

**OPEN LETTER
FROM A PANTHER MOTHER**

As Panther Mother to Bobbie Heard, I thank all the people for coming to court for moral support. It helped lighten the burden that Bobbie must carry in his heart, for a crime he did not do. You see every city in this corrupt genocidal country has at least five or more Black Panthers in jail. Boston has got to have at least one, so they picked Bobbie.



**Panther Mother
L.M. Owens**

Bobbie is charged with armed robbery of \$10.00 of a Negro girl, who states she was coming home from work when Bobbie and a Puerto Rican man supposedly stuck a gun and a knife into her side, took her money and walked away. She said that she reported it two days later, and while in a police car she spotted out Bobbie in Dudley Street Station as the man who had robbed her.

Now we all know that the Black Panthers have rules they live up to. I won't go into them, but if you have read any of the Black Panthers newspapers, you'll always see on the last two pages the rules set up by the Minister of Defense, and founder of the Black Panther Party, Huey P. Newton. If the rules are not carried out by each and every member, he or she is immediately expelled. So to say that Bobbie or any of the other members has to steal is a lie in itself. Everyone knows that donations come to the offices of the Black Panther Party across the nation. Also they sell newspapers. Schools and colleges ask them to come out and speak. The Party members live together as one large family; and what one needs, he gets without any questions.

All of the members are dedicated to the people, all people. Big Bobbie is a teacher and very dedicated to the cause of freedom and justice for all, he serves the people, not robs them.

This trial is still going on; and we have faith in the people to judge

Historically, all people who have been subjected to oppression, poverty and injustice, have risen up to cast off the chains of involuntary servitude to achieve liberation and a better way of life. Such is the case of Black people in Babylon. We have and are receiving the brunt of oppression--socially, politically, economically and culturally--we are struggling for our very salvation. The Black Panther Party, guided by the historical experiences of Black people and the correct teachings of our Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton, is in the forefront of the struggle for the liberation of our people.

Just as historically, oppressed people struggle to free themselves, the forces that enslave a people will make any attempt to keep them bound as slaves. These attempts are always unsuccessful because the will and determination for freedom cannot be smashed. The Black Panther Party has met with continued police harassment, brutality, murder and jailing of its members because of our selfless devotion to educating the people to the correct methods of resisting those who keep our people oppressed.

Members of the Black Panther Party from coast to coast understand that it is necessary for someone to make sacrifices so that others will someday have a better way of life.

Thousands of people are aware and angered by the blatant attempt to destroy the Black Panther Party and its work. The outrage of the people since the murders of Deputy Chairman Fred Hampton and Defense Captain Mark Clark in Chicago shows us that the pigs, not the Black Panther Party, are the ones that are isolated from the people. Many people are not aware of the many harassments and jailings of members of the Black Panther Party that have not received national attention. (As brother Landon explained, The Black Panther Community News Service is an organ to bring this news to the people.)

Such is the case of Robert "Big Bob" Heard, a member of the Boston Chapter of the Black Panther Party.

**ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
SEIZE THE TIME**
L.M. Owens
Mother Panther

**CONTINUED
HARASSMENT**



**"Big Bob" Heard
Political Prisoner**

Party. Bob dedicates his entire life to serving and educating the people. The power structure is in fear of Bob because of the message that he brings to our people and his willingness to lay down his life to achieve our goal of liberation. Bob stands 6'7" and weighs 390 pounds. Giving the nature of these weak racist police, it is easy to understand why they are desperately trying to keep Bob off the streets. These gutless racists are afraid to death of this Black man who is guided by the teachings of Huey P. Newton and the Black Panther Party.

On August 20, 1969, Bob was arrested and charged with grand larceny for taking scraps of metal from an open field. Then on September

9, 1969, while other Panthers were picketing the construction site of the new pig station at Dudley Terminal, M.B.T.A. pigs (employed by the public transportation company) surrounded Bob as he passed

cealed weapon. This case was don-
tinue. The pigs reacted wildly when they realized that their attempts to keep Bob off the streets, serving the people had failed. They then concocted a wild story and charged Bob with armed robbery. As throughout our history, the pigs used one of our people to aid in their story.

