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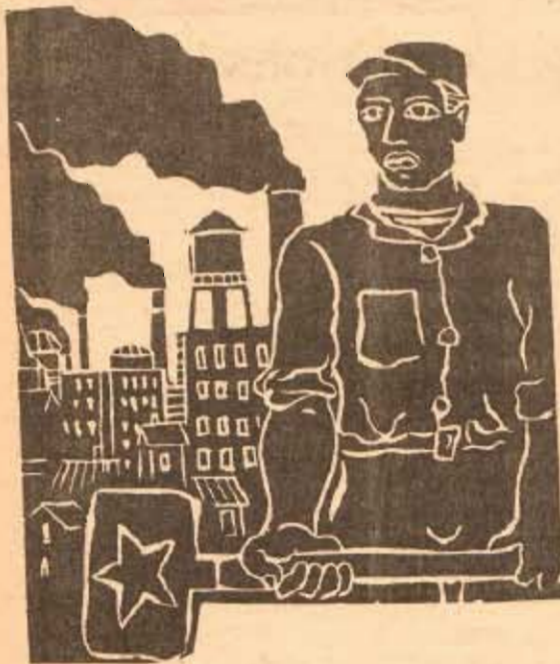
WORKER'S STRUGGLES

INDUSTRY KILLS THE PEOPLE

On Feb. 4 a worker was crushed to death in an industrial accident in Massachusetts. The fault did not lie with the worker who pulled the switch which caused the accident. We must blame the unsafe working conditions that workers are daily forced to accept if they want their jobs.

Occupational diseases and deaths hit hundreds of thousands of workers every year. The industries and companies sidestep, as usual, every effort to force them to bring their machines and equipment up to present government standards. Industries and their puppet research groups usually deny that conditions are bad. Coal companies, for example, claimed Black Lung didn't exist and even told miners that coal dust was good for them! When they can't deny the evidence, management often blames workers' "bad habits". The National Safety Council (60% of its board of directors are from industries and insurance companies) claims that 75-85% of all injuries are caused by worker carelessness. If this incredible fact is true, then why is there so little safety education on the job? The Industrial Health Foundation, the industry's major research group, has tried to make the public believe that cancer in asbestos workers is caused by smoking, rather than exposure to asbestos fibers. They have also said that textileworkers are affected by cotton dust (Brown Lung, a respiratory disease) because they lack a certain enzyme in their bodies.

When industry can neither deny health & safety hazards nor place the blame somewhere else, it uses the cheapest way of handling occupational injury and disease--workmen's compensation. Industry can just



pay off their casualties without ever making expensive changes. With worker welfare so cheap and govt. controls so weak, the companies haven't had to change a thing.

Working people are tired of being lied to and treated like animals. We can start changing things and get stronger by being unified, rapping to each other about what we see around us at our workplaces and then demanding changes be made. Show this article to a friend on the job. If you want to let people know about lousy conditions where you work, write an article or call us up with the info. and we'll write it.

WORKPLACES BELONG TO THOSE WHO WORK THEM



The Great Grain Caper

The government once more has cheated the American people of millions of dollars, this time through a grain sale to the Soviet Union. The agriculture department started negotiations over the sale back in April but these were kept secret to the public. The only people who knew were several grain trading companies who quickly bought cheap grain from the non-corporate farmers who didn't know that wheat prices would go up as soon as the Russian deal was known. This rip-off happened because several agriculture department officials have been buddy-buddy with large grain companies. In fact, after the deal was completed, two of the U.S. negotiators of the deal--Clarence Palmby and Clifford Pulvermacher--quit the agriculture dept. and joined two of the grain trading companies involved in the sale!!

Worker's Candidate

Ho Chi Minh

Dishwasher of the Western World,
brave knight,
Of suffering worker's, well you
know their plight.
Victim of french & u.s. bigotry,
Victim who dares to dream of
victory,
Against foul fiends united in
a state,
Inspired by imperialistic hate.
Dweller for half your life in
prison cell,
Closer to heaven leaning than
to hell:
Death comes to all, dear Ho,
this we well know,
But you have lived, others
may not say so:
You have survived guns of
united hates:
O' Ho, you are the worker's
candidate!

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UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

Why I Hate School

I am a student of P.S. 33, 5th grade. I am going to write about it. I hate all the teachers because they are always hitting me with the eraser. My teacher always bugs me and my friends.

I just hate the damn school I can't stand it. It has a lot of stupid teachers. They always tell you to shut up, and they don't teach you anything. They tell you to sit down all the time, and they tell you to do this and do that. They think they're bad.

At lunch the teachers tell you where to sit, and as soon as you finish they tell you to go to the yard. If you don't you get in trouble.

That's why I hate school.

RIGHT ON!
Joey



If you know anything about the case, contact us at 584-5984.

Frank goes to trial on November 13. It will be a good thing if we can get a lot of people from the community to show their support for this brother and show the pigs that we're not gonna take this shit no more!

SERVE THE PEOPLE,
STOP THE PIGS!! WL

Frame Up On Creston

Last issue we wrote about Frank Velez, a brother who was busted with 5 other people on Creston Avenue as part of a continuing wave of harassment by the 46th precinct.

The case has gone as far as a preliminary hearing. Based on the testimony of the arresting officer, Frank would have had to throw 6 \$5.00 bags of Marijuana and a knife, almost directly at the approaching officer. Anyone who hangs out on the street knows that this is the last thing to do if you want to get rid of something. People who were on the scene know fully well that this story is a ridiculous lie made up by officer John Murphy.

We also know why the police are trying to frame this brother. They've been trying to bust him for a long time because he refused to knuckle under to their oppressive tactics. Police see themselves as supermen or gods, and they become enraged when a poor person doesn't give them the proper respect.

When Frank was busted, Murphy remarked, "O.K., punk, anything we find is your's" meaning that he would accuse Frank of possession of any drugs found in the area.

In order for Frank to beat this frame-up, it will be necessary for all the people who were there to come forward & tell what really went down that night.

What's happening to Frank could happen to anyone in this community, since the police will stop at nothing--even lying in court--to stop us from getting together. This is why we have to struggle together and give our full support to this case.

J.H.S. 79 Uptight

Last issue an article was printed in our paper called, "Bored of Education," written by brother Eddie. He wrote about the conditions in P.S. 79 and principal Rothstein, where he attends school.

On Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 25, a man came into our storefront and told Eddie he was going to get busted for truancy & that White Lightning was going to get sued for slander. He demanded that WL print that the story was untrue. We found out he was a Wisconsin narco and a friend of principal Rothstein & knew Eddie. His job was to scare him & us. He came in acting bad and flashing his badge.

But White Lightning didn't go for this garbage. We knew what he was saying was lies. The important thing is that principal Rothstein is going to spend the tax payer's money to bring a case against us in court. That money should be going to educate kids & build up the school.

White Lightning knows its rights & finally the pig left here apologizing. His attempts to scare Eddie & us didn't work.

We welcome the charges as a chance to educate people about where the priorities of the school system is.

UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY!



Horrible Housing Conditions

You Toy Chin lives & works in a Chinese Laundry at 111 E. 184th Street. Conditions in this building are so bad that last May the tenants organized a rent strike (see WL, #5).

A few weeks ago, Mr. Chin woke up at 3:00 A.M. to the sound of water pouring from the pipes in the back room of his store.

The plumbing is so bad that the plumbers couldn't stop the water flow for 3 days.

The millionaire landlady, Rhoda Schnelwar, who lives in "beautiful Roslyn Heights, L.I."

obviously doesn't give a damn about the rotten conditions that poor tenants in her building have to live in.

The struggle of You Toy Chin is the same as that of oppressed tenants thru-out the city.

Decent living conditions are a basic human right--not a privilege!

Experience shows that when tenants get together, the landlord is threatened and conditions improve.

All power to the tenants in their fight for their rights!



BLACK PANTHER PARTY PUTS SOCIALISM INTO PRACTICE
(Bullet holes in BPP office where police shot it up).

SOCIALISM, ISN'T THAT ANTI-AMERICAN?

But before I get into that subject, I'm gonna talk about something really American. It is called capitalism (an economic system based on profit for the rich). Capitalism was operating where I was born--in a ghetto in the South Bronx. I was told to work hard and you will make it. Work hard? My mother and father both were butchers and factory workers, and my mother cleaned floors harder than they did? My parents believed they were failures. They lived through the depression and saw conditions go from worse to bad and back to worse. Why was it that they didn't make it? This question was on my mind. I knew somehow that I couldn't work much harder than they did, so I wasn't going to make it either. I tried though. I worked from age 10 to 15, and all I got was spending money. I soon dropped out of school and became very disillusioned.

But then I began to see things about this system that I hadn't been aware of. I knew I disliked landlords, owners of large stores, doctors, politicians: in general, rich people. I began to ask myself why are there poor people and rich people? If it is not because of how hard you work, what is it?

Making it is determined by what you own (means of production--factories, large farms, etc). If you own these things you can live without working. To me that said that the rich are parasites living off of our labor.



THE CRASH: JOBLESS MEN IN NEW YORK, 1930

I started to understand that my parents and other poor people are not failures, but instead the capitalist system is a failure. Below are some concrete examples of how capitalism is inefficient and wasteful and against the interests of most of the people.

