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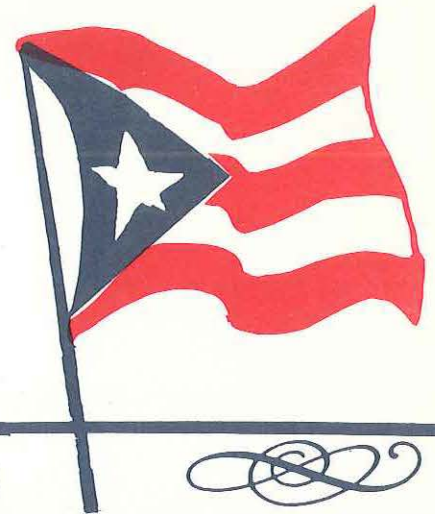
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# QUE ONDEE SOLA



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## The Case of July 29th

Orlando Quintana, better known as "Beetle" was murdered July 29, 1973 by an off duty police officer who was "having a drink" at the Tower Tavern. Beetle was 24 years old, father and husband, a graduate of Northeastern Ill. University and was presently working at the Association House with community youth.

The following is an excerpt from "EL METEMANO", bulletin of the Puerto Rican Socialist Party - Chicago Committee, July 1973.

The assassination of Orlando is part of a genocidal plan to end with Puerto Ricans here as well as in Puerto Rico. The political implications of this are obvious; in order to maintain intact this regime of exploitation the rich needs a means of repression, an immoral police force that automatically will keep in line the aspirations

of the people. While the workers in Puerto Rico struggle legitimately by means of strike, the puppet government of Puerto Rico controlled by the U.S. calls in the National Guard. In Coamo as in Chicago the enemy is the same, the yankee imperialist. Te conocemos bacalao aunque vengas disfrazao. In Chicago the assassins are masked as the police and kill our youth. Chicago's police is known as one of the most brutal in the U.S., that is why the police of Puerto Rico come here to receive their training. The police rounds in our community increase constantly, not for protection but as hands of assassins and repression, these



Beetle, Puerto Rican Parade  
June 1972.

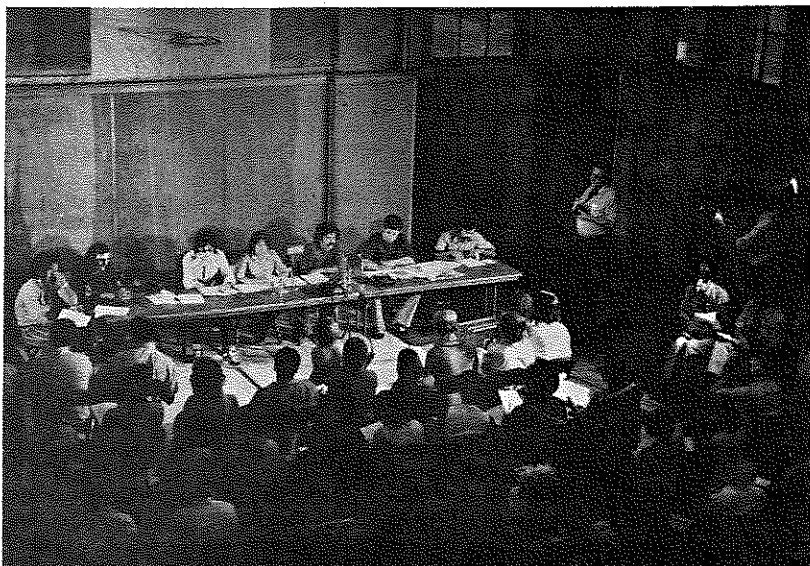
cases testify to: Orlando Quintana, Gerardo Diaz, David Munoz, Cha Cha Jimenez, Antonia Martinez (assassinated in Puerto Rico), Santos Rodriguez (assassinated in Dallas Texas), Pablo Medina, Carlos Perez, Julio Koldan, Angel Manuel Guzman (recently assassinated in P.R.), the Tuley H.S. arrests; think of the daily injustices that are committed against our people, against the poor of this country and against

those (for political reasons as is the case in P.R.), combatent brothers in the island.

