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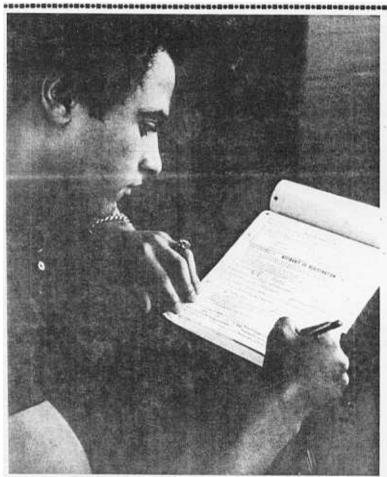
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THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY



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REGISTER TO VOTE VOTE FOR SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

Sister Shirley Chisholm announced her candidacy for the presidency of the United States, many people did not really take it seriously. It was absurd, they figured, that a Black woman would even consider running for the highest elected office in this country. The masses of Black and poor people weren't and aren't laughing. She represents our struggle against the injustices that permeate this society. This is why the Black Panther Party is endorsing her for the presidency. We believe that she is the only presidential candidate who is truly concerned with the people's needs and interests, with the people's survival. In fact, we say that a vote for Shirley Chisholm is a vote for

In order that the usually unheard voice of the masses of Black and poor people can be heard, we must vote for the people's candidate. In order to vote, we've got to get registered. As we've mentioned before, Brother Malcolm X once put it this way: "What you can do is get registered so that you have power - political potential. When you register your political potential, that means your gun is loaded, you don't have to shoot until you see a target that's beneficial to you."

The following information was submitted to us by Sister Joyce Lee, a college student in Oakland, California. Although most of the information given here applies to the Oakland - San Francisco Bay Area (California), we believe that it can be easily applied to other local elections and the National Election procedures in local areas. We believe this detailed information will enable people to know exactly how to REGISTER TO VOTE FOR SURVIVAL:

There have been some questions on registering to vote and voting, just what party to affiliate with, etc. Quite a few people, and even some voter registrars, don't know all they should about registering to vote and voting.

This article will try to fill in answers to some of the questions that some may have on the procedures of registering to vote and voting. Many people feel that there is no need to register and vote, but there is definitely a need. Everyone should reg-



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ister and vote for survival. As a registered voter, you are eligible to become a juror. When a brother or sister goes on trial, he or she can have a chance to be tried by a jury of peers. That is one way you can vote for survival. Another way is to vote for FREE health care, food, etc. There is a definite need for every eligible person to register to vote, and to vote. It is too late to register and vote in the primary elections (in California), but it's not too late to vote for survival in the November election, However, you will not be able to register or vote for the November election until the primary elections are over (in the Bay area, after June 6th).

Here are some details that can help you when registering and voting.

ELIGIBILITY FOR REGISTERING

A person does not have to be able to read and write.

1. Age:

You must be 18 years or older, or you must be 18 years old by the day of the election.

2. Citizenship:

You must be a citizen of the United States, or be a citizen by the day of the election.

3. Residence: (In California, this law was recently changed, by a California Supreme Court decision on May 4, 1972)

A resident of the voting precinct for 30 days. This requirement must be met by the day of the election.

4. Felony:

Only certain felonies ("serious crimes") disqualify a person from voting, such as, if a person has been convicted of

- a. embezzlement or
- b. the misappropriation of any public money

REGISTERING

- 1. A person should always reregister to vote if he/she has had a change in name, address, county/ state, occupation or party.
- When a registrar asks for your birthdate, it is only necessary for you to give the month and day.
- 3. When a registrar asks with what party you want to be affiliated, and you are not sure, he/she must give you information about the "official" parties. That is all he/she is allowed to say. If after you obtain the information on the parties and you do not wish to be affiliated with any of them, you can "Decline to State". Should you change your mind at any time, you can have your party affiliation declared any time before registration for that election closes.
- 4. You should always sign your name in the same way you gave it to the registrar.
- 5. Do not forget your copy of your registration.

PARTIES

In California, for example, there are, officially, four parties recognized:

- 1. American Independent Party (AIP)
- 2. Democratic Party (D)
- 3. Peace and Freedom Party (P/F)
- 4. Republican Party (R)

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