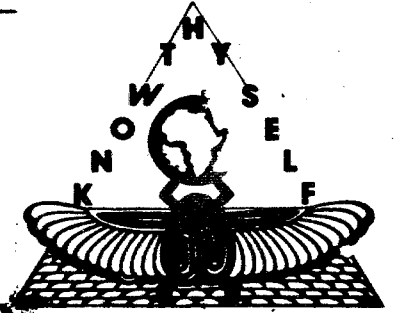


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“KWANZA: A FAMILY CELEBRATION”



"Love and Labor Conquer all Things"

---J.H. Lake, Sr.



Seven Standards of Blackness

- 1 Umojo (Unity) — to survive for and maintain unity in the family, community, nation, and race.
- 2 Kujickaquia (self determination) — to define ourselves, and speak for ourselves, instead of being defined and spoken to by others.
- 3 Ujims (Collective work and responsibility) — to build and maintain community together and to make brothers and sisters problems our problems and to solve them together.
- 4 Ujamas (Co-operative Economics) — to build and maintain our own stores, shop other businesses, and to profit together from them.
- 5 Nia (Purpose) — to make as our collective vocation the building and developing of our community in order to restore our people to their traditional greatness.
- 6 Kuuaba (Creativity) — to do always as much as we can in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than when we inherited it.
- 7 Inani (Faith) — to believe with all our hearts in our parents, our teachers, our leaders, our people and the righteousness and victory of our struggle.



PERSPECTIVES:

ABOUT KWANZA...

by Oseye McHaw

Kwanza is an African-American celebration which lasts for 7 days from December 26 to January 1. It is an indigenous Afro-American creation and is the only nationally celebrated, non-heroic Afro-American holiday in the United States. Therefore, Kwanza must be viewed and valued by us as a people.

There is no holiday in the African continent named Kwanza nor is there any holiday on the continent with the same symbols, practices or principles.

Dr. Ron Karanga, creator of Kwanza, explains that, "In 1966 when Kwanza was created, emphasis was placed on African roots of the holiday rather than the Afro-American roots. We Afro-Americans are an African people and thus, our creations are both African in terms of race and historical and cultural continuity."

Another reason for stressing continental roots of Kwanza rather than its Afro-American ones was to facilitate its acceptance among the diverse groups and people who would eventually accept it. Appeal was made to those who propagated the "return to their roots" or "back to Africa movements."

The concept of Kwanza, as the holiday of the first fruits, grew from the agricultural traditions of the African people who celebrated and gave thanks for harvest at particular times during the year. "Here, in North America, Blacks are basically urbanized and consequently have no crops to harvest."

The idea and concept of coming together and celebrating form the basis of Kwanza. We must therefore understand that Kwanza is a time for the gathering of our people. A time for celebrating ourselves and our achievements as well as a time for a reaffirmation of our traditional greatness.

Is Kwanza just a Black Christmas?

No. Kwanza is not a Black Christmas. One of the reasons for the creation of Kwanza was to escape the economic demands of the Christmas season.

Is it true that some had sought to deform Kwanza with the same commercialism that clouds Christmas. Kwanza is not a time for widespread expensive gift-giving which imposes unnecessary and excessive financial burden on Black people.

In regards to gift-giving Kwanza differs from Christmas in that gifts are given mainly to children; gifts are given on basis of merit; gifts are not mandatory or excessive, and when possible gifts should be home-made.

Kwanza is celebrated so close to Christmas, it allows us to capitalize on the holiday spirit already in existence. To allow us to take advantage of the end of year post-Christmas sales. But most importantly, it gives us an alternative, a Black alternative to an already existing holiday. Kwanza gives Black people an opportunity to celebrate themselves and their history.

Why does Kwanza last seven days?

Kwanza was established as a seven day holiday/celebration to help establish and promote the Nguru Saba (The seven principles of Blackness also created by Ron Karenga). Each day of Kwanza is represented by one of the principles:

(editor's note: Kwanza was celebrated at SUSB on Thursday, Dec. 9, 1982.)



FALL '82 IN REVIEW

by Roland Noel

Let's look back at this semester now that it is over. As usual we as a people have been pushed around again. We still don't get the money from polity that we deserve. Financial Aid seems to be doing or should I say by not doing their best have left some of us worrying if we'll be able to make it next semester; or are we going to eat dinner this week. They just didn't care. Then there was the Polity senate with their questionable president. Remember that woman who was dismissed over the summer. And who can forget the resigning of the judiciary with good cause of course, but then they turned around and took back their resignation. But guess what? Looking back at the semester I realize that we will show everyone that we will not be pushed around again. It all started with a "Town Meeting" in which we had the honor of having Mr. Ossie Davis present. This was followed by a series of other Town meetings. These meetings eventually led to the formation an United Front which is all of us coming together as one force. That's right now that we are coming together WE WILL NOT BE PUSHED AROUND ANYMORE. Baraka said it best, "The United Front is not hide our differences but to minimize it." And who can forget at one of the meetings the question: "Frank Jackson are you a student or not? was asked. He never really answered the question. This was a hell of a semester.

We had Caribbean Day filled with food and dancing in the Union. We also had Haitian day, L.A.S.O. DAY, all expositions of our cultures.

There was also African Solidarity Day in the Union Ballroom filled with dancing, singing, poetry and speeches. Let's not forget Kwanza the celebration based on seven African principles: 1) UMOJA — "Unity", 2) KUJICHA-GULIA — "Self Determination", 3) UJIMA — "Collective Work, Responsibility", 4) UJAMAA — "Cooperative Economics", 5) NIA — "Purpose", 6) KUUMBA — "Creativity and 7) IMANI — "Faith". These seven principles is what we have to put into action. Notice the word is ACTION not talk.

This was suppose to be a long semester but I guess when things are going bad, time just flies by before you could really change things. We had problems with Polity, Financial Aid and Administrators; then I thought what else could go wrong because when things are going bad they are going bad. No sooner said than done, we found out that we have traitors, "Uncle Toms" in our presence. Baraka said, "We know traitors by their deeds", so next semester let's look out for them because they come in all forms.

The semester has come to an end, some of us are graduating some are leaving; caught in that revolving door that affect minority students. I have been here seven semesters and believe me alot of brothers and sisters aren't here anymore. At this point I would like to wish everyone happy holidays and I hope that when we return we will pick up where we left off in '83. Good Luck on your finals.

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I wishes all much success as we ap- end of this fall semester. Study well. er. One love.

