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D.R.U.M. 1968

For to long Chrysler management has been a part of a movement to keep Black people, in their place. It has been a fact that a Black man who has gut's to say what he feels is right, or act according. The management immediately place's him on this list of Niggers to be watched. Ray Johnson has been one of the Black men, management has picked on. He has been fired because he carried out his manly duties, of going to attend his ill wife. After management refused his rights to answer a sick call from her. He has been sent home after lunch for leaving safety glasses in lunch area. Now this Black brother has been given 5 days off for missing a day. The next day smiley Eddy his foreman, seems to think all he needs to do is stick his hand out and look ignorant. This stupid gesture means "give me that excuse boy or I'll fix you." After Wells refuse to let this man see labor relation man Ring, Did see him. After Wells waiting all day, after working hours were over Ring even, after seeing a proper excuse would rather say the brother broke a rule, which he has yet to prove, or tell him it after the fact. Well the fact is that Wells Eddie and Ring have only been passing the buck. It seems that they only are interested in giving time off. It doesn't make any different if a Black man is right or not All Racist White management is interested in doing, is exploiting Black Workers. White management will soon find out they no longer will deal with Black Niggers but a Black and Proud Man.

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THE HARDER THEY FALL

On Nov. 11, 1968 Cannonball Silepski attempted another one of his Racist attacks on our Black Brothers again. Using his same arrogant approach he charged a Bro. passing out Drums newspaper. To his fat surprise he was counted with a young bro/ that verbally ripped this pig to no-end.

Cannonball, using tactics that made Sen. Bilbo afraid, charged the Bro. shouting "give me one of those Drum's" The Bro. replied, "Who are you? "I'm Cannonball" the pig oinked. "So" the pig went on to squell "You people are not going to come in to this Union and take over." "I've fought to hard to make it what it is to let you people take over." At this time the Whities in the area had gathered. But to their surprise they were not dealing with the old foot shuffling Brothers but instead they found a young militant that ripped into the Fat Pig like a butcher. First, establishing the fact that this brave pig led the charge at the local during the election. Also, that it was a shame that our local being/70% Black was still ran by the likes of him. And further that the day has come when Black Folks are getting together to claim their true equity in the Local and the U.A.W. With an embarrassing responds from such a young militant the fat pig tucked his tail and proceeded to the nearest mud puddle to sun.

While you're sunning Pig, DRUM would like to confirm the young Brothers conversation and add that your time is limited and the harder you fight the harder you FALL!

JOIN DRUM.

STEWARD FIGHTS WOMAN AT HUBER AVE. FOUNDRY.

On Wednesday of Oct. 30th at 5:30 in the morning the first shift was starting to work. The day steward B. Goins and his girlfriend Sister Mabel Zilgler got into a fight because he was trying to talk to another sister on the line and both of these sisters are friends. This negro/so call/pious pimp/ sponger of Black workers time and money is known for the disrespect he shows our women by cursing and using degrading words. Also even to kiss his mundane ass. Just keep this attitude bro" Goins so that the black men can show you how they're going to kiss your profane ass.

For this fighting he was given (2) two days off while sister Zilgler was given (5) five days off. If this had been anyone// else they would have been dismissed. Being a steward is a responsible job but no more responsible than the jobs of the working men and women at this 20th century slave plant (plantation). He should be trying to set an example for the workers. If he can do this and get away with nothing but a hand slapping then why can't all the workers do the same and just get a hand slapping too. Better yet why don't all the workers just go on and get down with all the jive foreman's/tom steward's/the white racist management of Chrysler Corporation and the tyrannical unrepresentative U.A.W., then they can dismiss us all for fighting in the plant...back on Goins case/he also gives cabarets to pay for his green on green Cadillac by mixing private business with plant business. He should keep his private business out of the plant.

What action did labor relations take? Especially after a petition was signed by the workers to relieve him from his duties. What did the Local union have to say when it was taken down? Our main Tom Vice-pres. Charlie Brooks called Goins and read off every name on that petition and said that the union wasn't going to do anything about it and if that was the case that the workers would be petitioning every time they didn't like a steward to get rid of their man. And the union won't have it. Besides he was doing what every man does in the plant/going with other women. con't on next page.

This is just an example of the attitude that the so call voice of the union that is suppose to represent the workers. They represent a small clique and grant favors to those who do their bidding. If we are to have a true democratic union we must come together as Black workers and organize ourselves responsible to the working men and women who contribute their hard earn money to pay their salaries to represent them and if they refuse to do the job then they can just kiss that easy money good-by because we the Black Workers/the super-exploited and oppressed people of the world/dedicated ourselves to end racism. For the fight to end racism join DRUM.....Support DRUM.....THE WORKERS WEAPON AGAINST RACISM AND EXPLCITATION....

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DARE TO FIGHT

DARE TO WIN

FIGHT FAIL FIGHT AGAIN FAIL AGAIN

FIGHT ON TO VICTORY

LONG LIVE BLACK PEOPLE IN THIS RACIST LAND.

DEATH TO THEIR ENEMIES ----- LONG LIVE

THE HEROIC BLACK WORKERS ---- STRUGGLE...

LONG LIVE DRUM

.....BLACK.....WORKERS.....RALLY.....AND.....RAFFLE

SUNDAY

6:00 P.M.

1101 E. GRAND BLVD. AT GRATIOT

JOIN D. R. U. M.

when the smoke is cleared,
back again talking Black.
all of you TOM'S TREMBLER'S,
SNITCHER'S had better tighten up
because, it's going to all hang
out in a minute so don't be caught
with your pants down (if you
know what I mean):

DRUM II IS HERE TO STAY!!!!!!!
WE WILL WIN!!!!!

The DRUM Road

More and more Black workers are finding it necessary to take the D.R.U.M. road. That is the road of Black independent revolutionary action in addressing the terrible conditions that they labor under on their respective jobs. Since D.R.U.M. has been in existence, Black workers from all over the state have come to us with their stories of murderous conditions in the plants and seeking our help in launching D.R.U.M. type organizations where they work. This situation has developed because Black workers realize that only through this kind of movement can relief be obtained from the oppressive conditions that take such a heavy toll. The Brothers are reporting that at Ford's conditions are so bad that the Boms are holding prayer meetings on the Assembly lines. At the Pontiac plants Brothers are being forced to fight back because the work is so hard and the conditions are so bad. Of course, it is not only in the conditions at the G.M. plants are monstrously

... D.R.U.M. OUR DRIVERS
have contacted us for assistance in helping them do something about their plight. And this is going on all over the country as more and more Black workers are finding themselves in intolerable situations. The only thing needed is a program that can unify all these workers and channel this rage into a confrontation on a massive scale with the beastly super-exploiters responsible for our plight. D.R.U.M. has such a program. Our program evolved out of the experience that we gained working along this line. It recognizes and identifies racism as the common-denominator that will unite all Black workers, but it also goes further and identifies our enemies, as the racist owners and operators of the means of production in this country, and the no one tool of management, the racist union bureaucracy as well as the complacent white worker himself.

Our struggle, because of the gigantic might of the enemy has been slow in developing, but at this point it is accelerating rapidly because of the push for super profits and the increased consciousness of the Black workers. The Brothers know that something must be done and it's only a matter of time before they realize that the D.R.U.M. road is the only road.

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RACISM IN DODGE TRUCK

Brother Dan Baker was consternated the other day by the Klansmen Carl (the supersonic honky) Davis, Joe, Hopping Nick, flaky Eddie and God knows how many other honkys. All converging on ONE, not four or five but one Black man, You know, like the lynch mobs of the South. The Brother was offed so swift he didn't realize what was happening until the honky requested his badge. The whole incident was a frame-up. Management knew this and so does the union and Labor relations, but the power structure had to flex it's muscles, knowing election time is nearing so the less Black votes, the better. The chances they have of placing the same old s...less union officials back in Racist Pollack and bull-shitting TOMS, (callow UNCLE Harvey), BoB you and a better

chance of winning office if you pull away from the rat pack. We know you remember the old saying: "When you lay down with dogs, you get up with fleas".

There's a certain chief steward in the trim shop who stays so drunk he cannot be found to defend anyone. Where was he when that sissy Foreman named Stoner (you know like the Racist's weapon against the BLACK REVOLUTION) fired Brother John Ireland on trumped up charges of insubordination. He should have claimed he's firing him for being Black, everyone knows Stoner doesn't dig Blacks. We were led to believe that a man couldn't get discharged without union representation (although it would not have made any difference whether they were there



any, but it would have been more formal) everyone around the gas tank's area knows this Brother is innocent. Mr. Stoner has put so much fear in the Brother's that no one dare's to speak up in his defense, and those honky's in his area say's another nigger gone.'

As for you Brother's in the Metal shop how much longer are you going to tolerate this that SUPPER NIGGER TOM CUNNINGHAM (Hambone)? He forgot that he use to be Black before the honky's patted him on his ass and threw a white shirt on his ass. He said, "He better not catch anyone passing out this paper." You just don't know Hambone, you really better not catch anyone passing out this paper, because you really will catch something, like all the other Tom's are. That is not a threat, that is a promise. Death to the counter-revolutionary Tom's. Either help your Brothers organize or get the Fuck out of the way, move over or we'll move you over.'

The Brother's in compat bldg are all crying. We wonder if it's because buckdancing jeffing Charles Harrel is leaving for a better Tomism job, or because they are worrying about who's going to replace him. The Tom, or the racist honky? The other Brothers don't stand a chance, because Dodge Truck does not like Black men, because they have the capacity of thinking.' and a thinking Black man is very dangerous to the company because it might spread and baby

look out, so they would prefer a knee-grow. Oh yea, Jeff on your way out stop by the main bldg. we'll have some more Toms to go with you. We're getting the names together for you watch this paper everyone will know who's who in the Tom pack. hey fellow's how in the Hell did you allow that meally mouth so called chief steward Mack the Pollack get elected? We're sure you're not going to let this happen again, keep your eye's open and select your own candidate's, this bullshit about "my hands are tied" when it comes to defending Black workers has got to come to a dead halt.

Local 140 is over due for changes, the local is infiltrated with racist, nigger hating Pollock's clown's, puppet's, and feet shuffling Tom's, Plus the best rent a Nigger service in town. The rented Nigger is the Tom's who come to the aid of the company of local when the Field Nigger's start raising hell and the spineless Honky's put their tail's between their leg's and take flight, so the Honky calls on the House Niggers to sooth the brothers down, when he's soothed down the Honky slide's back in and off's the brother, so brothers if this is the type of unionism you want just keep sitting on your ass.

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Garbage Vendors

Why Gladeux does not have any brothers employed with them? We all know the answer, although the brothers have been spending plenty money with these Racist they still do not recognize us as employable. They don't even have a boy to do their menial work. Also check out those vending machines, that are concentrated in the areas where the Black workers are in the majority. Someone should report them to the Board of Health, we bet they would be Quarantined. If all the vending machines were boycotted then we'll see some action. Why does the company allow this condition to prevail, seeing they are constantly hollering about their policies of fairness, (DOWN WITH HIPOCRACY)

WE
WILL
WIN

Brothers and Sisters we must bring to your attention the up coming Election in May, everyones been bitching about our present local regime. So now's the time to act, put up or shut up, there will be some Black candidates running for office we're going to need support.

Study your men not boys, and above all vote. There will be many excuses to why you can't wait in line to vote, you got somewhere to go something to do or some other bullshit. When

the Honky Foremen or the Honky cheif steward or TOM steward tells you that he can't help you until next year sometime, or that HIS hand's are tied, then you will not be in such a hurry to go anywhere, matter of fact you will not have any place to go but the unemployment office or the welfare office, then you will have to wait in line. (CAN YOU DIG IT BROTHER?)

Everyone keep an eye on FRANK (The PUNK PULA and the Dynamic duo AL(the Alky) and JOHN the PiG, Oh yea JOE P. we're digging you, do you still miss JIMMY WILLIAMS?

Beware of UNCLE TOMS they are very dangerous to the advancement of Black workers that's why we're catching so much HELL they'll sell out their mama's you know what they will do to, you, all for a pat on the ass or wherever you pat them. Oh yea fellows thanks for the lip service Friday 3-21-69 everyone saw just who the TOMS are, they thought they were hidding but Baby you All I mean All were dug. even the tremblers were dug. The trembler is the next step under a TOM, he don't have no spine he's always rapping BLACK but when it's time to act he's somewhere trembling or up in the toilet cleaningg out his pants, he's to scared to snitch and to scared to be seen, scared to talk,

POETICS

BY Bobby Jean Cummings.

YOU ARE MY JESUS. Yes, you, by defining and assigning my place in the world scheme, created me, shaped me, I am your product, your waste product, your feces, you Frankenstein monster.

Yes Lord.

You brought me to America in chains. I built your America I built bridges and railroads; I COMPOSED POEMS: I sang lamentations I nursed your children at my breasts. All this I gave free of charge it was all yours for the asking. Yes. Lord.

You warned me to strive for the best, to be you. You said that white is the standard, the universal; black, the particular. According to you the particular has no meaning, no significance, no existence of its own it is an imperfect copy of the real, the universal. You told me that the universal is white skin, straight hair, thin lips, sharp nose. Yes Lord.

oh, how I believed you. I tried so hard to be white, to be like you. But you turned your back on me you would not allow me to be one of the chosen ones, one of the gods, a part of the universal. I sucked in my big lips,

but you looked at me and said Poor nigger. I bleached my skin, but you laughed and remind me that I was still a nigger underneath it all. I went to the university to be educated and graduated but you said that this was not enough for a nigger, I learned to keep one hand in my lap while at the dinner table, to dab gently at the food on my mouth with the napkin, but again I was only a nigger to you. I even tried to move next door to you, master, but you sent me back to the nigger jungle. I begged you for a job, but you said there was no place for a dumb nigger in your firm. Yes, Lord.

See I revered you, loved you. I tried to immerse myself in your being. I attempted to merge with the godhead, with you. In the process, I, relinquishing my consciousness, became a program machine, a non-thinking being.

Well, now I have no need for gods; I don't need you because I have discovered myself, my potential. I can become anything that I wish I can attain the greatest heights or sink to the lowest depths the choice is mine. See, I am not a nigger: you think I am.. Black

is not inferior you think it is. Listen, I have discovered my inner self, my being. I have destroyed your creation I have created a new being. I will not allow you to use me as a means to define yourself, to establish your existence. The yardstick which you created to measure your worth, your accomplishments is no more; it was, not is. I don't want to be you. Anyway, I existed before you came to Africa.

You know what Your whole existence is in danger of being annihilated. I am a giant shadow, a shadow lurking in the background and threatening your whole existence: you institutions, your buildings your machines, your society, your civilization, your identity. Sooner or later you will die, for you will ask: 'If I am not the universal, the center of the universe, the standard of all things, who am I?' You will not know the answer; you cannot use me now to define your existence, your identity. As your identity gradually sinks into oblivion, you will be thrust into nothingness. Be assured that I don't know who you are: I only know that I am, that I exist



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UNCLE TOMS

Introduction to Hamtramck's leading Uncle Tom

Easy Ed Benford, who is labor relations supervisor for department 3352, 3353, 9130 Maintenance and skilled trades, is the major shock trooper for the white racist management at Hamtramck Assembly Plant. Mr. Benford is used on a plant wide basis even though he is assigned to specific departments, in an attempt to nullify the racist issue when any black workers are discharged. After discharging black brothers all day long in the plant, in other words, serving as chief butcher for the white racists in control at Hamtramck, he then attempts to pacify out by attending rallies held by indigenous black people in the community. It is a known fact that black workers at the plant need dignified leadership on a management level, but if the company feels that it can pacify the black workers and at the same time hide their racism by hiring the likes of diploma swinging Uncle Tom Benford, they have another thought coming. Mr. Benford is

on management payroll, labor relations, and his job is to roam all over the plant with his natural hair attempting to gain the confidence of black workers in order to stab them in the back in the future. What our black brothers do not realize is that everything that a brother says to Benford is used against them and other brothers. Drum says that Benford has been found guilty of tomism and treason to his black brothers. And through D.R.U.M. we will continue to expose the Benford's at this plant. How can we prevent other black workers from turning into Benfords themselves. Through black unity. Through black unity we can assure that the white power structure at this corporation can never turn another

blackman against his black brother the way they have done with mr. Bedford. Read D.R.U.M. Drum is the voice of Black Unity among black workers

TOMS AT HUBER

Everyone knows that on April 4, 1968, Brother Martin Luther King was assassinated. But only a few people know that on the midnight shift at Chrysler's Huber Foundry there was a strike in protest against Brother King's murder. This strike was organized and carried out by the workers, with the help of, and in opposition to, the U.A.W.'s chief steward on that shift, Mr. Lawrence

If ever there was an example of

PRESSURE

on May 2, 1968 there was a walk out which we all know about. But more important than that, on May 8, Highland Park Corp. headquarters confronted the management at Hamtramck Assembly Plant. Undisclosed informers reveal that if the build-out dead line which is July 19 is not met, that some drastic changes will be made on a supervisory level at Hamtramck Assembly. Hamtramck Assembly being the racist, bigoted capitalist giant that it is, figured that with only 47 days to build-out date, and that it takes 60 days to get a strike deadline, they would take direct action. Massive discharges, racism in hiring, in job placement, and discrimination and random harassment of so called trouble makers. The results of these actions have turned Hamtramck Assembly Plant into a racist, nazi plantation site. Black brothers and sisters we must realize that one more wildcat strike will rid us of all these immediate oppressors. The time to unite is now. It is time to stand up and be counted.

the Uncle Toms that we have been electing to represent us, Lawyer is it. On that night when the deal came down, Lawyer showed his true color, a yellowish white. When the brothers and sisters wanted to show Chrysler Corporation that we would not sit by and let our beautiful brother be shot down without saying or doing a thing, Mr. Lawyer was doing all he could to help Chrysler Corporation build cars. Before, we started agitating for a strike, Lawyer was asked if he could arrange for the company to shut down for one-half hour so that we could somehow pay our respect and show our love for our slain brother. The mighty Lawyer told us that such a thing would be impossible to do. He didn't ask management at all, he just said it would be impossible to do it. When the brothers got indignant behind this action, Lawyer gave us a lecture on the merits of non-violence which really meant non-action. We were just supposed to shed a couple of tears, and keep on making cars for Chrysler, like good little niggers.

The brothers didn't go for that and it was decided that as soon as our paychecks were handed out, the line would be shut-off and we would leave. Sure to plan, when the last paycheck was passed out, the line was shut down. But true to form, only two brothers put their actions where their mouths were. Even though the foremen had the word from upstairs that if we wanted to leave, let us go, Lawyer was raving about how we should stay in the plant. He said such things as if you don't want to work, you should've stayed home. He even went so far as to say that he company would fire anyone who left, which was an out and out lie. It was clear to everybody what was really going down, the company was laying back and letting our union steward do its job, which was simply to keep us working. But in spite of Lawyers help, the strike went off. But,

Mr. Lawyer was not finished. After the strike was over and the curfew was lifted so that the mid-night shift could return to work for Walter P. Mr. Lawyer tried to bust a sister (name withheld) who was one of the main people involved in making the brothers and sisters act like Blackmen and Blackwomen. Can you dig this. Our union steward tried to write a grievance on a sister (a union member) for not being a Tomette. He was going to charge this sister with inciting a wildcat strike. It is pleasant to note that Mr. Lawyer was convinced to drop that grievance. However, we can't drop the matter of Lawyer and all the rest of the Tom's who run around pretending to be our representatives. It is about time we get ourselves together and get rid of Uncle Toms like Lawyer. Anytime, a black Union Steward is more concerned about getting Whitey to smile at him than helping his brothers and sisters (unionwise and racewise) he's got to go. Anytime, a black Union Steward is so ready to bust a sister for doing what was right he has got to go. Anytime, a Black Union Steward walks hand-in-hand with a white superintendent while his brothers and sisters have to stand alone and face the company, damnit, he has got to go right now.

But don't be fooled, Lawyer ain't the only one at Huber .. there are more. They sneak around and hide when brothers are about to be fired. They sit on their hands and mumble to themselves while the man runs all kinds of wierd games on us. And, them, they come over, around election time, with a bottle in one hand and a copy of Malcolm in the other (if they can read or think that you dig Malcolm) and tell you what a good job they are going to do for you after they're elected. It's about time we tell Lawyer and the rest of them, if you Tom just once, you have got to go. No more Lawyers, no more Toms.

Editorial Page

SEPARATING MEN FROM BOYS

When the first edition of DRUM was issued, hundreds of black workers witnessed for the first time in their life, and also for the first time in auto making history the first definite step toward a black revolution within a plant.

Have You Ever

Wondered Why

Have You Ever Wondered Why

1. 95% of all foremen in the plants are white
2. 99% of all General foremen are white
3. 100% of all Plant superintendents are white.
4. 100% of all skilled tradesmen are white.
5. 90% of all apprentices are white
6. That systematically all of the easier jobs in the plant are held by whites
7. When ever whites are on harder jobs they have helpers.
8. When black workers miss a day from work they are required to bring 2 doctors excuses as to why they missed work.
9. That seniority is also a racist concept, since black workers were systematically denied employment for years at this plant.

however, due to the importance of our mission and the nature of our methods, we would like to warn the few brothers who for personal, or selfish, or just plain ignorant reasons, chose not to engage in this fight for dignity. Do nothing to abort or impede our inevitable victory. This warning applies to the Sarahs and the Toms, the blue collar and the white. The Brookes, the Benfords, the Sheltons and the Newkirk's and also to the mentally ill homosexual Sally Brown is grooming for her Judas. But to the hundreds of brothers who have chose to fight rather than crawl, we say, let us proceed with caution.

Drum Program

Drum is an organization of oppressed and exploited black workers. It realizes that black workers are the victims of inhumane slavery at the expense of white racist plant managers. It also realizes that black workers comprise 60% and upwards of the entire work force at Ham ramck Assembly Plant, and therefore hold exclusive power. We members of DRUM had no other alternative but to form an organization and to prevent a platform. The Union has consistently and systematically failed us time and time again. We have attempted to address our grievances to the UAW's procedure, but to no avail. The U.A.W. bureaucracy is just as guilty, its hands are just as bloody as the white racist management of this

AN OPEN LETTER TO MANAGEMENT

It seems that the opinion of those in management, who read the First Edition of Drum, was that Drum was not written by Black people. This is a direct insult to our intelligence and integrity. Drum was conceived, written and published by black men interested in equality in employment. What management is saying is that we haven't recognized the problem of racism that exists with in this plant. Now, before we are branded as black nationalists or Black Power advocates, we can tell you that our only weapons are truth and black unity. We don't have to resort to violence or lies, in our fight for equality. Management created and with the total indifference on the part of the U.A.W., has continued to perpetuate this condition of racism that now exists. We with the truth and black unity shall destroy it.

corporation. We black workers feel that if skilled trades can negotiate directly with the company and hold a separate contract, then black workers have more justification for moving independntly of the U.A.W. While DRUM would appreciate the help of management, and the U.A.W., in abolishing the problem of racism that exists.

With or without your help we will put an end to it.

1. DRUM demands that the black worker who has been a victim of open and flagrant racism be put back to work with full pay for all time loss immediately.

**I HAVE A ~~DREAM~~
GUN**

-A BROTHER



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CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

In the Local 3 Executive Board meeting, held Thursday May, 23 the Executive Board spend most of its time denouncing DRUM. The higher echelons of Local 3 and management have formed a coalition to destroy DRUM, the voice of black unity. DRUM says that before you destroy us prove to the black rank and file at Hamtramck Assembly that the charges of racism on the part of Management and the higher echelons of the U.A.W. are not true. DRUM would like managements and unions chief conspirator, Charlie Brooks to call a mass meeting of the black rank and file and prove that DRUM has lied about the racist policy in Hamtramck Assembly. If such a meeting is not called by the U.A.W. then DRUM will call a meeting of the black rank and file to decide what strategy to use to put an end to racism that exists in this plant. If the executive board had been spending its time in the past to all eviate the conditions that DRUM has exposed there would never been a reason for DRUM's ex-

sistence. By the executive board and plant management trying to destroy DRUM instead of destroying the existence of racism the situation has become more muddled and aggravated while racism runs rampant in the Plant. DRUM WOULD LIKE TO INFORM THE BLACK RANK AND FILE THAT WE WILL BE HERE AS LONG AS THESE CONDITIONS EXISTS.

Also at the executive board meeting the executive board endorsed the Annual Detroit Police Department Field Day. In the name of 6% of 3,300 workers or approximately 3,580 black workers the executive board has endorsed the white fas-

cist pigs of the Detroit Police Department. The same pigs that have ruthlessly slaughtered black people all over the city of Detroit. The same racists pigs that brutally slaughtered 4 years old Tonya Blanding, that part took in the Algiers Motel Massacre during July of 1967, that shot Chynitha Scott down in the back in cold blood, that ruthlessly attached defenseless black people in downtown

Detroit during the poor people march by leading a calvary charge into the helpless unarmed black crowds with horses hoofs trampling upon the heads of young black children and pregnant black mothers.

On June 25, the leaders of the Poor People March are coming back to Detroit, a northern city to confront the very problem that we are faced with daily the racist Detroit Police Dept. The poor peoples March traveled through

Mississippi, Alabama, and you name it and nowhere in this Nation was such a ruthless attack lounched aganist them as it was in Detroit by the Fascist Pigs of the Detroit Police Dept. And our ex-brother Charlie Brooks has the audicity to sit-up on the executive board and talk about endorsing the racist Detroit Police Dept. and destroying the DRUM. DRUM feels that this act is beyond tomism is beyond treason. What do you think ought to be done for the likes of these white minded, double-faced, back stabbing traitors?

Looting

DOUBLE STANDARDS

Skilled trades is a very important division in the plant, as lily-white as it is, the plant cannot operate without skilled tradesmen. Being as lily-white as it is, highest paid and maintaining the best working contract, it as a division has the power to negotiate on an individual scale. Drum feels that his is a problem to be dealt with, but more important should we allow them to use that power to preserve the racist attitude on the corporate level.

During the last wildcat of May 2, 3, 4, management set up a camera to take pictures of those on the picket lines. After extensive investigation DRUM has discovered that all of the people on the picket lines were not disciplined. Two white skilled tradesmen Wild (Bill) Nemeyer and Jim Menzilla were on film but the leading white bigot Joe Kozma saw fit to use the power of skilled trades and the racist policy of management to keep these two white workers in the plant. And yet a black worker on afternoon shift who did not go out to lunch on the night of the strike and another black worker who works days and was at home in bed at the time of the wildcat were both given 30 days off as instigators. Drum feels that this can easily be explained if the camera man was a racist and using a racist camera then we can understand why these two black brothers were given time off and the two white workers were spared. But on the other hand if this can not be explained the only explanation has to be that racism is common everyday practice in Hamtramck Assembly and Local 3.

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CHALLENGE

CHALLENGE THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

In the Local 3 Executive Board meeting, held Thursday May, 23 the Executive Board spend most of its time denouncing DRUM. The higher echelons of Local 3 and management have formed a coalition to destroy DRUM, the voice of black unity. DRUM says that before you destroy us prove to the black rank and file at Hamtramck Assembly that the charges of racism on the part of Management and the higher echelons of the U.A.W. are not true. DRUM would like managements and unions chief conspirator, Charlie Brooks to call a mass meeting of the black rank and file and prove that DRUM has lied about the racist policy in Hamtramck Assembly. If such a meeting is not called by the U.A.W. then DRUM will call a meeting of the black rank and file to decide what strategy to use to put an end to racism that exists in this plant. If the executive board had been spending its time in the past to alleviate the conditions that DRUM has exposed there would never been a reason for DRUM's ex-

sistence. By the executive board and plant management trying to destroy DRUM instead of destroying the existence of racism the situation has become more muddled and aggravated while racism runs rampant in the Plant. DRUM WOULD LIKE TO INFORM THE BLACK RANK AND FILE THAT WE WILL BE HERE AS LONG AS THESE CONDITIONS EXISTS.

