

PRESS RELEASE FROM THE DETROIT NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO COMBAT FACISM

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The crowd defended themselves and one treacherous dog police was dead and two others lay wounded. Many people from the community ran into the newly opened National Committee to Combat Facism office at 3376 16th Street.

The Detroit gestapo forces moved in with its overkill machinery, which included 2 tanks, automatic weapons and other types of lethal weapons exactly like the ones these same imperialists use in Vietnam. The pigs indiscriminately opened fire on our office and other houses in the community. The fork tongued police have said that they used "great restraint," but we know that if it wasn't for the swift actions taken by the black community and other progressive people, Commissioner Nicholas' henchmen would have committed mass murder. The sisters and brothers in the N.C.C.F. office, not taking the word of lying pigs, refused to come out and didn't do so until they were insured by trusted people from the community that conditions were favorable.

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However, we want the people here in Detroit and throughout the world to know that the Black Panther Party and its organizing bureau's, the National Committee to Combat Fascism, will not quiver in the wake the U.S. inspired onslaught that is being waged against our Party, Black people and other oppressed people throughout the world. And we have said it before and we will say it again:

THE RACIST DOG POLICEMEN MUST WITHDRAW IMMEDIATELY FROM OUR COMMUNITIES AND THE COMMUNITIES OF THE WORLD, CEASE THEIR WANTON MURDER AND BRUTALITY AND TORTURE OF OPPRESSED PEOPLE, OR FACE THE WRATH OF THE ARMED PEOPLE.

The Courts in Detroit are holding our comrades in Preventive detention and will place a astronomical ransom on our sisters and brothers. Bail money is needed badly.

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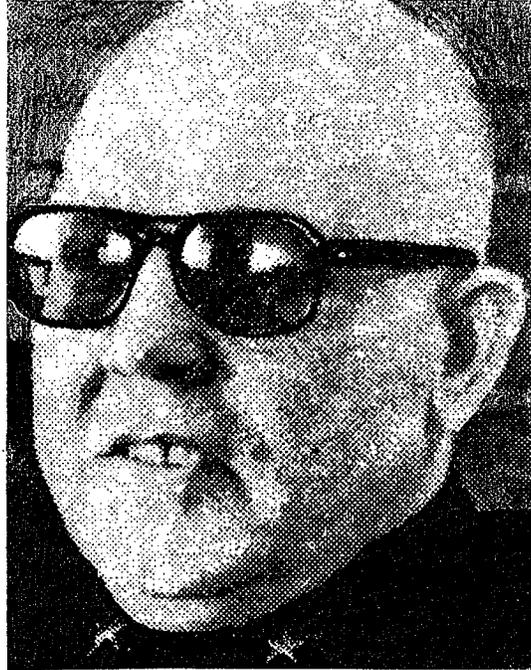
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TERRORIST IDENTIFIED



COMMANDER JEREMIAH TAYLOR

Jeremiah Taylor, formerly in charge of the Ingleside Police Station, has recently been promoted to Commander of the San Francisco street patrols. This is Taylor's second promotion in a month, after being demoted less than 2 years ago by Chief Charles Gain. The Commander position is reported to be the most powerful position in the Department on a day-to-day basis.

Commander Taylor spent 1970 studying at the International Police Academy in Washington, D.C. This Academy has been found responsible for training foreign police forces in terrorist activities, especially in techniques related to instigating violence against dissidents, eliminating radical leaders and organizations by assassinations, and creating generalized terror by random murders, an important technique used in Brazil from 1965 to 1973.

Taylor then studied abroad in the Dominican Republic in 1971 and in Brazil and Uruguay in the practical application of these techniques. In 1968-69, Taylor and Captain Mortimer McNerney were commanding officers of the San Francisco Police forces during the State College student strike and were responsible for violent police provocations.

McNerney was later appointed to head a new Joint Coordinated Task Force of Bay Area, Federal and State police forces to battle "terrorist organizations", organizations which we must conclude from the disclosed COINTELPRO efforts of the FBI and CIA included any group to the left of the Republican Party.

Commander Taylor was also responsible for an arson fire attack on a White Panther home and a mysterious "suicide" at the Ingleside station. These crimes are public knowledge but what else is happening that has not come out yet? What about the Zebra killings? The bombing of Mayor Alioto's house during the police strike? The railroading of Joe Fong?