CAPITALISM IS INEFFICIENT AND WASTEFUL

When the U.S. economy is functioning at its best (for the rich), one-fifth of the factories and farms--in other words, one-fifth of the productive forces--are not in use. Capitalism breaks down periodically and then half of its resources are idle (depression). The U.S. devotes itself to producing luxury items instead of the necessities of life. Confronted with the problem of poverty, the U.S. destroys 30% of the wheat crop, milk is poured into rivers, and fruit is left to rot. Why? Because people can't afford to pay high prices for these items. The system is based on profit for the rich, not on the needs of the poor.

CAPITALISM IS THE ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE

Capitalist bosses and politicians always complain about people on welfare, but the rich are truly getting welfare. They pay rich farmers not to grow crops. The government bailed Lockheed Corp. out of bankruptcy. But don't the rich risk losing their money in investments? Sure they do, but the money they risk was stolen from the workers who risked their lives for it. The most destructive aspect of capitalism is that it always leads to war. Wars exploit people by having poor people fight and kill each other for nothing.

SOCIALISM IN PRACTICE

As I have explained, I knew capitalism is bad--but what else is there? The Black Panther Party began talking about a

SOCIALISM

We are not only good at destroying the old world, we are also good at building the new. Not only can the Chinese people live without begging alms from the imperialists, they will live a better life than that in the imperialist countries.

Mao Tsetung.

for the benefit of all. But the small amount of property that working people have is not taken away. In fact, it can be increased.

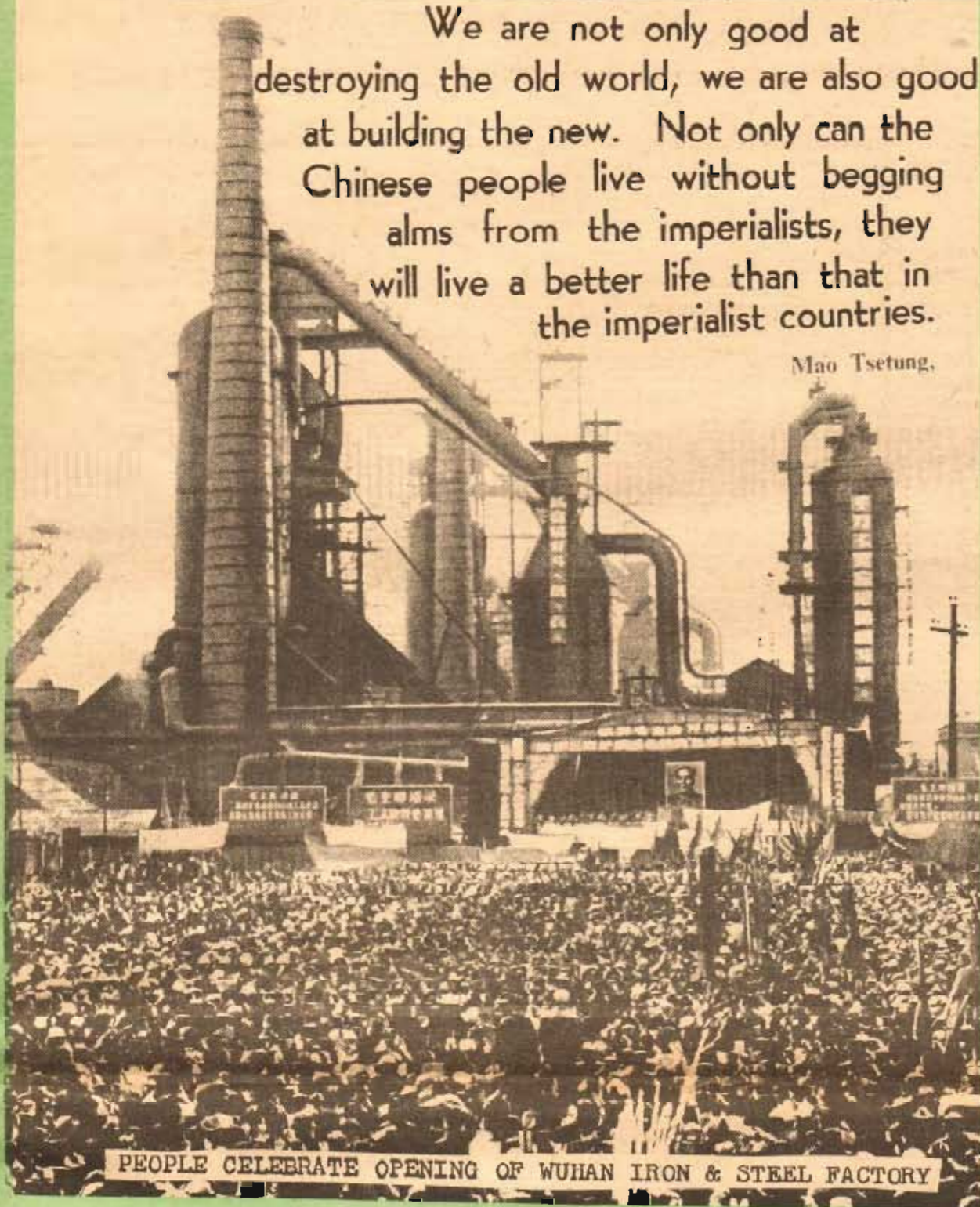
SOCIALISM IS AS AMERICAN AS WORKING PEOPLE

Socialism is a better system for the whole world. It is also the next stage in the development of the world. Society began with slave society which progressed to feudalism and then to capitalism and now socialism. Socialism already involves $\frac{1}{3}$ of the world's population. It is in Europe (Albania), Asia (China, North Korea), Latin America (Cuba), and Africa (People's Republic of Congo). Socialism is not un-American. Socialism is as American as working people are.

This society also messes people over in ways other than economics. The madness of capitalism causes America to have the largest amount of mental patients, alcoholics, prostitutes, drug addicts, and dropouts. What the revolution has done for me is to let me see if these problems are happening to millions of people, then they cannot be individual problems but rather are the sickness of capitalism. So I understand why my father was an alcoholic, why I was a dropout, why people I know have gone insane. I have been able to overcome most of the personal hang-ups that have been bred into me. Socialism will bring an end to these problems on a nation-wide scale. Prostitution and alcoholism will end. Education will be stressed--people will want to go to school.

So that's why I dig Socialism!

Power to the People



PEOPLE CELEBRATE OPENING OF WUHAN IRON & STEEL FACTORY

thing called Socialism in Practice. It sounded good. It was about free breakfast for children, free health clinics, tenants taking over control of their buildings. Hey, here were some people who came from the street, dropouts, workers, etc. They were saying that these programs were just a small part of what society would be like if working people controlled it. They were rapping about unity among Black, Puerto Rican, and White people. They were proving that only a revolution was gonna bring about real changes.

Socialism interested me because it seemed so real. I looked toward countries that are socialist (China, Vietnam, Albania). I had a lot of questions about it and I was confused since I had always been told how bad it was. Yet it didn't seem bad for poor people to control society. And it was possible, because they did it. I will try to help people understand by rapping about some of the questions I had.

QUESTIONS ABOUT SOCIALISM

1. WILL PEOPLE WORK WITHOUT THE INCENTIVE OF PROFIT?

Workers in capitalism work without it. Their reason for working is survival. The only

people with profit incentive are the rich, and they don't work. Socialism will be different because all people will work with an added incentive. The profits will go to them and all of society, not to a small group of rich people.

2. IS IT TRUE THAT SOCIALIST COUNTRIES ARE CONTROLLED BY DICTATORS & THE PEOPLE HAVE NO FREEDOM?

Contrary to America where the country is controlled by the ruling class whom the presidents work for, socialism in such a country as China is controlled by workers. It is a true freedom in that workers control the factories & elect their foreman. Tenants control their buildings. Even in the army, officers and soldiers live under the same material conditions. Officers are elected by the troops. That is the kind of freedom we need here.

3. DOES SOCIALISM TAKE AWAY YOUR PRIVATE PROPERTY?

If you call the means of production owned by the rich private property, the factories, large farms, etc., yes. These things are taken over and used



WORKERS RUN THEIR FACTORY COLLECTIVELY IN SOCIALIST ALBANIA

NIXON: THE GODFATHER

Organized Crime In The White House

When news of the attempted sabotage of democratic party headquarters by trained CIA agents--acting as goons for the administration--was made public, the true criminal nature of richard nixon was exposed once again.

But nixon's courtship with organized crime has been a profitable one for both parties for a long time. When he began his political career, nixon's connections with organized crime were already established. His campaign manager in 1946, Murray Chotiner, was a lawyer who handled over 267 cases for organized crime figures.

BLOOD MONEY

In order to pay for his campaigns, nixon, like many other politicians, received money from underworld sources. California mobster Mickey Cohen stated publicly that he donated thousands of dollars to early nixon campaigns. This has never been denied by the president.

LANSKY, OROVITZ, COPPOLA

Max Orovitz and Trigger Mike Coppola, well-known members of mobster Meyer Lansky's gang, worked in an organization known as General Development Corp. in Florida, headed by Fred Mackle, a friend of Richard Nixon. Orovitz was convicted of stock fraud in 1968 by Robert Morgenthau, U.S. attorney for the southern district of New York.

