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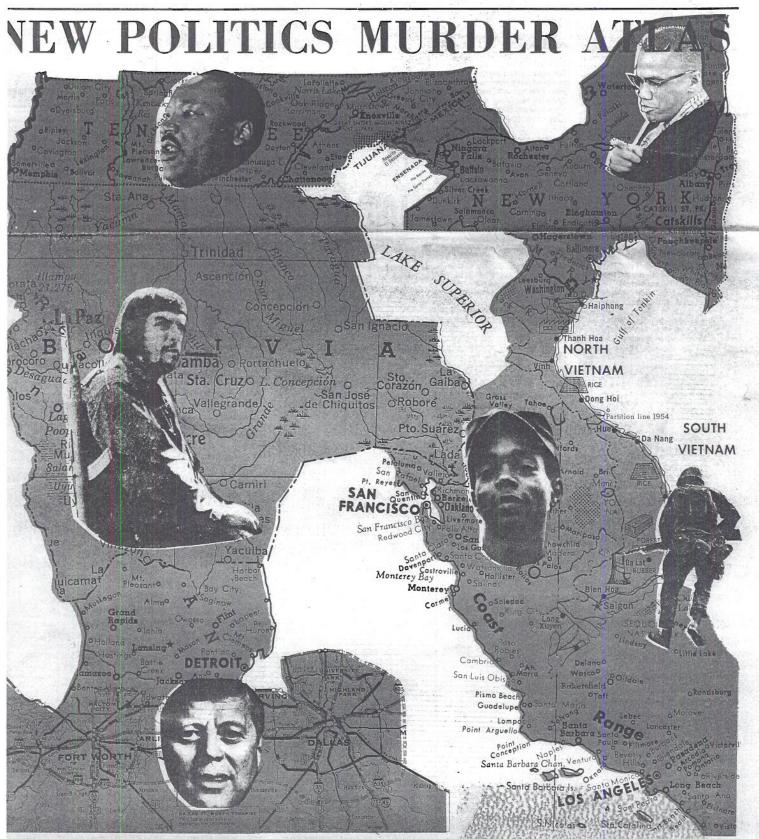
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office raided

JIM OSBORN
The Los Angeles office of SNCC
was broken into Friday evening
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volunteers were at the Second Baptist Church. The vandalism was thorough. The lower half of a rear door was completely chopped away. Next to it the glass in a garage door was broken. Inside, piles of paper were strewn around the floor. Two mimeo machines were damaged. Files of contributors, volunteers and members were taken. Two hundred copes of the poster of Warren B. Carlson, "Wanted for the Murder of Gregory Clark" were gone. Even a board with message memos disappeared. Three tubes of mimeo ink were squirted around on the floor. One hundred tickets for a benefit showing of "The Battle of Algiers" were taken. A large bottle for distilled water was broken, the glass left scattered.

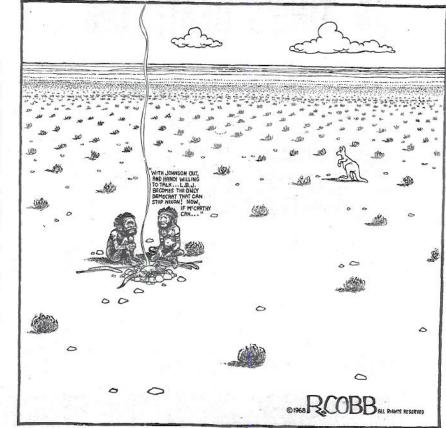
All of this took place while SNCC members were attending a community-wide meeting of Black people to plan events in tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King.

However, three members were in the office. Their arrest by police keeps the invasion from being a total mystery. The above vandalism was perpetrated by police from the University Division under the ruse of searching for weapons. Reportedly one member of SNCC had brought a rifle to the office. Although the reason is unknown at this writing, the weapon, so far as can be determined, was paper were strewn around the floor. Two mimeo machines were

legally carried, i.e., unloaded.
What gives the lie to the police claims is their behavior. Although a rear door was half-chopped down, the front door was unlocked. In addition to the damage and thefts mentioned above is one extremely hostile act. A SNCC member had brought a kettle of spaghetti to the office to be eaten when the members returned from the meeting. When they returned they found upholstery tacks had been dumped into the 2 gallon kettle.

Shortly after the SNCC office Shortly after the SNCC office opened, less than a month ago, plainclothes officers in unmarked cars began keeping the building under surveillance during evening hours. Sometimes parked across. the street from the office at 1994 W. Jefferson Blvd., sometimes cruising slowly by. The obvious nature of the surveillance lends itself more to an interpretation of intimidation than any other act of law enforcement. A woman calling newspaper and radio news offices was told they weren't interested in carrying the story because "it isn't newsworthy."

The provocative implications of the raid are reminiscent of the attack on the Muslim Mosque No. 27, shortly after the Watts uprising in 1965, Muslims were suprising to have been carrying wea-The provocative implications of rising in 1965. Muslims were sup-posed to have been carrying wea-pons into the building. Police and sheriff's deputies converged on the scene and invaded the building. The extensive damage which en-sued was climaxed by a fire.



