code to talk. This is the only communication that you have with the people, unless you get a visit and you see someone coming. Through a visit, he might get a chance to relay a message to you.

Question: We understand that the A.C. is designated as a special unit, within the prison, for disciplinary problems. How is a person assigned there from the main line?

Answer: You will be accused of having some problem with the police who work there; or, because of, I would say, ideological differences. It's pretty well known that there's a contradiction between the staff and the inmates. They (the staff) usually try to provoke certain dudes, Brothers, they want off the main line for a length of time, to act in accordance with them. So that they'll be justified in locking whoever it is in the A.C. for any length of time, he'll go before the Disciplinary Committee. This is the usual procedure. Also, this balances the power between the Blacks and other minorities and the whites in the institution. Once you have so many Blacks, and you have so many whites, and you have so many Mexicans, then you have a conflict. There has always been a conflict between the Blacks, the whites, and the Mexicans. For those who cooperate with the institution, carrying out its tactics, this gives the administration the chance to really exert power: A brother ends up in the AC for nothing. They have a harassment program. Pretty soon, whoever it is, when they get tired of it, they usually end up doing a year or so in the Adjustment Center. There are some Brothers who have been there three or four years, behind the contradictions between the staff and the brothers doing time.

Question: What is usually the shortest time for Black brothers in the Adjustment Center?

Answer: Usually, when you go to the Adjustment Center, they give you a program. Say, for the first 30 days, they are just watching you, to see your reaction, to see how you deal with other inmates, to see how you deal with them. From this, they try to minimize or maximize the amount of time you do, according also to your background or where you had been before (like San Quentin or Soledad). If you were involved in some things down there, (at the other prisons), this somewhat determines the

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

BURIAL AT FOLSOM PRISON

INFAMOUS PRISON'S HIDDEN MURDER AND TORTURE POLICIES REVEALED IN SPECIAL INTERVIEW.

CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE

length of your stay. Mostly, it is your attitude. When I say "attitude", I mean your attitude toward the People's Struggle, the position that you take. That will determine your stay.

Question: When they set you up to shoot you to the Adjustment Center, is there a hearing, are charges officially brought against you? How do they work that?

Answer: You'll be on the yard, and an officer might say something to

on the street, if they say you violate one of their laws, then you get taken to court. From the street you get sent to prison. But, in prison, if they say you violate one of the institutional rules, then what happens is they take you through this whole procedure again, to maximize your condition in prison. You go to the Adjustment Center.

Question: Do you have a right to a lawyer at any of these so-called hearings?

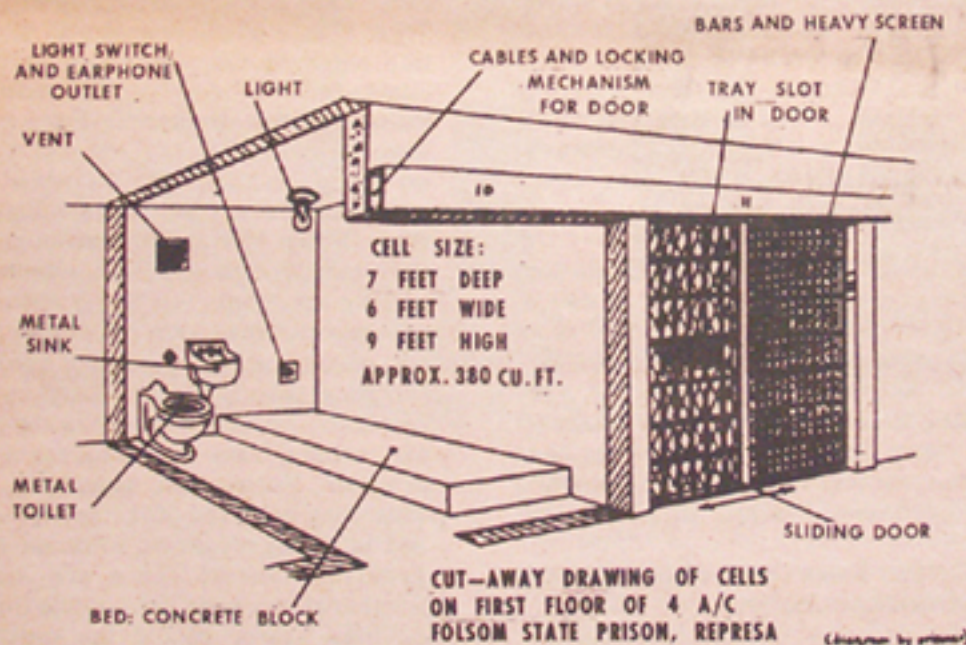
Answer: According to a court de-

Answer: The visiting thing that they have now is that everyone in the Adjustment Center must visit in a cage, with a screen and wall around it. It is, maybe, no bigger than 8' X 11'. You have to be locked in the cage and your visitor has to visit on the outside. There is no physical contact between you and your visitor. It's like a death row visit. (This is something that exists throughout all the California Penal Institutions right now, since they murdered George. This was the excuse they had to exercise some type of restraint over the convicts...)

