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THE COURIER STAFF WISH OUR READERSHIP A BETTER NEW YEAR THAN THE LAST!!!!



February is the month in which we celebrate Black History or Black Awarness!! What a joke!! Any Black person who has to wait until February each year to be reminded that he is black is a fool or some kind of a nut!!

When I was about seven years old, which would be the year of 1933, my mother decided that we should visit the place of my birth, which is Fayettville, North Carolina. The trip south for me at that age was fun but it must have been a hardship and an embarrassment to my mother. In the year of 1933, white America was lynching Black people, buses were not equiped with toilet facilities or air conditing. Plus, it took four days to travel from Newark, New Jersey, to my place of birth and there was no assurances that during the trip there would be any resteraunts or rest rooms that would accomodate us, so we packed food and ate sparingly and relieved ourselves where-ever. For a seven year old who had never been out of the ghetto, the trip was exciting but then we finally arrived at our destination and Fayettville, North Carolina in the year of 1933 put a real damper on all my excitement and every day since then for the last fourty seven years has been Black Awareness for me.

The only difference between the power structure of White America and the power structure of Nazi Germany is that the (White American Power Structure) has endured. The Nazi holocost was put out in 1945 but the American Holocost rages on1 And someone(s) must remind us once a year that the fires in the ovens are hot and that it's our asses that is in there? Or is that delayed reaction/ No wonder White America is constantly trying to figure us out. Upon close examination, our ass appears to be like theheirs but to endure it must be made of asbestos because those ovens are hot enough to make the devil holler for three hundred and sixty five days a year!

Well, so much for Black Awareness Month, however, I'm inclined to believe that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. died in vain along with many other Black people! THE FIRE RAGES ON!!!

BLACK PROFILE CHARLES DREW

Mr, BLOOD PLASMA

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Sometimes a girl wants to become a doctor, too. Some doctors become surgeons. Surgeons operate on the body. Sometimes a patient needs more blood. The patient needs the blood for an operation. The patient dies if he doesn't get the blood he needs.

Dr. Charles Drew studied a lot about blood and its make-up. He knew how important blood is for the patients. He knew how important blood plasma is for the surgeon, too.

Dr. Drew became an expert on blood plasma. He studied how to keep blood plasma until it is needed. He put blood plasma in a blood bank, this indeed was a very new idea!

England asked Dr. Drew to help them do this. The American Red Cross needed him also. Dr. Drew became a director of the American Red Cross.

Dr. Drew directed the first American Red Cross Blood Bank. He helped the U.S. Army, also.

Many people were saved because of the blood bank. There are blood all over the U.S.A., and the world now.

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BLACK PROFILE

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WILLBURG JONES.

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Have you ever thought of the many Blacks who were never slaves? Ira Aldridge's parents were not slaves. Ira was born in 1807. His father was a minister. He hoped that Ira would be a minister.

But Ira didn't want to be a minister. He wanted to be on the stage. He attended the African Free School in New York. While in school, he acted in Shakespearean plays. He took a job in a theatre, too. He watched the plays, but he couldn't be in them.

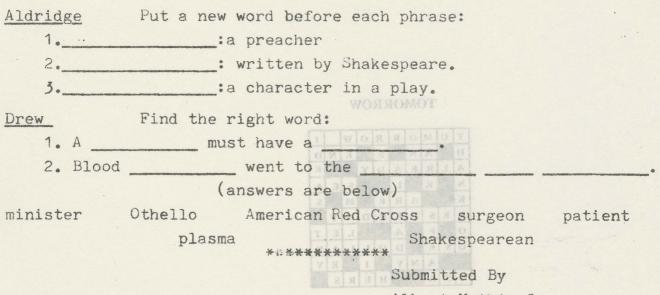
Ira's father didn't want his son to be an actor.So his father decided to send Ira away. He sent Ira to a university in England. But Ira didn't stay there.

Ira went to London. He got on the stage in London. He was less than twenty years old. He acted at the Royal Theatre.

Ira acted in Shakespearean plays again. This time be played the part of Othello. He played Othello in England. He played Othello in other countries, also.

