

WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO THE PANTHERS?

Some of the major incidents involving police and Panthers:

1967

October 28-Officer John Frey killed in shoot-out after halting Panthers in car. Huey Newton, Black Panther Party leader subsequently convicted of voluntary manslaughter.

1968

January 16-San Francisco: police raid home of Eldridge Cleaver, no warrant.

February 25-Berkeley: Bobbie and Artie Seale arrested in home, entered without warrant. Charge of Conspiracy to commit murder against Seale, later dropped. Arrests for conspiracy to riot ruled illegal. 4 others also arrested in auto near Seale home. Charges dismissed against 2, 2 now dead.

April 6-Oakland: Cleaver, Hilliard, 6 others charged with attempted murder of 2 Oakland police. Charges dropped by DA. Bobby Hutton killed by police in same incident. Charles Bursey sentenced to 1-15 years for attempted murder & assault, Warren Wells found guilty.

August 5-Los Angeles: 3 Panthers killed when stopped by cruising squad car; "shoot-out" leaves no police injured.

September 12-13-Denver: 40 persons, including 7 Panthers, arrested in wake of shoot-out. One dead. Police arrest 7 juveniles, 3 adults on contributing charges. Adults freed.

November 19-San Francisco: 8 Panthers arrested, charged with shooting 3 policemen, charges dismissed against 7.

November 28-Jersey City: Panthers arrested, charged with carrying concealed weapons, bail at \$10,000.

December 1-Jersey City: Panther headquarters firebombed, Panthers report seeing "two white men in police-style uniforms."

1969

March 25-San Francisco: Police visit deserted "Black Panther Party pad" after Party moves out, claim to have found instructions on making Molotov cocktails.

April 2-New York: 21 persons charged with conspiracy to blow up stores and public buildings, held on \$100,000 bail.

April 11-Chicago: Nathaniel Junior, field secretary and one other Panther arrested by federal officers on federal firearms statute.

April 28-San Francisco: using tear gas, police raid BPP headquarters, arrested 16, book 4 for "illegal use of sound equipment."

May 1-Los Angeles: Police raid Panthers headquarters, seize weapons, arrest 11, all released without charges being brought.

May 22-New Haven: 8 Panthers arrested, charged with murder of Alex Rackley, later indicted with 4 other Panthers for kidnapping, attempted murder. Panthers charge victim was not a police informer but a BPP member in good standing killed by cops.

June 3-Chicago: FBI arrest 8 for harboring New Haven fugitive who wasn't present; charges dropped. Agents bust up office, take money, lists, literature & destroy food.

June 4-Detroit: Police raid BPP headquarters, warrant denied on office worker for possession of stolen goods, 2 others jailed, then freed.

June 5-Denver: Using tear gas, police raid BPP headquarters, arrest 10. 2 held on federal warrants charging flight to avoid prosecution in New Haven, others released.

June 6-Salt Lake City:Panther hq. raided;another New Haven "fugitive"arrested.
June 7-Indianapolis:During course of race riot police raid BPP hq., arrest 30.
June 9-Chicago:11 Panthers arrested on marijuana charge during raid.
June 10-Chicago:Grand Jury indicts 16 Panthers on charges ranging from conspiracy to kidnap to illegal use of weapons.
July 15-San Diego:During racial disturbance police shoot way into BPP hq. looking for sniper. No sniper found. Mayor on 6/18 condemns destruction of food & property by police.
July 16-Chicago:Shoot-out at BPP hq., Grady moore & Larry Roberson arrested, charged with attempted murder. Roberson died on September 4 from wounds recvd during shoot-out, charges dropped against Moore.
July 30-Chicago:5 Panthers arrested on phony marijuana charge.
July 31-Chicago:Police raid BPP headquarters, 3 members arrested for attempted murder, aggravated assault & resisting arrest after gun battle. Hdqtrrs destroyed. 3 Panthers & 4 policemen wounded.
August 16-New York:4 Panthers arrested, charged with conspiracy to commit robbery.
August 21-New York:7 BPP members charged with rioting, assault, bail up to \$50,000.
August 29-Berkeley:Police plans to raid BPP hq. revealed by David Hilliard & acknowledged by police.
September 7-Oakland:2 former Oakland police officers plead guilty to shooting up Panther headquarters.
September 12-Los Angeles:Nathaniel Clark, Panther, killed by police agent.
September 14-New York:U.S. Court of Appeals refuses to lower bail on 13 Panthers.
September 20-Los Angeles:BPP member Walter Toure Pope, 21, killed by police.
October 5-Chicago:7 Panthers arrested in shoot-out.
November 13-Chicago:1 Panther, 2 police killed in "shootout".
December 3-Oakland:David Hilliard arrested for allegedly threatening life of Nixon. Hilliard is only ranking Panther leader still out of jail.
December 4-Chicago;2 Panthers, Illinois Chairman Fred Hampton & Peoria leader Mark Clark, killed in raid. No evidence to support police version of story.
December 5-Kansas City:4 Panthers arrested, charged with attempting to force their way into Chief of Police' office. Beaten with clubs during arrest.
December 5-Bobby Rush's apartment raided by police.
December 6-Chicago:Bobby Rush arrested for failure to register firearms.
December 8-Los Angeles:Police raid BPP hq., 3 Panthers, 3 police wounded;21 arrested at 3 locations in coordinated raid. \$20,000 bail on 2 arrestees.

AND IT WILL CONTINUE UNTIL WE BRING IT TO A HALT!

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