Soon after this, Morgenthau was removed from office by nixon.

CAPE FLORIDA CAPER

Nixon participated in promotion activities and publicity stunts for the Cape Florida Development Co., which resulted in millions of dollars worth of profit for the owners, former Sen. George Smathers & nixon's close friend, Bebe Rebozzo, both of whom are really front men for Meyer Lansky.



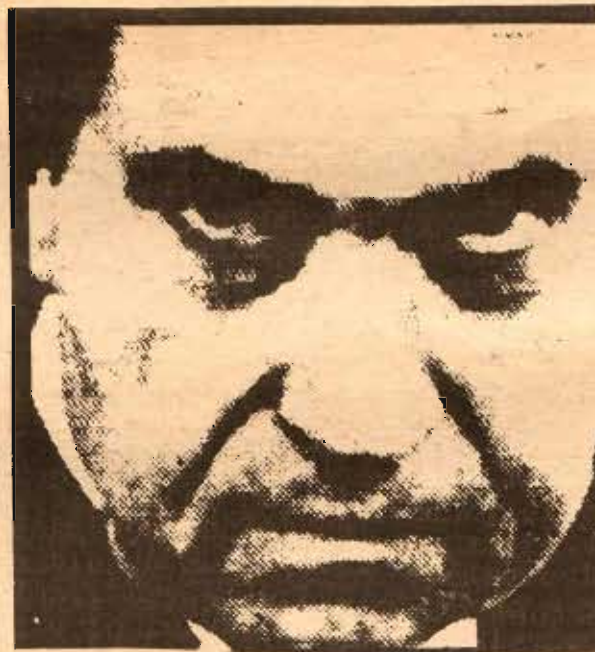
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From this corporation, nixon purchased his Key Biscayne property--the Florida White House. Cape Florida Development purchased over \$1 million worth of Key Biscayne land from World Wide Realty, an organization infested with Lansky's lackies. World Wide had, in addition, received a \$5 million loan from the Teamster Union's pension fund. Managers of this union's fund have made many such loans to other mob fronts, including Meyer Lansky's Miami banks, which may account for the sudden, unexplained release from prison of teamster boss and racketeer Jimmy Hoffa by nixon last year.

NIXON PROTECTS THE RICH

In this country poor people always get messed over by the law. They are imprisoned for months or even years for various jive charges. Their only crime really, is that of being poor. Gangster friends of richard nixon caught dealing in millions of dollars worth of stolen stock, are not even arrested.

Before nixon axed Morgenthau, he was investigating the use of Swiss bank accounts by millionaires to conceal illegal profits. Thanks to nixon, this investigation was squashed.



NIXON AND DOPPE

So Tricky Dick sets up a bullshit commission on drugs. How many people know that he, himself, depends financially & politically on organized crime, whose narcotics profiteers are never busted while they poison our good brothers & sisters with death drugs.

In Vientiane, capital city of Laos, there is a Pepsi-Cola factory which was built in 1965 and has never produced a single bottle of soda. Legal work for this operation was handled in the mid 1960's by richard nixon as representative of Pepsico.

According to Alfred W. McGoy, author of The Politics of Heroin in Southeast Asia, this plant is, in reality, a factory for mass production of heroin sold on the streets of America.

When nixon was vice-president in 1959, he was told to get the Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev to pose for a picture, drinking a Pepsi. Millions of dollars worth of publicity was gained by nixon's friends at Pepsico as a result.

C.I.A. involvement in heroin traffic is a documented, proven fact. It is also well known that former vice-president of South Vietnam, General Ky, is a major supplier of heroin.

In return, he is totally supported, economically and militarily by richard nixon, so that our tax money goes to support the importation of death drugs from South Vietnam into our communities!

These are just a few examples of the relationship between that low lived scum of the earth, defender of the rich, richard nixon and other enemies of the people--organized crime and narcotics profiteers.

PREZ

though you walk quite freely
through masses of millions
you are a murderer
and though you walk about
freely you murder millions
and though i've cared about the
millions you murder
i hate you now even more
you remain untouched by passive
pleas of millions
and it is this which makes you
despicable
you have people who defend you
and if you are hurt it's a
capital crime
you're filthy rich
but it isn't your money that
protects you
isn't even your name
for your name makes no
difference
for there have been others
with different names
who have murdered just as
many
and though they are gone now
i don't hate them any less
the crimes they took part in
are considered victories
and the murders they commit
are called glorious
you killed my man
take your big white house
that you call home
and shove it

Naitia

Bringing The War Back Home

After 4 years in the White House, Nixon has decided to try to make us believe he will keep at least one of his campaign promises from 1968. He is making us believe the war in S.E. Asia is ending.

Experience has taught us that words alone don't mean anything. Too often we have seen words being used as a pacifier, so we must wait and see if this is

where another corrupt, fascist government is having trouble with its freedom-loving people (like the Phillipines).

Experience has taught us that no matter who sits in the white house, whatever benefits the rich minority is what we the people gonna get.

Nixon was going to fight inflation with a "wage-price freeze". Sure-what we saw was

yllium poisoning at the Kawecko Berylco beryllium refinery in Hazelton, Pennsylvania were "reimbursed" with \$60 a week by the Pa. Workmens Compensation Board. It took the company 12 years to admit that the spots on the workers' chest x-rays were not bronchitis but beryllium poisoning.

NIXON IS AN ERRAND BOY FOR THE BOSSES

We don't need more proof to know that Nixon is an errand boy for the bosses and so we can't trust all this talk about ending wars. Sure, he might back out of this particular war, accepting the obvious--that he is defeated by the courageous Vietnamese people and the rising consciousness of the American people. If we look at the years after World War II, it is clear that a capitalist system like ours can only solve it's economic problems by expanding it's markets--and if the new markets object, the rich force war on us. Furthermore war boosts the production at home, gets rid of the unemployed, and gives the government a scapegoat to blame all it's own inefficiency on.

Last year only 10% of \$36,000,000,000 worth of pentagon contracts was advertised for bidding. The rest was given to predetermined corporations. Since war keeps these corpora-

tions turning out profits, they are not going to accept peace without a fight. Therefore, as long as this country is run by the rich, we can expect wars, lies, rising prices, crumbling schools, and unsafe workplaces. We take the beating, while the rich skim the cream!!

All this talk of a cease-fire shouldn't make us lose sight of the real issues. We must realize that, in order for things to change for the working people of America, we must get together in our communities and at our workplaces, and fight for control of our own lives. Through this fight we are going to change the system as well as ourselves.



Workers on a picket line at the Vega plant (GM) in Lordstown, Ohio where 7800 workers shut down the factory for 3 weeks

just another bluff in order to win the election Nov. 7.

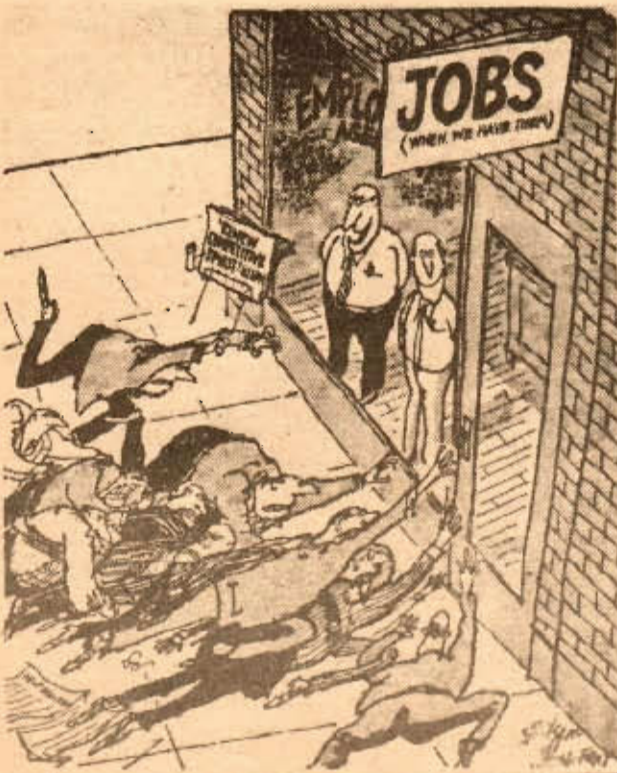
The Pentagon Papers taught us that there might already be plans in the Pentagon to stage a few "incidents"--similar to the Gulf of Tonkin in 1965--giving the government an excuse to increase the war again. Or there might be plans to start a war somewhere else

frozen wages and searing prices. Last month showed the highest price increase in the last 3 years. The overall price increase since Nixon took office is about 30% and look at business--a 15-20% increase in profits compared to last year while wages have gone up only 10%!!

No, the only way Nixon and his gang is fighting inflation is by laying off workers and speeding up the production line.

In order to hide these tactics from the people, the government is releasing false unemployment statistics. The Senate Subcommittee on Employment Manpower and Poverty found the unemployment rate for last year to be 17% and not 5-6% as released by the department of labor.

As the bosses are getting richer, our work places are getting more unsafe due to speed-up, use of new chemicals (12,000 new and untested chemicals are in use since W.W. II), new techniques, etc. According to a 1970 Bureau of Labor Statistics study, 20,000 die and 3,000,000 are disabled in our work places each year! Presently workers disabled from ber-



"Nixon would be proud of their competitive spirit, Henley."