These assassinations have very clear explanations - political reasons - Every combatent that is killed by the repressive forces is a victim of this governments plan, to eliminate those who by their struggle represent a threat to this system of exploitation. Behind all of this is a plan to crush the growing struggle in our community and in Puerto Rico.

This repression manifests itself in various tactics, these will increase as the struggle increases. In some cases they will use the National Guard, the police and all its "official" machinery and undercover. The increase of police in our communities will be even greater, the fabrication of cases will increase in Puerto Rico and here, we will feel the oppression trying to drown our struggle.

We will not permit that through the press and other means of communication the truth of what is happening will be distorted. We will openly denounce the disgusting manoeuvres that are being realized against the Puerto Ricans.



Community meets after Beetle's death and decides to have a silent march in protest of his murder and the police brutality rampant in our community.  
photo by Danny

# ***¡Orlando Quintana***

## ***Tu Muerte***

## ***Será Vengada !***



# Puerto Rican Students Denied of History

The Union For Puerto Rican Students at Northeastern Ill. Univ. has for some time now been presenting the school's History Department and Administration the need that the existing course, History of Puerto Rico, be taught full time. In the past we've had a part time professor teaching this course, however the adverse conditions under which this course had to be conducted, made it extremely difficult for us to be involved in the educational process of becoming informed of our history. Due to deliberate attempts to obstruct this process in that the time the course was offered totally ignored the students need to take the course during the day. In order for many of the Latin Students to continue their education they need to work after school. Thus by offering this course in the evenings, many students were eliminated and were denied the opportunity to take this course. Yet the administration repeatedly has expressed that they had fulfilled their obligation by making this course "available". After meeting with the history department and administration, they "graciously" recognized that there had been some problems in this area and agreed to eliminate the problem by having the course offered during the day time. It seems ridiculous to offer a university course, and totally ignore the fact that it would then entail the hiring of an instructor for that course.

The obvious solution seems to be the hiring of an instructor for this course. because of the budget crisis. Therefore the burden of teaching History of Puerto Rico fell upon the counselor or the Spanish-Speaking Students. Again this concretely demonstrates their insensibility; since our counselor not only has the task of teaching but also, being the only counselor for the Latin Students. This arrangement then does not seem to be the "solution" but rather a move to pacify the students by trying to convey the notion that an "honest" effort is being made to offer a History of Puerto Rico course.

In the process of meetings with the administration, we have received a commitment to offer a position for a professor in History. The Union for Puerto Rican Students received a memo from the history department that they were prepared to materialize their commitment by being prepared financially to hire this professor. The Union began the process of screening applicants and finally is prepared to meet with the history department to approve our candidate.

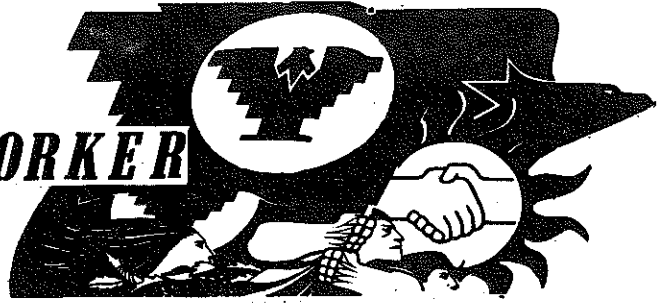
During this time the Union for Puerto Rican Students began meeting with the Sociology department. The Dept. was in the process of hiring a full time professor, we selected Dr. Samuel Betances as our candidate to fill this position he met with the History department, Dr. Hudson, Dr. Goldberg and President Sachs. The outcome of this interview was that Dr. Betances was to teach in the Sociology Department. It was not until the Fall schedule books were distributed, that it was discovered that Dr. Betances was assigned to teach 2 courses in the Sociology Department but also a course in the History department. When the students inquired about this assignment, we were told that it was part of the understanding between the parties involved for this arrangement. However, we should mention that neither Dr. Betances, the students and some members of the administration were of this same understanding.

At this point meetings are taking place to clarify the situation. The only thing that needs to be said is that it is obvious that there is a drastic need for this History professor, and this cannot be compromised!!



