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ster of Education for the
Panther chapter.
wton, who founded the
k Panthers in Oakland,



TOMMY ANDERSON
Explains Newton rally

question was discussed and
Hanna left. The rest of the fac-
ulty remained.

Maddex said that at no time,
during the meeting were there
more than four faculty mem-
bers not present.

Then, Maddex said, Brady
took the chair and those present
tried to work out an agreement
between the faculty and the
BSU on a Black studies pro-
gram. General agreement was
reached, he said, on the pro-
cedure.

Both the faculty and the BSU
would draw up proposals to be
submitted to a three man com-
mittee for release on bail.

The rally in Eugene, Ander-
son said, will serve to educate
"the people."

Speakers from the Black Pan-
thers, Peace and Freedom Move-
ment and the Eugene Police De-
partment will address the crowd
beginning at 10:30 a.m. in the
Park Blocks downtown.

Anderson said the rally will
attempt to educate the people
about the Black Panthers and
the work they do, as well as to
call attention to the impris-
oned Newton.

The Panthers are not racist,
Anderson added. "Huey New-
ton taught to look beyond Black
People, to all people and to the
people's revolution; racism is
gone for all people."

He claims that Newton has

Anderson to police

Two University students en-
tered pleas of not guilty Friday
in Lane County Circuit Court
to charges resulting from al-
leged incidents with state and
local police two weeks ago.

Howard Anderson, 24, plead-
ed innocent to grand jury in-
dictments charging him with
threatening to kill state police
officer Jack Winchester March
21, and assaulting Eugene po-
lice detectives Jack Cater and
Howard Williams with a carbine
March 19.

Tommy Anderson, 20, faces
two counts of "assault with a
dangerous weapon" for alleged-
ly "threatening and menacing"
Cater and Williams with a pis-
tol March 19.

The trial date will be set
later.

Mt. Angel slates bishop, others for tele-lectures

Four prominent American
public figures will speak via
telephone this week during a
series of lectures to be held
at Mt. Angel College.

Saul Alinsky, Bishop James
Pike, Robert McAfee Brown and
Robert Lee will deliver speech-
es by tele-lecture, a new public
address system which will broad-
cast the telephoned lectures to
the college's Student Commons
lounge.

The unique hook-up will en-
able the public to question each
of the speakers. Andersons had not attempted to
flee from the jurisdiction of
the alleged crimes. Cater and
Williams said the brothers ap-
peared in court voluntarily and
did not require an arrest on the
"assault with a dangerous
weapon" charges.

assault case Panthers plan innocent plea

By DON MACK
Of the Emerald

Two brothers attending the
University, Tommy and Howard
Anderson, are scheduled to ap-
pear at 9 a.m. today in the Lane
County Circuit Court on charges
of assaulting a Eugene police
detective March 19 by "threat-
ening and menacing" him with
dangerous weapons.

According to Tommy Ander-
son, both will plead innocent.
Tommy Anderson told the
emerald Tuesday night, "I did
not threaten any officer and my
brother did not threaten any
officer."

A separate incident March 21
in which Howard Anderson al-
legedly threatened to kill a
state police officer led to his
second charge of the week —
threatening the commission of
a felony." He will also be ar-

raigned in circuit court this
morning on charges stemming
from that incident.

The Anderson's were arrest-
ed on charges stemming from
events at the home of Oliver
Patterson.

The brothers allegedly threat-
ened officers serving Patterson
with Eugene Municipal Court
warrants with a rifle and pis-
tol.

The detectives said they left
the porch of the house when
the Andersons said, "There
aren't going to be any more
Black Panthers arrested."

On the afternoon of March
19 the Andersons were arraign-
ed in Lane County District Court
on assault charges and were lat-
er released after posting \$5,000
bail bonds.

The second charge against
Howard Anderson—"threaten-
ing the commission of a felony"

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"threatening the commission of
a felony" for his part in an
incident with a state police offi-
cer March 21. Morrow also re-
quested a reduction of the \$10,-
000 bail bond Howard posted
March 23.

After Wednesday's hearing
Morrow told the Emerald he is
considering filing a demurrer
on all three charges his clients
are facing. He disputes the
wording of the grand jury in-
dictments, he said.

"I don't think the indictments
are properly drawn," Morrow
said.

He explained the court will
set a date for legal arguments
if the demurrer is accepted. If
not Morrow said, he intends to

Ford Exonerated In 'People's Trial'

Journal 1-26-70

Black Panther leader Kent Ford was found "innocent" of charges of riot during last June's Albina disturbances by a "people's court" at the Albina Art Center Sunday.

