

TEN DAYS OF ~~PROTEST~~ AGAINST THE WAR IN VIETNAM--APRIL 20-APRIL 30

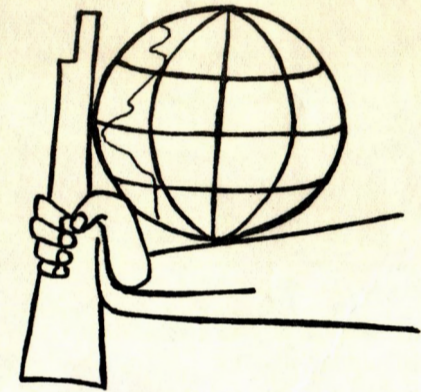
Bring the GIs Home Now
End Racial Oppression

End the Draft
End Campus Complicity in the War

- April 22, Monday: THE INHERITANCE, a movie about labor struggles
Alex Stein speaking on "Labor's Fight" Ed. 117 1 p.m. 50¢
- April 23, Tuesday: Demonstration and rally at Oakland Induction Center 6:30-9 a.m.
Rally at Alameda County Courthouse 9:30 a.m.
Stop the Draft Week
- INSIDE NORTH VIETNAM, Felix Greene's film
Main Auditorium 12:30 p.m. 50¢
- April 24, Wednesday: Vote against the war in a national student poll, in front of
Commons and Library URGE VOTE FOR IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL
OF AMERICAN FORCES AND PERMANENT CESSATION OF BOMBING
- Zack Thompson African Dancers Noon
Rally Against the War 1 p.m.
Mime Troupe 2 p.m.
all in front of the Commons
- April 25, Thursday: Vote against the war, in front of Commons and Library
URGE IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF AMERICAN FORCES AND
~~PERMANENT CESSATION OF BOMBING~~ on Choice '68 Ballot
- U.S.O. Show Noon in front of the Commons
The Committee 1 p.m. in front of the Commons
- Franz Schurmann speaking about his recent trip to Vietnam
HLL 362 3:30 p.m.
- April 26, Friday: STUDENT STRIKE AGAINST THE WAR!
9-11 a.m. Workshops against the War!
Draft Resistance Workshop--Gallery Lounge
Anti-Draft Workshop--to be announced
Organizing within the Military--HLL 259
Tactics for the Anti-War Movement--HLL 219
War films--IR Briefing Center, HLL 362
'68 Elections--to be announced
9:30-11:30 Poetry Center Open Mike Patio between BSS-HLL
- MASS STUDENT BODY MEETING 11 a.m. in front of the Commons
Folk Festival Noon Speakers Platform
- 2-4 p.m. Poetry Readings Open Mike Patio between BSS-HLL
- 2:30 p.m. Anti-war Concert Recital Hall Creative Arts Bldg.
- 3 p.m. Demonstration at McAllister Street Against the Draft
- April 27, Saturday: MARCH AGAINST THE WAR assemble at Panhandle at 11 a.m.
Rally at 2:30 p.m. at Civic Center
Speakers: Muhammad Ali, Vanessa Redgrave, Bobby Seale,
Rear Admiral Ret. Arnold True, Sidney Roger
- April 29, Monday: Americana Games on the lawn--Participate!
- April 30, Tuesday: Union Singers Noon Speakers Platform
Free City Puppet Show Speakers Platform 11:30

TRI CONTINENTAL STUDENT COMMITTEE

MASS MEETING IN SUPPORT OF THE



NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT OF VIETNAM

WITH SONGS AND MUSIC FROM REVOLUTIONARY VIETNAM

NGUEN VAN LUY

BOBBY SEALE

JOHN GERASSI

DON DUNCAN

ELDRIDGE CLEAVER

PETE CAMEJO

TIME: APRIL 1, 7:00 P.M., MONDAY

PLACE: PAULEY BALLROOM, U.C. BERKELEY

This Event is Endorsed by: Afro-American Students,
Iranian Students, Arab Students, Campus PL, YSA,
New Left Forum, Radical Caucus of PFP.

VOTE

AGAINST THE WAR

APRIL 24

ON THE CHOICE 68
BALLOT DURING THE
A.S. ELECTIONS.

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STRIKE

AGAINST THE WAR, RACIAL
OPPRESSION & THE DRAFT.

