

No Stolen Guns, Says Chief Of People's Party II

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criminal investigation division.

Howard ducked but neither he nor any other officer fired. Police said seven persons were seized inside the place.

Frost gave this version in jail today:

"The building was surrounded. They told us to come out. We didn't know what was going on. We came out. They

told us to come downstairs with our hands in the air. Everybody surrendered. There were six of us."

Frost said those inside the headquarters heard a shot outside before police entered.

Police said a .38 caliber pistol was thrown down on the floor.

Officer E. D. Music picked it up.

At the police crime laboratory later, the hands of the five males in the house were sprayed with a solution. Police said it showed that one of the five had held the same metallic object. Music's hand, sprayed with the same solution, showed it was the .38 police said.

Chairman Arrives

Party chairman Aaron arrived at the headquarters about an hour behind the raiding officers. He asked to see the search warrant and was shown it in the downstairs backroom.

When Aaron had finished, Police Sgt. L. O. Ford asked: "Are you satisfied, James?"

"No," answered Aaron.

"Well," said Ford, "we're sorry about that." The

Aaron replied, "Do you live here?" Blevins

asked.

Aaron gave a negative answer.

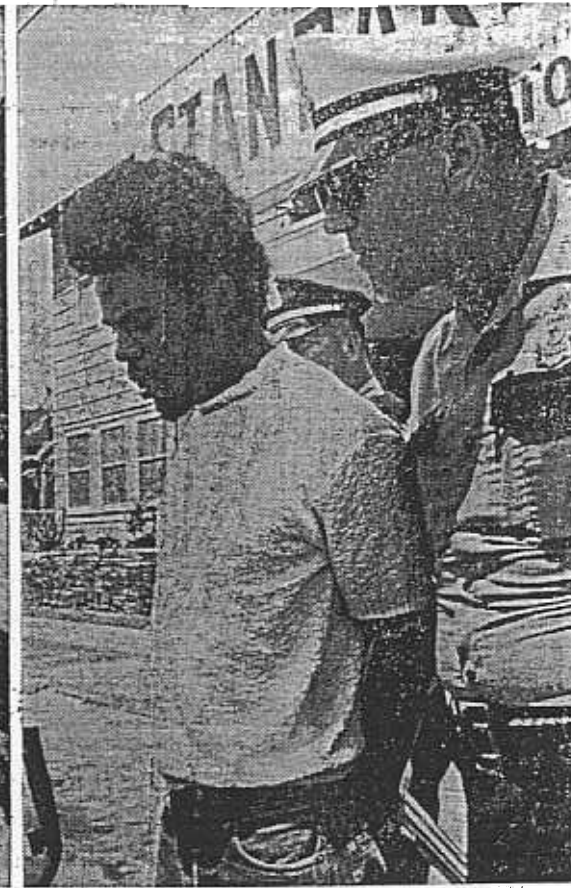
"Why did you ask to see the search warrant?" Blevins

asked.

"I refuse."



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POLICEMAN SURVEYS HEADQUARTERS, CHAIRMAN ARRESTED James Aaron, 19, Right, of People's Party II, Asked to See Warrant

struction worker, was arrested after he leaped from a rear window.

Police seized eight rifles and the .38 pistol.

Also arrested, in addition to

Aaron, Roberts and Frost, were Veronica Ann Campbell, 18; Charles Henry Freeman, 19, the party's minister of culture; Johnny Coward, 23, and Harry Clarence Taylor, 18,

who gave their addresses as the party headquarters; Diana Lockhart Ballard, 9718 Bennett, and Vernon Birdie Bennett, 23, of 1312 Wheeler.

Freeman said he and Cow-

ard were arrested outside the headquarters.

Coward is awaiting trial on charges of assault to murder a police officer in connection with the July 26 shootout.