Ira Aldridge became famous as a Shakespearean actor. He never returned to the United States.

QUIZ ON THE PROFILES



Albert Mathis.Jr.

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BLACK PROFILE

WILLBURG JONES

Willburg Jones is a black child who comes from a small town in Virginia, called Max Meadows. He lives with his mother Eula Jones and his sister Mary Jones. Willburg and Mary have no father, therefore the weight is on mom.

After graduation from high school, Willburg did nothing but hang with the boys, smoking pot and drinking beer. Bula was unconcerned with Willburg's problem at this time because she had enough of her own. Her daughter had left home trying to make it on her own.

One late summer night Willburg and his byddy, David Neil, was on their way home from one of their parties and they ran off the road and hit a tree. David was killed instantly while Willburg hung on long enough to have his last words with his mother. Looking directly in the eyes, he said, "no matter how bad things are, no matter if you are in jail, hospital or on the block," he went on to say,"Look up because God the Father loves you and gave us life to enjoy! I just wished 1 would have tried something else". His mother burst into tears as her son went into eternity!!!

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By Kelly G. Jones

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Demonstrators protest police brutality outside the courthouse in Dade County, Florida

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Four Miami police are charged with manslaughter

At first the police reports aroused little suspicion. At 1:59 on the morning of Dec. 17, a black male was said to have crashed his Kawasaki motorcycle in Miami while dodging police at speeds of up to 100 m.p.h. He supposedly battled policemen, who tried to subdue him with nightsticks. Four days later he died of head injuries, but by then the story was taking quite a different turn.

Arthur McDuffie, 33, was no wild-riding motorcycle freak. A former Marine, he was an insurance salesman who worked as a volunteer with unemployed ghetto youths. He had no criminal record. The divorced father of three, McDuffie was planning to remarry his childhood sweetheart. Police officials became suspicious of inconsistencies in the officers' reports and started an intensive investigation. Evidence began to indicate that the "accident" had been faked. Last week four Metro policemen, all white, stood charged with manslaughter and fabricating evidence in the case.

As detectives reconstruct the event. McDuffie may well have tried to flee the police. He had accumulated traffic violations and was driving with a suspended license. Investigators believe that when McDuffie finally slowed down, police

pulled him off his motorcycle. Then one officer held him as the others started to slug. "Adrenalin gets going during any high-speed chase," says one officer. "The cops just went crazy. They wanted to teach him a lesson." Says another who witnessed the incident: "They looked like a bunch of animals fighting for meat."

A medical examiner found that the 138-lb. McDuffie suffered six severe head wounds. Arthur McDuffie

The killing blow was struck squarely between the eyes. Investigators believe that one of the officers grabbed a flashlight in his fists and swung it like a sledgehammer. Then, to make the injuries appear to have been the result of a crash, police allegedly drove a squad car over the motorcycle.

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What has heightened outrage in Miami is the fact that the indicted policemen —Ira Diggs, 31, Alex Marrero, 25, Michael Watts, 30, and William Hanlon, 27 —had a history of brutality charges. So did Herbert Evans Jr., 33, who was implicated in the cover-up. In all, the five men have been cited in 47 citizen complaints and 13 internal review probes in the past seven years. Not one ever received severe disciplinary measures, although Diggs and Evans were relieved of street patrol for short periods. With the trial set for March, the four officers could go to prison for up to 35 years.

Dade County's blacks have picketed the courthouse and marched through downtown Miami with a black coffin. Says McDuffie's mother: "They beat my son like a dog." The family has filed a \$5 million suit against Dade County and the accused policemen. "The facts are blatant and obvious," says Dade County's acting public safety director, Bobby Jones. "It was revolting, the most shocking damn thing I've seen in 20 years of police work."

Last week the Metro Commission, the governing body of Dade County, began responding to public outcry by taking the first step toward some reforms: psychological tests for police applicants and of-

> ficers to detect signs of violence-prone personalities, plans for a community appeals board to handle brutality complaints directly, and giving the public access to some of the force's internal review files. "The same people who beat a black or a chicano today will beat a white person tomorrow," says N.A.A.C.P. Chief Benjamin Hooks. "This is not just a black problem but a citizens' problem."



