

# GRENADA

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### BRUIN GRENADA PROJECT IN TOWN

by Pete Lowenburg

We the Bruin Grenada project, have come to join the local struggle for equal rights and equal schooling in the knowledge that injustice to one group of Americans is an injustice to all.

We have been sent by our fellow students and colleagues; by religious organizations and labor unions. Hundreds of UCLA (University of California at Los Angeles) students who gave \$2 each to send us down here. The eyes of America and the world are on Grenada. Wherever men believe in freedom they support you and their hearts are with you.

We have brought a task force prepared to tutor in English, French, Mathematics, and the sciences. We have brought programs in art and drama, counselling and Negro History. We offer activities and clubs such as reading, debate, chess, dancing.

Our staff has had a wide range of experiences and talent. Joe Bates, a psychology graduate student has worked with CORE at Los Angeles State College. Mike Gaffney was in the West Indies with the Peace Corps and was with AFD in Vietnam. Stu Melchin has been a counselor with the UCLA Upward Bound Project, as has been Al Gershman, who is also a teacher in Roosevelt High School in Los Angeles, and Keith Winsell who has studied Negro

History for three years. David Bradford is an art student and an artist at the Watts Towers Art Center. He also teaches public school. Jim Pavik is a graduate student in Social Welfare. Pete Lowenberg, a professor of History, worked with the West Oakland Freedom School. Robert Markus, a native of Alabama, is a graduate student in Math. Joel Luboff is a veteran of the UCLA Mazon project and a French major.

We all will be ready to work with anyone on any subject at any time.

We are pleased to spend our Christmas holidays among the kind people of the Negro community of Grenada. This "Black Out Christmas" will be the most Christmas holiday being celebrated anywhere in this country. Christ would know us and feel at home here.

Many years ago the English poet asked "For whom the bell tolls." It tolls for thee."

Whenever one is deprived of his freedom we are all deprived of a part of our humanity. The Grenada Freedom Movement is a fight for the freedom of all men and we are all dedicated to its successful conclusion.

### SUPERMARKET STILL BEING BUILT

The B&P Supermarket is still being built. In the last week the building has progressed to the point where the two end walls are partially up and the side walls are up.

### HOSEA WILLIAMS IN TOWN LAST SUNDAY

Hosea Williams was in town last Sunday to address the B&P Club and to speak at the Mass Meeting.

At this meeting plans were revealed to restructure the movement to include more committees in various activities. Some of the committees that are being set up are committees to serve in the areas of welfare; finance; membership; publicity; housing; federal programs and execution. The purpose of the new structure is to aid in distributing the work load to more people in the community. Staff workers have been assigned to assist the committees as needed.

### TOMMY GREEN RELEASED

Tommy Green was released from the Oakley Training School Thursday. He was sent there when the school children were arrested in connection with the school walkout of Oct. 24.

Tommy was sent to the school when it was judged that his civil rights activity violated his probation from an earlier charge involving automobiles last year.

The release was obtained by the lawyers committee by arguing that the arrest was under appeal. The state supreme court judge Etheridge heard the petition for the release and moved to grant it until the outcome of the appeal.

### JAMES HUDSON SENT TO JACKSON HOSPITAL

James Hudson, a student at John Rundle who was injured in school by two steel objects according to reports presented in a previous issue was taken to the University Hospital in Jackson, Miss Thurs night. He had been in the Taborian Hospital in Mound Bayou and released from there several days ago. He has been complaining of severe pain in the head recently. The pain apparently became more severe last night.

He is to visit a neurosurgeon at the University Hospital.

### BRUINS IN PICKET LINE FOR LAST FEW DAYS

Several of the UCLA and George town University students have joined the picket marches downtown over the last few days. Their presence has encouraged the local picket corps in this sometimes thankless part of the movement activity.

The sight of the white students in the line has caused a renewal of the charges of "outside agitators" and bearded beatniks that were leveled at the white students that assisted the movement so well over the summer months.

### GRENADA POLICE BUILD ON EXPERIENCE OF PAST

The Grenada police department is reported to be undergoing a program of training and equipment that will produce a well trained, well equipped force.

