



PIG HARASSMENT

HARASSMENT OF BLACKS IN SACRAMENTO WHITE FRONT STORE

DATE: February 20, 1969 (date of recording: February 21, 1969)
 PLACE: Shield's Park, North Richmond
 TIME: Between 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.
 CAUSE OF ACTION: Police officer claimed Bruce (Mrs. Stokes' son) was sitting on a stolen bicycle.
 MRS. STOKES' STORY:

I was dressing for work and didn't have my clothes on so I just threw a coat on and ran down to the park to see what was going on. I tried to ask the police what was going on. I told them that these were my children. They didn't answer me. They just started beating on me with a stick. Walter really got mad when he saw them beating on me and he told them to stop. They turned around to start beating on him again, but I told him to run. He couldn't run too fast because of his previous beating from the police, plus he had a wound on his side where he had been playing last night. Bruce (10 years old) was shot at by the police as he was running into the field. He was just running blind. He finally ended up at his grandmother's house.

Minnie Turner (Mrs. Stokes' sister), came down to the police station to inquire about her son's bike. They (the police) grabbed her, threw her on the floor with his knee in her back to hold her down. He couldn't do this effectively because she was pregnant. She started vomiting and asked for medical attention, but this was refused. Both Jackie and Minnie were searched by a policeman in front of four male officers.

"My children were at the park when they were playing last night. Bruce (10 years old) was shot at by the police as he was running into the field. He was just running blind. He finally ended up at his grandmother's house. By this time, the police were beating him, so he was with a stick. Ricky (9 years old) was swung at and mimed when he was with a stick. James Otis (14 years old) was hospitalized because of the same incident that same night. Jackie (14 years old) was hospitalized because of the same incident that same night. The police looked at her, walked over and started pushing her around. Walter (17 years old) was involved because Bettina came running to his home crying and telling the police not to push him what was going on at the park. Jackie and tried to hit her in the Donnell went to investigate her story face, but she covered her face with and they arrested and booked him because of this.

Till now, nobody knows what has happened to the bike. The Sergeant called somebody to ask what should he do with the bike. The man told him I don't give a damn what you do with the bike. I saw the Sergeant slam the bicycle down on the sidewalk. I didn't take all my kids to the doctor because I thought the police were still outside and I was afraid of what they might do. Doug Ellison came out to collect information about the incident that same night.

The police had Minnie in jail on felony charges. She was charged with:
 1. Kicking out the door.
 2. Kicking out the window.
 3. Kicking an officer.
 4. Hitting an officer with an ashtray.

The first time I know about the fight was a little after it had started. One of my boys complained at home about somebody fighting at the park. Donnell was standing at the stairs about somebody fighting at the park. They grabbed

The irony of this racist brutal action by the pig department of Richmond was the fact that they perpetrated these atrocious acts not because of a stolen bicycle. Because the bicycle belonged to the boy who they first started beating. But because the child was Black, and the job of the pigs is only to protect the avaricious businessmen in the Black Community who steals from Black People and in essence is the criminal.

On February 3, 1969, at 6:40 PM Captain went out to talk to her, myself along with the Lieutenant. After talking with the lady, the Defense Jerry Davis, Captain of Captain and I decided to go to Defense Charles Bronson and Bro-White Front Stores and take a photo ther Odings went out to White of the impostor. We were joined by Front Department Store in South Brother Odings and Lieutenant of Sacramento on complaints of var-Defense. Since the lady and her lous people. They called asking why kids were surrounded by these were the Panthers searching Black crackers with sticks, wrenches, people in the store for looking sus- and other weapons, we decided to picious. At first we thought it was take precautions.

When we got to White Front we went to the manager's office. Since the manager was so hostile, he Black woman and her kids were then asked to see the nigger. He intimidated and threatened by the didn't come out of the manager's store clerks and the nigger store office, and we noticed the manager was left. When we got outside a few cars of pigs were already drive- ing up, and when we got to our manager. Anyway, the woman, Mrs. car the Chief Hog Misterly then ordered his dogs to surround us. The Captain asked if we were being arrested, they said we were being detained. After producing identification, we were handcuffed and when they came, they checked with the manager and told Mrs. Henderson nothing we can do that we were booked for disturbing since you weren't harmed." Mrs. Henderson had her daughter with her at the time, and her daughter is expecting a baby any day. As a 7:45 p.m. and hailed out at 11:30 result of the incident the daughter p.m. On Monday, we pleaded not was almost hospitalized. After the guilty to the charge and have to incident, Mrs. Henderson contacted a lawyer for a possible suit in the case, but got the run around.

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BLACK WOMEN AND THE REVOLUTION

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