A Friend is a Gift From God

by Constance Evans

*"A friend in need, is a friend indeed"
Is what they always say,
Yet I perceive friendship differently
In a more profound way*

*For a friend is more than just someone
We encounter from day to day
But a special, precious person
Whom you know is a friend to stay*

*Dependability is their lifestyle
In constancy do they abide
Through sickness, health, poverty, wealth
They never leave your side*

*The qualities of a friend
Are those that reveal the measure
Of a friend being as priceless
As a deeply buried treasure*

*Loyalty is a friends middle name
Their love and trust go hand in hand
The good things life offers is the
only foundation
On which a friend will stand*

*So next time you call someone "friend"
Just think that it's not so odd
That a friend is more than just
"one in need"
But a friend is a Gift from God.*

PROPOSAL IN TRIBUTE TO AFRICA

12/10/82

As a descendant of her people, I hunger for a closer relationship between myself and Africa: her history, her culture, people, etc. Consequently, I propose a group discussion of Africa and her history on a regular, ongoing basis. I propose, as a target for the discussions, the relationship between the history of Africa and the dispersion of her people. In short, I propose a discussion of Africa with an international scope.

On the slave issue, rather than merely follow the experience of the American slaves and their descendants, I propose an examination of the impact that the tearing away of her people from her bosom had on Africa with respect to its historical significance. I believe that we should examine its impact on the world, as it is certain that many nations benefitted from this foul act.

Ultimately, we could visit Africa and conduct an on-the-spot analysis and examination of the historical sites and her culture as well as meet her people at home. But putting first things first, I propose that we familiarize ourselves thoroughly with the history, and let that knowledge provide the impetus for subsequent activity.

I address this proposal to the entire community. I am open for suggestions, comments, etc., and be advised that I will initiate a tentative format during intersession. Should you be interested in participating, please contact me at your earliest convenience (hopefully before this semester ends).

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CULTURE AND CONSCIOUSNESS



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FACES OF A PEOPLE

EDITORIALS

FIGHT TO SAVE THE LIVES OF ANC FREEDOM FIGHTERS

the implications of a forthcoming political trial involving three ANC combatants charged with high treason. Since then, Telle Simon Mogoerane, Jerry Semano Mosololi and Marcus Thabo Motaung have been sentenced to death. Below we look at the course of their trial and the need for a concerted effort by the international community to prevent the judicial murder of the six ANC freedom fighters currently in Pretoria Prison's notorious death row.

Despite South Africa's attempts to project an image of 'reform' and relaxation of apartheid laws, it is, in its efforts to halt the onward surge of the liberation struggle, relying on more and more barbaric forms of repression.

In August, 21 year old Ernest Dipale was found murdered in his cell "hanged by a strip of his blanket". Those detainees, alleged to have participated in the revolutionary armed struggle who survive to face trial, are dealt with by simply making the murder an act of court. At present six ANC members are facing sentence of death. Moise, Shabangu and Tsotsobe await the hearing of their appeal on September 3rd, 1982. And now they have been joined by the "Moroko Three" whose trial again revealed the excesses of fascist brutality that have become commonplace in apartheid South Africa.

The State's Case

Mogoerane, Mosololi and Motaung were found guilty of 'high treason' and 20 alternative charges. State evidence at their trial focussed on the attacks on Moroko and Orlando police stations in 1979 in which three members of the apartheid police force died, and the action against the Wonderboom police station near Pretoria on December 24th of last year. The Prosecution also detailed actions on the New Canada railway line and the Capital Park electricity sub-station as part of the charges against them.

The "Moroko Three" pleaded not guilty to all the allegations made by the apartheid court. The so-called crimes they were accused of committing were armed actions by the people's army, Umkhonto we Sizwe, a component part of the just struggle for national liberation being waged by the South African people. Indeed, it became clear during the trial that their determination to fight for freedom had been forged during the 1976 student uprisings. The "Moroko Three" had seen their young sisters and brothers mowed down in the streets by the fascist police.

It was precisely actions like those in Orlando and Moroko that heralded in a new phase in the

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Evidence of barbaric: commence par s'eclaircir peu a peu au- d wishes all much success as we ap- end of this fall semester. Study well. torture of Simon Nfait montrer petit a petit derriere la Chther. One love. an attempt to forcé autre jour comme celui d'hier se mont disclose the location of their wea- pons, the security police tied a rope around his kneck and one of his hands behind his back. They then pulled a plastic bag over his head and hung him from a tree, making him stand on his toes. A dog was then unleashed to savage him.

He was suspended from a pole between a table and a chair while being subjected to electric shocks. A pistol was placed in his mouth while another policeman banged the table, making a sound like a shot being fired. When the police threatened to arrest and torture his mother, he finally agreed to write a statement.

TH NOSTALGIA Gary Bien-Aime

if I said I love :

It seems beyond comprehension, but it is true, that Justice D.J. Curlewis allowed this statement as evidence after deciding that it had been made "freely and voluntarily". In giving his judgement, Curlewis described Mogoerane as "a compulsive liar".

Evidence given on the treatment of Marcus Motaung again implicated the South African medical profession in the crimes of the racist state. On his arrest, Motaung was shot three times by the security police. He was only given medical treatment three hours later. What did this "treatment" consist of? Pretoria local district surgeon, Dr. M.S. Snyman merely gave Motaung painkilling tablets and then delivered him back into the hands of security police who took him away "to point out certain things". Dr. Snyman had not even put disinfectant or dressings on his gunshot wounds. Asked by the Defence if it was not her duty in terms of the "Hippocratic Oath" to attend to the wounds, Dr.
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Course Offering! AFS 420 Topics in African Studies

sec 1: Black Women in Africa, the Caribbean, and the United States. A survey of the history of black women in the context of the struggles for social justice in the Caribbean (English- and Spanish-speaking), Africa, the United States. Several major topics will be covered: the slave resistance and the anti-slavery movement; the anti-colonial struggle in Africa and the Caribbean; the trade union movement in the U.S. and Africa; the civil rights movement in Cuba, Puerto Rico, and Jamaica; and the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa. There will be a number of topical films and guest speakers. Will meet 11:20 - 12:35 Tuesdays and Thursday (Carolyn Brown)

ed. note: last issue's articles entitled, "Nambia Still not Free", taken from Unity News Vol. 5 Number 17; "Nigeria: Africa's Crawling Industrial Giant" taken from Africa Globe News.

