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BASIC MAJORITY OF WORKERS
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BLACK.

W.E.B. Dubois

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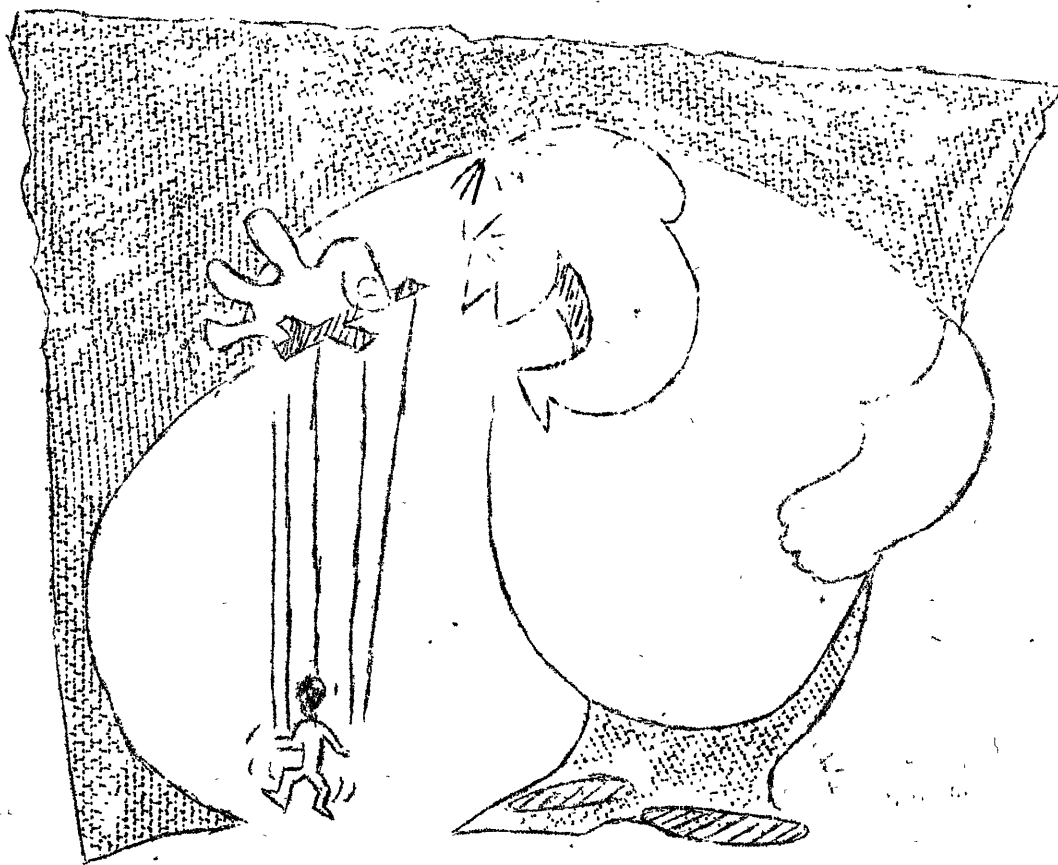
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And now Rev. Shoulders, after acting so notoriously in the city, is moving toward achieving national notoriety. He is conferring with President Johnson through the mail.

He has called for the local police to beat the black brothers and sisters more viciously than before which is impossible. How can they be more vicious than they already are? The Rev. has one thing going for him, his name, "Shoulders." - The name Shoulders is fitting and proper for him, for he is standing Snoulder -to-shoulder with all the notorious white cracker crooks who have been messing over black people for over 400 years.



That's A Boy!! SHOULDERS



EDITORIAL NOTES

THE KNIFE LAW, "TMU" AND YOU

In recent months, a fact which has always been strikingly clear has become more striking and more clear. This is the fact that the Detroit Police Department is a special tool of the white power structure- a tool designed to savagely and relentlessly suppress the black citizens of this city. It has always been known that these "Brutes in Blue" have resorted to all sorts of illicite, immoral, and unscupulous tactics to carry on their bloody business in our neighborhood. But Big Charlie still seems to feel that the police are still not the efficient gestapo force that they should be. Consequently, the cops have been getting all kinds of new "anti-Negro" legislation passed and have been getting all sorts of new gadgets which are supposed to help the cops in their perpetual anti-black struggle.

dom Riders and their policy of passive resistance. The contrast between the results of their policy and the results of our policy of self-defense is a dramatic object lesson for all Negroes. But before I go on to that I have to describe how our policy of self-defense developed and how the Negro community in Monroe came to support my conclusion that we had to meet "violence with violence."

The story begins in 1955 when, as a veteran of the U. S. Marine Corps, I returned to my home town of Monroe and joined the local chapter of the NAACP.

CHAPTER TWO of
NEGROES WITH GUNS
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EDITORIAL NOTES (continued)

The gestapo nature of the police department was plainly exposed when the Ku-Klux-klan received a "confidential report" on the private life of murdered civil rights worker, Viola Luizzo. The report came straight out of the police files. It was brought out that the cops make a point of collecting this type of potential blackmail material on thousands of upstanding citizens most of whom have no connection with the police department. Councilwoman Mary V. Beck was a little frightened having heard that secret dossiers were kept on all the council members. During the same period, a police detective was suspended for smashing the cameras of two black photographers; and then former police officer Forrest W. Forrester (he murdered the black boxer "Wimpy" was shot trying to escape jail, and finally acquitted on the murder charge after claiming "self defense") committed suicide, apparently the victim of a tortured conscious. But the exposure that the cops have been getting as Hitler type gestapo agents did not stop Mary Beck, and the rest of the council, from acting to make the cops even more gestapo like than they already are. Miss Beck may have been a little worried about what the "brutes" had on her, but she was even more worried by the revolutionary tendencies becoming even more apparent in the black ghetto.

