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FREE ERICA FREE ROSE FREE FRANCIS FREE LORETTA FREE MAUDE FREE JEAN FREE PEGGY FREE ERICA FREE ROSE FREE

FREE OUR SISTERS

FREE OURSELVES

Six of our Black Panther Party Sisters and seven Panther Brothers have now spent over six months in jail on charges of conspiracy, murder, kidnaping, and binding. THESE CHARGES ARE FALSE! THEIR ARREST IS BECAUSE OF THEIR POLITICAL WORK. THERE IS NO CHANCE OF A FAIR TRIAL. THESE PEOPLE ARE POLITICAL PRISONERS!

All six women are kept in isolation from the other prisoners at Niantic State Womens Farm, Conn. Three of these women are pregnant. Their babies will be born under armed guard and then taken away from them.

NONE HAVE BEEN TRIED OR FOUND GUILTY OF ANY CRIME! YET THEY ARE:

- Denied their legal right to interview counsel
- Denied their civil right to choice of doctors
- Denied their physical right to exercise, fresh air, rest and proper clothing
- Denied their human right to their children
- Denied their constitutional right to prepare for their defense

WE DEMAND LIBERATION FOR ALL WOMEN!

These women are suffering an extension and reflection of the conditions forced on all women. They are victims of the oppression brought down on all people struggling for their freedom, whether they be battling in Vietnam, Bolivia, the California grape vineyards, Angola, or a Chicago ghetto. New Haven is the crucial place the government has chosen to try to destroy the Black Panther Party. Bobby Seale will be brought to trial in New Haven. Come to New Haven on November 22!

A Court Order came down on November 7 forbidding demonstrations, pickets, parades or the like within 500 feet of the courthouse where the trial is being held from that date until the trial is over. An air of secrecy hangs over the trial. No radio or TV coverage or cameras, not even sketching, will be allowed in the court room. Lawyers and their aides and all people connected with the case have been forbidden to speak to the public until this trial is over!

WE, AT LEAST, WILL NOT BE SILENCED! WE WILL DEMONSTRATE. A MARCH WILL TAKE PLACE FROM BEAVER POND PARK, EIGHT BLOCKS TO THE NEW HAVEN GREEN, 500 feet from the courthouse in question. OUR ANGER WILL BE HEARD.

WE DEMAND

- Freedom for all political prisoners.
- Immediate release of the pregnant women on their own recognizance onto the trial.
- Reasonable bail for the remaining Sisters and Brothers of the Black Panther Party.
- An end to their isolation both from other prisoners and from visitors of their choice.
- Recognition of their constitutional rights to freedom of association as pre-trial detainees in order to prepare for their defense.
- The human rights of mothers and children to medical, prenatal, and maternity care by physicians of their own choice in non-coercive surroundings.
- The right for these mothers to make their own arrangements for the custody of the children in accordance with their wishes and the wishes of the Black Panther Party.

Although we do not believe that children are the private property of their mothers, we challenge the right of this State to substitute itself as guardian of children. This State subjects women to inhuman treatment by maintaining inadequate and repressive orphanages, foster homes, and state institutions, as well as subjecting poor women and children to an oppressive welfare system. Therefore, the State has proven itself an unfit guardian for human beings.

WE WILL SHOW THE PRISONS, THE COURTS, AND THE STATE THAT WE WILL NOT TOLERATE THE OPPRESSION OF OUR SISTERS ANYWHERE IN ANY WAY.

JOIN US—November 22—in New Haven
New England WOMEN'S LIBERATION groups and the Black Panther Party are calling for a massive demonstration to support our sisters and all political prisoners.

BRING YOUR CHILDREN! WE WILL HAVE DAY CARE FOR THOSE WHO WANT IT. Call (203) 776-1117

NEW HAVEN NOV. 22



For further information please contact The Black Panther Party of Connecticut (203) 562-7463
Please send contributions to The Connecticut Panther Defense Fund, P.O. 7117, New Haven 06519

pass the word, sister.

Erika Huggins.
 Frances Carter.
 Rose Smith.
 Loretta Luckes.
 Margaret Hudgins.
 Maud Frances.

6 sisters in prison.
 3 sisters pregnant.
 2 sisters almost in labor.
 All have been falsely accused
 of conspiracy and murder.
 None have been tried
 or found guilty.
 All 6 are black.
 All 6 are Panthers.
 All 6 are sisters.

CONFINEMENT: 1. The act
 of shutting within an enclosure;
 the act of imprisoning.
 2. The state of being restrained
 or obliged to stay indoors.
 3. A woman's lying-in;
 childbirth.
 Standard
 College
 Dictionary

How does Niantic State
 Woman's Farm treat women
 in confinement?

They are:
 isolated from other prisoners;
 denied sleep by the continual noise
 of walkie-talkies
 and constant bright lights;
 denied their constitutional right
 to prepare their case;
 denied their legal right
 to choice of counsel.

How does Niantic State
 Woman's Farm prepare women
 for their confinement?

They are:
 denied their choice of doctors;
 denied information about childbirth;
 denied their choice of method
 of childbirth; deprived of proper
 diet, exercise, medication & clothing.

Rose Smith weighed 132 pounds
 at the start of her pregnancy.
 Now--7 months pregnant--
 after Niantic's prenatal care,
 Rose Smith weighs 133 pounds.

Guards will be there
 when the babies are born.
 Guards will be there
 to take them away.
 The State will decide
 who's "fit" and who's "not fit"
 to guard and be guardian
 of mother and child.

Children oppressed:
 on welfare, in orphanages,
 in schools, in foster homes;
 by poverty, by routine,
 by racism, by male supremacy.

Therefore,
 WITCH curses the State
 and declares it unfit.

WITCH knows our suppressed history:
 that women who rebel are not only
 jailed, napalmed, & beaten,
 but also
 raped, branded & burned at the stake.

We women are:
 in jail at Niantic
 in the mud of Vietnam
 in the slums of the cities
 in the ghetto-sinks of suburbia
 at the typewriters
 of the corporations
 at the mimeograph machines
 of the Left
 in the water at Chappaquidick
 in the brutalizing beds of Babylon

We are going to stop
 all confinement of women.

WITCH calls down destruction
 on Babylon.
 Oppressors:
 the curse of women is on you.
 DEATH TO MALE CHAUVINISM.

Women's International Terrorist Conspiracy from Hell

Demonstration. 12 noon. Saturday Nov. 22.
 Beaver Pond Park. New Haven, Conn.
 See you there.