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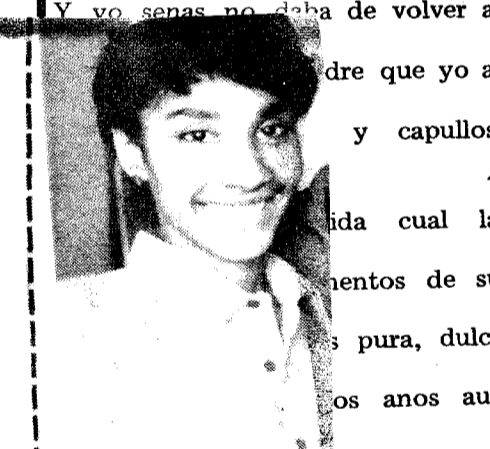
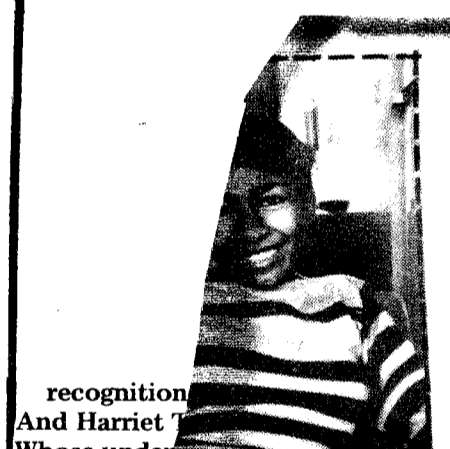
Since the first ship of slaves announced
Our tormented arrival,
The Black experience in America
Has been a battle of vigilant survival.
This land of so-called promise
These infinite shores of the "free"
Meant ankle chains and bondage
To those with black skin like me.
Death was swift to Africa's children
Who dared read a book,
Castration, rape or worse, to any
'kin of darkness
Who gave massa a dirty look.
But we survived!

At the end of the Civil War
America created slavery's sequel,
Law and signs that read "White Only
Schools that were separate... But eq
Though the metal yokes of the

slave were cast from our backs
The mental chains of prejudice
still placed us on
The wrong side of the tracks.
In many conflicts, including World War Two
Our warriors fought against your
enemies, America,
When our real adversary was you.
In segregated units, our youths
shed their blood in the
air,
On land and sea
You said we were fighting for
freedom,
Turned out to be just more
hypocrisy.
We helped you liberate Europe
Including German occupied France,
While in America,
Your racists policies were killing
us
Before we ever had a chance.

We still survived!!

Throughout our history in America
Our leaders were always there,
Educated or not
They could always read despair
There was Frederick Douglass,
Who fought for Black freedom and



recognition
And Harriet
Whose under
slavery o
abolition
Remember
He invest
To start
fr
ounded on African soil.
George Washington Carver,
He helped educate so many of
our youths.
And Paul Robenson,
Who stood by his convictions
No matter how America distorted
the truth.
What of Medgar Evers,
Shot for seeking a decent education.
Rosa Parks,
Who was the "Movement's" modern
motivation.
Of course there was the awesome
unifying power of
Dr. Martin Luther King,
His mountaintop dream was to
"Let Freedom Ring."
Brother Malcolm X
The total essence of the informed
Black Male.
He taught us self-respect and honor
And said, unified we shall prevail.

No matter what
Black America Will Survive!!!

by Maggie Exairer

ESCOLTADA MI MANO DE TU MANO

Mi querida madre; aun recuerdo
de nino
Cuando tu me arrullabas y me
dabas tus mimos
Y tus manos tan suaves como de
terciopelo
Se posaban muy dulces a aliviar
mis desvelos.

El sillón de mi cuarto como mudo
testigo
Fue mi fiel companero en mis
noches sin sueno
Pues el supo vivir mi agonía y mi
suerte
Y el dolor y la angustia de mi
rigido cuerpo.

Y al igual que el sillón en mi
cuarto, penabas
Madre santa abnegada, ver mi
suerte torcida,
Los designios de mi alma ya en un
hilo pendia
Y el ladron de la muerte con su
astucia acechaba.

Mi querida madre, siempre te
recuerdo
Cuando tu sentabas y en tu falda
mesias,
Este escualido cuerpo que dos
onzas pesaba
Pues la sombra muy negra afanosa
insistia.

Y pasaron los dias y llegaron los
meses
Y yo senas no deba de volver a

madre que yo a

y capullos

ida cual la

mentos de su

os anos aun

madre, pues

tu eres ejemplo
De las madres del mundo que aun
viven su tortura.
Dios a ti recompense por tan
noble y, tan pura,
Por ser santa y tan buena, de lo
cual no merezco.

by Ismael Bonilla
July 21, 1977

'dibuja un verso dulce y de colores:
un soneto viviente con amores
revuelto en la memoria del hermano
arrinconado en suelo americano,
sujeto de los mares sus olores,
rocío de sus petalos; primores,
paisaje verde rojo y ya lejano.
Noticias, extranjero, y es doliente
el vuelo de los pajaros vencidos:
finales frios de un verano ausente
que repite los tiempos confundidos
en la melancolia de un presente
por donde van y vienen los dormidos.

Wilson R. Hernandez-Peralta

I MUST BE FREE

I look out in the world and I see so much
injustice,
And I wonder when will our people be totally
free,

Liberated, so that each of us may excel as far as
our abilities persuade us.

There will be a time
There must be a time

Even if it takes a million years
When we shall experience total freedom.

So the struggle for equality and justice must go
on,

So that others may see and understand
That we have strong determination in the pursue
and apprehension of absolute freedom.

When we have achieved this goal, the minds of
our people will be at ease,
And the spirits of our ancestors will rejoice in
glory

For the so long fought battle will have been
won.

Then the voice from the past will no longer say:
I am in a cage while others are passing by,
They are free.

They seem to look at me, but what they see is
not really me,
For I am inside of me,

That is why those who hold me captive will
not set me free.

They can't see me; they don't know who
I am.

I am filled with grief, with deepest pains,
Filled with broken dreams, with doubts and
fears,

Afraid that I will never make it out of here.
I am full of fears.

There are so much distortions in here,
And there is no one close with whom my
burdens to share.

All my sorrows I alone must bear.
I must be free and let like birds to fly,
So I could soar over the clouds, way up
high,

Free, so I can be one of those people passing
by.

