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$MOMENTUM\ BUILDS\ \overline{FO}R$

The momentum for Malcolm X Day is building as the Malcolm X Coalition grows stronger. At the same time, momentum is also building nation-wide as African Liberation Day grows closer. These are clear signs that despite contrary reports, the student/worker movement is alive and promising to be bigger and better.

At Stony Brook, concerned students, workers and faculty have been consciously preparing for Malcolm X Day. The Coalition met for the first time on the last day of January, and work has been carried out consistently ever since. Black Students United (B.S.U.) opted to, once again, coordinate the planning of the day. Over thirty Stony Brook students voiced their opinions that even though Malcolm X was assassinated 13 years ago, his progressive ideas are still alive and must be carried out on a daily

The coalition course was set and the objectives were clear. They are not only building for Malcolm X Day, but are also building unity among people who share a common experience of oppression, Africans, Asians, and Latins). In this way, they will be able to defend the programs that were fought for in the past and in an organized way make their demands known.

CHANGE OF PLANS

Due to the snowstorm that had paralyzed campus activity for a week in February, the date of Malcolm X Day was changed to March 8, 1978. This showed the resiliency and determination of the people involved who despite the twists and turns, (Calendar changes, show storms, increased school work loads), have made the Malcolm X Coalition a number one priority.

These actions are disproving the

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TOLL'S

numerous articles and programs in the people. The Puerto Rican Studies media that suggest that students like program, (PRS), here at Stony Brook was ourselves are being conservative and are completely phased out last semester. thinking only of our future careers and Asian-American Studies merely exists in intended professions. The past week's words and African Studies will not doubt activities are living testimony that the be attacked next. sacrifices of students during the 60's and early 70's for quality education, the modifications which are designed to

Each year, the AIM program undergoes



Program Committe meets to make plans for Malcolm X Day

Ethnic Studies programs and a right to be such as denying student employment jobs part of the overall decision making to "fully packaged" students. Faculty process in the universities are not merely and staff members (remember Irwin forgotten memories.

need not necessarily look back to the 60's fired without explanation) are fired and for problems confronting Third World new people hired without student

hiring of minority faculty and staff, further limit the minority enrollment, Quintyne, field director of Affirmative The coalition has realized that one Action Program @ Stony Brook who was

consultation or recognition of the decisions reached by Search Committees (groups of faculty, staff and students who are selected by John Toll to find competent personnel).

Last year, John Toll rescheduled the academic calendar, despite demonstration in which over 1,000 students protested. This gave credence to the notion that the interests of students and workers on this campus are least important considerations to him. The scope of coalition is not only focused on local issues, but also makes the link to other oppressed peoples throughout the world. Mainly in South Africa, (Azania) where the people are herded into subject colonies, (Bantustans or "homelands") and are unable to come and go as they please. The coalition aims to endorse the National Coalition to Support African Liberation (NCSAL).

Outright slavery was ended over 100 years ago, but U.S. corporations and rich Americans are reaping the benefits that come from the blood of black South Africans who are receiving pennies a day under the political system known as apartheid. This system exists largely due to finance capital from the United States. Stony Brook University used the services of businesses (such as LILCO) who have tremendous investments in South Africa.

The connection is that the same university that cries about not having enough money to fund ethnic studies programs and give students jobs, pumps money into illegal governments throughout the world. Just as students added fire to the anti-war movement that

helped to force U.S. investments out of Viet-Nam, the Malcolm X Coalition will support the South African people by putting pressure on the government to: (continued on pg. 8

Tolls' experiment

will backfire

CHANGE How quickly we seem to have forgotten, just last year (1976) 1000 students demonstrated in front of the Administration Building to protest Toll's arbitrary rescheduling of the winter calendar. Toll received a directive from Albany that students must spend more days in the classroom. How ridiculous to increase the quantity of time in school, but ignore the quality of the education from the pressures of a suffocating that we receive. In any event, without academic life is enough to constitute a listening to the voices of students, intercession period (historically it's been have finals after the Christmas break, and registration headaches!

CALENDAR . Intercession has traditionally been a time for students to enjoy visits to their communities, families, and getting part time jobs in order to foot the outrageious bills accumulated (from everything like food to a library book returned one day late - \$.50 an hour). Being on this campus also tends to divorce one from other aspects of life — so a lot of political and social "catching up" is done. For many students, just uninterrupted rest good vacation. Many students whose or faculty, the Toll homelands are abroad welcome the administration decided to break up our month in order to visit their families. Well. Toll took none of this into account. for a month) with finals before the break, Faculty scheduled their finals at their but this year Toll's experiment was to convenience, and for the most part, Toll's plan was ignored. Toll even wanted then a week off, followed by the spring students to take finals on Martin Luther semester of new classes, and more King's birthday (declared even by continued on page 8.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Davis Cup

Professor Richard Lapchick denied allegations by a medical examiner that he carved a racial slur across his stomach to protest South Africa's entry in the Davis Cup

tennis match at Vanderbilt University. Lapchick was viciously attacked by two masked men on February 14, who beat him and carved the work "nigger" on his Africa's racist policy.

Nazis

In continuance of the national trend toward the right U.S. District Judge Bernard M. Decker, citing guarantees from the constitution threw out three ordinances by which a predominantly Jewish suburb, Skokie, Ill., had hoped to stop a march by the Nationals Socialist Party of America (Nazis). Unless the village appeals, on April 20, the anniversary of Hitler's birth, Nazis wearing stormtrooper uniforms will march. The American Civil Liberties Union brought the case on behalf of the Nazis. David Goldberger, the ACLU lawyer who argued the case, said the Decker decision told him America is a great place to live.

STATE & LOCAL NEWS

Williams

Richard Warren Williams, accused kidnapper of Jack Teich was motivated by the anti-Semitism according to Prosecutors Edward W. McCarty. McCarty told the court that Teich's kidnapper told him that he represented "rich Jews against poor Blacks" and that he was "part of the landlord class who paid money to fight Yasser Arafat." Teich is vice-president of the Acme Steel Door Co., in Brooklyn, a family firm that has a business of at least 8 million dollars a year. McCarty further stated that Williams gave \$10,000 to the Organization of African Unity in 1975. Williams' attorney, Donald Kane, attacked McCarty's statement as inflammatory and called the issue a red herring. He asked for a mistrial and was denied. Kane is now trying to get the trial moved to Brooklyn because of pretrial publicity and the conditions Williams is being subjected to at Nassau Courthouse Jail, where he is being kept in the basement. Justice moves on!

Little

Joan Little, in her continuing fight for freedom was granted continuance of \$50,000 ransom/bail on a warrant for extradition to North Carolina. Gov. Hugh Carey had denied her elemency and ordered she be returned to North Carolina. Ms. Little, 24, escaped from the Women's Correctional Center in Raleigh last October, saying that she feared for her life in North

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Managua, Nicaragua

In renewed violence that started Jan. 10 after Pedro Joaquin Chamarro publisher of La Prense was assassinated because of his opposition to the government of President Anastasio Somoya, at least eight people were killed on Sunday (2/26/78). In a five hour battle between demonstrators who threw home-made hombs while armed National Guard troops used fragmentation stomach, apparently because they were upset that a bombs and machine guns, numerous people were white man was uniting with Blacks against Southern brutally injured. There now have been more than two dozen people killed in protest and urban guerrilla raids since the Chamorro slaying which sparked a two week nationwide strike that called for the resignation of President Anastasio Somaza. Somoza has said he will continue to rule until 1981.

Palestine

Egypt, moving closer than ever to Israel, stripped Palestinians living in Egypt of special rights they have enjoyed for over 20 years. Egypt blames Palestinian freedom fighter for the murder of Sibai, editor-in-chief of Al-Ahran who was gunned down by two Arabs in Nicosia. Palestinians will now have to attain residence visas and make foreign currency transfers to enter Egypt. They have, since 1956, enjoyed the same living conditions, legal and professional rights - but not political rights — as Egyptians. PLO leader Yassar Arafat said only armed action by his guerrilla forces could restore peace to the Middle East. Arafat compared the Palestinian revolution with the Vietnam and Algeria war and plege that a Palestinian one day would raise a flag of Palestine over Jerusalem.

South Africa

Robert Sobukwe, lifelong foe of apartheid, who spent 18 years of his life in prison or internal exile, died early Monday (2/27/&*) after a long battle with lung cancer. Sobukwe was a dominant Black nationalist leader of the 1950's. He was a founder and leader of the now outlawed Pan-Africanist Congress which at that time stood for a non-violent transition to majority rule in South Africa. After the Sharpeville massacre, where 69 people were killed by police, the Pan-Africanist Congress and the African National Congress were outlawed. Both are now militant underground organizations. In 1969, he was restricted to the gold-mining center of Kimerely. Under a banning order he could not be quoted in the press, leave the town limits or leave his home at night or weekends.