In a "trial" before about 100 persons — half of them white — who acted as the jury, the

"people's court" found Ford innocent of rioting but guilty of "standing up for the rights of his fellow citizens."

Sponsors of the Sunday presentation included the Black Panther Party, the United Farmworkers' Boycott Committee, Health-Rap, the Albina Ministers Alliance, the Albina Citizens Council, the Brown Berets, the Willamette Bridge and the Workers Revolutionary Movement.

Ford is to appear before the Circuit Court Feb. 2 to face a charge of "riot" in connection with last summer's disturbances. A second charge of "inciting a riot" was demurred when a Circuit Court ruled that there is no such felony under Oregon law.

R. L. Anderson, past president of the Albina Citizens Council, acted as judge and "indicted" the City of Portland on "150 counts" of abuse and mistreatment of blacks in the Albina area. He also claimed the police were at fault for "causing" two riots last summer.

A half dozen black witnesses testified they were "harassed and smacked around" during the tussles with police at the height of the outbreaks.

Ford told those attending he had stopped at a drive-in, restaurant on NE Union Ave. on his way home from work to find out why a crowd of "about 100" had gathered.

He accused police of beating him up without cause shortly thereafter and then said he was "kidnapped" and taken a few blocks down the street where the "harassment continued."

Among the others who were asked to "testify" in impromptu fashion were Jimmy "Bang Bang" Walker, editor-publisher of The Clarion Defender, and Alvin R. Batiste, former director of the Model Cities program.

Walker told the audience that he had also been mistreated during the June events by police who he said told him they were arresting him for his "personal protection." Police later offered an apolo-

Ballot Title For Black

The City Council reluctantly approved a ballot title Wednesday for a proposed initiative petition to create two separate police departments, one for the area in which most of Portland's black population lives, and another for the rest of the city.

"I want it understood, loud-

Ballot Seeks Police Split

Oreg. 1-15-70

A ballot title seeking a charter amendment to establish two separate police departments in Portland was reluctantly approved Wednesday by the City Council.

The title, prepared by City Atty. Marian C. Rushing at the request of a group calling itself the Portland Committee to Combat Fascism, reads:

"Charter amendment requires two separate police departments, one for area predominantly black (including Albina), other for remainder of city; each administered by three paid commissioners, appointed by paid elected neighborhood councils; police commissioners fix policies, salaries city pays, discipline policemen; abolishes police civil service; requires policemen reside within employing department."

Officers of the group filing the petition are listed as Kent Ford, chairman; Thomas Mills, secretary; and O.M. Johnson, treasurer. Ford has identified himself as leader of the Black Panther party in Portland.

The petition will require 24,562 signatures by March 6 to be placed on the May 26 primary election ballot.

In response to questions from city councilmen, Miss Rushing explained that the city does not pass upon the legality of the petition, but merely attempts to give it an unbiased and fair title.

A court test would be required to determine the legality and constitutionality of the proposal, she said.

"I do not personally approve it," said Mayor Terry D. Schrunk, "and I question its constitutionality." He added that he respects the right of anyone to circulate a petition.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1970

Panther Files Damage Suit

Complaint Cites Portland Police

Kent Ford, a leader of Portland's Black Panther party, Monday charged Portland city police assaulted him during the Albina disturbance last June. He asked the U.S. District Court to award him \$100,000 damages.

Ford is awaiting trial in Multnomah County Circuit Court on charges of rioting and inciting to riot in connection with the Albina disturbance.

In the complaint filed in U.S. District Court Ford charged police officers assaulted him the night of June 14 and "rendered him sick, sore, nervous and distressed."

Ford was arrested three days later at Portland City Jail where he had gone to post bail for a friend. Ford's own bail, set at \$40,000, was later reduced to \$20,000.

Ford named as defendants Mayor Terry Schrunk, Police Chief Donald I. McNamara, Deputy Chief Patrick Carr, policemen Richard E. Sothorn, Ronald E. Hegge, Kenneth E. Sanford, Laurence Brown and 15 others named as John Does.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~SUBJECT Arrest of Grandy, William C.
PPD 43050 OFFICER'S REPORTNo. File

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CAPTAIN Taylor4 July, 19 70SUMMARY

This summary will cover the arrest of Ronald Woods, (a bank hold-up suspect) by the FBI, and Portland Police at Unthank Park, North Shaver and North Kerby, June 23, 1970.

