

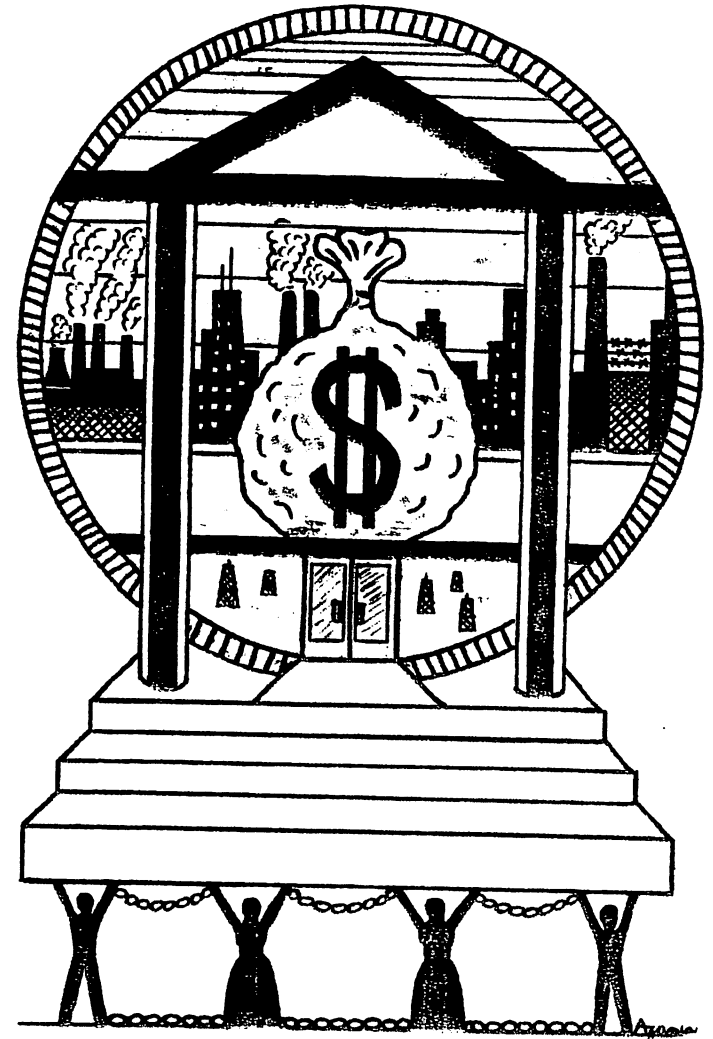


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Who is Zolo Agona Azania?

by Owusu Yaki Yakubu

The imprisonment rate for African-American people in the U.S. is six times higher than for white people. Even though Black people make up less than 13% of the population, they comprise over 50% of the people in prison and 42% of those awaiting execution. A Black person is four times more likely to receive the death penalty than a white person with a similar background who is convicted for a similar crime, and a Black person who kills a white person is 11 times more likely to get the death penalty than if the victim were Black or the perpetrator were white. The key decision maker with the discretion to seek the death penalty are the county District Attorneys, 98%, nationwide, are white men. The indisputable racist nature of the criminal justice system and the death penalty, precludes a fair trial for any person of color facing a capital case.

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Support Zolo Azania!

On May 1, 2005, Judge Steve David granted Zolo's motion to bar the State of Indiana from seeking the death penalty for the third time. Yet, Lake County Prosecutor Bernard Carter has decided to appeal that decision and yet again seek the death penalty against Zolo.

Judge David found that the more than 24 year delay between the offense and the scheduled sentencing hearing in January, 2006, "has significantly compromised Defendant's Constitutional protections and as a result prejudice will result in allowing the State to proceed with the death Penalty after so much time has elapsed."

Judge David went on to state that "fundamental principles of fairness, due process, and speedy justice warrant this court prohibiting the State to seek the death penalty against this Defendant in this case under these circumstances." (See order)

- article from **Fort Wayne Journal Gazette:**
State's high court bars death penalty in 1981 Gary police killing
- **Judge David's** order barring the state from seeking the death penalty

Despite everything, Zolo remains resilient. He is grateful to the activists from around the world who have supported him. We need to keep up the pressure on the Indiana judicial system and prevent a third death sentence. We were able to overturn Zolo's death sentence before when we worked together. Together we can prevent a new death sentence. Together we can win!

Also, visit www.zoloazania.org, for more updates and information!

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check out these websites:**

**<http://www.prairie-fire.org/freezoloazania.html>
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An Updated History Of The New Afrikan Prison Struggle



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The death penalty also violates international human rights law. Other than the U.S., all the industrialized nations of the world have abolished the death penalty. This near unanimous consensus is reflected in multi-national agreements with which all governments should be obligated to comply. The Second Optional Protocol to the *International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights*; Protocol No. 6 to the *European Convention on Human Rights*; and the Protocol to the *American Convention on Human Rights* adopted by the Organization of American States in 1990, each call for the total abolition of the death penalty.

In addition to those human rights declarations, the imposition of the death penalty against Zolo Agona Azania, is a further contravention of international law. As one who was part of the New Afrikan liberation and independence struggle he is entitled to the protections of the "Laws of War" codified in the *Geneva Convention* and the *United Nations General Assembly Resolutions*, which prohibit the imposition of the death penalty upon members of liberation movements fighting against racism and for self-determination.

Who Is Zolo Agona Azania?

Zolo Azania is one of the numerous African-Americans who await execution as a result of a racist criminal justice system. Moreover he is a politically conscious activist, who at the time of his arrest and capture in 1981, was actively involved in the movement for the self-determination of African-American people. The fact that he defined himself as a New Afrikan and was committed to the liberation and independence of Black people within the borders of the U.S., directly influenced the way the police, the prosecution, and the Indiana courts denied him a fair trial and fanned the flames of prejudice to obtain the death penalty.

Zolo was sentenced to death after his conviction for a 1981 bank robbery and the killing of a Gary Indiana police officer who was fatally wounded in an exchange of gun

fire with three men who fled from the bank. Zolo was not arrested at the bank, but miles away walking unarmed down the street. The prosecution intimidated witnesses, suppressed favorable evidence, presented false eye-witness and expert testimony, and denied him the right to speak or present motions in his own behalf. 4

The two other men charged and convicted with Zolo received sentences of 60 years, but because of Zolo's political history and beliefs, and in order to permanently silence his militant voice for liberation, the State ignored the rules of evidence and fair trial to obtain the death penalty from an all-white jury. The State suppressed a gunshot residue report showing no residue on Zolo's hands as well as other favorable scientific evidence, suborned perjury by telling a critical witness who was unable to make an identification to identify Zolo, and falsely and sensationally accused him of firing the fatal bullet, "execution-style." The trial, which was moved from Lake County (Gary, Indiana), which has a substantial Black population, to Allen County (Fort Wayne) with a small Black populace, was tried amid media and law enforcement hysteria. Armed police surrounded the courthouse, and uniformed police ringed the walls and front gallery inside of the courtroom.

Who is Zolo Agona Azania?

Anyone having read the pamphlets written by Zolo, (e.g., *Who Is the New Afrikan?*), or having read any of the articles he's written for publications in the U.S., India, Cuba, and Africa, may be tempted to say that Zolo is a writer — but that's not entirely true.

Anyone having seen Zolo's oil paintings, which have been exhibited in galleries across the U.S. or any of his artwork which have appeared as illustrations in books written by others, may believe that Zolo is a visual artist — but that's also not entirely correct.