I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY THOUGHT WE'D EAT THE WHOLE THING



WE WON'T SWALLOW IT!

WHITE LIGHTNING — One Year Of Struggle



DRUG STRUGGLES

Our strongest skill, when we began, was an ability to deal with drug addiction. As the Spirit of Logos we developed an 11 point Platform & Program which dealt with all aspects of drugs. Being ex-victims of drugs, we developed the first complete revolutionary analysis of dope and how to deal with it. We serviced people by offering detoxification and rap groups for drug victims. We rejected all forms of Freudian (Fraudian) therapy and instead educated people politically. We used the analysis of capitalism plus dope equals genocide.

Out of our understanding of government & police involvement in drug dealing we began attacks on them. We began by educating people through our paper and leaflets about drugs as a control of poor people by the rich. We began attacking their so-called "treatment programs." They are better known as the drug treatment industry.

Their approach is either you're mentally deranged (therapeutic communities) or addict you for life to the government (methadone maintenance).

January, 1972: We attacked one rip-off program, Logos, at city hall (see WL, Vol. 1, #3). WL-SOL became a threat to the drug empire & the city. The politicians tried to buy us off. We want freedom and they can't afford that. We became known country wide for our political insight into drug addiction & the revolution. Stop The Plague!

POLITICAL TRIALS & DEMONSTRATIONS

Since we began we saw defending freedom fighters, who were busted, in our interest.

We have supported Yoruba of the Young Lords Party, Carlos Feliciano (Puerto Rican Nationalist Party), and...

started to give legal advice and offer lawyers to people with parasite landlord problems. This will continue and expand.

VETERAN'S STRUGGLES

August, 1972: We have been working with Vietnam Veterans Against The War (VVAW). We participated in the Winter Soldier Investigation Against Heroin Addiction.

We played a big part in the hearings and also educated many people about the nature of the war.

We showed the connection between heroin, the war & conditions in the U.S. and how the rich are to blame for creating the conditions that cause drug addictions. Power To The Vietnamese People!

PRISON COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM

80%--85% of all prisoners are busted on narcotics or related charges. We have seen from this that all prisoners are poor people unjustly imprisoned and should be free.

June, 1972: We set up communications with prisoners in New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts & California prisons. We mail our paper and other revolutionary literature to prisons all over the country. In our paper we run regular information from all prisons in order to educate people about the reality of prison life. Because it relates to prisoners, our paper has been censored in many prisons. Right now we are involved in a legal suit to get the paper in. Revolutionary News Cannot Be Censored! Free All Prisoners!

SISTERS RAP GROUPE

October 5, 1972: Sisters rap group began and included political education on the health system...

We hope to continue this indoors in the winter. People's Music Is A Good Thing!

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

ERRORS IN THE PAST

In the past White Lightning has made errors. We have corrected some of them and will change others. The way we did this was with people's help. One of our mistakes was dealing exclusively with drugs. White Lightning was seen only as a drug program, and so other people who didn't use drugs were turned off to us. White Lightning has since developed into a revolutionary organization, dealing with all oppression including drug addiction.

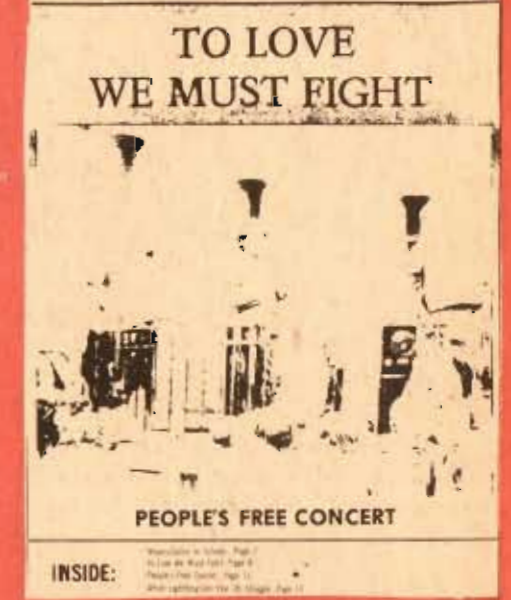
The major error White Lightning has made is not enough community work. This mistake caused all our incorrect ideas. All our mistakes have been part of a process of growth. We will continue to correct our mistaken ideas as we become even closer with people in the community. Serve The People Body and Soul!

EDUCATE TO LIBERATE

We are in a struggle against the greatest enemy of the world (U.S. capitalism). To defeat them we must have a strong political ideology (way of looking at the world). We get this understanding by practice, observation & study. Our main knowledge comes from practice, but we must study also.

We study other revolutions: China, Vietnam, Cuba, Korea, so that we know how to defeat the rich. We must also learn how to build a new society. Basically we are about creating a socialist society, not just tearing down the old system.

We study how workers fought back against the bosses, past & present...



in New York and all over the country. It's becoming one big fist which will smash the oppressors once and for all.

DIG THE REVOLUTION

The revolution is all around us. It's in schools in the G.I.'s coming back...

in the G.I.'s coming back, in the prisons, in the factories. The revolution will go through many stages. The stage we are in now is education and it will lead to people's War Against the Rich. We must unite; only people will make the revolution real.

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?

Sell WL on Saturdays, 12-4 PM. Help with the People's Concerts. Come to the Sisters Rap Group or Community Raps. Play music for our musical events.

White Lightning's first year of struggle has involved many things. The changes we went through are great & have made us stronger & more committed to the revolution.

Many people who were with us in the beginning are no longer around but new ones have taken their place. WL will continue to grow and struggle for many years. Onward In The Struggle!

NEWSPAPER

November, 1971: We put out the first issue of our newspaper. It was an 8 page black & white paper which has since grown to 16 pages in color. It was a great step forward in that we had no previous experience in putting out a paper. It was put out by oppressed people (ex-heroin victims, drop-outs, etc.) and dealt mainly with drug addiction. It has developed to...

ion. It has developed to where it is now about conditions in general and revolution.

STOREFRONT

January, 1972: We got a storefront at 109 East 184th Street. It was the beginning of our growth into a real organization that people could relate to. Before this time we were operating out of someone's apartment.

Feliciano (Puerto Rican Nationalist). We also supported the Rikers 7 & Tombs 3 who were charged with rioting because they demanded better conditions in the prisons.

We've been in every demonstration in support of Attica. Attica was a rebellion of Black, Puerto Rican & poor White prisoners. We saw Attica as an attack on all poor people since we have been in prisons.

We were the only White group to march through Harlem with Blacks & Puerto Ricans in memory of Attica. It was a unity of oppressed people as in Attica. Remember Attica! Unity is The Solution.

WELFARE STRUGGLES

June, 1972: While waiting for their welfare checks, a rebellion broke out because people had waited over 6 hours. The police came and brutalized & arrested a sister. They charged her with assault. The people's rage was strong: people marched to the station house. The people's power freed her. It was a small victory as service improved for about a week.

HOUSING WORK

June, 1972: We helped organize a tenant's rent strike. We

year education system. There will be traps on abortions, birth control, working class women & the revolution. Articles have been written which include health information for sisters. Sisters & brothers must be equal if we are to win the revolution. **Sisterhood Is Powerful!**

Repression

The work we have been doing is getting the police uptight. We are exposing them for what they are. The 46th precinct have made threats about "getting u

out "getting us." Harrassment has come against people who are close to us on Creston Ave. 32 people have been busted for such bad crimes as disorderly conduct. WL is getting stronger and building ties with the people. Police attempts can't stop us but will only make us more determined. **We Will Win!**

FREE CONCERTS

Aug. 26 & Sept. 23, 1972: We had two people's rock concerts. Anywhere from 300 to 1,000 people were there at different times. The bands, "Swampy & His Friends" and "Life" are community people who play for free because they dig the people.

& present, in America. In building our struggle we learn from other revolutionary groups who are giving direction to poor people's struggles: Young Lords Party, Black Workers Congress, Rising Up Angry. We also learned from the Black Panther Party. Everything we do is aimed at bringing revolutionary education to people: Newspaper, Rap Groups, Films, etc.

BUILDING AN ORGANIZATION

To accomplish our goal of socialist revolution, we must organize millions of people. Organization is the only real power poor and working class people have: workers' unions, unemployed unions, revolutionary organizations.

White Lightning has built a strong organization over the past year. It involves workers, welfare people, vets, jr. high & high school students, drug victims, all poor people.

Because we have an organization we are able to deal with many areas of work effectively. We can see the struggle growing in the people young and old, black, white, Puerto Rican, workers, unemployed--giving the fist and saying Power to the People! It's growing in Chicago

Help spread White Lightning and the revolution wherever you go. Let's begin to break down the division that exists among us: racism & sexism. It will be a long hard struggle but we know we're gonna win. Come by the Storefront: 109 E. 184th St. Phone: 584-5984, if you wanna help. **SUPPORT THE REVOLUTION!! POWER TO THE PEOPLE!! WHITE LIGHTNING**

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VICTIMS OF THE HEROIN PLAGUE FIGHT BACK!!

