

On Tuesday, May 4, the Oakland Courts sentenced three Freedom Fighters, Mark Comfort, Mike Myerson, and Hector Reyna to six months in jail.

Mark Comfort and Mike Myerson were leaders of the Ad Hoc Committee Against Discrimination. They were arrested because they dared to fight against the jim crow hiring practices of Knowland's newspaper, the Oakland Tribune. At the time of their arrest they were not engaged in any form of civil disobedience. They were yanked off the picket line by the Oakland cops and charged with "failing to disperse."

Hector Reyna, long-time critic of the Oakland Police Department and candidate for Mayor last April, took pictures of the illegal arrests and the brutal harrassment of the pickets. For this "crime" the cops assaulted Reyna, smashed his camera, and arrested him.

The six month jail sentences for these illegal arrests has shocked and outraged numerous civil rights groups and progressive organizations in the Bay Area. The reactionary Knowland power structure of Oakland is saying to the Black people of Oakland and all Freedom Fighters: "Stay in your place. If you dare to fight for Freedom in Oakland, you'll get the same as the Freedom Fighters do in Mississippi and Alabama."

The truth is that there is no real difference between the Knowlands of Oakland and the Wallaces of Alabama, or between the cops of Selma and the cops of Oakland. The terror of the white power structure, North or South, will never smash the Freedom movement. Instead, with each new outrage, the Freedom movement must and will grow stronger.

Join with numerous civil rights and progressive organizations in a united demonstration to protest the outrageous jail sentences of Mark Comfort, Mike Myerson, and Hector Reyna. Let the Knowland power structure know that you stand together with Comfort, Myerson, Reyna, and all the Ad Hoc'ers who have been arrested and jailed for fighting for Freedom Now!

UNITED PROTEST DEMONSTRATION

SATURDAY, MAY 8, at 1:00 p.m.

SIXTH STREET and BROADWAY in

front of the Oakland Police Dept.

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