Also at the executive board meeting the executive board endorsed the Annual Detroit Police Department Field Day. In the name of 6% of 8,300 workers or approximately 5,580 black workers the executive board has endorsed the white fas-

cist pigs of the Detroit Police Department. The same pigs that have ruthlessly slaughtered black people all over the city of Detroit. The same racist pigs that brutally slaughtered 4 years old Tonya Blanding, that part took in the Algiers Motel Massacre during July of 1967, that shot Chynitha Scott down in the back in cold blood, that ruthlessly attacked defenseless black people in downtown

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sold black brothers, daughter and wife

but still we're not to be angry
or show signs of militancy

but just cast loving eyes to heaven
head bowed on our bloody
prayer worn knee

no Muslim movement says our black king
let them bomb our churches kill our
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roars

while the pope in his perfumed palace
welcomes bigots by the scores and
black steely eyed leadership sell
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no black power now young fellas that's
no way to get yourselves free, don't
burn down those filthy black
ghettoes never, don't speak of unity
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eyes bloodshot bulging with terror
as I watch them X slave master my enemy
dragging bloody bodies across
the living color horizon
instilling fear into young black minds
and courage to exploit bloody atrocities
into sad youthful white souls

to the tune of white soap operas
while long haired rape artists sing
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me black me standing here bleeding and going
to hell to the sound of the music I know so well
let freedom ring

let freedom ring while black martyrs walk
down hot southern roads a greasy white finger
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KA PING KA PING KA PING

don't duck black brother don't cry and frown
black sister damn fool don't you know
that freedoms ring
let freedom ring
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let freedom ring to the rhythm of blond
quivering hips while death sees angry loving
black lips let freedom ring

SLICK CAMPBELL

The emancipation of man is the
emancipation of labor, and the
emancipation of labor is freeing
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who are yellow, brown and black.
W.E.B. Dubois

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CLUB 23

BY DANIEL MAYNARD

Club 23

Anest of Uncle Toms uncovered. Every member of Club 23 holds a high political position in U.A.W. Local 3. Although this club comes under the black united front, it was founded and organized by, stanking, Pollack, ex-President, Edward Domanski. Although we have been told that the black vote was not decisive in an election in order for Ed Domanski to win his 1st Presidential position Local 3, it was necessary for him to organize a black base, a Huber @ Hamtramck Assembly. After running for the first time and losing Domanski noticed that the black vote was united and then up popped-middle class minded, elite orientated, Uncle Tomming Club 23. After systematically selecting black Uncle Toms through out Huber Foundry @ Hamtramck Assembly, the black vote was united in full support of the Dynamic Duo of Racism and Uncle Tomism.

Along with the vice presidency of Local 3 Charlie Brooks was awarded by his great white father Ed Domanski with the presidency of Club 23.

Club 23 today is a organization of stone toms still being led to believe that they are important to the U.A.W. Local 3 structure. U.A.W. @ Local 3 have once again led our black brothers to the promised land of bigotry and tomism. The history of this club has proven this charge true.

Although this club is coming from a social front its membership must come from inside recommendation. Can you believe that initiation fees are \$50. In other words you have to pay \$ to be a stone Tom. These corrupt and decadent white organizational outlines have been difficult for our so called brothers to follow. For instance Big fat funky ass, Daniel Maynard (advisor to Big titty Bertha) stole all of the money out of the treasury in 1965 and opened up a restaurant in Inkster selling knuckles, nuts, and guts to our black brothers. Upon discovery of this. Club 23 was in a state of chaos. In stepped the great white father Ed Domanski to try to restore order amongst his chillins'.

Due to the fact that the U.A.W. is a racist, bigoted, unqualified

discriminating union, the need for clubs such as Club 23 will always exist. Since Club 23 has a social front every 1st of the year they hold a New Years party at the local under the guise of black unity.

The funds raised from these affairs are used for personal endeavors of Club 23 members such as paying car and house notes, holding private parties (selected few invited) and financing political elections. The club now has about \$5,000 in the treasury, supposedly earmarked for the building of a club house yet to be seen. Due to the fact that Charlie Brooks is Club 23's president, all of the club members belong to the pro-Walter Reuther United caucus which is anti black and has consistently and systematically denied black workers equal opportunity.

DRUM is as shocked as some other black brothers will be to find out that these types of backstabbing, double faced cowardly manouvers are being carried on by some of our so called black brothers in this plant. We had been under the impression that the elite era was over, yet this nest has been uncovered. cont. on

WILL YOU BE NEXT ?

This incident occurred in the Body Shop on March 6, 1968, our Brother Julius McGregor was brutally assaulted by a drunken white foreman, Larry Adler. Larry came to work drunk everyday, he went out at lunchtime everyday and got drunker, management knew and the workers knew he was a drunken pig. These are the events that led to this vicious attack. This drunk pig started to harass Brother Julius on the Friday before the attack. He started by accusing Julius of not doing his job right, and cussing him and calling him all kinds of vile names.

The day before he assaulted Julius, after coming back from getting drunk at lunch time, he snatched a bag of potato chips out of Julius' hands and ate them. Julius tried to avoid this sick-minded white pig as much as possible. Larry, after seeing that Julius wasn't going to fall into his vicious trap, so that he could fire him, he then resorted to the usual white power tactics, he took the welding gun that Julius used and shoved it into Julius' chest. Then and only then, after being brutally assaulted, did Julius respond and he responded in a manner in which we can all be proud of, he stomped this drunken white sonofabitch into the floor.

THE INVESTIGATION

Later when management felt that they should get the facts, they held a Kangaroo Court style investigation led by two of the leading white bigots, Mr. Cromia Ring, labor relations, and Big Joe Lanczyk the general foreman. In trying to get the facts, they went to a section on the line where the people working there couldn't have seen

what happened if they had tried. When asked what had happened all these people could tell them was "I don't know," or "I didn't see it..." Well by not getting the true facts, they could do what they wanted, and they did. The first words out of Mr. Ring's mouth when talking to Julius were "I'm going to fire you for hitting a foreman." And he did. The next day, when this drunken pig reported to work, the brothers walked out refusing to work for this pig anymore, and trying to motivate some support for Julius. But, having union representation that knew they would be voted out in the upcoming election, they chose to suck management's ass, so that they could get easy jobs after the elections. With this kind of union representation management was able to crush the effort of these brothers, who tried to help Julius.

WHAT HAPPENED SINCE

Brother Julius received serious back injuries from this incident and is trying to sue this Rich Racist Corporation. He has had to take a job with wages below the national poverty scale and try to raise his family on wages like this. While on the other hand, management, knowing that the workers would not work for Larry Adler again transferred this pig. These same sick minded white Power Advocating bigots who for years have intentionally blocked the Black man's full participation in any and all of the upgrading programs at Hamtramck Assembly, transferred this drunken white redneck, peckawood, honky pig ass sonofabitch to Plymouth Assembly,

CLUB 23 cont.

DRUM feels after extensive investigation and failure to find a link between black unity and Club 23, that the members of this club should be exposed for what they are STONE TOMS.

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1. Charlie Brooks, President
2. Lawyer Harnell, ex-sect.
3. John Smith, Vice President
4. L. C. Marshall
5. A. C. Newkirk
6. Daniel Maynard
7. Andy Hardy
8. Eddie Jordan
9. King Boyd
10. Committeeman Price
11. Joe Davis
12. Fat Jackson
13. plus his shadow Butcher Moore

and eight others whom we have not been able to flush out as yet.



LETS FACE IT.

We all know that this is a racist corporation. With the need of Chrysler Corp. to pacify the black worker they upgraded three black brothers from plant protection to supervisory positions on the second shift. But pacification works two ways while giving us on one hand, 3 brothers in supervision, they replaced them with ten white red neck, peckerwood, honky, pig ass stanking white dominating, bigots straight out of the deep south. With the white power structure thinking that there will be a black uprising this summer, they hired these ten bigots to protect the racist policy in this plant. After the brutal, beastly assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King the plant guard was doubled and placed on 24 hour watch. But after the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy the guards are yet to be seen.

PROTECTION

The function of plant protection is nothing more than an agency to enforce Chryslers racist policy. During every uprising you have witnessed telephones being out of order, intimidation of key blacks not leaving your dept., no black group discussion allowed, and full enforcement of plantation tactics. The purpose of these ten bigots was to protect the sick-minded bigots of the plants white power structure.

Let's face it if the Company really cared or if democracy was of value at least they could have replaced the 3 black plant protection guards with 3 black men.

But the more D.R.U.M. looks at these white stanking bastards the more racist they become. It will be a long battle and we need your support. These white bigots may soon be carrying Stoner rifles on plant premises.

DRUM SUPPORTED

The support of D.R.U.M. has grown with each publication and at this time D.R.U.M. would like to thank you for your finances, for your help in distribution, and the true stories you have given us. We would like to further our membership to anyone who is black and accepts D.R.U.M.'s program.

Those who oppose us will be dealt with through any means necessary. All contributions will be accepted and appreciated with your support D.R.U.M. will become, more efficient and more detailed.

thank you

BLACK POWER

On April 4th 1968 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was brutally assassinated by an illness called racism.

Immediately after his assassination the white power structure panicked. Detroit's Mayor and Michigan's governor fearing retaliation from the Black Community, called for a state of emergency. The entire Black Community was placed under house arrest by a 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew and 9,000 stanking, red necked, want-to kill a nigger law enforcers.

Now after 4 days of no production on the afternoon and the mid-night shifts the white power structure realized that could not get

their production without Black workers.

The white racist plant operators told the Mayor and the Governor that they needed their Black workers to keep the wheels of production turning. Therefore the 9,000 bigoted law enforcers were told to allow all the Black workers from Chrysler, Ford, General Motors and all other larger corporations to proceed to work.

This is a brilliant example of Black workers power no justice

TRUE BLACK

FOREMAN

In Dept. 9130 on the vinyl line we have a true Black foreman. This brother fully realizes that he is Black and he supports his black brothers as long as they do their jobs.

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constantly, have now began to harassing the Black foreman because he does not carry out their racist policy on the Black brothers.

On the 5th and 6th of June these white power advocating bigots started to openly harass this Black

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let freedom ring

let freedom ring while black martyrs walk
down hot southern roads a greasy white finger
twitches and the shotgun roars
KA PING KA PING KA PING

don't duck black brother don't cry and frown
black sister damn fool don't you know
that freedoms ring

let freedom ring

let freedom ring

let freedom ring to the rhythm of blond
quivering hips while death sees angry loving
black lips let freedom ring

SLICK CAMPBELL

The emancipation of man is the
emancipation of labor, and the
emancipation of labor is freeing
of that basic majority of workers
who are yellow, brown and black.
W.E.B. Dubois

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DODGE REVOLUTIONARY UNION MOVEMENT

CLUB 23

Club 23

Anest of Uncle Toms uncovered. Every member of Club 23 holds a high political position in U.A.W. Local 3. Although this club comes under the black united front, it was founded and organized by, stanking, Pollack, ex-President, Edward Domanski. Although we have been told that the black vote was not decisive in an election in order for Ed Domanski to win his 1st Presidential Position Local 3, it was necessary for him to organize a black base, a Huber @ Hamtramck Assembly. After running for the first time and losing Domanski noticed that the black vote was united and then up popped-middle class minded, elite orientated, Uncle Tomming Club 23. After systematically selecting black Uncle Toms through out Huber Foundry @ Hamtramck Assembly, the black vote was united in full support of the Dynamic Duo of Racism and Uncle Tomism.

Along with the vice presidency of Local 3 Charlie Brooks was awarded by his great white father Ed Domanski with the presidency of Club 23.

Club 23 today is a organization of stone toms still being led to believe that they are important to the U.A.W. Local 3 structure. U.A.W. @ Local 3 have once again led our black brothers to the promised land of bigotry and tomism. The history of this club has proven this charge true.

Although this club is coming from a social front its' membership must come from inside recommendation. Can you believe that initiation fees are \$50. In other words you have to pay \$ to be a stone Tom. These corrupt and decadent white organizational outlines have been difficult for our so called brothers to follow. For instance Big fat funky ass, Daniel Maynard (advisor to Big tittyBertha) stole all of the money out of the treasury in 1965 and opened up a restaurant in Inkster selling knuckles, nuts, and guts to our black brothers. Upon discovery of this. Club 23 was in a state of chaos. In stepped the great white father Ed Domanski to try to restore order amongst his chillins'.

Due to the fact that the U.A.W. is a racist, bigoted, unqualified

discriminating union, the need for clubs such as Club 23 will always exist. Since Club 23 has a social front every 1st of the year they hold a New Years party at the local under the guise of black unity.

The funds raised from these affairs are used for personal endeavors of Club 23 members such as paying car and house notes, holding private parties (selected few invited) and financing political elections. The club now has about \$5,000 in the treasury, supposedly earmarked for the building of a club house yet to be seen. Due to the fact that Charlie Brooks is Club 23's president, all of the club members belong to the pro-Walter Reuther United caucus which is anti black and has consistently and systematically denied black workers equal opportunity.

DRUM is as shocked as some other black brothers will be to find out that these types of backstabbing, double faced cowardly manoeuvres are being carried on by some of our so called black brothers in this plant. We had been under the impression that the elite era was over, yet this nest has been uncovered. cont. on

WILL YOU BE NEXT?

This incident occurred in the Body Shop on March 6, 1968, our Brother Julius McGregor was brutally assaulted by a drunken white foreman, Larry Adler. Larry came to work drunk everyday, he went out at lunchtime everyday and got drunker, management knew and the workers knew he was a drunken pig. These are the events that led to this vicious attack. This drunken pig started to harass Brother Julius on the Friday before the attack. He started by accusing Julius of not doing his job right, and cussing him and calling him all kinds of vile names.

The day before he assaulted Julius, after coming back from getting drunk at lunch time, he snatched a bag of potato chips out of Julius' hands and ate them. Julius tried to avoid this sick-minded white pig as much as possible. Larry, after seeing that Julius wasn't going to fall into his vicious trap, so that he could fire him, he then resorted to the usual white power tactics, he took the welding gun that Julius used and shoved it into Julius' chest. Then and only then, after being brutally assaulted, did Julius respond and he responded in a manner in which we can all be proud of, he stomped this drunken white sonofabitch into the floor.

THE INVESTIGATION

Later when management felt that they should get the facts, they held a Kangaroo Court style investigation led by two of the leading white bigots, Mr. Croma Ring, labor relations, and Big Joe Lanczyk the general foreman. In trying to get the facts, they went to a section on the line where the people working there couldn't have seen

what happened if they had tried. When asked what had happened all these people could tell them was "I don't know," or "I didn't see it..." Well by not getting the true facts, they could do what they wanted, and they did. The first words out of Mr. Ring's mouth when talking to Julius were "I'm going to fire you for hitting a foreman." And he did. The next day, when this drunken pig reported to work, the brothers walked out refusing to work for this pig anymore, and trying to motivate some support for Julius. But, having union representation that knew they would be voted out in the upcoming election, they chose to suck management's ass, so that they could get easy jobs after the elections. With this kind of union representation management was able to crush the effort of these brothers, who tried to help Julius.

WHAT HAPPENED SINCE

Brother Julius received serious back injuries from this incident and is trying to sue this Rich Racist Corporation. He has had to take a job with wages below the national poverty scale and try to raise his family on wages like this. While on the other hand, management, knowing that the workers would not work for Larry Adler again transferred this pig. These same sick minded white Power Advocating bigots who for years have intentionally blocked the Black man's full participation in any and all of the upgrading programs at Hamtramck Assembly, transferred this drunken white redneck, peckawood, honky pig ass sonofabitch to Plymouth Assembly,

CLUB 23 cont.

DRUM feels after extensive investigation and failure to find a link between black unity and Club 23, that the members of this club should be exposed for what they are STONE TOMS.

CLUB 23

1. Charlie Brooks, President
2. Lawyer Harnell, ex-sect.
3. John Smith, Vice President
4. L. C. Marshall
5. A. C. Newkirk
6. Daniel Maynard
7. Andy Hardy
8. Eddie Jordan
9. King Boyd
1. Committeeman Price
11. Joe Davis
12. Fat Jackson
13. plus his shadow Butcher Moore

and eight others whom we have not been able to flush out as yet.



LET'S FACE IT.

DRUM SUPPORTED

TRUE BLACK

FOREMAN

We all know that this is a racist corporation. With the need of Chrysler Corp. to pacify the black worker they upgraded three black brothers from plant protection to supervisory positions on the second shift. But pacification works two ways while giving us on one hand, 3 brothers in supervision, they replaced them with ten white red neck, peckerwood, honky, pig ass stanking white dominating, bigots straight out of the deep south. With the white power structure thinking that there will be a black uprising this summer, they hired these ten bigots to protect the racist policy in this plant. After the brutal, beastly assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King the plant guard was doubled and placed on 24 hour watch. But after the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy the guards are yet to be seen.

PROTECTION

The function of plant protection is nothing more than an agency to enforce Chrysler's racist policy. During every uprising you have witnessed telephones being out of order, intimidation of key blacks not leaving your dept., no black group discussion allowed, and full enforcement of plantation tactics. The purpose of these ten bigots was to protect the sick-minded bigots of the plants white power structure.

Let's face it if the company really cared or if democracy was of value at least they could have replaced the 3 black plant protection guards with 3 black men.

But the more D.R.U.M. looks at these white stanking bastards the more racist they become. It will be a long battle and we need your support. These white bigots may soon be carrying Stoner rifles on plant premises.

The support of D.R.U.M. has grown with each publication and at this time D.R.U.M. would like to thank you for your finances, for your help in distribution, and the true stories you have given us. We would like to further our membership to anyone who is black and accepts D.R.U.M.'s program.

Those who oppose us will be dealt with through any means necessary. All contributions will be accepted and appreciated with your support D.R.U.M. will become, more efficient and more detailed.

thank you

BLACK POWER

On April 4th 1968 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was brutally assassinated by an illness called racism.

Immediately after his assassination the white power structure panicked. Detroit's Mayor and Michigan's governor fearing retaliation from the Black Community, called for a state of emergency. The entire Black Community was placed under house arrest by a 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew and 9,000 stanking, red necked, want-to kill a nigger law enforcers.

Now after 4 days of no production on the afternoon and the midnight shifts the white power structure realized that could not get

their production without Black workers.

The white racist plant operators told the Mayor and the Governor that they needed their Black workers to keep the wheels of production turning. Therefore the 9,000 bigoted law enforcers were told to allow all the Black workers from Chrysler, Ford, General Motors and all other larger corporations to proceed to work.

This is a brilliant example of Black workers power no justice

In Dept. 9130 on the vinyl line we have a true Black foreman. This brother fully realizes that he is Black and he supports his black brothers as long as they do their jobs.

He doesn't play favorites if a Black brother doesn't do his job, he checks him. The white racist management does not approve of a Black foreman getting along with his Black brother on the line. The white racist management, besides harrasing the Black brothers

constantly, have now began to harass the Black foreman because he does not carry out their racist policy on the Black brothers.

On the 5th and 6th of June these white power advocating bigots started to openly harass this Black

foreman, by telling him to give our Black brothers tickets whether they were justified or not. DRUM feels that this is another racist tactic to divide, conquer and destroy Black Unity.

DRUM clearly states that we are in full support of our Black brothers whether they are on the Union or the company pay roll.

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Sick Call

Sick Call

The dispensary at Hamtramck Assembly Plant is ridiculous. Black workers do not stand a chance at getting any decent medical attention at the hands of the butchers employed in the so-called first aid system at sent home after suffering some type of physical disaster at the expense of the assembly lines, such as a lost of limbs or internal hemorrhaging, or an absurdly high body temperature. And even then, they are usually rushed to other hospitals on a stretcher.

During the second World War more workers died, gave up their lives at the hands of industry than soldiers who died on battle fields. Every black worker knows what industry is, they know the viciousness of the wheels of production.

We are forced like cattle to sweat and bleed and give our lives merely to change raw materials into finished products, which are inferior and which do not in any way meet the immediate needs

of black people.

The hospitals are systematically refusing to give black workers basic human consideration or adequate medical attention. As we have stated in previous editions of DRUM, black ;lest jobs in the plants and receive the worst treatment from the medical attendants at the hospitals. The number of black personnel in the medical centers is a blatant example of the tokenism and gradualism practiced by Chrysler Corp. There has never been but two black sisters working in the hospitals at Hamtramck Assembly, and they have been sent to different shifts and to make it seem as though a number of black people have been hired into medical personell. into medical personell. We can not and will not believe that only two black people have ever applied for such positions. Black brothers and sisters line up in the employment offices every morning, and over 50% of them apply for jobs which they never get. Even though they apply for medical personnel, supervisory and inspection jobs, they are never the less hired in on the production line. Untold amounts of skills, talents and

qualifications go for naught and are wasted and lost to the wheels of production.

With black personnel working in the medical offices, black workers could rest assured of receiving decent and humane treatment. Black medical personnel would know that black workers suffer pain, fall ill and have feelings like any other human being. DRUM demands that since the production force at Hamtramck Assembly Plant is 60% black, that the level of black workers in the medical division also be brought up to the 60% level. All over the bulletin boards at Hamtramck Assembly are posters stating the fact that Chrysler Corp. is an equal opportunity employer which is an out and out lie. Also there are posters depicting a black hand grasping a white hand with large bold type reading Brotherhood, which is another out and out lie. It takes a whole lot of nerve to post such signs as these which are out and out lies, while racism runs rampant up and down the lines of this plant with black workers catching hell all daylong. These conditions must stop now.

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BLACK UNITY

Black Unity

In the late 1950's black brothers in Montgomery Alabama under

the leadership of the late Martin Luther King decided to put an end to segregated buses, they united and formed car pools and walked back and forth to work in order to de-segregate the public transportation system in that city. They were victorious even with the constant harassment of the Klu Klux Klan and the white bigotted police force who were constantly bombing cars and sniping at the black brothers who were walking. The white business owners even moved so far as to fire the black brothers and sisters who participated in the boycott. These black brothers and sisters united to de-segregate the buses and with black unity and with

black determination they held on to victory.

Again in the late 1950's black brothers and sisters united throughout the nation to de-segregate lunch counters and to end discrimination in job hiring. Led by S.N.C.C., CORE, NAACP, and S.C.I.C., they opposed this through economic boycotts and sit ins. They too even though they were harassed by the Bull Connors, the Lester Maddoxs, and the General Andersons held on through black unity and black dedication too victory.

In monroe North Carolina in the early 1960's Robert F. Williams led the black community with a program of black unity and black dedication to successful and self-defense tactics against local Klu-Klux-Klan terror.

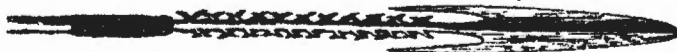
These are just three examples of how black unity was used to destroy racism, segregation and

discrimination. DRUM was formed for the very same reasons. While the black workers have aided in ending discrimination in their social lives they have yet to unite to end discrimination at work. DRUM was conceived for this purpose we of DRUM saw the need for black unity to put an end to the racism that now exist here.

While our ranks have grown we are still not strong enough to put an end to these conditions as of yet. We know that DRUM is appreciated because we never see copies of DRUM discarded or

on the floor we know that our black brothers are awaited the next edition of DRUM. While we fully realizes that no-one has ever gotten 100 percent participation in anything, with 80% of our black brothers supporting DRUM we can and will be successful.

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Drum Program

Drum Program

The racism in this plant is no accident, it is no mere circumstantial affair, it is a historical systematic development, it is part of a pre-planned design, it is a thing that has been thought out in advance. We black workers must therefore systematically oppose it historically, resolutely, and throughly. This is our task and we must be prepared, and are, to undertake it. Black people have been struggling for 400 years, our forefathers have raised a glorious and resolute struggle, they have fought with tooth and nail, they have opposed oppression in all of its shapes and forms, they have met armed resistance with whatever means at their disposal, they have fought at every crook and turn. It is now our solemn duty to carry our struggle forward to the gates of industry.

The struggle at these gates will probably be one - the most bitter of all our struggles. It poses problems heretofore almost untouched. We realize that our effort will have to be a constantly creative endeavor. Many of our methods will have to be new, already we have met with much stiff opposition. Brothers we appeal to you again for your unfaltering support, we will make mistakes and many of our tracks will have remade but in the end we will persist and we will win. We realize further that the nature of our struggle is one of immediate sacrifice, that being a struggle between black work-

ers and white racist plant owners and operators, that our ranks will be intimidated, that our jobs and our livelihood will be constantly at stake and that blood more than likely will be shed.

But, have not we been intimidated before, have not our jobs and our livelihood been at stake before, and have not our blood been shed in the past. Let it be understood freedom does not come painlessly. Freedom like birth comes through blood, sweat and pain.

Drum holds up that banner and portion of the U.S. Constitution which reads: 'But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security'.

We hold that black workers for four hundred years have bore the brunt of abuse and that no greater system of absolute despotism has ever been placed upon a people than on the de-humanized Afro-Americans of which the black worker is its back bone, and that now we must carry out our solemn duty. Every government is merely the political extension of its underlying economic system. By opposing the racist exploitative economic system that exist at Hamtramck Assembly Plant, black workers are approaching the essence of our problem. It is because of these above stated facts that these are asking our black brothers to for the bitter days ahead. It is only through black unity and persistent revolutionary struggle that these conditions of oppression can be toppled. It is only through this struggle that black workers may in any sense conceive of any type of future security.

If Walter Ruether can withdraw from the A.F.L.C.I.O, and skilled trades can systematically withdraw and gain sanction from the U.A.W. then we as black assembly workers

should definitely have the right to negotiate our contract. Walter Ruether has portrayed an image of equality and justice for all but yet his racist staff (international representatives) comprise less than one percent black personnel. Out of 1073 staff members only 74 are black while black workers make up about 25% of the entire U.A.W. membership and hold down about 90% of all of the menial jobs. This is wrong. The U.A.W. constitution states that wildcat strikes are prohibited, but it also states that every member is entitled to 100% representation. Which is the lesser of two evils? It is obvious that if each worker received 100% representation there would be no need for wildcat strikes, but no one gets even 50% representation from the U.A.W. This dilemma did not begin overnight it was a conscious effort. How can black workers receive any representation when the U.A.W. con-

stitution is made up of lies and contradictions.

Drum says re-write the constitution.

Drum says add additional black representatives.

Drum says to extend U.A.W. funds to the black community.

Drum says create a youth program to filter young ideas into worker-management relations.

Or Drum says later for the existing bureaucratic structure.

We are appealing to all of our black brothers to meet our resound-

ing persistent call - Join Drum - Unite or Perish. - We Will Win.

FIRE DEPT.

Have you ever dug the Ham-

tramck Assembly Plant Fire Department. It like all the other fire departments around the country and like all of the other Sop Departments at Hamtramck Assembly Plant is lily white. As a matter of fact one has to be a Greek or a Polish god to get a job in the fire department.

How many fires have you seen on plant premises? How many fire alarms have you heard? How many times have you seen the lines stopped because of fire? How many times have you been sent home because of fire damage done to the plant?

The answer to these questions is probably none. But yet all along there has been a fire department in existence at this plant.

All of this time there has been some white racist foreman on the pay roll at the Hamtramck Assembly Plant making more money than any us and guess what they have been doing? Nothing.

Once in a while they walk around the plant and check the fire extinguishers every now and then they check the sprinkling systems. But other than that they walk around, lay up and get over in a big way.

For year upon year these white racist bigots lay up and chew the fat and get paid for it. And at the same time if a Black brother punches in late, by a minute or two, he is rushed to the superintendent offices and given time off. He is then escorted out of the plant by two or three plant protection guards as though he had robbed a bank. The superintendent sits back in his offices, smiling all over themselves with at the dire

plight of the Black workers.

How can the Black Worker receive any kind of justice? The double standard system is one of the most vicious systems of exploitation in existence: whether the color of a man's skin detracts what type of wages can a worker earn, it furthermore dictates what type of work he does to

make those wages and also what type of little methods of harassments he must bear in order to do that work.

Black brothers change must come. The objective conditions in the plant alone are enough to led to an enraged uprising by black workers.

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Inspection

Robert Neeme came to Hamtramck Assembly seeking employment on Thursday June 6, 1968. He filled out an application and was told that his application had been accepted, and that he would be called as soon as there as an opening. That night Robert received a telegram to report on Friday June 7, 1968, for a physical, for they had found a job opening for him. Robert being the nice clean cut white boy that he is was given a job in Dept. 3200 inspection.