WHITE LIGHTNING

WE, MEMBERS OF THE SPIRIT OF LOGS, WHO HAVE BEEN ABLE TO LIBERATE OURSELVES FROM THE HEROIN PLAGUE THROUGH POLITICAL STRUGGLE, WISH TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE SISTERS & BROTHERS WHO MAY NEVER HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITY.

METHADONE

'71- 4,000 '72- 11,000 '73- 25,000!!!

AND NOW FROM THE ANIMALS THAT BROUGHT US OPIUM, MORPHINE, AND HEROIN! **METHADONE!!**

THE CONSPIRACY BEING LEVELLED AGAINST ADDICTED BROTHERS & SISTERS CHEMICAL FASCISM IS A DIABOLICAL ATTEMPT ON THE PART OF THE U.S. GOV'T. TO SUPPRESS AND CONTROL A HUGE GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO HAVE STOPPED BELIEVING IN THEIR LIES.

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COMBAT RACISM

RACISM IS AMERICA'S MOST POWERFUL NARCOTIC!

WHAT IS RACISM?

THE CONCEPT OF RACISM IS A SOCIAL CONSTRUCTION WHICH HAS BEEN DEVELOPED BY THE RULING CLASS TO DIVIDE THE PROLETARIAT AND TO MAINTAIN ITS OWN INTERESTS. RACISM IS A TOOL OF OPPRESSION WHICH HAS BEEN USED TO DIVIDE THE PROLETARIAT AND TO MAINTAIN THE INTERESTS OF THE RULING CLASS.

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SISTERS AND BROTHERS

THE PLAGUE

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UNITY AND STRUGGLE!

INSIDE: PEOPLE'S VICTORY AT FOREMAN CENTER, ARRESTS AT LINCOLN HOSPITAL, SISTER UNCLE A BIRD, THE THUNDERBOLT WELFARE

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700,000 G.I.'S HOOKED ON C.I.A. HEROIN!!

V.V.A.W. HEARINGS 2-3

INSIDE: ALL U.S. CITIZENS MUST OBEY THE CONSTITUTION... ALL U.S. CITIZENS MUST OBEY THE CONSTITUTION... ALL U.S. CITIZENS MUST OBEY THE CONSTITUTION...

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FREE ALL PRISONERS!

11 BUSTED ON CRESTON AVE.

INSIDE: ...

PRISON GRAPEVINE

Methadone Kills

Charlie Williams died of a methadone overdose administered by the Bronx County Jail. He was on the methadone detoxification program. On October 19th the brother came back from court obviously high. Even the nurses and officers held him downstairs, because they knew it would be dangerous to give him more drugs. Regardless, the doctor gave him a deadly dose of methadone.

Brother Charlie went to bed and died in his sleep. No one ever even checked him to see if he was alright. Methadone kills people very easily.

This incident is another example of the genocidal practices of the prison system. Brother Charlie is the second inmate to die in Bronx County in a 22 day period. Both died after midnight when no medically trained people are present. This is genocide against poor people.

We Will Fight Back

In the Wind!

Seven men escaped from the Manhattan House of Detention (Tombs) on Oct. 23. The seven brothers had been in jail from between three to sixteen months without a trial. The head of the board of corrections promised a full investigation into whether neglect of duty among the guards lead to the jailbreak. Why isn't something done about having speedy trials? Inmates will continue to escape as long as the prison system oppresses them. Right on, Brothers!

Improve Prison Conditions!
Power To The People!

D.C. Rebellion

Prisoners in a Washington D.C. jail rebelled Oct. 11 against the inhuman conditions that exist there. The brothers seized the head of the city department of corrections and 11 others as hostages. They held the jail for 22 hours first demanding freedom and then modifying their demands. Some of the prisoners had been held awaiting trial for almost two years. They agreed to give up their hostages when two of their demands were met. Teenage inmates were shifted to a special jail and a lawyer was provided for each inmate. The prisoners also won a promise of no reprisals and a court hearing on an inmate suit over jail conditions and a psychiatrist for the prison. Under a recent D.C. anti-crime law youths aged 16 to 19 who were formerly tried as juveniles are now considered adults. In this society where you are supposed to be innocent until proven guilty, why does someone have to wait two years in prison for a trial?

Free All Prisoners
Power to the People

We get letters from prisoners, everyday, asking for revolutionary books and pamphlets. These brothers and sisters throughout the country desperately need the reading material they request. We don't have the resources, ourselves, to fill all the requests we get, so we are asking for help. If you have revolutionary books or pamphlets, or can donate some money so we can buy these books, please send it to: **WHITE LIGHTNING**
109 E. 184th St.
Bronx, N.Y. 10468

development struggles must be as ruthless as our liberation struggle itself. They are shades of the same struggle. In this struggle we will return **ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!**

Strength and Courage Comrades
William J. Finn
U.S. Penitentiary
Box #1000
Lewisburg, Pa. 17837



Sisters are Soldiers too!

The work you appear to be doing is really beautiful and I can relate to the mechanics of this work in such a collective as W.L. as truly meaningful in the PEOPLES LIBERATION!

In relationship to the Sisters rap group that is being organized, and if it is anything like some of the ones that I have seen you will find that Sisters have the most beautiful understanding of oppression. Sisters have a way of relating to each other's oppression that goes beyond normality and moves into the true essences of life itself. Be patient with them Brothers, and always remember that we as men are part of the natural collective of manhood that oppresses them. So we must never try to lead them, we can only hope to understand their oppression, and in this understanding can we become no longer their oppressors but Brothers in the common struggle for liberation. Too many Brothers look at the Sisters as the weaker, less committed, etc. The Sister that you look at like this may very well be the Sister that placed the bomb in the pentagon! Sisters are the most oppressed class of people on the face of the earth,

and until we understand this, we don't even have the right to ask them to struggle with us. We have to prove our dedication through understanding there is no other way. Many Brothers feel that tenderness is weakness but tenderness and love are one of the essences of life we struggle for. If we fail to understand these things we become not Soldiers in the Peoples Army, but oppressors in the eyes of the masses that we struggle to free. Let the man-pigs in Nixon's army think that we are helpless tender little brothers and sisters then when we strike he won't be ready to deal with the real Dragons!

We as revolutionary people are posing the sharpest questions of mankind itself. Therefore we must always be the sharpest arena and example of Struggle. In this understanding and these actions we become Soldiers and Leaders in the Vanguard itself.

What we as an oppressed revolutionary people are involved in now is a struggle, a battle, a war. We can make no concessions in this fight. No "on the one hand and on the other hand", no fence straddling, pulling of punches. Our

AMERICA'S TRUE HEROES

Magdalena Fata, 74, lives on the Lower East Side. She has an income of \$120 a month on social security. She pays \$57 a month rent for a beat up 3 room railroad tenement with no hot water (the pipes are all rusted) & no paint job for 7 years.

She came to this country in 1912 when she was 16 years old & worked as a seamstress for 49 years. Last year she received a Maximum Base Rent form that informed her of a rent hike of \$11. The landlord started to collect immediately.

The MBR form did not contain any information about who was exempt from rent hikes. Mrs. Fata has no radio or TV and has a hard time reading the paper, so she didn't know about a Senior Rent Exemption Law, exempting her from paying the increase if the new rent was more than 1/3 of her income. She is caught between a greedy landlord and a society with no concern for the elderly poor.

1/2 MILLION BELOW POVERTY LEVEL

Magdalena Fata is one among 1 million people in NYC who are over 65. Half of these Senior Citizens have incomes below poverty level (\$3,500 a year). One third have incomes below \$2,000, yet only 80,000 (16%) receive welfare benefits.

Pride, lack of information, long waiting lines & complicated laws of a youth oriented society keeps the rest of the 500,000 elderly people off the welfare rolls.

These people, who more than any built this country, slaved all their lives in sweatshops, garment factories, and as housewives, are now seeing themselves forgotten by a fast moving, profit hungry America run by the rich for the benefit of the rich

Most of our "Golden Age" citizens live alone in constant fear of their surroundings. Landlords demand high illegal rents and usually offer no services. Real estate speculators such as Relocation & Management Associates, Inc., try to bribe elderly tenants to leave their rent controlled apartments so big business can build skyscrapers with apartments that no working person, let alone our old poor people can afford.

We see the real heroes of America living in loneliness because they are not needed any more. The rich bosses that run this country only need the people as long as they can produce profits for the wealthy.



TWO REAL AMERICAN HEROES IN POE PARK

Our old people often discover that after 40 years on a job they end up with less than half the social security benefits they were promised. Often they find themselves fired for some half-assed reason just before they are eligible for retirement benefits or they find clauses hidden in small print in their contracts which let the bosses pay reduced benefits. So one thing is clear: after a long working life to be proud of, our old people, no longer useful for making profits, become prey for a society where profits come first and people last.

TOKEN SOLUTIONS DON'T WORK

Sure we see token solutions such as the booming nursing home industry. But as long as smart business men run these homes we can't expect any consideration for people. About one half of all elderly people die within a year after they begin their nursing home stay. They die from malnutrition, indifferent and brutal treatment and total disregard of their needs. Even in non-profit homes with decent facilities old people still find themselves isolated from society: a society they spent their best years building.

