

THE BLACK GHETTO DISPATCH

READ THE TRUE STORY OF WHAT REALLY WAS SAID BY JAMES FARMER TO OUR BLACK AFRICAN BROTHERS ON HIS RECENT TOUR OF AFRICA.

Mr. Farmer repeated to African audiences over and over that he had been sent on his tour by the American Negro Leadership Conference on Africa. Why did he protest so much? Well, we all know, don't we? But to begin with the American Negro Leadership is an opium dream. What power do these people have except for what "Mr. Charlie" makes believe he gives them, and only then, in a crisis? Now what crisis do you suspect "Mr. Charlie" is worried about? Could it be that we know why "Mr. Charlie" invaded the Congo and that we know LBJ has given Tshombe the verbal okay to have all the military supplies and money he needs to get rid of the Congo nationalists, that we know the U.S. can not carry on its war program against the rest of the world without the Congo's cobalt and copper and that we know the U.S. is losing control of the world? Now if we blacks know all this then, man, you got a crisis! To be brutally frank, "Uncle Charlie" is desperate!

White thinking, educated Negroes who have sold their manhood long ago go to address our black brothers and sisters with the venomous lies and filth of the "white and Negro" power structure. Our most fervent hope is that time and circumstances will take care of such as these.

Did Mr. Farmer seriously believe that we would not be instantly informed of his performances in Africa? I had hope for this man last summer during the time the police made war on Harlem when he stood up for a few hours in our behalf. But like a friend of mine said, "You can't sleep white at night and 'fight black' during the day!" Just being a Negro is confusing enough! We might have a little sympathy for this man who is married to a white woman. In Africa a white woman is called a white elephant. Well, in America, we know a white elephant is bought for "show" and then turns out to be a liability as many of our black men are now finding out.

A friend of ours who heard Mr. Farmer speak at several of his appearances in Africa was puzzled by hearing the same repetitious speech as if Mr. Farmer had learned it by heart from "Mr. Charlie". Our friend has to read all the USIS bulletins and he noted that Mr. Farmer quoted these verbatim-like word for word.

Here is the gist of some of Mr. Farmer's speeches. First, he was jolly and had jokes to tell, like all his happy experiences down South when he at last got to eat in "Charlie's" restaurants and to sleep in "Charlie's" hotels. He signified all over the place that we black folks were just having minor spats with our white oppressors all of whom seemed to live only in the South. He just went blank in the mind about the long, hot summer past when whitey made war on us and the helpless, unarmed women and children and he was there, remember?

It gets worse! He said the federal government is doing everything possible to eradicate the problem between the Negroes and the whites. This, of course, leaves us black people out in the cold as Negroes are really the middle-class and they are doing quite well, they think, on "Charlie's" crumbs. Then he went on, as he was ordered to do, and attacked our few black, militant leaders and called them "Charlie's" term - "racist". He said the real leaders were the "Big Six". But the most important announcement he made was that he disagreed with those who encouraged the Civil Rights organizations to unite because at the moment they are all in competition with each other to see who can get the most done. "If the NAACP falls asleep, they know CORE will step in!" Now how's that for support of the free enterprise system in Civil Rights? So dig where the disunity is! Middle-class folks can't unify. They got to be better than each other as well as keep us down in the process. Makes them awful busy and neurotic. Whitey is insane and "Uncle Tom" is neurotic. With that kind of leadership in America we blacks can be led to our doom along with them.

He tells the Africans that American Negro Leaders have told "Mr. Charlie" to let Africa solve its own problems. Now don't laugh! He went on to say that LBJ was a great opponent of racial discrimination. Now you can laugh!

The speeches our friend witnessed were not taped. A great deal of the reaction on the part of the Africans was that Mr. Farmer made shallow speeches and was obviously a tool of the U.S. government.

We want to include that our friend noted that all Uncle Sam's dark boys and girls turned out for Farmer's speech, the U.S. embassies were well represented as was the USIS and the other American neo-colonialist organizations like AID and the Peace Corp. Farmer got big play on the Voice of America. Now who did Mr. Farmer say sent him to Africa?

Item of Interest:

James Boggs, the black author of *The American Revolution*, is not only concerned with our situation here but is able to formulate clearly a true analysis of what our future must be.

"This is the era of world-wide revolution, the revolution of those who were regarded as less than human while all the culture was in the making and whose own culture was broken or distorted or destroyed to make this culture possible. A new society must come out of the old but in coming out of it must leave behind it all the guidelines of yesterday. If it clings to one iota of the past, that remains to trap and envelope it.

Today the developed nations face two alternatives: 1.) Nuclear warfare and the possibility not only of destroying mankind but in particular of destroying themselves or leaving themselves so weak that they will be destroyed; 2) Joining the world revolution and promoting their own future by becoming part of the new order of mankind. Which way will the people (to a man) go? Which way can they go? Towards counter-revolution and perishing, or towards revolution and a new way of life?

Revolution is not just the spontaneous eruption of the masses over issues and grievances but the articulation of these issues and grievances into a form where people can act, in many different forms - by protest, by political action, by military action - but always ready to use force against force.

No country or rulers give away power. It must be taken.

There is no such thing as a democratic revolution whereby power is voted out of the hands of one set of rulers and turned over to another. At most, that is democratic reform.

There are certain factors which make it possible to anticipate the ripening of the revolutionary situation.

1. The inability of the government to assure its citizens due protection from external countries.
2. The inability of the government to assure its citizens a sense of purpose in the society.
3. The inability of the government to protect its citizenry from crime, banditry, corruption, etc.
4. The inability of the government to assure its citizenry of useful occupations not only as means of livelihood but as part of a genuine social need in the society."

5: So Black people; we must unite for a common cause/ This is a must. Togetherness is our aim.

6. No price is too great to pay for the right to be recognized the world over as Black Men and Women.

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