REVIEW OF THE LAW

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THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, THE CONSTITUT -UTION AND YOU!

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In 1963, Congress passed the Civil Rights Act, Title 42, U.S.C. 1983, which, essentialy, prevents persons in authority from denying to anyone any right secured by him under the United States Constitution. Spacifically, the act prevents police officers from unlawful acts such as breaking into your home without a warrent, arresting persons without probable cause, beating suspects in order to obtain a confession, or any of a host of other violations commonly commited by the police under color of badge. Further, the Act prevents persons from denying to anyone, (i.e. using their office to do so), any right, such as preventing blacks from rideing in the front of busses, being served liquor or food in certain areas in resteraunts, or any other right normally enjoyed by white persons under the United States Constitution.

Primarily, the Act could be called the great equilizer in that it's basic function is designed to apply the Equil Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution among all citizens of the United States be they black or white. The Act has brought about the women's liberation movement and is the basis for the homosexuals cry for equality. The Act establishes a "cause of action" (i.e. a law suit filed in the nearest United States District Court), to remedy any violation of a persons civil rights either by a monitary award fro damages or a consent decree forceing officials to act according to law.

The Act has been the greatest instrument of all time in bringing about prison reform as if a prisoner believes his jailers are violateing his constitutional rights, the prisoner can sue his jailers directly in Federal Court without being required to exhaust state remedies.

However, unless people use the act, nothing will be accomplished. Many of the rights obtained by blacks, whites, and prisoners, during

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the 1960's are being upserped in the 1970's; not because the Act has become any less effective but because people have become passive or possibly lulled by the fact that the violaters of peoples rights have gone underground, so to speak, and preform thier violations under the guise of legality. Shurely, the peace marches of the 60's cannot be for naught. Shurely, Dr. Martin Luther King, did not make the supreme sacrifice for nothing. Shurely, the prisoner did not spend his lonely days and nights in solitary confinement only to find that his cause was unsupported. The veil of legality must be stripped away from the face of crime so that its offensive bare bones may be seen by everyone for what they are; the same violations of mans rights served up by the Emporer of Ice Cream.

By Rod LindsleyoiremA ni evil tent

It is logical, and to myself axiomatic, that one must realize where he has been before he can even hope to speculate on where he is going. It is in the aforemention frame of mind that I write this comment. "The Black Epic" in the vastness of the North American lands has been an odyssey odious with pain, suffering, despair, and glimmers of hope. Over the past 400 years, Blacks have carried the burdens of slavery and the scars that it inevitabilitr HOUOHTBLANOAPERDED of VA

The following is quoted from an article written in the Northend Agent which is a local Newspaper:

Did you know that there are jobs available that pay \$12,000 to \$14,000 per year? A high school diploma is not required and you don't have to be a citizen to apply. These are State of Connecticut Correctional Officer positions, and you must have a current drivers license, and submit to a thorough backround investigation, although a criminal record does not mean they will not hire you.

Black Awarness is knowing but not becomming possesed by, the fact hat your ancestors at one time ruled the trade routes of the known orld, while your captors languished in the missery of the Middle Ages. nd the use of this knowlege in a positive and beneficial way. tseW uol ye bettimdu?

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As I sit here with the thought upon my mind of February being National "Black Awarness" Month, my thoughts wander back in retroflection on how long it has been, and what has happen since:1619 the year when a Dutch trading ship dropped anchor at the Jamestown Virgina colony with the first cargo of Africans in the North American continent.

Those individuals whom were considered "cargo" of the expedition can be considered the progenitors of the 30 million or so, blacks that live in America today.

It is logical, and to myself axiomatic, that one must realize where he has been before he can even hope to speculate on where he is going. It is in the aforemention frame of mind that I write this comment. "The Black Epic" in the vastness of the North American lands has been an odyssey odious with pain, suffering, despair, and glimmers of hope. Over the past 400 years, Blacks have carried the burdens of slavery and the scars that it inevitabilty must leave. Black Americans still must bear the malicious and false onus of inferiority that a reticent, prejudice and oppressive society gleefully cast upond them, to paradoxically hide their own guilt and shame, to the practice of of "mans inhumanity to man.