The promotions of Jeremiah Taylor threaten a new wave of police terror and domination. The people of San Francisco and freedom loving people everywhere must awaken to this appalling turn of events!

BEWARE
ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS!

GENOCIDE; HOMICIDE; CONSPIRACY

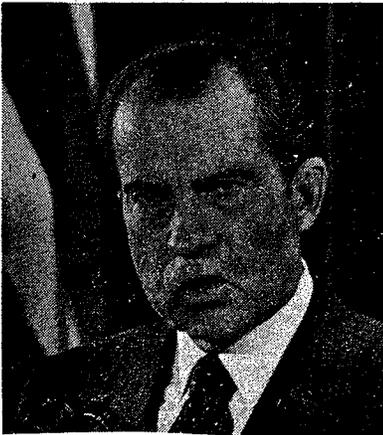
WANTED

RICHARD MILHOUS NIXON

OTHER NAMES KNOWN BY: Richard M. Nixon, Richard Nixon, "Tricky Dick"



Photographs taken 1970



Richard Nixon

DESCRIPTION

AGE: 57, born January 9, 1913, Yorba Linda, Calif.
HEIGHT: 5' 11 1/4"
WEIGHT: 170 pounds
BUILD: medium
HAIR: black
EYES: brown
COMPLEXION: mottled
RACE: white
NATIONALITY: American
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 1800 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C.

CAUTION

NIXON REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH PERSONS WHO ADVOCATE THE USE OF EXPLOSIVES AND MAY HAVE ACQUIRED FIREARMS. CONSIDER DANGEROUS.

Nixon is wanted for conspiring to murder tens of thousands of American soldiers and at least one million Vietnamese. He is also wanted in connection with the murders of twenty-eight Black Panthers, four Kent State students, and two Jackson State students.

**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON,
PLEASE HELP TO BRING HIM TO JUSTICE.**

COMMUNITY CONTROL OF POLICE



WPP 4 Point Program

1 WITNESS ALL POLICE INCIDENTS

When citizens are stopped by police, there is a tendency for passers-by to shrug their shoulders and be glad it's not them being stopped. This attitude leaves citizens at the mercy of police, and sometimes this leads to abuses. If you encounter a police incident, you have a right and a responsibility to see to it that the citizen involved has community support, if needed. All it takes is for you to approach slowly, and ask the citizen if a witness is needed. The police have no right to prevent you from doing this. You are not obstructing justice. If they try to intimidate or discourage you, which unfortunately they often will, tell them clearly what you are doing, and if they persist, take their badge numbers.

If the citizen says he doesn't need a witness, leave. If you're not serving a purpose, don't hang around just for the entertainment.

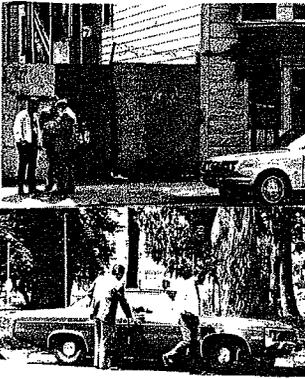
If he says he does, ask his name, his phone or address, and who he wants contacted if he's arrested. Find out why he is being detained. Your presence is likely to discourage illegal acts by police, but if such acts occur, be sure to remember the exact details. Don't give legal advice, least of all to the police. It's up to the citizen involved to decide how to handle the situation. You are only there to verify subsequent complaints. Try to speak as little as possible. Don't hassle, antagonize, or abuse the police officers. It isn't a game.

After the incident, if there is any apparent abuse, call the complaint number. Get names of other witnesses, and addresses. Arrange to get witness' statements as soon as possible.

2 FORM COMMUNITY DEFENCE GROUPS

When a citizen is arrested, it is difficult for her or him to organize legal support, bail contacts, community support, etc. from a cell. Even after being bailed out, following through on complaints is an exhausting job for one per-

son, and this is the reason that most people let things drop, instead of pursuing attempts for redress of grievances.



The solution to this problem is to organize support beforehand so that it is available when it is needed. Every citizen should be able to call a friend from jail and be sure that this friend will be able to take care of the business necessary to activate justice. A defense group would include one or two lawyers, someone familiar with the local media, a doctor or a community health worker, a bailbondsmen, or someone familiar with the system for obtaining bail on short notice; and a few good typists, speakers, diplomats, etc.