Zolo uses the written and visual art as instruments of political struggle — not merely to call attention to himself, but to raise the political awareness of his people, and to



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The dollar sign (\$), the universal symbol of U.S.A. money, had formerly been used as the official seal or stamp of the medieval Spanish crown. It was a symbol imprinted on all Spanish treasures coming from the Spanish colonies, primarily in the Western Hemisphere. It represented the "S" for Spain, and the two vertical crossing bars "I" for the gold and silver treasures that were claimed by Spain. The dollar sign (\$) was born in infamy and is actually a symbol of working class oppression.

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draw the attention of the world to their fight for self-determination and independence from U.S. control and domination. ⁵

During his trial, Zolo declared himself a Conscious Citizen of the Republic of New Afrika (RNA) — the name adopted by activists for the historic "black nation" held in colonial bondage by the U.S. In the appeal of his conviction, Zolo petitioned the Indiana Supreme Court to recognize his protected status as an anti-colonial combatant, citing resolutions of the United Nations' General Assembly and the Geneva Convention. Zolo, like all those fighting for self-determination, from Puerto Rico to East Timor, should not have been treated as a criminal, but given a protected political status.

The use of the death penalty to execute a freedom fighter violates every basic principle afforded anti-colonial combatants under international human rights law.

The Indiana courts ignored these pleas and followed the fallacious policy of the U.S. government, which denies the political status of Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War, choosing to criminalize their acts. This policy is designed to delegitimize the struggles of oppressed peoples, and to prevent recognition of their political right to protected status in the eyes of their people and the international community.

Who is Zolo Agona Azania?

Some people may think that Zolo is a "nationalist," because he is a Conscious Citizen of the Republic of New Afrika (RNA). Zolo is not a "nationalist" as that term is commonly (and incorrectly) used in the U.S. By definition, all Conscious New Afrikans are "revolutionary nationalists," i.e., non-racists, anti-sexists, anti-capitalists, socialists, and internationalists. As Zolo has stated, "i firmly support any cause that works in earnest with poor people regardless of race or religion, in their struggle against hunger, disease, exploitation and poverty. We need economic self-reliance, local community control and

development free of corruption.”

Those who know Zolo are broadening their campaign to force the State of Indiana to comply with international law and the U.S. constitution, to immediately cease all efforts to execute this New Afrikan fighter, and to afford him political status.

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AUTHOR'S PREFACE

This is a collection of eight socioeconomic-political essays written in a style unique to the author for the informational, educational, motivational, and spiritual upliftment of all humanity concerning the general plight (dilemma) of Afrikan people internationally (worldwide).

The author writes, however, with particular emphasis upon the oppression of New Afrikan people confined within the current borders of the United States North Euro-amerikkkan empire.

The New Afrikan is a Black person whose ancestors were kidnapped from many different Afrikan tribes and brought to North and South Euro-amerikkka in the holds of slave ships.

When the socioeconomic living conditions of people in any country (land) are bad, miserable and dehumanizing, crime grows into a very serious problem. Why? Crime is the reflection of the existing property relations, a disproportionate distribution of wealth and privilege. In other words, somebody is being wrongfully deprived of basic economic needs.

The working class and the jobless poor are the people on the bottom class of society. The money and power of the United States' Euro-amerikkkan empire is built on the backs of the working class. Without the working class the slavery system could not exist.

The small number of filthy rich people at the top of the United States' Euro-amerikkkan empire, who privately own the major means of economic production, are the main (primary) cause of crime. Their foremost private interests, in theory and practice, are money and power to exploit the vital labor force of New Afrikan people for personal gain

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(private profits), hook or crook. Conscious New Afrikan people are struggling to be independent of Euro-amerikkka.

The factual observation of quantitative changes leading to qualitative changes is the scientific dialectical law of growth and development. Everything goes through a process of growth and development. Nothing remains completely the same. While something is coming into being, something is dying away. There is nothing in the universe that continuously remains inert (motionless). Quantitative changes lead to qualitative results. That is, something that grows in amount, or in size, develops or changes into a new quality altogether. Such as a wormlike larva which grows into a caterpillar, spins itself inside a cocoon and emerges a butterfly or a moth. As Our Movement grow and develop in the struggle, We will emerge a new independent Afrikan Republic.

Any type of educational system that doesn't properly equip Us to effectively fight for Our human rights is the wrong education. Our New Afrikan Independence Movement shall be successful. We will win. Each stage of Our development to achieve freedom from oppression is so different from the subjugated Afrikan past that it is indeed a new quality and not a mere continuation of the slave and slave master or colonized and colonizer arrangement of the old.

The objective of all genuine education is to solve the serious problem of national oppression. This book is written as a humble contribution to that end. The author respects the intelligence and wisdom of the poor and oppressed masses, to whom this book is addressed, to fight for your human rights. Fighting for human rights is not a crime, but to deprive people of their rights as human beings is a crime.

Z.A.A. 26 July 1990

WAKE UP EVERYBODY:

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The Dangers Of Living A Phony Life

Broadly speaking, some people do not like dealing with the truth of reality. They live their life a lie for so long, they become confused as to what reality is.

There are others who psych (imagine) themselves out to believe that people who speak truth and advocate equal justice for all are up to no good, and thus, should not be trusted. Others pretend to speak truth and advocate equal justice for all, they say, and do not.

Furthermore, there are those who develop callous, insensitive feelings towards the poor (down and out), oppressed people, simply because they're impoverished. Some are among those well to do wealthy, powerful people, who lay up idling, gambling, playing golf, watching spectator sports (as they did in ancient Greece and Rome). They eat, drink, and jocosely around the clock: sail boating, water and snow skiing, sun bathing and walking naked and half naked on the streets, in public parks, on the beaches, and so on. They pretend not to know that innocent people are dying unnecessarily, every night, all day, that could be saved if only they would help. One who thinks this way is in a disordered frame of mind.

People like this submerge themselves in all sorts of nonsensical, escapist entertainment as a means to avoid the truth of reality about the many social and political ills happening around them. Immature, uncaring, insensitive, brainwashed, stupid people don't want to see, read, or hear anything about truth of the reality of everyday social problems. They don't want anything that reminds them of something they are trying to forget. They deny truth and continue to follow their psychopathic greed, lust, and vanity to the grave. Moreover, truth of reality does not provide them with an outlet for the escapist fantasies they invent. Things that remind them of the truth of reality are depressing and contemptible. This is not living a normal life.

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If you wish to have the grace and the continued support of the poor, use your talents, expertise and money to support the movement of the oppressed to be free from colonialist domination. Those who fail to do so will suffer a terrible chastisement. Uncle Toms will be criticized with the weapon. In other words, you'll be killed outright! Mercy will not exist for you anymore. A bad name shall be your title. It shall be bloody and ugly for you, because your thoughts and actions are bloody and ugly. Should you continue to serve the interests of your colonial masters after being forewarned, then that would be the sheer (clear) manifestations of your total disrespect, ignorance and stupidity. You shall suffer total ruin and a disgraceful death and possibly expose your whole family and loved ones to the same.

We know who you are and what you are. Change your Uncle Tom ways, or Else!

NO DEATH PENALTY FOR ZOLO!

On the other hand, many poor people have been living down on their knees under poverty and oppression for so long that they simply don't know how to stand. Some know, but don't care, and give up. Others give up because they can find no way out. There are others who have been down and out for so long that it may seem as though it is abnormal to feel happy.

The reason for being down and out is not always the poor peoples' fault. Other causes are to blame such as social, environmental, cultural, miseducation and economic devastation. Some of them, however, rather do almost anything except face truth of reality, do for themselves, and take control of their own lives.

If you lie to yourself, you will not take the steps required to get your life together. Others use alcohol and drugs in order to escape the truth of reality, which only makes the problem bigger.

Those who are weak, of unclear understanding, or failure to comprehend the combination of external physical conditions, affecting and influencing their lives, must eventually learn that the standard measure of good, is the direct opposite of bad. The principle of doing good extends to all beings, both great and small, rich and poor. That is providing for all the things human beings need for a full, satisfactory, healthy, well fed life.