To be of any real value and purpose "Black Awarness" must encompass the fact: that being released from the shackles of the cotton fields of the "manorial south", only to be shackled by the plights and miseries of the North American Ghettos, or the desolation and soul-sapping enigmas of the nations Jails and Prisons is unacceptable.

Black Awarness is the act of arriving at the conclusions, due to the endevors of your ancestory, "That second base was made for second base men."

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POETICALLY SPEAKING

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RELIGEOUS PORYAD NEW WONDIA TO SUCIES

It's a new day people, can't you see 20 MAMREH 21 MARAG It's a time to push aside pride and allow our troubled minds to be Yo estoy agui encerrado como un animal tengo en mi hogar tries heart It's the begining of begining all over again of oblanded adding adding a second adding a It's a time to compromise and accept our brotherman It's a time to write to save our heritage and ab babiour ogo al ognat It's a time to build instead of destroy our bridge It's a time to rejoice in knowing that we've so far achieved It's a time to acknoledge and no longer to be decieved I wonder how many will hear these words I say the too stand to be labo And also realize it's a brand new day It's a new generation that now exists de ofunit ou they all ov onet We're not on top but we're at the top of the lists It's a time to accept ourselves and accept one another To help ourselves and help each other and sold out obtains as and To stop cheating, hateing, killing and lying to cold le aste of y del To utilize our God given gifts and make use of our minds To respect our elders and make thier last days nice To rid ourselves of selfishness and put a little love into our life To stand as firm as the oak in times of despair To rid our world of sorrow and fear It's time to seek a better way sold in sold in toleto is setassial eup Because if you look around, you too will see, IT'S A NEW DAY Pero Dios que es tan bueno y mesericor dioso me contesto, amigo

yo se tus problem fayon an observative yo puedo entender tu soledad por que una prision es solitaria, sapecialmente cuando tu tienes una buena esposa y hijos preciosos yo los he becho y estoy encantado con ellos y en verdad tambien lo estoy contigo, tu haz hecho unos pocos de errores pero no es nada todos mis bijos los bacen. Pero mi siervo tamFg. 10



RELIGEOUS PORTION

PARA MIS HERMANUS ees vov Jaco elgoeg veb wen a a'il

Yo estoy aqui encerrado como un animal tengo en mi hogar tries hermosos hijos, esperando por mi que habra la puerta y entre por ella, para besarles y acaricialos jugar con ellos aqui en esta prision no tengo la oporyunidad de hacerlo solo lo que puedo hacer es mirar sus retratros y sentir admiracion de ellos. Yo deviera estar hay para dejarles saber que yo les amo azotarlos si es necesario, rodar por el piso y jugar con ellos ayudar a su madre y a la vez esposa de uno encualquier manera por esto digo, y mucho mas digo, yo deviera de estar en mi caza y no aqui.

Fero yo le pedi un minuto a Dios para hablar con el explicarle cuales son mis problemas y yo en oracion le decia: Dios yo se que tu tienes mucha gente que cuidar y quizas la mayoria de ellos tenga problemas mas grande que los mios pero senor yo tengo que hablar con alquien y tu eres el unico que me escuchara de seguro, senor estoy deso lado, yo lloro en mi recamara de noche cuando nadie puede verme cuando pienso en mis hijos como estaran que no venga un "malechor" y les haga dano, Ellos son tan preciosos senor. Senor yo se que tu eres el unico que puedes, por que tu has pasado y has estado hay como cuando tu estuvistes corgando en la cruz yo recuerdo tus hermanos palabras que lanzastes al cielo; mi Dios mi Dios por que me abandonastes. De esta manera me siento tambien esnor desertado y solo.