The program is being conducted under the direction of Chief Pat Ray and the police commissioner

### CDGM REFUNDED

The Child Development Group of Mississippi has been refunded by OEO after the promise of several reforms. The Board of National Missions of the United Presbyterian Church agreed to the following changes :

The board guaranteed full financial responsibility.

The board agreed to continuous supervision of the activity of the program.

The board agreed to enlarge the CDGM board and include 30 % white members.

Among other agreements were the agreements to:

Increased administration staff

Retention of management consultants.

Greater retention of parents on policy committees.

Guarantees that all employees refrain from civil rights activities during working hours.

### FDP ATTACKS REAPPORTIONMENT

The Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party have filed a complaint in federal court over the recent reapportionment plan past by the special session of the legislature. The complaint charges racial gerrymandering in setting up the new district boundaries.

FDP contends that the new apportionment violates the one man one vote dictate of the court.

Paul McElroy, according to a recent press interview in the Commercial Appeal.

The training of the police officers is being conducted as funds are available as stated by the commissioner.

### NEGRO POLICEMEN FIRED IN PHILADELPHIA

The two Negro police in Philadelphia were fired last week. It was reported that the Negroes in Philadelphia have been trying to oust one of the Negro police for over a year.

In the last few months, Windham, one of the ousted men, had injured several men while making arrests.

Many local Negroes went to city hall as witnesses against the two men.

### GEES BEND OPENS UNIQUE SCHOOL

A unique school was opened in Gees Bend, Alabama. The school called "Rural Life Workshop" is intended to teach more about America's most pressing domestic problem- the race problem.

It is intended that this school be attended by Southern white liberals so that they might learn more of the Negroes than they can through their maids.

Some thirty two attended the first session of the workshop in spite of cold and the remote location of Gees Bend.

### SHRIVER WELCOMES STUDY BY CONGRESS

Sargent Shriver, OEO director welcomes the study of OEO programs by the Congress. A really objective look at the programs will show no waste of federal funds according to Shriver.

"We have suffered more from misconceptions than from truth." Shriver is quoted as saying.

"The real issue is not the cost in money but the waste in human resources.



(Guest Editorial)  
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One of the most common attempts to retain the "closed system" in the South is based on the unsubstantiated argument that the quest for integration and improved conditions for the Negro is the product solely of "outside agitation." Those who continue this type of distortion reflect an unwillingness to examine the realities of American history.

The precedent for change had been established long before the Desegregation Decision of 1954. It had, in fact, been established long before the 1856 Dred Scott decision, which claimed the Negro's incapacity for citizenship and forced him to retain his 'property' status. Thus, it is clear that law may reflect social advancement, but unfortunately often is far behind it. This is particularly true in the South, where the white power structure demands the subordination of the Negro to protect its glorified 'sovereignty'—denying the link between national power and national improvement.

The story of "peaceful" protest among Negroes predates the American Revolution. There are many ways to detect forms of discontent—poetry, the writings of foreign and American travellers etc. Even before the English-American conflict a group of free Negroes had petitioned the government of the colony of Massachusetts on the basis of "taxation without representation."

Modern forms of non-violent change are based upon, not only the ideological validity of such an approach, but also the awareness that what is done is achieved within the ultimate protection and purpose of the federal law and Constitution. However, until recently this protection had been denied. Particularly, during the many decades of slavery,

—as the peaceful solutions (the underground railroad, buying one's freedom by extra work etc) —could only save a few people from the system. As a result, at least 250 significant revolts have been recorded. This is documented by at least three major books on the subject.

Following the brief time of 'promise' during Reconstruction it became clear that the initial improvement would have to be continued by the organization of Negro efforts. Among the most important efforts were the Niagara Movement (1904), which provided the momentum for the NAACP, founded in 1909. The Niagara Movement was an all-Negro group which was formed by W.E.B. DuBois and William Monroe Trotter to counteract some of the implications of the program of Booker T. Washington in the South.

The demands included not only legal equality and suffrage rights, but acts in the direction of guaranteeing all forms of interracial involvement—social and cultural.

DuBois, however, was aware of the need for a more united form of cooperation between Negroes and whites and in 1909 accepted the position of editor of the NAACP publication, The Crisis, which he held until 1934. During that period the number of lynchings in the South decreased considerably, as the result of a new emphasis on legal action.