Pain is a learning process. It consists (is made up) of many things. Once you've experienced it, become aware of it by going through it, hurting and suffering, nobody can take that experience away from you. Because you've lived it you know the feeling well.

Psychology deals with the study of mental behavior. Sociology is the study of social behavior. Your brain controls every part of your mental, emotional and physical body. Whenever a person (people) consciously does anything of their own free will, that is what they have an interest in. That is what they have on their mind at the time. Your physical actions give strong clues that indicate what

thoughts are on your mind. Furthermore, one's actions may be a deliberate plan, designed to deceive or mislead. Your actions may show one thing, but your thoughts may be about something else. The end results of the action give an indication what frame of mind you were in at the time. 10

The brain is a highly organized matter. The brain also has a physiological (material) process in direct relation to the mind, which is the bio-chemical, electro activity of the brain. There is one continuous connection between the brain, mind, and body. You earn a good name by your upright conduct and upright deeds. Think about it. When people are doing kind and positive things for themselves, that is the way they are thinking. The treatment of oneself and others must be done with humanity and equal justice.

There are three hundred sixty degrees (360°) a complete circle. Each single degree is one of a series of steps or stages in a process, or a course of action, leading up to the next. What goes around comes around. You reap what you sow.

Psychological or mental breakdowns are related to living phony identities, which disturb one's thinking, feelings and behavior. No one is happy if they have to be phony with others. Lying and deceiving oneself is worst of all. Wake up everybody. Truth of reality is here, the eternal now, all the time. Glamour and prestige are an illusion. What seems to be one thing can, in fact, be something else. You are unable to run away from yourself, because you are unable to run away from truth of reality.

The poor and oppressed, who try to live the glamorous life, over a period of time, often develop mental and emotional disorders. Megalomania is one such disorder of one's way of thinking and feeling. Megalomania is a mental disorder which leads to fantasizing about being rich and powerful. Pretending to be something they're not. Fronting.

The wealthy people who suffer from different kinds of mental disorders are called eccentric. Calling them eccentric sounds better than mad, crazy or insane. Rich folks think they're too good to be called crazy when they act mentally

There are signs in everything. When you sell your soul to the enemy of your poor people, including orphans and widows, is a clear sign that you do not love yourself or the poor. Because when you love someone you make a strong commitment to them. You give them your attention and your devotion. You act the way you think. You stretch your lips and flash your teeth (or false teeth and gums) like clowns; shaking your behinds and shuffling your feet, amusing crooked moneychangers and land thieves. You turn a blind eye to the suffering of the poor and oppressed. You ignore injustice and human rights violations perpetrated by the wealthy. Brother El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz said: "You're either part of the problem or part of the solution."

All of your strivings and energies should be geared towards helping to win ultimate liberation, genuine independence, economic self-reliance and a higher meaning and form of justice for the poor and oppressed. You should stop and refuse to do the bidding of environmental racist, the polluters of the earth, and instead expose the contradictions of their international crimes.

Injustice, among other things, is an abuse of power. The exploitation of peoples' labor for profit is an injustice. Speak out and use your talents in defense of the downtrodden. There is much to be done, and more to do, that will help those in need of love and care to make it through the difficult nights and days. Having the material things that We need to live well forms the essential basis for Our economic independence. The money that is taken out of Our communities must be brought back.

"Even though I am seeking help from anywhere and everywhere I can get it, my personal freedom campaign is not the Movement per se. Higher progressive efforts at publicly critical resistance are needed now. We must organize, educate, and be proactive. I do not have any doubt that We shall overcome, and there is Victory for us!" - Zolo Azania, in a March 15th, 2004 letter to *Presente!* (a progressive artists group in Boston, Massachusetts)

WARNING TO ALL UNCLE TOMS 38

Beware Uncle Toms (including Auntie Toms)! Regardless of what you may think, there is no safe place in the universe for you. The enemy of your people gives you token jobs and allows some of you to be professional entertainers and movie stars. People pay money to see you play sports, dance, and to hear you preach, sing and tell jokes. But when you get rich you often forget that it was the poor and oppressed who made you rich, and support you on their shoulders.

Every Uncle Tom, neo-colonial puppet, sycophant, or bootlicker is not necessarily rich or wealthy, however. Some Uncle Toms are marginally (barely) employed, or unemployed. Nevertheless, they still bend over backwards to join the enemy against their own people. They think We will always be unorganized, fragmented, weak and unable to enforce Our demands for reparations, and freedom from colonialist domination. But they are drastically mistaken.

The present strength and power of the enemy is temporary and fleeting. The enemy cannot give you (Uncle Toms) lasting security, nor protect you from your inevitable downfall and destruction. One of the signs of the coming of your certain doom is seen when the poor and oppressed masses awaken to a higher level of social and political consciousness. This is your last opportunity to get your act together before your show gets canceled, permanently!

This is a humble warning to you all. A warning is a sign of mercy. One who receives a warning sign and who does not take heed is foolish, naive or unwise. With advanced warning you may prepare yourself for what is about to happen. For example, when various types of birds fly south, and the snakes and other reptiles go into hibernation is a sign winter is near. When rats begin to jump off a ship is a sign that the ship is sinking. Red, orange and yellow flashing lights are signs of danger and caution. Smoke is a sign of fire, you can smell it and see it.

disturbed. Only the poor and oppressed are called crazy.

Those who refuse to be generous or charitable with their great amounts of wealth are called misers. These people, with all of their money and power, are miserably unhappy. Most of them are insane. //

People who claim to be happy, but do not deserve happiness, because they're doing bad things, evil things, like violating people's human rights, are not happy at all. Truth of reality torments those who hate it. And, they'll hate you if you tell them the truth directly.

Some people murder their own family members for insurance money. It takes someone who has totally lost their mind to do such a thing without thinking of it as wrong. Their outward appearance may not seem bad, but inside of their mind and heart lives a demented (mad, crazy) monster. Mental illness is a social (public) problem, not a private one. People always do sickly things for money when property relations are placed above and against social relations.

We must stop making the mistake of relying on symbolic thought for solutions (answers) to Our problems (questions) and how We view (see) the world. Symbols are substitutes for the real thing. We've had more than enough of the fake and phony. We have to think clearly in terms (conditions) of concrete truth of reality. You are the only you that will ever be you. That's why it is important you be yourself. The pursuit (following, search) of happiness is not found in glamour, illusion and lies. Living a phony life is hell. Happiness is peace of mind; being in harmony with the true nature of the universe. It's the sum total of doing all good things for self and kind from the beginning of one's life to the end. This is the quality of a whole life. Wake-up everybody!

COMBATIVE LITERATURE: 12

The Ideological War Which Influences People's Thinking And Actions

Consciousness (awareness) proceeds from objective (material) social reality. Everything We learn or experience is perceived (originate) and conceived (produced) through Our senses such as hearing, sight, smell, touch, and taste.

What one does for a living, in relation to the means of economic production, determines one's consciousness, though not all of it. That is to say, family relations, living conditions, environment, school, religion, sports, political activity, culture and experience in all facets (aspect or phase) of society also determine one's consciousness.

The few people who privately own and control the large factories, corporations, heavy machinery, railroads, transport, banks, savings and loan companies, energy power plants, water, food, extensive real estate, prisons, huge sums of natural resources of the land and sea; also, privately own the major means of economic production. Together, this results in the accumulation of immense wealth (money) concentrated in their hands by extracting profits from the labor of New Afrikan people and other poor, oppressed nationalities.