Pero Dios que es tan bueno y mesericor dioso me contesto, amigo yo se tus problemas y te oigo claro, yo puedo entender tu soledad por que una prision es solitaria. Especialmente cuando tu tienes una buena esposa y hijos preciosos yo los he hecho y estoy encantado con ellos y en verdad tambien lo estoy contigo, tu haz hecho unos pocos de errores pero no es nada todos mis hijos los hacen. Pero mi siervo tambien he pensado que la prision hizo algo bueno en tu vida no que la prision haga hecho alguna cosa buena mas bien en despecho de ella misma algo bueno ha pasado en tu vida. Cuando tu estuvistes en las calles tu no dedicastes tiempo en tu casa con tu esposa y tus hijos tu siempre estabas de viaje y no estuvistes mucho tiempo para rodar en el piso y jugar con tus hijos tu siempre estuvistes un negocio grande que atender y las preciosas cosas de la vida tales como tu esposa y tus hijos fueron pasando y estar apartados de ellos por un tiempo. Haz aprendido que valiosos ellos son, que preciosos y ahaelados son para ti. Ellos mis eiervos son el verdadero valor en la vida. Ellos son tu mas grande ahnelo y amor en la vida son ellos la preciosa gente que merecen permanecer fuera de esta prision. (Entiendes).

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POETRY

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De rio bronco, con su resplandor la semilla desata el amor. Torrida cumbre en que la fiel paloma en mi interior se convierte en aroma. La cuspide, en su filo cenital en cerabla el poblado manantial del hombre yo en la noche de lares, cultivepronto derroche esta noche en pensamientos profundos de astros, y la calidahubo un humor amaneciente en lola.. El arbol de sangre liberada, el gozoso parwntesis en cada pitirreagreste, i que montana! Vivo per el recuerdo, en otro furtivode amor. La tirania, Americanista quiere ahora negar la sedhermosa de una mujer amada. Pero nunca, enla interpereie .queda lo que trunca, la esperanza esperanza especial de lores, siento

latir la gloria mas alla del viento, no hay carceles,sino la luztam sola, que viene de la gracia quela inmola. Desde el monte soledoso que ardio lares ala sima de-Washington que lastima con sus muertos desde pozo,del zorzal-Inpectuoso, que en la sangre se proclama ala pistola que clama abierta a su misticsmo,y en uno y otro abismo Lolita afin ala llama. Viva! Viva! Viva! Puerto Rico! Libre! y socialisto

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El mundo lo hizo Dios todo es perfecto, cielo estrellas mares tierra aire dia y noche, lo hizo para aquel que lo quiera disfrutar sin em bargo en retrospecion siento que todo es un sueno.

La vida es preciosa y constantmente enumera ambisiones cuando tratas de al canzarlas te vez interrumpido no por que en tu mente pongas al alcanze tus ideas y refleciones dirias sino por que la muchedumbre que te rodea te hacen sentir imposible.

Muchos piensan que el mundo es del sabio o geno olidan entonces al necio pero esta noche en pensamientos profundos he abarcado una conclusion el sabio dostruye el mundo y el necio lo construye.

nscribo de mi se de quien escribo pongo mi todo y mi todo es nada hablo y todo es mudo solo por que soy confinado. Pero en el mundo de Dios, todo es diferente el todo es todo lo que hablo se oye y no soy ya mas confinado sino hijo de Dios.

April 16.1963

Residente Carlos Urtiz

My Dear Fellow Cleergymen:

(continued from PE. 8.) Black Awarness must be the refusal, such as the late Dr. Martin Luther King, to accept that which is unacceptable.

Blacks must always continuously be aware that their collective possition in this country is one of constant change. The changes initiated by Dubois, Bannecker, Nat turner, Ms Tubman, Carver, Rosa parks, Malcom X, Eldrige Cleaver, Carmichael, Bobby Seal, and Martin Luther King, though their individual styles may have greatly varied their individual awarness was the SAME. They were all aware of the fact that we as a nation of Blacks were and still are not in the GOD GIVEN possition of equality equated All men.