One of the supreme ironies of American history is the fact that new rights have been offered only after pressure and, particularly, following those occasions when Negroes have been pushed into the protection of a country which had not protected their basic rights. It was difficult to explain the meaning of 'national loyalty' to the families of the eleven Negro young men who were lynched while still in military uniform following World War One.

Many changes have occurred which contributed

to the current demands for equality on all levels of personal involvement. Following the example of white labor in the North Negro laborers started to present their demands for improvement in the form of organized unions, the first being established by well-known leader, J. Phillip Randolph.

The demands of labor have not always been made on the basis of racial separation however. The Populist movement's initial viability was based on the necessity of cooperation between Southern Negroes and poor whites. The movement failed under Tom Watson's leadership because of the refusal of the whites to cooperate, even on the basis of mutual need. Since the downfall of this effort the South has witnessed a re-establishment of Jim Crow legislation, which counteracted earlier progress a legal program of "separate but not equal" which has only been slowly modified by federal intervention.

Thus, those who maintain that "integration" was an idea which was the product of Gunnar Myrdal's 1944 book, An American Dilemma, know little about the American past. Specifically, they display a lack of comprehension of the link between 'integration' and full opportunity. The Southern whites who have perpetuated the 'myth of white womanhood' in order to rationalize the economic subordination and total control of the Negro male, while mocking the Negro institutions which they have sought to destroy, can no longer be exempted from 'outside' observation, and dismiss as 'Unamerican' any effort to provide full protection for all citizens. Perhaps the critics of Myrdal's book have forgotten their origin or cannot trace their ancestry. More important, they are, no doubt, unfamiliar with the fact that the volume is the product of many major documents, most submitted by Negro writers and authorities, such as Ralph Bunche. Self-blindness can only be allowed until the victim starts bumping into other people.

WORDS OF THE  
MOVEMENT

by Clara Herron

The most common words used in the movement are: dignity, pride, faith, and destiny.

A nonviolent participant as well as anybody else in the movement should have dignity in everything he or she does to conquer their equal rights. Dignity means that we should be able to control ourselves to the best of our ability.

We all should have pride in ourselves as well as others. Pride means to be proud or to love. Therefore, we should love ourselves but not to an extreme. As far as the movement is concerned, we should love to march and be proud of what the movement has done for us. By showing pride in the movement, leaders as well as ourselves, we can reach our destiny.

Another word is faith. This is a belief that we have dignity and pride. Faith means to believe and to trust. We must believe in what we are doing and be proud of what the movement has done for us so far. We must try to accomplish more in the future.

After we have put these words into practice, there is still another word. It is destiny. After we have tried to the best of our ability to put ourselves into dignity, pride and faith, we should try harder to reach a good destiny. Destiny means the end or conclusion.

The words of the movement tell us in a good way how to gain our equal rights and reach a good destiny.

DOTSON CHOIR GOES  
TO ACKMAN, MISS.

The Carrie Dotson High School Choir went to Ackman, Mississippi to participate in the teachers meeting held there. They sang at the meeting to represent the Dotson teachers.

Mr. Thomas is the choir director.

## BLACK CHRISTMAS

In Grenada Mississippi  
In the month of Dec.  
We will have a black  
Christmas  
Which some folks will  
remember.

We will do no shopping  
Nor set up decorations  
But will keep our pockets full  
And later on be gracious.

For it's a blackout  
in Grenada  
With no shopping done  
since July  
But when we meet them  
again  
On us they will rely.

We'll keep our money  
in our pockets  
And never let it go  
For we will not trade  
in Grenada  
At any downtown store.

Clara Herron

KIDS ATTEND CLASS  
AT BELLFLOWER

Many young people attend classes that are being held by UCLA students. The classes are in math, English, Negro History, Art, Dance, French and others.

Everyone and anyone can attend the school. It's free, it's fun, Join the crowd this holiday. You will find it different. It isn't another school. Get to know something about other parts of the country from young people who live there.

## HUMAN BEINGS

Usually we think of a human being as a hard working machine. One that is very complicated. Out of the more than 170,000,000 people in America, there are no two people alike. If they think of the same topic or subject, you would find that their ideas are different. Another way that human beings are complicated and different is the way they act. You will never find two people acting the same way.