Another solution is the recent law allowing a rise in social security benefits. Here again we see how the lawmakers are out of touch with the people. With a rise in social security most people eligible for welfare, medicare and foodstamps will lose these extra benefits, which means they will be much worse off than before. Some elderly people who are sick & need constant care and medicine

cannot afford it without medic-aid, and with a healthcare system that exists to make fat doctors fatter they face a grim future.

A natural place for old people to look for company and stimulation would be in their own families. But the "generation gap" induced by this youth oriented and profit hungry society, together with too expensive and too small apartments, move families to abandon their old people.

CONDITIONS MUST CHANGE

By looking superficially at the problems our elderly people are facing, it would be easy to consider it their problem, just as we could consider addicts & prisoners as having their own separate problems. But when we look deeper it becomes clear that people don't have problems because of individual reasons, but because of the way we solve problems, and the methods we use are closely connected with the way we run our lives, the way we run society, which in the end takes us to the capitalist system in this country, where profits and property come first and people last.

So when we are going to change attitudes and conditions facing old people, or any other group of people, we must change the system that causes those conditions. Therefore we must get together all working and poor people - young and old - and by sharing our experiences we will see that we all face similar problems and thus start to solve them together. That way we can build a force no rich boss can stop and finally create a new world where people are concerned with people.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE

WHO BUILT THIS COUNTRY!



Why I Became A Revolutionary

I became a revolutionary because my father spent all his life working and drinking & brings home \$70 a week to support 5 people; my brother working and shooting dope; my sister living in her room afraid to face the world; my mother spending her life as a housewife living only for her children in a 5 room apartment in a run-down building. I've seen my family battle day and night, especially my brothers who fight because they are men and men must fight. I've watched my sister have a nervous breakdown because she had to work til late at night and was constantly harrassed by men in the subway and various other reasons. My little brother has brain damage and can't live at home because no one has the patience to take care of him so he lives in Manhattan State Hospital 5 days a week. I've lived in a neighborhood where I was constantly harrassed by white kids because the only friend I had was a black sister who was the superintendent across the street.

I denied the fact that I was white since the only friends I had were black. The thing we all had in common was our oppression in this racist society.

I was left back in the 4th grade which was humiliating. We were all in the auditorium and the teacher was calling our names and our new classes. I was the only one left back that year and was shamed by all my classmates. It was very hard for me in school after that so I started staying out alot.



When I graduated to the 7th grade I stopped going completely and hung out every day. By the 8th grade my brother's doctor found out about it and told my mother to force me to go. She tried to but I refused and and she got very upset and fell on the floor. I felt real guilty for that. At this point, I had developed so many fears besides school that I was put into the Psychiatric Institute where I was locked up for 2 weeks and put under heavy sedation. After I stopped carrying on about wanting to leave the hospital, they let me out on the ward where I was soon able to get privileges to go outside. It took 6 months to prove myself capable of handling the streets after living in them all my life. They shoved some bullshit down our throats about the hospital being "a community" when in the community meetings the patients would be asleep on barbiturates (downs) and the doctors would always get their way.

After a year and a half of being told that I was sick and that the middle-class doctor was going to save me, I decided I wanted out. How can middle class white men be of any relevance to black, Puerto Rican, and poor & working class whites? I became sick with bronchitis and was given medication which speeded up my system so I could breath. I got

hip to speeding because I suddenly was going to school and doing all my work and feeling real good. My school work was improving and my doctor told me I was getting better and to keep up the good work. So I started popping pills (ups) and snorting cocaine to keep me going. Before I knew it I was released from the hospital. I even got a job for the summer.

When I left the hospital I lost all contact and I crashed

from speed (and crashing is hellifying). I decided right then and there that I wasn't taking pills for the rest of my life. This oppressive society forces you to get high, but I was going to have a purpose in life besides speeding for this capitalist system which will only bring me to my death. Soon after I was introduced to a friend of White Lightning who told me about the organization. They showed me that being oppressed and white was very common and we starting talking about the reasons why. I've been a friend of the organization and a revolutionary ever since and as soon as I get settled I will be an organizational member.

Struggle First
Freedom at Last
Jo-ann



SISTERS IN THE STRUGGLE

In this society we are never told of the great labor history of common working people standing up for their rights, especially women in the labor movement. We are only told about the rockefellers, people who supposedly made a fortune on their own. But if we think about it, we know that they made their money off the sweat of our grandfathers and grandmothers, our mothers & fathers and they still are doing it today.

Elizabeth Flynn was called "The Joan of Arc of labor." This was because she spent her life fighting for worker's rights. She was an Irishwoman, a native of New Hampshire. Her career as a radical started in a New York high school where she organized a group of her classmates who believed that poor people should have a say in the way their lives were run instead of rich businessmen controlling their destinies. When still in her teens she scabboped on the street corners in N.Y. and elsewhere advocating worker's rights.

In 1909 she joined the I.W.W. (Industrial Workers of the World, also referred to as the Wobblies), a union which organized all workers regardless of skill, sex or race into industrial unions.

The preamble to their constitution is:

"...the working class & the employing class have nothing in common. There can be no peace as long as hunger & want are found among millions of working people & the few, who make up the employing class, have all the good things in life.

Between these two classes a struggle must go on until all the toilers come together on the political as well as the industrial field..."

Later in 1909, Elizabeth was imprisoned in Spokane, Washington with 500 other Wobblies. They remained in jail until the citizens cried out against it and had them freed.

In 1912, in Lawrence, Mass. 23,00 textile workers went out on strike when their \$6.00 a week average wage was lowered even more, as a result of their work week being reduced by law from 56 hours a week to 54. Those affected by this law were mostly women and children working in the textile mills. The employers had already speeded up their work as a result of the reduced hours. The cut in pay as well was too much for the workers to take so they decided to strike.

The National Guard was on the scene immediately & so was Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, now 21 years old and organizer of the I.W.W..

Elizabeth Flynn, one of the 1st American women to lead mass strikes, became the symbol of Lawrence. That winter she worked day and night and seldom slept, speaking & sitting with the strike committee, visiting prisoners in jail, organizing their defence & endlessly raising money. But Elizabeth's main task was getting food, for hunger was the biggest enemy of the strikers.

Efforts were made to send the hungry children to worker's homes in other cities for the duration of the strike. These groups of starving children leaving Lawrence en masse made a deep impression on the world.

On March 14, the textile manufacturers surrendered to the strikers, most of them women & children. They returned victorious, showing it was pos-

sible for unskilled & unorganized workers to carry on a successful struggle against their bosses.



Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn spent the rest of her life speaking and organizing workers.

In Feb., 1953, the McCarthy Era, the time of the Communist witch hunts, Elizabeth was 62 years old. She was sentenced to 3 years in a penitentiary for the alleged violation of the thought-control Smith Act. But even this did not stop her from carrying on her revolutionary struggle.

Workers today are still being cheated out of their rights, and the only way to get them is for people to organize at their work place and demand them. When people get together and work for a common goal they become strong. This is a lesson we can learn from the past.

The people make this country run-- it's about time for the people to run this country!

Workplaces Belong To Those Who Work Them!



N.Y. sweatshop, 1888



FIGHT BACK!

When work began on an 8 million dollar school construction site on Tinton Avenue in the South Bronx, none of the thousands of qualified Black and Puerto Rican construction workers in that community were hired on the job. Fight Back, an organization of Black and Puerto Rican construction workers, demanded half of the jobs on the project. Fight Back is dealing with the crippling rate of unemployment in their community, where more than half the young adults can not find jobs. Community members joined with the Fight Back workers on the job site early in the morning. If the new school does not bring jobs, then what real advantage is the education it provides? "If we don't work, they don't work" is the Fight Back platform.

BUILDING THE PEOPLE'S STRENGTH

Fight Back is building up the strength of the people. Everyone in the organization in the Bronx works on a construction job. After hours, the members teach & screen brothers in the community so they can qualify for decent jobs in construction work. After a member is hired, Fight Back investigates the job to make sure all the safety precautions are taken care of. All persons employed through Fight Back join the regular trade unions and receive standard union "book" privileges of job security. When unions are on strike, Fight Back stays off the job in support. However, Fight Back does not rely on the two faced union leadership. Very often Black & Puerto Rican workers are harassed and suspended for phoney reasons that hide the racist interests of the union bosses & contractors. Therefore Fight Back makes the bosses agree that no Fight Back worker can be fired without the approval of their own leadership.