I hope someday this cage will let its doors
ajar,
Or someone will dismantle these iron bars
So I could be free, could see the sky

I must be free one day before I die.
These bars, this door, this cage that I am in,
This grief, this pain, these tears within must
go away,

For I must be free,
Free as the wind,
Free as the sea,
Free as the sky,
I must be free.

Lancelot Walker

It's still dark out there
Since the sun is still sleeping.
But the heavy steps of the mules,
Walking one behind the other, push me to think.
The non-stop talking of their owners
Give me the feeling to find what time it is.
But, so comfortable on that mat,
It's not easy to get up right away.
On that mat I keep on complaining.
The sharp barking of the dogs toward the
passers-by
Seem to tell me that there's at least hundred of
them.
I still keep on complaining.

While Mommy came over to know what is the
matter.

She then tells me what it is about.
The heavy steps of the passing mules on their
way to the market

Were the cause of their barking.
The roosters, still perched on the trees in the
backyard,

Were also disturbed.
Those famous musicians will soon
Start their free morning concert named:
COQUELICOT.

It must be four in the morning
The sky starts clearing up as the hour increases.
Suddenly, a reddish sun still hiding behind the
mountains

Appears little by little.
Another day just like yesterday shows up in the
horizon.

The birds bathed in the dew dive
In the fresh, calm, and pure air
And start their first promenade of the day.

Good morning neighbour
How you feel today?
Thanks God I can't complain.

And the activities start again!

WITH NOSTALGIA
Gary Bien-Aime

What would you do if I said I love
you?

Would you reply the same
Or laugh?
Would you hold me in your arms
Or leave

What would you do if I said I love
you?

Would you understand the bliss
yet the pain involved
Would you understand the security
yet the uncertainty

that your love brings
If I said I love you,
What would you do?

Jucifer

Il fait encore noir au-dehors
Puisque le soleil se cache encore.
Mais les lourds pas des mulets,
Marchant a la file indienne, me portent a etre inquiet.
Les voix continuees de leurs conducteurs
Me poussent toujours a regarder l'heure.
Mais si confortable sur cette natte,
Il m'est impossible de me lever a la hate.
Les bruits sans cesse augmentent
Alors, sur ma petite natte, je me lamente.
Les aboiements aigus des chiens aux passants
Semblent qu'il s'agit d'une meute aux environs de cent.
Je me plains continuellement
Alors que maman vient a ma rescousse inattendument.
Je finis par savoir ainsi
Qu'il s'agit de ceci:
"Les lourds pas des mules qui passaient constamment
Etait la cause de leurs aboiements."
Ces mules etaient en route pour le marche.

Le peuple des coqs, perche encore sur les calebassiers,
Fut eux-aussi tourmente.
Ces fameux musiciens vont commencer bientot
Leur gratuit concert matinal intitule: COQUELICOT
Il doit etre dans les quatres heures.
Il commence par s'eclaircir peu a peu au-dehors.
Soudain, un soleil rougeatre, encore cache
Se fait montrer petit a petit derriere la Chaine des Matheux.
Un autre jour comme celui d'hier se montre a l'horizon.
Les oiseaux baignes de rosee plannent
Dans le calme, pur et frais air campagnard
Et commence ainsi leur premiere randonnee de la Journee.

Bonjou ma comme
Coman nuite la te ye
Tre byin grace a Dieu

Et les activites recommencent!

NOSTALGIQUEMENT VOTRE
Gary Bien-Aime

(editor's note: the poet is an SUSB undergraduate.)

In desparate moments like this
anything will do
or so it seems

The years have come and gone
and time has swiftly passed us by
memories are all that's left
a point here a point there
how I wished it could be more

The feeling never goes away
somehow it only manages to be
artificially depressed

Another day turns and I manage
to get by
yearnin for yesterday and
hoping for tomorrow

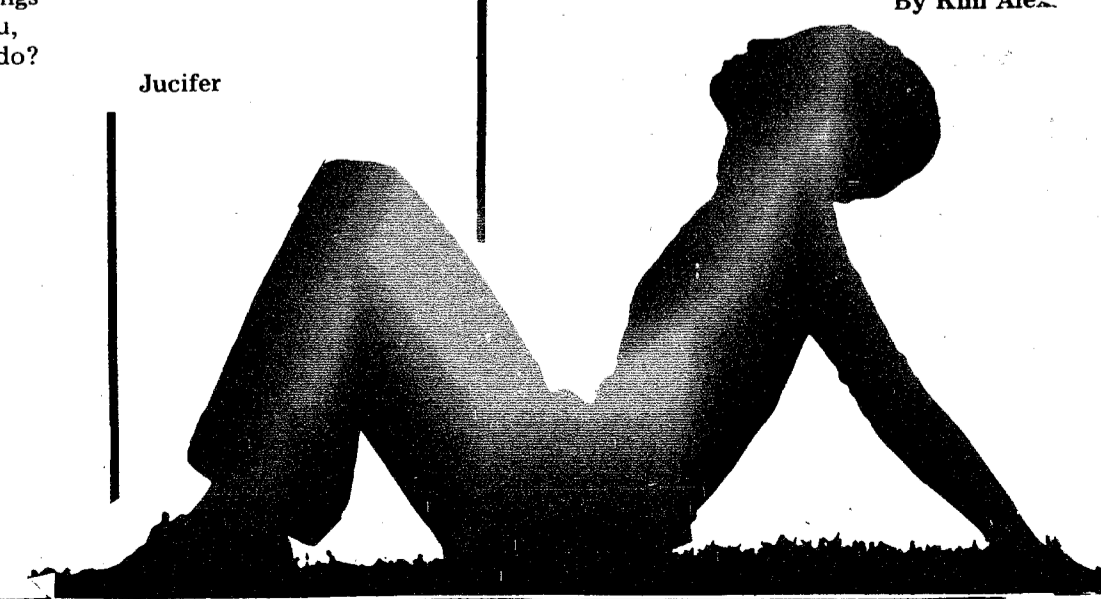
How innocent it began and
how guilty it turned out to be

Ah, but then there's hope
and just maybe

Is it too much to ask for?

Tomorrow holds the answer
to yesterday's question

By Kim Ale.



ON THE FIRST DAY OF VACATION, MY PARENTS SAID TO ME....

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The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress. Frederick Douglass.