Germany

Fourteen Iranian students who had occupied the Iranian Embassy, were dragged out by the German police, who stormed the building. The students had been holding four diplomats inside the building and were demanding to see reporters. Students were shouting: "Death to Fascism!" and "The Shah is a murderer!" and Fascist!" as they were taken away.

regular forces are not involved in actual combat has been proven to be wrong since Somali-owned Russian MIG's have been shot down over Ethiopian territory. The rapidly changing situation in the Horn of Africa has captured the world's attention due to the involvement of the Superpowers. The United States was Ethiopia's ally during Haile Selassies reign. Under the 1953 Mutual Defense Assistance Agreement, the United States provided half of its African military assistance to Ethiopia. In return the United States established a military communications base at Kagnew in Eritrea, the northernmost province of Ethiopia which is next to the Red Sea. This base was

It is difficult to assess the damages inflicted on both

sides because of the absence of reports from neutral observers. The Somali government's clain that it's

Barre of Somalia has expelled Russians from Somalia due to Russia's new committment to Ethiopia. The recept visit of two American congressmen to Mogadishuis evidence that Pres. Barre is seeking American military assistance to defend the newly acquired territory of the Ogaden. The desparate search for arms by both Ethiopia and Somalis could only lead to one conclusion; the inevitability of another

COMMENTARY:

of great importance for tracking space satellites,

monitoring radio broadcasts and relaying military and

diplomatic messages. Relations between Ethiopia and

the United States cooled off afer Col. Mengistu

expelled Americans living in Ethiopia. President Siad

full-scale war and more neighboring African people.

WHO IS ON THE HORN?

CIVIL OR FOREIGN WAR?

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The U.S. imperialists are currently playing "possum" in the horn of Africa and allowing the Soviet Union to Expose itself in a blatant imperialistic act. The Soviet Union has been exploiting the civil dispute between Somalia and Ethiopia for their own selfish gains. The Soviets had been sucessful in Africa by using the guise of "Socialism," but has been imperialist in reality.

The area is of strategic importance to both superpowers, being by the Red Sea and controlling entrance there from the south. It is also the only place in the world where it is possible to launch intermediate ballistic missiles and hit Europe, Asia or Afica. In addition, the area controls the traffic tankers from the

Arab oil rich region. Lastly, we must also deal with why the U.S. imperialist will take a back seat at this time and push the S.U. to take a dominant role-look carefully at what happened to the U.S. in Vietnam. It is a way to try and beat the S.U. and at the same time draw them out to lose face in Africa-especially since they have been gaining on the continent in the last few years.

CRISIS ON THE HORN OF AFRICA

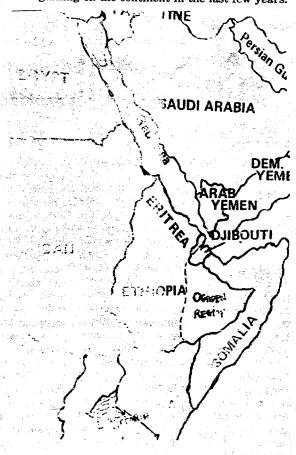
problem area of the Ethio-Somali conflict is the territory of the Ogaden, the grazing land for Somali nomads, which was until 1977 under Ethiopia's control. What was the historical backgroung that led to the current situation?

During the late 19th century, Ethiopian Emperor Menelik communicated with the European powers concerning his territorial claims. In the west, he claimed all land up to Khartoum, in the south up to Lake Victoria and in the east the area known as the Ogaden. In the words of the late Ethiopian Prime Minister Akliu Habte Wold, "...the historical frontiers of Ethiopia stretch from the Red Sea to the Indian Ocean and all the territory between them...there is no record in history of a Somali State or Nation."

Menelik's eastward expansion started with the capture of Harar in 1887 which until then was under Egyptian control. Menelik's next move was the capture of the already shown interest in the region by establishing spheres of influence. The French took control of the area by the straight of Bab-el Mandeb, now know as Djibouti. The British controlled the

The horn of Africa consists of Ethiopia and Somalia northwestern part of Somalia around Berbera while in the eastern part of Africa. Ethiopia has a population the Italians declared a protectorate over northeaster of three million; a ratio if roughly ten to one. The Somalia streching past Mogadishu. By 1897, Ethiopia and Britain signed a treaty which ceded the Haud (north of the Ogaden) to Ethiopia. The absence of an exact demarcation of territory between Ethiopia and the Italian Somaliland eventually led to the invasion of Ethiopia by Italy in 1935. By 1940, the Italians had forced the British out of their protectorate but a year later the British recaptured all Somali territories, (including Italian Somaliland), with the exception of French Somaliland. Attempts were made by the British to join all the Somali territories under a single Somali State; but the idea was rejected by the Soviet Union and the United States. By 1946, the Ogaden and the Haud regions were returned to Ethiopia under a provisional boundary and in 1954, a treay was signed making the boundaries permanent.

During the summer of 1977 a full-scale war was again Taking waged between Somalia and Ethiopia. advantage of the unstable political situation in Ethiopia, the Somali government backed WSLF attacked Ethiopian forces stationed in Ogaden and took control of 90% of the territory seizing 114 towns and villages in a period of two months. An emergency meeting of the OAU in Gabon resulted in a stalemate.



BAKKE: SHEDDING LIGHT ON THIS OLD PROBLEM

been hearing about the Bakke case. There

have been a number of programs, articles and even a debate sponsored by an Anti-Bakke committee here at Stony warrants our closer scrutiny.

probably notice, that many courses in Ethnic Studies are no longer available due to cutbacks. The Puerto Rican Studies program here has been phased out of existence. The Asian American Studies program is in limbo as the last professor is on sebatical and there are no others left to teach. African Studies gives nearly none of the courses listed in the bulletin and is operating on a skeleton staff due to cutbacks and "non-reappointment." Many students were forced to leave this semester because of increased costs such as higher tuitions and cutbacks in financial aid. Still, to make matters worse, amny minority professors here will be facing their terminal year.

The proportion of black students enrolled in colleges and professional schools had declined since 1974, and many of us have heard the term "reverse discrimination" used. Two decades of struggle to make the educational system of this country meet the needs of minority, women and working people are now threatened by the Bakke case which is being heard by the Supreme Court.

However, many of us are acting as if we've attended these institutions of "higher education" for generations; as if things aren't bad at all. Maybe some of us have forgotten the events that have given us access to attend colleges such as Stony Brook.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDS TO BE EXPANDED

The conditions that brought about "affirmative action" must be examined

Allan Bakke has been set up to create. by various religious denominations within Institutional racism, the form of racism that is based on "lack of qualifications" as opposed to overt racial discrimination, is integral to the smooth operation of Brook. However, some of us haven't paid institutions under capitalism. The "lack all of this too much attention and it of qualifications" clause is the end result of a process of racial discrimination. Many of us, particularly Latins, Asians Historical discrimination, the denial of and Afro Americans, have noticed or will quality education, jobs and housing have produced the present generation of black workers. The fact is, that they lack the "higher education" (degrees) that would qualify them for better paying jobs. This, in turn, forces many of them to accept sub-standard housing, low paying jobs and consequently, their children are sent to poor schools. With no affirmative action this cycle will merely repeat itself as politicians cry out for minorities to pick themselves up by their "bootstraps." Many minorities didn't own boots before affirmative action.

> The fact is that America is feeling the pinch of a world-wide economic crisis and it now picks upon its minorities to take the weight. This creates tension and racism is used to keep white workers and minority workers at each other's throats while killers like Rockefeller maintain record profits.

> A growing Anti-Bakke movement evidence that students are seeing through the Bakke trap and are forming a united front to fight the cutbacks. Here at Stony Brook a group calling itself "The Committee to Question the Bakke Decision," has been holding meetings to discuss how to bring the issues of Bakke home to Stony Brook. They have a long range plan to build for a national demonstration in Washington against the Bakke decision in April. Those people concerned should contact Ron Friend at (516) 246-6179 in the Social Science Building, room 115.

HISTORY OF "HIGHER EDUCATION" IN AMERICA

Before the colonies became America,

Since September, many of us have beneath the surface of the waves that universities were founded and controlled the colonies.

> They became the educational center for the small handful of doctors. ministres and lawyers - the elites.

At the time of the industrial revolution, the northern capitalists like John D. Rockefeller, Andrew Carnegie and others were exploiting the labor of the large minority and growing immigrant working population. 'robber-barons" began to invest in, and take over, the colleges and universities of the country in order to insure the development of a highly skilled labor force for their industries.

In order to consolidate a group of technical, scientific and administrative people who would be protective of their interests, Rockefeller and Carnegie, over a 32 year period from 1902-1938, invested over 680 million-dollars in universities. This practice caught on and soon corporate control of universities became an established tradition.

Members of the S.U.N.Y. board of trustees, most of whom were hand picked

by Rockefeller when he was governor, read like the "Who's Who" of the major corporation leaders of America. Folks like Clifton W. Phalen and Walter N. Thayer have investments in everything from copper to Eastern Airlines. They sit on the boards of multi-national corporations that plunder Third World and then these same blood-suckers are the ones who make key decisions that affect S.U.N.Y. campuses in general. It is that group (check your academic bulletin for their names) that sits over decisions to cut Ethnic Studies here at Stony Brook.