Blacks as a people must stay aware for the reasons recently expounded upon from the source that "I" was astonished to hear from "The National Urban Leauge": which truthfully stated that the so-called gains of the "60's" are insignificant, because in reality their exist a 40-60% uemployment rate in the inner-cities of america. Blacks still are the first fired and the last hired. OUR educational are last or near the bottom of the list. OUR rate of salary in comparison to whites are at the bottom. And last but not leat in this day and age of SPACE_ SHUTTLES Black children still go to bed hungry in "The Land of Equality and Opportunity".

ONce we lose our awarness of these very pertinent facts then the slight progression achieved are all lost and the battle is over.

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LETTER FROM BIRMINCHAM JAIL obnum is no orad (FIRST OF A SERIES) yos on y syo as olden sup of obot as obot is

> esidente Carlos Urti

April 16.1963

My Dear Fellow Cleergymen;

While confined here in the Birmingham City Jail, I came across your recent statement calling my present activities unwise and untimely. Seldom do I pause to answer criticism of my work and ideas. If I sought to answer all the criticisms that cross my desk, my secretaries would have little time for anything other than such correspondence in the course of the day, and I would have no time for constructive work. But since I feel that you are men of grnuine good will and that your criticisms are sincerely set forth, I want to try to answer your statement in what I hope will be patient and reasonable terms.

I think I should indicate why I am here in Birmingham, since you have been influenced by the view which argues against "outsiders coming in". I have the honor of serving as president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, an organization operating in every southern state, with headquaters in Atlanta Georgia. We have some eighty-five affiliated organizations across the south, and one of them is the Alabama Christian Movement For Human Aights. Frequently we share staff, educational and financial resources with our affiliates. Several months ago the affiliate here in Birmingham asked us to be on call to engage in a nonviolent direct-action program if such were deemed necessary. We redily consented, and when the hour came we lived up to our promise. So I, along with several members of my staff, am here because I was invited here. I am here because I have organizational ties here.

But more basically, I am in Birmingham because injustice is here. Just as the prophets of the eighth century B.C. left their villages and carried their "thus saith the Lord" far beyond the boundri-

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es of their home towns, and just as the Apostle Faul left his village of Tarsus and carried the gospel of Jesus Christ to the far corners of the Greco-Roman world, so am I compelled to carry the gospel of freedom beyond my home town. Like paul, I must constantly respond to the Macedonian Call for aid, and bue drowseltrud?

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Moreover, I am cognizant of the interrelatedness of all communities and states. I cannot sit idly by in Atlanta and not be concerned about what happens in Birmingham. Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, and tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, effects all indirectly. Never again can we afford to love with the narrow, provincial "outside agitator" idea. Anyone who lives inside the United States can never be considered an outsider anywhere within its bounds. and to follow within any of the state of t

You deplore the demonstrations takeing place in Birmingham. But your statement, I am sorry to say, fails to express a similar consern for the conditions that brought about the demonstrations. I am shure that none of you would want to rest content with the superficial kind of social analysis that deals with effects and does not grapple with underlying causes. It is unfortunate that demonstrations are takeing place in Birmingham, but it is even more unfortunate that the city's white power structure left the Negro community with no alternative.

In any nonviclent campaign there are four basic steps: Collection of the facts to determine whether injustices exist: Negotiation: Self-purification: And direct action. We have gone through these steps in Birmingham. There can be no gainsaying the fact that racial injustice engulfs this community. Birmingham is probably the most thoroughly segregated city in the United States. Its ugly record of brutality is widely known. Negros have experianced grossly injust treatment in the courts. There have been more unsolved bombings of Negro homes and churches in Birmingham than in any other city in the nation. These are the hard, brutal facts of the case. On the basis of these conditions. Negro leaders sought to negotiate with the city fathers. But the latter consistantly refused to engage in goodfaith negotiation. Up and Nov for negotiation. Indeed, this is the very purpose of direct act-

Then, last September, came the opportunity to talk with leaders of Birmingham's economic community. In the course of the negotiations, certain promises were made by the merchants - for example, to remove the store's humiliating racial signs. On the basis of these promises, the Reverend Fred Shuttlesworth and the leaders of the Alabama Christian Movement For Human Rights agreed to a moratorium on all demonstrations. As the weeks and months went by, we realized that we were the victims of a broken promise. A few signs, breifly removed, returned; the others remained.