The council got together and passed an anti knife law. This law - in direct conflict with the U.S. Constitution's "right to bear arms" was clearly designed to provide a way to be able to pack up Negroes, beat and torture them, and then convict them, of carrying a knife when the cops can't stick any other charges. It is true that many brothers and sisters carry knives - after all, they certainly don't get protected by the cops - but even those of us who don't carry knives are threatened by this law. It isn't difficult to produce a 3 1/4 inch knife and claim it was taken from a Negro. Whose word will the judge take.

New legislation not enough, however. The ruling class realized that threatened or outright intimidation in the black community could cause an explosion of greater force than the New York riots last year. They wanted their fascist force to be prepared in case such a situation developed. Consequently the police department has a new "Supercop" division. This is the new "anti Riot Squad," "The Tactical Mobile Unit, (T.M.U.). The power structure claims that TMU is an invincible police unit. Armed with new, fancy cars, elaborate radio equipment, shot guns and "special training" TMU is supposed to go anywhere, anytime to take care of any "trouble"/ TMU, is more of a psychological trick than anything else, however; there are only three brutes.

in a TMU car, and no matter how much training they have, they can't handle any more "trouble" than those four "brutes" of the Big Four squad cars.

Besides establishing TMU, the power structure is still calling for legislation to handle "mobs". One judge wants a law that says a citizen must help a cop when requested, or go to jail for 90 days. In too many cases it would be better to serve time than to help the brutes.

All these laws, new squads and the police scandals have merely demonstrate that the ruling class is afraid of the oppressed citizens of the ghetto. They won't to transfer this fear from themselves to us; but we are not afraid anymore. The power structure is a semi-fascist machine supported by a neo-nazi police organization. But fascist are not superman, no matter what they claim they are, and just as ordinary men crushed Hitler a generation ago, so ordinary men will crush the last decedents of Hitler in this generation. Neither Knife Laws, Riot Acts, TMU anti-riot squads, or superman himself will stop this development.

DR. KING and the VIET CONG

It has been quite obvious for years, that the war which the white racist United States government has been waging in South East Asia, is a war of no-good white capitalist beasts against the peace and freedom loving peoples of that area. More recently "our boy" Martin Luther King discovered this fact. Last month King said that he felt the U.S. should more diligently work for a peaceful solution to the conflict in Vietnam. Moreover, he says, that if the U.S. does not submit to peaceful negotiations, he and his followers will resort to the same tactics used in the "civil rights" movement to pressure the government into such negotiations. The tactics he proposed to use are, of course, those of non-violent passive resistance.

Now this is about the most stupid, ridiculous adventure we have heard of in a long time. If anything, Rev. King should threaten to use the Viet Cong tactics of outright warfare in their struggle against the white power structure rather than talking about using non-violence to help the Viet Cong. After all facts of the matter are that the Viet Cong are kicking big Charlies behind while big Charlie is kicking ours! But King

thinks that he will help world peace by using this utterly ridiculous policy of non-violence!!!! Everybody knows that non-violence will get you nowhere (except in a bigger trick bag) and that Rev. King is a stone fool for advocating it! We should learn our lesson from our revolutionary brothers, the Viet Cong, who are winning, and not from the reactionary, no-good Uncle Tom Traitor Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King (who gets richer while we lose).

Let us remember, first of all, that the Vietnamese people have already shown that they really know how to handle Charlie. We support the Viet Cong, they are our blood brothers, having spilt their blood fighting the same white racist beast which we have! The Viet Cong know how to take care of themselves. It is high time we learned to do the same; but we won't learn a damn thing, except how to go down in defeat. By listening to that unspeakable enemy of the black freedom struggle, the very reverend, Martin Luther Non-violent King.

COCKROACH for COUNCIL!

That's right! This year we are backing a COCKROACH in the Detroit Common Council election. We are convinced that he is the most qualified candidate; after all he's running in a field flooded with Uncle Toms and incompetent reactionaries who could not stand up to a flea vrain nit-wit let alone our COCKROACH. Not one of these candidates talks about getting anything concrete for the baack man. Not one of them has any platform that makes good sinse. They keep on talking about "leadership" and "humanism" stuff, and other such double-talking, no sense making garbage. We figure they could call for a "pot for every chicken" or a "nickel for a cigar" or something. If we're foing to give them a vote they ought to at least say that thou will get something concrete for us-- even if they got to lie about it. As it is they talk a lot of ultra-mystical stuff about "leadership" and they are lying about that. They are a bunch of unqualifiable wind blowers, all of the - that is, all except this COCKROACH we found. He ain't much, but he far outdistances those other fools in the race. Take a liik at his "Qualifications".

His name is Rev. Delbert J. COCKROACH. We suppose that by being a good, stone black church going cockroach, that the Rev. COCKROACK ought to personally satisfy everybody. He has a lot of