DRUM has no quarrel with with Robert, we fully realize that he has the right to seek employment anywhere and to accept any position offered to him. But how is it that most of the jobs like this go to more white workers than Black Just what is going on in the employment office? If they are not placing new hirees by color, then what are they doing?

Eight out of '0 jobs of all applicants are Black but the other two are getting all the jobs like this.

This is a highly explosive situation that exist predominately

now in the body shop where all the heaviest and dirtiest jobs are. All of the young Black hirees are

complaining about the fact that new white workers are put on inspection and that they are placed on spot welding.

In answer to their complaints they are told to wait until they get 90 days. The new Black workers on top of being harassed and discriminated against, they are not even given their pay on time, in some cases, in other cases they are given vouches, in still other cases they are give the excuse to come to the pay roll offices on Saturday, while the company knows that it is closed.

DRUM feels that the employment office should state that they are discriminating, and to stop handing

us this bullshit about Chrysler Corporation being an Equal Opportunity Employer. The Black Worker is not the fool that he has

thought to have been.



TRANSPORTATION

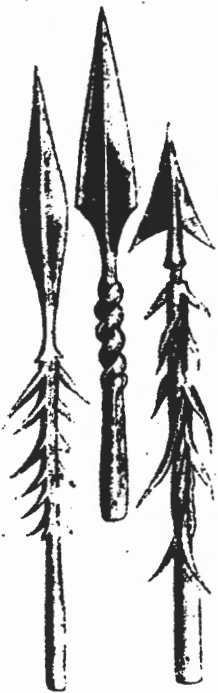
TRANSPORTATION 3352

Everyone has heard the song, "I wish I was in Dixie." Well we have Dixie right here, complete with all the white bigots necessary to maintain a productive plantation. Can you believe that this (the transportation dept.) is 80% black in working forces but with all white foremen. The dept. superintendent, Art, claims that none of the brothers among this 80% are qualified to be foreman. So he turns to the streets in the suburbs to hire white supervisory personnel who have never seen the inside of a plant.

Just the other day, Milton, the Monster was sent to dept 101 to pick up some ~~DRUM~~ DRUM and got lost and damn near could not find his way back. After about an hour, the general foreman, Al Yavas, another white racist, had to go looking for him.

Yavis's whole staff of office employees are, of course, lily white. It seems to us that out of 10 foremen and four clerks one could be black. What do you think?

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DYING IN STREETS

Brother dying in the streets

On Friday night of last week during the lunch period on afternoon shift, one of our black brothers, Curtis Lee, was struck down by an automobile. He was crossing the street at the overpass gate on Jos. Campau and was knocked in the air and 100 feet down the street by a speeding automobile driven by a honky. As our black brother lay bleeding and dying in the street directly in front of the plant, the plant protection guards were summoned. Two Plant protection guards came into the street and refused to aid our brother. Curtis Lee lay dying and bleeding, moaning in the street and these two white racist guards refused to aid him. They refused on the grounds that they did not know if he was an employee at Hamtramck Assembly Plant, and that he had not been injured on plant property. They merely turned around and walked away

leaving Curtis to die in the streets.

Our black brothers went to Curtis's aid as best possible in terms of folding cardboard over him in order to at least keep the rain off of him.

The notorious Hamtramck police dept. drove up and began shouting at some of our brothers who were trying to aid our black brother

Curtis. They shouted for them to disperse and to move on and to stop their protest against the plant protection guards who had refused to aid the brother. The Hamtramck police dept then finally took Curtis by stretcher in to the waiting ambulance.

Curtis Lee is now in Ford Hospital in critical condition. He is suffering from internal injuries, fractured skull, three broken ribs, a broken arm and two broken legs; In the last edition of DRUM we discussed how ridiculous the med-

ical situation at Hamtramck assembly plant is. We explained how the racist management at the plant has no regard whatsoever for the lives of black workers. And yet the racist plant protection guards would not even take our dying black brother to the ludicrous dispensary inside the plant. It is obvious that if black workers are to receive any type of humane treatment it will be from each other. Curtis Lee had been an employee at Hamtramck Assembly for about two weeks. Chrysler had hired him and worked him like a dog. He had merely gone out for lunch break and was mowed down by an automobile, and left to die in the street directly in front of the plant by the white racist management of the company.

Black brothers and sisters, prepare yourselves for open struggle. We can no longer sit idly by while these dirty inhuman white racists squat in the seats of power while we literally die in the streets one by one.

JOIN DRUM

JOHN MATHEW JR.

The true Story of John Mathew Jr.

John Matthew Jr. worked at the Hamtramck Assembly Plant in the trim shop since 1964. He is married and the father of a small son. He was discharged in February of this year.

John was discharged for being seven minutes late. John was a victim of his racist supervisor. He was disliked by his foreman Larry Bustick who has since been transferred to the second shift and dislikes all black except Toms. He is the same foreman that a young black had to knock on his ass a few months before. He took his dislike out on Johnnie.

John was also disliked by his general foreman Mike Kandrak, better known as Black Mike. This name, Black Mike was given to this foreman by his white brothers. It must be a true picture of the real Mike, for the color of his skin is white. John was a good worker so they couldn't fire him for his work, so they waited for an excuse. Johnnie was late four times this year said a labor relations man.

John's steward, Rachael (Rae) Hale is late four times a week. But Rae, you guessed it, is white. John is black; could this make a difference

We asked a sister a question. What's the union doing for Johnnie. She told us that she had mentioned this case to our vice President (a Black Brother) on two occasions. He, Charlie Brooks, told her he didn't know anything about the case. Since she mentioned it to him he has found out nothing and done nothing. Johnnie is still walking the bricks. Rae says it is out of his hands. His case is at Highland Park.

How many John Mathew's must we have before our union local #3 will face the facts that we have problems in the Hamtramck Assembly Plant. Do we have to wild cat to dramatize this fact? How much are we expected to take before we take action? The answers my Brothers and Sisters are blowing in the winds, the answers are blowing in the winds.

Watch your style, you could be next.

B.X.9

ROBERT BROOKS (B.X.9)

Robert Brooks (B.X.9) was the first black foreman on the 5th floor in dept 9150. He works in the 35 elevator area and is a stone Tom. He actually thinks that he is white; he wore a green tie on St. Patrick's Day.

During the 10% cut back in February 1967, he sold his soul to the white power structure in order to stay in supervision. He is the dirtiest foreman in production, grease all over his back, grim all over his face, running and ripping, working all up and down the line. He really tries to show the white power structure that he is their bou.

Every time he makes a mistake in his group, he pacifies the white man by firing a black brother. It seems that the only basis for discharge that he can come up with is insubordination. Can you imagine being insubordinate to a prick like this? Recently he fired onw of our young black sisters because he run his thing on her and shot a reject.

During the walkout, pressure was so heavy on him that he cried for some assistance and was given another uncle Tom foreman in dept. 9150, Willie Leatherwood.

Any black brother in his area who tries to be a man is transferred to other groups. Just last Friday a brother was fired from his group for being insubordinate and Brooks added that the brother called him black. DRUM not only calls Robert Brooks black, but he is a black uncle Tom and flunky for the white racist power structure at this plant.

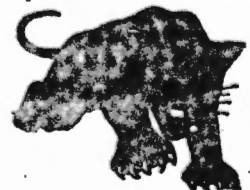
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Dept. 9130
Sat. June 15, 1968

The utility man reported to work at 7:00 a.m.. This is one of 30 special utility men that was negotiated by company and union at the last contract signing. This man is not supposed to work on the line on any one job all day except in case of an emergency. His primary duties are job mix and to kind of an assistant to the foreman. The whitey who was this mans foreman for one day while the regular foreman was off decided that he wanted to do things his way. He put this man on the line and told him that he would be there all day while the man who was supposed to be on the line was

doing the utility mans work. He asked for his steward and was refused. The foreman then began harassing and using abusive language at the same time accusing the man of not doing his job. Eventually, this man with 16 years seniority and a perfect record was sent to the office where they had a kangaroo court and sent him home for refusing to carry out the instructions of his foreman. Easy Ed Benfordstruck again he told the brother that if he didn't get out of his coveralls in 5 minutes he would send for plant protection to throw him out. D.R.U.M. demands that these kinds of practices be stopped.

JOIN D.R.U.M.



Up Tight

Honky pulls gun on our black brothers.

On Tuesday of last week while our young black brothers were passing out our 6th edition of DRUM on Jos. Campau at the over pass gate, two white men drove up and tried to run over a brother who crossing the street going to work. The brother shouted at the driver who had attempted to mow him down, the car stopped, and an argument ensued. The young brothers who were distributing DRUM immediately went to their black brothers aid. The Honky riding in the passenger seat reached under his seat and pulled out a pistol on our brothers.

The brothers, being unarmed, fled for their lives. This is an example of the path that the black workers struggle is taking. Just last week we mentioned in 6th edition of DRUM that blood would probably be shed in our struggle at these gates. One week later we have already been confronted in an openly violent manner. But we are going to carry our just and righteous struggle through to to end come what may. Brothers and sisters prepare yourselves for whatever goes down.

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Color Line

Conversations around the world for the past two years has been race relations. We black workers have witnessed positive and negative reactions to this situation. The moods and feelings of people in general have changed with this reactions.

Ethnic organizations and political figures have tried to address this problem but the essence of it lies right here at Hamtramck Assembly Plant and other plants like it.

We, the black workers have been shut off systematically from expressing our opinions on a problem that is directly concerned with us. We have also been fooled by false promises and forced by economical pressures to join a union that is formulated on a dictatorial system (you cannot vote for the president) This has created 4300 union members at Hamtramck Assembly. This is the cradle of the black man's struggle. The tactic used here has been to completely ignore the black man. The rollers learned well from the Germans for this is what Hitler did to Poland in World War II.

The black worker is regarded like a machine. You work and keep your mouth shut and all is well. Open your mouth and the white racist management will close it for you. The entire struggle is wrapped up here in the factories, while our fearless President (Walter P. Reuther) is in Washington in the poor people's March crying for freedom. He ain't hardly poor and has more freedom than any black man.

Strike

STRIKE

When is the strike coming? If you recall in the earlier edition of DRUM, the fact that Highland Park and Local management had a meeting discussing build out date. The company responded with mass discharges of black workers, and the union responded with strike procedure. The truth of the matter is that the company action build out date takes 50 days the Union's action takes 60 days. Consequently even if the Union's action was serious, it would not be in time to stop the company's notorious action. If you are expecting a Union sponsored strike, forget it.

JOIN DRUM

BLACK MEN

BLACK MEN, you are the first and will be the last if there is any last. However if we, the Black race continue to be Uncle Toms and Jeff Davis's for the white man, you will be first.

The white man today lives off of the black man's manpower and his own poor white brothers. In order for the black man to become creative and get equal justice, he must become united with his Black brothers and sisters. Stop being the white man's tool he uses against your black brother, stop telling and informing to the white man about the new pair of shoes that your black brother brought, in other words, keep your damn mouth to yourself.

This is why the white man has the best jobs, homes, and bank accounts today. Tell me Uncle Toms, Jeff Davis's, James Bonds, what do you have, a house, that rains; a job that he, the white man gave you, last hired, the first fired, buddy, you better wake up, the fact is that our greatest trouble is that we like to be dis-united, which is our destruction. Unity of the Black man in America is self strength, and stability. So black brother, be industrious, seek education, the best education wherever you can. I heard on the grape vine that an Uncle Tom sinech fink, that thinks he's Mr. Wonderful, had a few shots thrown his way. I wonder who will be

snatched next. He has two white women who everyone knows them for what they are, but walk into one of the bars that you and I can enter and you will see every black man there trying to out do all the other black fools. Wake up black man before you end up giving up even your life.

In closing, let me say here and now that DRUM is moving ahead so brothers and sisters lets join hands and hold on, keep your head up, look whitey in the eyes and say, "I'm just as good as You."

C.R.B.

ROBBERY

ROBBERY ON PLANT PREMISES.

About two weeks ago two white women who work for the Gladeux vending company which is a subsidiary of Chrysler Corp. were robbed on plant premises. Rumors began to fly, it was rumored that this or that black brother was involved in the robbery and that even the members of DRUM had something to do with it.

DRUM's position is that this was no robbery to begin with this was merely a question of someone at last receiving back pay. The real robbery the real theft is the theft that goes on in this plant hour by hour and day by day. The black workers in this plant are being systematically robbed of the fruits of their labor. They are also robbed of their human decency and basic respect, by the racist exploitive Chrysler Corp.

And by the CHRYSLER Corp. owning most of the Gladeux vending co. they are also being robbed of their hard earned wages. The vending co. carries nothing but stale, cold scrap for the get and have the nerve to call that scrap

food when it is not even fit for human consumption. Only one black brother is employed by this racist subsidiary of Chrysler Corp. The ragged vending machines constantly take the last quarter or dime from black brothers unfortunate enough to have to purchase scrap from them. And when a brother goes to collect his money lost in the machines the white racist women handling the cash have the damn audacity to get an attitude.

If a black brother reaches a point of frustration and is forced to rip in order to survive at least he remembered who his real enemy was.

Black brothers DRUM does not believe in apologizing for anything a back worker does. If there is any apologizing done it will have to be done by the white racist Chrysler Corp. and its subsidiaries or the notorious U.A.W. for systematically exploiting and missing over our fellow black workers for years'.

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DODGE REVOLUTIONARY UNION MOVEMENT

Prepare for the worst

PLANT PROTECTION

Do you remember VOL. I NO. 5 of D.R.U.M. We told you about how they upgraded three black brothers from plant protection to foremen. They were replaced with ten white racist pigs, we also stated that they soon might be carrying stoner rifle's on plant premises. Well D.R.U.M. has proof that they now have teargas, roitsticks, roit helmets and the new untested chemical MACE which might blind you on plant property. This is why they upgraded three black brothers out of plant protection and replaced them with ten white racists, they know that no true black brother would use this gas and mace on his own brothers. But lets look at the real reason for this stock pile, the white racist management knows that through D.R.U.M. we have

united too put an end to racism at Hamtramck assembly and the entire auto industry. Now we have stated that our only weapons were truth and black unity, so why would management arm plant protection.

They think that any time black people take a stand against racism, that they are crazy or violent. Last summer during the black rebellion they called on the racist National Guards and police to protect this racist plantation, we did not destroy Hamtramck assembly then and do not plan on destroying it now. But before we allow these racist guards to use teargas, roitsticks and MACE on us, we will not only destroy this motherfucking plantation but them too. JOIN DRUM. JOIN DRUM. SUPPORT DRUM

LETS GET DOWN

New Weapon

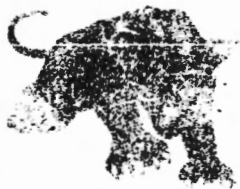
Hospital tactics changed

In Vol I No. 6 of DRUM we discussed in detail the ridiculous situation of the field hospital at Hamtramck Assembly. Management again has moved to stamp out the program of black unity. After the exposure of the hospital tactics by DRUM these white racist fools have changed their approach. 9150 foremen have been instructed by their superintendent to keep the black workers on the line as long as possible. They were also given a new program of appointments. This program works like this: when a black worker is sick and asks for permission from his foreman to go to first aid, his foreman in turn calls the general foreman and tells him in essence "i have a nigger who is sick", the general foreman in turn calls the hospital and in essence asks "do you have room for another nigger". If the so-called medical attention is not available at that moment the general foreman is given an appointment for that black worker (possibly three or four hours later).

Should we sit back and die one by one or will a black wildcat put an end to all of these injustices heaped upon our fellow black workers.

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TRANSPORTATION

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Last week Hamtramck assembly showed it's true racist policies once again. Superintendent Little over the transportation division a white bigot, acted in accord to his racist and bigoted nature. On the 25th of this month Little while roaming the plant caught big fat pregnant ass, beer bellied Syl (a white union steward) ASLEEP in the non-productive crib on the first floor. Upon discovering this Little showed his authority by ordering him to get up. This pig responded by stretching, yawning wiping saliva from his stanking lips and resuming his comfortable position. Little then merely asked the black clerk in the crib for some unknown stock and went on about his way. No reprisals were taken against this so-called union representative.

No less than a month prior to this our brother, Floyd Daniels was turned into management for sleeping by a young white racist punk called Gary. Daniels was sleeping in the break area and was awakened by the gestapo force consisting of general foreman foreman, and supt. Little. Their decision was non-hesitant our brother was immediately suspended.

D.R.U.M.s stand on this issue is that this is the common practice in this plantation like racist corp.. We further feel that this racist atmosphere is the standing policy of the stanking pigs that run this corp. and the nest of uncle toms and pigs that run the union.

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On June 24, 1968 brother Ronald Mathis was ill due to a automobile accident which occurred the previous day. He was given a medical pass, but was sent back to the line by the white racist attendents at the first aid center. The white racist attendents at the first aid center even after being informed of the fact that brother Mathis had been involved in an accident went right ahead and declared him able to work. Brother Mathis knowing himself that he was not able to continued to run up and down the assembly line up and down the assembly line until he was punched out to go home.

His general foreman the notorious racist and bigot, Wallace Wasih had not only refused to give brother permission but also threatened to discharge him if he left of his own accord.

Brother Mathis left and fell out unconscious and had to be rushed to the hospital suffering from internal injuries. This is another example of the blatant disregard for the lives of blackmen by this white racist savage corp.

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BOYCOTT BUCKEROS

BOYCOTT MICEYS

DOUBLE STANDARDS

AT HUBER

Unity.... at Huber ave, Foundry every black man and black women knows for a fact that we cannot succeed in changing the structure of this america and the unequal representation that exists in local #3 /the way black foremen kiss ass/ and in particular the tomish attitude of our stewards without unity,

Unity exist in small amounts and is desperly reaching out among the non-committed at other auto mines. This is evident from brothers asking for D.R.U.M.... seeking information about its program and wanting to know how it manages to be published every week and is free. These brothers have stepped forward by giving donations to help finance it and accepting this unity we're trying to build. This is a new revolutionary thought. Anyone that will bring revolutionary unity to the divided unorganized, leaderless black workers to this solid united front is definitely progressive-forward not reactionary (BACKWARD, tonish, bullshit). He who loves humanity and hates injustice. It is only through a commitment of this kind that we will know that our representatives(stewards) are really working for us. This new kind of black revolutionary progressive leadership will bring definite social change in the auto mines in America and the world. We will not turn the other cheek but will stand side by side with our fellow black workers in seeing to it that oppression and discrimination and exploitation are delt with.

YOURS IN THE STRUGGLE FOR BLACK LIBERATION.

JOHN D.R.U.M.

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RACISM OPPOSITE THE PLANT

Buccieros and Mickeys bars are two true practitioners of racism. At Mickeys bar black brothers are treated in a most degrading manner. To patronize this bar is almost a necessity for black workers in order to eat and drink in a half hour allowed for lunch. Black brothers comprise at least 70% of the business at this bar but yet we are hard put to find a black employee at this establishment. Not only that but white people are served at the tables during lunch hour while our black brothers have to stand at the counter and shout for two ground rounds. If they choose to sit at the tables they can forget it. During the wildcat strikes this bar was overcrowded all day long with black workers but yet this owner has never shown black brothers any human dignity. Mickey contents that no black people will work for his wages but yet white employees work there at union rates. Just last week a black brother hot tired, and hungary after standing in line, was given a naked ground round by the white waitress who had just finished picking lice out of her hair and digging in her nose. The brother reached over the counter to get some accorories(mustard etc.) TOKILL the taste of the lice boogers and snot. This white bitch had the

nerve to shout 'nigger' take your nasty ass hands out of the food. And she was standing there with lice crawling all over her neck snorting snot, and her toe jam stanking all over the bar, she had the nerve to accuse our brothers actions as being unhealthy.

On the other end Buccieros is another exploiter of black workers. This is so centerally located that it reaps super profits in every wildcat strike. Black brothers fill in like forty going north and all the bar has to offer is credit and debt. He just like Mickeys does not employ black people and uses the very same excuses as Mickey uses that black workers will not work below union scale.

drum says why should they?

DRUM also says that these bars discriminate in their hiring and in their treatment of black people and that DRUM is calling for a FOUR DAY BOYCOTT of these bars until these acts of discrimination are ended. A show of strength, bring your lunch for at least four days tuesday, wed, thur, and friday.

JOHN D.R.U.M.

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BOYCOTT MICKEYS

BOYCOTT BUCCIEROS

Distribution

The white racist management at Hamtramck Assembly Plant has made it that any black worker caught distributing DRUM on plant property will be disciplined which means fired. But these white pigs take it upon themse lves to run off hundreds of copies of DRUM each and every week. They give these copies to all white people on the management level and under D.R.U.M. feels that if it is auth-

orized literature for a white hand to distribute then why is it unauthorized for a black hand.

DRUM has been called many things but everyone knows that it states the truth. This is why all people like to read D.R.U.M. these out and out racist tactics will definitely not stop the publication or the distribution of DRUM.

JOHN DRUM

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Pollack

The Pollack News

Have you read the Detroit American? This is the Polish news paper, that use to be printed only in Polish. Since the strike of Detroit's two regular papers they have been kind enough to print an English version for those of us who can't read Polish. Now the Black man can see the racist attitude of this Pollack paper. Every Monday they devote the first two pages to the weekend crime report. According to this paper only Black people commit crimes. They tell you about crime in the streets, and say things like 'he could only be identified by color' or 'he had a natural or process'. They call them punks and rat packs. What's so funny about

this is that they never say anything about organized crime which is run completely by white people. These are the people who brought crime into the Black community to begin with. They are the ones who make sure that there is always a large supply of dope in the Black community, and they keep prostitution on an up swing. Nothing is ever said about this because some of the people on the Editorial staff more than likely have something to do with organized crime. Their weekend report on crime does serve its purpose of inflaming the white community against the Black community. Drum says, since this paper is a direct insult to Black people that we should not buy this bigot news. Join Drum

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Volume 1 No. 9

DODGE REVOLUTIONARY UNION MOVEMENT

Drum Demands

People have asked, Chrysler Corp. has been seeking, and the black workers have sometimes been confused about the direction of D.R.U.M. The editorial staff of D.R.U.M. has communicated with the black workers and their demands have been compiled. It should be understood by the readers that the voice of black unity must be heard, and its results are inevitable.

D.R.U.M. was formed not only to put an end to racism at Hamtramck Assembly, but also to extend our fight to the entire Chrysler Corp., General Motors, Fords, and wherever racism exists. D.R.U.M. was founded by black workers from the grass roots. From the enthusiastic response from the brothers at the plant, we know that our voice has been heard, and our position accepted by many. Before peace and tranquility can prevail, our demands must be met and our goals achieved, by any means necessary.

Time like nature is an ever changing progression for man. And here in 1968, Chrysler Corp. is still practicing 18th century slavery. This is why D.R.U.M. must list and have its demands met now.

DEMANDS

1. D.R.U.M. demands 50 black foremen
2. D.R.U.M. demands 10 black general foremen immediately
3. D.R.U.M. demands 3 black superintendents
4. D.R.U.M. demands a black plant manager
5. D.R.U.M. demands that the majority of the employment office personnel be black
6. D.R.U.M. demands all black doctors and 50% black nurses in the medical centers at this plant
7. D.R.U.M. demands that the medical policy at this plant be changed entirely
8. D.R.U.M. demands that 50% of all plant protection guards be black, and that every time a black worker is removed from plant premises that he be lead by a black brother.
9. D.R.U.M. demands that all black workers immediately stop paying union dues.
10. D.R.U.M. demands that the two hours pay that goes into union dues be levied to the black community to aid in self determination for black people.
11. D.R.U.M. demands that the double standard be eliminated and that a committee of the black

rank and file be set up to investigate all grievances against the corp., to find out what type of discipline is to be taken against corporation, and also to find out what type of discipline is to be taken against Chrysler Corp. employees.

12. D.R.U.M. demands that all black workers who have been fired on trumped up racist charges be brought back with all lost pay.

13. D.R.U.M. demands that our fellow black brothers in South Africa working for Chrysler Corp. and its subsidiaries, be payed at an equal scale as white racists co-workers.

14. D.R.U.M. also demands that a black brother be appointed as head of the board of directors of Chrysler Corp.

The power base for these demands will be as follows:

1. Legal demonstration at Local 3 and Solidarity house.
2. Legal demonstration at Highland Park (Chrysler Corp. headquarters)
3. Legal shut down of Hamtramck assembly.

It should be understood that these tactics will take place before July 19, 1968 and will be supported by the entire black community. The white power structure must also understand that

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WILL YOU BE NEXT

Chevrolet

Yes, you black workers of General Motors, Stop, Look and Listen. We black brothers realize we are being exploited by the ex-slave owners children. Something must be done. These pigs not only exploit our brothers here in the united states, but they also help exploit us as far East as South Africa.

To be specific; Chevrolet Gear & Axle displayed a typical example of individual racism. Recently a black soul brother was injured in a slave camp. The brother's finger was cut severely and he was sent to first aid to seek medical attention. After being damaged by these unquilted white racist pigs he was sent back to his job. Without refusal, he worked the rest of the night with one hand, only because he did not acquire his citizenship. The following day the brother consulted his family doctor, received proper medical attention and was told to refrain from using his hand. Two days later the brother received a western union from Chevrolet stating, and I quote; 'Please be advised that you have been released as an unsatisfactory temporary employee due to absenteeism.'

Signed R.M. Beck
Chevrolet Gear & Axle
Upon receiving the letter the brother went to the plant to find out the real deal. After entering the office of plant two he was greeted by a white clerk. He then stated who he was and his business there, and asked to see

the committee men. The brother didn't have ninety days in so he refused to call the committee men. Then the brother asked to speak to the plant superintendent. After waiting for some time the superintendent came on the scene. When the brother tried to talk with him man to man instead of black boy to white superman he could not accept this. He opened the door to the lobby and called

the klu-klux-klan (plant protection) and said, quote; 'throw this guy out of here.' Not until then did the brother show his true color - Black Black Black a matter of minutes, ten or fifteen klu-klux-klan men were there. Being a real soul brother he would not take the pushing around from the klan men so he struck back. He defended himself equally as violently as they attacked. Soon many black brothers had gathered and wanted to know what was happening. Then and only then the white faggots realized no one was Bullshitting decided to get back. This is only one display of these racist pigs' methods. This particular company has exploited and oppressed black men and women for decades.

Now black brothers we must unite and destroy this racist system by any means necessary. One way is to stand up and be counted as Black Men, not as boys, toms, or puppets.

Stop, Look @ Listen

Fords also

So Ford Transmission in Livonia, if you really mean what you say about giving the brother a job get rid of your race haters.

And another thing, if you want to know who is backing George Wallace of Alabama for president just walk thru the Ford transmission plant in Livonia and you will see the W. Wallace for president badges that they are wearing. All this is going on and the Ford Motor Company says nothing.

Henry Ford if asked business put up or shut up. I do not agree. Henry, who is the Ford Motor Co., has said he was going to hire the black fore unemployed. This the company has been doing but how many of these new employees are kept on the employment roll.

The brothers are hired in the front door and fired out the back. We all know this so who do they think they are fooling with their phony hardline about the unemployed.

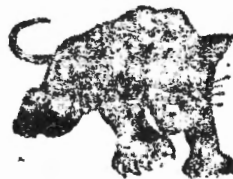
If Fords really meant what they say then they can start right now by getting rid of those race hating foremen, general foremen, superintendants and labor relations personnel especially at the transmission and chassis division plant in Livonia on Plymouth Road.

Observe what happens in depts. 95, 57, 50, 48, 80 and general stores or tool cribs, tool chasers and the package dept. When the number of brothers in these depts. gets high the foremen start writing up brothers until the Co. fires him or they will keep picquing on the brother until he loses his temper and gets fired for 'getting down'.

drum'S DEMANDS

they are the cause of our militancy now by their inhumane treatment of black people. And if our demands are not met then our militancy must take another form.

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE,
Editorial staff of D.R.U.M.
Voice of the Black worker.