APRIL 26

S.F. STATE SCHEDULE:

9:00 A.M. -- WORKSHOPS AND
PANEL DISCUSSIONS IN THE
ABANDONED CLASSROOMS.

11:00 A.M. -- MASS STUDENT
BODY ASSEMBLY AT THE
SPEAKERS PLATFORM.

NOON -- ANNUAL SPRING FOLK
FESTIVAL BEGINS.

3:00 P.M. -- ANTI-DRAFT
DEMONSTRATION.

100 McALLISTER STREET.

MARCH

AGAINST THE WAR, RACISM, POVERTY,
REPRESSION AND THE DRAFT.

APRIL 27

S.F. STATE CONTINGENT WILL
ASSEMBLE, 11:00 A.M. AT THE
GOLDEN GATE PARK PANHANDLE
RALLY

BEGINS AT 2:30 P.M. AT
S.F. CIVIC CENTER.

HEAR

ARNOLD TRUE (Rear Adm. Ret.)
VANESSA REDGRAVE
MUHAMMAD ALI
BOBBY SEALE
SIDNEY ROGER
FRED HALSTEAD
McCARTHY SPOKESMAN
PEACE & FREEDOM SPOKESMAN

campus Mobilization committee

PROPOSAL: A PEACE RIOT

BY Bob Riche
LIBERATION News Service
East Village OTHER

Is there a vague sense in the air that the antiwar struggle has peaked out, that it has nowhere else to go from here? Is there a sense of futility stemming from the fact that after each mass protest--each more massive than the preceding--the administration has proceeded almost merrily with an accelerated prosecution of the war? Put it this way: How many people who marched in Washington in October can be expected to feel when the call is put out for the next mass demonstration that marching does even the minutest bit of good?

Even the attempt to give impetus to the anti-war struggle by raising it from a protest level to a resistance level would appear in danger of being stymied by a similar sense of futility--with mass arrests and beatings the answer of the authorities. (Perhaps even more frustrating than the actual physical confrontation has been a debilitating awareness of the long lines and deep ranks of power standing in reserve. In truth, the resistance phase so far has been a kind of cat and mouse game with the police cats held back on leashes, the game proceeding under their sufferance, with only an occasional bloody swipe at someone when the TV cameras have been turned the other way).

This is not to disparage either the mass protesters nor the resisters, who under sufferance of the police or not, have exhibited both bravery and dedication. Nevertheless, the question persists--you do hear it in discussions--among those on the far Left as well as among the most moderate of Liberals: Has the anti-war struggle peaked out?

Well, if it has, beyond the fact that it is too bad, it is also a fucking shame; because, despite all the singing and clapping of hands, the anti-war struggle in this country has not even begun to get going yet. Not as a meaningful mass movement that means shit to anybody, it hasn't. At the very moment when the cry of mass resistance has been raised, and could, one suspects, have a real chance for success, the movement may be in danger of losing all momentum. Why? Simply because it lacks the content for mass resistance--a content, paradoxically, that exists in plentitude; in fact, it's been exploding right in our faces for the past five years, but so far up to the present moment has been completely ignored.

Well, where does it exist? Obviously, it has to exist in the radical and resistant power of the black revolution. And, yes, the black revolution--which is the only movement in this country that scares anybody--is about as close to the essentially white middle class anti-war movement as Rapp Brown is to Ellsworth Bunker, and that's what's wrong with the white middle class anti-war movement; why, in fact, it has no impetus; it has no blacks; it has no balls.

Oh, Lordy! One can hear the hue and cry. "Defamer! Nasty! Hitter below the belt! It's not that we don't welcome black participation; but the blacks refuse to come into the peace movement. We urge them. They promise, but don't show up. Their interests are narrow. They won't participate."

Yeah, sure. Now dig it, Carlyle. Them niggers in the streets been doin more all along to stop the war than the whole white middle class anti-war movement put together. They are the anti-war movement in this country. What you may have been seeing as riots and looting have been insurrections against a nation at war, and if you don't think that lays a restraining hand on the arm that aims the gun, forget it. Or better, consider: What combination of peace struggle actions in this country has accomplished so much for peace as was accomplished in one day of black insurrection last summer:

1) pointing up the hypocrisy of Johnson's pious shit about America the custodian of democracy world-wide--

2) sharpening the contradiction between moneys needed to fight the war and moneys needed to attack the nation's accelerating international deterioration--

3) most importantly, threatening the government with actual internal guerrilla opposition which ultimately--and one suspects sooner, rather than later,-- could require at home the very same garrisons now busy "pacifying" the populace of Vietnam. (Witness the numbers of paratroops, National Guard, State cops, etc. in one city, Detroit, last summer.)