These few rich and super-rich private owners of the major means of economic production enjoy the highest standard of living at the highest economic levels of society. They dwell in opulence (extreme luxury), selfishness and voracious greed, but don't work for a living. Why? People who live at the lowest economic levels of society, and people serving time in prison, do all the work making rich people richer. The opulence of the wealthy flows from the socioeconomic exploitation and oppression of the poor.

If We're not employed, or self-employed, in a job for the benefit of Ourselves, Our families, Our communities, and for the liberation of Our beloved people, then We're working for the benefit of somebody else against Our

RISE MIGHTY PEOPLE 37

Don't allow anybody to tell you that you cannot be yourself because you're the only you that will be you. Being yourself is one of the many beautiful qualities that makes you unique (stand out among the rest). Your mind is powerful; you can think for yourself. There is power in conscious knowledge. The more you know, the more you can do. Put your strong mind to it, you can do it. Think positive; think constructive. You can prosper and achieve what you please.

Success is the accumulation of hard work, thorough preparation, perseverance and dedication. In other words, keep striving toward the positive objective goals, consistently. For hope you look up. Attainment is a righteous process of working hard and taking calculated risks. You've got talent, but, sometimes, your success is less a matter of talent than of working hard and remaining undiscouraged by failure. A failure is only a lesson. We all have limits. But each limitation is as big or small as you make it; the key is to concentrate on what you have, not what you don't have. Rain puts a hole in a solid rock because of its constancy, not its force. Keep knocking on doors until the right one opens. Never take your eyes off the goal. Persistence almost always has a healthy hand in true success; every hurdle crossed; every pitfall avoided is one less hurdle and one less pitfall in pursuit of your desire.

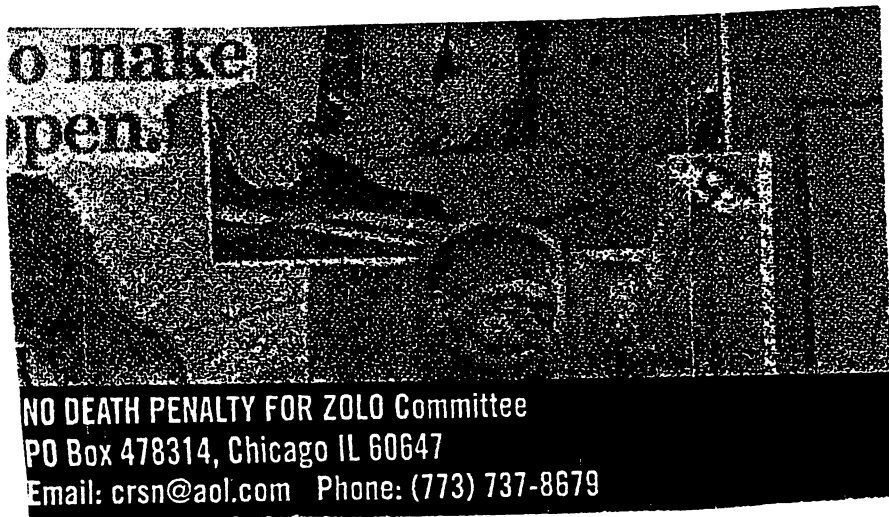
Do what it takes. Look your best and be your best. Move with confidence and speak with strong belief. Be prepared and dedicated. You've got to do what you can from where you're at and with what you have. Live your life now! This is the most important time in your important life. The past is gone; the future is yet to be. But keep clear vision before you. As the Honorable Marcus M. Garvey said: "UP YOU MIGHTY PEOPLE. YOU CAN ACCOMPLISH WHAT YOU WILL!"

hand-outs, whereby temporarily prolonging the life span of a moribund colonialism. The most tragic part of this, above all, is that sycophants (Uncle and Auntie Toms) can often advance the interest of white supremacy, and greedy lap-dog privilege, with every bit as much vile energy as the white racists themselves.

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A castle is a fort or fortified, stronghold building dominating the surrounding country and held by a subservient of a ruler in feudal societies, especially in medieval (Middle Ages) Europe. Many castles were converted to residential use and mansions. Some people make-believe they live in castles in the air to insulate themselves from reality. But there is no such thing as safety from the double cutting edge of truth. In other words, you can run, but you cannot hide from yourself. Nobody can escape truth, because We are the physical body of it.

We have to face the reality that both New Afrikans and Caucasians (and other nationalities) have been drastically affected by the peculiar institution of chattel slavery. Colonialist domination over New Afrikan people inside the Euro-amerikkkan empire was the evil system used to replace chattel slavery, and it must be destroyed. For no human being has the right to enslave, oppress, colonize, or to subjugate others.



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peoples' vital interest. Under employment or working for minimum wage is also bad because minimum wage is another way of saying slave wage. Underemployment is expressed in the rise of part-time and temporary work; below poverty line minimum wage earnings; slashing of disability allowances; eliminating pension plans; mounting medical expenses without requisite security of sick leave insurance; and, increasing cuts in unemployment benefits.

National self-determination and meaningful job employment are universal human rights! People without adequate economic support will eat garbage and steal to survive, or starve to death. Where is the human dignity in working for slave wages, existing in poverty and homelessness, begging for a job or depending on somebody who doesn't care anything about you for a handout?

Ownership of the economic production process on a large scale should not be in the private hands of a few people and individuals. They are supposed to be socially or publicly owned by the social producers, the labor force of people who do the actual work. From each according to his and her ability, to each according to his and her needs.

Ability is one's capacity (what you're able to do). The more you have the more you should give. Knowledge and the physical capacity for work is part of what you give. It's a moral obligation (what must be). People who need more should get more. People who are able to do more should do more. Everybody should willingly do what they can to share in the work. Mass food production belongs under the control of the laboring masses of the population so everybody can eat with dignity. We must produce Our food needs. The wealth of the land and sea must be earnestly distributed among the social producers, thereby benefiting the interests of society as a whole for its economic and social well-being. The elderly, the needy, the poor and disabled members of society, who are unable to earn a decent livelihood for themselves, even though the opportunities may exist, will benefit also. That is a fundamental (basic)

human right. But the United Snakes of Euro-amerikkka, the colonialist rulers, are capitalist. They are against these types of social, humanistic ideas.

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Human nature everywhere is basically the same, as far as human needs are concerned. The politically conscious, the religious believers, the atheists, agnostics, the lettered and learned, whatever they want to call themselves, all want the most beautiful, pleasant, finer things in life no matter what the name of the economic system may be called. No one people, or a minority few, has the right to claim the land, the natural wealth, the animals, plants, and water for themselves, and deny sharing these things with everybody else in society. Some people have greater means of wealth than others. Everybody should contribute something constructive towards the advancement of society, if they're physically and mentally able to do so. Everybody should be looked after. Those who have the most should pay the most. Those who have the less pay the less. It's the right thing to do for the benefit of all, not only for a select minority few. This type of economic productive distribution system is known as scientific socialism.

The vicious conspiracy between European companies, banks, churches and the government ruling classes to institute (start, begin) the evil system of importing and exporting Afrikan people as slaves resulted in the accumulation of huge profits and power. Afrikan people were imported to Europe and to the Western Hemisphere (New World-West Indies) as a large source of cheap slave labor, to do all the hard work in the mines, developing the land, planting and harvesting crops. The fruits of the slaves labor (the natural resources, cotton, hemp, silk, tobacco, food, spices, sugar, beer, wine, whiskey, rum and other products) were taken back on ships to European markets for sale. Slavery is a barbaric economic system for private profits. That's how the European imperialist nations (including the U.S. Amerikkkan empire), through their companies (corporations), got super-rich in the first place.

and make agreements between themselves about foreign and domestic government policies and interests. The concept of Euro-amerikkkan governmental democracy, involving the whole people regardless of race, creed, color, sex, religion or national origin, is a myth; the mish-mash of politically motivated distortions, fictitious insinuations and downright lies, propagated by the ruling class. The domination, economic exploitation, and mass control of the social forces (laborers and consumers), is not genuine democracy, in actuality it is a plutocracy. The bourgeoisie ruling class are plutocrats. The imperialist government of the United Snakes of Euro-amerikkka is a racist colonial settler state empire ruled by plutocrats.