History shows us that we didn't always sit back and let these mis-educators "spoon feed us" without resistance. In the 1960's, a time when the Civil Rights movement was hot; a time when genuine demands for quality education, daycare, housing and jobs were forcibly being made the rights of Afro-Americans. It was a time when the urban ghettos were hot and exploding. Afro-Americans, Chicanos and Latinos from east to west took matters to the streets.

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Can't fight Bakke from the sidelines-get involved.

COAL MINE WORKERS WILL NOT BE SOLD OUT



Mine workers face hazzardous conditons makes money for capitalists

A LETTER OF SOLIDARITY TO THE COAL MINE WORKERS-

Dear Class Brothers,

We would like to take this opportunity to let you know that we are in full support of your strike, (although it is being 'negotiated'), and your on going struggle to demand better working conditions and higher pay. We have not been deceived by the various government officials attemps to pit your worthy and noble cause against our existence. Govenor Otis R. Bowen said that if you didn't return to work then the city of Indiana would suffer. He threatened to close down the schools and other job sites claiming that there wouldn't be enough energy to operate them. How desperately the U.S. needs mines to run in order for businesses to operate and profit to be made. Yet, we also know that Carter will try to avoid meeting your demands so he can help profit and hurt us.

We understand quite clearly that Carter's Taft-Hartley Act is just like the Taylor Law, which restricts the right of workers to strike when in fact striking is the only route to travel. How very much this U.S. capitalist octopus is like the illegal regime of South Africa. In order to protect the interests of the banks, corporations and other big businesses, the government official would rather insure their continued profit by making loop-holed negotiations. They would stoop to any level rather than keep prices down at resonable levels, and allow us to work for decent pay. Yet the government has enough money to invest in South Africa and accumulate more profits. Never the less they claim that there isn' enough money to pay us

Carter and Governor Bowen should be sentenced to five years in the coal mines of Indiana of Virgina. When he becomes sufficiently ill and weak, he should then be shipped to the mines of South Africa and forced to live the life of a Black man. Under the notorious Apartheid regime we would surely see how quickly his greedy portion would change. What a rebel he would become!

Because we know that the above is impossoble we have a task right here in the USA. We must not let these union "misleaders," sell us out at the expense of the workers. We must demand toal amnesty (no punishment for striking). We must realize that this dilemma is not particular to mine workers, but all workers who are underpaid and overworked suffer this miserable experience. We must not become limited to focusing just on more money, but we should learn a lesson from you and look at other aspects like full health insurance benifits to combat the poor unhealthy conditions. As Third World people, we too share the experience of exploitation in the USA. Whenever we have gone against the tide, we've gotten either hit in the head or a sham reform. We are beginning to see how incapable this political?economic system is of serving our needs and protecting us. We are the best governors of ourselves. Until the day when we workers will determine the course of events in America, this collective joins with you and all oppressed people in daring to go against the tide.

DARE TO STRUGGLE DARE TO WIN

THE BLACKWORLD EDITORIAL COLLECTIVE

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORIAL

COLLECTIVE

Those of you who have been reading the last issues of BLACKWORLD have probably noticed that the focus of the newspaper is not just on events that happen here at Stony Brook. Attempts have been made to show the links between the local happenings and the larger happenings off campus. Similarly we have taken the steps to analyze things across Ethinic and regional lines. We are no longer concerned with the oppression of just Afro-Americans but all Third World people (Africans, Latins and Asians) who share a common

Many have not taken the time out to read the last issues or some readers have become turned off to the former issues that carried a strong racial tint. We, the Editorial Collective of Blackworld have had an internal struggle on the question of the name of the paper. It seemed that before the name of the paper should be changed, it was more important that the content change. The name of the paper would therfore be reflective of the content.

To resolve this question we've come to the conclusion that those who read it should be the ones to decide what to call it. We are asking for Your suggestions on what the name of this paper should be. We will offer a prize for the right name (whichever one fits best). We will also offer a prize for a logo(details next issue). Please send your suggestions to the office before March 18th. Be sure to include your name, address and number where you can be reached.

Also, all those interested in sending in comments and/or criticism are invited to do so before the aforementioned date in time for our printing deadline. Intercampus mail or offcampus service can write to:

BLACKWORLD: THIRD WORLD STRUGGLE Student Union Rm. 071 S.U.N.Y. at Stony Brook 11794



El Hajj Malik El Shabazz) Malcolm X)

Carribean Students Association endorses Malcolm X Day

To the Blackworld Editorial Collective

X Day.

people. Malcolm X showed us that the problems we are so easily forget. facing today are common among all oppressed tocollectively focus our attention to solving these a part of this commemoration of Malcolm X. problems. Malcolm X, in one of his most famous quotes says, "You can't unbderstand what is going on in

Mississippi if you don't understand what is going on in We, the members of the Carribean Students the Congo... And you really can't be interested in what's Association at Stony Brook, strongly endorse Malcolm going on in Mississippi if your not also interested in what is going on in the Congo. They're both the For many of us in the Carribean, Malcolm S same...The same interests are at stake... The same represented a positive constructive force striving for schemes are at work... the same stake-no difference change and the betterment of all so-called Third World whatsoever." This is an important lesson we should not

Finally, we the Carribean Students Assocviation peolples, and the only way to effectively bring about a fell that it is our duaty and obligation, not only to solution to our problem is for us (West Indians, Malcolm X, but to the peoples who are struggling all Africans, Latins, Asians, Americans, etc.) over the woeld for the right of self-determination, to be

> In Unity and Struggle, The Carribean Students Association

AFS Acting Chairperson Endorses Malcolm X Coalition

Stony Brook, New York 11794 Africana Studies Program

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TO: THE COLLECTIVE FROM: CANUTE PARRIS RE: MALCOLM X. DAY

I believe it was William Faulkner who said a reasonable facsimile I believe it was William Faulkner who said a reasonable facsimile of the following: "The past is never dead, its not even past." Malcolm X said it somewhat differently: "A man without a past is like a tree without roots." In short, not to know one's past is to be floundering like a ship without a keel. It is the past that tells us where we are coming from, it helps to explain where we are, and indeed, assists in our understanding to where we are going. Malcolm X knew our past, it shaped his analysis, and widened his intellectual horizons.

It is a very great honor for me to be associated with the organizing of a Malcolm X Day. I commend you rather highly. This giant of man confronted a basically cruel and exploitative world order, he stood up and was counted, he agitated, he struggled, he was noncompromising in the face of fearful odds. Malcelm was an international man, his primary loyalty was to the poor and down and out, indeed, to the wretched of the earth. He clearly understood the forces that were responsible for poor people's oppression and challenged them in rather decisive fashion. As Ossie Davis said in his eulogy, MALCOIM WAS A MAN. Unfortunately, I cannot say that about too many people. Nevertheless, in the process of being a MAN, Malcolm kept many of us homest. Malcolm, Malcolm, where are you when we so desparately need you today.

Dear members of the Collective, I commend you rather highly and rest assured, you have my support. However, let me warn you by saying that you should not anticipate much by way of support from too many black professionals here at Stony Brook. Sometimes if you cast your bread on the waters, sharks will eat it. Worse yet, many of us have chosen to forget, pitty there aren'f some folks around to remind us of where we are coming from, where we are, and where we are going.

One heart,

and Jakes Canute Parris.

Transfer Student Knows the Deal

KOSHER STOVES ON SUNY AT STONY **BROOK'S CAMPUS:**

As a transfer student this semester, the situation of discrimination, exploitation and oppression by the so called majority that's being placed on the minorities on this campus is extremely obvious to me. The treatment that minority students receive from the Administration, and the general public is definitely demeaning. A most unusual incident that was drawn to my attention involved the Carribean Student's Associations use of some electrical appliances (Stoves), which were Kosher. If the State University System can supply Kosher stoves, for Kosher students-, I mean the SUPERIOR students on Stony Brook campus, then they should also provide cooking facilities for Carribean and all minority students. Is the University implying that we are dirty and inferior? To really go on an all out campaign, the University should also diminsh it's statements that is being principled on all official

to make the issue complete, the system should also diminsh it's statments that is being printed on all official documents, which reads "SUNY at Stony Brook does not discriminate on the basis of RACE, CREED OR COLOR," because you know and I know that SUNY at Stony Brook does discriminate in more ways than one against their minority students.

EDITORIAL NOTE: The question that should be addressed is why different ethnic groups are divided resulting in better/cleaner facilities for some adn dirtier facilities for others. All students should have access to clean facilities. No group deserves better facilities than others and the Administration has a responsibility to us to stop perpetuating this outlandish act which increases divisions and perpetuates antagonisms between the races.

A CLOSE LOOK AT THE PAUL ROBESON CONTROVER

MEDITY
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OPEN LETTER TO THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY

A Statement of Conscience



Shortly, the play "PAUL ROBESON" will open on Broadway. We the undersigned members of the Black community, having seen the production or read versions in progress, regretfully feel compelled to take the extraordinary step of alerting all concerned citizents to what we believe to be, however unintroduction appearance of the concerned citizents to what we believe to be, however unintroductions appearance of the concerned citizents to what we believe to be, however unintroductions are concerned to the concerned citizents of the concerned citizents are concerned to the concerned citizents and concerned citizents are concerned to the concerned citizents are concerned to the concerned citizents and concerned citizents are concerned to the concerned citizents and concerned citizents are concerned to the concerned citizents and concerned citizents are concerned citizents.