NARRATIVE

On June 23, 1970, approximately 6:15PM six (6) FBI Agents, along with district car 71, Portland Police, stopped a 1957 dark blue Oldsmobile 2 door, bearing Oregon license 7J8 319. The driver, Ronald Woods, was a suspect in a bank hold-up and it was believed the vehicle was used by Woods to commit the bank hold-up.

Woods was subsequently arrested on a assault and beat warrant. The vehicle he was operating was to be towed.

The tow truck arrived and attempted to hook up with the above vehicle. At this point four or five black male subjects, identified as William Clifford Grandy, Michael Ferguson, Lynn Ferrygood, others unknown, sat on the front of the oldsmobile and refused to let the tow truck driver hook on to the car.

Officer Traversi asked them to move away from the vehicle. William Clifford Grandy refused to move. The other people did move away. Mr Grandy was asked three times to move from in front of the vehicle. Each time he refused using loud and profane language to express himself.

Officer Traversi informed Mr. Grandy that he was under arrest for interfering with a police officer.

The situation became chaotic from this point. The events can best be evaluated from individual reports attached to this summary, and from individual testimony.

It was necessary to call on East Precinct and Traffic Division for additional manpower to assist.

Testimony from witnesses listed, will identify by name, persons involved in this incident and their participation in the events surrounding the arrest of Ronald Woods and William Clifford Grandy.

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CAPTAIN Taylor4 July, 19 70NARRATIVE (CON'T)

It is impossible to positively identify all persons by name that were involved; therefore only the following persons that can be positively identified are listed:

- ✓ William Clifford Grandy
- ✓ Lynn Ferrygood
- ✓ Michael Ferguson
- ✓ Robert Mosely
- ✓ Robert Joe
- ✓ Raymond Joe
- ✓ James Gill

WITNESSES:

Six (6) FBI Agents (Names are available)

Sergeant J. T. Davis
Sergeant R. Richardson
Sergeant H. Miller
Spec. Officer S. Harmon
Officer A. L. Wilhelm #560
Officer D. Dick #21
Officer J. Greisen #679
Officer V. Traversi #154
Officer R. Larson #53
Officer R. Parno #389
Officer M. Moist #212

Officer R. Hegge #601
Officer T. Marley #70
Officer N. Griffin Jr #287
Officer N. Gearheart #466
Officer M. Foss #467
Officer R. Neeley #569
Officer K. McClure #639
Officer L. Kanzler #676

INJURIES RECEIVED BY POLICE OFFICERS:

Sergeant J. T. Davis - - struck with rocks and a bottle. minor bruise.
Officer D. Dick #21 - - struck with rocks and a can. minor bruise.
Officer T. Marley #70 - - Hit with rocks.
Officer M. A. Moist #212 - - Hit with rocks.
Officer R. E. Hegge #601 - - Received a cut on his hand that required 17 stitches to close.

DAMAGE TO CITY PROPERTY:

Windshield broken - - 1970 Ply S/W - Shop #58.

Respectfully,

James T. Davis
James T. Davis
Sergeant
North Precinct

CITY OF PORTLAND, OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
BUREAU OF POLICE
OFFICER'S REPORT

No. _____

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CAPTAIN _____, 19 _____

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Black Panther Kent Ford won a lawsuit against the city of Portland on August 27. It is the first time a Panther has won a suit against the pigs, in spite of the amount of violence that all levels of government have inflicted on the Black Panther Party.

Federal District Court Judge Goodwin found that Kent Ford was beaten by the Portland pigs while handcuffed and in their custody for "inciting to riot," a charge he was later acquitted of.

The court said that "Mr. Ford was handcuffed at the time he was dragged out of the car. If he was handcuffed as I find that he was, it is incredible that he

would be seriously thought to be swallowing anything that would be either harmful to him or to the community," and that the pigs' use of force was unjustified. The court also said, "The people of the community cannot be expected to have confidence in the Government until the Government's officers act fairly and according to law toward all members of the community."

Kent was awarded a total of \$6,000 in damages, \$1,000 for "indignity that he suffered at the hands of the police," and \$5,000 punitive damages "because it is time that the community realizes that the police are not authorized to inflict punishment at their own discretion..."

Breakfast, clinic programs

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believe militant Panther image

By BILL KELLER

of The Oregonian staff

Black Panthers. To most white Portlanders the name means menacing warlord figures, militant slogans, shootouts and subversive politics.