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The end of white supremacist racism is not the total solution to the problem of subjugation. Because racism is those individual Caucasians and their lackeys carrying out the policy or course of action of colonialism, the domination and control of one nationality or ethnic group over another for economic exploitation by force. Among the affects (influence) and effects (result) of colonialism upon the subject (subjugated) people is physical and mental illness.

Neo-colonialism is a new or recent form of colonial domination. Domestic colonialism is also neo-colonialism. The elected and appointed New Afrikan officials approved by the ruling class colonial masters, in the u.s. system of monopoly finance government, are neo-colonial puppets (sycophants) who are used by white folks to hold down their own people. So the people being oppressed by others of the same nationality can't scream racism. They become confused and misled as to who the enemy is that deprives them of their basic material needs.

This type of reactionary arrangement gives the illusion that racism or racial discrimination does not exist anymore. The discontented masses are then momentarily pacified with a few concessions: Aid to Families with Dependent Children (A.F.D.C.), low income housing projects, summer youth jobs, food stamps, government cheese, powdered milk and other

are somewhat relaxed or at ease when We are smiling, laughing, jumping up and down, talking loud, acting foolishly and fighting one another. But when We are serious about something and get quiet, then, they (white people) get worried. Some ask; "What's the problem?" "Do you want to talk about it?" "Is anything wrong?" "Are you feeling well?" "Is there anything that i can do for you?" "Can you use some money?"

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New Afrikans in Amerikkka, and Azanians (Afrikans) in Southern Afrika, and all Afrikan people in European countries and in other parts of the world, are subjugated under colonial and neo-colonial rule. Many whites claim to be friends standing with the downtrodden. Be that as it may, these same so-called friends deny all Afrikan people in these countries the fundamental human rights to self-determination, total liberation and economic independence. They wish to represent the plight of all Afrikans as a struggle against white supremacist racism instead of against colonialism, neo-colonialism and imperialist oppression.

These so-called friends direct their attention on symptoms of oppression, while at the same time compromising (agreement) with the very same system that causes political oppression. Any way you look at it, white people, especially those inside the Amerikkkan empire, are connected ideologically, socially, culturally and economically to the interests of the ruling class few, disguised as a democracy. But it's actually, as brother El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz said, "...nothing but disguised hypocrisy..."

Democracy is an elusive term, if you accept the meaning or definition put on it by the imperialist ruling class. Sometimes it seems almost impossible to grasp. Because the ruling class definition of democracy always excludes the popular will. By long usage, in imperialist circles, democracy has become the private title for an exclusive, elite group. Imperialist democracy is a bourgeoisie democracy. It is a democracy for the bourgeoisie. They vote

As already pointed out, consciousness proceeds from objective social reality. Once you realize (become conscious) that you're being dogged around by those few who privately own the major means of economic production, you get angry and want to get even! 15

Economics deals with the substance (material) and maintenance (support) of life's necessities; that is to say, land, food, water, air, clothes, shelter (housing), medical care and education: the essential things We need to live. The most important part of any economic system is social production and construction (building), providing for Our realistic, day-to-day needs, which are dialectically connected to import, export, distribution consumption or utilization of basic material necessities. We want to develop a classless society where everybody will always have the money they need and be looked after.

The ideas of the rich, powerful rulers of the United Snakes of Euro-amerikkka, and their news media companies, distort and misdefine the words describing the conditions of life of the oppressed people they dominate. But, their ideas are not the only ones because, they are constantly being challenged by the oppressed people (masses) who want the truth made plain. This challenge, at first, is critical protest leading to militant writing; a war of words; a battle of social, economic and political ideas between the people at the top and those on the bottom rung of society.

The body of literature written in defense of the interest of the oppressed is called combative literature. It has to be objective, arouse human dignity and self-respect, and satisfy the people's need to know the truth. Moreover, combative literature must be expressive of practical and scientific knowledge about the corrupted economic and political activities of the rich. Combative literature must also show how the interests of powerful rulers extend beyond the borders of their country to extract profits from other nations' labor forces, robbing them of their land and

natural resources, in violation of international law. This class of rich people is imperialist.

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Even more importantly, combative literature has an uncompromising responsibility to humanity. It must, without hesitation, conform to the genuine needs, ideology (ideas), desires, aspirations, and will of the oppressed people and reject all that goes against their social interests in any shape, form or fashion. Combative literature should also be the unified voice of the oppressed, and the written words of their collective anger. It should encourage the oppressed to fight back hard for their human rights.

The primary objective of combative literature is to crystallize the contradictions and stir the youthful masses to direct action, to introduce military theory and discipline, and to articulate the clear vision of the path to be taken in pursuit of national independence. Combative literature must also adequately inform the people, encourage hope and inspire (motivate) conscious revolutionary thinking, and the development of conscious revolutionary social practice. Combative literature should strive to break the chains of the evil system of imperialist, colonialist domination, by any and all intelligent means necessary, including the use of armed struggle.

THE ENEMY: Who Are They?

The "Enemy", as used in this context, consists of many things. Among them are the enemy within (internal) and the enemy without (external). They are dramatically opposed to the New Afrikan (as well as all oppressed peoples') National Liberation Revolution. But who is "The Enemy" (to you)?

Broadly speaking the enemy is the system of oppressive government in the hands of people (ruling class, elite or clique) from different backgrounds and molds of thinking

Some Caucasians (Europeans) do not fully understand or overstand many of their own inner feelings they harbor about other nationalities. But the deep-seated uneasiness is still there. They try their best to hide or conceal the fear. But it does not go away. It lingers and grows, showing outwardly.

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Caucasian is the name of the white nations or tribes in Europe. They get their name from the "Caucasus Mountains" where many had lived in the rugged hills and caves between the Black and Azov Seas in the North and Southwest Europe, and the Caspian Sea in the East. Archaeological (the study of past human life) finds of ancient human skeletal remains were dug up in this rugged mountainous region and named "Caucasian", relating to its native inhabitants, because early European scientists thought human life began there.

"For the white race," wrote J.A. Rogers in his book *Sex And Race* Volume I, page 24 (1967), "Blumenbach coined the word 'Caucasian', and he did it in a manner characteristic of much of what still passes for science in all matters of race. In his collection of skulls was one of a woman found on Mt. Caucasus in Georgia, Asiatic Russia."

The same was thought about the ancient human type remains found in the Neander valley in Germany called "Neanderthal Man", like those found in Java, Indonesia was called "Java Man". As a whole, Europeans are classified as "Caucasian". North Euro-amerikkans are Caucasians. White people are Caucasians. To varying degrees they're classified as one in the same. The only difference being in the name of their individual national or tribal identity: Saxons, Angles, Scythians, Goths, Aguls, Vandals and so on.

Prospects for a consolidated, emerging working class movement, anywhere in the world, are viewed as a deadly threat to imperialism. Solidarity is unity and unity is strength-power. Those whites who fear the coming together and principled unity of ALL AFRICAN PEOPLE worldwide

Latino). They mistrust you if you do not act as they act, walk as they walk, see things their way, like the same things they like, dislike the same things they dislike, think the way they think, or be the way they want you to be. They find it hard to trust the ancestors of Afrikan slaves and indigenous nations in the western hemisphere. 32

Some white people invite New Afrikan people, for example, to come over to their homes so they will be seen by their white neighbors. They also take pictures, go to church, school, work, and join organizations with New Afrikan people. They feel guilty about the manner in which New Afrikan folks have been (and still is) mistreated historically, by other whites. This guilt feeling is often exaggerated (enlarged beyond what is actual or true) and turned into fear. The abnormal psychology, of all this exaggerated guilt, produces irrational fear responses.

