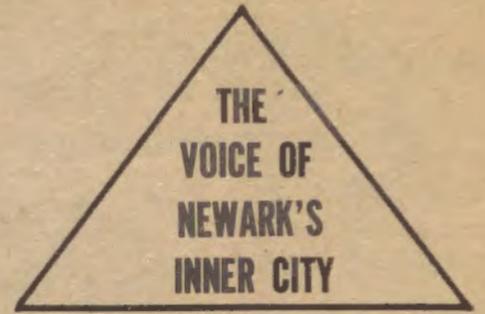




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HART IS CHOICE FOR CONGRESSMAN! JUNE 6 ELECTION

On Thursday, April 13, 1972 - it was announced that a panel of Federal court judges had voted 2-1 in favor of adopting its own redistricting plan after the State Legislature failed to adopt one that would be acceptable for New Jersey's congressional districts. The court adopted plan places the entire city of Newark together with East Orange in a congressional district with Glen Ridge and Harrison. This is now the 10th congressional district and has a Black majority forcing incumbent Rep. Peter Rodino to run against a Black man to maintain his spot or to seek election in the new 11th district against Rep. Minish which is composed of suburban Essex, parts of Passaic, Bergen and Union counties. At a recent press conference Imamu Baraka stated that "Now that a representative 10th Congressional District (CD) has been formed the next step is for the community to choose a candidate respected across the length and breadth of the new district by Black and Puerto Rican and white alike, and then to run a victorious campaign very much

reminiscent of the successful community's choice campaign of 1969-70 which brought about the election of Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson." Imamu Baraka along with Attorney Ray Brown made it clear that it was the Black community's lawsuit - as filed specifically for the Committee for Unified Newark that resulted in the courts ruling that the congressional districts in New Jersey were un-

constitutional and it was the CFUN lawsuit which resulted in the total redistricting of New Jersey.

Recently, following right on the heels of the court imposed congressional redistricting making it possible to elect a Black man to congress in the new 10th CD, a meeting was held with most of the Black elected officials in Essex County to discuss and select a single

candidate that could gain support of the entire community. Mayor William B. Hart emerged from this session as the clear choice. This meeting of Black elected officials was followed by an endorsement of Mayor Hart's candidacy by Mayor Gibson, Imamu Baraka, Senator W. Lipman, Newark's Councilmen Earl Harris, Dennis Westbrooks, Sharpe James and other Black leaders through out the county. Also the Essex County Black Political Convention general membership has also endorsed Mayor Hart. Larceny George Richardson has said he wants to run again, again only to divide the strength of the Black community as was his attempt in the 1970 Gibson Election but again it will not work and Georgous George and any other dividers Black or white will be washed away in Black peoples move for political power. We are certain of victory for Mayor Hart - the community's choice for election in the 10th CD.

To Black people through out Essex County, we say vote in the June 6 primary. We must have Hart for things to get Blacker around here.



Mayor William S. Hart

TWO RACISTS IN HIGH POSITIONS

LERNER & LORDI—Opposed to Black Self Determination

Lerner — A True Racist

Harry Lerner 2-3 years ago along with Hugh J. Addonizio and several other white candidates threw their hat in the ring for the democratic chairmanship of Essex County. A Black Block was formed by the Black Democratic district leaders thru out Essex County headed by the 1st Black democratic ward leader in Newark - Eulis Ward. Lerner ardently wooed the Black Block and promised that in return for their support he would see that they got their fair share of jobs, positions at the top level. Also that they would be put on the important policy making committees, also promising that one of the group would be chosen as the N.J. State Committeeman from Essex County. He also promised that they would be able to select their own candidates to represent Essex County on the Democratic tickets.

Lerner after being elected by the support of the Black Block, defeating Hugh J. Addonizio for the position of Essex County democratic chairman, immediately revealed himself as an unmitigated liar, hypocrite and a master of deceit and chicanery. He has never dealt fairly with Black people. He is a racist, a bigot and totally unfit to represent the people Black or White in the County of Essex. He has surrounded himself with a few negro hustlers who do his bidding for a few extra paltry dollars. The sooner

this unprincipled man is removed from the leadership of the Essex County Democratic party and replaced by a morally decent and principled person either Black or White then the Democrats in the state of New Jersey will never truly reflect the needs of the people in this county.