In all honesty, does anyone doubt that the thrust of the black revolt in this country has a devastating anti-war content; that the seditious reality of the black revolt does more to force Johnson to end the war than all other actions combined--protestant and/or resistant--of the white middle class peace movement?

The fact is, it is not the blacks who have been avoiding the peace movement; it is the white middle class anti-war effort that has been unwilling or unable to see--and to join with--an opposition which has the muscle one used to look for in the working class (probably because the black population is today's working class in America), and which is the only kind of opposition that can be effective against arrogant, anti-democratic regimes such as the one in Washington today.

The point is being made here that the center of the peace movement, in fact, lies within the black revolution, and that the "traditional" middle class peace movement has as its obligation to link up with it.

Yeah, but goshamighty and leaping lizards, they won't let us work with them. You know, Black Power. Eek! Black separatists. They won't cooperate with whites.

Yeah, So how come Stokely is the featured guest at Castro's forest conference of the Organization of Latin American Solidarity? Is Castro a spade? Rapp Brown addresses a peace meeting--a 90% fay audience--in the East Village. Floyd McKissick is indefatigable in his appearances on white television. These are the leaders, right? The ones who hate whites. Yeah. They may hate whites, but not as much as they hate bullshit, you can bet on it. And this country, from Lyndon Johnson on down to too much of the white anti-war movement is bullshit.

The burden, bullshitters, is upon us--us whiteys. They, the blacks, got the real resistance going against the machine. We're sitting around saying they won't help us. If we want to give impetus to the so-called anti-war movement--if we want to help ourselves--it's time we helped them--by getting our lily white asses into their fight, the most meaningful anti-war struggle in this country. There are a lot of additional virtues to that, too, not the least of which is it gets a lot of the bullshit out of our systems.

Does anyone really think they don't want us? Is that what they say? Or is that what Huntley-Brinkley say that they say? Why the fuck do we invite Rapp Brown "downtown" and go to hear him speak if we don't listen to what he says to us? What he says is, the blacks got plenty of reason to oppose the war. Even more reason than whites. For one thing, all them spades are gettin shot up over there. So come on all you bullshit artists, we don't want you marryin our sisters (heh, heh,) but we don't mind cooperating with you to stop the war.

They've been saying this for five years! Malcolm said it so loud and clear he got burned. Because if a certain kind of militant unity ever really was organized it could be devastating to the war machine.

To this same point, there's been exactly one peace slogan since the beginning of the movement that's in everybody's mind: "Hell, no, we won't go!" -first enunciated by Stokely. And

there's another cat who probably has more worshippers among black kids than any other man in America, Muhammed Ali, and he says to the draft board: "I got nuthin against those people over there." and he'll go to jail, if necessary, rather than join the Army. But of course, every bullshit artist knows that the Nee-groes aren't interested in the peace movement.

If there's one reason why the blacks have avoided the white middle class so-called peace movement in this country, it's probably because they don't trust it; don't really believe that Whitey is as serious as they are about opposing the Johnson war machine government. Fact is, they're not any more impressed by our marches than Lyndon Johnson is.

So, okay. It's up to us. How do we make contact? That's the point, right? Okay, dig it. Here's a modest proposal to the Fifth Avenue Peace Parade Group. Do go ahead, please, and call for another mass demonstration, or Fifth Avenue peace march. Let all of the peace and student groups mobilize their people so as to make the march a big success. Just like always. Except --and this is the pisser:

Let's schedule the march for the evening of the next Harlem riot.

Instead of marching like sheep South to the Sheep Meadow, let's take ourselves North to Harlem and demonstrate our solidarity by sitting in the streets surrounding the major police precincts.

We want to strengthen the peace movement, right? We want to give it impetus. Let's demonstrate against the war on the very day when real opposition against the war takes place in Harlem. There are more than a couple of advantages to this particular kind of approach:

1. A peace demonstration during a ghetto outburst could mark the beginning of a working relationship between black militants and the middle class peace movement adherents--with both blacks and whites coming to a deeper understanding of the inescapable inter-relationship between the struggles of the two groups.