Deep inside the collective subconscious of most (but not all) white folks is a dislike for two or more New Afrikan people to talk with one another around them if they don't know what is being said. The collective subconscious dislike causes them to create phobias in their own minds, a psychological fear that New Afrikan people are plotting against them. This phobia or psychological fear runs much deeper with the thought that they will lose something when New Afrikan people are free and independent. So, they try to get physically close to New Afrikan folks and other people of different nationalities as possible. They watch and observe closely; they want to know what you are doing at all times. For the people who can get close enough to harm you are the ones you trust.

It was Europeans who plotted against the land of Afrika and her peoples centuries ago. They used wicked lies, deceit and deception to divide and rule. That could only be done, not because the Europeans had bombs and bullets, but after they first found a way to get close to them to win their trust. The greatest obstacle to the European invaders was the unity and organization of the indigenous people. That's what the Europeans feared most. As it was then, so it is now.

who intentionally violate the human rights of others. The enemy forces the poor to scrap and scuffle to make ends meet and pay bills. It's not hard to define or identify them (the enemy). The following excerpt puts matters in perspective: 17

"Who is 'them' (to you)? 'Them' is the local police or the CIA; the landlord or the postal inspector; the kamp official or the 'beat representatives'; city hall or the state capital. Would We be wrong in saying that there are as many ways to define or identify 'them' as there are oppressive and exploitative situations faced DAILY by ALL Our people?"*

In essence this means that the enemy is 'slum-landlords' and 'sweatshop' owners. The enemy is greedy capitalism, imperialism, neo-colonialism, fascism, apartheid, and so on. The enemy is oppression and exploitation, tyrants and despots. The enemy gives birth to injustice, inequity, genocide, and all manner of atrocities. The enemy uses these wicked concepts to cause adverse or negative socioeconomic conditions and material circumstances that precipitate the actions they want to happen to further their insidious interests, including acts of war. This is the nature and character of Our enemy.

The enemy propaganda press and media machine manipulate the flow of disinformation (lies) to the public and, in the process, manipulate people to be leery of one another. The enemy hypnotizes you with slick, fraudulent, deceptive, commercial advertising gimmicks to entice you to buy junk food, and other things, that you would not normally do under reasonable circumstances. The enemy feels that they are above the law because they have money and special privileges. They cause pollution of the environment detrimental to all living things on the planet Earth.

* Vita Wa Vatu, Book Ten, "Building Shields of Silence and Conviction", Spear and Shield Publications, Chicago, Ill. (1987) p. 16

The enemy is the criminal police. They help keep the oppressors (ruling class, elite or clique) in power, frame innocent people on trumped up charges and they carry license to murder the weak and helpless. As an official policy and routine practice the enemy sanctions police brutality and other crimes and miscall them, among other things, "justifiable homicide." The enemy is not only police officers, or a small group of them, who commit crimes but, also, their heavily armed and technological equipped regular military machine (army, air force, navy, marines, the state national guard, mercenaries), their allies, cronies and henchmen. They (the enemy) conceal or hide themselves behind legal mechanisms (the judicial court system, legislation and executive orders) of the state.

The enemy may even dress and look like you, talk and walk like you. The enemy may be standing, working, or sitting in the same place, same situation or same spot, at the same time you are now if you intentionally do, or cause to be done, anything to hurt, destroy, hinder, or impede Our NEW AFRIKAN NATIONAL LIBERATION REVOLUTION.

In other words, counterproductive selfish individualism is thus part of the enemy within (internal) and the enemy without (external). This includes unreasonable jealousy, envy, and disunity; physical surveillance, wire-taps, break-ins, buggings, and mail interceptions; snitches, infiltration, spies, informers, Uncle Toms, misleaders, agent provocateurs, smear campaigns and slander. These are all "enemy" attacks, or aggression, and hostile invasion perpetrated against the masses of Our people. The enemy must be eliminated!

We don't want to have anything to do with people who deprive Us of Our international human right to self-determination and independence. We don't want to have anything to do with them. The enemy don't care about anything but making money and stealing more of it. The enemy doesn't care about children. The enemy doesn't care about what happens to Us. The enemy would like to see the

CASTLES IN THE AIR: 31

False Escape Of The Colonialist Settler State

Broadly speaking, when people first meet others of a different nationality, they judge and form opinions about them according to their own cultural standards, language, and ways of doing things. That is to say, if We eat food with a spoon and fork, when We first meet others, We expect them to eat their food the same way until We learn more about their culture. But, as a distinct group, most white people benefit from the continued existence of the Euro-amerikkkan empire's parasitic nature. Even though there are poor and oppressed white people (Europeans-Caucasians), as well, they're still able to enjoy in varying degrees, the privilege of having white skin accentuated by a long historical attitude of smug arrogance and indifference towards other peoples' cultures. In the process, these very same poor and oppressed white people (Europeans-Caucasians) have become unwitting victims of their own economic system of national class divisions, inculcated with the social mythos and cultural biases of white supremacy.

The United Snakes of North Euro-amerikkkan government, the manifest destiny policy makers, the affluent financiers, the ones who control big business enterprises consisting of many widely diversified companies, the shapers of public opinion who promote and reflect specific, self serving interests, the colonial educational committee board members and the scholars and scientists who mirror the ideas of the ruling class have an unbridled habit of always boasting and carrying on about North Euro-amerikkkan superiority. They are sarcastically critical of other people's shortcomings and so paranoid and defensive about their own.

Moreover, they mistrust people of different nationalities and culture, especially if you are non-white (Afrikan, Asian,

debauchery. Our families are on the brink of destruction because of corruption. We should communicate with one another clearly, openly and honestly. Communication includes being a good listener and giving respect. 30

The illicit drug culture causes people to be fearful, suspicious and extremely mistrustful of one another. It has no benefit to the growth and development of society, not even from the multi-millions in monetary profits accumulated from illicit drug and alcohol sales. Corruption is an internal enemy. It destroys from within. People who wish to transform society for a much better quality of life must fight tooth and nail to resist all manifestations of corruption. Victory for Us depends upon Our total commitment to effectuating revolutionary change. The moral of all of this is three-fold.

First, human beings are socialistic by nature. As a way of life, We congregate and assemble in large and small groups. It is an integral part of Our progressive culture. Sharing in work and responsibility is natural, healthy, human social activity.

Second, true revolutionary conduct is inseparable from revolutionary thinking and analyzing the world. Serving the people is a moral duty that requires us to organize broad based and local socialist, community programs, to practice economic self-reliance and self-defense. Integrity is a trait of true revolutionaries. Peoples' trust must be diligently earned and never betrayed.

Third, the responsibility for developing revolutionary socio-economic culture and concrete codes of ethics for success rests upon the shoulders of the people who comprise the revolutionary party, which is the highest expression of the working class masses. Each revolutionary party member must be responsible and accountable for exposing contradictions, maintaining philosophical consistency and setting the clear tone as revolutionary leadership, cadre.

masses of New Afrikan people destroyed, or killed off by each other, and the enemy will do anything to make sure that happens. The enemies are a bunch of blood-sucking vultures. THEY ARE THE ENEMY!!! 19

WORLD GANGSTERS: Crime And Property Relations

In the United States of Amerikkka the value of a human being, how important that person may be or what a person's life is worth, is determined by the amount of money they have and by the private property they own.

As is well known, money talks! If you have it you can say and do almost anything you want. In this case, crime pays off. That being so, the U.S. government is nothing less than a gangster organization. Its activities are criminal. Its money and positions of power were obtained by illegal means. The U.S. government even props up and supports other corrupt governments around the globe.