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Without paying much attention to the publicized controversy surrounding this new Broadway play, (Paul Robeson), I insisted on seeing it, and was determined to make my own assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of this presentation When I arrived at the Lunt-Fontanne Theatre mid-Manhatten, I was approached by a middle-aged theatrical looking woman who handed me a large sheet of paper, The Statement of Conscience and simultaneously shook her head as if to show disgust. It was at that time that I began to attach some seriousness to what I was objectively doing by ignoring her plea and walking through the door.

As I walked all the way upstairs, I tried to recall all that I had ever learned about Paul Robeson, I wondered why it was that out of all the Black figures I knew, I knew so little about him. Vague images appeared; to me he represented a noble man, a talented man, a principled man who refused to submit to the glory and glamour of the personal fame awarded to 'actors/actresses singers", namely that of individual STARDOM. Robeson was a brilliant black scholar, master of 13 languages, the first All American Black Football player at Rutgers University, a Black concert singer, Phi Betta Kappa candidate, who emerged in the 50's in the heat of McCarthyism, (strong anti-Communist trend), and voiced his political beliefs. I did recall that Robeson spoke out against fa scism in Spain and Italy and he demanded that the US stop concentrating on the inevitable spreading of Communism, and rather examine her own domestic policies, which he defined as racist. As the lights dimmed to give notice that the beginning of the first Act was approaching, my adrenalin had already increased, and I was ready to critically view the play, and then do some research on my own, in order to come up with a well rounded view of the play in the particular, and controversy surrounding it, in general.

James Earl Jones, (best known for his part in the Great White Hope), plays Paul Robeson. The only other character in this two man, two act show is Burt Wallace, who portrays Lawrence Brown, Robeson's piano man. Phillip Hayes Dean is the author of the play and as far as is known, is experienced mainly in the field of dramatics/theatre. The play begins with Robeson looking back at his life on his 75th birthday. Paul Robeson died in 1976. The entire act is a comical interpretation of a Black man's life in the protest songs. hostile environment characteristic of the Jim Crow laws that governed the 40's and (which I unite with, but must include as the 50's. The first act includes two songs that Robeson sang and gave added they would be more concerned about meaning to. The first is called Joe Hill - a worker's song, the second is Chekhov's Ladder - a spiritual song about the continual struggle of the oppressed.

CHARLES WHITE AND DR. CHARLES WRIGHT

One of the most outstanding lines of the first act was when Robeson was asked by an instructor where he was born. Robeson began to cite points in his life when his consciousness increased; when his awareness about both internal and external contradictions was broadened. During intermission, I spoke to those sitting around me, and they, too, were confused about this portrayal of Robeson. On one hand, the acting by Jones was superb, but on the other hand, this witty and sarcastic image being pushed out front was hardly the serious Robeson that we were familiar with.

Act II began to touch on some of the political aspects of Robeson's development. One pun about America was delivered in the form of a story. After telling a young friend of his an inspirational American fairy tale about a giraffe and a mouse, (the advantages of being "too tall" or "too short"), Robeson ended the story by summing up that in certain instances the giraffe with the height was successful because he could eat the berries from the tree, but in other instances, the short mouse was successful because he could eat the grass and herbs from the ground. When the young child asked "Why didn't they just share?" Robeson answered, "Ah, my dear, this is just an American fairy tale." So, throughout the second act traces of protest, resistance and anger yielded the overall mood, and the audience, no doubt, got a sense that this man being interpreted, Paul Robeson, was indeed a daring activist. Just how daring the play never reveals.

Robeson was quoted throughout the play in order to illuminate his manner. In one scene when he was "red-baited" in the US, he proclaimed loud and clear in defense of his support of the Soviet Union, who he considered to be a fine model of a Communist nation at that time, that, "... the first to die in the battle against the facists of Italy and Spain have been Communists, who

oppressed jamorities.

mock trial in front of the House of right for an artist to interpret an Robeson was accused of being a Communist, denied a passport to travel, and harassed unforgivably. Act II ended with Robeson (JEJ), asking the audience to join in singing, "We are climbing Chekhov's Ladder," once more.

Despite all of the disunity about this play not being a true depiction of the late Robeson, Jones was able to evoke a lot of sentiment for this freedom fighter and he received a 10 minute standing ovation. Since I saw the play over a month ago, I have seen at least eight television programs that have focused on this controversy, read five articles and spoken with countless numbers of people who can remember the difficult times in the 50's and 60's, especially for blacks and other oppressed national minorities. There has been a lot of pressure put on theatre goers and James Earl Jones himself, to examine the script and focus in on whether this artistic presentation is doing more harm than good. The main concern is that Robeson focused on the struggles of the oppressed (especially Blacks), and he took a strong stand with his people, as a result was branded a Communist and created into an evil figure by the media. The play is accused of being "too liberal" in outlining the atrocities, physical and verbal attacks that were committed against him for singing

The criticism of James Earl Jones well as the writer of the script), is that the implications that this play can have (as far as being one of the only mediums through which public opinion about Robeson is available). Everyone agrees that Jones as an actor is fantastic, but unfortunately, that is not the point. The script has gone too far off target to be acceptable, and this is largely because it has been made into an item for sale. Commercialism is almost always the cause of perversions.

individual oriented arrogance. He claims VietNam War, South African that as an artist he must use his own involvement). (continued on pg. 8) judgement, despite what everyone claims

defend the rights of the poor and the is a dangerous feat. The argument: is being turned into a question of "freedom The second act was highlighted by a of speech," "poetic license," and the Un-American Activities, (HUAC), where historical period. The Ad Hoc Committee to End the Crime Agains Paul Robeson focuses the question on the political aspects of the play. This committee is headed by Robeson's son who claims that "no play" could ever portray the dynamic aspects of his father. James Earl Jones argues that Robeson belonged to all of us and is subject to interpretaion like the rest of us.

> Both Robeson Jr., and J.R. Jones have chosen to take positions that are absolute and can lead to no compromise. What's worse is that the Ad Hoc Committee has failed to provide us with an alternative view on Robeson, possibly a biographical sketch of his political development would

serve the purpose.

Jones as an artist has failed to subordinate bis own judgement to the interests of his co-actors. The field of drama appears to be a "free-will", individual matter. We can clearly see how the lack of organization of even the actors is a dominant "Black" characteristic. There is a definite need for artists to sit down and go over history and their varying positions on the roles that they play, etc. They should struggle when they disagree to arrive at some consolidated positions, and mainly focus on whether or not their "jobs' are aiding or hindering the struggle for freedom of oppressed in this country. There will always be degrees of disunity, but through this internal sturggle at least those of us on the outside will be able to aid, add and evaluate the process. This approach could only work if the artists had the interest of the masses in mind.

The recent trend articulated in the arts media is to define for us who the key social factors in the 50's and 60's were, what the main ideas were, and finally what aspects of these tubulent decades should be remembered. The danger of allowing individuals alone to interpret historical experiences is that the summation will no doubt be incomplete if it lacks the methodology for looking at Jones has taken a strong stand, which the overall situation (both the national borders on personal ego-tripping and race crisis and the international - WWII.

We need to remember people like

A Statement of Conscience (Con sions of Paul Robeson And The Crimes Against Him

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RACIST BAND

To whom it may concern:

We the undersigned residents of Suffolk County are outraged that your store, (North Shore Numismatics, Ltd), participates in the selling of the Krugerrand coin. Sale of the Krugerrand represents South Africa's method of ensuring a steady demand and a good price for gold. We are also appalled with the fact that the Krugerrand ads tell nothing of the 90% Black workers who make \$124.00 a month compared to the \$563.00 for Whites and thus bolsters a false image of South Africa as being the land of gold, (shared by all). Now that you are aware of the implications of supporting this coin, (i.e.it is objectively supporting the atrocities committed against the workers of South Africa), we are demanding that yoelling it immediately!!! The longer you sell it, the longer your company will help to maintain the racist, fascist, Vorster regime.

ON MARCH 6, 1978, at 12:00 noon, STUDENTS/WORKERS WILL MEET IN THE UNION TO GO TO THE SMITH HAVEN MALL TO HAND DELIVER THIS LETTER. IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PUT A STOP TO THIS PROFIT-MAKING ENTERPRISE WHICH COSTS MUSCH MISERY AND SUFFERING TO THE AZANIAN PEOPLE.



Woman's Center in Focus

Throughout the history of the feminist movement in the United States, other social reform movements have acted as catalysts in bringing women's issues into the political mainstream. Having cast their shadows on the feminist movement, the ultimate goal "to benefit all women", was too often obscured and as a result, many women felt alienated from the movement and the potential benefits it held in store for them. Today, the movement has gained impetus on it's own and seeks to accomodate all women.

