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MOUND ROAD ENGINE REVOLUTIONARY UNION MOVEMENT

"THE M.E.R.U.M. ROAD IS THE ONLY ROAD!"

"The M.E.R.U.M. road is the only road!" Why do we say this? Black workers slave eight to ten hours daily five, six, and possibly seven days a week, in the modern-day, 20th century plantations called Mound Road Engine, Eldon Gear & Axle, Hamtramk Assembly, Jefferson Ave. Assembly, Plymouth, Mack Stamping, Dodge Truck, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Oldsmobile, the Ford Rouge Complex and American Motors too. We are slaving under the most oppressive conditions ever known throughout the history of mankind. If we take a brief historical few of Blacks working in the many plantations, we find that we've been given the most hardest, filthiest, heaviest, and most dangerous jobs; jobs which "white workers have traditionally refused to take. Skilled trades, the millwrights, electricians etc., at all auto plants is lily-white, supervision at most plants is totally white or has knee-grows who are uncared with the welfare of their fellow Black workers. Black workers slave under all types of unsafe conditions:

1. Racist white & Knee-grow uncle-tom foremen constantly harassing Black workers.
2. The floors are always slippery from oil and grease; bolts and nuts scattered all over the floor.
3. Poor ventilation - in fact it seems as though there is no ventilation whatsoever.
4. You must always be on the look-out for jitney drivers, can't stop because the brakes are always failing, roaring down the aisles, usually the horns don't work.
5. Our so-called representatives, the unionstewards are never around; it's best that they are not because they only want to make sure the lines keep rolling at all cost. If you drop dead on the line - someone is sent in to take your place.
6. Black workers are constantly paying out their hard-earned cash for check-off union dues - are being paid to unions which refuse to represent Black workers; a certain amount of our checks are 'ripped off' by the "United Foundation; always totally unresponsive to the needs of Black people.

The conditions listed above are just a few of the intolerable conditions in which Black workers slave under. The death-like yokes are a constant challenge to our Black manhood. The few white, racist, capitalistic vultures who own the means of production constantly exploit our labor through the use of such willing lackeys as racist white general foremen, foremen, union flunkies, the stewards as well as labor relations.

"More and More Black workers are finding it necessary to take the M.E.R.U.M. Road that is the road of Black Independent Revolutionary Action in addressing the terrible conditions that they labor under on their respective jobs!!!" M.E.R.U.M. Road is the only Road!!

"Unite Black Workers or Perish"

Support M.E.R.U.M.

Join M.E.R.U.M.

BLACK WORKERS UNITE, FOR INDEPENDENT BLACK ACTION!

There is one thing that must be recognized by all of the Black workers at Mound Road Engine plant, that being the level of racism that management (via foremen) and Chrysler Corp. are on. It is a very highly sophisticated level of racism. They maintain the position that Black workers are *incompetent, unskilled, and ignorant*. These particular racist positions makes it a helluva lot harder on you, the Black workers slaving under their management.

If you want to refute this article and its contents, first, take a good look at your department and see if it's true or not. Nine out of ten of the most filthiest, hardest, and dirtiest jobs are done by Black workers, Why? Simply because the foremen, general foremen, and plant management are for the most part all white and racist. By them being racist they allow their people (whites) to do all the easy and skilled jobs. Examples: inspection, hi-lo drivers, janitors, repairman, foremen, skilled tradesmen, etc. Now compare the jobs that Black workers are generally doing, lifting crank-shafts, moving engine blocks, and in general slaving at various menial jobs. There are a few of our black brothers who think some foremen are "cool", "a good guy", or even "on our side". That, Black workers is a lot of 'jive'! If the foremen were in your corner some of you would be machinist or machine repairmen or for that matter foremen and supervisors.

Although we, the Black workers of Mound Rd. Engine, constitute 75% of the labor force in the plant, where is our representation? Thus we come to the conclusion that all these racist conditions & attitudes must be dealt with. How to deal with them in totality is not an easy question, but the "journey of a 1,000 miles" begins with a single step. Our first step is organization & unity! Black workers must join forces and change the intolerable conditions existing in all the auto plants, the 'mis' representation from your stewards & committeemen and also the control over he who supervises you (foremen).