AT HUBER

AT HUBER

Brothers/Sisters/And Fellow Workers... I'd like to comment on the double barrel standards that a certain true racist foreman revealed last Friday 8-28-68/2nd shift-R.G. Bld. 6Cly. Line... One of the few white workers on this line requested to leave early so that he could attend a wedding and it was granted like magic. A brother requested to see the doctor because he had a strip of thrash and he didn't think he could work the whole night so he had to be in a hospital. The doctor was busy so the nurse took care of him - meaning she sent him back to work. This foreman - sister but the Bro' can't physically handle so he had to be in the hospital. The black man was in pain and requested a pass to see his personal physician which the bigot sends him on

the run-a-round 'go see the gen'l foreman' who said 'it wasn't up to him but his foreman' @ his steward who tried to be honest and protect the bro's job (which is rare) gave him some good advice. By this time the brother decided to take matters into his own hands and commence to jar this whitey's nerves with some black magic talk/like kicking some ass/er/If this foreman thought that he (a whitey at that) was going to tell him if he was sick or not. Finally he was given a pass out with a doctor's signature needed to return to work. While this took over 2 hours the white worker had been finally, he was given a release pass after two hours. We've got white/unite/ Yours in the struggle for Black Liberation.

JOHN D.R.U.
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BIGOT

Leading White B.

Dick Gertis is a white general foreman on the 4th floor department 9150. This Honky has the reputation of being 'Nigger Hndler'. On several occasions, he has let it be known that he can keep a 'Nigger in his place'. The stockade which is 80% black, has been victimized by his racist like treatments. In front of his Supt., mag, and several other white supervisors, he said, 'I'm in charge of that dept. (I'd work the shit out of the niggers). He was upgraded supervision by the racist structure from the line a year back only because he the racist Honky in the g. This type of upgrading is typical today.

When the Wildcats began in July of '67 he earned the name 'Nigger Dick' because victimized and demoralized black workers at will, with the consent of his white racist peers. Any where there is trouble in 9150 area, there is 'Nigger Dick' using tactics Hitler himself would be proud of.

This type of racism is typical of the racist corp represents. Drum would like to inform 'Nigger Dick' that he may know how to handle niggers and colored boys and girls but Black men and women will not tolerate your bullshit longer.

JOHN DRUM

local was the only black representative to patronize these bars during the people's boycott. Drum would like to thank J. Smith for showing us his true role as a tom.

A committee of black workers is now negotiating with these bars and your continuous black people are hired would be appreciated.

Thank
John Dr

APPRECIATION

As of this date we of Drum are very proud to say that your participation and ongoing support

has not only brought on Black

awareness which is essential to Black unity. We, of Drum, have used your paper for personal vendetta. To the contrary, we have tried to fulfill in our lost brothers' minds that they are all black therefore they are being watched. Bootlicking, foot-being watched. Bootlicking, foot-shuffling Toms will not be tolerated in any community.

At this time, the Editorial staff of Drum would like to Thank you again for your contributions and support. And would like to add, that this paper is 'your' paper and our love for freedom is your love for freedom. But, we must caution you that the white man will not give us our Human Rights just for the asking. We must ask first then we must be prepared to move forward in the direction

of obtaining our goals. Drum has presented some initial demands (page of this edition) we have also shown the direction (same edition) now we must all prepare ourselves to move

Remember, 'The spirit of the People is greater than the mans' TECHNOLOGY'.

JOHN DRUM

Boycott

Drum would like to thank our black brothers for demonstrating unity in the boycott of two racist bars across from the plant. With over 90% participation by the brothers, the boycott must be called a victory.

our black brothers for participating in our efforts to unify black workers. These bars have been under constant pressure from our F.E.P.C. committee with no success. Drum's boycott was called through your news leaflet for your cause.

John Smith
John Smith, a loyal tom for our

SELL-OUT

SELL OUT.

The Executive Board has proven beyond a shadow of a doubt that it isn't an effective body. Instead they want to play politics. We hear the same thing all the time, 'go back to work and the Union will take care of everything.' DRUM has exposed the truth and now the union is asking the members not to listen or take part in our protest. They say the strike is not approved by the local or the U.A.W. BUT THE Union in turn will do nothing to assist us in our struggle for justice. George Morelli of the International is dictating a mode of attack by having the local put out a leaflet using Mc Carthyism tactics

in denouncing D.R.U.M. We are aware that everytime a black man stands up for his rights he is met with 'name calling', which is to imply that he is associating with other extremist groups. No one will buy this because we know that if 3 black workers can't get Morelli to negotiate, why should Liska listen to him Stupid Liska he is a damned poor president. Liska only defeated Domanski with black people's help and now he is stubborn enough to say that he is not going to call them black but colored, as he has for the past twenty years. He needed their help to become president but now he shows no concern for their problems. Knowing all the facts D.R.U.M. demands that all black members of the Executive Board protest to this ridiculous leaflet being circulated by the Board.

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DODGE REVOLUTIONARY UNION MOVEMENT

Polish Pigs Run Amuck

POLISH PIGS RUN AMUCK

Black, Beautiful Brothers and Sisters: We did have a peaceful protest against racism. Did you notice how the Police Pigs were waiting for trouble, and after seeing that we did not want trouble, but Justice, grouped up and tried to provoke it. We stood firm, further showing them that we were there for Justice. The same thing happened at Highland Park: The minute they saw that this was a Black Protest against Racism, they called on the Pigs. This Bullshit is degrading and insulting. The Management decided to hold up the checks until 1:30 p.m. Now, during the last wildcat which occurred on a Thursday night, the day shift reported for work and honored the picket lines. Management paid off at about 6:30 p.m. that morning. Now, the reason for not wanted to hold you there to see if the Pigs could provoke us into an irrational act, so that these stanking pigs could cut loose on us. The very fact that we stood up and told Boss Charlie Potatoe that we were tired of this in management to want to see us Beaten and Killed. JOIN DRUM



There have been six strikes during the last year at this plant, and only in the black protest strike of last friday was there such a wanton show of force by the police dept. Why? Whenever black people rally to protest their conditions the white racist power structure always moves to crush them. Black workers protesting at the plant last friday and monday were guilty of nothing. They were completely within their just rights. And yet the white racist pigs lined up with axe handles mace @ teargas canisters and at one point even put on their gas masks to launch attacks upon defenseless black men and women. We have no other choice accept to build and strengthen ourselves so that we can live, work and struggle for justice without being fronted off and run off the streets by a group of Polish fascist pigs with the sanction of Chrysler

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The Executive Board has proven beyond a shadow of a doubt that it isn't an effective body. Instead they want to play politics. We hear the same thing all the time, 'go back to work and the Union will take care of everyting.' DRUM has exposed the truth and now the union is asking the members not to listen or take part in our protest. They say the strike is not approved by the local or the U.A.W. BUT THE Union in turn will do nothing to assist us in our struggle for justice. George Morelli of the International is dictating a mode of attack by having the local put out a leaflet using Mc Carthyism tactics

in denouncing D.R.U.M. We are aware that everytime a black man stands up for his rights he is met with 'name calling', which is to imply that he is associating with other extremist groups. No one will buy this because we know that if 3, black workers can't get Morelli to negotiate, why should Liska listen to him Stupid Liska he is a damned poor president. Liska only defeated Dornanski with black people's help and now he is stubborn enough to say that he is not going to call them black but colored, as he has for the past twenty years. He needed their help to become president but now he shows no concern for their problems. Knowing all the facts D.R.U.M. demands that all black members of the Executive Board protest to this ridiculous leaflet being circulated by the Board.

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RACIST HAS FIELD DAY

Racist Joe Sheron, Gen. Forman in dept. 9150 Trim Shop and MxGinnis, Labor Rep. teamed up to give heavy penalties to a lot of Black Bros. for being absent or tardy Mon. Aug. 19. No excuses accepted, not even doctors excuses. Penalties ranged from one day up to and including discharge. About 39 workers were penalized and all the heavy penalties were handed out to Black workers. Bro Sam Hardwick works at the 5th floor body drop, he called in and brought in a excuse for personal business. He was fired because Joe Sheron wouldn't accept his excuse, of course Sheron has been trying to get rid of Bro Sam a long time, because he wears a natural, a beard and a tiki, and refuses to Tom for Joe Sheron.

To show you how prejudiced these two bigots are (Sheron & McGinnis),

Tennessee Jerry, a white worker, been absent approximately 17 days and hasn't worked one full week since he was hired. Dig this, he was told if he's absent again he'll get a warning. Tennessee Jerry came in late last week and nothing was said to him, but Bro. Sam was fired. Jim Hawkins a white worker in 9150 has less than one year seniority has missed 17 days, received only a warning, since then about 16 days. Penalty One day off. James Hayes, a Bro. hasn't missed over one day in eight months.

He received 30 days suspended penalty. Racists like Sernon and McGinnis and their double standards must go.

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Drum V.S UAW

On Tuesday, Aug. 20, 1968 a story appeared in the Michigan Chronicle about our struggle. Doug Fraser was quoted as saying 'Drum's main thrust was towards the company and not the U.A.W. Over the weekend of Aug. 16-19 there had been several stories in the News and the Free Press about Drum being a group of Black Radicals who were trying to pit the Black worker against the white worker. Now Doug Fraser is nobody's fool and the different stories given the

Chronicle and the other papers proves this. The Chronicle mainly serves the Black Community, this is why he said that Drum had no quarrel with the U.A.W. They are afraid of the truth about the Black Community. Drum had

so exposed Racism within the U.A.W. The Chronicle asked Fraser 'was there any chance of the U.A.W. officially recognizing Drum

and its grievances.' Fraser nor the U.A.W. can recognize Drum, because if they did they would then have to admit that we have told the truth about the U.A.W., then they would have to take the necessary steps to correct the U.A.W. Fraser and the U.A.W. are defending Racism because they are Practitioners of Racism and defend it is all they can do.

WORKERS

The Air We Breathe

Recently, in the body shop in the first floor sub. assembly area, the bro. began complaining about the fumes from the gas truck making them sick and also adding to the heat. The union rep. brought this

up at a meeting with management and labor relations. Mr. Ring of labor relations said 'well the state law says we can have them here.' Now is this it or could it be that here again we have an area of mostly Black workers, and maybe he just didn't care about all those niggers. Also the brothers all over the body shop had been asking for some more fans during the recent heat spell. What happened? On Aug. 23, some of the

some of the bros. on the 6th floor saw that asking wasn't getting them anywhere so they took some direct action, they walked out. By the way DRUM is suing the rest of the bros. who didn't walk with the first 23, for nonsupport. Getting back to the real problem we would like to know why do we have to always resort to direct

action to get anything. In the streets we have to revolt to get civil rights. At Hamtramck Assembly we have to walk out to get a fan. Then after we take some direct action to get justice, we have to put up with being called Communist, Black Nationalists. It always ends up with the victim becoming the criminal.

Open Letter To Lynn Townsend

Dear Lynn,

We of Drum have been exposing these Racist conditions that the Bro. at Hamtramck Assembly must contend with. We have had one protest demonstration against these conditions. Here now several weeks after our dem-

onstration, we find ourselves faced with these same conditions that existed before the demonstration.

With Hamtramck Assembly being the largest money maker in Chrysler Corp., and the Black worker comprising the majority of the work force, it would seem that someone would take some kind of action against people like Sheron & McGinnis, who use their position to practice Racism. If for no other reason but for the sake of production.

Drum is not asking for any special treatment of the Black worker. We do want to be treated as men and women, and to be given the same chance at advancement as the white worker, and the same breaks as the white worker.

We also find it rather hard to believe that any intelligent person with authority would allow these conditions to continue unchecked. Is Chrysler planning to regain its position in the auto industry on Racism? One relieves oppression by any means necessary. How far must we go to give you an idea of how serious we are? We would like to quote, Bro Martin Luther King, 'If a man hasn't found anything to die for then he isn't fit to live.'

SLAVE CODES

Slave code is here today as well as it was in the past. In

In the past the whites used the slave code to restrict the freedom of the Black people, inflicting severe penalties for even minor offenses and denying slaves civil and criminal rights. The number of slaves increased and in some regions the slaves outnumbered the whites two to one as we Black Bros. here at Hamtramck Assembly and in Detroit today. The Racist white company, union and community are using the old slave code on us Blacks today like their forefathers did.

Drum demonstrated against racism and the Racist company asked for an injunction from the Racist white community to hold what they called a slave uprising and the Racist union supported the order. And some of you Black Bros. think things are better now that we have civil rights bills. Your Black forefathers had the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments to give them first class citizenship. Now you are happy with a civil rights bill. For all the amendments and bills the Racist whites pass for the Blacks they pass two for them to overcome your one.

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The worker and the

black community

Divide and conquer has been a whipping tool for too long. White has always taught divide the enemy and conquer is inevitable. During the Black Protest Boss Charlie was back at his tricks again. Did you notice how all news media made it clear that most of the protesters didn't work in the plant. One paper stated 'some didn't work at all'. Another paper went on to say 'they were beating drums and dancing, a real wild bunch'. Statements like these at one time bothered Black people, but now they don't.

But one brother was over heard raping to a white that he didn't believe anyone on the picket line worked in the plant, and

he would not be a part of any black power move. Before we dealt with this trick we explained to him that racism was a nationwide problem and wherever it is found it should be stomped out. We went on to say that this problem, racism, was every Black man's responsibility and it should be clear to him and every other sleeping Black that their copping out to white would not eliminate the problem but only make matters worse. The brother did admit that Mr. Charlie was working the hell out of him and had been for some time. So, we ask what difference did it make who was on the picket line as long as they were helping to get whites foot off his neck. He said he didn't off his neck. He said he hadn't looked at it like that before. We finished by saying 'White beat us into slavery and Drum is going to whip

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During the Black Protest it was brought to Drum's attention that the U.A.W. completely turned its Black members over to the mercy of the Hamb Storm troopers. We are all living witnesses to this fact. Not only do we pay a sum of millions of dollars to this organization, the president of this organization is the foremost leader of Civil Rights. Now lets analyze the situation. Our protest was as moral and legal as any demonstration in the history of the Black man's struggle. History itself has proven that in every struggle from the sit-ins to the March on Washington, Walter Reuther and our dues were there.

Further, in Memphis after Martin Luther's assassination, Walter Reuther and our dues were there. Man, I want you to know that something funny is going on here. OK you as Black readers and supporters of Drum can not name a struggle or Civil Rights movement that Reuther and our dues were not there - except one.

Our struggle was just anti,

very obvious to the world. The entire so-called Black leadership of our community stated clearly that we were right. Black ministers and civic organizations said they were in full support. But what did our Great white father do Denounced Drum. Which doesn't bother us as a group but when we ask constantly of what would U.A.W. and our dues stand be on the problem at hand. They (our Reg. Dir. Geo Merrill) and others, answered with Racism didn't exist at Hamt. Assy. or Local #3.

Who is Geo Merrill
Leading racist Geo Merrill is our Regional I Director. He earns around \$50,000 a year. He is Director of the entire Dept. and outer Mich. plants (all of Big three). Which is on record as being 70% Black. He has a white. His area is so large that its broken down into sub areas. Regions 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, and 1e. Out of these subs, 1a and 1b concerns us. This is Detroit Eastside A and B Westside. It should be noted that Detroit's regions are 62% Black but before the protest both sub Directors were white and the staffs

(14 each) were all but 1% ill white. This seems far from points at hand but this is why Mor illi denounced Drum and stated that Racism did not exist. He is a racist himself and people in glass houses should not throw rocks.

Walter Reuther is our president and Doug Fraser is our Vice President and our question to you is what were they during the Black Protest. Malcolm X stated once that we Black people should check our ranks during demonstrations. Well Drum says our enemy has been in our ranks through out our struggle for Freedom. The U.A.W. has stolen from its members too long. It has lead the black man down a dark road of no return. It has been our river of no crossing, just a constant winding road with no end. It was said to Drum that the U.A.W. broke the ice for the Black man in the 40's. Drum says Hitler broke the ice for the Black man in the 40's when he bombed Pearl Harbor and the U.A.W. called us 'niggers' when the man took us out of the cotton fields and made us pick cold steel in the plants

FIGHT ON

BrothersSisters @ Fellow Workers, once again we find that conditions will not change. Brothers are being disciplined for slight errors. The U.A.W. and our supposedly Local 3 are trying to justify their positions. They reason that the benefits you now receive and the benefits they are trying to get, can only come about thru the proper legal channels, so therefore you will have to wait and petition thru the proper and legal channels.

They forget history and how the U.A.W. came into existence; using the most out and out illegal methods which they are still using in order to misinform and mislead the masses of Black workers. Just go back and take note Bro's —As far as slight errors and discipline, take this case: A Black inspector was given three days off for not being on his job and letting 43 pieces of stock go by unchecked. This happened on the Brakeline in the Core Room, 2nd shift. The Black workers, and the Black foreman, saw this Bro leave the line and felt that something had to be done. 43 pieces take no more than a couple of minutes to pass and since when is it a three day offence to leave the line to go to the bathroom, especially when there is a method of warning workers before action is taken. This method doesn't seem to be in effect. This inspector claims that he was not warned, but his foreman claims he was. A grievance was written on this matter, plus the fact that the Bro requested a transfer back to his original job where it seems that a white worker with less seniority, has been holding this Bro's job. At his original job the advancement is good while where he is now, he's reached the top and there's no further advancement. Huber Ave. has a lot of wrong things going down and they will not change until we force the changes, thru any means necessary.....Support Drum and you must join Drum.

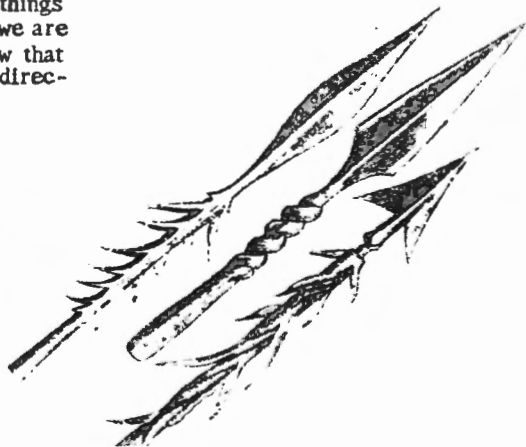
unite for freedom

This article is written for those Black Bros, who thought Drum was a step in the wrong direction. You are the ones who would not participate in our demonstration against Racism. Drum exposed conditions of racism that exist at Hamtramck Assembly. You know that everything printed in Drum was the truth, now you probably say to yourself 'what can I do'. Well its for sure you didn't help by going to work. As long as the white power structure knows that a few Bros. will come to the rescue, they will take that much longer to give us equal opportunity. We have broken our necks to go off and fight the white man's wars to spread the American form of democracy. Now if we can lay our lives on the line for the sake of democracy, then we should be willing to lay our jobs on the line for democracy and equal opportunity. Now we were branded as Black Nationalists, Communists, Fascists, and Racists, well we have been called niggers, coons, pickanannies, and a lot of other things so it does not matter what we are called as long as we know that we are going in the right direction.



Racism in Body Shop

As long as the union representation in the body shop was Polish, they could go anywhere union business. Now as soon as this leadership became 99.9% Black, strange things began to happen. The first thing the Racin the 7th floor conference room that that the union rep. use. Now that its Black they want to keep an eye on the Black representatives, they will probably tap it next, sothey can hear them also. After this they put a gate up in the 7th floor office to keep out the Black Hell raising steward. On 7-31-68 by orders of Ray Crastel, one of the leading Bigots, all stewards, and including the Black committeeman, when they have business in the dept. office on the 8th floor, such as checking records and penaltys, etc, etc. have to stop at the door and be waited on thru a window by a white female. What this all boils down to is that they just refuse to recognize us. We are here to stay. We will be recognized. But our union leaders, Liska, Morrelli and Fraizer say that there is no racism existing at Hamtramck Assembly. The way they are treating our Black union representatives is nothing but out and out racism.



join drum at huber

Some months ago management passed a bulletin that anyone caught playing cards other than at lunch time would face disciplinary action. (fired or time off from job). This bulletin wasn't passed until certain foremen complained that the workers (Black) were staying off the job to play cards, so this bulletin was issued....At first the workers disregarded the bulletin which caused plant protection nothing but headaches in trying to enforce it. Now once again management is attempting to enforce it because bth plant protection and management feel the need to harass the workers. Nevertheless, Chrysler Corp. does not show any tolerance towards the monotonous grinding of production. Management thinks all workers are dumb. Plant protection does not feel any attachment to the workers.... in other words they would like it very much if the workers would work foolheartedly with no time off to relax. Not to work towards a definite plan or direction to make the line a better place to work. Justice shall thrive when you take your battles, complaints, or grievances into your own hands and form a revolutionary arm of the workers to deal with those who offose your wanting a better place in which to work. Drum says later for those in the way of change time is to change and to try and punish all the workers for the failure of a few is a school type philosophy. The vanguard of the Black workers are watching you and time will come when you will be forced to change your attitudes towards the Black workers is drawing near.

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Sick Call

Complacency is a disease that needs caring for. Its a deep wound that brings on stages of and opening of new wounds. We at Hamtramck Assem. are patients with a long list of sicknesses that are lead by our chief medical case Ed Liska. This shiftless bigot is our so-called leader, that was elected in good faith to represent Local 3 but his accountability is to the racists at Soladarity House.

Out of 10 thousand voting members, this cat was elected by 1947 votes, and he can't even be accountable to this small minority. During the Black Protest this Puppet had the audacity to first of all call the protestors 'colored folks', secondly he stated that he didn't know what he could do to help. Being that this useless stup showed his stupidity in asking what he could do in representing 60% Black workers, Drum feels the only Honorable thing for him to do is resign.

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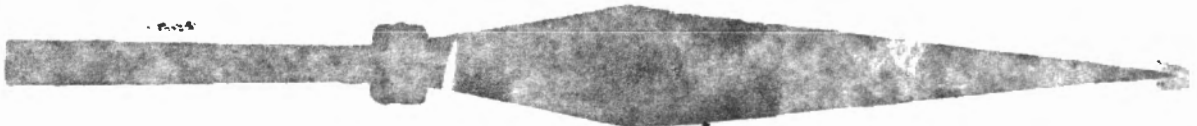
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Honky Wallace

HONKY UNIONIST ENDORSE
WALLACE

On Sunday 9-8-68, Local 326 General Motors Ternstedt Division, endorsed George C. Wallace for President. This came as no surprise to DRUM, we have always taken the position that the UAW is racist.

Now, Local 326 has a majority of Black workers and this is what happens when Black people put their faith in the hands of white racist honkies and Uncle Tom niggers. At local 326, the Black workers are in a majority but like us they entrusted their faith in Bigots and Toms. What has happened is that we have been politically asleep, we and the brothers at Local 326 in Flint Mich. are faced with the same problem-Racism.

Dig this, after endorsing Wallace, do you realize what comes next? Its money. Yes, now Local 326 is going to donate some of those Bros. hard earned union

dues for this stanking honky's campaign. These Bros. will now have to pay their hard earned money for Racism, Bigotry, and Segregation. All this shit we use to get for free, but now these honkies have gotten so uptight on law and order and stopping the just Black Movement, that they have the nerve to try to make our Black Bro, pay for it.

This is why DRUM advocates that Black workers unite, and that will speak for the Black majority.

The office of trustee is very important, it will give us a chance to get a voice and a that will be able to let these Racist honkies and ass kissing toms know that the Black majority on the assembly line will not accept Racism any longer.

If Local 326 in Flint can endorse Wallace it could happen here, considering that Local 3 is comprised of the same kind of leadership that Local 326 in Flint has. But if it does happen it will be Hell in Hamtramck.

VOTING BALLOT

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DRUM'S CANDIDATE

Graft @ Corruption

Dodge Local # 3 is one of the largest Locals in the country, second only to Local # 600. Its a surprizing fact that our Local does not have any entertainment facillities except Bingo, (a self supporting operation). Also the condition of our Local Building is a disgrace to the workers in the plants as well as Hamtramck city, and the UAW. The last picnic outing or any affair for the children was ten years ago. The Local officials claim that the reason for these conditions is a lack of money. Despite the fact that we are the second largest local and have a membership of ten thousand workers paying on the average of \$8.00 per month.

These monies from membership dues gives a total of \$80,000 per month. With the UAW getting this total and allotting the old per capita tax we would receive nearly \$25,000 per month. But this is the old \$5.00 dues. With higher dues the per capita goes up (more operating expense).

In the past election our president and vice have put great efforts behind the Trustee positions. Why? We of Drum do know that before any money leaves our Local the Trustee must sign for it. With out casting doubt on our officials, Drum says the money has been taken out for causes not accountable to the majority of our membership. We also know that with three Trustees and the entire Local officers having a voice

and a vote on the Executive Brd. they can over-rule the executive members (7 total) and take the money legally.

These are ugly truths that have been going on in our Local for some time. And Drum says the time is now to support a candidate that will remain accountable to you, the membership. Above, we have given the importance of this vacant position. Also we have expressed the necessity to place a Black brother in this position that will remain loyal and accountable to the entire Black majority's platform.

Support
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Candidate

Ron March for Trustee

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HUBER FOUNDRY

The Black man has failed in his struggle because he has not analysed the conditions surrounding, where he is employed to where he is forced to live: To goals of when 40 acres and a mule will be paid and to look at his employment in the factory as another type of enslavement. To look at these facts and objectives as realistically and coldly as possible, and then devise effective moves and counter moves that can defeat the reactionary rule of U.S. imperialism at home.

Study the morality of the Foreman's, General Foreman's, Plant Superintendents, Plant Managers, Plant Guards, Corporate Executives and their Efficiency Experts, there is no room for the type of morality that pervades the workers struggle.

If the workers are to fight to win complete emancipation they will have to become less moral and more pragmatic like their enemies. The obvious problem with the workers' tactics is the over-development of walk-out demonstrations which at most only give visible evidence to the many unseen problems. The choice is simple, you walk like a panther, Black but strong or you walk like a puppy, small and weak. The puppy will never be hunted as ruthlessly as the panther, but the latter is free.

Bro Reese is free/proud, Black @ beautiful. But his Gen'l

Foreman seems to reek with hate white the Plant Superintendent orders hate. This Black Bro, was confronted by these two Racists, the General Foreman uttering profanity at the Bro while the Plant Superintendent chimes in that 'you must do what the General Foreman says.' They claim that the Bro ran his Hi-Lo truck into another Hi-Lo and that he was to be fired for reckless driving and not doing what the General Foreman had asked him to do. His representative said for him to do what was said. So he was sent home for crashing into another Hi-Lo, but before he could get out the plant on the way, the Plant Protection and their Police Accomplices were trying to intimidate the Bro. The Bro finally saw the Labor Relations and was given 3 days off for being under the influence of intoxication and not for running into another Hi-Lo as was previously stated as the reason for his being sent home.

The driver denied that he had run into another Hi-Lo, so they just pushed this influence on him. No work no pay. Needless to say, the worker must realize that he cannot be a Patriot and a Gentleman at the same time, that his enemies say 'kick that man out', the Representatives say 'that's all right man, we will beat the man yet.'

Workers, you must decide how moral our enemy is, and then analyze and devise effective mover that will defeat him.

Once again the call goes out to join DRUM. Your weapon against exploitation. Join DRUM/Support DRUM.

BLACK AMERICAN

Black peoples of America stand up and be counted, but not like sheep who stray away, but as a proud and United race.

Black peoples of America stand up and be counted. Black brothers and sisters, it's time to put our hearts together, and

to have one beat, the beat is unity for that's the only way.

Black peoples of America stand up and be counted. There was a great man called Martin Luther King Jr. who once said, I have a dream, and we shall over come. The cry now is more and more seriously involved, freedom and liberty.

Trades

Last week the UAW sent a letter to the membership of Local 3, announcing the opening of apprenticeship training programs. In the letter it was stated that there was no chance for favoritism or bias, and that selection s will be made on 'the basis of qualification and without regard to race, creed, color, national origin or sex.' Now all this is well and good, it would appear that at last someone is finally trying to put an end to racism in skill trades, realizing that this is the first time that UAW has ever put out a letter announcing the opening of a apprenticeship training program. But lets examine the letter further. They stated that the test would consist of four parts, which would measure the applicants arithmetic skills mechanical knowledge, and his sense of space relationships and object visualization. That word arithmetic sounds strange, it appears that someone would like to have us think that you would be doing 1-2-3 or something of that nature. DRUM would like to encourage all bros. to go after these jobs, but we would like to urge that this test not consist of arithmetic, but advance math, and some algebra. DRUM feels that if you plan on going after one of these jobs, then you plan on strengthening yourself in math. The UAW and Chrysler Corp. fully realize that Black people have been the victims of educational genocide in the school system in this country, and the use of that word arithmetic makes one think that this is not a real effort to get Black people into skill trades, but a chance for some racist honky to say 'well we tried'. So, if you plan on taking this test, then you should enroll in an advance math class in adult day or night school.