It is with this contemporary spirit that the women of Stony Brook are uniting to reopen the Women's Center to serve the interests of all women on campus. The goalsa of the Center are to provide the services, resources, and referrals needed by women at Stony Brook. To be successful in this endeavor, suggestions and support from the campus community is vital. The Center hopes to be able to provide a wide range of services including information, workshops, lectures, and referrals dealing with medical and pyschological problems, vocational interests, legal matters, and political issues. We plan to expand our library to provide a place where books, magazines, newsletters, and other resources of interest to women will be available to the campus community in an informal atmosphere. We hope the Women's Center will become a place where all women will free welcome to share ideas and discover common interests. Essentially, the Women's Center aspire to be wide enough in scope to appeal to the varied interests of women on this campus and through close contact and interaction with other college women's centers and off-campus women's organizations to be an asset to all women in the community. The Women's Center has the potential to be all that we the women of Stony Brook with our different interests and experiences, can make it. All that the Women's Center needs is a chance and people who are willing to help make it work with ideas and People are needed to participate in support. want it to be. Just an hour a week can help staff the Center and everyone is invited to support the Center by

The phrase forty acres and a mule serves as reminder ideal is his god and as man unfolds his god unfolds. for our own people (Asiatics) as well as others (Europeans), of the particularly cruel oppression that slew the so-called negroes from the foundation of this have been conquered and divided, tricked and country's system of enfranchisement.

If we can accept the saying, popularly credited to El Haii Malik El Shabazz, (better known as Malcolm X). that "history is best qualified to reward all research", we will begin to conceptualize our collective our collective problem in it's historical context. Although, I concur that concur that today is the first day of the rest our lives, we should not forget that we also are today what we have been becoming and that a man's



taking advantage of the resources that will be available.

To celebrate our joint effort effort in reopening the Women's Center downstairs in the Union. All are invited to come and share their ideas and enthusiasm. **Editorial Note**

In striving for ultimate unity, men, women and children, must see their position in society in an historical perspective. True, we have all looked at the Womens' Liberation from afar, but how can a feminist, "sectarian" view be embraced and be of any relevance to us?

The Womens' movement has been talking about the rights to abortion, the cuts in medicaid funds for abortion (through the Hyde Amendment), the forced sterilization of many poor and minority women, and the Equal Rights Amendment. All of these issues affect us, however few were organized around them because they weren't linked up to the day-to-day issues of survival.

These are some of the issues that the New York working woman wants to talk about. Issues should not be separated from each other, we must struggle together. Questions such as male chauvinism and its effects on women (and men) in this capitalist society must also be viewed in light of the overall struggle to end all forms of exploitation and opppression. This question is not just one of local importance or national significance, but also has international relevance. International Working Womans Day- March 11, 1978, (sponsored by N.Y. working women) is celebrated by women comrades all over the world. It is a day when poor and working women make their demands heard. It is a day when we can struggle together with our families for a better life for all poor and working class

Hopefully, the re-opening of the Womens' Center will shed light not only on the social aspects of women in society, but also the political/economic contributions that women have and must continue to make in

40 ACRES AND A MULE

This happens collectively as well as individually.

Historically, since our supposed emancipation, we undecided for over 100 years*. Slavery begat the civil war, begat reconstruction begat Jim Crowism and the KKKK to enforce segregation, begat mass northern migration, begat ghetto colnization, begat urban unfolds, we can begin to seriously question ourselves deprivation, begat the Honorable Mr. Garvey's thwarted repatriation, begat NOBLE DREW ALI, SELF-determination and collective elevation. W.D. FARD and the MESSENGER'S thrust towards Let's go back to basics: LOVE TRUTH PEACE our nationalization, begat El Haij Malik El FREEDOM AND JUSTICE-divine principles of our SHABAZZ'S rxplanations and causations resulting in forefathers ancient and divine creed*.

his assination and the FATHER begat the GOD and EARTH NATION speaking with magnetic attraction and mathematical revelation...while others sought integration and miscegenation through their inclinations of collaboration.

If we begin to see ourselves on this campus as only a link in the above described human drama, that still regarding our role in the continuing struggle for our

A New SLANT On Culture.. SURVIVAL COMES TO NEW YORK



From Stony Brook to South Africa, the issue is survival.

PHELA MALANGA; South African Song that means DAYS OF OPPRESSION WILL COME TO AN END!!!

Last week some of us had the memorable opportunity of joining with others and witnessing SURVIVAL, a South African play with music. Ellen Contini, who teaches Kiswahili at Columbia University contacted Abdullah Bushrah, (President of BSU), and urged him to sell tickets for the play which has a most relevant and moving message, namely that the time to get involved in the fight against apartheid is NOW!!!! The play opened up with Fana David Kekana, Salaelo Dan Maredi, Themba Ntinga and Seth Sibanda, (four brothers who wrote and performed), singing a beautiful verse: "...THE PEOPLE ARE HUNGRY IN OUR WORLD...THE PEOPLE ARE TIRED IN OUR WORLD.....THE PEOPLE ARE WAITING IN OUR WORLD....

The theatre group who call themselves WORKSHOP '71 THEATRE COMPANY, was founded in 1971 in Southern Africa. The teaam started out as a group of Whites, Indians, Coloreds, ,(Those of mixed blood), and Africans who decided to use the arts and principly the theatre, as a way to give notice to people both within South Africa and abroad that the conditions in South Africa, (under the illegal and racist Vorster regime), are inhuman and need to be struggled against. Because of the separation of Blacks and Whites under the South African political/economic system, known as apartehied, the group was not allowed to perform together, and as a result, the entire group is now African.

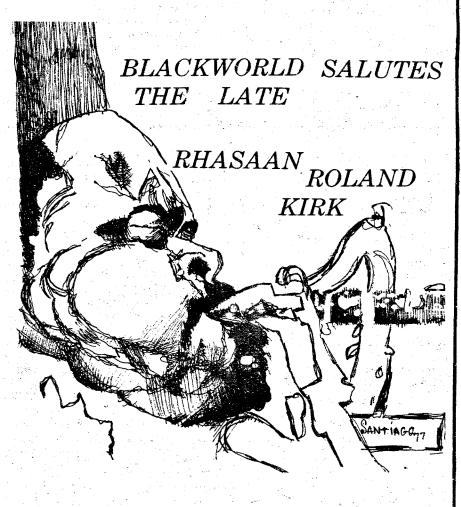
uthors and actors of this play have combined their differnt forms of struggle and become competent in as many as possible. But that dear readers is another article altogether.

After the play was over, the audience ciapped, but everyone seemed to be convinced that clapping and chanting was not enough. Outside there was literature on a table which and DIVEST buttons, and pamphlets on differeent functions and organizations that are focusing on the South African issue. There was a familiar loking Coalition letter from the National Coalition to Support African Liberation.

One student from the Carribbean Club is involved in the Columbia struggle, (People's Action Coalition), to force the University to divest, (withdraw all investments from banks and corporations that invest in South Africa). While Columbia University can find the funds too invest in Chase Manhattan Bank, but it cannot afford to put money into the surrounding community, (Harlem). Alfred Sears from the Carribean Club will try to come and speak at the Malcolm X Commemoration Day scheduled for 3/8/78. We are looking forward to sharing our experiences with him as well.

The main criticism of the play is that it didn't point to the growing resistance against the Vorster regime. Just next door in Zimbabwe, (Rhodesia), the Patriotic Front is leading the way with armed struggle against Smith and his oppressive regime. Everyday we read about people standing up in South Africa and being counted amoung those who dared to defend their rights. So you see, there are two sides to this coin and the play concentrated on only one.

Aside from the above mentioned, the play did serve as a catalyst for fostering discussion and encouraging movement around the issue. Aime Cesaire, (from Martinique), summed up quite nicely what the role of the artist is..."...and this is why we must create...yes in a word, it is the artists, the writers, the men of culture who by combining memories as well as hoipes in the everydayness of suffering and denials of justice, must constitute those of great reserves of faith, those of great silos of strenght where in critical moments, the people can draw the courage to assume their own destiny and to shape the future." To this end the play was successful!!!!



MOVIE REVIEW:

Blue Collar

"A realistic representation

of what working life is

all about."

If you happen to be one of those sense of morality. Despite the good escapist trend in movies, come just as you are to check out "Blue Collar."

Richard Pryor portrays Zeke, an overworked and underpaid worker at a Detroit Auto Factory. Jerry, (harvey Klitel), and Smokey (Yaphet Kotto), costar as the tree men find themselves trapped in a noisey, smog-filled faster but getting nowhere.

how union leaders mislead and sell-out themselves can lose sight of their objectives, by not demanding higher wages/beter working conditions.

Prior is still funny, but cynical now as he sneaks into his dialogue, hardhitting blows of reality. As in "Which Way is Up?" his last film, Pryor shows us the corrosice effects of this economic working life is all about. system and how this eats away at our

people who are tired of the Hollywood, aspects of this film, the portrayal of women as nothing more than sex objects to be manipulated was appalling, but once again reflective of the society that we live in, and the main ideas that have been forced down our throats about each other

Director screenwriter, Paul Schrader, who created the psycholabryrinth of labor-runnig faster and logically complex character of "Taxi Driver," clearly illustrates the panic The story reveals the truth about and alienation which is an outcome of the monotonous "blue collar" life. The the workers, and how workers film has been effective in driving the poit home...Oh...OPPRESSION in these United (?) States of America still exists and affects workers the most.