As for the mail situation, they've made a point that all the mail that comes in the Adjustment Center is closely read. Everything that is going out is really closely read (not to say that they're not doing it on the main line to a few people). They have a really close screening process as far as writing a brother in the Adjustment Center is concerned, and for his mail going out. Usually, they watch to catch things like phraseology or maybe slogans, like "Power to the People", "Long Live the Guerrilla", or "Comrade Brother", "Black". These are some of the phrases that they are laying to watch for, so that they can send it back and break down the communication between the brother in maximum and the people in minimum.

Question: It's obvious that the Adjustment Center is a special prison within the prison. Are there special guards assigned there?

Answer: I would say that the only thing that's special about them is that they are more outward with their racism than most other prison officials. Where some of the prison officials will try to be more diplomatic and do the same thing to you that the racist would do, he (the Adjustment Center guard) is open with his. This is really the only difference. I would say, basically, it's their attitude, or just how they feel, mostly toward Blacks. This is the special type. Most of the administrators in there like Bartel (Officer Charles Bartel), Sgt. "Tex" (Officer Cecil Williams), and Brown (Officer Raymond Brown), who are some of the vicious police that work there, that are determined to bend a brother. They are more or less in charge of the Adjustment Center and Adjustment Center activity: how you will be escorted to a visit; the usual program; how many times you will go to the yard a week. For example, maybe you'll go to the yard twice a week out of seven days. That means that, maybe, out of seven days, you'll be out of cell



FOLSOM ADJUSTMENT CENTER

Officer Charles Bartel, Sgt. Cecil "Tex" Williams and Officer Raymond Brown are some of the vicious police that work in A.C. They administer A.C.'s program of beatings and harassment and murder.

you. You might say something to him, or try to be as courteous as possible to him. But, he will try to continue to provoke you into doing whatever he can, so he can give you a "115". By him giving you a "115", you will have to go to court. They take it to a "Disciplinary" (Disciplinary Board Hearing). The Disciplinary decides, then, what they will do to you.

Question: In effect, then, you have a court within the prison system?

Answer: Right. You have the court within the prison system, and, like

cision recently passed down, you are entitled to an attorney. I remember, on several occasions, I've heard that several people asked for an attorney and they were just flat out refused. They never tell you or make you aware that you have the right to consult an attorney before they write you the "115"; but, they're aware that you have this right to an attorney. It's never given.

Question: How do the visiting and mail regulations for the Adjustment Center differ from those for the general population?



The walls inside and the grounds outside have witnessed the many atrocities. They can't tell it. The Brothers inside can.

BURIAL AT FOLSOM PRISON

INFAMOUS PRISON'S HIDDEN MURDER AND TORTURE POLICIES REVEALED IN SPECIAL INTERVIEW.

CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE

usually how it is done.

Question: Were there any black guards at Folsom Adjustment Center when you were there?

Answer: Yes. There were a few black guards, that they had working mostly at night. The black guard would fear more than anything the power that the white guard had. When they would come around with food on the food cart, for example, they give you food, chili beans, for instance. They (the black guards) only give you very few beans. You tell the brother that you didn't get your issue, and he only looks at you. A lot of brothers cuss them out (some are polite), so he doesn't cooperate with the brother who is doing time. We wouldn't be asking him to give us anything; just the issue that we're allotted. You think that he might see to it that you get just your issue, no more than your issue. But, he doesn't go that far, because he fears that he will be accused of collaborating with the brothers on the inside who are trying to get their issue. The white guards, however, they have, really, they have the authority. They have

cept his (the inmate's) mental capacity. This mental attitude is the only thing that he's really able to exist with. His ideology versus the Staff's.

Question: I think it's generally known that Folsom is considered the roughest, toughest of all the prisons. Is there, in Folsom's Adjustment Center, a special "goon" squad, such as there is at other penitentiaries?