When these groups are functioning, it will be much more unlikely that police will risk breaking the law to hurt someone they don't happen to like.

Obviously, there are minorities who need these groups more than others - Blacks, youth, ex-cons, Communists, etc. But this defense against police crime is crucial to the entire community, consequently less oppressed people will also help these groups. In fact, this is one of the areas where cooperation between different elements of the community can best be manifested.

3 ARM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SECOND AMENDMENT OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

The revolutionaries who framed the Constitution were not so naive as to think that the freedom of a people could be safeguarded by

words on paper alone. Consequently, they took steps to insure that the state could never disarm the people and leave them helpless in the face of armed tyranny. What freedom there has been in America since that time has depended on the ability of Americans to defend their rights.

Today, the threat of state and right-wing terror remains great. Former Attorney General Mitchell warned 'This country has a history of vigilante action.' As the pressure for social change increases, the temptation to violent, illegal means of repression also increases.

Police in Marin County are relatively disciplined and law-abiding at this time. But what guarantee is there that one group or another of psychopaths won't get it into their heads to give Nixon, et al, a little extra-legal help? We advocate protecting ourselves against this sort of thing.

Possessing and training with firearms is no more dangerous than doing the same with automobiles. The important thing is not to take guns away from people but to educate people to know when and how to use them if and when a real need arises. It is much safer to have a weapon and never have to use it than to need one and not have it.

tion. We haven't forgotten Fred Hampton and Kent State.

But our opposition to illegal police tactics doesn't mean that we believe in obstructing police when they are carrying out legitimate services. On the contrary, we think that the members of a community should actively cooperate in the enforcement of just laws. To think that the police alone can stop wanton murderers, rapists, and heroin pushers is as foolish as thinking that the police are not necessary at all.

As police departments become more responsive to the needs of the community, rather than special interest groups or profiteers, their alienation from the community - especially from the youth and minorities - will also decrease, and combined community efforts will be more successful at stopping crime. We don't think it follows from the fact that someone is employed as a police officer that she or he is a mindless robot ready to follow any orders whatsoever. So we don't treat police as though they are mindless.

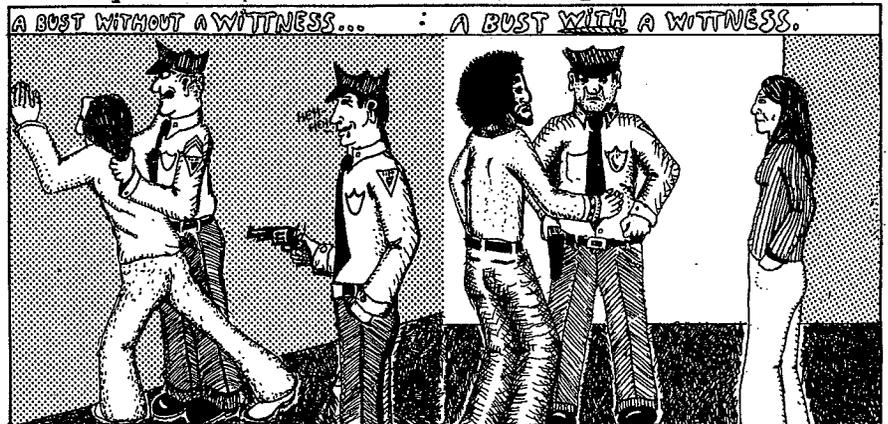


Standing Order from the Chief of the Berkeley Police to all the men on his force

Subject: Arrest Procedure

All officers are reminded that when an arrest is being made passers-by, onlookers, or potential witnesses have an inherent right to observe the arrest process and to communicate with the arrestee to the extent that such communication in no way interferes with the arrest process. Under ordinary arrest situations these witnesses should be able to hear any conversation between the officer and the prisoner.

Officers are expected to use good judgment in arrest situations and restrict the practice of demanding that onlookers leave the area only in those instances where the 'onlookers' definitely pose a threat to the safety of the officer, prisoner, or the witness.



4 SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL POLICE

The four-point program is designed to guard the community against police terror. It is formulated in response to the increasing tendency of dominant politicians to rely on physical force to political opposi-