NOTE FROM R. COBB (To U.P.S. and world-at-large)

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gress press conference, held Friday afternoon; the Black Congress meeting Friday night, which was broadcast live; Saturday afternoon's SNCC press conference; the memorial service held Sunday afternoon at the Collseum, which was broadcast live with Bobby Seale and his lawyer, Charles Geary, and an interview with Reverend Neal, at whose church the Black Panther Party meeting was broken up by Oakland The news of the assassination meeting was broken up by Oakland

KPFK

The news of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., came over the AP wire and found KPFK in the fourth day of their most ambitious fund raising effort, a week of special programming called "Open Your Ears and Say Aaah!" At the time of the news bulletin William Winter, KPFK news analyst, was conducting a live panel discussion. After the news bulletin, the program continued—but this time with a new tragic subject. All fund-raising efforts were suspended from that point on through Monday noon, and news, special broadcasts and music were presented as a tribute and memorial to Dr. King. During these four days KPFK once again proved its very real and immediate value to the community by keeping ahead of and on top of the local news, presenting exclusive broadcasts, and bringing in important news from all over the nation through sources unavailable to commerical memeeting was broken up by Oakiand police.
Reporters on the street also covered such events as the Federal Building vigil, checked out reports of guns on the roof of University Police Station (and caused the officers thereto with-(Continued on page 14) Office Hours

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(LNS, from Peace News, London)—Below are extracts from Appendix 3 to Annex N civil Affairs, of USINCEUR OPLAN NR 100-1 (U), emanating from Headquarters United States European Command,

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It is in effect a draft treaty of occupation, giving the U.S. forces the right to put down civil disturbances, make arrests, and act with total immunity from the civil law of the country that signs it.

A photostat of the document (marked SECRET) arrived in Peace News, London, this week, accompanied by an authentication (marked TOP SECRET), signed by Major General B.E. Spivy, Director J-3 Division. This is dated October 1962, Whether this means everything is out of date we aren't in a position to say—however the draft is marked to be "Downgraded at 17 year intervals, not autoed at 17 year intervals, not auto-matically."

Nor can we say whether this agreement has been signed, and with what countries. Defense corwith what countries. Defense correspondents of larger newspapers might care to find out, or MPs could try asking questions in Parliament. Already the Dutch newspaper "De Groene Amsterdammer" has broken the story (on March 2) and Dutch MP Hein van Wijk has put questions to his government. So far the British press has ignored the story—the Dnotice system again?

DRAFT OF AN EMERGENCY STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT
It is assumed that such an Emergency SOF Agreement will be concluded in the form of an Exchange of Notes between the Foreign Ministry or other appropriate authority of (country) and the U.S. Ambassador, or Commander of the U.S. Forces in (country).

Substantive Provisions 2(b): The U.S. Forces shall have the right to occupy any area or facility considered necessary for the accomplishment of their mission or for their safety and continued security, AS DETERMINED BYU.S. MILITARY COMMANDERS (emphasis added) and to install such equipment therein as they shall deem necessary for

these purposes.

(c): Military commanders of the U.S. Forces may take such measures as they deem necessary to provide adequate security for their installations, personnel and equipment, and for the movement of supplies and personnel in () ... In the event of acts of violence against U.S. installations, equipment or personnel by persons other than members of the U.S. Forces, such persons may be apprehended by the U.S. Forces and turned over to the Government of () for appropriate disposition in accordance with the laws of that country.

(d): In the event of internal disorder which may materially affect the mission or security of the U.S. Forces such paragraphy.

the mission or security of the U.S. Forces, such as armed vio-lence or WIDESPREAD RIOTING (emphasis added), the Govern-ment of () will endeavour to quell such disorders with its own quell such disorders with its own resources. However should these measures prove ineffective, or should the U.S. military commander consider that the Government of () does not possess the capability of quelling such disorders effectively or in time, THE U.S. FORCES MAY TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THE U.S. MILITARY COMMANDER DEEMS NECESSARY, EITHER UNILATERALLY OR IN COOPERATION WITH THE GOVERNMENTOF()(emphasis added). (e): The Government of () shall make available to the U.S. Forces such information and intelligence reports as will assist them.

telligence reports as will assist them in achieving their mission OR ASTHE U.S. MILITARY COM-MANDER REQUESTS (emphasis

added).

(g): No civil action shall be brought in the courts of () against any member of the U.S.

(m): The Government of () will furnish to units of the U.S. Forces, free of charges of any kind and without present or future U.S. liability for claims arising out of the U.S. use thereof, installations and facilities which are deemed to be necessary to support U.S. Forces in their mission.... The U.S. Government will be under no obligation to restore these areas to their origistore these areas to their origi-nal use or to repair roads and

bridges utilised by the U.S. Arm-

ed Forces,

(n): ... Authorised operator;

of vehicles of the U.S. Force;

shall be exempt from compliance

with the local laws and regula-

with the local laws and regulations pertaining to the operation
and use of vehicles.

(r): The Government of (
authorises the U.S. Forces to
bring nuclear weapons into () to
station them at such locations
as may be deemed necessary.

(t): This agreement shall come
into force immediately upon being signed by both parties and
shall remain in force until ninety
days after the departure of the
U.S. Forces from () unless
previously terminated by mutual
agreement...

Final Clause
4: The Embassy of the United States of America (the Commander U.S. Forces in) avails itself (himself) of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its (his) highest consideration.



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ing in important news from all over the nation through sources unavailable to commerical meida, Leonard Brown, Phil Watson (who is a member of the Black Congress), Fred Wayne, Greg Barron, Andy Getz, Steve Post (who had come out from Pacifica's WBAI in New York for the week) and Jim Osborn functioned as reporters, spending this time collecting statements and interviews and special reports.

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