87 JOBS

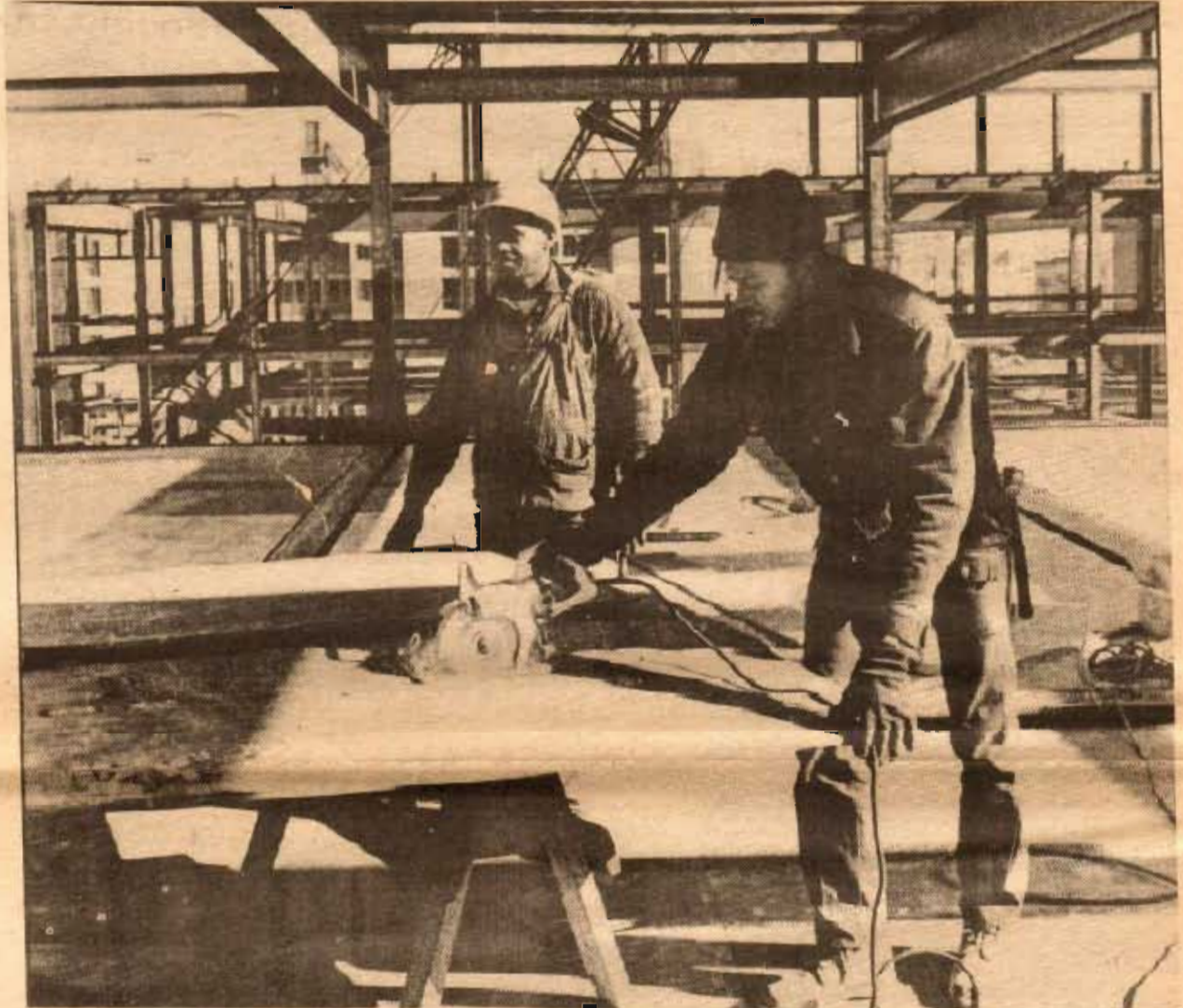
Fight Back is building strength in their community. They have made a Third World People's Park, held many block parties, given out free lunches started a day time child care program, helped make peace with local youth gangs and have joined the fight against drug addiction. Fight Back accepts trainees from the Lincoln Detox people's drug program (10 have been hired in 4 months) and from prisons.

Altogether, because of the strong unity of the people in the community and because of their technical reliability in training workers, Fight Back

has created 87 permanent jobs in the first 4 months of work in the Bronx. Fight Back organizations exist in other cities as well.

RACISM SERVES THE BOSSES

The construction industry is booming in New York. \$2,600,000,000 per year is spent in the city alone. There are 100,000 construction jobs here. The department of labor estimates that 30,000 new workers will be able to find steady work over the next 10 years.



Incredibly in the midst of this boom, the rate of Black and Puerto Rican employment in construction has fallen from 7.4% to 6.8%. The more skilled, more secure, and higher paying jobs, such as plumbing and sheet metal work, are almost totally closed to non-white workers.

Our taxes pay almost half of all the construction bills (one billion per year in N.Y.).

Schools, public housing, hospitals, and pollution control projects are good examples of new building here. Too often, however, our taxes go for senseless projects such as the wasteful Mall in Albany. Rich bankers and politicians have tried to keep all of these booming profits in their own hands. To achieve this goal, Rockefeller and his cronies have made sweetheart deals with Peter Brennan, president of the AFL-CIO Building Trades Council of New York City, and other labor bosses. It is cheaper to pay off the labor bosses than to give the workers and the potential workers (like those in the South Bronx) the

deserved benefits of their work. In exchange for the juicy, top-heavy contracts, Brennan got Rockefeller, Lindsay, and other politicians to sabotage all laws about union racism, union democracy, etc. Liberal integration plans (like the Joint Apprenticeship Plan and the New York Plan), human rights commission findings, state supreme court decisions, federal laws, and the Constitution itself have all been sent to the scrap heap.

Racism has always served the bosses. A wage schedule for the construction of the

Croton Reservoir in 1895 listed daily pay as follows: "Common labor, white \$1.30 to \$1.50; common labor, colored \$1.25 to \$1.40; and common labor, Italian \$1.15 to \$1.25." Racism divides workers. It makes construction workers fight against each other for phoney advantages. Being split apart, these workers can never force the bosses to give them a fair share of the wealth they create for fear of being replaced by another racial sub-group of workers.

Real job security, an end to part-time wages, and safety on the job will never be guaranteed to any workers until they take control of their jobs from the bosses. To do this workers must unite and break down racial barriers in their common struggle. Many white workers understand this reality and have come over to the Fight Back storefront (1147 Tinton Ave.--phone 991-9708) to help the struggle.

Workplaces Belong to Those Who Work Them

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

The following is a basic outline of your legal rights. In reality we have no rights that the police respect. The important thing to remember is to be cool and don't act smart. If you question their authority it will only give them an extra reason to bust you. Be aware of what goes on around you when someone is being busted. Try and get witnesses, and badge numbers of arresting cops. Sometimes different police will show up at court and knowledge of this switch may get the case dismissed.

1. Carry some identification on you at all times. You may be stopped at any time and brought down to the police station until you can prove who you are.
2. You may be stopped on the street if the police feel you look suspicious. You do not have to answer any questions. However you must produce identification.
3. If you are arrested, remain silent. You are only required by law to give your name and address. In New York you must sign a fingerprint card before you can be released, so sign.
4. If a police officer is not in uniform, ask him to identify himself. He has no authority until he identifies himself.
5. Police have the right to stop your car and ask for your license and registration. Get out of the car and close the door. This will deter them from looking inside the car. It is illegal for them to search your car without probable cause.
6. Police have no right to enter your home unless they have a search warrant or arrest warrant.
7. You may not resist arrest forcibly or by going limp. To resist arrest is a crime in itself. Even if you are acquitted you can do time for resisting arrest.
8. Once you are arrested you have the right to have a lawyer present and the right to a phone call. If these rights are denied--and they probably will be--keep requesting them. Remain silent otherwise.

White Lightning has been published for over one year now, in order to bring our ideas and alternatives to the people. Until the 4th issue of our paper, we distributed it free of charge. We mail hundreds of papers into various institutions that control people such as prisons, methadone maintenance clinics, etc.

For our sisters and brothers who cannot afford the price of the paper, we will make sure that they will always get it free. We are asking people to subscribe to our newspaper and, if they can afford it, to pledge us up to \$20.00

We have an urgent need for office supplies and stationery of every description. If any of our brothers and sisters could help us out in this area it would be greatly appreciated.

As oppressed people we have to depend on each other to support ourselves.

Your subscription or pledge is a part of supporting our newspaper and the revolutionary aims of White Lightning.