Why is human behavior so complicated. There are at least two reasons. First it is the nature of everybody. Our bodies are extremely complicated. Second is our experiences—the events and the contacts we make with many people.

An example of the complexities of our bodies is our brain. Yet even the brain cannot function alone. It requires many other parts of the body.

Among the chief reasons why we are different from each other is the relationship we have had with our parents, grandparents, and other people since our childhood and adolescence.

People can be different in their physical makeup which affects their behavior. For example one may be tall and fat, another short and thin.

The more you know about yourself the better you will be able to understand yourself. As you better understand yourself the better you will be able to manage yourself and your life. The more you understand yourself the more you can understand those around you too.



## CHRISTMAS IS NOT SANTA CLAUS

I am very happy to celebrate Christ's birthday with a blackout for Christmas. We, the Negroes of Grenada, think this is the only way to put Christ back into Christmas. Christ is not a Santa Claus. We live for years teaching our children about Santa Claus, leaving out the most important part, Christ.

We Negroes of Grenada have decided to do something about it. We are tired of putting a big Santa Claus on our door. We are tired of putting a Santa Claus on our windows. Have you noticed that people have stopped spelling Christmas. They are writing Xmas, leaving Christ out.

No we haven't let outsiders come into our town and put bad ideas into the heads of our children and ourselves. We have relearned that Christmas meant Christ not Santa Claus. We Negroes know that Christ was not born Santa Claus. Christ was born to let the oppressed go free.

When the angel came to Mary and told her that she should bring forth a son and his name shall be called wonderful council, the Prince of Peace, the Everlasting God.

Who has seen God at anytime. Suppose He is black. We do not know. He might be white. We don't know.

Christ was born for freedom not slavery. Christ is for forgiving not someone to be closed up.

Negroes, we brother's in Christ, I am glad to be a Negro in Grenada. I am in favor of the blackout. I think we should hang on to our money and celebrate Christ's birth instead of changing gifts we may not even want with each other, sometimes to see if we can outdo each other.

## VISITORS WE KNOW OF

Mrs. Bobbie Mitchell is visiting from Columbus, Miss.

Mrs. Sendia Lee Gause is visiting from Detroit, Mich.

Mr. Roscoe Covington is here from the Air Force. He is stationed at William AFB. Arizona

## Deaths

Sh rman F Edwards was buried Sun. at 3:00 p.m. He left three sisters and a host of friends and loved ones.

Mrs. Cora Williams funeral was last Sat. at 1:00 p.m. at the Wesley Chapel A.M.E. church.

If you have any visitors births, deaths, or other social news call me at the number above. There is no charge to put it in the paper.

## RECIPE OF WEEK

Fresh Fruit Salad  
1/2 pineapple  
1 pt. strawberries  
1-2 oranges  
1 banana  
2-3 peaches  
1 cup white grapes  
Honey-lime dressing

Cut pineapple into wedges; slice berries; section oranges; slice banana; peel and slice peaches. Combine all fruit and toss very gently with about half of the honey lime dressing. Use rest of dressing when serving. serves 6-8

## For Parents

Children like to be kept good To avoid irritation use reasonable control before things get out of hand.

## SMILE-A-While

A woman was seen coming out of the store with a new typewriter She must have forgotten the blackout was still on.

A.J. is trying with all her heart to sing but she sounds more like a frog.

## HELP

Dear B. I am a young lady of 21 and desperately in love with a young man. Just a few days ago I heard he was married. Everytime I see him he denies it. What can I do to find out. B.S.R.

Dear B.S.R.  
To start with I would suggest you write to the court clerk in his hometown and ask if there is a record of his being married. They will give you the information.

## A CHRISTMAS MENU ( Mrs Woods)

Breakfast  
Orange juice  
Grits  
Scrambled eggs  
Bacon  
Toast  
Coffee

Dinner  
Turkey-dressing  
Giblet Gravy  
Creamed peas  
Carrot Sticks  
Tossed Salad  
Hot Rolls  
Fruit Cake  
Coffee- tea-milk

Supper  
Turkey Sandwich  
Apple Salad  
Chips-pickles  
Mincemeat pie  
Coffee-milk

## Thought for Day

If you plan to be a self made man, don't forget the working patrs.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

Bellflower Baptist Ch.  
Pearl & Water St.  
Rev. S.T. Cunningham  
Tel. 226-9868  
Res. 226-5809

Sun. School 9:30A.M.  
Morn. Worship 11:00A.M.  
Even. Worship 6:00P.M.