AMIRI BARAKA SPEAKS ON: THE UNITED FRONT AT SUSB

At African solidarity Day last month I tried to outline my own understanding of what the consciousness must be among the exploited and oppressed people of the world in forming different sectors and levels of united front to fight against imperialism throughout the world. I also laid out some ideas for trying to build such a front on this campus. It is necessary for the same reasons, to oppose and fight against the same forces that dominate most of the people in the world, because those same forces are at work even on this campus.

Internationally, the people of the 3rd world, Asia, Africa, Latin America the middle east, are leading the world forces against imperialism, racism, colonialism, apartheid, zionism, why? because they are the most oppressed by these forces. On this campus, 3rd world people must lead this struggle, for the same reasons. And although it is on a smaller scale, it is no less a struggle and of great importance.

The education system in an imperialist country, a white racist monopoly capitalist country, such as the US, reflects for the most part that system itself. It is only with great consciousness and resolve that we can fight against those forces here at Stony Brook. They attack us through the curriculum, through the administration, through the faculty and staff, the media and text books. It can be white supremacy and capitalist values taught in the class room. It can be Public-so called-Safety

attacking third world students; it can be racists intimidating women students; it can be uncle tom administrators failing to provide the support that black, latino and other third world people on this campus and in this university community need. It can be resources supposedly coming to the third world community but headed elsewhere with the tacit approval of the powers that be; it can be activities fees paid by third world students that end up as fees for watergate burglars or zionist propagandists. It can be a so called student newspaper whose only reports on the third world community are false or negative. It can be a corrupt white supremacist student government where individuals can be president and not even registered in school, as long as they are white and well connected and reactionary. It can be the revolving door syndrome for third world students aided and abetted by corrupt administrators.

For those among us who are so naive as to think that somehow just because we have come out here to Long Island we have left the United States or for that matter the world, and are in some neutral non-exploiting zone of some mystical beings mind, it's time we woke up to the harsh reality that Stony Brook is no more or no less than what the rest of this society is. And to succeed, to accomplish what we must, in other words, to survive and even more than that, to develop, we must take very much the same

measures we would have to take were we almost anyplace else in this system.

This is the reason that I am putting out so consistently the idea that we must develop a united front on this campus against those forces of white supremacy and monopoly capitalism that exist in whatever forms here at Stony Brook. The United Front is simply a joining together consciously of all those forces who have some objective commonality of condition. I say joining together *consciously*, because, unfortunately, just because we might suffer from the same oppression, the same exploitation, and be in the same condition, this does not mean we have to be automatically even conscious of this fact. And if we are conscious of this fact, the fact of our basic commonality, many times we are not progressive enough to understand that this is the fundamental basis for alliance, for our joining forces and struggling together to achieve our mutual goals.

Often we think that even though we have basic commonality with others that we cannot get together because (1) we are different nationalities and since some of us are nationalists or affected by nationalism we can only work with our own nationality even though white racist monopoly capitalism will be kicking our AfricanLatino-AsianArab asses and kicking our African-American Haitian Jamaican Puerto Rican Chicano Caribbean asses at one and the same time

while we go for the ghost and separate ourselves from our only legitimate comrades our only serious allies. Those allies who are serious because they are getting stomped on just like us and for the same reasons, *maximum profit!*

Another reason we cannot form united fronts is we think we must be permanently separated because we have different *ideologies*. Malcolm sd it eloquently on the record we not catching hell cause we baptist, we not catching hell cause we methodist, or muslims, or whatever, but because we're black or latin or Asian or Arab. A further reality is that we have christians, muslims, buddhists, democrats, republicans, nationalists, communists, social democrats, petty and not so petty capitalists among us and all of us, as superior intellectually, morally, economically and stylistically as we might feel to each other, we are catching a common hell, a common foot on our common necks.

The united front says we must emphasize our commonality and join together to fight our common enemy. We must go into the united front knowing our differences of nationality, ideology, class background and even style, but we must emphasize those things that are most important to the majority of us. We must *maximize our unities and minimize our disunities*.

Our united front is not to hide differences but to minimize them and maximize our collective struggle and collective decisions. And we can *solve* our problems by working with a combination of both *unity* and *struggle*. We cannot solve our problems with just unity and no struggle or just struggle and no unity. Mao Zedong the great Chinese leader said this. We come together working for maximum

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NYEA news release

New York Educators Association

ALBANY — New York Educators Association President Thomas J. Pisa said Sunday his statewide union will help mount a congressional lobbying effort to repeal an unjust law which is crippling New York dairy farmers and jeopardizing the economic health of rural communities across the state.

At its monthly meeting here, the union's board of directors voted to strongly oppose a federal law effective December 1 which calls for a stiff penalty or fine of 50 cents per hundred weight of milk produced to be levied against farmers across the country. Designed to deal with the nationwide milk surplus problem, the law "is extremely unjust and devastating for the farmers of this state who do not even produce a surplus," Pisa said.

Pisa noted that the average small farmer milking 50 head will lose approximately \$300 a month and larger farms could lose as much as \$2,000 a month from just the ini-

tial fine. In April, another 50 cent fine is scheduled to be levied and "is sure to result in economic shock to this state's largest industry and ultimately for all of us."

The statewide union leader said, "We believe it is time for groups like ours who continually seek community support for education to stand up and be counted in our rural communities. We must support the farmers, not only for the injustice of their situation, but also because if they are driven out of business, the repercussions on our economic structure will reverberate in our schools. If the farmers are out of business, education will be out of business in many of our rural communities."

Pisa said the NYEA, which represents nearly 30,000 teachers, educational support personnel and college faculty across the state, wanted to speak out on behalf of farmers "because education has always been able to count on the farmer for support and now

we want to give it back."

Meanwhile, the union is asking its members to write their congressional representatives urging legislation to repeal the fines and will attempt to persuade its parent union, the 1.7 million-member National Education Association — "ground the repeal of the law in human support."

To the Third World Community

There is something,
Something that is beautiful
within you.

Many have recognized it.
Many have loved and cared
for it.

Why can't you?
Please recognize the worth
you hold.

You are more valuable
than most things on earth,
Accept your fancies and
try to improve them
We have started,
You must continue.

Cindy Newkirk



Drew,
You are something special.
It's so nice to have you close by.
Your Sweetie

Roly,
Best of Luck on finals. I suspect that's what's keeping you from us.
Janelle

Jan,
My one and only sister. I don't know what I would do without you. You've always been there and I know you always will be.
Love Sharon.