Although "Blue Collar" gets into some perverted and decadent scenes. (Prior is spiked with profanity), it is a realistic representation of what

Momentum builds for $Malcolm\ X\ Day$

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WITHDRAW AND BREAK ALL ECONOMIC TIES WITH SOUTH AFRICA AS PROPOSED BY THE U.N.

BAN THE KRUGERAND (ONE OUNCE SOUTH AFRICAN GOLD PIECES)

STOP SOUTH AFRICAN AIRLINES FROM OPERATING IN THE UNITED STATES

The ambitions of the realizable through organization and a win!!!

carefully planned course of action. It shows a realization of Malcolm's ideas that the struggle must internationalized. It shows that students, workers and faculty recognize that change cannot be made from the sidelines or from the outside looking in.

This coalition is still looking for more participation. All interested persons are invited to join the Malcolm X Coalition in helping to organize right here at Stonv Brook for African Liberation Day (May 1978). Call 246-7061 coalition are information... Organize and dare to

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Garvey, Du Bois, Robeson, Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, Stokely Carmichael. Huey Newton, etc., not because they were totally correct in their theory and/or practice but rather for their time and the conditions that they were part of, aspects of their political development reflected and have aided the development of the on going political struggle in this country. The good and bad aspects of their respective analysis, and the practical applications of their view is being tested by history. The mistakes that they made, the influence that they had on the working class movement, the threat they posed to the ruling class, the fact that they were models of resistance, freedom fighters, make them most meaningful to us today. In order to go forward it is necessary to look back and learn from these and other revolutionary figures who were daring and realized that all they had to lose were their chains . . . which tied them to an economic system which has no room for for creativity/collectivity or freedom from exploitation.

This controversy cannot be seen in isolation of other programs. Remember Remember "RUBY/OSWALD"? "KING"? Remember "ROOTS"? Remember "CLASS OF '65"? Remember "HAPPY DAYS"? When we look at these programs the temptation is to get caught up in the emotional feelings that the actors/script conjure up and accept as fact what is being presented. These programs are supposedly supplemental to the newspapers and test-books. The effects of visual arts is often more lasting than reading a book.

a danger in tnere is over-simplifying and romanticizing events and people. The Paul Robeson play while succeeding in inspiring folks to read and discuss Robeson's life has at the same time fallen into this trap. We need alternative productions. Paul Robeson was able to fuse both his humanitarianism, (which the play isolates as his only characteristic) and his internationalism, (ability to link up oppression both here and abroad).

Today in 1978, we find a need continue this fusion and follow Robeson's model because things have indeed changed . . . contradictions have intensified.

"Hard-working people, and poor, most of them in worldly goods — but how rich in compassion!! How filled with the



Form a united front to fight these attacks!

goodness of humanity and the spiritual steel forged by centuries of oppression!! There was the honest joy of laughter in these homes, folk-wit and story, hearty appetites for life as for the nourishing greens and black-eyed peas and cornmeal bread they shared with me. Here in this little hemmed-in world where home must be theatre and concert hall and social center, there was a warmth of song. Songs of love and longing, songs of trials and triumphs, deep-flowing rivers and rollicking brooks, hymn-song and ragtime ballad, gospels and blues, and the healing comfort to be found in the illimitable sorrow of the spirituals."

"...Because my father was a slave, and my people died to build this country, and

I'm going to stay right here and have a part of it, just like you. And no fascist-minded people like you will drive me from it. Is that clear?"

Bakke: A Call For Action

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Students who were becoming angry at the involvement of the universities (corporate ties) in the Vietnam war. Students stood up to oppose ROTC at Kent and Jackson State. War materials such as Napalm was developed, in part, at SUNY at Stony Brook. Anger mounted as recognized students that corporations' recruiters and researchers were using the universities to improve their profits by developing cheaper and better ways to destroy the land and peoples of Indo-China.

It was precisely because of the strong militant contributions of students combining with the Black Liberation movement, that compelled employers and administrators to open their doors to 'non-traditional" peoples and implement 'affirmative action."

Allan Bakke, a 37 year old white erospace engineer who was denied admission to the medical school at the University of California at Davis (twice), has argued that he ahs been discriminated against. (He was also turned down at 10 other medical schools.) Bakke was urged by a Davis College admission counselor to file a suit of "reverse discrimination" a violation under the 14th amendment. Because of the fact that out of 100 seats, 16 were reserved for minorities under a special admissions program (form of affirmative action) Bakke has argued that he was discriminated against because he is not a minority.

Bakke won in the local courts, but the case was appealed by the Davis Medical College (the very people who didn't want to have a special admission program to begin with). The fact that the case is at the Supreme Court means that the decision will have national ramifications. The whole system of affirmative action, a system that took two decades of struggle establish, could be declared unconstitutional with the stroke of a pen. AFFRIMATIVE ACTION NEEDS TO BE EXPANDED:

The conditions that brought about "Affirmative Action" (AA) must be examined beneath the surface of the waves that Allan Bakke has been set up to create. Institutional racism, the form of racism that is based on "lack of qualifications" as opposed to overt racial discrimination, is integral to the smooth operation of institutions under

capitalism. The "lack of qualifications" clause is the end result of a process of racial discrimination, the denial of quality education, jobs and housing have produced the present feneration of black workers. The fact is that they lack the "higher education" (degrees) that would qualify them for better paying jobs is an argument used, not only against Afro-Americans, but all third world people who have a history of being oppressed in America.

This in turn, forces many of them to accept sub-standard housing, low paying jobs and sonsequently their children are sent to "poor schools." With no affirmative action this cycle will merely repeat itself as politicians cry out for minorities to pick themselves up by their "bootstraps." (Many minorities didn't own boots before affirmative action.

The fact is that America is feeling the pinch of a world-wide economic crises and it now picks upon it's minorities to take the weight. This creates tension and racism is used to keep white students and minority students/workers at each others throats for the limited positions (contrived shortages), while the Rockerfellers (not to mention SUNY Board of Trustees) maintain record profits.

A growing Anti-Bakke movement is evidence that students are seeing through the Bakke trap and are forming a united fropnt to fight the cutbacks. Here at Stony Brook, a group calling itself the Committee to Overturn the Bakke Decision, has been holding meetings every Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in SSB 126.

This group of Faculty and students began organizing late last semester and has carried out numerous activities over that short span of time (debates. speakers, literature table in Student Union). They are planing to participate in a mass demonstration in Washington on April 15, sponsored by the National Committee to Overturn the Bakke Decision. Transportation for all who wish to go will be arranged. For more information on this and other events, contact:

Diane Demauro: SSB 126, 246-6198 Diane Demauro: SSB 126, 246-6198; Michael Taves: SSB 126, 246-6198 or Ronald Friend: SSB 115, 246-6179.

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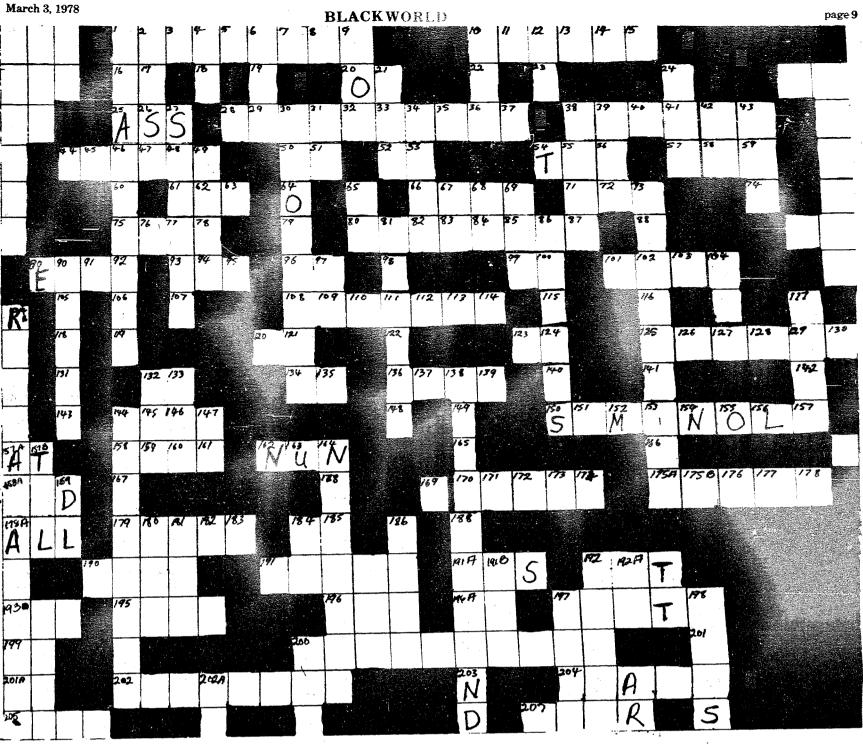
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Johnson to be a national holiday)!

the weather further complicated things. rescheduled the calendar, then most of Many finals were postponed due to the those who suffered wouldn't have even snowstorms (1/14-1/19). Students were been around. We would like to know main roads was done. Student/workers he was during the snow crisis. Toll has a cars were buried; heat in the dorms great style of avoiding us, but we have wavered; handicapped students were accumulated several demands, since we trapped; and no attempts were made to last met with him. Conditions on this provide students with food or suggestions campus are bad for all, but worse yet for on what to do.

offering rides to the stores and blankets. prevailing threat of BAKKE.