An example of the unprincipled dealings of this culprit was at the mini-convention, to select delegates to the Democratic National Convention, Friday, April 21, 1972 - where he rode rough shod over the Democrats who have been loyal to the party and independents as well and steam rolled his operation through. The slate contains only two blacks and not one Puerto Rican from the entire county. It is a typical racist slate—it will be challenged! This man must be removed!!

Lordi — Enemy Of Blacks

According to the New Jersey Statute, a county prosecutor's primary responsibility is "to make appropriate investigation of alleged criminal conduct, for the purpose of protecting the innocent, as well as, detecting guilty persons." The Essex County Prosecutor, Joseph Lordi, has been an enemy to the Black Community since his term of office began, five years ago. He is the Essex County Himmler, "the coercive arm of white reaction." Lordi has been performing witch-hunts—so called "In-

vestigations" against all Newark community groups; for example, he is infamous for his telephone tappings at the Committee for Unified Newark headquarters. Lordi, an Italian, believes justice means, 'just us Italians', not you Black people. Lordi has never been sensitive to those issues which affect our community, in fact he has been out right racist!

We can all too well remember the Leroy King murder, which occurred last summer, on August 8th. Leroy King, a Black Newark citizen, was assassinated by ten white Newark policemen. Twelve eyewitnesses testified before the Essex County Prosecutor's Office, Joseph Lordi,

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SPECIAL NEWS

WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH WNJR?

In successive thrusts of backwardness, WNJR, Newark's so called soul station has

1. Hired an insensitive, out of town, white as manager. Jim Raleigh whose philosophy seems to be bump the black community, wheres them dollars?? (You mean there are no qualified blacks who can do the job? At a so called soul station.)
2. Fired Joe White, Newark resident, known as Killer Joe, who is very popular in our town for his midnight to dawn jazz program. Brother Joe's jazz program will be another commercial plus rhythm and blues show. (Continued on p 4)

JUNE 6 PRIMARY



(Attorney Raymond Brown & Councilman Dennis Westbrooks go over outlines of new Congressional Districts.)

ASSASSINATE AFRICAN LEADER!

COLONIALIST PLOT TO OVERTHROW TANZANIAN UJAMAA VILLAGES BOMBED



Sheikh Abeid A. Karume

On Friday April 7th, one of Africa's most progressive and dynamic leaders was cut down by the assassins bullet. Sheikh Abeid A. Karume, the First Vice-President of the United Republic of Tanzania and President of the island of Zanzibar was killed in a cowardly act that has deprived Africa of one of her true sons. Sheikh Karume was outside of the headquarters of the Afro-Sharizi Party, the leading political party in Zanzibar, when he was killed. Also wounded in the attack was Sheikh Thabit Kombo, Secretary General of the Afro-Sharizi Party. The attack

was carried out by (4) four gunman. All four gunman have since been dealt with in like manner. One gunman was killed during the initial attack, two more were killed during the ensuing chase and one committed suicide prior to capture.

Although several people are being held for questioning in the incident, it seems evident the entire plan was influenced by Western Imperialism and Europeans striving to overthrow the Tanzanian government in order to seize the power of a progressive country which was co-led by such a revolution-

ary African socialist leader as Brother Karume.

Sheikh Karume's funeral was held on the following Monday, April 10, 1972. Heads of State from several African nations were in attendance. Mwalimu Julius Nyerere, President of the United Republic of Tanzania has received condolences from all over the entire globe expressing the sorrow felt at this great loss to humanity.

Then on Saturday, April 15th only a week following Brother Karume's assassination, the borders of the United Republic of Tanzania were violated by Portugese aircraft. This border violation ocured on the Tanzanian-Mozambique border. The Tanzanian border defenses opened fire on the aircraft and downed the plane and it's pilot in the Ruvuma River which is between Tanzania and Mozambique. The Portugese retaliated with a force of (13) thirteen planes sent to the area under the auspices of rescue and recovery.