Special K.
We've had our ups and downs. But we've always overcome the downs. You've been a friend for a very long time. With your love and my love it will remain the same.
Sharon

To the Men Next Door,
Happy Holidays
Love The Women Next Door

Janine, Donna, Sharon, Maxine, Sandy,
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Enjoy Jamaica, St. Thomas, and Europe. Don't think of me sitting here all alone.
Love Kim

To My Suite-Mates and Sandy,
What a great crew the "B-24 Women + 1" are. Looking forward to the rest of the year.
Sha-Sha

J.V.
I expect to see you before the year is out. Don't be such a stranger.
Love Sharon

Janine,
In you I've found a person who does not judge but inquires, who does not condemn but is concerned. Thank you for believing in me when I've doubted myself and my actions to the fullest. From deep within my heart I must relate that you've helped me through this semester more than you know. I am sincerely grateful to you.
Much love, Sandy

Sandy, with you on our side, how can we lose. Love ya. He
Chiji. I love you always!!
Chioma.

Kelvin,
Thank you for friendship
Thank you for cheer
Thank you for helping with Bio this year.
From the tutee next door

Maxine & Janine
Pack yu bag, and no leave no space
for Jamaica is the place we goin' show fi we face
Good luck on finals! Miss D

To Mr. Chem,
The semester isn't over yet. You still have time to catch up in c-h-e-m-i-s-t-r-y.
From
Miss Biochem

Mr. Daly, Thou we hardly kept with each other this semester. I wish you success in your various endeavours.
Your other half.

Mr. Noel keep the faith. I am watching you.
Guess who?

Hi Monsieur Pierre, I hope you know who this is from!

Sandra (Trini), Some Times I wish People like you grew on trees. Probably it would make it alot easier for men like me.
Love Roland

Kelvin — You're leaving this place, yes. But a part of you remains with us forever. Take care, brother. One love.

Renee — That we keep trodding "In the Tradition" remembering this trial here as the beginnings of that struggle, Love and Labor conquers all. — One Love, a roommate

**PUT YOUR
TALENTS TO
WORK.
JOIN THE STAFF
OF
BLACKWORLD.**



To Joyce, Tod, Jeff, Elizabeth, Madeline, Sau, Kartik, Roselie
Have a great Xmas and very enjoyable new year and we hope to see you all next year.
Ted and Tony

To Claude, Dexter, Charlie, Derrick, Peter — I hope your Xmas will be as sunny as mine, if not enjoy it anyway
Ted

To Elvie, Flinora, Donna, Lillie, Janice
It was great getting to know you and we hope to see you next year. Enjoy the Xmas holidays and don't forget us.
Dwayne & Ted

To Caroline, Nora, Janet, Dawnette, Elisha, Judith — a group of freshwomen who are very dear to us. Enjoy the holidays.
Tony & Ted

To Anette — Although you may know how I feel about you. Don't let it get into the way of our friendship. Enjoy your Xmas and may your new year's resolution be me.
Ted

Cindy,
Growth is one of the gifts of learning. May you continue to bloom.
Sandv

Caesar,
I'll tell you a secret, but don't get sore
It was nice having to live with you next-door
Q.T.

Sandy,
I hope I don't have to go down to St. Croix and bodily bring you back to Story Brook. Have a Wonderful Sunshiny Holiday.
Miss D.

To Tony —
You are the best and coolest. One love.
Ted

Dear Jackie,
I am sorry about you know who, but God knows best. I realize things haven't been the greatest all semester but we have to work at it. Just remember that I love you and am always here for you.
luv ya
Sandie

Ziggy,
Happy birthday. You aggravate me and pester me a lot but I still love you anyway.
Pebbles

Moumouche,
De tout colur vous soukaite bonheur complet, sante parfaite.
Du fond du colur recevez ces vœux que vos jours soient longs et heureux.
Avec beaucoup d'amour,
Roselie

George,
The best of wishes,
Not just today, or tomorrow,
But always just for you!
Luv,
"Articulate"

G-E-O-R-G-E,
Gee, I never Expected On my Return to the Brook's that I would have encountered such an articulate individual. This message is to let him know that his knowledge was Greatly appreciated and Enlightning
From
"B."

Roland
Fine Wine, Precious Jewels or Gold can never replace the memories of old.
Have a Joyous Holiday — hope this one will be constructive.
Miss D

Miss Queens 1982
Over the Vacation We'll be thinking of you. It was great having you on the hall
B-24

A JESSY JEANTY CECI EST POUR VIUS DIRE QUE JE VOUS TROUVE TRES TRES CHARMANTE. J'AIMERAIS BEAUCOUP VOUS VOIR PENDANT LES VACANCES DE NOEL ET JE VOUS PROMETS QUE VOUS NE SEREZ PAS DECUE. SIGNE UN AMI QUI VOUS AIME BIEN ET QUI AIMERAIT VOUS VOIR SOURIRE PLUS SOUVENT.

Say Something

Hope, Joann, Marcia and Roland: You four are the very best friends anyone could have. you've made my stay at the Brook an exciting one. Enjoy the holidays and see you all next year. Love Beulah

Jackie; to have a friend like you, is to have someone who is loving, caring and thoughtful. Hope our friendship last forever. Love and togetherness. Gail & Sharon

Janelle, Miss D., Sharon, Snooky, and Kim; Love is the message. Snooky

Sharon (June); It is so great to have someone I can call friend. One whom I can trust & always depend on. We've come a long way in the past years as friends and I've sure we can make it much further.
Love Jackie (Lots of luck with finals)

Gail; Thanks for being there when I really needed a friend. Not only are you a thoughtful and understanding person but a great roommate too. Love and Merry Christmas. Jackie

To the Brothers & Sisters on Campus; Good Luck on your finals & enjoy your vacation. Stay in the struggle always to the end.