Answer: Not a special goon squad, like Soledad. Soledad has its own particular goon squad. It (the goon squad) does all the shaking down and all the harassment, all the physical harassment, such as violence. At Folsom their style is completely different. The officer of the day, who is running the A.C., he is one of the goon squad men, like Brown or Sgt. "Tex". They are usually the goon squad. If there is a Brother that cannot properly defend himself, because, maybe, of some sickness, or because he has some type of seizures, epileptic, these are the Brothers they pick on, because they are not properly prepared to handle themselves. They (the goons) usually go to them (the weaker ones) to satisfy themselves psychologically, saying that they can challenge other brothers that they know are stronger in the prison. This is to try to

his own cell when they run in on another brother, in a cell next door. There is no way that you can even help. You have to sit, while he gets beat. The most you can ever do is probably spit on him, because that is the only contact that there is between the officer and the inmate.

Although some people have died, they say that usually a guy has hung himself, or that he has had a heart attack. But, you can look down the same tier and see the pick hammer and the billy club (which is about 16, 18 inches long) and know that it's no heart attack, because that (the hammer or club) was the cause of the person (whoever it was) to die. If someone is regularly visiting you, then they try to cut it down, because if you have any kind of communication with the street, then they are less likely to mess with you at all. If you don't have any (a lot of brothers sometimes don't have any communication with the streets), you are more vulnerable to these types of beatings.

Question: It is their understanding also, that communication with the outside is very important, especially for those Brothers that they single out, that they want to destroy physically and mentally?

Answer: Right. They try to use all their means to cut out communication with these people from maximum with the people in minimum. They try to destroy all communication, because they know if anything happens in the institutions and people have been getting visits regularly, then they know that is a way for word to get back to their people on the street. If something happens to a Brother and someone is getting a visit the next day, then the word gets out, through whoever it is visiting. Stopping the visits, then, would give them the chance to do more, which is what they really want. There was a case of a Brother who was an epileptic. The guard left him lying on the floor for maybe four hours before he got the Brother any kind of medical attention, before anybody came down and looked at him. The policeman looked right down the tier. If anything is happening he can see. They knew that that Brother had been lying on the floor. They let him lie there for about four hours. Then, the doctor was called. The doctor took about two hours to get there, and all the time this Brother is having a seizure. So, the word goes out to send someone up to see about him, to get this Brother some medical attention. They (the pigs), however, become angry because they

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

ANGELA DAVIS BIRTH- DAY PARTY



FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 1972 8:00 PM

Entertainment By
**FATS GAINES
NEW PEOPLE BAND
AND OTHERS**

*FINN HALL
1819- 10th STREET
BERKELEY, CALIF.
DONATION: \$1.00*

BURIAL AT FOLSOM INFAMOUS PRISON'S HIDDEN MURDER AND TORTURE POLICIES REVEALED **PRISON** IN SPECIAL INTERVIEW.

CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE

haven't completely satisfied their objective.

The communication with the people in maximum and the people in minimum is really important, and the institution knows this. They seek to break it. First, they introduced a new rule, whereby all prisoners could write anyone that they wanted to, even to other people in other institutions. Now they used this while they had a chance to use it, and have accomplished something in that vein. The institution recognizes this. Now the police can say that it's due to outside help. It's not really the outside help, but this is what they're throwing out to the public, saying that it's outside agitation that goes on in the institution that causes this,

from the people in minimum security coming to see the brothers in maximum security. They just drive over the fact that brothers have been beaten, Brothers that survived the AC; the police setting Brothers up and getting Brothers killed...Years and years went on, like I said, until the time that they made the fatal mistake of shooting down the Brothers in the yard (January 13th, 1970, pig murder at Soledad of Comrades W.L. Nolen, Alvin Miller and Cleveland Edwards). They really put themselves out front, because the public began to watch and wanted to know why were these Brothers being shot down in the yard like this...

Question: How is the so-called visiting privilege used against the inmate who tries to resist? Is it dependent, or do they use

Answer: Mostly when the Brothers get a visit (you are allowed 3 visits, 3 days a month in Folsom AC), if you get a visit, and you're one of the people that they're trying to demoralize, in particular, they will turn your visitor around and tell the visitor that he's in the shower, or he's not ready for a visit; or maybe they'll set the visit for a couple of hours, and then tell the visitor that the time is up, and then they won't be able to visit. They will try to use any excuse to the people, in a nice way, to put themselves up as being all right, to send a person off in a nice way, without any kind of hassle. The Brother doesn't even know that he has had a visitor. He gets a visit letter the next week, saying that he had a visitor, but that they weren't able to get to see him. If you ask the man about your visit, or whatever, he'll say it's out of his hands, that the mail and visiting sergeant has control over that and there's nothing that they can do about it. You'll have to talk to him. When you try to put in a request to see him, to see if there is any kind of restriction on your visit, well, you never can get to see him. The mailroom sergeant never comes to talk to the AC. But you still never get anything on paper saying that your visit was denied. They take away their visiting privileges completely, and, also, writing privileges. I've known them to take people's mother, sister and everyone off of their correspondence, and keep the Brother, or try to keep him, demoralized. It never really works, because some how a man can go on...