Black peoples of America stand up and be counted, for that's the only way. So Black peoples of America stand up and be counted.

Honkie Lou

In 9130 Vinyl Dept., there's a new General Foreman that was transferred from St. Louis Missouri. He held the position of Superintendent in St. Louis but due to the fact that he was incompetent he was demoted. He was therefore sent to Detroit and took the new position of General foreman, because after all he did possess the Sadistic, Slave driving, Black man hating technique that's very necessary to become a General foreman at Dodge main.

As soon as he arrived in the city and took his new position, he lived up to his inhuman reputation as far as Black people are concerned. The first day in his new position he didn't waste any time, he started out harassing and firing Black workers. He used the method of talking to each Black worker alone, running down absurd rules. You know it's not what you say sometimes it's how you say it, and the brother that had the courage to stare him in the eyes could see the hate and malice in his cruel eyes. Some of his rules were; don't read newspapers close to the line, don't eat food close to the line, and many other absurd rules. I say this rule of absurd because we have no lunch room, but Chrysler does have janitors. I'm inclined to think that the slave owners' children don't want Black people to enjoy nothing. If they were human like we are I personally think that some of the petty things like reading a newspaper could be over looked. We might want to read about the war in Viet Nam where we have Black brothers involved in a war killing yellow people for white people who ran the red people out of the country. We don't have time to read at home and Honky Louis should realize this. Just picture this brothers, on the vinyl line we're working ten hours a day, six days a week. We spend one hour making preparations to

get to work another hour making preparations to get from work; then we have to spend another hour going through the hygiene thing; we spend still another one to eat, that's fourteen hours of our life, by then we're so tired and weary we go to sleep on the couch watching some phony news. The next day is just a repetition of the previous one, our mind becomes so tired to think, we become zombies. It's just like letting a new car set up for a period of time without using it. It fails to function properly if you neglect using it. Well, the same thing happens to our mind if we refuse to use it, we become zombies we walk around dead.

So, Honky Louis with the little time that we have to ourselves after slave owners like you let us off the plantation we have to read on the job. So, Honky Louis stop standing over us telling us to do a job that you know nothing about yourself. We all know that's how you killed Dr. Martin Luther King, you might not have pulled the trigger, but everyone of you aimed the gun. We're asking you to cease now, but if you continue you're going to get involved in some action when you can't win. You're going to discover what Black power really is.

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The ultimate power under this system (or any other system) is the power of labor—more specifically for us, the power of black labor. Take the plantation for instance. No matter what anybody says, the only thing that kept the plantation system running was the black slaves out in the fields breaking his back picking cotton. The master could die. Masters could get drunk or go to Europe. New masters could come and go.

Master wasn't working, and the cotton crop really didn't depend on where master was, or what he did. What really counted were those hard working black men who picked that cotton and thereby turned it into something more than just another weed in the ground. Without the black man working, the plantation wasn't worth a dime because it didn't produce anything. But without the masters, the black men could have still run the plantation (which they had built in the first place), they would get all the money they produced instead of that fat white pirate who called himself master. They could have geared their working hours and working conditions to their own needs; they could have worked less and had more to eat instead of working themselves into the ground and starving like they did under white. In a

nutshell the black working man did not need the non-working master who sat back and did nothing but collect the profits. But the "master" needed the black worker because the worker put the bread in the masters mouth. Now anytime you are putting the bread in somebodys mouth, anytime someone depends on you, you have got the essential power. The driving force behind the system was the power of black labor, and white tried hard to prevent the slaves from realizing the full potential of this power. As we already know however, some slaves did learn of their inherent power and when they used this power against white, in Haiti in the South during the Civil war and in Africa, the white slave masters were resolutely defeated.

Our situation is today the same as it was during slavery and it is time for us to realize our inherent power..

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but you ought to be informed that we already know YOUR history. And it shows you to be crooks. We take this occasion to tell you that we don't intend to be the victims of another frame-up by you. We are watching you.

Down With The Hamtramck Retirees

In the election last week, the Joe Elliot supporters relied heavily upon the retiree vote. The U.A.W. bigots along with Hamtramck city officials went around the entire city of Hamtramck scraping the backs streets and searching the cracks in the walls for old retired polish pigs. There are something like 1300 old retired Pollacks who were former employees at Hamtramck Assembly Plant, and are still members of local 3. These Pollacks were stomp down racist while they worked at the plant and shall continue to be so until they die.

They were part of the white racist walk-out that took place in the early 1950's here at old Dodge Main, because they refused to work next to black people. Let us never forget the harassment and insults our black brothers suffered at the hands of these racist pollacks. They were the same white workers who reaped the benefits of the segregated part that once stood on Jos Campau facing the plant. We shall not be so naive to think that their attitudes have changed. We suffered toolong merely having to work with these racist. And now we are still made to bare the brunt of their radism by contending with their voting power. We must therefore seek to put an end to this gross misjustice in the same manner that we shall deal with all injustice at this plant. Prepare to strike a blow at the right of these white racist retirees to be able to continue to have a voice in the decisions of the work force which now is a majority of black brothers. Down with the white racist retirees.

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HUBER AVE. STEWARDS!

We are living in Revolutionary times and the time is now for you to take control of your own destiny. Who are the Black Revolutionaries? Who looks out for you when the chips are down and you're going to get kicked. Does the steward take a position of protecting your job or his? Does the local union participate with the corporation in exploiting the black workers at the expense of its own white workers? Most of your N-E-G-R-O leaders aren't saying anything about it. So DRUM is hot in the position of exposing these mothers. Have you ever noticed what position the stewards take when they are in an open confrontation with management - one steward in particular is E. Harper. We wonder is he just a poor Negro or one of those super toms the way he never tries to defend the black workers. As of this writing he has allowed workers to be fired for petty ass reasons like standing up to management and plant protection. But come election time this tom ass Negro is going to want you to vote for him and his local crooks. Tell me how long does it take to get a black steward? If we continue to allow this type of shit to go down then we deserve the type of treatment we receive and the D R U M which sets forth this position defends it makes it triumph, introduces a new element into the classic dialogue of the union and the black workers. The liberation of the black workers does not follow national liberation. An authentic national liberation exists only to the precise degree to which the black worker has irrevisibly begun his own liberation or union movement. It is not possible to take one's distance with respect to Neo-Colonialism without the same time taking it with respect to the idea that the oppressed and exploited black workers holds of himself through the filter of colonialist culture. DRUM is beginning to establishing a non-exploited culture which will lead us all to victory. JOIN SUPPORT
IN THIS FIGHT AGAINST RACISM AND EXPLOITATION.

DRUM Watching Chrysler

Chrysler officials lay ground for an old trick (see current CHRONICLE). Throughout the history of the American Labor Movement the employers have used sabotage and frame-up against union men. They have time after time destroyed (dynamited and burned) their own facilities (often they have succeeded in breaking strikes in this way, and in many instances they have managed to frame-up union organizers and send them to jail for long terms.

Example: 1) On June 21, 1877, ten young Irish miners were hanged in the coal producing state of Pennsylvania. Not one of them was guilty of any crime except trying to organize a miners union. They were accused and convicted of sabotage, arson, and murder on the basis of false evidence manufactured by the mine operators.

2: A small railroad depot in Independence, near Cripple Creek, Colorado, was blown up, June 4, 1904. Fourteen strike breakers (scabs) were killed in the explosion, which was set off by Harry Orchard, and employees of the Mine Owners Association. The Western Federation of Miners was accused of the crime and officials of the union were arrested.

3) The explosion at the Preparedness Day parade in San Francisco in 1916 which killed some of the marchers was the work of an agent of the California employers. Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings were accused of this crime and railroaded to prison where they were to be executed and where they spent more than 20 years before being pardoned. Their only "crime" was their efforts to organize unions.

4) On August 23, 1927, two Italian immigrants, Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Nicola Sacco were murdered by the State of Massachusetts after being held in prison for seven yrs. They were meant to be examples to poor Italian workers who wanted to form unions and held "anarchist" ideas.

5) In the Auto strikes of the 1930's the giant corporations including Chrysler, framed up the union organizers, put the strikers in jail, screamed about damage by the sit-downs, tried to scare off workers with the old cries of "anarchists" and "communists".

We are interested in our own History-African History.

Corp. is the most racist of the big 3 we can further understand how Ford Motors and Chrysler Corp. became recipients of awards. In the last edition of DRUM we explained how Uncle toms are used to the detriment of Black people and here is a concrete example.

At the luncheon, Kornegay stated, 'A significant breakthrough is that the Big Three have eliminated the employment test for entry and production jobs'. They have eliminated a test so that you can pick steel all day long in the plants. Every black brother sister who has ever stepped inside a plant knows that ain't nothing hap knows that ain't nothing happening but some of the most back breaking work that has ever gone on in history. The plant is becoming an effective substitute for the plantation, no one ever took a written test to pick cotton so why should anyone take one to pick steel.

Chrysler Corp. is the smallest of the Big Three and at the same time that they were receiving equal opportunity awards at the Statler Hilton Ho-

tel what was going on at Dodge Main, at Eldon Ave and Mack @ Jefferson, at Huber Foundry - how many brothers were being fired at that moment, how many brothers lost fingers in stamping plants, how many brothers' cases of silicosis worsened, how many brothers were being harrassed by white racist foremen, how many black babies were hungry because their fathers had been fired on trumped up charges, how many brothers were being refused medical attention at these plants how many speedups were twking place right here in the city

At that very minute super profits were being reaped from the backs of our black brothers right here and not one penny of those profits produced were used to aid black people. These super profits made off of our labor right here at Dodge Main, Huber, etc. and what do you think is being done with it. These profits are being shared by the white racist owners of the Corp. and much of it is being shared by the white rabing re-invested nationally and internationally. Chrysler

Corp. alone has proposed capital expenditures for 1970-73 equal to \$1,188 million for international expenditures. In South Africa alone, where white workers are paid 16 times that of our black brothers, Chrysler Corp. has plans for construction of a new foundry and stamping plant totaling \$35 million. All of these profits were made from our black brothers' sweat and blood and is being used to further exploit other black people on an international level.

With the above existing facts how in the hell could anyone offer these international blood suckers any kind of an award. It is necessary that our black brothers fully understand these facts so as not to fall prey to the insidious notion that black people are making progress, or that Chrysler Corp, General Motors or Ford Motor Co, has done anything to aid black people and therefore deserve any award.

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FASCIST STRIKE

FACIST AT WORK AGAIN

In the framing area, on the 7th floor of 9110, on Friday, Nov. 22, 1968 a young innocent Black Brother was discharged because of a gate go-o too far causing a line to stop. In spite of the fact that young Black brother's record was clean and he had never been late or absent, fat, racist pig-ass Coffey, the Supt., came down and told a Black foreman to fire the brother. Even though the Black foreman tried to speak up for the brother, as he has tried to help all of his men, this brother was fired on the spot.

The next Wednesday, the same situation came up, only this time it was a white man. Even with this chicken-assed pig being the one at fault Dick Paille, the General Foreman and another racist pig gave the word to give another innocent Black brother 5 days off. Instead of finding the honky responsible, they will tell a damn lie and place blame on a Black brother rather than deal with their white pigs.

After the word got to racist labor relations man Ring, he in turn said he would find out who caused the line to stop, and no one had to worry he would fix it up. Maybe we can understand why the chicken-assed white responsible for the

line stoppage quit the next day. Could it be he's only been moved somewhere else. And why is one of the best Black foreman's, the one who spoke up for the Black brothers, being moved? Could it be that he's truly a good foreman, instead of the tom or the slave-driver they want him to be?

Black workers are tired of white racists will find their own asses in hot water; white hats and all...

P.S. If they think they are having trouble with a good and well-respected Black foreman, what the hell do they think they're going to have with a not wanted new foreman.
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PROTECTION

EGTS AT HUBER AVE, FO-
UNDRY.

Friday night 12-6-68, plant protection of Huber Ave, rudley awoken by the sounds of fear/gun-shots @yells for help/by a wounded white employee screaming for help with blood gushing from the side of his head, where his assailants had slugged him. Another robbery had just taken place right before all they're live T.V. broadcasts @ eyes. This man was lucky that he didn't lose what little life he has through this constant neglect of protecting plant property instead of employees also. Of putting human life first and the static plant second. But NO. Plant protection follows orders to a "T" with their "small group" mentality.

It just so happens that the thieves were white also/stealing from one another shame/shame/Nixon's getting to 'em already @ his term hasn't even begun yet. Why wasn't a guard hut placed at the parking lot entrance to prevent this type of activity? Will they take the cue from this narrow escape to

do something other than locking th gates after the horse has gone. This brings us to the point of why only one gate is open when the afternoon shift are going on. Traffic jams @ multiple car accidents is all we see. Not to say anything about the tickets these fools have started issuing for parking in the lanes. This is a good time to correct the badlighting @ clean the motherfucker out sometimes with one of these power sweepers that sits hungrily for more dirt. What will it take to move off that mellow seat of yours? An employees death? Don't let one of those fools try @ rob one of the militant Black Bro'/one of those I don't give UP MY DOUGH TO NOBODY EXCEPT 'MA-MA' - the blood will really flow because we got the hardest @ dirtiest job for the least amount of money to just give it up/like it don't hurt at all..NO/IT WON'T DO. Plant Protection better get rid of self-interest in their minds @ start protecting those who make it possible for them to have a job.

BRO' PATTERSON is still out in the streets as Deck THE HALLS TO BE JOLLY gets nearer @ the five Committeeman goes thru all his TOM "out of sight" motions. His grievance is on step two of the four steps that a grievance will take if you got a Tom handling your case/or you're just to Black to get back. By that we mean proud with principles. We will fight to get this man back as long as it's necessary to/DARE TO FIGHT..DARE TO WIN..BRO'S join us in this BRO'S JUST STRUGGLE AGAINST THESE RACISTS.. report all "TOMS" STOP COMING TO WORK UNTIL THIS MAN IS (1) REINSTATED, (2) ALL BACK PAY DO HIM, (3) THAT THE FOREMAN WHO FIRED HIM GETS FIRED FOR CAUSING ALL THIS BULLSHIT..join DRUM/Support DRUM in its fight to end RACISM. IF THAT RACIST DOCTOR IS BACK Demand to be sent home to see your own private doctor until he'S RE - MOVED "PERMENTLY".... JOIN DRUM SUPPORT DRUM..

HIS STORY

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'The day the slave ship landed in America our history ended and his story began.' Like everything else, the white racist power structure, has lied about the true history of the Black worker. 'Negro' history leads us to believe that some of us were (field negroes) the ones who did the hardest work (pickin cotton etc.) wore the raggedest clothes, and ate the worse food and the rest of us were

(house negroes) the ones who received the lightest jobs (cleaning the masters' house, etc.) wore the best clothes, and ate the best food. This is far from the truth.

'Negro' slaves were employed in foundries as forgersmen, blacksmiths, and founders. They were used to mine both coal and iron. They worked along the water front as longshoremen. With the exception of conductors, they worked on the railroads in every capacity including that of locomotive engineer, and they

piloted the steamboats that plied on southern waters. They were even used to some extent as hands in the textile mills and formed a large portion of the workers in the tobacco factories. These facts can be found in the Black Worker by Sterling D. Spero and Abram L. Harris. This is not all, in the same book it says 'a number of Blacks worked in the skilled crafts such as; carpentry, masonry, blacksmithing, and the other mechanical trades.' Why would the hunky permit slaves (Black

workers) to obtain jobs that sometimes his fellow hunky couldn't get. The answer is very simple. In the Black Worker the answer is spelled out, 'The masters found it easier and cheaper to have their slaves trained in carpentry, masonry, blacksmithing and the other mechanical trades than to depend upon outside free white labor'. The hunky even got farther out than that, many masters regarded their skilled slaves as a profitable source of income, and instead of keeping them on the plantation to serve the mechanical needs of the establishment, sent them to practice their trades in the cities.

History is best qualified to reward all research, Black

workers should be able to see in 1968 that his story is repeating itself, in the racist Chrysler Corp and in the racist UAW. It is a fact that Black people didn't just pick cotton during 'slavery' and that Black and that Black people did work on so-called good jobs then. But we must keep in mind Why

The only reason the hunky permitted Blacks to do these jobs. The only reason the hunky permitted Blacks to do these jobs was because it was easier, **CHFOR HIM TO DO SO.** It was not

because he loved Black people. If you doubt what the writer says, check this out, during slavery the hunky insisted

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on employing his slaves in whatever manner he found profitable. If Blacks were not needed on the plantation they were rented out to dig ditches. If Blacks were too weak to stand the strain of working in the fields, they were sent to the cotton mills to 'attend to the looms and the spindles.' In racist America, Black workers have 'progressed' only when it was profitable for the hunky or when world pressure was put on America during a time of war. Black people can work when the hunky is at war but as soon as the war is over we're right back out in the street, Brothers and Sisters things are not getting better things are getting worse. Black Workers unite with: DRUM or perish.

SEEKING CLEARITY

MAKING ISSUES CLEAR

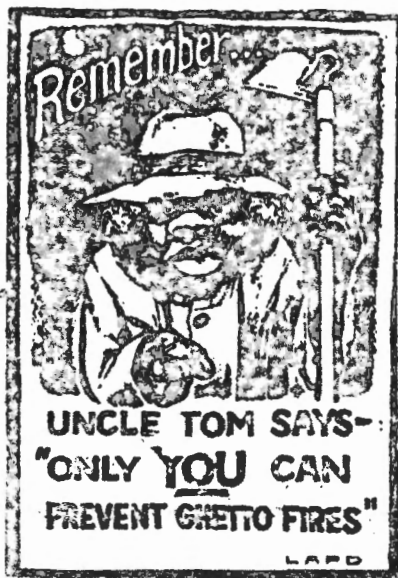
Thursday, Nov. 14, 1968 was declared 'Equal Opportunity Day' in the city of Detroit. At the Statler Hilton hotel here in Detroit, the notorious Mayor Jerome P. Cavanaugh presented a framed proclamation declaring such to Harold S. McFarland, the president of the Detroit Urban League. The event was an Urban League Luncheon to issue 'Equal Opportunity' awards to General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp., the U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Co., and the Statler Hilton hotel.

award for 'Equal Opportunity' he either has to be grossly misled or blind, deaf, and dumb. Francis Kornegay is an uncle tom of long, long, good-standing - the Executive Director of the Detroit Urban League. He is the chief spokesman for the concept of 'Negro progress' towards what

At the luncheon D.R.U.M. members held an open demonstration in order to denounce such an outrageous act. D.R.U.M. is first of all concerned and fighting for our super-exploited Black Brothers and Sisters living within the confines of these 50 racist states and our Black Brothers who are exploited and oppressed all over the world. Any time a sucker stands up and gives General Motors, Ford Motor Co., @ Chrysler Corp., an

D.R.U.M. states that the concept of 'Negro progress' is another insidious notion fostered, consciously, by white racists using Black lap-dogs as mouthpieces. We believe that Kornegay is such a mouthpiece. As we stated earlier, a racist honky by the name of Harold S. McFarland is the President of the Detroit Urban League, but what we didn't mention is that he is also the Assistant Director of Personnel Relations for General Motors Corp.

With the above mentioned facts it becomes obvious as to why General Motors Corp. was given an award by the Urban League; and since General Motors



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RACIST HAS FIELD DAY

Racist Joe Sheron, Gen. Forman in dept. 9150 Trim Shop and McGinnis, Labor Rep. teamed up to give heavy penalties to a lot of Black Bros. for being absent or tardy Mon. Aug. 19. No excuses accepted, not even doctors excuses. Penalties ranged from one day up to and including discharge. About 39 workers were penalized and all the heavy penalties were handed out to Black workers. Bro Sam Hardwick works at the 5th floor body drop, he called in and brought in a excuse for personal business. He was fired because Joe Sheron wouldn't accept his excuse, of course Sheron has been trying to get rid of Bro Sam a long time, because he wears a natural, a beard and a tiki, and refuses to Tom for Joe Sheron.

To show you how prejudiced these two bigots are (Sheron & McGinnis),

Tennessee Jerry, a white worker, been absent approximately 17 days and hasn't worked one full week since he was hired. Dig this, he was told if he's absent again he'll get a warning. Tennessee Jerry came in late last week and nothing was said to him, but Bro. Sam was fired. Jim Hawkins a white worker in 9150 has less than one year seniority has missed 17 days, received only a warning, since then about 16 days. Penalty One day off. James Hayes, a Bro. hasn't missed over one day in eight months.

He received 30 days suspended penalty. Racists like Sernon and McGinnis and their double standards must go.

Drum V.S UAW

On Tuesday, Aug. 20, 1968 a story appeared in the Michigan Chronicle about our struggle. Doug Fraser was quoted as saying 'Drum's main thrust was towards the company and not the U.A.W. Over the weekend of Aug. 16-19 there had been several stories in the News and the Free Press about Drum being a group of Black Radicals who were trying to pit the Black worker against the white worker. Now Doug Fraser is nobody's fool and the different stories given the

Chronicle and the other papers proves this. The Chronicle mainly serves the Black Community, this is why he said that Drum had no quarrel with the U.A.W. They are afraid of the truth about the Black Community. Drum had

so exposed Racism within the U.A.W. The Chronicle asked Fraser 'was there any chance of the U.A.W. officially recognizing Drum

and its grievances.' Fraser nor the U.A.W. can recognize Drum, because if they did they would then have to admit that we have told the truth about the U.A.W., then they would have to take the necessary steps to correct the U.A.W. Fraser and the U.A.W. are defending Racism because they are Practitioners of Racism and defend it is all they can do.

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The Air We Breathe

Recently, in the body shop in the first floor sub. assembly area, the bro. began complaining about the fumes from the gas truck making them sick and also adding to the heat. The union rep. brought this

up at a meeting with management and labor relations. Mr. Ring of labor relations said 'well the state law says we can have them here.' Now is this it or could it be that here again we have an area of mostly Black workers, and maybe he just didn't care about all those niggers. Also the brothers all over the body shop had been asking for some more fans during the recent heat spell. What happened? On Aug. 23, some of the

some of the bros. on the 6th floor saw that asking wasn't getting them anywhere so they took some direct action. they walked out. By the way

DRUM is suing the rest of the bros. who didn't walk with the first 23, for nonsupport. Getting back to the real problem we would like to know why do we have to always resort to direct

action to get anything. In the st

reets we have to revolt to get civil rights. At Hamtra mck Assembly we have o walk out to get a fan. Then after we take some direct action to get justice, we have to put up with being called Communist, Black Nationalists. It always ends up with the victim becoming the criminal.

Open Letter To Lynn Townsend

Dear Lynn,

We of Drum have been exposing these Racist conditions that the Bro. at Hamtramck Assembly must contend with. We have had one protest demonstration against these conditions. Here now several weeks after our dem-

onstration, we find ourselves faced with these same conditions that existed before the demonstration.

With Hamtramck Assembly being the largest money maker in Chrysler Corp., and the Black worker comprising the majority of the work force, it would seem that someone would take some kind of action against people like Sheron & McGinnis, who use their position to practice Racism. If for no other reason but for the sake of production.

SLAVE CODES

Slave code is here today as well as it was in the past. In

In the past the whites used the slave code to restrict the freedom inflicting severe penalties for even minor offenses and denying slaves civil and criminal rights. The number of slaves increased and in some regions the slaves outnumbered the whites two to one as we Black Bros. here at Hamtramck Assembly and in Detroit day. The Racists white company, union and community are using the old slave code on us blacks today like their forefathers did.

Drum is not asking for any special treatment of the Black worker. We do want to be treated as men and women, and to be given the same chance at advancement as the white worker, and the same breaks as the white worker.

We also find it rather hard to believe that any intelligent person with authority would allow these conditions to continue unchecked. Is Chrysler planning to regain its position in the auto industry on Racism One relieves oppression by any means necessary. How far must we go To give you an idea of how serious we are we would like to quote, Bro Martin Luther King, 'If a man hasn't found anything to die for then he isn't fit to live.'

Drum demonstrated against racism and the Racist company asked for an injunction from the Racist white community to hold what they called a slave uprising and the Racist union supported the order. And some of you Black Bros. think things are better now that we have civil rights bills. Your Black forefathers had the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments to give them first class citizenship. Now you are happy with a with a civil rights bill. For all the amendments and bills the Racists whites pass for the Blacks they pass two for them to overcome your one.

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of Atomic energy, when he ought to be trying to figure out some peaceful uses of Mace and ax handles. W. sat up on his red ass and allowed the polish pigs of Hamtramcks kick the doors of Local 3 in and run in spraying Mace and swinging ax handles upon our Black brothers.

Black workers can't even carry on a peaceful election at Local cal 3 without Hamtramck city officals and polish U.A.W. racist bureacrats, harrassing and cheating at the polls, and Walter Ruether got the nerve to set up at Cobo Hall eating a plate of polish sausages talking about the peaceful usages of atomic enery.

It is time for Black workers to see Walter Ruether for what he is , a no-good white racist squatting in the seat off the presidency of the U.A.W. who doesn't even have sense enough to know that we have peepeed his hold card.

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I have screamed,
I have yelled,
I have sung,
I have marched,
I have dreamed,
I have failed,
I have begged,
I have cried,
I have been crucified
I have died
And still no one heard
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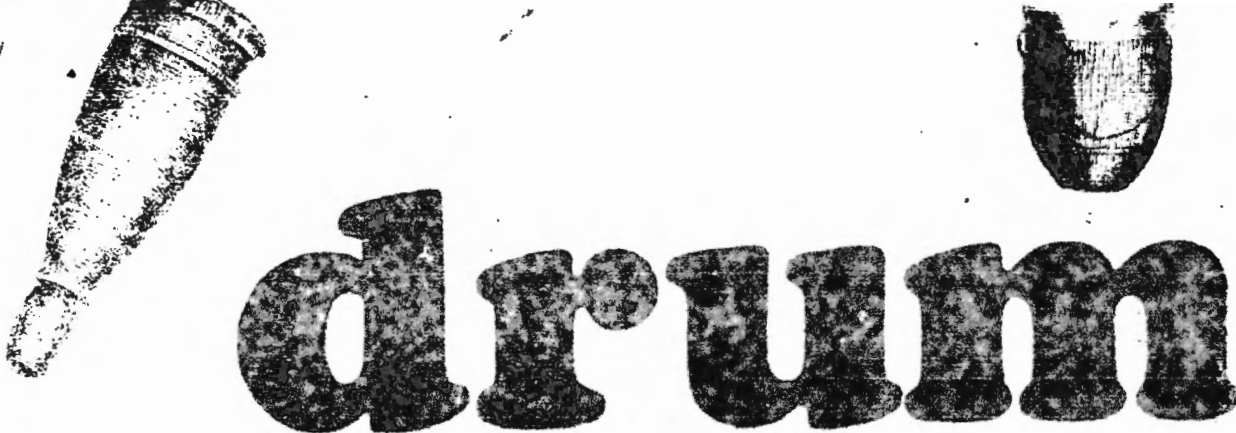
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COMBAT TOME STEWARDS AT HUBER.

Your stewards are suppose to stand for power of the workers and engage in the struggle between the laboring workers (especially the Black workers), and capitalist competition, mainly, Chrysler Corporation, and in particular Dodge Main and its off shoot Huber Ave. Foundry.

The U.A.W. acts as though the Black workers are not politically aware of the racist policy that exists right in the weapon that is suppose to be - so-called protecting the Black workers from the racist policies of Chrysler Corporation. A giant political con game exist between the U.A.W. and Chrysler Corp. Recently the executive board of the U.A.W. held a caucus of mostly Negro stewards, to deal with the Black Nationalist feeling that is emerging among the Black workers, and the weapon for ensuring unity within the Black workers union movement which is D.R.U.M.

Now some of these stewards want to be Black but refuse to stand for an active ideological struggle. The rest want to be good house Niggers and listen to the voices of the racists Pigs instead of their own Black brothers, and sisters.