As in so many past experiences, our hopes had been blasted, and the shadow of deep dissapointment settled upon us. We had no alternative except to prepare for direct action, whereby we would present our very bodies as a means of laying our case before the concience of the local and national community. Mindful of the difficulties involved, we decided to undertake a proscess of self-purification. We began a series of workshops on bonviolence, and we repetedly asked ourselves: "Are we able to accept blows without retaliating?" "Are we able to endure the ordeal of jail?" We decided to schedule our direct-action program for the Easter season, realizing that except for Christras,, this is the main shopping season of the year. Knowing that a strong economic-withdrawl program would be the by-product of direct action, we felt that this would be the best time to bring pressure to bear on the merchants for the needed change.

Then it occurred to us that Birmingham's mayoral election was comeing up in March, and we speedily decided to postpone action until after election day. When we discovered that the Commissioner of Public Safety, Eugen "Bull" Connor, had piled up enough votes to be in the runoff, we decided again to postpone action until the day after the runoff, so that the demonstrations could not be used to cloud the issues. Like many others, we waited to see Mr. Connor defeated, and to this end we endured postponment after postponment. Having aided in this community need, we felt that our direct action program could be delayed no longer.

You may well ask: "Why direct action? Why sit-in's, marches and so forth? Isn't negotiation a better path?" You are quite right in ca lling for negotiation. Indeed, this is the very purpose of direct action. Nonviolent direct action seeks to create such a crisis and foster such a tension that a community which has constantly refused to negotiate is forced to confront the issue. It seeks so to dramatize the issue that it can no longer be ignored. My citing the creation of tension as part of the work of the nonviolent-resister may sound rather shocking. But I must confess that I am not afraid of the word "tension". I have earnestly opposed violent tension, but there is a type of constructive, nonviolent tension which is necessary for growth. Just as Socrates felt that it was necessary to create a tension in the mind so that individuals could rise from the bondage of myths and half truths to the unfettered realm of creative analysis and objective appraisal, so must we see the need for nonviolent gadflies to create the kind of tension in society that will help men rise from the dark depths of predjudice and racism to the majestic heights of understanding and brotherhood.

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The purpose of our direct-action program is to create a situation so crisis-packed that it will inevitably open the door to negotiation. Too long has our beloved Southland been bogged down in a tragic effort to live monologue rather than dialogue.

One of the basic points in our statement is that the action that I and my associates have taken in Burmingham is untimely. Some have asked: "why diden't you give the new city administration time to act?" The only answer that I can give to this query is that the new Birmingham administration must be prodded about as much as the outgoing one, before it will act. We are sadly mistaken if we feel that the election of Albert Boutwell as mayor will bring the millennium to Birmingham. While Mr. Boutwell is a much more gentle person than Mr. Connor, they are both segregationists, dedicated to the maintenance of the status quo. I have hope that Mr. Boutwell will be reasonable enough to see the futility of massive resistance to desegregation. But he will not see this without pressure from devotees of civil rights. My frornds, I must say to you that we have not made a single gain in civil rights without determined legal and nonviolent action. Lamentably, it is an historical fact that privileged groups seldom give up their privileges voluntarily. Individuals may see the moral light and voluntarily give up their unjust posture; but, as Reinhold Niebuhr has remFg. 18

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*NOTE. This response to a published statement by eight fellow clergymen from Alabama (Bishop C.C.J.Carpenter, Bishop Holan B. Harmon, the Reverend George M. Murray, the Reverend Edward V.Ramage, and the Reverend Farl Stallings, was composed under somewhat constricting circumstances. Begun on the margins of the newspaper in which the statement appeared while I was in jail, the letter was continued on scraps of writeing paper supplied by a friendly Negro trustee, and concluded on a pad my attorneys were eventually permitted to leave me. Although the text remains in substance unaltered, I have indulged in the authors perogative of polishing it for publication.