Gail; who always has a smile no matter what the situation may be. You're humorous attitude cheers us up. Keep smiling it brightens up the suite.
Love Sharon (enjoy the Xmas)

Debbie; Sorry you have to leave the Brook. Believe me the Suite won't be the same without you. We'll miss you a great deal. Hope the city has a better offer in your carrer. Come back to visit. Love ya Gail, Jackie, Sharon

Roland, You will always be a special friend to me. Stay sweet. Love Gail

Kelvin, Good luck in whatever you do. I know you will make the best of it. We'll miss you but that's the breaks. Gail

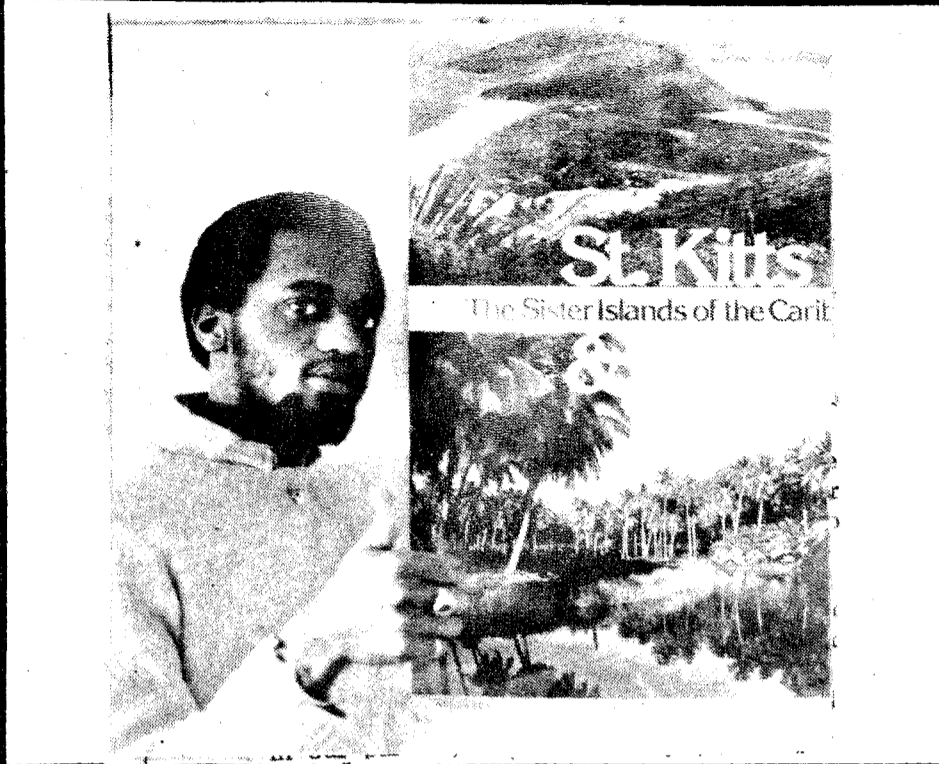
Sharon, I never thought that one could be so understanding. you always have the right things to say whenever I'm down. You are one terrific suitemate & friend. Have a Merry, merry Xmas. Love Gail

Corlis, Happy belated Birthday. Every spring flowers again blossom

Kelvin, as a friend I'm sad to see you go, but as one dog to another good riddance.

My dearest Robin, When I think of what really matters to me, my thoughts always return to the one most important aspect of my life without which all the other things I have and hold would be meningless. I love you. Ricardo.

Feature On: **THE ONE**



Name: Kelvin R. Daly
Major: Biology
Zodiac Sign: Libra
Birthplace: Nevis, Caribbean

Philosophy: Ignorance is no excuse for stupidity. I find it necessary to educate and re-educate myself with every facet of the human, and more precisely, the Third World experience. I would consider myself stupid, not ignorant, if I had no awareness of the implications of the Grenadian Revolution (for example) and did nothing to correct it.

Hobbies: Photography, fishing, snorkeling, swimming, staying politically conscious and active.

Goals in Life: a) Immediate goals: To become a veterinarian, with great emphasis on research in developing stock (i.e., chicken, sheep, goat) that would prove viable in terms of increasing production on the limited resources that exist.

b) Future Goals: To return to Nevis, become politically active, and eventually be at the forefront of any policy making decision, both foreign and domestic.

Activities: Treasurer and President of the Caribbean students Organization in Fall '79 and Spring '81 respectively; Chairman of the Affirmative Action Committee in Spring '82; photographer of Black World; Third World Graduation Committee in 1980-81; Granada Internship in Fall '81; submitted a Grenada Research paper to Undergraduate Research Committee; active participant in documentary showings and presentations on Grenada; enthusiastic participant in campus-based politics.

Message to Campus Community: Do not let your life at Stony Brook be restricted to academics. For education is a total experience of which academics is only a piece. "I share with you the thought that there are no new ideas in the world, only different ways of looking at them." Therefore, it can only be true that your depth of perception is born out of experience and interacting with others — not academics.

In terms of academics, individuality doesn't pay. **STUDY TOGETHER!!! SHARE IDEAS!!!**



Roomy Number 1

It will soon be time for me to leave. I'm sad that I have to go. It is something that I must do, and I hope know that now. I will always care for you. We will, hopefully, never become "hi, bye friends".

Roomy Number 2³

submit all personals to Black-world mailbox, Polity Office, 2nd Floor, Student Union

Preparing Yourself For... **LIFE,**



THE BLACK MAN MUST DO FOR SELF

Sharon,

Remember that Germany is a big place. You might get lost! Have a wonderful trip.

Good luck on finals

Miss D

To Neville,

Words cannot explain the way I feel about you. I have had my eyes on you for a long time.

You are everything I look for in a man. Just the thought of you drives me crazy.

It's too bad that you won't ever know who I am until you are available.

Believe me, I am worth your while.

"I Desire"

Paul P.,

Take care of yourself. I will always be here if you need to talk.

Your "friend"

Mireyia,

Thank you for a most exciting semester on A3.

Cindy

Sandy,

Keep on, keeping on. You've come this far, you mind as well just live, and let live. Next semester try to tone the --lunacy down. I don't want to hear any more complaints about you.

Love,
Cindy

To the Sleeping Lion who kisses with the Tenderness of a Kitten, Good Luck and Best Wishes!!!

"Meow"

TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF H.S.O. GOOD LUCK ON ALL YOUR EXAMS, MERRY XMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR AND DO NOT FORGET ABOUT THE RAFFLE TICKETS. DRAWING DATE FEB. 3RD. LOVE PIERRE.

To Pat — In the past few weeks I have really gotten to know you and I can safely say you are a wonderful person and don't ever change. Have a great vocation

Ted

Dear Terri,

Happy Birthday. Thank you for being there to listen when I needed a friend. My door is always open to you.

Sandie

I dedicated my poem to all my "Gifts from God", my beautiful friends. Merry Christmas! with love Connie

We in the family at SUSB extend our warmest hellos to Ms. Lucia Levell. One love.