At this meeting they discussed how to eliminate D.R.U.M. and that they are not to either associate with known members of D.R.U.M., or join in the support of D.R.U.M. or its policies, were facts of the discontentment that exists between the Black workers, and management, Also between the Black workers and the unequal representation they have at local #3 and within the UAW structure. But these white men are liberals and a liberal stand

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ds for unprincipled peace and rejects an active ideological struggle so as to bring about political degeneration in the Black workers and the revolutionary organizations that have taken up the struggle to fight these racist Pigs in this racist ass country.

One smart ass tom in particular stood up in defense of these white honky liberals and that the D.R.U.M. membership were a bunch of dope fiends and acholics. This so called Negro, so called steward, so called white thinking house Nigger is the yellowish, white uncle tom Flying Saucer Hopkins who works at Huber Ave. Foundry, 1st shift. Then Lawyer the uncle tom trick Midnight shift, who didn't ask management to shut down for a half-hour for our slain brother Martin Luther King Jr. to pay the respect and love for our people, the same house Nigger who lets both Chrysler and the U.A.W. exploit the labor of the Black workers. D.R.U.M. has exposed these toms in Vol. No.2 and if you want to read all that they've tried to do to the Black workers for the company. Write in to D.R.U.M. for a copy or ask a DRUM representative where you work to get one for you. D.R.U.M. has declared war on all uncle tom's and this racist system of exploitation of the Black workers. D.R.U.M. is your weapon the Black workers against those who oppose our fight towards freedom. Join D.R.U.M. and support D.R.U.M. if you want your rights and freedom.

NO ONE IS SAFE

There's an atmosphere of uncertainty at Hamtr. assy. Chrysler Corp. has constantly pitted all groups of people against each other. Old young-black, white-new, old etc. There plan was to pick at one group and give the others a feeling of certainty. But this has failed for them.

Last week bigots of management made their suversive underhanded move and attacked a black brother in the stock dept. bro. S.T. Harper was victimized by these rampaging pigs. This Bro is from the older set, meaning he has 29 years seniority, never been absent, tardiness looks like a 90 day wonders. Brothers it would be an honor to know this brother. Well last week Milton the Monster (Lloyd Howard, vol. 6) moved on Bro Harper as if he was Bill Bo himself. After a infantile arguement with this dude, Bro. Harper realized it was useless and told the Monster to cool it forget it and attempted to continue his work. The bigot cast away jobless Farmer moved on the Bro screaming, yelling and shouting "I'm the boss, you're going to respect me". (a nut is small for this stupid cyclob). Bro Harper got away and went to work. The monster ran for the office to tell his leader Al (Senator Eastland) Yarras. Now with the entire machine of Chrysler Moving against him Bro. S.T. was confronted again by the Gestapo.

Yarras did not like Harpers explanation of the incident so he called for leading tom Easy E, Benford which immediately sided with management. Like a umpire in the World Series calling a player out at second Uncle Tom Benford screamed "You're-Fired". What is this place comming to?

You older guys who have been leaning towards the company better wake up - F.A.S.T. We told you long ago that we belong to you-but now you belong to us—No one's safe.

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DOUBLE NONSENSE

Saturday Oct. 19, (last Saturday) marked a night of double nonsense. Two separate meetings took place, right here in the city of Detroit. All of our Black brothers should know about these events because both of these meetings were carried out by people who are supposed to be representing you.

First of all there was a rally at Olympia Stadium. It was supposed to be a black voter rally led by black workers. All of the big chief Uncle Toms were there. Jackie Robinson tried to explain to black people why he doesn't like Nixon anymore. But our black brothers never did like the honky in the first place. Hoarce Sheffield leaped up rapping some nonsense about some hypothetical white brothers we are supposed to have. Big Buddy Battle laid his thing and the whole affair turned out to be a campaign rally for Hubert Humphrey. Blacks are not so naive to except this kind of hogwash. There ain't nothing but three Wallaces running for president Nixon Wallace, Humphery Wallace and George Wallace. All are irrélevant to Black people. Buddy Battle and Horace Sheffield should have been directing their efforts to help destroy racism in the U.A.W. and in Chrysler Corp., Fords and General Motors proper. These stooges have been down on their knees selling Black people out much to long. This shit has got to stop and stop now.

The other meeting was more ridiculous. This was a dinner at Cobo Hall for the notoriously racist so-called president of the U.A.W. Walter P. Ruether. The chief speaker was none other than Abba Ebon the forieng Minister of Israel. All of our Black brothers should be hip to Abba Ebon and the rest of the Kings of the Jews, who are now launching vicious attacks upon our exploited Arb brothers in the middle East and who are also preparing greater Zionist expansion throughout the world and especially Africa.

The topic of discussion was the peaceful uses of atomic enery. Now ain't that a bitch. Walter P. Ruether sets his racist ass up at a dinner table in the discussion of the peaceful uses

but you ought to be informed that we already know YOUR history. And it shows you to be crooks. We take this occasion to tell you that we don't intend to be the victims of another frame-up by you. We are watching you.

Down With The Hamtramck Retirees

In the election last week, the Joe Elliot supporters relied heavily upon the retiree vote. The U.A.W. bigots along with Hamtramck city officials went around the entire city of Hamtramck scraping the backs streets and searching the cracks in the walls for old retired polish pigs. There are something like 1300 old retired Pollacks who were former employees at Hamtramck Assembly Plant, and are still members of local 3. These Pollacks were stomp down racist while they worked at the plant and shall continue to be so until they die.

They were part of the white racist walk-out that took place in the early 1950's here at old Dodge Main, because they refused to work next to black people. Let us never forget the harassment and insults our black brothers suffered at the hands of these racist pollacks. They were the same white workers who reaped the benefits of the segregated part that once stood on Jos Campau facing the plant. We shall not be so naive to think that their attitudes have changed. We suffered too long merely having to work with these racist. And now we are still made to bare the brunt of their racism by contending with their voting power. We must therefore seek to put an end to this gross injustice in the same manner that we shall deal with all injustice at this plant. Prepare to strike a blow at the right of these white racist retirees to be able to continue to have a voice in the decisions of the work force which now is a majority of black brothers. Down with the white racist retirees.

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HUBER AVE. STEWARDS!

We are living in Revolutionary times and the time is now for you to take control of your own destiny. Who are the Black Revolutionaries? Who looks out for you when the chips are down and you're going to get kicked. Does the steward take a position of protecting your job or his? Does the local union participate with the corporation in exploiting the black workers at the expense of its own white workers? Most of your N-E-G-R-O leaders aren't saying anything about it. So DRUM is hot in the position of exposing these mothers. Have you ever noticed what position the stewards take when they are in an open confrontation with management - one steward in particular is E. Harper. We wonder is he just a poor Negro or one of those super toms the way he never tries to defend the black workers. As of this writing he has allowed workers to be fired for petty ass reasons like standing up to management and plant protection. But come election time this tom ass Negro is going to want you to vote for him and his local crooks. Tell me how long does it take to get a black steward? If we continue to allow this type of shit to go down then we deserve the type of treatment we receive and the D R U M which sets forth this position defends it makes it triumph, introduces a new element into the classic dialogue of the union and the black workers. The liberation of the black workers does not follow national liberation. An authentic national liberation exists only to the precise degree to which the black worker has irrevisibly begun his own liberation or union movement. It is not possible to take one's distance with respect to Neo-Colonialism without the same time taking it with respect to the idea that the oppressed and exploited black workers holds of himself through the filter of colonialist culture. DRUM is beginning to establishing a non-exploited culture which will lead us all to victory. JOIN SUPPORT

IN THIS FIGHT AGAINST RACISM AND EXPLOITATION.

DRUM Watching Chrysler

Chrysler officials lay ground for an old trick (see current CHRONICLE). Throughout the history of the American Labor Movement the employers have used sabotage and frame-up against union men. They have time after time destroyed (dynamited and burned) their own facilities (often they have succeeded in breaking strikes in this way, and in many instances they have managed to frame-up union organizers and send them to jail for long terms.

Example: 1) On June 21, 1877, ten young Irish miners were hanged in the coal producing state of Pennsylvania. Not one of them was guilty of any crime except trying to organize a miners union. They were accused and convicted of sabotage, arson, and murder on the basis of false evidence manufactured by the mine operators.

2: A small railroad depot in Independence, near Cripple Creek, Colorado, was blown up, June 4, 1904. Fourteen strike breakers (scabs) were killed in the explosion, which was set off by Harry Orchard, and employees of the Mine Owners Association. The Western Federation of Miners was accused of the crime and officials of the union were arrested.

3) The explosion at the Preparedness Day parade in San Francisco in 1916 which killed some of the marchers was the work of an agent of the California employers. Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billing were accused of this crime and railroaded to prison where they were to be executed and where they spent more than 20 years before being pardoned. Their only "crime" was their efforts to organize unions.

4) On August 23, 1927, two Italian immigrants, Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Nicola Sacco were murdered by the State of Massachusetts after being held in prison for seven yrs. They were meant to be examples to poor Italian workers who wanted to form unions and held "anarchist" ideas.

5) In the Auto strikes of the 1930's the giant corporations including Chrysler, framed up the union organizers, put the strikers in jail, screamed about damage by the sit-downs, tried to scare off workers with the old cries of "anarchista" and "communists".

We are interested in our own History-African History.

workers to read our motto so that you can get a clear picture of our position on the problems that we as Black people face. DARE TO FIGHT! DARE TO WIN! FIGHT, FAIL, FIGHT AGAIN, FAIL AGAIN FIGHT ON TO VICTORY! LONG LIVE BLACK PEOPLE IN THIS RACIST LAND. DEATH TO THEIR ENEMIES! LONG LIVE THE HEROIC BLACK WORKERS STRUGGLE! LONG LIVE DRUM.

LABOR RELATION

Two weeks ago D.R.U.M. exposed racist Ring labor relation Dir. Dept. 9110. D.R.U.M. said that his actions during the last election were those of a reactionary racist. Well he has reacted again; on the last Saturday a few brothers came late to work. Racist Ring would not accept any excuse, instead he gave one of the brothers 30 days off for being late, the others were given from 3 to 5 days off. Some of these brothers were involved in the walkout during the heat wave and Ring has been laying for just something like this to use as an excuse to give these brothers time off. D.R.U.M. would like to advise all brothers that if you are going to be late don't come in. While they can bust you for being late, they can't do a damn thing to you, if you don't come in. But you have to cover yourself, call in; the number is 872-6100, then go to your doctor and get an excuse, make sure it says what you were off for, and that you were under his care and could not work. Now if you follow this procedure there won't be shit a racist punk pig like Ring can do to you.

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LISKA - WALLACE - HALLOWEEN.

It is an unmistakable fact that Ed Liska is a part of Walter Reuther political camp; also it is a fact that Liska is a part of Wallaces political camp. This bigot has been in office for less than six months, but yet he has shown his true Polish anti-Black concern of Black workers. History is being made at Hamtramck Assembly, also, progress is being made, but Liska like Wallace feels he can preserve White-domination in Hamtramck by slowing down history and progress.

It is Pigs like these that bring on riots and disorders. Let's compare their records: Wallaces is running for president of the United States. His campaign funds (in the beginning) came from the state of Alabama and this state is a heavy populated Black state with injustice inflicted on blacks beyond belief. Ed Liska on the other hand is a lying hunky puppet pig, flanked by numerous amounts of toms endorsing the same Wallace program.

Racism - Our plant is predominately black but yet Liska deposits our funds in a lilly-white bank. Also he and the leading Tom of Local #3 Charlie Brooks has not hesitated to endorse programs detrimental to the Blacks liberation. To become more specific - Local #3 was idle when Cannonball (Bill-Bo) Selipska led 30 Hamtramck Pigs into the local to practice their riot tactics against black U.A.W. workers with no rebutal from Liska. The past practice of drinking behind the bars was shut down during, the election. Frank Czarny is still excepting graft from the Black workers for cabarets when it shows a profit for him. Where was Wallace (I mean Liska)?

To continue - There hasn't been a union meeting for six months. Why? Could it be that Liska is trying to block pro-

gress. Their is confirmed evidence that Liska United Caucus (Pro-Routhor) called its members and informed them not to come to any business meetings until the first of the year.

This is no surprize to D.R.U.M. for we have constantly stated that the U.A.W., Local #3 and othor wise are a mask of deceit. Masqueradeing against Black people world wide - with the likos of Liska-Wallaco-and Halloween.

LONG LIVE D.R.U.M.

THE SO CALLED DOCTOR AT HUBER AVE. FOUNDRY.

The lotters, suggestions, and complaints have been pouring in on us to issue a complaint directly to Chrysler Corp, instead of the liberal spokosman of Huber Ave. Foundry about the conditions that exist in the modical dispensary. This so-called Doctor of Medicine who is suffering from racism is actually homorraging/he is domaging the morale of the workers and especially the black workers. A man can come in and this do nothing freak immediately goes in to his superiority complex bag that you really don't hurt and that you're wasting company time. It's a constant Bullshit inadequate modical attention that is allowed to be practiced of the black working man by this plant personnel and the dos-a-dos white witch doctor and his makeshift crew. By the plant personnel because they know how rank the dudo is but refuses to write the cat up and get him to pack his bag and give us a Black doctor who has come from the same experionces as othor Black people in this racist land/ if they can't do the best thing for us they can all go to hell.

Let Hrber Ave Foundry got a Black doctor/some black soul nurses, then we all could rest assured of receiving decent and humane treatment. Even the supervisory personnel and management, wouldn't have to worry as they do now with their insane white doctor. Drum is asking on behalf of our Black prothers to relieve this motherfucker before he gets his ass torn into shred and replace him/if not as is now happening, suits will fall against this doctor and Chrysler Corp. for the mis-diagnosis and inadequate modical attention and if that doesn't straighten out this situation then the membership of Drum will take the mator up personally with all those concerned and the shit will fall.

To give an example of this doctor's history of wrong doing acts would incite a rebellion. Just ask any Black worker his opinion and he'll put it on you with truth as his weapon that will bring tears to your eyes. Let us say that the attention is on this can and on the plant and Drum is saying on behalf of the Black brothers and sisters, that we are looking at you whitey eyeball to eyeball/ that this situation will have to change and if it doesn't then we will sot fire to your ass and his. Black/
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people are as good and if not better than this s^o called whitey and are telling you for the last time to start treating people right. In the battle against Racism Join DRUM...Support Drum.

UNREST IN THE U.A.W.

There is a lot of unrest within the U.A.W. today, Black workers have began to organize to fight racism in the U.A.W. and the auto industry. On the other side white racist workers, have came out and openly are supporting George (Coon) Wallace for president. Walter (Pig) Routhier and his cronies, have tried to supress the just voice of Black workers, who have taken up the fight against racism, and the brutal exploitation of Black workers. D.R.U.M. has continuously exposed racism in the U. A. W., and that it was because of the racist U.A.W. and the racist auto companies, that Black workers were denied equal opportunity. The U.A.W. recently (Routhier and his cronies that is) endorsed Humphrey for President, Walter (Pig) Routhier then said "this means that 1.6 million U.A.W. members will work for Humphrey" Bullshit a lot of those 1.6 million members not only are going to but will vote for George (Coon) Wallace, but are also going to work for him. Local 326 in Flint endorsed George (Coon) Wallace, local 166 in Lovonia also endorsed the racist coon. Walter (Pig) Routhier and his racist flunkies then went around and stopped these racist locals from endorsing George (Coon) Wallace publicly, the only reason they did this was to keep Black workers within the U.A.W. from finding out that the U.A.W. is racist. Walter (Pig) Routhier has always publicly taken the position, that his is for integration and all the rest of that Bullshit. D.R.U.M. has one question; why in the hell is it that he has never integrated the U.A.W.? We also have the answer, the same honkies that don't want Black people living next door to them, and don't want Black children going to school with their children, are right here in this racist U.A.W., and these same honkies are the ones who are for George (Coon) Wallace. It is essential that all Black workers understand the above statements, it touches the heart of the problem of why we the Black workers have been denied equality, and why Routhier has never once came out and openly denounced racism in the auto industry. If this Pig ever did take a position like that, then these same racist honkies that work next to you would more than likely vote him out of office or may be kill him. Once more D.R.U.M. would like for our fellow Black

NO PEACE

Transp9rtation unit second shift is in a state of Chaos. White management from Al McClough, Superintendent, to Joe Peterfesto, General foreman, has caused our Black brothers, 90% strong to unite and fight these Bigots to the bitter end.

It all started a year ago when Peterfesto was a so-called foreman. This shiftless racist went on record several times for using profanity against our Black brothers and undermining the Union. On one occasion he was very short of getting his ass whipped by a militant brother. This pig seems to take the impression of Racist America that the Emancipation Proclamation was just a piece of ass wiping paper.

The general foreman at that time was fearful of this bigots life and due to the fact that Peterfesto didn't know a damn thing, job wist he relieved him from his job by making him a floating foreman. It was suggested at this time to get rid of this Bigot all together,

but it was implied that his being a white boy would make him alright as a floater.

To the whites surprise this bigot not only floated he sucked ass and blowed nosed his way into utility general foremans position by kissing Al McClough's ass.

Well when the other General foreman became ill, to his white colleagues distaste - in slided the PUNK KID Joe Peterfesto. Behind this promotion two of his white friends quite. McClough panicked since he was under strength and called two Black Foremans to replace the rebel whites. (This move was a necessity because all white foremans made it clear that they would not work with such a stupid nut).

Once in General Foreman position Peterfesto, moved openly against those brothers that had made him look foolish earlier. The Black foremans realizing that they were being used, moved to protect the workers. At this point the

Bigot Punk Kid turned on them by degrading them in front of their men. (His main attack), last week was really a show down on everyones part.

One Black foreman approached the sissy on the second floor crib, about a stock problem. The Prick Festo went into his degrading act by shouting "Get back on your job and clean up your area now." Ther Brother repeated again that he had a stock problem that was more important than cleaning up any area. "Did you hear what I said Boy" said the punk. After exchanging a few words they both went to the superintends office.

Apparently the General foreman lost his case because immediately after leaving the office he wantonly on a black brother and suspended him for three days.

D.R.U.M. would like to say that these type of conditions are typical of Hamtramck Assy. management staff and as long as they continue there will be NO PEACE.
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BUTCHER SHOP

The Hamtramck so-called Hospital is no better than your butcher shop. The Butcher Shop will kill an animal quick but the pigs' Doctor will prolong Black people's pain forever if they could. It is very similar to the German Concentration camp hospital. These so-called pig Doctors are no more than Stugges for Honky Gen. foremans like Wild Bill Jimmy Brigg, Dick Gutis, Joe Sharen. These off beat, cast off, pig, quacks are coming very close to add marning or murder to their crime against Black people.

There are many complaints coming into DRUM. Like our Black Brothers in Department 9160 who had Hong Kong Flu. His foreman refused to let him go to first aid for over an hour claiming he was short of help. After the nurse took his temperature and sent him to see the Doctor. The doctor had already been called by our Black Brother, Gen. foreman and was told to send him back to work. When the brother got back he told the foreman he just could make it and he had to see his doctor. Our Brother left work and went straight to his doctor's office when he fell out on

the floor. The doctor told him that he had the new flu and he was close to having neumonia.

After the Black Brother went to first aid, one day to have his swollen ankle checked out. On this day there was only one nurse in the place. She told one of the Black sisters who was suffering pains in her leg and stomach that this is a Factory first aid and she could quit coming to first aid every time she got a pain. When she got to our Black Brother she couldn't figure why this ankle had swollen up, even though he told he he was a truck driver and the long hours of standing aggravated th cut on his foot. She called for the Butcher. The fat pig stuck his head out of the door, looked at the ankle and said, "put some medication on it and send him back to work."

Last week a Black sister fell down the stairs. Her stupid Honky foreman didn't want her to go to first aid. The Hamtramck first aid sent her to Ford Hospital for Xray. When she got back she had a slightly fractured wrist and brusie leg and hip. The nut at the so-called hospital sent her back to work and

put on her sick slip, doing left it work on a sit down job.

And there are many others. Black Brother in 9150, who's leg was strained so much he could not walk good. They would not let him go home. Hwas off work for or three months.

The sister in cut and sew has sugar and accidentally took an overdose of medicine. She was sent back to work.

There are many, many other cases that could fill this whole paper.

We Black workers can no longer bear the brunt of the outrageous medical practices carried out by white racist doctors, nurses and corporate policy makers at the medical centers here at Hamtramck assembly plant and Huber Foundry. Let us prepare to move in mass against this medical policy. We would be better off treating each other than being toyed with by these white racists.

**DOWN WITH RACIST DOCTORS
DOWN WITH RACIST NURSES
DOWN WITH RACIST MEDICAL PRACTICES.**

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BREATHING DEATH

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In the Body Shop last week on afternoon shift, the workers on the 7th floor who work in the area of the Sodergrinding Booth, decided that the blowers were not blowing the lead particles off the walls like they are suppose to. When this was reported to the foreman and it was pointed out that this was a definite health hazard, the foreman came through with the stupid answer, that is typical of all of these dumb honkies, which is "What do you want me to do?"

Not realizing that is he didn't do anything, that there would be a work stoppage, this dumb prick went and got 7 Brothers. Now there are about 35 workers in the immediate area and the cars travel to the 8th floor in the same condition. Instead of trying to have the blowers fixed, this dumb sonofabitch goes and gets seven Brothers.

Now if we couple this with the out-dated, inhumane medical practices, within the Chrysler Corporation, it is not hard to understand why the life expectancy of the average man after retirement (if it should happen to live that long) is so short. In this very area there are workers who have not had a medical test in 3 years, and this is many is suppose to give them a year. Something has to be done about this, it is bad enough that the Black workers have to suffer all the moral injustice, now we endanger our health for the sake of profit and racism. A committee of workers should be set up to take this problem to the executive board at their next meeting, and if they cannot do anything about this, then it will be left up to the worker to decide what action to take to settle this problem. To work or not to work, is the answer.

CORRUPTION VERSUS STUPIDITY

Very soon first of the year, there will be another election at our Local #3, D.R.U.M. at this premature time would like to make a statement to our Black Brothers and Sisters.

We will not under any circumstances tolerate another corrupt election as was witnessed during the Trustee Election. Further we will state that any Black brother that signs for Vice President, that cannot speak for at least one thousand potential votes will go on public record as an Arc Tom with out a people, Traitor to humanity itself.

BEHAVIOR

If one would stop to speak with the seemingly endless number of young Black workers of Huber Ave. Foundry about good behavior, one would be assured that the racist attitude of 'the care of business'. But frankly, are they doing you a favor or themselves one by giving us so much time off for good behavior, for petty reasons like Brother Larry Lewis of the R.G. Bld. Line 2nd shift in the G.D. Cleaning Room; who was involved in an accident on his way to work, called and said what had happened. The next day his racist foreman said that his record was so good that he was giving him 3 days off for good behavior. Or the case of the inspector, Brother Sherman Patterson who was fired just recently for some five reason that he couldn't do his job the way he was doing it. Sitting down. Brother Bigg of the A Head Line 2nd Shift. His Protestant Anglo-Polish foreman, who one would think would have better sense than be a racist too, but no. This little punk tries to play like he's hip and fair. Young racist Art had just recently given Brother Bigg 10 days off for not doing as he was told to do, now he turns right around and gives him

30 (or more like 40 days off when you include Saturdays and Sundays) for not bringing an excuse back. It's almost Thanksgiving so you know how much Brother Bigg is thanking these motherfuckers. No doubt, quite a few Black people who read this editorial will judge us of DRUM of having utopian ideas because they do not realize the seriousness of the continuous crisis in these filthy plants, and the pitiful reasoning behind them.

One point will illustrate the pitiful reasoning involved. White workers who constitute a minority in the closed skill shops receive preferred treatment on anything, from having the easiest jobs to being promoted quicker, and to not be and to not be receiving time off for good behavior. When it comes time for the lay-off, you'll see the tragic crash of workers of workers continue their own I, I, Me, Me, philosophy of you worry about yourself and I'll worry about me, then we'll have no one to blame but our five, divided, individualistic selves. If this is going to stop, you must unite yourselves around something. Join drum.....support drum... the black workers weapon against racism and exploitation.....

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CHANGE COMING IN LABOR OR ELSE

It seems as though the UAW International Union took for granted that the threat, made nearly three years ago by General Motors employees, that it wouldn't be too easy to sell them a "pig-in-a bag" during the current round of local union - plant negotiations.

Any time local union demands from a corporation totals a fantastic figure of 31,000, something is radically wrong. And the fact that a recent report shows that 23,000 of them have been resolved, points to a dire need for a re-evaluation of the bargaining procedure.

This is the attitude of many GM employees, many of whom are among the 196,000 members of the 63 local bargaining units where agreements have been reached. According to several local union representatives, the demands stem from a back-

log of grievances which have accumulated over the past three year

contract period.

When grievances are allowed to pile up, it simply means that somebody isn't doing his or her job. A number of local union representatives said that are battling like crazy to win grievances processed on the numerous problems workers are having. But when they are appealed to the international union - company step of the procedure - they don't know what happens to them.

On the other hand many workers are complaining that they are getting little or no representation. To this charge, one local union representative replied that "The union is getting too soft. The old group of militant representatives is fading out and some have gotten disgusted with the dirty politics and have quit. Some of those in office now

are just plain scared.. scared of the company and scared of the international (union)."

"They just stick religiously to the contract...period. They don't even try to challenge management on its moral responsibility anymore. A really militant representative sticks out like a sore thumb and has his neck stuck out a mile," he said disgustingly.

Several shop stewards and committeemen, representing Chrysler and GM workers agreed with this point of view. But one representative feels that a change is beginning to take shape because of the young people to have joined the ranks of labor.

"They're not going to take the crap that older workers take. They are not going to take it from the company or the union," he said, and added, "Yes, there's going to be some drastic changes all right, or else." * * *

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STILL PICKIN'

The Black worker has traditionally caught pure Hell in the racist city of Detroit. It has been said that Black workers went from picking cotton "down south" on the plantation to picking steel "up south" in the factories. Since we in D.R.U.M. believe in defending D.R.U.M. anyway it's challenged, that is to say, verbally, intellectually, and physically, this article is meant to arm Black workers with some historical facts to be used when needed.

In 1900 there were only four, ill Black people living in racist Detroit. At this point the beast decided to industrialize the north. In 1899, a honky named Robert E. Olds started turning out Oldsmobile on a small scale. The next year saw the birth of the Hog Cadillac, which was named after the French-freak, Antoine de La Mothe Cadillac who allegedly founded the city of Detroit. In 1903 the capitalist vulture Henry Ford hit the scene.

With the rise of this new industry Black workers as usual were at first left out. Aside from the fact that European immigrants got chose for jobs first, Black people were considered too backwards to work in an automobile factory. As

late as 1910, the 105,159 automobiles workers of Detroit included only 569 Black people.

It was not until the war began that Black workers began to work in the automobile factories. It wasn't because the honky wanted to give Black people work it was because the honky needed to give Black people a yoke in order to increase his profits. When Blacks began working on these jobs, they learned fast that nothing had changed but the name. We went from picking cotton to picking steel.

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TOM CHART

UNCLE TOMS	Out of sight	Off the wall	Sneaky
Community and Solidarity House Toms	Francis Kornegay	Nelson Jack Edwards	Horace Sheffield Buddy- ass Battle
Plant Level Toms	Andy Hardy	Charlie Brooks	Ed Benford
Department Level Toms	Flying Saucer Hopkins Lawyer harvil	William Young B. Goins	John Smith Earl Haprer

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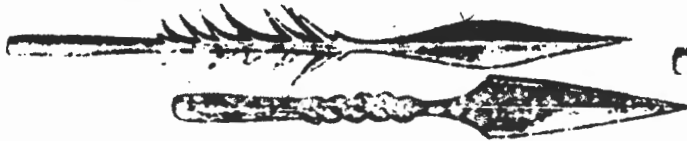
LETTER OF GRIEVANCE
HUBER AVENUE FOUNDRY.....