First New Hope Ch.  
Bell St.

Sun. School 9:30A.M.  
Morn. Worship 11:00A.M.  
Even. Worship 7:00P.M.

Pine Hill Baptist Ch.  
Pine Hill  
Rev. J.H. Purnell  
Sun. School 9:30A.M.  
Morn. Worship 11:00A.M.  
Wed. Prayer 7:30P.M.

Spring Hill Bapt. Ch.  
Water Valley  
Rev. J.H. Purnell  
Tel. 226-4290

Sun. School 9:30A.M.  
Morn. Worship 11:00A.M.  
Wed. Prayer 7:30P.M.

Church of Christ  
Fox St.  
Bro. M.M. Mack  
Tel. 226-2718

Sun. Bible Cl. 10:00a.m.  
Morn. Worship 11:00A.M.  
Even. Worship 7:00P.M.  
Wed. Bible Cl. 7:00P.M.  
Fri. Song Ser. 7:00P.M.

Vincent Chapel Meth. Ch  
609 Plum St.  
Rev. B.J. Cameron  
Tel. 226-4683

Sun. School 9:30A.M.  
Morn. Worship 11:00A.M.  
Youth Fellow. 6:00P.M.  
Even. Worship 7:00P.M.

### NOTICE

The schedule of services for both Powell Chapel and Mt. Herman A.M.E. churches could not be obtained as yet due to the change in pastors that has just recently taken place. The schedules will be included as soon as they can be obtained from the new pastors.

## The Five Wonders of Christ (Isiah 9:6,7)

Rev. J.H. Purnell

(6.)

Now today we use the word wonderful to excess. We speak of a wonderful picture, a wonderful book, a wonderful person. Yet this word is totally inadequate when used to describe Christ. Yet today, as far as human speech can serve me, I want to tell you of the five wonders of Christ.

### 1. The Wonder of His Life

When the fullness of time came, when the clock of eternity struck the hour, God said, "It is time for my Son to leave the Glory of Heaven and go down into the world to redeem men from their sin. And how would He send Him? Would He send Him as an angel? Would He send Him as a mighty king? No, none of these. He decided to send him as a tiny baby that He might grow up to manhood in the normal way—that he might know all of the desires and all of the trials of man.

### 2. The Wonder of His Life

There are several things in the New Testament that describe the life of Jesus.

He never committed any sin. Peter says that Christ was a man who did no sin, neither was guilt found in His mouth. The writer of Hebrews says He was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. There have been some good men in the world, but only one perfect.

He went about doing good. Many men go but are not doing any good. Jesus was goodness in action.

### 3. The Wonder of His Death

He died as no other man ever died. Others have died sacrificial deaths. Others have died for some great cause. Jesus died to save men and bring them home to heaven.

### 4. The Wonder of His Present Work

What is Jesus doing in Heaven today? He is carrying on the work of intercession. He is praying for us. He is ever living to make intercession for us.

### 5. The Wonder of His Coming Again

When He comes, He will come to bless. Oh, how we need blessing today. When He comes in the air, the Bible tells us that He will take all believers up into heaven.

A certain family was having a reunion. The grandparents were there. The children were there with the grandchildren. Long tables were filled with food. Sweet fellowship abounded and everyone was having a good time. Then one of the little boys looked up and saw tears on his grandmother's check. He could not understand this. She ought to have been happy with all of her loved ones around her. He said, "Grandmother what is the trouble? Why are you crying? She answered "Because it just occurred to me that this may be the last time I will see all of you together again, in this world." Then she drew the little boy close to her and told him it was alright for if I never see you in this world, I know I will see you in Heaven because everyone of you are trusting the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord.

How is it with you? How is it with your family? All the wonders of Christ will not avail for you if you don't come and accept His wonderful salvation.