...the black woman understands when she sees a black man and white men talking, she redeems herself. The young black women of the ghetto are taking pride in themselves as well as their culture. And black people do have a culture, contrary to the thoughts of the middle-class negro who reject their own thoughts by rejecting culture in the making, an artist to aware at all times that he is creating, holding and shaping, bringing something into being that gives life to its pride to be ashamed of. The same feeling of pride is being shared by the new black woman of today. She is becoming a part of a new way of life being created by the black man. When the black man as deprived of his manhood, she is deprived of her manhood and her full womanhood. She is alone left by the wayside her man has gone, a gap has been found that she has not only her own but has left her for what promises to be his Utopia a dead world.

Oh, black men, how can you even wear the cloak of pride when you are ashamed of whence you come? A black woman can give you greater pride than you can. Wake up, Wake up from your sleep of 400 years. Come to the aid of your black mothers, sista and brothers, black men are frightened. They do not see a way to escape the chains that bind them without the help of their black men. The black woman should take a supportive role in the bringing about the awakening of the black consciousness of her man. Her main objective should be to help her man understand that he is trying to escape the sordid role that he was forced to play by the black man. The black woman understands the thought process is put into motion and we think in terms of freedom and learn what it means, substitute. No longer have she has a sum. of freedom and has found that he has a sum of his own and has left her for what promises to be her Utopia a dead world.

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man and woman take refuge. They are far from happy. They are even trying to integrate into the already formed and established agencies the needs of these women and children. They are more interested in these black women at hand. These politicians and social workers from black politicians who are supposed to have the interests of each community. Therefore, setting a poor example to the white throethrough the United States.

There is another class of black women in the ghettos that need more than inspiration, they need help. She is the mother of children who has been left by her black man that has removed himself from the home out of despair and hopelessness. This woman is left to fend for herself and her children alone. There is never enough food, money or clothing for the family. Yet society seems uninterested in this broken family structure and why the structure has broken down. This black woman is left alone to teach and raise these children to have racial pride and integrity. She does not falter along the way, but continues to be a lighthouse to bring about enough pressure to warrant any attention.

You take note: therefore, these families are lacking in the basic necessities of life. The Black Churches refuse to form Welfare Agencies within each community, therefore setting a poor example to the white world.

Black Social Workers within the white agencies see the need for added aid from the Negro community, but have not as yet handed together to bring about enough pressure to warrant any attention from black politicians who are supposed to have the interests of these black women at hand. These politicians and social workers are so far removed from the ghettos and its problems by virtue of there being no social status elevation for time spent looking after the needs of these women and children. They are more interested in trying to improve the already formed and established agencies such as: Big Brothers, Big Sisters and others that are controlled by whites. These organizations do not offer the basics such as food and shelter to these women in the ghettos across the country.

In San Francisco alone in July 1967 an attempt was made to organize the black social workers within the Welfare Department and out of fear for the loss of their jobs they refused to band together for the interest of these people. Support was offered by leaders within the community but it was spurred for lack of a written guarantee that they would not lose their positions with the agency. As one can see at this point, with the lack of unity from within the agency, it leaves little or no room for concerned people from outside the agency to offer any type of format for reform. Consequently, the masses of black people looking towards this agency for understanding and help experience a breakdown of communications.

As this agency is composed of some 300 social workers, 10% of which are black, this leaves almost no representation of the needs of the masses in the ghettos. Even if this 10% of black social workers were to organize and form a united front, they still could do little to relieve these people of their oppression. For these social workers are too far removed from the problems of the ghettos. They do not identify with these black people. As one black social worker asked after being approached by a black sister with a beautiful natural, "How can you go from one extreme to another?" This clearly shows that there is no understanding of one another.

After seeing how these clients are ill represented, a group of white social workers banded together and published a handbook that was made available to each recipient to read and to better understand their rights. But if there are not enough black social workers to see that these rights are enforced the clients are then right back where they started.

These black women therefore have little or no representation. They then have no choice but to look to the community for help. The black community is not prepared to serve these people because they lack the proper facilities from which to operate. Yet these black women must, and are expected to maintain adequate standards by which they are to live. The husbands of these women can offer little or no support because the system oppresses them also, jobless, spirit broken and frustrated these men are forced to leave the home in order to enable the women to qualify for any assistance possible.

When will the black community as a whole rise to meet the needs of these men and women? It is not enough to talk of controlling our communities, we must control them. Meeting the needs of these people is a part of this community control. As a community effort the result would benefit the community in the end. The economy would grow because the black men and women would do all their spending within the black community. This would create new jobs for the black men and make it possible for them to reunite with their women, thus taking the responsibility for these families off the community directly. Indirectly, the community has gained strength while helping their own.

The survival of these women and all people of the ghetto depends upon how the community moves, by struggling to eliminate the aforementioned conditions we are continuing the struggle of generations of black women who have struggled up from slavery to produce beautiful black men and daughters to fight for the human rights of the black people. Because of their struggle to gain acceptance by whites, the Negro middle-class in the black community has failed to aid these women. However, many of the sons and daughters of these women have become of age and show a sense of responsibility towards their own by identifying with the masses in the ghettos. They refused to wear the handkerchief of ignorance and poverty while seeking to remove the burdens from the shoulders of their parents.

These women will survive as they have in the past, but they need the support of their black men. And from all indications, the black man is beginning to awaken to the fact that their black women are deserving of their respect and love. So black women, dry your eyes, the dawn is breaking and it is a new day. Our men are about to wake up and discover the treasures and wealth of these new days and most of all YOU.