On Tuesday, November 12, 1968, I Sherman Patterson started to work at 3:30 p.m. After a small lapse of time I was confronted by a 1st shift foreman who was on his way home. He told me not to sit down on the job. Crazy, there was not a V-8 casting coming down the line at this time. After I didn't jump at the sound of his command, this old man foreman came running across the line and was going to pull the V-8 casting which I was sitting on from under me. When I told this old man he crazy, he decided we should go to the inspectors office. On the way we ran into my steward Woody Grier, who told me to go back on the job and do it the way this foreman wanted. By doing the job standing where this stupid little foreman wanted I couldn't do the job as I had done the day before which was Monday. The V-8 castings began to jam up one behind

another but I was doing my job standing where the foreman wanted me to stand. When he returned, he said I wasn't performing my job so he told me to the office again. After a very good shouting match they told me to wait until the second shift inspection foreman came to work. They took me off my job of pulling weld's, rejects, scrap and shot blast and I was sent on the water test of the same for the remainder of the night. When the second shift foreman finally did come in there was no words exchanged between us; nothing at all about why I was pulled off my job. Wednesday November 13, I started back to work on my regular job of checking and pulling the welds, rejects, scrap and shot blast off the main line onto the side line where production can take them off. After maybe 30 to 45 minutes I was called to the office where I was told

that I'd been discharged. Now, they didn't tell my steward until after the job has been done. We were told that the paper work had already been processed by this first shift foreman who wasn't present at this particular time. My steward, Woody, tried to get something done but the general foreman of the inspection department told him that as far as he was concerned I was fired. An open and shut case for whitey; another BLACK MAN IN THE STREETS, D.R.U.M. says that in order to stop these unnecessary disciplinary actions is to band together, unite behind all Black Brothers and Sisters, by any means necessary confront the racist white management and say if this man is not reinstated this production will come to an end.....Band together to fight against racism and exploitation of the working Black man.

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REMEMBER

DO YOU REMEMBER

Brothers and Sisters of Hamtramck Assembly plant, since DRUM has been in existence, there have been a number of all-out acts of racism by the funky-honky, Polish pigs of Hamtramck. D.R.U.M. was established to flush out all acts of racism committed by the honky and make them known to all Black workers by means of a weekly newsletter. D.R.U.M. knows that as soon as Black workers fully realize the extent of the day-to-day injustices they suffer as a group, they will unite to end their disastrous plight. However, some acts of racism and inhumane instances are committed in such an open manner that they are fairly well-known by the time they are reported to D.R.U.M.

Brothers and Sisters, think back to the May 2, 1968 wildcat strike. Both black and white workers had to walk because the line speed up affected everyone. Nevertheless, 95% of the disciplinary actions taken by management were directed at Black workers. Why We of DRUM know, and it's about time for you to become aware of it too. But you do remember edition #1 of D.R.U.M., don't you

Also, in this same edition of D.R.U.M., there is a story concerning a very good brother named Willie Brookins, remember this brother had 17 years seniority at Hamtramck, yet he was fired and arrested on the trumped-up charge of assaulting a shitty-ass pig. This was one of the most open of man. I'm sure you remember.

In edition #3 of D.R.U.M., we stated that notorious Toms could not be tolerated. We exposed some of these back-stabbing traitors, namely: CHARLIE BROOKS, ANDY HARDY, DUPREE HILL, and big ed benford. By the way, are they still in action Or have black workers put an end to their shit. Well, you ought to know.

Edition # of D.R.U.M. contained a report on a n incident which occurred in the body shop on March 6 1968. Our brother, Julius McGregor was brutally assaulted by a drunken pig-ass, punk-ass foreman by the name of Laeey Adler, a well-known savage-type, beastlike racist. Brother Julius responded immediately with a left hook, followed by the most thorough ass-kicking the honky had ever received. Our brother Julius stomped the honky into the floor and ended up being fired for hitting a foreman. Now, ain't that a bitch It really didn't matter that the honkyforeman hit Julius first, he's still wrong. I hope you remember.

Then there is the tragic story of Brother Curtis Lee. Employed by Chrysler, he was going out on lunch break during the afternoon shift when a vicious honky ran him down in front of the plant. He suffered many broken bones and internal injuries. The plant pigs and the Hamtramck pigs stalled for a full 45 minutes before making a move to help the Brother; and this move was inspired by the threat of an ass-kicking to be administered by other Brothers who were on the Scene. Consequently, the pigs decided that they would rather help Brother Curtis than be on the receiving end of the immediate and imminent ass-kicking. That was a

damn shame. Well, you could not have forgotten that quick. After all, you are Black, aren't you

Such open instances of racism as these should never be forgotten by any of the Black workers at Hamtramck. They will never be forgotten by the Dodge Revolutionary Union Movement. Brothers and Sisters the killing part of the matter is YOU MAY BE NEXT. Act now to bring this shit to a screaming halt. Brothers and Sisters, join DRUM, SUPPORT DRUM. @

30 DAYS

30 DAYS-SAME AS CASH

Nazi-like tactics have again struck at Hamtramck Assy. Transportation Unit witnessed another open castration of Black elimination. Jesse Bailey King of 3352 was a victim of circumstantial evidence to hide the stupidity of white racist management here at Hamtramck Assy. On Thursday Nov. 14, 1968, production made a costly mistake. In running out of a part they took it upon themselves to substitute a more expensive part. Namely a dash panel plate. To their amazement this expensive plate called for additional holes. Not thinking they said, "Use what's available, just keep the line going." Well all was well until inspection rejected all jobs do to the fact that these jobs had a high line plate with a low line glove compartment door. At this point production panicked do to the fact that these rejects were costing them \$75.00 each (8 total). After a few phone calls it was discovered that the original part was in the plant approximately 30 ft. from the job. It should be noted if another department can be blamed for such a gross error cost of production can be charged to that Department. Well it was charged because shit flows down stream. Al McClough supt. Stock department called Peter Peterfesto GEN. foreman which called foreman Boykins who in turn contacted Bailey. Questions who-when - why - how. Nov. 15, 1968 pressure was put on to compensate for loss production. Bailey was given a dismissal pending further investigation. After a plot to determine the cost of loss of production by the above mentioned conspiritors, Bailey was called inn Nov. 19 and given 30 days --- same as cash. JOIN DURM

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LAP DOGS

Lap Dogs on the rise

We must move forward, D.R.U.M. has been in existence for about 6 months now at Hamtramack Assembly Plant. Our overall program as outlined previously is to destroy racism at Hamtramack Assembly plant and in U.A.W. local 3. Our method for carrying out our program is to expose the truth and to forge Black unity. With a body of United Black workers we shall be able to wipe out every vestige of racism where ever it may exist.

The foremost obstacle standing in our way at this time are the notorious Uncle Toms in our midst. It must be understood that in our history most of the revolutionary struggles of Black people failed because of the traitors from within. Therefore, Uncle Toms present are an ever present danger to D.R.U.M., to Black workers, to the Black community at large and are an ever dangerous to themselves because they obviously are unaware of the seriousness with which we have launched our just struggle. Since D.R.U.M. has been in existence, we, Black workers have suffered many abuses. We have fired on trumped-up charges, we have attacked in the parking lot behind the bars by the fascist Polish pigs of the Hamtramack Police department. We have been locked in the Union Hall and been beaten and maced in the eyes by those same pigs. Our Brothers have been run down by those same pigs on motorcycles. We have been generally harrassed by the white controlled racist U.A.W. officials. We have been intimidated

by white racist plant protection guards. And we have had an election stolen from us, also we have had other forces making undercover moves in our mane.

Black Brothers and Sisters we have remained patient and disciplined in the face of those abuses and suffering. We have relied upon you to decide our course of action understanding that our suffering helps you to understand the vicious corrupt elements whom we are struggling against. We must prepare to obtain "new guards for our future security".

We must prepare now and become psychologically set to deal with Uncle Toms in whatever manner the masses of Black people so deem. Uncle Toms are traitors, they will sell us out for 30 pieces of silver and help keep us divided. They give subsequent aid to our enemies by speaking out in the honkies behalf.

As D.R.U.M. attempts to flush out all of the Uncle Toms it becomes more and more difficult all of the time. For by exposing Uncle Toms we have forced some of them to go underground and at the same time forced the honkies to pay top dollar to have some of our own so-called brothers denounce, D.R.-U.M.

Because of the above facts, Uncle Toms are so diversified that it is becoming increasingly more difficult to keep track of them. We have Uncle Toms tomming in the Black community and snitching on the plant level. We have Toms snitching at so-called solidarity house,

We have Toms snitching on the plant level at Hamtramck Assembly Plant, Huber Foundry, and Local 3. We have Toms snitching on the department level inside the plant. We have out-of-sight Uncle Toms, Toms who stand up out front as saviors for white racism. We have off the wall Toms who stand up and support some off-the-wall (it takes time) philosophy designed to stifle the black struggle. And we have sneaky Toms and these are in many ways the most dangerous Toms. They go around with natural hair speaking about black unity and thereby gaining access to information which they could not get normally.

It is obvious that with out-of-sight community; so-called solidarity house Uncle Toms, and sneaky department level Uncle Toms,

and off-the-wall plant level Toms, it is so difficult keeping track of these variety of Toms that DRUM has devised a method--a Tom chart. We suggest that all of our black brothers make a sample copy of this sample Tom chart so that when one of these names pop up, you will know just what kind of bag he is playing out of. You may also find it necessary to add names to it and further when some of these Toms come up missing, you will know what happened to them and why.

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QUIET AS IT'S KEPT

QUIET AS IT'S KEPT..

1. Black worker's pay about one-fourth of the dues to the racist UAW, but there are only about 75 Black International Representatives out of a total of more than 1,000.

2. The Afro-American, his mind still torn by the welts of slavery, was first forced to enter this country's major industries as a strikebreaker. He had no genuine choice and could hardly have foreseen the tragic consequences. In the early 1880's Afro-Americans were imported from the South to help break STEEL STRIKES in Pittsburgh; they were later employed as strikebreakers in Kansas and Illinois coal mines. In 1894 they came to the Chicago meatpacking plants as strikebreakers and that's all Black workers were used for STRIKEBREAKERS.



3. It is a fact that Black workers could not get into the auto plants largely because white auto workers were unable to call sustained strikes. For where strikebreakers were not needed Blacks were seldom if ever wanted.

4. The UAW has always been racist. The only reason the UAW lied and pledged themselves to non-discriminatory policies was because they feared Black worker's might again be used as strikebreakers. Not because the racist UAW wanted to uplift Black workers as the racist UAW wants Black workers to believe. These are just a few reasons Brothers and sisters must unite and take the D.R.U.M. which is the road. Historically the Auto industry, the UAW, and hunkies period have consistently betrayed Black workers. Black workers must unite with D.R.U.M. NOW or perish.

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GET SICK - GET FIRED!

GET SICK, GET FIRED

We have made clear our position in our struggle with Chrysler Corporation by characterizing it as a life and death struggle. This means that we are committed to seeing it through to final victory regardless of the consequences. We take this position because it is the only course open to us and because it is just and right. The company has now decided that it is time to test our will and our heart to see if we are as committed as we have indicated. It is proper that they should do this, but in testing our will we are not going to be found lacking.

As an exploiter of Black people Chrysler has a great deal to lose when our struggle is successful. For it is our purpose to bring about a revolutionary change at Chrysler and throughout the country. The change that we speak of is nothing more than taking the ownership of the means of production out of the hands of the few who don't work and putting it into the hands of the workers who do all the back-breaking work that makes the nigger-hater in this country rich. Stated simply, Chrysler wants to keep the pre-

sent system where they can work us to death and get everything, while we get nothing. On the other hand we feel that those who do the work should reap the rewards of their labor. Chrysler's position is pro-white, ours is pro-Black.

Threatened with our revolutionary activity the thug, racist, exploiter around the world has decided to move against us in its usual racist manner. The company has selected one Brother to use for the purpose of testing our will. Through two of its lackeys, namely Superintendent J. Harl and group foreman L.M. Pistole, the plunders of Black people in South Africa, Latin America and elsewhere have notified Donald Gaiter, a Black Brother on the afternoon shift, in writing that if he get sick again he will be fired.

After notifying Brother Gaiter of this, the pig who heads labor relations on the afternoon shift further stated that when they execute this policy by firing him, they expect trouble with D.R.U.M., because they know that he is a member of D.R.U.M., and they want to see what we will do. It is quite obvious that we cannot tolerate this arrogant and vicious attack upon our Black Brothers, for once they get away with it, this becomes company and

all Brothers can be fired in the same manner.

It is well known that the Union won't come to the rescue of a Black man in this beastly plant and in fact they don't even want you to help yourself. In case you didn't know it you can no longer file a grievance in this plant, and the Union's position is that its hands are tied no matter what the company does. Over a thousand of our people are fired each year by this plant and none of them have ever gotten back no matter what the grievance.

But this has far greater importance. This company is saying to Don Gaiter in this notice and to all of us working here is that a medical excuse from a Black doctor is no good. Labor relations is reserving for itself the right to decide whether you are sick or not. They know more about medicine than Black doctors. Quite obviously we can't tolerate this plantation-type tactic where they want to work us even when we are sick. This is the way it was with slaves in this country and most of them didn't live too long.

Thus, it is clear that if we are to end racism in Chrysler Corporation we are going to have to take a stand somewhere and sometime. This is as good a time

carrot & stick

THE CARROT AND THE STICK

Last week while Chrysler Corp executives were in Atlanta smiling and shaking hands with Rev. Ralph Abernathy and expressing their satisfaction with a "milestone agreement" on a program which would "pour 1 million dollars into colored-owned banks in three U.S. cities (Atlanta, Los Angeles, Detroit) another Chrysler executive, Gwain Gillespie-general manager of Dodge Truck operations, was also smiling and shaking hands-with Police Commissioner Johannes Spreen-in Detroit and expressing his satisfaction with another "milestone agreement"; namely, the gift of 2 Dodge Executive Suite vans to the Detroit Police Department.

We of D.R.U.M. feel that the Chrysler Corp. plan to "pour 1 million dollars" into the three Black communities is indeed a milestone--in bullshit and nonsense--because the combined population of the three communities is, roughly, 2 million Black people. Which means that even if the 1 million dollars were to be divided equally among the people of the community, each Black would receive only fifty cents. Hopefully, the mini-brained executive pig of Chrysler Corp. will devote some of their, not too valuable, time to correcting racist practices in his plants in Detroit and elsewhere, instead of using it to devise bullshit pacification programs that are nothing but rank insults to the Black community.

We would also like to comment on that other "milestone"--the gift of 2 vans to the Detroit Police Department. We agree that this, too, is indeed a milestone--in honesty. It clearly demonstrates the contempt of Chrysler Corp. in particular and big business in general for the Black community. The vans were given to the Police Dept.

to aid them in recruiting because according to Gwain Gillespie, "Recruiting good police officers is important to us at Dodge, too, because police work is in our best interest."

We know goddamn well that police work is in your "best interest", since you have used the police repeatedly to harass and intimidate Black workers in general and D.R.U.M. members in particular in recent walkouts, demonstrations, and to write unjustified parking tickets, and last but not least, to physically attack D.R.U.M. members and other Black workers on the street and inside the union hall with Mace and ax-handles during the election of a union trustee.

Further, we can only hope that these so-called "good" policemen won't be recruited from the same pig-pen that produced "defenders of law and order" like those who attacked the Black students at McMichael Jr. High School when they staged a walkout, or those who savagely beat Black youths at a dance in the Veterans' Memorial Building, or the homicidal psychopaths that murdered the three Black youths in the infamous Algiers Motel case.

D.R.U.M. maintains that both so-called milestones are nothing more than perfect examples of the honky's 'carrot and stick' policy, where he offers the carrot (1 million dollars) to the oppressed Black community with one hand, and the other hand threatens the community with the stick (the police force). The Chrysler version of the 'carrot and stick' policy is doomed to fail as all other versions have failed, specifically, the attempt to use it in Vietnam. The Black community is not for sale and will not be intimidated by pig policemen, "good" or otherwise.

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as any. D.R.U.M. would like to serve notice, in writing, on Chrysler and all exploiters of Black people that we are struggling for the liberation of our people and such tactics on their part will be met with immediate and forceful response. We believe in the philosophy put forth in this quote, "All reactionaries are paper tigers, if you hit them they will fall." And ain't no Martin Luther Kings in D.R.U.M.

HANDS OFF DON GAITER
HANDS OFF BLACK PEOPLE
LONG LIVE D.R.U.M.

What do Black workers need to stop the Butcher Shop type hospitals, where Black people are treated like dish rags instead of human beings. How can we put a stop to racist-honkies running over our Black brothers in front of the plants, while beast-like "plant protection guards" merely stand there and watch. What is needed to stop our Black brothers from being fired for coming a few minutes late, while the racist owners and operators of the means of production lay on their fat white-ass in Miami and are late for everything. How can we stop the racist U.A.W. from messing over Black workers. The racist U.A.W. has almost 1,100 international representatives only 72 are Black. How can we bring this to a screeching halt. How can Black workers fight the two-headed beast: 1) the racist owners and operators of the means of production, and 2) The racist U.A.W. Through organization, DRUM type organization.

We must organize. Why Because 1.) Organization brings strength; 2.) strength brings unity; 3.) unity brings power, and 4.) power brings freedom.

JOIN DRUM...

HUBER AVE

RETURN OF THE DOCTOR

THE RETURN OF THE SO CALLED DOCTOR AT HUBER AVE, FOUNDRY.

We know this will shock the majority of the DRUM readership that we would return to the case of Dr. Skoran @ the medical dispensary (nurses and nurses aids). We find that the so called doctor has been out on leave for two short weeks and that it was not a permanent leave or transfer as most believed. The beautiful feeling the workers had upon finding out that DRUM had issued a complaint directly to Chrysler Corp. about this mad racist doctor and that something was being done, shall disappear and the old pent up resentments return. It's apparent that for Huber Ave, Foundry's

convenience, that is, the management of Chrysler Corp., can relieve the tension that this doctor is generating by putting him on short leaves. This does not change the policy of who's running and for who's benefit the medical is for. The doctors @ the plant or for the Black @ white workers????? The answer is logical/Dr. Skoran's @ the plant. If we are to get rid of this skum we must unite/BLACK Brothers @ Sisters we must unite/united we can force this company to change @ get rid of this racist doctor.

DRUM says that you should unite and refuse to go to medical and demand to be sent home to see your on private Doctor if and when this mad racist doctor does return.

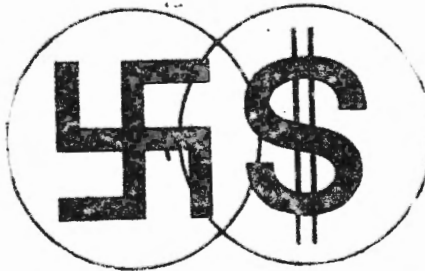
All workers demand his removal and will refuse to go to him for treatment. To multiply the comforts of the good life for themselves/profits to the doctor @ the white racist management of Chrysler Corp @ the stock holders, at no matter what cost in terms of human misery of others (BLACK @ white workers in this plant as well as others). This is a reality of the class nature @ struggle of the Black working men @ women because of revolting barbarity and shameless hypocrisy, Chrysler CORP in particular and America in general reigns without a rival.. join drum...support drum support bro' SHERMAN PATTERSON IN HIS JUST STRUGGLE IN BEING REINSTATED...JOIN DRUM YOUR WEAPON AGAINST RACISM AND EXPLOITATION.....

never learn

NEVER LEARN

It seems that bare exposure of racism is not sufficient for some people. D.R.U.M. has brought to light many injustices in Hamtramck Assembly, but some racist dogs cannot adjust to change

Fat-ass Syl (Steward, 1st shift, Transportation Div.) was exposed before for his complacent attitude towards representing his constituents. He was found to be a vacationing-type steward that slept all the time. This is the same pig that slobbered and snorted when he was discovered by management, fast asleep. Well, he has not learned yet that the people are dissatisfied with his actions. Although his district is 62% Black, this white pig can find no time between nods



to properly represent anyone in his area. It was reported that this fat Polish dog has not been in the back dock area for six months.

Well, the Black Brother, knowing that management would take advantage of this, led a protest campaign to have this useless pig removed. D.R.U.M. would like to inform this brave Black that we endorse your struggle for removing this dog. And further, we will keep the public informed on the outcome of the Union's decision on the matter.

Remember Black Brothers and Sisters, Unity is the only answer to the elimination of racism and racist dogs like Fat-ass Syl.

JOIN D.R.U.M.
VOICE OF BLACK UNITY.

OVERSEER

Slavery has taught the white a "hellava" thing. Some ideas are kept and some are thrown away.

Stoolies (communication gappers) are one part of slavery that was maintained. Now imagine for once that you were a white. In maintaining the Status Quo you are handicapped by Negro needs and wants. Right Well your only move is to get a tom to close that gap? If he's not available then you must get a white that can be portrayed as a friend of the niggers, Right! Then once you (as white) have this information you can keep the Blackies in line. This is the racist attitude of America today.

Well Brotners don't feel this is "far fetched" we have this problem in Hamtramck Assembly today. It was revealed to Drum that there are particular whites that have such jobs, (do to the fact that Drum has revealed the toms) It should also be understood that these overseers are on Chrysler's payroll. (meaning they get a private check for their trouble at their home) Cannonball (Bilbo) Sel-ysski is one of these stoolies). His job is to check all absentees (plant-wide) and determine the trouble makers. Having determined this factor; he gives Bruce (Labor Rep.) the

ok to discipline at will.

If you doubt this ask your self how is it possible for such a sorry steward to stay in office for 26 years. Also ask yourself why this Bigot can be involved in so much activity, such as, union and personnel and most of all has never written a grievance (which) he brags about).

We of DRUM say this Fig is a loser and will be dealt with as Malcolm X says, "EVEN STEVEN". Further we of DRUM say know your steward, ask why he or she spends so much time away from their areas. They could be a modern —Overseer.

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NO FOOLS FOR VICE PRESIDENT

We want a good Black Brother for our Vice President and not a fool like Andy Hardy. To have him for V.P. is the same as having a damn wooden puppet in the hands of the pigs. Hardy is short, Black, money-grabbing, ass-kissing, uncle tom. He doesn't give a damn about you or the damn union, all he wants is your money. I know for a fact that he is no good for our V.P., for I was one of the many Black Brothers that he and one other racist pigs have fired, and I don't want to leave out that King-tom, Ed Benford, is another Black fool for the whites. They discharged me for not calling in, but I did call in and they knew it.

But I'm proud of being Black and telling the other Brothers to be proud of their Blackness. This scared the honkies, so they got all their bullshit-toms together and told them not to help me get reinstated. So I was out in the street for three weeks. Why, Hardy even told me not to worry about it, thinking about it, so I called him and he said, "I have not had a chance to talk to anyone yet, I'll give you a call." I waited 3 or 4 more days and still no call, so I went to the fat S.O.B.'s office and there he was with his funky feet on the desk laughing and talking on the phone with one of

his honkie, or tom-ass pals. He looked at me and said, "Go have a seat in the hall." So I waited 3 or 4 hours and he didn't even say anything to me, so I left and went to the slave-driving plantation and saw the king of the asskissing toms Ed Benford.

I told him what happened and he called me a bare-faced liar. I wanted to kill that motherfucker, but I kept cool. After he called me, a Black and proud Brother, that he laughed and told me to go back to the racist local with that punk-ass tom, Andy Hardy, and wait. So I waited and his punk-ass didn't even call, then his punk-assed pal, Andy Hardy, told me to go home and wait for him to call. I went home

and waited and again he did not call me. After waiting a week or more, I called him and he told me that he couldn't do a damn thing for me. But I know three Brothers who were off longer than I was and they got back in. But because I'm proud of being Black and telling the other Brothers to be proud of their Blackness and how to look out for the many ways that the racist pigs can use their tricky ways to fire you for some bullshit like talking against the white pig race, being late, or talking back to the slave driver of the plant.

When the honkie sees that you are a real true Black man and that you want to be one their ass-kissing toms like Andy Hardy and that King-sized tom, Ed Benford of Labor Relations will do anything to get rid of you. So please, Black Brothers, look out for him. If they tell him to get you, he will. And let's not forget that damn fool, Andy Hardy, King of the ass-suckers. I know you Brothers don't want a ass-kissing tom like Hardy for Vice-President of your local.

So be ware of the racist honkies, they're out to get you my Black Brothers and Sisters. JOIN D.R.U.M, SUPPORT,,, D.R.U.M., for D.R.U.M.. is here to protect you from the tricks of the honkie.

JOIN D.R.U.M.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Brothers:

I have read your leaflets every week. I find that your goal and direction is relevant to the Black cause but I am fearful of your success. I cannot go back to your beginning because you have made it clear that you have made mistakes. But I can protest your last election. Ron March was a deserving candidate but the turn-out of our brothers was terrible. It seems to me that with a majority of Black votes we should have a Black militant in office now. Would it be possible in the up-coming election to relate to our Brothers the importance of a political take-over of our local Non-Violent



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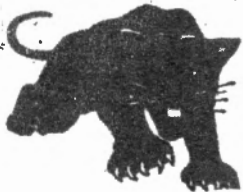
Being a so-called
90 day wonder I cannot
sign my name but I shall
support your candidate.

cordially yours,
not 90 days yet.

Editors Note:

Black unity is a
difficult task but your
points were well taken.
If other readers were
as constructive as you
are our struggle for
Black Liberation would
n't be a 400 years pro-
cess. Get your ninety.
days, Quick!! and re-
member:

White Power for White
People, Brown Power
for Brown People, Yellow
Power for Yellow Peop-
le; Red Power for Red
People. BLACK POWER
FOR BLACK PEOPLE.
Editorial Staff: DRUM.



ALTERNATORS

WILD BILL - 9170

This pig has been
getting away with murder
for about the last
1½ years. Since he has
been in 9170 they ca-
ught this pig carrying
alternators out of the
plant in the trunk of
his car. He was sup-
posed to get fired for
stealing but since he
probably could have in-
volved some important
people in his theft he
was therefore re-hired
and placed in 9170,
where he started out
carrying all Black wor-
kers to the office for
their attendance record.

He has been known
to fire a new Black man
from a job that he had
not been on no more
than two hours, and it
takes the average man
three days to learn a
job. Why should a pig
like Wild Bill be in
charge of a department
like 9170, he has no
respect for any Black
worker unless he is a
tom. Therefore, we,
Black Brothers under
this pig should stand
up against him.



For to long Chrysler management has been a part of a movement to keep Black people, in their place. It has been a fact that a Black man who has gut's to say what he feels is right, or act according. The management immediately place's him on this list of Niggers to be watched. Ray Johnson has been one of the Black men, management has picked on. He has been fired because he carried out his manly duties, of going to attend his ill wife. After management refused his rights to answer a sick call from her. He has been sent home after lunch for leaving safety glasses in lunch area. Now this Black brother has been given 5 days off for missing a day. The next day smiley Eddy his foreman, seems to think all he needs to do is stick his hand out and look ignorant. This stupid gesture means "give me that excuse boy or I'll fix you." After Wells refuse to let this man see labor relation man Ring, Did see him. After Wells waiting all day, after working hours were over Ring even, after seeing a proper excuse would rather say the brother broke a rule, which he has yet to prove, or tell him it after the fact. Well the fact is that Wells Eddie and Ring have only been passing the buck. It seems that they only are interested in giving time off. It doesn't make any different if a Black man is right or not All Racist White management is interested in doing, is exploiting Black Workers. White management will soon find out they no longer will deal with Black Niggers but a Black and Proud Man.

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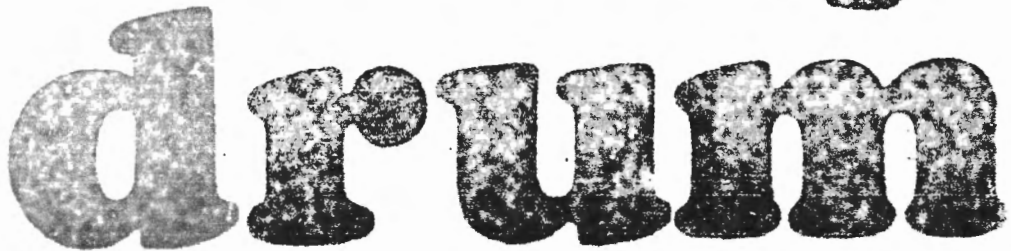
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THE HARDER THEY FALL

On Nov. 11, 1968 Cannonball Silepski attempted another one of his Racist attacks on our Black Brothers again. Using his same arrogant approach he charged a Bro. passing out Drums newspaper. To his fat surprise he was counted with a young bro/ that verbally ripped this pig to no-end.