Commuters were stuck on campus, having to look for places to stay. Many parents Aside from having to think about these were stuck because their children were at dreaded exams and papers on "our time", the babysitters. If Toll had not tuck on campus, as only plowing of the where mystery man Toll lives, and where those of us who have to deal with the Individual workers came throught by added burden of racism, and the new



1)The nationality of the Dutch minority who control the South African government.

10) Monthly process that occurs in a young females

16) Public Address (Abbrev)

28) In 1776 an American

38) First name of a great Civil Rights Leader of the 60's.

44)If you are not -—— the solution, you are —

- the problem.

, ego and superego. 52)Equal Employment (Abbrev)

Chi is a form of excersis used primarily in 54)-

China. 57) Aunt in Spanish

61)Past tense of is.

-, a famous picture by Michaelangelo. 66)Mona -

71)Ribonucleic acid (Abbrev)

75)Ruling classes should take --- because the oppressed peoples of the world are rising up.

80)El Haji Malik El Shabazz

89)This (Spanish)

93)Herbal can serve as medicine

96)The (Spanish)

99)District Attorney (Abbrev)

-books are made by Polaroid for use by South Africans

108)Capital of Kenya

120) Alternating Current (Abbrev)

123)One superpower

being manipulated by the USSR

132)Touch Down (Abbrev)

134)Is (Spanish)

136)You can't have your -- and eat it too.

144)One organizatin in the Patriotic Front involved in armed struggle in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia)

150) A group of Indians

- is a US puppet. 158)The Shah of ---12)She wears s habit.

158A)The FREAK is the latest ---- in dancing

158)The Shah of--- is a US puppet.

162)She wears a habit

169)Idi Amin of -- practices atrocities

against the workers and peasants. 175A)Each one, ---- one.

ACROSS

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— case is an attack on students and

-in the Family is a television show. 178A)-

workers who comprise the category of 'minority'.

184)Sound made when one is tired.

- shows are informative and interesting. 190)-

191)We must -the many to defeat the few.

191A)Ethiopian word for God-head.

192)A stimulant that goes up in smoke.

193)The suffix meaning belief in.

195)A freedom fighter from South Africa who was murdered recently.

196A)Railroad (Abbrev)

197) Derogatory word for Blacks used in South Africa;

originally meant THE PEOPLE.

199)Affirmative Action (Abbrev)

200) The result of protracted struggle.

201A)National Liberation (Abbrev) 202)In the Horn of Africa; the main gate wanted by the

superpowers.

204)-University system needs much

improvement.

179)The -

205)Shining --- is a song by Earth, Wind, and Fire.

207)One of the superpowers.

DOWN

l)Illegal/racist system of segregating the races in South Africa; quite like the Jim Crow laws in the US. 2)To do this is vital and cleansing to the body and the

mind. 4)To be (Present)

6)To be (Plural)

9)Sun (Spanish)

taught us how to apply Marxism 10)Chairman

Leninism to modern conditions.

12) Hell - students will not tolerate further cutbacks in Ethnic Studies Programs or the rescheduling of our calendar.

21)To feel regret

24)Multi-national corporation which has a monopoly on the international communication system; the ninth

largest investor in South Africa.

27)Place near Johannesburg in South Africa 30)King preached against it but died as a result of it. 31)Overdose (Abbrev)

explaining capitalism and making a call for action to yourself on Stony Brook Campus.

DOWN

destroy it.

39)P- is the effect of being hit.

42)Rastafarian slang for 'all in all' or 'we'. -and -

43)The people of Viet-- waged a heroic battle against

US imperialism. 49)A sun tan will -away as the winter approaches.

65)Transcendental meditation (Abbrev)

67)-ed means to be killed.

68)And -on and -forth.

69) African Liberation Day (Abbrev)

73) One who wants to make revolution but lacks the scientifc theory and revolutionary rprinciples needed to guide the work.

81)Continent with the most sought after natural

86)The-will decide the course of history.

-must not be divorced from practice in 90)-

order to guarantee a complete history.

97)Los Angeles (Abbrev)

104) Save our Ship (Abbrev)

104B)A socio-religious cult which rebelled against the cultural imperialist intervention of Jamaica by the 117) Every person wants this. British.

and feathers were used against the Civil

Rights fighters in the 50's and 60's.

;33)Deroxynucleic acid

133)Deroxynucleic acid

138)One ounce gold coin from South Africa.

157B)Que -? Como esta Ud?

164)SWAPO is fighting guerilla warfare there now. 159)DL

180 Leon Spinks beat him last month.

181)Organized gang of vigilante lynchers.

184)--cola.

186)Greatest soccer player of all times who now advertises for American Express Card.

-should be a reflection of life.

192)I got ants in my --- and I need to dance.

192A)Keep your head -your shoulders.

197) King of the factories/just gives orders/exploiters of the workers.

198)A handyman/woman has many ---.

200) Nixon's big lie caused much embarrassment to the US officials as it received world wide recognition

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION: Elections were held on Feb. 23, 1978. Results:Pres:Alice Young/Vice Pres: Mitsutoshi Kato/Secretary Susan Eng and Tom. Blackworld Staff wishes that ASA/LASO/BSU will be able to sit down soon and work out a strategy for the long overdue THIRDE WORLD COALITION.

ASIAN AMERICAN SEMINAR

Dennis Ng runs an Amsian American Seminar on Monday and Tuesday nites. This is no doubt one of the more learning oriented courses on this campus. The purpose of the seminar is to discuss how the various historical trends in America affected the prescribed treatment toward the Asian American. One thing has become crystal clear and that is the parallel between the lives of Asians, (Koreans, Chinese, Filipinos, Japanese, Viet-namese), in this country and the historical experience of other Third World groups here, (Blacks and Latins), Dennis is trying to get funding for field trips that will hopefully be related to the Event scheduled on 3/8/78. providing a greater understanding of the conditions under which Asians must live and work. It would be fantastic if we could use this opportunity to also join others in voicing our demands about the increasing pressures that are put on the shoulders of not only Asians but all oppressed people. Dennis is open to suggestions from students as he strongly believes in the dialectical relationship between student and instructor, namely the learning from each other. Guest speakers will be announced in this paper for all who are interested. Because there are so few courses left in the Ethnic Studies Programs, the cousre had to assume the listing of SCS 489.

KAREN SILKWOOD

here that Gil and the Midnight Band tell us of the

that these money making, labor stealing bosses couldn't give less of a damn if workers inhale cancer causing elements or risk explosions at any time. In the song KAREN SILKWOOD is mentioned. This brave and heroic woman mysteriously died after she dared to stand up and raise some questions about the plutoniun plant in the Mid west where she worked. She died in an auto crash, on her way to meet with some reporters and Her intention was to expose the dangerous level of radiation that was emitted from the plant. After years of contradictory reports it was finally disclosed that her car was deliberatly hit by another, and that lethal doses of radiation were found in her refrigerator.

MALCOLM X COALITION

On March 2, 1978, there will be a planning meeting for

BAN THE KRUGERRAND

On March 7, 1978, all interested students/workers are invited to meet in the Union in order to go to the Smith haven Mall to deliver a letter to North Shore Numismatics, Ltd. demanding that they stop selling the Krugerrand coin. See the article on page 6 for explanation. This group will meet in the Union at 2:00 p.m. in order to leave .

NCSAL

On March 4, 1978, the National Coalition to Support African Liberation will have it's second meeting at For those of us who have heard Gil Scot Heron's new 11:00 a.m., at 149 Essex Street, Manhattan. Take the F album, BRIDGES, or who have seen him recently in train to Delancey Street. Go upstairs on the Essex concert at Hofstra, Rutgers or NYU, the song WE Street exit. The meeting will sum up the progress of ALMOST LOST DETROIT is a familiar tune. It is the various groups and individuals who are working hard to broaden the NCSAL. Many aspects of the work danger of the plutonium plants to the lives of the will be explored and discussed in order to prepare for workers and those who reside in the surrounding African Liberation Day. Stony Brook students will be community. The song warns the ruling class to be able to talk about work done around the Malcolm X

careful with the lives of workers, knowing all the while Coalition. US INVESTMENTS OUT OF SOUTH AFRICA!!! BAN THE KRUGERRAND!!! SHUT DOWN SOUTH AFRICAN AIRLINES!!! For further information call 6-706l.

BLACK WOMAN'S CONFERENCE:

On April 9, 1978 there will be a Black Woman's conference in Atlanta Georgia. For further information contact the School of Social Welfare.

OPPOSE THE DAVIS CUP TENNIS

TOURNAMENT

On March 19, 1978, in Nashville Tennesse, students/workers/athletes will participate in a demonstration to protest the Davis Cup Tennis Tournament because South Africa has been invited to participate this year. Stay posted for further information. See national new article for more clarity.