2. Linking a peace demonstration with a so-called riot would introduce a new tough reality into the peace ranks and add vastly to the strength and persuasiveness of the anti-war movement.

3. At the same time, the presence of masses of whites outside local police precincts would go a long way towards helping to prevent indiscriminate gunning down of innocent black men, women and children by trigger happy troops and cops--an appropriate supporting role for whites to play without a danger of them intruding into areas of the black struggle where their help is not wanted or needed. (Whites have been wondering what role they could play in the black revolution ever since the death of the Civil Rights movement.)

4. A peace demonstration in combination with a ghetto uprising would help to inject a valuable political content into the uprising itself, underlining its essential nature as an attack on the anti-democratic Johnson administration rather than what too often has been glibly characterized as a "race riot".

5. For the first time, the cops would not have the initiative. At least, the demonstration would no longer be at their sufferance. (That, in itself, would give the whole peace struggle a new urgency.)

Well, of course, this proposal will be seen to be outrageous. And yet, is it? For every objection raised legitimately aren't there two arguments in favor of it?

Yes, I know there would be a loss of considerable numbers of white moderate liberal peace adherents--at least, at first. Granted, you would not get 300,000 anti-war protesters the first time out. You wouldn't get 100,000 or 50,000. Could we get 25,000? That's pretty good. Peace demonstrations as recently as three years ago in New York drew less. And if the first Harlem demonstration should turn out to be a success, with some of the fear and distrust of both blacks and whites towards each other diminished, might not the second be a much greater

success?

Further, would it not be of great value to everyone if white liberals, many of whom are presently alienated from the black revolution, should come to recognize that essentially the cry of "black power" is, as much as anything else, the strongest cry for peace in America today? If this should come to be accepted, what a mass of people--of all strata--might be joined in both the anti-war movement and the black revolution at the same time!

I am assuming that the militant black leadership would view the proposal being made here with great suspicion at first. At the same time, I am willing to believe that if serious efforts were made to approach them, they might cooperate to some extent in helping to bring it to life. The initial approach would have to come from the white middle class anti-war leaders. But it would be essential, I should think, that blacks should play the dominant role in the planning of such a demonstration--particularly insofar as the march to Harlem is concerned. I am willing to concede that the march to Harlem might not be feasible at this time. I don't pretend to know. I would rely upon black leadership to make that determination. But even if the strategy of marching to Harlem were to prove unworkable, I would argue that a demonstration somewhere--perhaps around City Hall--timed to coincide with the next ghetto uprising--would still have the effect of strengthening both struggles. And, in fact, once the gesture of solidarity had been made seriously by an actual demonstration somewhere, it might then be possible to hold the next demonstration in Harlem in the midst of the next uprising. That would give you your 300,000 demonstrators. Plus another couple million, as well.

One final suggestion: The announcement of the peace group's intention should be made loudly and clearly in advance, namely: That as soon as the next Harlem outburst occurs, peace marchers will go into action--exercising their democratic rights to demonstrate for peace. Right? (Leaders of peace groups would have to work out ways of mobilizing their members on short notice.) The value of the advance announcement is that it would serve notice--to the government, to liberals, to blacks--to everyone, to the effect that the black revolution and the peace struggle are inter-linked; nor is one about to die as the result of a feeling of futility on the part of its supporters; nor is the other to be permitted to be killed as the result of merciless repression against a militant minority standing without allies.

Once it has been made clear to the black leaders and to the black community that the presently constituted peace movement is as interested in peace as the black community is, and that there is a sincere appreciation of the large significance of the ghetto outbursts wherever they take place, the possibilities for cooperation, and therefore, for real success in achieving the objectives of both groups can be brought that much closer to a living reality.

This has happened and
will continue to happen to
Black People

The Questioning



AP Wirephoto

This woman was questioned in a search for Viet Cong suspects near the village of Tam Ky in the coastal plains of South Vietnam. A soldier of the United States 101st Air-

borne Brigade pressed his M-16 rifle to her head, holding some strands of her hair, while she was interrogated by a Vietnamese national policeman.

Vietnamese Women Today
Black Women Tomorrow

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