Cannonball, using tactics that made Sen. Bilbo afraid, charged the Bro. shouting "give me one of those Drum's" The Bro. replied, "Who are you? "I'm Cannonball" the pig oinked. "So" the pig went on to squell "You people are not going to come in to this Union and take over." "I've fought to hard to make it what it is to let you people take over." At this time the Whities in the area had gathered. But to their surprise they were not dealing with the old foot shuffling Brothers but instead they found a young militant that ripped into the Fat Pig like a butcher. First, establishing the fact that this brave pig led the charge at the local during the election. Also, that it was a shame that our local being/70% Black was still ran by the likes of him. And further that the day has come when Black Folks are getting together to claim their true equity in the Local and the U.A.W. With an embarrassing responds from such a young militant the fat pig tucked his tail and proceeded to the nearest mud puddle to sun.

While you're sunning Fig, DRUM would like to confirm the young Brothers conversation and add that your time is limited and the harder you fight the harder you FALL!

JOIN DRUM.

STEWARD FIGHTS WOMAN AT HUBER AVE. FOUNDRY.

On Wednesday of Oct. 30th at 5:30 in the morning the first shift was starting to work. The day steward B. Goins and his girlfriend Sister Mabel Zilgler got into a fight because he was trying to talk to another sister on the line and both of these sisters are friends. This negro/so callpious pimp/ sponger of Black workers time and money is known for the disrespect he shows our women by cursing and using degrading words. Also even to kiss his mundane ass. Just keep this attitude bro" Goins so that the black men can show you how they're going to kiss your profane ass.

For this fighting he was given (2) two days off while sister Zilgler was given (5) five days off. If this had been anyone// else they would have been dismissed. Being a steward is a responsible job but no more responsible than the jobs of the working men and women at this 20th century slave plant (plantation). He should be trying to set an example for the workers. If he can do this and get away with nothing but a hand slapping then why can't all the workers do the same and just get a hand slapping too. Better yet why don't all the workers just go on and get down with all the jive foreman's/tom steward's/the white racist management of Chrysler Corporation and the tyrannical unrepresentive U.A.W., then they can dismiss us all for fighting in the plant...back on Goins case/he also gives cabarets to pay for his green on green Cadillac by mixing private business with plant business. He should keep his private business out of the plant.

What action did labor relations take? Especially after a petition was signed by the workers to relieve him from his duties. What did the Local union have to say when it was taken down? Our main Tom Vice-pres. Charlie Brooks called Goins and read off every name on that petition and said that the union wasn't going to do anything about it and if that was the case that the workers would be petitioning every time they didn't like a steward to get rid of their man. And the union won't have it. Besides he was doing what every man does in the plant/going with other women. con't on next page.

This is just an example of the attitude that the so call voice of the union that is suppose to represent the workers. They represent a small clique and grant favors to those who do their bidding. If we are to have a true democratic union we must come together as Black workers and organize ourselves responsible to the working men and women who contribute their hard earn money to pay their salaries to represent them and if they refuse to do the job then they can just kiss that easy money good-by because we the Black workers/the super-exploited and oppressed people of the world/dedicated ourselves to end racism. For the fight to end racism join DRUM.....Support DRUM.....THE WORKERS WEAPON AGAINST RACISM AND EXPLOITATION....

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DARE TO FIGHT

DARE TO WIN

FIGHT FAIL FIGHT AGAIN FAIL AGAIN

FIGHT ON TO VICTORY

LONG LIVE BLACK PEOPLE IN THIS RACIST LAND.

DEATH TO THEIR ENEMIES ----- LONG LIVE

THE HEROIC BLACK WORKERS ---- STRUGGLE...

LONG LIVE DRUM

.....BLACK.....WORKERS.....RALLY.....AND.....RAFFLE

SUNDAY

6:00 P.M.

1101 E. GRAND BLVD. AT GRATIOT

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it when the smoke is cleared,
's back again talking Black.
of you TOM'S TREBLER'S,
ITCHER'S had better tighten up
cause, it's going to all hang
t in a minute so don't be cau-
t with your pants down (if you
ow what I mean).
MUM IS HERE TO STAY!!!!!!!!!!
WE WILL WIN!!!!!!

The DRUM Road

More and more Black work-
ers are finding it necessary to
take the D.R.U.M. road. That
is the road of Black independ-
ent revolutionary action in
addressing the terrible con-
ditions that they labor under
on their respective jobs. Since
D.R.U.M. has been in exist-
ence, Black workers from all ov-
er the state have come to us
with their stories of murderous
conditions in the plants and
seeking our help in launching
D.R.U.M. type organizations
where they work. This situation
has developed because Black
workers realize that only throu-
gh this kind of movement can
relief be obtained from the op-
pressive conditions that take
such a heavy toll. The Brothers
are reporting that at Ford's
conditions are so bad that the
loms are holding prayer meet-
ings on the Assembly lines. At
the Pontiac plants Brothers are
being forced to fight back be-
cause the work is so hard and
grading. Of course, it is
delly known that conditions at
G.M. plants are monstrously

AMERICAN. U.O.A. Our drivers
have contacted us for assist-
ance in helping them do some-
thing about their plight. And
this is going on all over the
country as more and more Black
workers are finding themselves
in intolerable situations. The
only thing needed is a program
that can unify all these work-
ers and channel this rage into
a confrontation on a massive
scale with the beastly super-
exploiters responsible for our
plight. D.R.U.M. has such a
program. Our program evolved
out of the experience that we
gained working along this line.
It recognizes and identifies
racism as the common-denomi-
nator that will unite all Black
workers, but it also goes furth-
er and identifies our enemies,
as the racist owners and opera-
tors of the means of production
in this country, and the no one
tool of management, the racist
union bureaucracy as well as the
complacent white worker himself.
Our struggle, because of
the gigantic might of the enemy
has been slow in developing, but
at this point it is accelerat-
ing rapidly because of the push
for super profits and the in-
creased consciousness of the
Black workers. The Brothers
know that something must be
done and it's only a matter of
time before they realize that
the D.R.U.M. road is the only
road.

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RACISM IN DODGE TRUCK

Brother Dan Baker was con-
 sternated the other day by the
 Klansmen Carl (the supersonic
 honky) Davis, Joe, Hopping Nick,
 flaky Eddie and God knows how
 many other honkys. All con-
 verging one ONE, not four or
 five but one Black man, You
 know, like the lynch mobs of
 the South. The Brother was
 offed so swift he didn't real-
 ize what was happening until
 the honky requested his badge.
 The whole incident was a frame-
 up. Management knew this and
 so does the union and Labor re-
 lations, but the power struct-
 ure had to flex it's muscles,
 knowing election time is near-
 ing so the less Black votes,
 the better. The chances they
 have of placing the same old
 spineless union officials back
 in Racist Pollack and bull-
 shitting TOMS, (ell-ow UNCLE
 Harvey), BoB you and a better

chance of winning office if you
 pull away from the rat pack.
 We know you remember the old
 saying: "When you lay down
 with dogs, you get up with
 fleas".

There's a certain chief stew-
 ard in the trim shop who stays
 so drunk he cannot be found to
 defend anyone. Where was he
 when that sissy Forman named
 Stoner (you know like the Raci-
 st's weapon against the BLACK
 REVOLUTION) fired Brother John
 Ireland on trumped up charges
 of insubordination. He should
 have claimed he's firing him for
 being Black, everyone knows St-
 oner doesn't dig Blacks. We
 were led to believe that a man
 couldn't get discharged without
 union representation (although
 it would not have made any dif-
 ference whether they were there



any, but it would have been more formal) everyone around the gas tank's area knows this Brother is innocent. Mr. Stoner has put so much fear in the Brother's that no one dare's to speak up in his defense, and those honky's in his area say's another nigger gone.'

As for you Brother's in the Metal shop how much longer are you going to tolerate this that SUPPER NIGGER TOM CUNNINGHAM (Hambone)? He forgot that he use to be Black before the honky's patted him on his ass and threw a white shirt on his ass. He said, "He better not catch anyone passing out this paper." You just don't know Hambone, you really better not catch anyone passing out this paper, because you really will catch something, like all the other Tom's are. That is not a threat, that is a promise. Death to the counter-revolutionary Tom's. Either help your Brothers organize or get the Fuck out of the way, move over or we'll move you over.'

The Brother's in compat bldg are all crying. We wonder if it's because buckdancing jeffing Charles Harrel is leaving for a better Tomism job, or because they are worrying about who's going to replace him. The Tom, or the racist honky? The other Brothers don't stand a chance, because Dodge Truck does not like Black men, because they have the capacity of thinking.' and a thinking Black man is very dangerous to the company because it might spread and baby

look out, so they would prefer a knee-grow. Oh yea, Jeff on your way out stop by the main bldg. we'll have some more Toms to go with you. We're getting the names together for you watch this paper everyone will know who's who in the Tom pack. hey fellow's how in the Hell did you allow that meally mouth so called chief steward Mack the Pollack get elected? We're sure you're not going to let this happen again, keep your eye's open and select your own candidate's, this bullshit about "my hands are tied" when it comes to defending Black workers has got to come to a dead halt.

Local 140 is over due for changes, the local is infiltrated with racist, nigger hating Pollock's clown's, puppet's, and feet shuffling Tom's, Plus the best rent a Nigger service in town. The rented Nigger is the Tom's who come to the aid of the company of local when the Field Nigger's start raising hell and the spineless Honky's put their tail's between their leg's and take flight, so the Honky calls on the House Niggers to sooth the brothers down, when he's soothed down the Honky slide's back in and off's the brother, so brothers if this is the type of unionism you want just keep sitting on your ass.

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Garbage Vendors

Why Gladeux does not have any brothers employed with them? We all know the answer, although the brothers have been spending plenty money with these Racist they still do not recognize us as employable. They don't even have a boy to do their menial work. Also check out those vending machines, that are concentrated in the areas where the Black workers are in the majority. Someone should report them to the Board of Health, we bet they would be Quarantined. If all the vending machines were boycotted then we'll see some action. Why does the company allow this condition to prevail, seeing they are constantly hollering about their policies of fairness, (DOWN WITH HIPOCRACY)

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Brothers and Sisters we must bring to your attention the up coming Election in May, everyone's been bitching about our present local regime. So now's the time to act, put up or shut up, there will be some Black candidates running for office we're going to need support.

Study your men not boys and above all vote. There will be many excuses to why you can't wait in line to vote, you go somewhere to go something to do or some other bullshit. When

the Honky Foremen or the Honky chief steward or TOM steward tells you that he can't help you until next year sometime, or that HIS hand's are tied, then you will not be in such a hurry to go anywhere, matter of fact you will not have any place to go but the unemployment office or the welfare office, then you will have to wait in line. (CAN YOU DIG IT BROTHER?)

Everyone keep an eye on FRANK (The PUNK PULA and the Dynamic duo AL(the Alky) and JOHN the PIG, Oh yea JOE P. we're digging you, do you still miss JIMMY WILLIAMS?

Beware of UNCLE TOMS they are very dangerous to the advancement of Black workers that's why we're catching so much HELL they'll sell out their mama's you know what they will do to you, all for a pat on the ass or wherever you pat them. Oh yea fellows thanks for the lip service Friday 3-21-69 everyone saw just who the TOMS are, they thought they were hidding but Baby you All I mean All were dug. even the tremblers were dug. The trembler is the next step under a TOM, he don't have no spine he's always rapping BLACK but when it's time to act he's somewhere trembling or up in the toilet cleaning out his pants, He's to scared to snitch and to scared to be seen, scared to talk,

Corp. is the most racist of the big 3 we can further understand how Ford Motors and Chrysler Corp. became recipients of awards. In the last edition of DRUM we explained how Uncle toms are used to the detriment of Black people and here is a concrete example.

At the luncheon, Kornegay stated, 'A significant breakthrough is that the Big Three have eliminated the employment test for entry and production jobs'. They have eliminated a test so that you can pick steel all day long in the plants. Every black brother sister who has ever stepped inside a plant knows that ain't nothing happens that ain't nothing happening but some of the most back breaking work that has ever gone on in history. The plant is becoming an effective substitute for the plantation, no one ever took a written test to pick cotton so why should anyone take one to pick steel.

Chrysler Corp. is the smallest of the Big Three and at the same time that they were receiving equal opportunity awards at the Statler Hilton Ho-

tel what was going on at Dodge Main, at Eldon Ave and Mack @ Jefferson, at Huber Foundry - how many brothers were being fired at that moment, how many brothers lost fingers in stamping plants, how many brothers' cases of silicosis worsened, how many brothers were being harrassed by white racist foremen, how many black babies were hungry because their fathers had been fired on trumped up charges, how many brothers were being refused medical attention at these plants how many speedups were twking place right here in the city

At that very minute super profits were being reaped from the backs of our black brothers right here and not one penny of those profits produced were used to aid black people. These super profits made off of our labor right here at Dodge Main, Huber, etc. and what do you think is being done with it. These profits are being shared by the white racist owners of the Corp. and much of it is being shared by the white rab being re-invested nationally and internationally. Chrysler

Corp. alone has proposed capital expenditures for 1970-73 equal to \$1,188 million for international expenditures. In South Africa alone, where white workers are paid 16 times that of our black brothers, Chrysler Corp. has plans for construction of a new foundry and stamping plant totaling \$35 million. All of these profits were made from our black brothers' sweat and blood and is being used to further exploit other black people on an international level.

With the above existing facts how in the hell could anyone offer these international blood suckers any kind of an award. It is necessary that our black brothers fully understand these facts so as not to fall prey to the insidious notion that black people are making progress, or that Chrysler Corp, General Motors or Ford Motor Co, has done anything to aid black people and therefore deserve any award.

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FASCIST STRIKE

FACIST AT WORK AGAIN

In the framing area, on the 7th floor of 9110, on Friday, Nov. 22, 1968 a young innocent Black Brother was discharged because of a gate go too far causing a line to stop. In spite of the fact that young Black brother's record was clean and he had never been late or absent, fat, racist pig-ass Coffey, the Supt., came down and told a Black foreman to fire the brother. Even though the Black foreman tried to speak up for the brother, as he has tried to help all of his men, this brother was fired on the spot.

The next Wednesday, the same situation came up, only this time it was a white man. Even with this chicken-assed pig being the one at fault Dick Paille, the General Foreman and another racist pig gave the word to give another innocent Black brother 5 days off. Instead of finding the honky responsible, they will tell a damn lie and place blame on a Black brother rather than deal with their white pigs.

After the word got to racist labor relations man Ring, he in turn said he would find out who caused the line to stop, and no one had to worry he would fix it up. Maybe we can understand why the chicken-assed white responsible for the

line stoppage quit the next day. Could it be he's only been moved somewhere else. And why is one of the best Black foreman's, the one who spoke up for the Black brothers, being moved? Could it be that he's truly a good foreman, instead of the tom or the slave-driver they want him to be?

Black workers are tired of white racists will find their own asses in hot water; white hats and all...

P.S. If they think they are having trouble with a good and well-respected Black foreman, what the hell do they think they're going to have with a not wanted new foreman.
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PROTECTION

EGTS AT HUBER AVE, FO-
UNDRY.

Friday night 12-6-68, plant protection of Huber Ave, rudley awaken by the sounds of fear/gun-shots @yells for help/by a wounded white employee screaming for help with blood gushing from the side of his head, where his assailants had slugged him. Another robbery had just taken place right before all they're live T.V. broadcasts @ eyes. This man was lucky that he didn't lose what little life he has through this constant neglect of protecting plant property instead of employees also, Of putting human life first and the static plant second. But NO. Plant protection follows orders to a "T" with their "small group" mentality.

It just so happens that the thieves were white also/stealing from one another shame/shame/Nixson's getting to 'em already @ his term hasn't even begun yet. Why wasn't a guard hut placed at the parking lot entrance to prevent this type of activity? Will they take the cue from this narrow escape to

do something other than locking th gates after the horse has gone. This brings us to the point of why only one gate is open when the afternoon shift are going on. Traffic jams @ multiple car accidents is all we see. Not to say anything about the tickets these fools have started issuing for parking in the lanes. This is a good time to correct the bad lighting @ clean the motherfucker out sometimes with one of these power sweepers that sits hungrily for more dirt. What will it take to move off that mellow seat of yours? An employees death? Don't let one of those fools try @ rob one of the militant Black Bro'/one of those I don't give UP MY DOUGH TO NOBODY EXCEPT "MAMA" - the blood will really flow because we got the hardest @ dirtiest job for the least amount of money to just give it up/like it don't hurt at all...NO/IT WON'T DO. Plant Protection better get rid of self-interest in their minds @ start protecting those who make it possible for them to have a job.

BRO' PATTERSON is still out in the streets as Deck THE HALLS TO BE JOLLY gets nearer @ the five Committeeman goes thru all his TOM "out of sight" motions. His grievance is on step two of the four steps that a grievance will take if you got a Tom handling your case/or you're just to Black to get back. By that we mean proud with principles. We will fight to get this man back as long as it's necessary to/DARE TO FIGHT..DARE TO WIN..BRO's join us in this BRO'S JUST STRUGGLE AGAINST THESE RACISTS... report all "TOMS" STCP COMING TO WORK UNTIL THIS MAN IS (1) REINSTATED, (2) ALL BACK PAY DO HIM, (3) THAT THE FOREMAN WHO FIRED HIM GETS FIRED FOR CAUSING ALL THIS BULLSHIT..join DRUM/Support DRUM in its fight to end RACISM. IF THAT RACIST DOCTOR IS BACK Demand to be sent home to see your own private doctor until he'S RE - MOVED "PERMENTLY".... JOIN DRUM SUPPORT DRUM..

HIS STORY

HISTORY OR HIS STORY

'The day the slave ship landed in America our history ended and his story began.' Like everything else, the white racist power structure, has lied about the true history of the Black worker. 'Negro' history leads us to believe that some of us were (field negroes) the ones who did the hardest work (pickin cotton etc.) wore the raggediest clothes, and ate the worse food and the rest of us were

(house negroes) the ones who received the lightest jobs (cleaning the masters' house, etc.) wore the best clothes, and ate the best food. This is far from the truth.

'Negro' slaves were employed in foundries as forgersmen, blacksmiths, and founders. They were used to mine both coal and ore. They worked along the water front as longshoremen. With the exception of conductors, they worked on the railroads in every capacity including that of locomotive engineer, and they

piloted the steamboats that plied on southern waters. They were even used to some extent as hands in the textile mills and formed a large portion of the workers in the tobacco factories. These facts can be found in the Black Worker by Sterling D. Spero and Abram L. Harris. This is not all, in the same book it says 'a number of Blacks worked in the skilled crafts such as; carpentry, masonry, blacksmithing, and the other mechanical trades.' Why would the hunky permit slaves (Black

workers) to obtain jobs that sometimes his fellow hunky couldn't get. The answer is very simple. In the Black Worker the answer is spelled out, 'The masters found it easier and cheaper to have their slaves trained in carpentry, masonry, blacksmithing and the other mechanical trades than to depend upon outside free white labor'. The hunky even got farther out than that, many masters regarded their skilled slaves as a profitable source of income, and instead of keeping them on the plantation to serve the mechanical needs of the establishment, sent them to practice their trades in the cities.

History is best qualified to reward all research, Black

workers should be able to see in 1968 that his story is repeating itself, in the racist Chrysler Corp and in the racist UAW. It is a fact that Black people didn't just pick cotton during 'slavery' and that Black people did work on so-called good jobs then. But we must keep in mind Why

The only reason the hundypermitted Blacks to do these jobs The only reason the hunkypermitted Blacks to do these jobs was because it was easier, **CH-FOR HIM TO DO SO.** It was **not**

because he loved Black people. If you doubt what the writer says, check this out, during slavery the hunky insisted

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on employing his slaves in whatever manner he found profitable. If Blacks were not needed on the plantation they were rented out to dig ditches. If Blacks were too weak to stand the strain of working in the fields, they were sent to the cotton mills to 'attend to the looms and the spindles.' In racist America, Black workers have 'progressed' only when it was profitable for the hunky or when world pressure was put on America during a time of war. Black people can work when the hunky is at war but as soon as the war is over we're right back out in the street, Brothers and Sisters things are not getting better things are getting worse. Black Workers unite with DRUM or perish.

SEEKING CLEARITY

MAKING ISSUES CLEAR

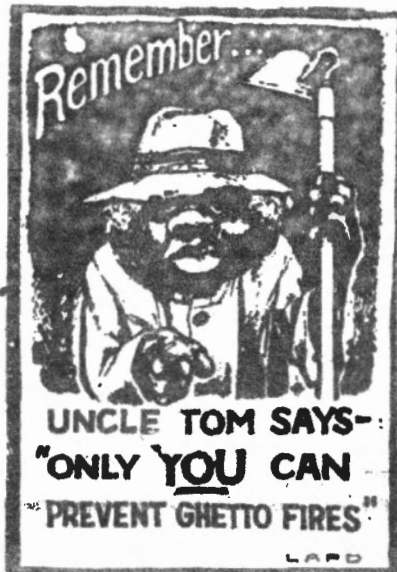
Thursday, Nov. 14, 1968 was declared 'Equal Opportunity Day' in the city of Detroit. At the Statler Hilton hotel here in Detroit, the notorious Mayor Jerome P. Cavanaugh presented a framed proclamation declaring such to Harold S. McFarland, the president of the Detroit Urban League. The event was an Urban League Luncheon to issue 'Equal Opportunity' awards to General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co., Chrysler Corp., the U.S. Army Tank and Automotive Co., and the Statler Hilton hotel.

At the luncheon D.R.U.M. members held an open demonstration in order to denounce such an outrageous act. D.R.U.M. is first of all concerned and fighting for our super-exploited Black Brothers and Sisters living within the confines of these 50 racist states and our Black Brothers who are exploited and oppressed all over the world. Any time a sucker stands up and gives General Motors, Ford Motor Co. @ Chrysler Corp. an

award for 'Equal Opportunity' he either has to be grossly misled or blind, deaf, and dumb. Francis Kornegay is an uncle's tom of long, long, good-standing - the Executive Director of the Detroit Urban League. He is the chief spokesman for the concept of 'Negro progress' towards what

D.R.U.M. states that the concept of 'Negro progress' is another insidious notion fostered, consciously, by white racists using Black lap-dogs as mouthpieces. We believe that Kornegay is such a mouthpiece. As we stated earlier, a racist thonky by the name of Harold S. McFarland is the President of the Detroit Urban League, but what we didn't mention is that he is also the Assistant Director of Personnel Relations for General Motors Corp.

With the above mentioned facts it becomes obvious as to why General Motors Corp. was given an award by the Urban League; and since General Motors



In order to defeat these reactionary measures by the capitalists--and Chrysler in particular--we must be united. We can't say just because it doesn't effect us directly it's none of our business, because before you know it they will be cutting everyone's pay whenever they (the capitalists) get ready..That's why we must be united against all injustices--whether it be putting a welfare mother in jail and cutting off ADC checks or calling for the resignation of Nixon and demanding new elections.. We must stick together as a class--the working class (employed or unemployed), and not as individuals. In the final analysis we (the working class) will be victorious!

At the present we should hound our local officials from the president to the steward to get something done NOW! about the wage cuts and not to be jiving around with the grievence procedure.

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VACATION AT LOCAL 140

It's summer vacation time at the Union hall again. At the General Membership meeting on May 7, a proposal by the Executive Board to suspend most of the meetings of the Local during June, July and August "as customary" was read, and approved by the handful of people there. This means that during the summer when we face some of the worst conditions of the year in the plant, we have a part--time union. Only the Executive Board and Truck Plant meetings will be held during the summer.

This is no surprise to anyone, but it is characteristic of the way our union is run these days---and why it's so weak. And it's not a question of Local 140 politics. Both green and blue slate officials supported the proposal. Which goes to show that a union hack is a union hack whether he's green, blue, black or white or brown. It is a question of the way the whole International UAW union is organized and the politics it follows.

Basically the UAW union is run and its politics determined by the International Executive Board(IEB). The IEB is composed of 27 people: the President(Woodcock), the Secretary-Treasurer (Mazey), 6 Vice-presidents (Doug Fraser for Chrysler); and 18 Regional Directors(George Merrelli is the director of Local 140's region, region 1). Most of these men (and one woman) have been off the shop floor for years and have no idea what it's like to bust ass on the line. Further, most are deeply tied to the Democratic Party which (despite all the bullshit to the contrary) is as much controlled by big business as the Republican Party. No wonder we get sold out at contract time.

Not only do these dudes control the national UAW but they also have a noose around the neck of every local union in the UAW. This is spelled out in the International Union Constitution which is what the Convention in June is all about (a copy of the Constitution can be gotten at the Local 140 hall).

First of all the Local Union has no right to call a strike without the permission of the International Executive Board (see article 50). If a Local were to defy this, it would get no assistance financially or otherwise (article 50, section 6) and it could have its charter revoked "thereby annulling all privileges, powers and rights...."(50, section 7). This is why we now have to wildcat if we want to get anything done.

But this is only the beginning. Article 12 puts the icing on the cake. Essentially, 12 sections 2 and 3 lay out that the International Executive Board by a 2/3 vote can disband, re-organize, suspend any officers from office and take over the affairs of any local union. If this happens an IEB representative and his goons can run the local for six months before the Constitution says he has to call new elections. We do not have democracy in the UAW! We have a dictatorship run by the International Executive Board and the International President. And these misleaders act as tools of the capitalist class (big business) and its government (whether Democratic or Republican) to keep the working people on the bottom. This is one of the primary reasons why we get such lousy leadership at the local union level--beside the fact that we also have some lazy, incompetent and crooked local union reps.

To begin to remedy this situation, DTRUM demands that our duly elected delegates to the June Constitutional Convention support the following duly submitted resolutions aimed at restoring some democracy to the UAW: 1. Local Autonomy. Local unions should be allowed to strike without the approval of the International. The International Executive Board should not be permitted to disband or re-organize a local or suspend its officers. 2. Referendum Vote--One Person, One Vote. All the members should be able to vote not only for their International officers but also on issues like impeachment, wage-price controls, the Israeli war bonds etc. which effect every UAW member. 3. Exclusion of Article 10, sections 7-8. This article states that no Communists, Fascists or Nazis can hold union office. It permits the union misleaders to brand any worker who fights for his rights and get rid of them. In a later issue, DTRUM will define what Communism is and what Fascism and Nazism are--the Constitution doesn't bother to do this and lumps them all together. 4. Binding Instructions. Convention delegates should carry binding instructions from the membership to the Convention and legislative sessions. Now Convention delegates represent themselves and go to party and play kiss-ass to the International ~~misleaders~~ misleaders. DTRUM will be presenting other resolutions in later issues..

DTRUM also demands that the officers of Local 140 move to restore the full functioning of our Local 140 during the summer months.. We work 12 months a year at Dodge Truck; our Local should run 12 months a year.

If you support these demands, make your feelings known to your Local 140 representatives and newly elected delegates to the June Constitutional Convention.

WAGE CUTS!

Does everyone know that all workers working on sub-assembly jobs in the Compact building are getting a pay cut of 5¢ an hour? What! Isn't is bad enough we have to pay outlandish prices for everything from peanuts to steak, now they want to cut our pay, now that's a damn shame. What are the union "leaders" doing about it? Nothing. They said it came as a surprise to them also (laugh), so many of the stewards said (?) they would check into it and go through the various grievence prededures. But do they realize that in the contract book on page 206 under reclassification (in a letter to Doug Fraser) it states that management can re-classify a job, but if a worker has a year or more on that particular job, his pay can't be changed. But they did it anyway. This just shows what Chrysler thinks of the workers and the Union that represents us. Actions similar to these show how weak our union really is and whose interest they really represent--the capitalists' (people who own and control the banks, land, factoriesetc.).

That whole Convention thing is just an effort by our "leaders" to prove to us that we have a say in our future, but we can see what little rights we do have by that 5¢ wage cut. This point is key, because usually the capitalists just raise the prices so we can purchase less and less with our dollars (inflation). But now they just come right out and make a pay cut--now that's really bold!