Mwalimu Nyerere has suffered the loss of a very progressive and revolutionary leader, followed by attacks on his country. But, the price of being independent Africans is high. So it is with this concept in mind, that Africans, worldwide must be prepared to fight off the many forms of European Colonization—by any means necessary!

LORDI

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that on the evening of August 8th, 1971 they saw evidence of the brutal and savage beating of Leroy King. The King family, as well as, the Committee for Unified NewArk, and the Committee for Law and Justice, presented information to Lordi's office seeking justice, that is, the indictment and prosecution of the ten NewArk policemen involved. The death certificate, on which the medical examiner indicated that the cause of death was "homicide with a blunt force", was even given in evidence, but still Lordi's office concluded there was "no cause for further action."

Joseph Lordi, will be ending his term of office this year. Governor Cahill, who has the power to appoint whomever he wishes to the Prosecutor's office, will probably appoint a Republican to replace Lordi. It is our responsibility, as Black citizens of NewArk, to write to Cahill and tell him we demand complete input in the appointment of a replacement for Lordi. Since Black people make up the a sizeable proportion of Essex county, 40% minimum by white low NY Times figures, Black people should help determine who should be appointed to any office which affects our community.

PAUL ROBESON: A Building is Dedicated



Paul Robeson, Jr.

On Sunday, April 9, 1972 more than 500 persons attended ceremonies to honor Paul Robeson on his 74th birthday. Also, through vigorous self-determining efforts of Rutgers University's Black Student Union, Harambee Chama the two year old campus student center was rededicated as the Paul Robeson Student Center.

The idea of choosing Robeson was part of a large movement initiated by the Newark Student Federation and other community groups, to name several educational institutions after Blacks who would reflect positive images to the Black students attending those institutions.

Robeson's contributions as scholar, singer, actor, athlete, and statesman will always distinguish him as a Black/African warrior who fought for the liberation of his people.

HEAD START REFUNDED!

The question of whether or not new programs for children in our community would be funded by UCC or whether a half a million dollars would be sent back to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare has been resolved by the Head Start Policy Council of UCC and agreed to by the Board of Trustees of UCC and HEW.

After many long and frustrating meetings, the Policy Council decided, that more than \$500,000 will be used to develope new Head Start programs for the Newark Community's children.

The Head Start Policy Council of UCC recently elected Mr. Roy Fouchee, an African Free School Parent, to the position of chairman. This was a sound choice because Mr. Foushee has shown himself to be an advocate of the ideal of quality education for all Black children.

The Community groups that will be operating new Head Start centers are African Free School Pre-School, the Leaguers, Inc. and OYE, Inc., who will begin operating the only preschool for Boriquen children in NewArk. Additional funds will go to the following presently operating programs: Fuld Neighborhood House which will be opening another classroom in its center, and NewArk Pre-School Council, Inc. The new centers' budgets allow funds for renovation of suitable sites for operation. What this means for the Boriquen community is that they will have an operating preschool center for the education and social development of the community as

REMEMBER TO OBSERVE
KUZALIWA
birthday of Malcolm X
May 19th
"The Ballot or The Bullet"



(Committee For Unified NewArk float of African Free School during Crispus Attuck's Parade on Sunday, April 9th)

well as funds for health care and parent activities.

African Free School PreSchool will provide for the Black community another year of quality education, health services, and social development for children age 3-5.

It was the unified community concern and work, the personal commitment of the Policy Council members that brought us another victory for the Black community. As IMAMU BARAKA teaches us "BLACK PEOPLE MUST UNIFY."

THE PLACE FOR ALL BLACKS TO BE ON MAY 27th WASHINGTON, D.C. "AFRICAN LIBERATION DAY"

Adam Clayton Powell - Kept The Faith!



(Adam Clayton Powell in Newark, 1970, Supporting the Gibson Team)

Black people of Harlem, and the world lost a great Black man. A Black man who was a leader of Black people and struggled throughout his entire life to defend our dignity and to obtain our rights as citizens.

Brother Adam Clayton Powell spent his last days away from the movement, struggling for life in his bed, but basically this was the results of his committing and dedicating his life to helping Black people which caused white America to politically

assassinate him and drive him to his bed as a critically sick man.