Listen good people, by word and deed, Amerikkka is a stomp down mud kicking [pimp]*. It is a political [pimping] profiteer. U.S. government officials are legislative, executive and judicial swindlers; the ones in high places who seek bribes, coerce poor people to pay high taxes, and who seek to keep the poor working people's vote divided so they can remain in office. These are the scalawags (low-life) who have corrupted the fabric of society.

Government is about money. The purpose of this is to provide human services to the citizens in an equal and orderly collective manner. Government functions require the raising and spending of money. The priorities and policies of a government are revealed in how revenue

* The U.S.A. is the bully and exploiter like the pimps running the multinational businesses taking control of the employee's labor and the money they make. The pimps use force and the threat of force to take advantage of the poor and oppressed.

(money) is raised and in what way it is spent. The way this money or revenue is raised is called, taxation. A tax is the monetary contribution by persons, groups, or businesses in support of a government. To some people there is nothing certain in this world but death and taxes. 20

The U.S. government, however, passes tax legislation, which give great tax reductions to big corporations and wealthy individuals, while the common everyday working people and the poor are drained down to their last penny and drop of blood.

The wealthy individuals and big corporations not only have all the money and natural resources tied up in their banks, but they also sell everything. They even sell you garbage for food, death-dealing drugs, dangerous toys and their own mother and other peoples'. They put a monetary price on everything and everybody.

The banks, and other finance companies, will also loan you money, with strings attached, if you have a job. They charge you high interest rates (tax) on every penny you borrow. If you are unable to repay this money to the banks they will send armed goons to pay you a visit. They'll foreclose the mortgage on your home, repossess your furniture, clothes, car, farm, and land and rob you and cheat you out of all the things you've worked for. They'll throw you and your family, and all of your belongings, out into the streets.

The violation of a woman's body such as rape or for sexual advertisement in any way is a noxious chemical cloud poison as polluted air that blanket all countries as crusader Euro-amerikkka. For example, standing on a woman's neck, or standing on her back boost the macho (male) image of men, which is an expression of their own psychological insecurity and hatred of their mother. Anybody who acts this way is a criminal. The way one acts reflects the way one thinks.

Men (and boys) are brainwashed and conditioned by the ideas of the rulers of Euro-amerikkkan society to have

everywhere. That being so, morals are the socially accepted standards of conduct or behavior of life established upon universal principles. On the other hand, anyone can justify their conduct or behavior by a specific code of ethics, although it may be wrong or immoral, depending upon one's conscious outlook. 29

Ethics pertain to the manner of conduct or behavior precisely specified within a particular class, group, or community, emphasizing more objective, but idealistic, moral standards of right and wrong. Ethics specify the code of conduct regarded as proper or improper by members of a profession. A code of ethics also relates to the guidelines or policies made and agreed upon by members of an organization engaged in advanced study or practicing a profession.

One's particular attitudes of fidelity, loyalty, or integrity are determined by the level of one's moral value and code of ethics in relationship to the economic productive forces in society, and in all other human activity.

The home environment and the work place have the greatest influence on the human psyche. The victims of abuse, incest, and neglect by family members and by others they trusted, are painful to recall. The memories hurt. The combination of physical and psychological (emotional) pain experienced in one's youth (including accidents and honest mistakes) also influences one's social consciousness.

A child does not select the path their life will take. That decision is made for them. More often than not, they continue to follow the same general path regardless of the consequences, right or wrong. Their experiences along the way influence their thinking. All hope is not lost for a child who has been placed on the abominable path of immorality. Many have been pulled from the depths of despair, and many more shall be liberated in the future.

Corruption is a serious impediment to Our freedom struggle. It would be insane for any committed revolutionary to knowingly or intentionally partake in

they act with deliberate indifference or insensitivity to human suffering. 28

Any way you look at it, sex orgies, prostitution, foist pornography, adultery, perversion, pimping, thievery, gambling, bribery, child-abuse, drug-abuse, drunkenness or alcoholism and wild parties, typically involving frenzied singing, cursing, gluttony of food, and corruption of every sort, are all immoral activities. In that condition who can call themselves good people?

For example, the process by which the food and wealth of a nation is produced from the earth and distributed among the people, more for the privileged few and very little or none for the poor majority, may be a common socially accepted fact of life in one class of society. But in another class of society, it is looked down upon with utter disgust and resentment when the food and wealth of a nation is distributed disproportionately to the poor and oppressed.

This survey indicates that people are products of their environment. Moral values are learned from relationships with people in the different classes of a society beginning in the milieu (environment) of the home, which extends to the schools, work site, places of worship and other institutions. What does one expect when bringing children up in a corrupted milieu (environment)?

The brothers and sisters, who wish to transform society so as to achieve liberation from oppression, to make classlessness (socialism) the reality, to create a higher quality of life and do away with corruption, defeat their purpose by participating in corrupted dealings themselves.

Corruption, by definition, destroys the moral fabric of society. The moral fabric of society and its relationship to material things are inseparable. People's spirituality, happiness and well being are directly related to material output and consumption. That is, adequate good, clean air, water, food, medicine, clothes, shelter, transportation, and economic production.

Moral values, by definition, apply to all people

physical sexual contact or intercourse with as many women as they can, which also leads to rape, robbery, burglary, kidnap and other sordid crimes. The Miss Universe Contest, the Amerikkkan Beauty Pageant, Miss Amerikkka, Miss World, Miss Teenage U.S.A., and so on, are prime examples how women are projected (displayed) as luxury items up for auction like a piece of tender meat for the profit and pleasure of men. 21

The people to whom you pay your bills, the big corporations, water and utility companies and wealthy individuals commit crimes against the people in many ways. It is only the petty criminal, the poor, those living on the bottom, who are looked down upon and severely penalized in society.

As a natural defense in response to colonial oppression, fear, danger, lack of job opportunities, non-parental guidance, insecurity, a corrupt environment, miseducation, having to live in substandard housing, a sense of not feeling welcome or wanted, hopelessness and peer pressure, abuse, abandonment, neglect and rejection, children huddle close together in large and small groups for their own protection, support, acceptance and sense of identity. They hang out on street corners. Now people in the community start to fear the crowds of youth and label them gangs. They grow older and as their numbers swell the street gangs become a contending force in society, a challenge to the present social order of authority.

Living in a society where the culture and environment are criminally forced into existence and controlled by world gangsters influences Our lives in many ways. It is a learned behavior passed on to the innocent children. Because this is the type of stuff they see and hear all the time, they grow up thinking negatively in their social relation with themselves and other people. The innocent children seek revenge for the pain inflicted on them. It's a vicious cycle. Environ means to encircle or surround. Mental means the mind. The environmental conditions of life influence the

way We think.

The U.S. economic system consists of the exploitation of some persons by others. It is an inherently hostile, brutal, ferocious, barbaric, heinous, oppressive, rotten, sordid and dreadful economic system because this economic system came about through the Indian and Afrikan slave trade. Some people treat their own children like personal property, today (now).

The economic and ecological (environmental) rape of people's human and natural resources is the interconnecting trademark of world gangsters. Some call them capitalist, imperialist, colonialist, or the national and international bourgeoisie. As pirates, they have a notorious, murderous, genocidal history of taking what they want at the cost of others. They use different code words and phrases such as: "Manifest Destiny", "Free Enterprise", "Market Testing", "Return Investment", "Exploratory Venture", "Corporate Takeover", "Profit Undertaking", "Gunboat Diplomacy", "Business Adventure", "Constructive Engagement", "Apple Pie", "The Great Amerikkkan Dream", "Amerikkkan Interest", "Competitive Business", "Domestic Market Dominance", "Foreign Market Dominance", "Economic Window of Opportunity", "Trickle Down Theory", "New World Order", and so on, to describe their criminal activities.