The pigs tried to isolate the Black Panther Party from the people by alleging that the "victim" had been harassed and beaten by people claiming to be Panthers. However, this attempt failed also because the people have seen through our practice that we are constantly helping the people and would never harm them. The programs implemented by the Black Panther Party clearly show the people who is working in their interest and who is not.

Many people from the community came to the trial to show their support and solidarity. The trial was postponed, moved to a smaller courtroom, and postponed again. But the people withstood these obstacles and crowded into the tiny courtroom. All evidence clearly showed Bob's innocence. At the time of the alleged crime, Bob was at a WBUR radio station, the supposed victim's story showed repeated contradictions, and the pigs obviously had not gotten their own story together.

After ten hours of deliberation, the jury could not reach a unanimous decision; and the judge declared a mistrial. Such a verdict is a partial victory in the racist court system, but we recognize that the pigs will use any means necessary to railroad Bob when his trial comes up again.

Big Bob's spirit is higher than ever and his drive to serve the people even greater. He knows that he is following the right path for liberation for our people because he has met with such great hostility by those who are protectors of this unjust system.

We say "RIGHT ON, BIG BOB" because the days of the Thin Blue Line are numbered. The power lies in the hands of the people and the people will bring about peace and prosperity for all mankind.

Boston Chapter
Black Panther Party

**BOSTON
FREE CLOTHING PROGRAM**

The Free Clothing Program was started by the Black Panther Party because of the need for clothing in the Black communities. Following the guidance of our Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton, who says that we must serve the people wholeheartedly and become "an oxen to be ridden by the people", the Free Clothing Program began on the West coast and has since been implemented by most chapters and branches of the Black Panther Party.

The Boston Chapter of the Black Panther Party started a Free Clothing Program in the Mission Hill District of Roxbury on January 9, 1970. After two months of hard work, the program was ready to open so that people from our community could come and get clothing for their families during the course of the day. People came to get dresses, shoes, hats, coats and other necessities to endure the cold winter weather. The response of the people in the community was great enthusiasm; and we see the need to expand the Free Clothing Program throughout the entire Black community.

The Black Panther Party is truly dedicated to meeting the needs and desires of the people. We recognize that the United States government spends billions of dollars a year on

space and war research; and is not interested in the welfare of the masses of people. AmeriKKKa, the richest and most highly developed country in the world does not see fit to provide its people with even the basic necessities of life (food, shelter, clothing etc.). Over the last four hundred years Black people have always been on the bottom of this society. This racist society could not care less about the welfare of Black people. So as long as Black people are being oppressed, we will continue to implement programs to serve the needs of the people.

Programs have a two-fold meaning: (1) meeting the basic material needs of our people and (2) raising the political consciousness of our people. (E.g. The Free Breakfast for School Children implemented by the Black Panther Party clearly indicates that such programs must be implemented by the people because the United States government has made no attempt to eradicate the hunger in ameriKKKa.) This is why the United States government is trying to destroy the Black Panther Party. We, in fact, expose the true nature of this racist decadent ameriKKKan society. But Black people are learning by the correct examples set by the Black Panther Party; and the



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power structure cannot destroy the ideology set forth by the Black Panther Party because our ideas and programs come from the historical experiences of our people.

SEIZE THE TIME

**BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Boston Chapter**

**Free Clothing Program
Coordinator, James Young**

THE TIME IS NOW

ON THE NECKS OF THE GREEDY BUSINESSMEN

Today is May 4, 1970. Two weeks ago some elderly people of Mission Hill Project asked for more police in the project area to stop so-called crimes. The Boston Pig Force, headed by Mayor Kevin White, jumped at this chance to employ more criminals (police) into our community. They added more pig patrol cars, as well as foot patrols with canines.

Since the request of more pigs has been met, the people of Mission Hill have witnessed the shooting of a teenage White boy, the stabbing death of a Black man, the intimidation of Black children by racist Whites, and the arrest of a Black woman who pulled a gun on a racist in defense of herself and her son. Where was the racist Boston Pig Department when these crimes among the people were being committed? Why is it that Pig Mayor White of Boston responds so readily to the request of more pigs in the Black community, by a minority of misguided people?