Brother Powell was an innovator of the civil rights movement. Before Dr. Martin Luther King attempted to aid Mrs. Rosa Parks in the Montgomery bus boycott, Brother Powell was utilizing his church as a headquarters for feeding Black people in Harlem; before Malcolm X spoke of Black people educating themselves, Brother Powell was passing bills in the legislature for quality education for Blacks; or before H. Rap Brown and Stokely Carmichael shouted "Black Power"; Brother Powell had already analysed the struggle toward Black liberation.

Words from a Black Master Politician

It was Adam Clayton Powell who called the First Black Power Conference in 1966. In 1965 Brother Powell presented a "Black Position Paper" to the 20,000,000 Black Americans to distinguish it from the "White Paper" representing the official position of the U.S. Government.

"The black masses must decide and refuse to accept, nothing less than that proportionate percentage of the political spoils such as jobs, elective offices and appointments, which are equal to their proportion of the

population and their voting strength.

This is not true of other ethnic groups who usually obtain political favors far in excess of their proportion. A good example comparison is Chicago's African-Americans and Polish-Americans.

According to the 1960 census, there were 223,255 Polish-Americans and 812,637 African-Americans in Chicago. There are now three Polish-American Congressman from Chicago and only one African-American Congressman. . . Thus, with approximately one-fourth as many

persons as African-Americans. Polish-Americans nonetheless have three times as many Congressmen. That kind of inequity is not due to racial discrimination. It is due to racial apathy and stupidity."

Perhaps Brother Powell is best remembered to many as the Black man who told Black people to "Keep the Faith" when conditions got hot in Harlem. Then just two years ago he was here in NewArk supporting the Gibson Community Choice Team.

Now as Blacks walk the garbage strewn streets of Harlem and NewArk, Brother Powell's presence is missing—he is gone and Black people are still weeping and mourning. In essence, only by "keeping imani" (faith) in ourselves as united Black people will we eventually win and become a liberated people—carrying the teachings of Adam! Pamoja Tutashinda!

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DAVID BARRETT
FREEHOLDER
JUNE 6

MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE ENDORSES HART

On Thursday, April 27, 1972 East Orange Mayor William S. Hart announced at a press conference his decision to run for Congressman of the 10th Congressional District of Essex County.

Speaking at Newark's South Park Calvary Church to clergymen of the Ministerial Alliance of Essex County, he was introduced by Rev. Ralph Grant, spokesman for the clergymen group.

Rev. Grant said that the Ministerial Alliance endorses Mayor Hart totally in running for Congressman, and that they would actively support him. The Ministerial Alliance represents 300 white, black and Spanish-speaking ministers in the county of Essex.

Mayor Hart alluded to Rep. Peter W. Rodino (D-10th Dist.) saying:

"The one candidate has been in Congress too long. That man has been there for 25 years and Newark has been in a decline. I think that the decay in Newark—anyone who is knowledgeable about Newark—can't stand on that record."

Other platform speakers included the Rev. Andrew Ransom of South Park Calvary Church, Newark and the Rev. Harry Batts of the Messiah Baptist Church of East Orange.



Duke Ellington (on his birthday) greeted by Imamu Baraka at NAACP Cultural Center.

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WHO ARE THE AD HOC 50?

Every so often trained apes insult the ministerial profession by lining up with crooked politicians. We all witnessed this during the Community's Choice in 1970, which brought the election of Kenneth Gibson. The trained apes in that case were called "The Ministers for Ad-donizio." Now a few of these same buggers have lined up with Dominick Spina and George Richardson calling themselves The Ad Hoc Committee of 50 Ministers-If there's 5, skippy was a punk-and you know he wasn't. At any rate its time somebody pulled the covers off the whole rotten little rat pack, calling themselves 50 ministers. They are in reality less than 5 fools! For instance, Levin West, old ad-donizio crook; Pierce, old Addonizio crook; Sharper, old George Richardson pawn! etc., etc—



—"Foot shufflin George is at it again"

SWAHILI at RAHWAY STATE PRISON

Sifa Ote Ina Imamu Baraka, Sifa Ote Ina Imamu Baraka. After months of talks and meetings, Idara ya Muundo ya Jamii (Department of Community Organizing) has successfully persuaded officials at Rahway State Prison to permit a basic course in Kiswahili to be taught to inmates there. Some thirty brothers have already signed up for the course and the spirits continue to rise.