We say again & again Black workers unite to fight these racist conditions, and gain proper and just representation from management & the U.A.W. (U.A.W. means You Ain't White)! If we cannot obtain justice from the U.A.W. let's form our own independent Black workers union.

"U.A.W. is Scum"

"Our Thing is M.E.R.U.M."

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LABOR IS THE
EMANCIPATION OF MAN
AND THE EMANCIPATION
OF MAN IS THE FREEING
OF THAT BASIC
MAJORITY OF WORKERS
WHO ARE YELLOW,
BROWN AND BLACK

JOIN

**the League of Revolutionary
Black Workers**

U.F. (UNITED FOUNDATION) EXPLOITING BLACK WORKERS, OR UF MEANS You're Fucked...

Before the majority of Black workers are hired at any Chrysler plant, we are all intimidated and forced to give our hard-earned money to a so-called charity (United Foundation) which is totally unresponsive to the needs of the Black community. Their excuse or reason is "Chrysler would very much like you to give to a chairtable organization." Dig the contradiction.....Chrysler who's viciously exploited Black workers internationally (Africa, Asia, Latin-America) has now become a benevolent 'humanitarian'. Bullshit! It's just another trick to rob us 'legally' of our blood, sweat, and tear" earned money. United Foundation along with the Torch Drive has done absolutely nothing constructive to eliminate the wretched conditions of Black and poor people (although Black workers constitute the majority of the work force in Detroit)!

SUPPORT THE INTERNATIONAL BLACK APPEAL!!!! Due to these previously mentioned facts, some concerned dedicated Black people developed the **International Black Appeal**. This appeal is meant to address itself to the Black and poor. The **International Black Appeal's** probable plans are to fund and operate some of the following programs:

1. Emergency Food & Defense Fund
2. Labor Strike & Defense Fund
3. Legal Defense Services
4. Welfare System
5. Housing and Recreation
- 1., Emergency Food & Health Centers

These are a few of the probable programs that the **I.B.A.** wishes to address itself. Therefore, in conclusion, when your next check rolls 'round and after the Federal, State, and Local government have ripped you off and you see \$.60 or more being taken out for the United Foundation, tell management to kiss your ass because you're now Awakened - **SUPPORT THE INTERNATIONAL BLACK APPEAL.**

P.S.

When Chrysler Corp. asks you to what charitable organization you would like to give say.....
INTERNATIONAL BLACK APPEAL.

International Black Appeal Fund
12019 Linwood
Detroit, Mich. 48206 for more information: call - 866-1266 or
865-8184

**DARE TO FIGHT, DARE TO WIN, FIGHT, FAIL, FIGHT, AGAIN
FAIL AGAIN, FIGHT ON TO FINAL VICTORY.....**

**LONG LIVE BLACK PEOPLE IN THIS RACIST LAND,
DEATH TO OUR ENEMIES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

"OUR THING IS M.E.R.U.M."

Deep in the gloom
of the oil-filled pit
Where the engine rolls down the line,
We challenge the doom
of dying in shit
While strangled by a swine.....
.....For hours and years
we've sweated tears
Trying to break our chain.....
But we broke our backs
and died in packs
To find our manhood slain.....
But now we stand
To MERUM's at hand
To lead our Freedom fight,
and now'til then
we'll unite like men.....
For now we know our might
and damn the plantation
and the whole Chrysler nation
For M.E.R.U.M. has dried our tears
and now as we die
we've a different cry
For now we hold our spears!
U.A.W. is scum
Our Thing is M.E.R.U.M.!!!!

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Long Live Black people in
this racist land and death to
their enemies. Long live the
heroic. black workers struggle.

PREPARE FOR THE NATIONAL BLACK STRIKE!

SUPPORT M.E.R.U.M.

JOIN M.E.R.U.M.

Send articles, applications, comments., etc. to

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