Beulah, (the most fantastic roommate) A girl that can make me smile even when I'm down. I hope your future turns out to be better than you expected because you deserve it. Always keep in touch. Your loving roommate, Hope

To our dearest friend Beulah; We enjoyed having ya as our friend and we hope you come back to us soon. Stay sweet as always. Love Marcia & Hope

To the Gershwin Sistrens,

Thank you for being my sisters and including me in your "home". I love you all.

Sandy

Your Sweet

KS ON THE UNITED FRONT AT SUSB

Roly,

Best of Luck on finals. I suspect that's what's keeping you from us. ... from each other, we keep the trivia out of the way. But we must struggle in a principled way about our important differences. By principled struggle, I mean we must struggle in an open and above board fashion! We must be open and up front about our differences and discuss them openly. But if we are struggling about practical problems that effect us commonly and trying to come up with practical solutions, we can reach those solutions. But we must struggle to reach those solutions openly.

Gossiping behind each others back is not principled struggle. It is the method of the imperialists. Saying one thing to one person and another to someone else, is not principled struggle but the method of the imperialists. And ideology and methodology are one and the same thing. From someones methods it is revealed what their ideology is. Someone who cannot struggle open and above board in a principled fashion has an ideology that craves secrecy and dishonesty. And that is fatal to the united front.

Because when we talk about forming a united front, it is important that we open membership in that front to everyone, except traitors. All must belong to the front who can share a general principles of unity. Principles of unity that must emphasize basically opposition to our enemies, and support for the unity of third world people on the campus. As well as unity of thrid world people on the

Life

As I walk the street day by day
forgetting at night that I should pray
I know that I am very sad
but something tells me it's not so bad
I walk cautiously, hoping that nothing is wrong
but still, deep in my heart I'm singing a song
walking with ny mind as light as a feather
Out in the street in any kind of weather
I know I have a dream to fulfill
And all it takes is a little self will
Thinking, acting and pursuing life with fear
Believing that life is drawing near
It's difficult asking yourself what life is all about
I often wonder what lies ahead
But there's more to find out than what is being said.

by Gail Rattray

son's from p. 5

Snyman said she had only pain-killing tablets to give him and that "she thought Mr. Motaung was in a good enough condition to go with the police".

Firm in their committment

Despite their experiences, the "Moroko Three" stood firm in their commitment to their people's struggle throughout the trial. Motaung told the court of his political development as a member of the ANC, and how he had been affected by the sight of children shot and choked by teargas in 1976. All three described how they had

campus with progressive people of any nationality! All must be welcomed, except we must oppose traitors, and we know traitors not because they have difrerent ideologies than we do but because of their deeds!

And sometimes, attempts to bring unity to oppressed and exploited people are obstructed not by those people themselves, but by traitors those peoples' enemies put down in their midst for just that purpose, to disrupt. The black student movement throughout the years has always been one prime target for disruptors, and agents/provocateurs to make certain that no real work goes on, just endless arguments and I AM the Greatest contests in which it is proven that the white racists are the greatest after all!!

Through the process of Unity and Struggle, around practical problems, we can reach practical solutions and go forward in a realistic manner if all we are going to do is argue about our differing ideologies or avoid each other because we are of different nationalities. We cannot defeat backwardness by being backward ourselves, we just strengthen it.

I would urge in the particularity of the Stony Brook third world community the following proposals, which I have sounded a number of times.

1. A Council or United Front composed of Representatives (and an alternate) from each legitimate and duly registered club; or organi-

zation in the thrid world community. (I would also make overtures to the Asian community at SB and try to involve them in this process as well.) Unaffiliated students should be represented as well.

2. These representatives which should also include a rep from BFSA and Africana Studies and Third world represenatives of Polity (their representative) should meet once a month, regularly.

3. These monthly meetings must be well publicized in *Black World*, *Statesman*, *Stony Brook Press*, *WSUB* and any other campus organs. Not only must notice of meetings be publicized, but the proceedings themselves after the meetings. So that all students can see what is going on in the meetings.

4. It is important for this reason that *Black World* be strengthened so that there is regular appearance of this organ and regular reports from all of the clubs as well as the central organization council report. Each club shd have a Volunteer for *Black World*!

5. It would be important as such a front developed to publish in advance the agendas of the meetings as well as the attendance. Everyone should know whether their representative is attending meetings regularly or jiving and undermining.

6. Unless otherwise stipulated, all such meetings would be public. But the main body of the meeting would only be participated in by the representatives of the clubs and

organizations including representatives of the unaffiliated.

There should be one portion of the meeting open for suggestions or discussion by the public, but this should be *only one short section of the meeting*. The representatives of the organized students, staff and faculty should have the majority input on policy and therefore have the most to say in the meetings!

These are the body of my basic proposals. Such a council and regular meetings are necessary not only to defend ourself against our collective enemies, but to develop programs and raise the level of our collective consciousness. We must make this campus feel the progressive impact of our collective determination to unify, struggle and liberate ourselves. Our collective struggles in the front will be for the sake of greater more encompassing levels of unity and ultimately raise the level of life on this campus not just for the third world community but the entire university. But first of all we must understand the commonality of our plight, we must stop doing the imperialist sanctioned robot of individualism and start working together, struggling together and we will make progress together. There is no one of us or no group of us freed from the viciousness of imperialism and white racism. When we say we are going to do our thing, let it be everybody's thing, otherwise it is no thing at all!

Long live the United Front.

(ed. note: speech made by Professor Amiri Baraka addressed to Third World Community at SUSB on United Front at SUSB.)



The Ad Hoc
Committee for the
formation of the United
Front is setting up
a table in the union.

Jan 24-28, 1983.

At the table will
be questionnaires.

Please participate.

It's for you!

Thank you - Ad Hoc

Committee

joined the people's army "to come and fight for the liberation of black people."

Motaung explained how he had discovered that the ANC had been formed with the purpose of fighting for the rights of black people. But the regime had not been prepared to work with them. He referred to the long history of peaceful struggle which had been met by events such as the massacre at Sharpeville. Motaung defended the ANC's political programme, the Freedom Charter, which he said "puts into perspective the fundamental prin-

Fight to Save their Lives!

It is going to require a new level of international mobilisation to save the lives of the Moroko Three. There is no doubt that the racists see them as a symbol of everything they fear and are fighting against. For the South African people and indeed the international democratic community as a whole, they and their comrades Moise, Shabangu and Tsotsobe, represent the heroism and determination of an oppressed people fighting to be free. A campaign must be waged that does justice to their cause.

FIGHT TO SAVE THEIR LIVES!