As Imamu Baraka teaches—"The minds of the people are the most important factor of any movement, without them you can have nothing else"; and this is the purpose of the New Nationalist—to win the minds of Black people! The teaching of kiswahili, a non-tribal language, will engender the African consciousness/personality. The learning and comprehending of kiswahili (swahili) will change brothers definition of themselves and their concept of the world. Thus, it will give them cultural awareness that does exist as African people and will provide a pathway for politicizing them at the same time. As Imamu Baraka teaches, culture is something a people create themselves and it is what legitimizes a people's actions. . . giving them self-respect. Through the guidance and inspiration of Imamu Baraka, Kaimu Mtetezi (David Barrett) will be teaching the kiswahili course for approximately three months.

If we have said anything of value or beauty, all praises are due to Imamu Baraka, Committee For United Newark, Kawaida, and all mistakes have been ours.

READ — WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!
LISTEN - MONDAY 9:05 P.M.
WNJR-RADIO
WATCH - SATURDAY 4:30 P.M.
CH. 47 (UHF) TV



(Mayor W. S. Hart with Ministerial Alliance)



RAISE!

*Pan-Africanism and
"Electoral" Politics*

Campaign time, the critical period of open struggle for political power. And in our community, since we are ever more conscious of the meaning of politics as the gaining, maintaining, and use of power, we must, as Malcolm X, Maulana Karenga and Adam Clayton Powell have said, move to seize the power of the ballot in our communities. In the most powerful state in the world, America, we can move to control some of its goods, services, facilities and legitimacy, through the ballot, and if we do not do this, we are not totally conscious of what the movement for liberation is. First of all, the accomplishment of black liberation, the liberating of Africans wherever we are in the world, is essentially a political movement. There are 4 areas of Political Power, (1). Public office: Elected & Appointed (2). Community Organization (3). Alliances & Coalitions and (4). Disruption: threatened or actual. But each African community has its own specific situation to deal with, its own arrangement of reality, usually to be transformed. As long as we allow our enemies to rule us anywhere, unopposed, we slow down the movement for African Liberation. If you do not understand how some access to the goods, services, facilities, legitimacy of American elected office, controlled by blacks, especially where there is some input by nationalist and panafricanist elements, contributes mightily to the total liberation of Africans everywhere, it means that you misunderstand the totality of our struggle. You think it is no benefit to the PanAfrican struggle to have 13 Congressmen rather than 2? You think it would not be even valuable to have 45 black Congressmen and 10 Senators. Would they all be Toms (or Collinses)?

We have been so steeped in protest, that often we prefer protest to program. Both are needed. But as Karenga said, a militant is someone who protests reality, a revolutionary is someone who changes it. This is a paraphrase of Ahmed Sekou Toure, who said that it is the actual transformation of the spiritual and physical world that constitutes revolution, not the spouting of slogans, and mouthing of doctrines. Protest commits us to nothing. The transformation of the real world means that we must be committed to grappling with that world on any level that promises success. The "sure pop" is the guerilla's by word! We must cease to live in a world of lies and fantasy where we overthrow America with army surplus equipment and marijuana, and move to organize our communities to achieve

"DEMOCRATS FOR HART" BARRETT FOR FREEHOLDER

As this issue was going into print, we received the late word that Brother Kaimu Mtetezi (David Barrett)—a leader in the Committee For Unified Newark and president of NewArks United Community Corporation has announced his candidacy as a freeholder in Essex County. There are three (3) freeholder spots up for election this year and we feel that Brother David Barrett can definitely win one. Also running for freeholder is Brother Mike Rodriquez, a leader in the Puerto Rican community. Brother David Barrett is running in support of East Orange Mayor William S. Hart for Congress in the 10th Congressional District. Wide-spread support has been growing for Mayor Hart throughout Essex County. A Coalition ticket has been formulated that is representative of the majority of Essex County residents called **Democrats For Hart**. This county-wide slate includes candidates for the following positions: Mayor