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We are looking for sentenced men who have been here about a month an who have no more than 90 days left on their sentence. If your record here at H.C.C. is good (no recent D.R.'s), and your crime is not against persons, why not apply?

We work <u>outside</u> at different senior citizen's centers. Sometimes we do <u>Maintenance</u>, sometimes we help in <u>transporting</u> elderly residents in their wheelchairs, and we do a lot of <u>recreation</u> with the elderly, <u>cards</u>, <u>pool</u>, <u>poetry workshops</u>, <u>showing movies</u>, <u>pottery</u> and many more.

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For Your Information:

TREATMENT ALTERNATIVES TO STREET CRIME

All power in the unit cells will be turned off at 1:00 A.M. Smoking is now permitted in the Counseling area. Ashtrays have been placed there for your convenience. Disciplinary Reports will be issued to anyone disregarding butts by means other than ashtrays.

If there is a repair need in your cell that maintenance should be aware of, please see your unit officer and request that a repair slip be completed. This is the most efficient way for repairs to be addressed.

It is against institutional policy for you to wear headgear that is not issued or purchased here. All other headgear is contraband and will be dealt with as such.

The following is a list of personnel and the areas for which they should be contacted by "ACTION REDUCT CLIF" in the event of problems:

Inmate Accounts	Mrs.	Rubba		
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Your counselor is assigned to you according to the last digit of your institution number. All requests must include your ID number and housing unit.

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<u>STAFF ASSIGNMENTS</u> The following is a list of facility personel and the areas for which they should be contacted by request slips in the event of problems:

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With those immates serving sentence for "capital crimes" and Class AA" felonies a minimum of three fourths (3/4ths) of the parole eligibility of discharge time must be served. Inmates may receive no more than three (3) furloughs during any calendar year with equal interi is between such furloughs.

Due to the increase in our population, the subsequent increase in the number of visits, our afternoon visiting will be in two seperate groups. The first group will be from 2:00pm untill 2:40pm. The second group will be from 2:50pm untill 3:30pm. This will allow everybody a 40 minute visit.

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NOTICE NOTICE (FURLOUGHS)

If you have served one half of your sentence, (from day of sentencing to projected discharged date), and your work and conduct are good, you may apply for furlough. THAMHOIZZA THATE

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Factors such as work, institutional record, past criminal ameldong history, and acceptability of a furlough sponsor will be considered.

Since there are a number of inmates here doing prison time, the following time intervals between furloughs for indefinite sentences would prove helpful. FURLOUGH PREREQUISITE - Prison Time

- All classes of crime listed below are defined by the Conn. A General Statues. The following time served will be red along of quired before an inmate may submit an application for furlough consideration:
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 - All inmates serving sentences for Class "B" felonies 2. will be required to serve one half (1/2) of their

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3. All inmates serving sentence for Class "C" and "D" vo Wolls felonies will be required to serve one fourth (1/4)of their parole eligibility or discharge time. Inmates may receive no more than six (6) furloughs during any calendar year with equal intervals between such furloughs.

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4. All inmates serving sentence for "unclassified" crimes will require time served and intervals in accordance with the sentence specified by general statutes that describes

DISCIPLINARY REPORTS AND YOUR FURLOUGH

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ALL INMATES FOUND GUILTY IN DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS WILL BE DENIED FUELOUGH PRIVILEGES FOR THE FOLLOWING PERIODS:

Long term facilities (Somers, Enfield, Niantic)

 (a) Class A Infraction - 6 months from conviction
 (b) Class B Infraction _ 120 days from conviction
 (c) Class C Infraction - 90 days from conviction

2. Correctional centers and CCI-Cheshire All diciplinary infractions-60 days from conviction. If the infraction occored in a long term facility, and the inmate is subsequently transferred to a correctional center, the long term rule will prevail.

Inmates granted and applying for furloughs are reminded that it is against institutional policy to return with money and clothing. Falure to comply may result in a Diciplinary Report and loss of furlough privileges.

> Daily Peverares: Coffee, Tea, Milk. Bread and Butter served with meals. Menu is subject to change without notice. Condiments are left to the discretion of the Food Service Supervisor.

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