The U.S. economic system, and all governments similar to it, cannot live without crime. It is the Am-Way or Amerikkkan Way, and the United Way. Crusader Euro-amerikkka, where corruption runs rampant, is one of the most dangerous psychopaths (criminally insane) that anybody in the history of the world has ever encountered. It is a canine in sheep's clothes, a devil that pretends to be your friend; it is everything that spells danger at home and abroad.

You cannot talk about the U.S. empire without talking about Europe. Those that run the U.S. government are Europeans who call themselves Amerikkkan. They carry

What one does to earn a living influences one's social consciousness. In this, living conditions, social conditions, economic conditions and the way people interact with one another in society also influence one's social consciousness.

Politics is the gaining, maintaining and using power to decide who gets what, when, where and how. Politics is a very serious business especially for politicians who look upon it strictly as a business. They are the ones who rely on the business of politics for their living: the politics of greed.

Corrupted government authorities are in the business of sucking the economic lifeblood out of people. They divide the people into classes according to their race, nationality, sex, caste, creed, and whether or not they got money or have a job. Those who don't have a job may turn to crime to feed themselves and their family, or for other reasons. When they get caught the corrupt government punishes them with unjust laws. Corruption starts at the top and rolls down hill, not up.

The administration of government is a moral responsibility in every respect. A corrupted system of government is an immoral institution that undermines the moral and legal foundation of a society.

Human beings naturally tend to imitate one another. When the moral fabric that forms the structure consisting of human relations between ideas, expressions, social, political, economic production, philosophy and interests, in any system of government, organization, or institution break-down, deteriorate, decay and rot, people in that society follow this same course and begin to accept savage, barbaric immorality as a way of life.

Competent people are accountable for their own conscious actions or inactions. Those without a sense of morality have a tendency or willingness to think, act and express interest in all types of vile language and corruption. Some people in this category, class or group pretend to restrain their actions; others couldn't care less. They have no appreciation for things that belong to other people. And,

Andy Rooney

If no crime existed

Last week a poll showed that 55 percent of the American public thinks a majority of businessmen and women are dishonest. There are so many people in business that this is like saying people are dishonest.

It seems strange to me that the same Americans who don't want to read bad news in their newspapers or see bad news on television are convinced that there is so much bad news hidden in business.

In order to reconcile one American feeling with the other, I've tried to think positively about dishonesty and crime. There's some good in everything.

If we were to do away with crime in America at every level, our lives would be better in some ways but it would create terrible unemployment and all but ruin the motion picture business.

Let's look at jobs. At the end of 1984, there were 463,666 people in federal or state prison in the United States. You can't just throw people in prison cells and leave them. They have to be watched. More than 100,000 Americans make their livings as prison guards. You only need prison guards after criminals have been caught and 575,000 Americans work as cops trying to prevent crime or trying to catch criminals.

You wouldn't want all our federal, state, local and private police thrown out of work just because everyone turned honest, would you? Police have to eat just as much as criminals do.

WHAT WOULD life be like without the FBI? There would be 8,841 FBI agents looking for work if everyone turned honest.

Even with more than half a million cops, we don't have enough people protecting us from criminals so a new industry has sprung up, which I think we all agree is always a good thing. The new industry that has burgeoned in the last 25 years is the private guard services. There are now 600,000 private security guards.

It may be nice to consider what the world would be like if there were no crime or dishonesty but I doubt that we could cope with it. The secure feeling we all have carrying a bunch of keys would be gone, for example. The hardware stores that make keys would lose that income.

In the United States almost 1 million automobiles were stolen last year. Where would the insurance business be today if no one was afraid his car was going to be stolen?

Crime has been a boon to the economy of this country in many ways. I don't agree with the people who told those poll-takers that business is dishonest in America but if it's true, perhaps it's all for the best. If crime were wiped out tomorrow and people started acting as honest as they talk, we could be plunged into the worst depression in all of history.

TYNARD JACOBS SERVICE

Executive robs to boost income

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A company president arrested after a holdup said he robbed six businesses because he could not get along on a reduced salary of \$1,000 a week, police said Wednesday.

James B. Cahill, carrying a pistol he brought home from the Korean War, was arrested Monday outside a dress shop in suburban Overland that had just been robbed, according to police. Cahill, the 54-year-old president of Production Tool & Supply Co., was being held in lieu of \$215,000 bond. His company had been experiencing financial difficulties, police said. In October, Cahill agreed to take a cut in pay to \$1,000 per week from \$1,500 per week.

SOCIAL CLASS PERCEPTION OF MORALITY

Peoples' perception of morality, among other things, is determined by their relationship to the economic productive forces in society.

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'The system needs criminals'

Harvey Jacobs

The inmates in prisons are not all income-poor, they never have a serious thought. Some of them have seen through the shallowness of the judicial and prison systems and have something to say to all who will listen.

For example, this reflection came from the Indiana Reformatory this week:

"Our system needs criminals in order to exist — meaning if crime was to stop today — and I mean totally — our system would fold."

"There would be no need for police, judges, prisons, jails, security items, security police, lawmakers and so forth. But look at it this way: All the above, let us say, are road builders. When they make a road, naturally it's going to be traveled."

"Some of the travelers will use it once in a while, but others will continue to use it until traveling that road becomes a habit or a necessity."

"Since it was built," my correspondent continued, "there will be travelers. And until it is completely destroyed and a new path for travelers to travel, the problem concerning the road will always be there."

"Resurface it, paint it or repair it, it will always lead to the same place."

"Answer: Tell the truth — the road builders are making almost all the roads to lead to a place that will eventually guarantee the road builders job security."

"Rather than tell the truth, they just repair it, paint it or make some adjustment rather than close and destroy the road so the travelers will never reach the end of the road."

"The end of the road," he concluded, "is violence!"

My friend will not object, I hope, if I expand and comment upon his reflections. He offers two thoughts that should give us pause — not that they are new, but he puts them differently. First he is saying to the lawyers, the judges and the police, "Look, you guys, you owe us your jobs. Without us, you're street sweepers or sign painters. We are your bread and butter. Without us, your profession is obsolete, phased out like a railroad fireman."

The thought reminded me of the confessions of a case worker who once said in a moment of candor: "I believe in welfare, in helping people, but if I succeeded in all cases I would be out of a job. I find myself thinking about that sometimes, actually wondering if I really want to see them get off the welfare rolls."

The sobering concept is transferable. How many of us are in jobs trying to solve problems which, if we solved them, would put us out of business? As my prison friend says, "Others will continue to use the road (crime, welfare, regulation, subsidies of all kinds) until traveling that road becomes a habit or a necessity."

His second thought is less speculative. He

knows where he speaks when he says, "The end of the road (the whole prison system) is violence!"

On a previous occasion I asked this young man what he was learning in prison. I reported his answer in this column: "How to be a better criminal."

When he is released he will soon face a fork in the road. One branch could lead to rehabilitation and a radical readjustment to a law-abiding society. Maybe a job, maybe not. This is a strong young man and he may be able to stare down his detractors, but the record is a barrier which the public may never forgive. And he may react in kind.

The other branch of the fork leads past familiar landmarks — the "system" which placed him in Pendleton. He's been through that system and he hates it, as he indicated in his letter, but it is at least familiar. And that has some appeal.

This is an oversimplified picture of a complex human dilemma of misery and maladjustment. But it's a predictable scenario when a man summarizes his prison experience as "learning how to be a better criminal."

Such is the response of the growing thousands shut in behind the iron gates. It should move every thoughtful person to do some soul searching. Is this the best we can do?

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