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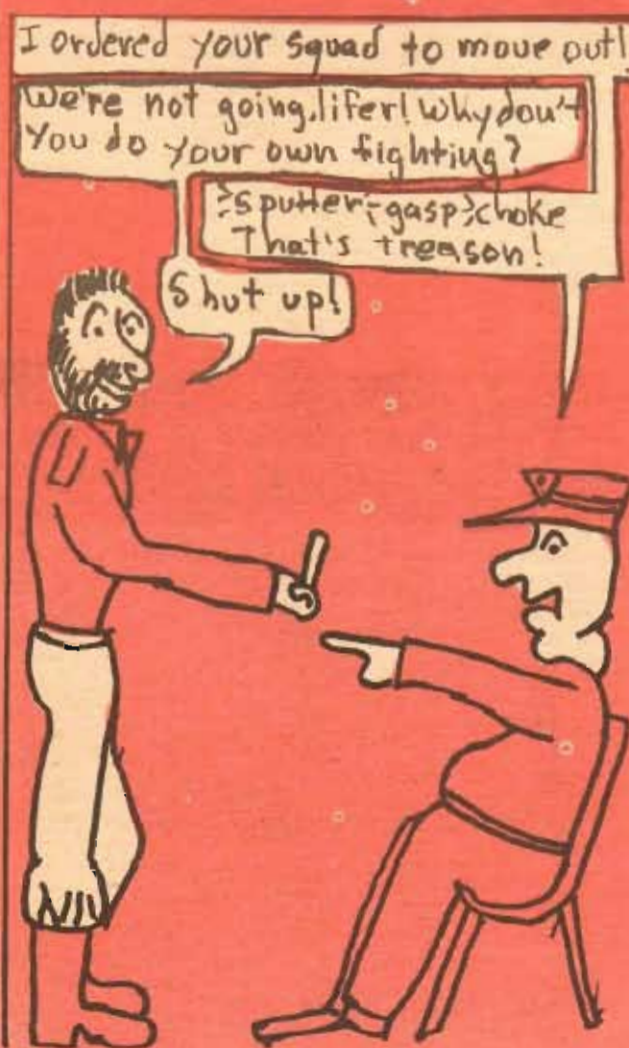
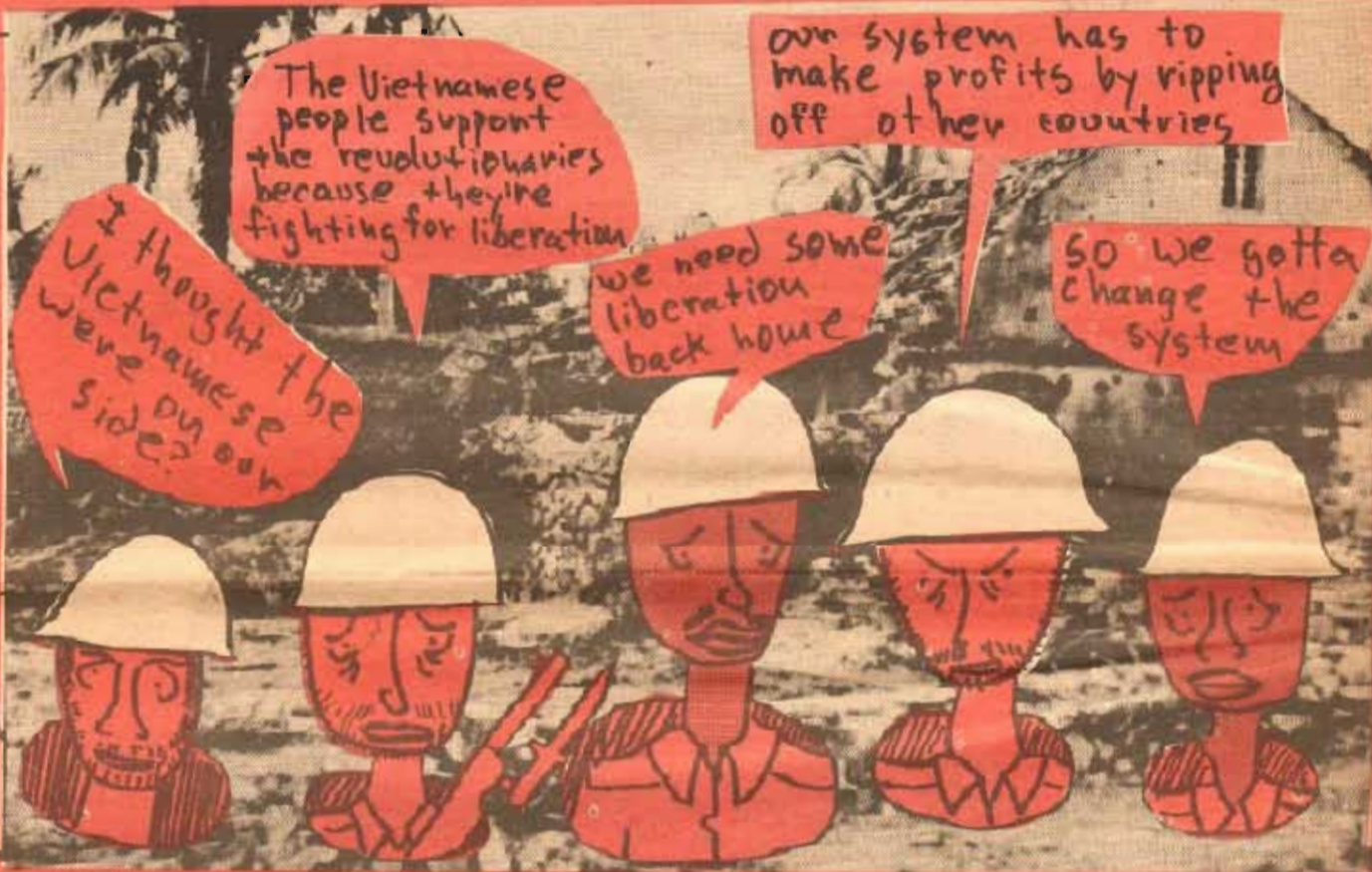
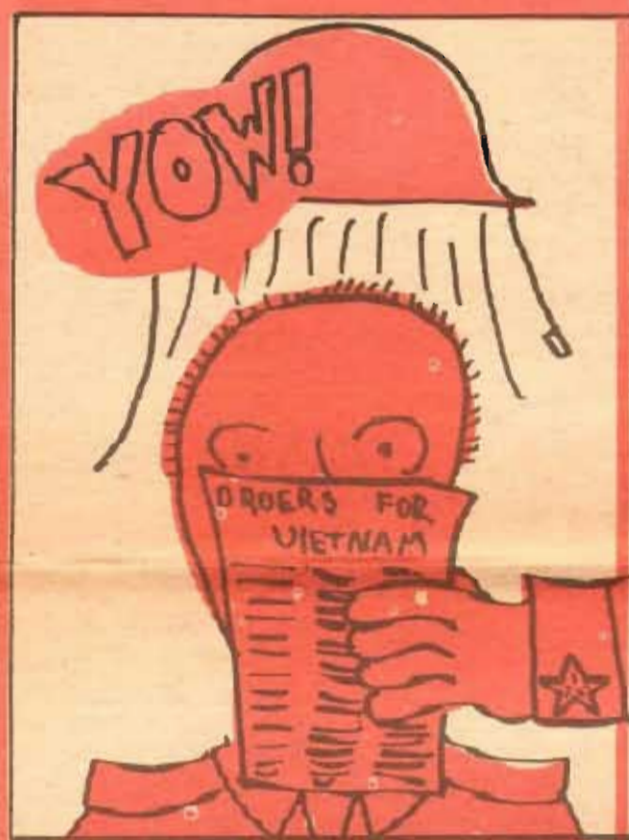
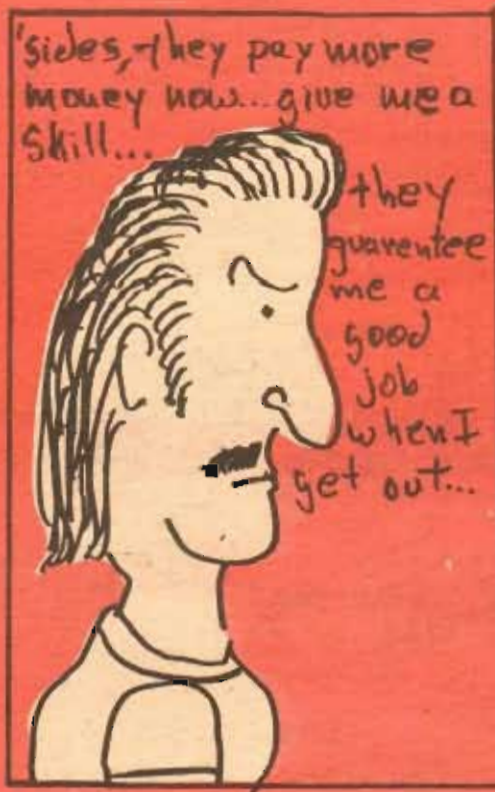
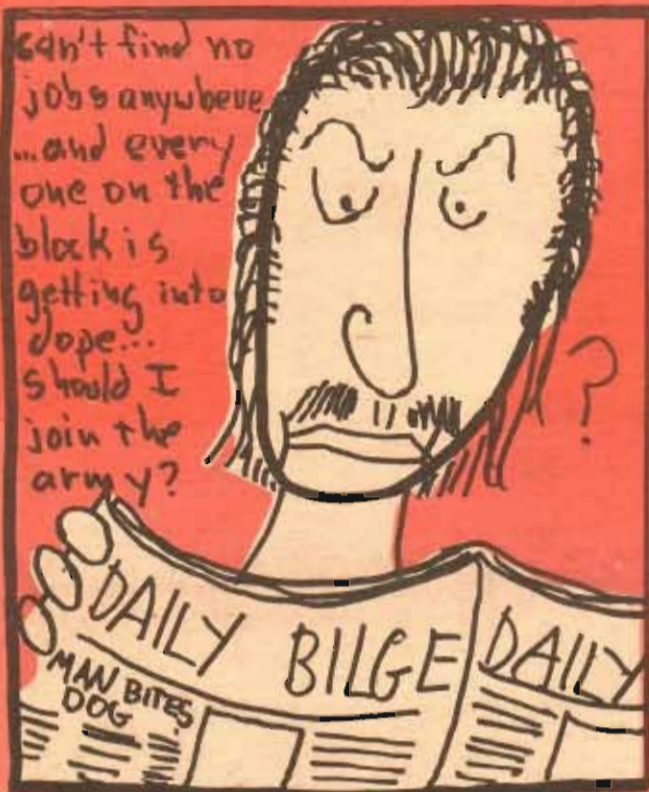
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