Question: What about the general medical care in the AC at Folsom?

Answer: They have a doctor who comes around, who is usually drunk (there have been times that I have smelled plenty of liquor on their breaths). This is the man that you have to see if you have some kind of ailment. He usually jokes it off, because he thinks it's just a game, that the dude is tired of being locked up in his cell 24 hours, and he wants to take a walk to just stretch out. The medical thing is really bad. When you get to the hospital, if you get to the hospital, they have a very limited number of people who really know how to handle whatever the sickness is. They might make you sit around for a day before anyone even comes in contact with you, as far as giving some kind of remedy for your sickness. Mostly the people up there are just nurses - they're not really nurses, they're just MTA's (Medical Technical Assistants) who operated some in the same way.



BURIAL AT FOLSOM PRISON

INFAMOUS PRISON'S HIDDEN
MURDER AND TORTURE
POLICIES REVEALED
IN SPECIAL INTERVIEW.

CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE

the ones that handle this. If you are sick in the AC, you are sick, because the medical attention is really poor. The doctors just come through and ask you your name and number and what's the matter with you. They might give you a type of aspirin. That is the most you get, unless you're almost dying. You have to be almost dying to get some medical attention.

Question: From some of the things you've said, the administration at Folsom, especially in the AC, seems always very tuned in on a Brother's political outlook. Could you tell us something about that?

Answer: Folsom is like their central headquarter for all of the California Penal Institutions. They walk around with pictures of certain people in their pockets, to familiarize themselves with this person. The minute the person steps inside the institution, they know it. The person is

people. If they don't want him on the main line too long, like I said, the staff just harasses, anything to get you off the main line, any kind of write-up. They will keep you two or three years in the AC. It's perfectly justified, because once you get in the AC, they can always say that you have a poor attitude, or because of your belief that you are a Black Panther or a revolutionary. This furthers your time in. They write it all down on paper, and then they go decide, on "committee day" (Disciplinary Hearing), whether you'll be released or not...I know Brothers that have been in the AC for three to four years, steady switching from Soledad to San Quentin to Folsom. Later on, no one wants them...They are sent to Folsom. Folsom is their headquarters, to deal with that situation. There is a political atmosphere there, between the staff and the convicts, intensified by the fact that there are brothers that have been on the main line in other places, and officers that have been on the main line other places. They may use some racial incident that went down. There may be an officer who is still laying to get this particular brother; he's laying to get him killed or further his time in the pen. By saying that the Brother has a poor attitude, that he resents authority, this becomes the basis where they go about keeping the Brother in the AC. Now most of the AC's are 90% or maybe 95% Black. The tiers hold, on one side, 24 cells. Out of 24 cells, I would say 21 of the cells are filled with Blacks. Brothers are in them. That's only first, second and third tiers. It's predominately Black in AC. Most of the Blacks that are there in the AC have a high degree of political consciousness. The staff really doesn't want them on the main line, because they know that the political consciousness on the three or four tiers can turn the whole direction of the institution around; and the staff really has no way to combat it, except through death, or isolating them from the people, through the Adjustment Center.

Question: We know that in California, the prisoner movement is state-wide, not isolated to a particular institution. However, recently, as you've pointed out, Folsom's AC has concentrated the most politically advanced Brothers from all the State prisons. Could you discuss this?