OVERTURN BAKKE

On April 15, 1978, there will be a National Demonstration in Washington DC to demand that the Bakke decision be overturned. While the Supreme Court has procrastinated in handing down this decision, different institutions are not enforcing their affirmative action programs in order to wait for those old men to go through the same obsolete measures in deciding for us whether or not discrimination still warrants affirmative action. See page on Bakke for further information.

CLOTHING DRIVE

A Clothing Drive has been started by a group of students to collect clothing and medical supplies for brothers/sisters in South Africa and Zimbabwe who are involved in guerilla warfare and need clothing that is as close to bullet proof as possible. All interested are invited to drop off old clothing items in the office. Encourage your instructors to get involved and contribute clothing also. All interested folks are also encouraged to save books and other items that they have no use for for a Bazaar scheduled for the Spring. All interested contact PEACHES, at 6-7061.

INTERESTED IN ACTING?

A group is being organized to present a musical affair of "Be Yond Er", side two to the LAST POETS, most recent album "Delights of the Garden". This effort is for the commemoration of Malcolm X Day scheduled for 3/8/78. The task will require alot of hard work and alot of creativity. We feel that this uplifing act will enhance the growth and development of all involved as well as providing and entertaining and thought prevoking experience for our fellw students. For further information contact Shabazz at 6-706l. Thank you for your cooperation . PEACE AND LOVE.

 $Yo...Got\ the\ drift?$ Blackworld newspaper didn't come to us as no gift!

Attacks are coming down on us everyday

And we need a newspaper on this campus

so we can say:

UNTIL OPPRESSION AND RACISMARE IN OUR PAST A NEWSPAPER LIKE THIS MUST BE MADE TO LAST YOU CAN'T GET INVOLVED FROM THE SIDELINES OR FROM THE OUTSIDE LOOKING IN THE TIME ISLONGOVERDUE FOR THE HARDWORK TOBEGIN YOU CAN START AT THE LIT TABLE IN THE UNION THEN MOVE DOWNSTAIRS TOTHE OFFICETHAT'SINTHE BASEMENT WHERE MOST OF THE WORK IS DONE FROM NOON TO MORN AND THENSOME. Come down to Room 071 Student Union

Randy Evans Struggle Intensifies

EVANS STRUGGLE STILL ALIVE

(Follow-up article on story printed in December 14 Blackworld, Front page.)

The residents of the East New York and potentials of all minority youth. Brownsvill section of Brooklyn, are still prepared to policeman Robert Toursey(the murderer of Randolph Evans), was just another incident where the people are

Members of various youth Church and Community organizations have joined together, (The Coalition of Concerned Community Leaders and Citizens for a Campaign To Save Our Youth), to unfold the truths behind the death of Broklyn youth Randolph Evans. These demands are an outgrowth not only of the murder of Randy Evans but of other murders of Black youth by white policemen. Young Ricky Bolden, Clifford Glover, Claude Reese and Frank Thompson Jr boycott through the decline of sales, as 78% of all all suffered from fatal blows inflicted by members of consumers in the area are Black and Hispanic. the New Youk City Police Department. All of the "defendants" were acquitted of the murder charges.

By working within the legal frameork of this system, the people insist that US Attorney Trager of the Eastern district review the case and indict Torsney for the violation of Randolph Evan's Civil Rights. They are demanding that a task force be created. Responsible community residents, who would be

appointed by the Mayor, would be delegated the power to subpoena alledged violators in order to investigate racism in the NYC Police Department. In addition, they foresee the fromation of acommittee representing all segments of the city. Its goal would be to develop a comprehensive program to guide the energies and

Today, there are mass demonstrtions being led by wage relentless struggle against city officials in their the community leaders ir the heart of Brooklyn's battle for justice! The unjustifiable court acquittal of Downtown shopping area. The stactic was particularly effective during the Christmas shopping season, when consumers flooded the area. Daily, people stood outside department stores and urged others to boycott A&S, Mays, Korvetted, and Martins because of their contributions and/or support to those who are participation in the killings of young brothers. They are demanding that A&S and other sowntown stores use their political and economic influence to help end police unjustice against Black and Hispanic people. Owners of thiese stores are being affected by the

> The Coalition of Concerned Community Leaders and Citizens for a Campaign to Save our Youth is planning a mass rally and demonstration on Saturday March Il, Il:30am at Brooklyn's Boro Hall. Issues will be dealt with not only in the interest of avenging one eleven years old's death, but more concretely with what can be done to stop individuals from being "licer sed to kill" oppressed peoples.



From Brooklyn to Soweto young children are being murdered daily

Cut'Em Loose Bruce IsOn Our Side

CUT'EM LOOSE BRUCE RETURNS TO CRIMINAL COURT

Judge Bruce M. Wright called his return to Manhattan Criminal Courts, a ...partial vindication...". He has just been transfered back to Criminal Court after being forced into the arena of civil court for the past three years. The tactic has been to keep this great companion of poor and oppressed people in a position where he can't be fully effective. Cut'em loose Bruce recognized that the bails set by the judges are riduculously high especially for those who are unemployed or depend on the state for a source of income. As a result he had a system of setting low bails for defendants and

instead of giving out jail sentences, he'd give fatherly lectures.

Judge Wright recognized that the fact that he's been transferred back to crimminal court a year befor his term expires is a joke. There are many groups and individuals who support him and, have rellied around the cause to reinstate him. They are the National Association of Black Lawyers, the Association of Legal Aid Society attorneys, the Center for Constitutional Rights and Acting Supreme Court Justic John Carro. To the poor people of Harlem, and the Bronx in particular, Judge Bruce Wright is onour side!



Malcolm X Day Comes March 8th, 1978 to the Union Auditorium. There will be workshops, slide shows, speakers, music, films skits and discussion. For information call 246-6081

or 6-7061

YOUR OPINION YOUR OPINION

Question:

1. Do you think that cut backs in ethnic studies programs at Stony Brook are related to the Bakke case, and why?

2. Should Puerto Rico be independent of the United States, or should it become a state, and



anine Lataillade

- 1. I think it is strictly a question of when shit comes down around their ears, we are always the first to get the axe. We are the last hired and the first fired. Stony Brook has been extravagant in other areas like finishing bridges that still go nowhere. Their priorities are upside-down; that explains it.
- 2. The only solution is a total break; not only the economics but also the ideological ties. The Puerto Rican reality is different from the situation here and any change has to be fundamental. It must come from El Pueblo (The People) and it must take into account the particular situation which occurs there.



- 1. I feel that the relationship between the funding of Ethnic studies programs and the Bakke case are very limited. The power that drove the minority causes in the 60's and early 70's are fading and other issues are superceding them.
- 2. I think that Puerto Rico has functioned very well being aided as it has been. United States intervention would add little to the Puerto Rican States as it exists.



- 1. I really don't know if the cutbacks in Asian American Studies, Puerto Rican and African Studies - not to mentionAIM are due to the Bakke mania that's going on in these United States. I do feel that the Bakke case, most likely has contributed and voiced the opinions of the administrators. Those opinions that are shared by Bakke and the Administrators are only of a select few people who have control of the masses. In other wores, oppression is being perpetuated by a
- 2. If the people of Puerto Rico and I don't mean the people who are well off, because they don't represent the masses - feel that it would be in their best interest to obtain Statehood, then it would be good. The reason I say this, is because the Puerto Rican people are in desperate need of a welfare system and free education. Now, if the disadvantages out-weigh the advantages of Statehood, then I feel that Puerto Rico should fight for its liberation. Now that I think of it, the Puerto Rican people have a country and a heritage to be proud of, so they should not enter into statehood to be melted into this chaos.



Felix Palacios

- L The general atmosphere of America is expanding technology in order to advance capitalism, and continuing the ideology of it while also trying to limit the knowledge and study of social science, ethnic studies, and international studies - in other words, they're just trying to limit the horizon of the American people. They're putting a lid on critical studies and analysis. This makes it easier for them to
- 2. I think Puerto Rico should be independent for symbolic reasons. Imperialism should not exist in this day and age. All people should have the right to govern themselves.



Dean Dovdevi

- 1. In all probability these programs will be phased out I mean they are on the way out. In all honesty I think there is a connection, but I can't say that they are being phased out because of Bakke. The University is aware of Bakke and they can say, if Bakke can get away with it, we can get away with it too.
- It all depends on the change economy since the United States has been giving them aid. Why should they take aid if it's not helping them?

BlackwortaMecca!

in the last analysis, it is yours. You young

... The world is yours, as well as ours, but

people full of vigor and vitality, are in the

bloom of life, like the sun at eight of nine in

MISUNDERSTANDING CHINA

On March 6, 1978 at 7:00 p.m., the C.B.S. T.V. Documentary, "Misunderstanding China," will be shown in the Union Room 236. The film studies the historical attitudes of Americans toward China and the Chinese people. These attitudes include not only those located within the borders of China, but the Chinese-Americans in the United States. The film's co-sponsors are the Asian-Americans Seminar and the Asian Students Association.

you....'MAO TSE TUNG Our hope is placed on the morning.