Hart for Congress, Biernbaum for City Supervisor, David Barrett for Essex County Freeholder, also Mike Rodriquez and Harvey Turner for freeholders. This surely is a powerful-winning combination for Essex County. We are pushing for Mayor Hart, Brothers David Barrett and Mike Rodriquez from the Black and Puerto Rican community. Democrats For Hart will prove to be an effective coalition of diverse communities and interests geared to benefit all those involved. One of the effective roles of a Black politician is to make alliances and coalitions which serves the community's interest and broadens the community's political power base.

Black people in Essex County specifically must begin to move to gain political power wherever it is to be had. It will not happen unless we have Hart (heart), imani (faith), courage, determination, and will to do it ourselves. It must be Blacker in '72". Mwaka ya Kuendesha.



(New Jersey Delegation members gives Imamu Baraka their complete attention as he explains the need for a Black Congressman)

self determination inch by inch, and office by office.

PanAfricanism is the totally coordinated struggle to liberate African People all over the world. It is world racial unity as well as it is multinational unity. As a force in America, unified, organized, moving in the direction of gaining power to achieve self determination, self respect, self reliance and self defense through the creation of independent black institutions (the most needed at the moment being a political institution) we can transform ourselves in America, and transform America, thereby changing the balance of power in the world.

The Revolutionary Black Nationalist, The PanAfricanist, the progressive Community Organizer must stop isolating themselves in elitist cliques pontificating about the perfection of abstract political philosophy. We must win the minds of the people! We must begin to win the political wars, and build the schools and hospitals and housing our community needs right now, rather than sterilely protesting reality with whitish abstractions based on a sense of insecurity in the real world, where the success of ideas is based on whether or not they actually can be used, whether or not they can actually raise the people.

—Imamu Amiri Baraka
May 1972



David Barrett

NEWARK BLACK LEADERSHIP CONGRESS

Focus is on Politics!

The NewArk Black Leadership has changed the emphasis of its activities to focus on electoral politics this year. Its first overt endeavor was its sponsorship with the NewArk Office of the Congress of African Peoples of the first Essex County Black Political Convention this January, 1972 only one year after the Black Leadership Congress was formed.

Though the NewArk Congress itself has not endorsed Mayor Hart for Congressman from the 10th Congressional District at this writing, it is expected that they will. The County Congress has already endorsed Brother Hart and other community-based support continues to roll in.

The NewArk Congress has the potential for being a true vehicle for community based and inspired political leadership locally and otherwise in NewArk. Watch and see.

WNJR

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3. Subscribed to Mutual's Black News Network, which is not a black news network at all but another white ripoff of black needs, put together by Mutual Broadcasting Company.

4. Changed, without consultation or input, all the community public broadcast time, placing all of them community programs into a narrow time slot from 8 to 10 each night (rather than sprinkling them throughout the broadcast day and week) so that these programs now will not be listened to, since many listeners will simply not listen to the radio between 8 and 10, because of a forced overfeeding of radio talk shows in the same time zone.

After repeated talks with WNJR's "new" management, Raleigh still proceeded to move arbitrarily against community radio time, moving community programs to negative, time spots, and resealing the station in the old "commercials and top 10" unimaginative programming jail. We used to accuse Rollins Inc. of this kind of insensitivity, which is one of the reasons Rollins doesn't exploit here anymore. On May 1st, community groups visited WNJR to deal with Raleigh again. The community will not stop until WNJR is really a soul station, otherwise its time to go to the Federal Communications Commission again, and check these new exploiters out.

BLACK/ NEW ARK

At the outset, this is the newest edition of BLACK NEW ARK. It is the evolution of a communications medium which will join the fragments of a disunified Black community into one-whole body/family of Black people.

Black New-Ark is a Black community newsletter. It will be published monthly and collectively by Committee For Unified Newark.

Articles, events, and news of Black organizations in the Black Community are welcomed.

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