But to another group of Portland residents, the name means children with full stomachs, free dental care, or help to cure venereal disease.

For almost two years, the Panthers have been winning widespread approval in the Albina community with a group of programs designed, according to the Panthers, to "serve the people, body and soul."

The free breakfast program for school children, free dental clinic and free health clinic will soon enter a third year of operation, despite constant financial shortages, early inexperience and one hard fight at City Hall for a permit to solicit donations.

"The purpose of our programs is simple," said Black Panther Kent Ford. "To help our people survive."

"Our people" does not mean just Panthers — there are fewer than a dozen active members of the group in Portland — but any black and anyone else in need.

From 60 to 100 youngsters gather each morning in Highland United Church of Christ, a few blocks from King School, for a hot breakfast of eggs or French toast, pancakes, ham or sausage, juice and milk.

The breakfasts are more orderly than meals in most school cafeterias. Even a soft drink machine in the church annex is taped up each morning so the children won't spend their lunch money.

'Not all poor'

"Most of these kids wouldn't be getting breakfast at home," said Ford. "Not all of them are poor, but most come from homes where the mother doesn't have time to get up and cook in the mornings."

The children could eat at school, but according to King School Principal Bill D. White, "The Panthers serve a much better breakfast than we do."

"When the government steps forward and gives our people a balanced diet," said Ford, "we'll be glad to stop."

Ford is aware of the outside suspicion that the Panthers are "indoctrinating" children. A year ago, teachers at King complained that the breakfast program was making the children more hostile in the classrooms, but since then the complaints have died out.

"Indoctrination?" said Ford. Let's put it this way. In China when the kids sit down to breakfast they are told to ask God for food. No food. Then the kids are told to ask Mao for breakfast, and there it is. The only thing we're teaching here is by example, that socialism can work."

Ford said the children are sometimes told about Panther heroes, like George Jackson, for whom the meal program is named, or they may get a lesson in the perils of drug abuse. But there is no preaching.

Food for the free breakfasts is donated mostly by local businessmen. Critics have accused the Panthers of intimidating businesses into contributing, especially after a Panther boycott

helped convince McDonalds Hamburgers to contribute 50 pounds of meat each week.

"It is our belief," said Ford, "that the businessmen who take from our community should leave a little something in return. Of course, our image can't hurt us. Some of them see us coming and just hand over the food."

Observers are welcome to visit, without warning, the breakfast program and the impression left by such a visit is drastically different from that held by whites who have never met a Black Panther.

There is a similar openness at the Fred Hampton Peoples Free Health Clinic and the Malcolm X Peoples Free Dental Clinic, both in the core of Albina.

About 20 to 25 patients — white and black, young and old — visit the health clinic each Monday, Wednesday and Friday night with complaints ranging from severe colds to venereal disease. Work starts when the doctor arrives, usually about 7 p.m., and ends when the patients have all been seen, about 10 p.m.

Transportation provided

The dental clinic, which is open Monday through Wednesday, serves six to nine patients a day in addition to a monthly four-session program of preventive hygiene.

The volunteer support staff for the two clinics includes about 30 doctors, six dentists, and numerous nurses, dental students and technicians. Free rides are available to patients who live beyond walking distance. When Rose City Cab was in business, the company delivered clinic patients free, but now the Panthers provide transportation themselves.

Doctors and patients interviewed said the only politics apparent in the clinics is the posters on the wall and the Panther literature in the waiting room.

"I'm not even too sure what the Panthers' politics are," said a white, out-of-work production planner on his second visit to the Hampton Clinic. "But at the county hospital they told me it would be 30 days before I could get somebody to look at my back. Here, I don't have to wait."

Clinic always busy

Dr. Gerald Morrell, director of the dental clinic, said the facility started with 24 dentists: "Some moved, some were scared off by the political aspects of the Black Panthers and some were just all talk and no action — I guess they thought this was going to be glamorous."

"It isn't glamorous, but it is needed. I've been working here one or two nights a month for almost two years, and I've never seen a night when there wasn't a crowded waiting room."

Most dentists who donate time use two operating chairs at once, treating one patient while a technician is taking X-rays or administering anesthetic in an adjacent room.

Morrell, who was on the board of the Multnomah County Dental Society when the clinic opened, said the society has ignored the center's existence.

"When the clinic started, it was the first in the area. For years, public health groups had been crying for it and doing nothing," he said. "But since the Panthers opened their clinic, other established groups have gone into the business, so it is easy for the dental society to pretend the Panthers don't exist."