Answer: There are brothers holding P.E. (political education) classes, most of the time in the AC (which is often after the last meal they serve). Maybe someone will start off, in the morning, cutting up different things about different tactics, or try to get on out here, community

programs (through information from people coming to visit). The thing develops and grows. Through the phraseology they see this Brother developing and they know that this is one of the "ones", another Brother that is coming in that they have to deal with. In the past, the way that they would deal with it was by shifting the Brother from Folsom to San Quentin to Soledad. But, they found out once they were doing this, that everybody was getting the same line. There was always some centralism. So what they decided to do is stop so much transferring, because wherever you would go, there would always be people in AC that you would know. There was always a high degree of consciousness, and spirit was always high. The Brothers at Folsom, that already have consciousness, they're not too concerned about it, if they drop their mail or take all the people off their correspondence list, or go through whatever kinds of changes they want to go through. As long as someone is getting a visit, a Brother will be looked out for, if anything happens to him. He can keep up with what's going on; and his needs - if he smokes or if he drinks coffee or doesn't get his reading material, anything for him, all of his needs will be taken care of. It's like a community; everything is passed around. They run up against a wall; and when they run up against that wall, they try to deliver physical harm against the Brothers. They see, then, that this is a man here, and that they're only cowards. This is what they resent...They can't do it that way. So, they go back to the mail, the visits...They begin to take the books away, because this way the Brother increases his learning. Most of the Brothers read anything, from information on different revolutions in different countries to anything that has to do with improving himself, maybe math or english, anything that can raise your ability to learn. They have a will to learn, to raise their consciousness. What the staff is doing now is destroying all books, all paperbacks. Any kind of paper that comes in that might give any kind of insight as to what's going on on the outside, they destroy. They don't let it in anymore. Those are the main things, or, I should say, the main tools that they try, to demoralize...

As far as the struggle in the pen, it's really a battle of ideas, between some people who want to hold onto things, the way they want to run an institution, and those who are trying to get out, trying to get out and educate the people and show them where we are justified in rebelling...There are people who refuse to acknowledge that a change is coming...

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

"BLACK PANTHER PARTY NOT NEEDED"

TENNESSEE RACISTS' YEAR-OLD PREDICTION YET TO APPEAR

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8

"peace". This archaic, hillbilly law was pulled from the history books and put to use against the Black Panther Party. Party members were forced to pay a "peace bond" of 1,000.00, each, in addition to a regular bail bond of \$2,000.00, each, for the police charge of "conspiring to interfere with State trade and commerce".

This was the Memphis power structure's answer to the people's need for better housing. After they had arrested Party members for moving the people into better housing, the Memphis city government grandly announced it would make the procedures to obtain public housing "easier". The Black community united around this issue, also, and showed full support by attending the court hearings and increasing their participation in the Survival Programs. It was because of this kind of unity, that racist Orville Ledbetter eventually gave up and asked the court to dismiss the "peace

bonds" he had issued against the Panthers.

The State racists were also aware that the youth would be among the first to relate to the Black Panther Party and the Survival Programs. Therefore, they did everything possible to intimidate and frighten Black youth into staying away from the Party and its "ideas". Vicious Klan tactics and vicious police assaults upon the youth reached alarming proportions within the past year. In fact, Southern Justice, in its various forms, reached such a level during the past year in the State of Tennessee that it left no doubt in the minds of the people that the pigs are an organization of corrupt men, bent on killing or maiming our youth. There was the wanton murder in Nashville, Tennessee of 16-year old Donald Wayne Huddleston by Nashville police, for no reason; the outright murder by twenty-nine Shelby County and Memphis pigs of 17-year old Elton Hayes; the recent slayings by Memphis police of 14-year old Eddie Madison, 16-year old Freddie



When you barely have anything to wear, who's going to tell you what you don't need.

Lee Berry and 22-year old Raymond Stewart.

Another tactic frequently used by these particular keepers of the "peace", to murder our youth, is the State's encouragement of other vigilantes to carry out its perfidious plan. An example is the case of 8-year old Paul Frazier, shot by a racist whom Memphis pigs refused to even arrest; or, when, on December 31, 1971, another racist store owner, in the Black community of Douglass, shot a young Brother, Harry Brown, three times in the back. Brother Harry Brown will be maimed for life.

In spite of the many acts of terror levelled by these "Southern gentlemen" against the Black community, the people have not been intimidated. The Tennessee State Chapter of the Black Panther Party and the Survival Programs have expanded. By September, 1971, there were two more distribution centers for the Black

CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE



In the past year, police and racist vigilante murders of Tennessee have made it clearer that we, ourselves, must assume full responsibility.

NEW HAVEN'S LUXURY DEATH TRAPS

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 7

Because of the danger of possible disease, the only two hospitals in New Haven, Yale-New Haven and Saint Raphaels, were called and doctors with the necessary testing apparatus for hepatitis and other infections were requested to help. Both hospitals calmly said that doctors were not sent out into the community. The Public Health Department was called. Because of the New Year's Holiday, it was closed. These are, of course, even further examples of the criminal neglect to which Black and poor people are daily subjected. Even a hospital, supposedly instituted to serve the medical needs of the people, does not feel the need to send doctors where there is obvious need. The Health Department actions demonstrate how little interest the power structure has for problems concerning public health. Although



A little bit of soap won't wash away the continued agony of paying to live in a death trap.

epidemics do not take holidays, the Health Department "vacations" more frequently than any other medical facility in New Haven.