There have been loud cries concerning the necessary things of life, not by a minority, but by a

by conditions of elevators (where one small girl was killed because of the poor conditions of the elevators). The people of Mission Hill have also pleaded about the bad housing in which rats take up more space than humans--conditions where rain drenches entire seven story buildings from top to bottom. We have heard the screams of the welfare mothers demanding more food for their children, one demand which only the Black Panther Party has tried to meet with the establishment of a Free Breakfast Program. The welfare mothers have also demanded clothing for their children and themselves. Where was Pig Mayor White? The Black Panther Party was the only one to respond to the mothers' demand for clothing; we established a Free Clothing Program. We have heard the people of Mission Hill demand lower rent, better maintenance, and paint to hide the decaying marks on their walls. Where was Pig Mayor Kevin White? We have heard the people of Mission Hill express their needs for better medical

Where was Mayor White when all of these demands were being made? Why did he so readily respond to the request of more pigs and not to all the other requests of the people? The reason is that Pig Mayor White doesn't really care about Black people. This act of White's is only a role that all lying politicians are playing in the genocide of Black people. White knows that pigs come into our communities to brutalize and murder Black people not to stop crime. He knows that pigs stop Black people from obtaining their just demands of the basic needs of life. The only way that we can receive our needs is to remove these pigs in uniform from our communities (and this means all pigs regardless of color or dress or religion--because a pig is a pig, is a pig, is a pig) at the point of a gun and step on the necks of the greedy businessmen and take what we need.

DEATH TO THE PIGS! COUNTER-ATTACK!

Big Bob

At this point in the struggle of the community and divide it into several smaller parts: divide and conquer. A new police station is being built at the base of Warren Street, near Dudley Street Station. Among other things the new pig station is built with reinforced steel and concrete, two stories of which will be totally underground. While the station will be equipped with a roof to receive and dispatch helicopters. This also means three hundred more pigs to be stationed in Roxbury. The pigs know that Dudley Street is the only way in or out of Roxbury, so the pig station on Warren Street will serve the purpose of controlling the community by determining who enters and who leaves Roxbury--another check point charlie. The South End of Boston is being rebuilt with new theories into practice, so "Free people and we must deal with it as a people with one goal in mind: national salvation. If we look all around us and examine the things that we see happening around us



and we analyze these events and occurrences objectively, and in a realistic light, we can plainly see that America is preparing for genocide. The Black population of the United States is about 20-37 million; or with only one thought on his mind anywhere from 10 to 30% of the total population. But we are spread out across the land area of the United States in such a manner that we exist on 10-20% of the land area of the United States. On the contrary, Black people in this country are concentrated in large urban areas; we are piled one on top of the other in housing projects. The same is true all across the country, where ever there is a huge area, five hundred storm troopers sieged the Central Headquarters of the flowing with niggers. Here in Roxbury, we can relate directly to some of the fascists preparations for genocide. A short while back, Warren Street was ripped up from beginning to end, and repaved; however, a few changes were made: all of the mains, water pipes, telephone cables and electrical cables were dug up and placed ten feet deeper into the ground. Warren Street was widened and then reinforced with wooden beams, metal pillars and trolley tracks from the tracks that used to run up Warren Street; crushed rock, sand and gravel were used to fill the gaps and to strengthen the already reinforced street and then Warren Street is so wide that in some places it resembles an expressway. Plans have been drawn up and space is being cleared for a new highway that will run through the Black community, in innerbelt highway. What is the significance of this and the pigs of the power every Black community of a considerable size? The answer is very simple; once Black people begin to resist the fascist oppression, tanks, heavy armoured and artillery vehicles and troops will be using these wide expressways to seal off the

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE COUNTER ATTACK

THE OPPRESSOR MUST BE HARASSED UNTIL HIS DOOM HE MUST HAVE NO PEACE BY DAY OR BY NIGHT. HUEY P. NEWTON

BOSTON