This blatant case of criminal neglect clearly shows that those institutions whose purpose is supposedly to serve the people are, in fact, controlled by the racist ruling class of the United States, and serve only that ruling class. The police department, the fire department and the hospitals are all supposed to work in the people's interest. However, when the Church Street South community called upon them for help, the line of demarcation was clearly drawn between these exploitative institutions and the people.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Connecticut State Chapter
Black Panther Party

"BLACK PANTHER PARTY NOT NEEDED"

TENNESSEE RACISTS' YEAR-OLD PREDICTION YET TO APPEAR

CONTINUED FROM LAST PAGE

Panther Intercommunal News Service, in Nashville and in Chattanooga. These distribution centers soon expanded to become community information centers with well-functioning survival programs. The Tennessee State Chapter is now operating Free Breakfast Programs, Free Shoe and Free Clothing Programs in these three major cities. There are also Free Bussing to Prisons Programs in operation in both Memphis and Nashville. Families and friends of prisoners are provided transportation free of charge to the Memphis

Chattanooga, Tennessee. Free food, shoes, clothing, toys and much-needed housewares and utensils have been given to the people in large quantities. Community dinners are also often held.

After a year of harassment and a concentrated effort to run the Black Panther Party out of the State, Tennessee racists and fascists have been unsuccessful. Instead, there are survival programs and centers throughout the State and greater unity in the oppressed community.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE



An empty stomach was not satisfied by racist rhetoric.

ANGELA DAVIS DAY-CARE CENTER RAIDED

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 9

After not being able to "find" the brother, and, realizing that the children as well as adults were witnessing their intimidating tactics, the police left. Even with that they threatened to return in ten minutes if they couldn't "find" the brother. Not satisfied with just one act of harassment, on Thursday of the same week, they, in fact, did come back again, on the same pretext of looking for a Bonnie Terry. They forced the door open and again threatened the Comrades, the people from the community, and the children.

While four policemen were in front, two others crept around back. They didn't think the people from the community would be there. Two brothers from the community caught the two pigs trying to get into the back of the

office. Meanwhile, the pigs in the front were trying to justify their presence. However, the people were not fooled. No one believed their false claims that someone in the neighbor-



North Carolina racists certainly don't want our youth to receive the proper care and love, much less an education that teaches them how to survive this racist society.

hood was continuously calling and saying that a Bonnie Terry had been seen going in and out of the Black Panther Party office. When the people refused to accept these lies, one pig arrogantly told the crowd that they'd better watch what they said or there would be "trouble for everybody".

The people in High Point know that the fascist High Point Police were not looking for anyone in particular in the Angela Davis Free Day Care Center. This was just a lie, something fabricated to intimidate the people, to keep them from bringing their children to the Day Care Center. The pigs know that the children not only receive love and care, but also an education that teaches them how to survive this racist society.

The Angela Davis Free Day Care Center will continue to function. Neither the members of the Party nor the people will be intimidated by these fascist tactics. If anything, this latest fascist attack makes us more determined to struggle for a better world for our youth.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
North Carolina State Chapter
Black Panther Party

Subscription Form

BLACK PANTHER INTERCOMMUNAL NEWS SERVICE

TO SUBSCRIBE MEANS THAT EVERY WEEK YOU CAN READ THE NEWS ABOUT THE SURVIVAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE AND BECOME A PARTICIPANT IN WORKING OUT THE BEST MEANS AND WAYS OF SOLVING THE PROBLEMS OF OUR PEOPLE, OF BLACK PEOPLE AND POOR PEOPLE.

SUBSCRIBE TO SURVIVE

ENTER MY SUBSCRIPTION FOR (CHECK BOX)

Domestic Subscriptions

Foreign Subscriptions

3 MONTHS:	(13 ISSUES)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2.50	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$9.00
6 MONTHS:	(26 ISSUES)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$5.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$12.00
ONE YEAR:	(52 ISSUES)	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$7.50	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15.00

(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE/ZIP # COUNTRY

NEW SUBSCRIPTION ☐
RENEWAL ☐

PLEASE MAIL CHECK
OR MONEY ORDER TO

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, BLACK PANTHER PARTY,

CA