# En La Brechia:

## THE MIGRANT WORKER



Jose, 11 years old and Maria, 14 years old, don't go to school so they can work in the fields picking grapes and lettuce. They get up at 5:00 a.m. and have a breakfast consisting of coffee and a piece of bread. But, if you look at the bright side of things, there is nothing like fresh air and hard work very early in the morning to teach kids the meaning of life. After all, many great men like Abraham Lincoln didn't go to school all their lives. Those kids in the fields always have food on their tables, even if it is a high starch content diet. I mean, after all, if your father makes \$1.25 an hour you can't worry about a well balanced diet, you're lucky you have something to eat.

But, what is really shocking are the rumors about the pesticides. What self-respecting American farmer would use DDT on his crops without any concern for the farmworker or the consumer? This is un-American! The farmer is only trying to make a living off the fat of the land. He is also performing a service by feeding millions of people here in the U.S. and abroad. It costs plenty to run a farm. Tractors, fertilizers, reapers, all this cost money. So how do you expect the farmer to pay the migrant worker even the minimum wage? I'm sure that if the farmer was secured a sizable profit, he would gladly share his fortune by giving the worker a raise.

Besides, the farmworkers are humble and self-sacrificing. They love to earn their living by the sweat of their brow. They have no need for large sums of money, they are satisfied with what they got. Luxuries are not their way of life. Who needs a T.V. or a stereo to relax? Watching the sun set after a good hard day is good enough. Who needs to go to the laundromat when you have a washboard and tub at home.

A parent should not prevent his child from using his creativity by giving him some manufactured toy to play with instead of letting him

make his own toy. Also a child has to learn that he can't have everything he wants, even if it is Christmas.

People like these farmworkers are what make the economy boom. They don't complain, instead they take into consideration that there are others worse off than themselves. But it's people like Ceasar who spoil everything by being self-centered. If everybody always thought about their own self there would be chaos.

Organizers like Chavez are the inciters of overthrow of governments. He doesn't realize that those strikes only hurt the nation and its economy. All he thinks about is the individual's right to a union, social security, accident insurance, better housing conditions, education, sanitation, without realizing that the nation's welfare is at stake. Not everybody can be middle class, there has to exist poor people. Don't they understand that money in the hands of those who don't know how to read and write is a dangerous weapon?

That's what's wrong, you give people an inch and they take a mile, you give them accident insurance and they'll want retirement benefits, an increase in salary every month and for the farm owner to pay for the education of their children.

Maybe the good of the nation, it would seem profitable to enroll these migrant workers in a behavior conditioning program. Each person would be taught a certain job and receive only the education necessary to do that job, no more, no less. They would be conditioned to look down on riches and money. This conditioning would have to take place at a very young age and as they gradually grow up a reinforcement process would take place.

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There would be no need to worry about a migrant worker with ideas different from those of the betterment of agriculture. This small sacrifice would only serve to raise the standard of living and reduce the loss of money by agribusiness during the farmworkers strike. Seeing that at the end it is for his benefit, I'm sure the farmer would be more than willing to contribute to the funds for starting this behavior conditioning program.

Maria Saucedo

## DISCRIMINATION at Circle Campus

The University of Illinois has persistently discriminated against Puerto Ricans by keeping Puerto Rican students out of Circle. The number of Puerto Rican students now enrolled at Circle is less than 1/2% 1% of the total student population. But Boricuas make up about 6% of the total population of Chicago. It turns out that the number (%) of Puerto Rican students at Circle has actually declined in the last three years. There are ten times as many foreign students at Circle as there are Boricuas. The entire Latin community is discriminated against also, but the worst discrimination of all is reserved for Puerto Ricans. We do not forget that Circle is a public state university created for the poor people of the city of Chicago-- who are denied admission. Circle Campus was built like a gravestone on the site of what had been the oldest Puerto Rican and Mexican community in Chicago until it was destroyed.

We have won a small concession from the university, but even that is in danger. An Advisory Board of community people and students was created to negotiate with the university in May. After a bitter struggle, the university consisted to hire a small Puerto Rican re-

cruitment staff. But the administration is sabotaging the program by refusing to process Puerto Rican and other Latin applications. During the past week the program has been paralyzed because of this deliberate university racist policy, and 140 Boricua students are waiting in limbo. It is evident that the university acted in bad faith when it allowed the small concession of hiring three persons to do recruiting -- but is not processing the applicants these persons recruited.

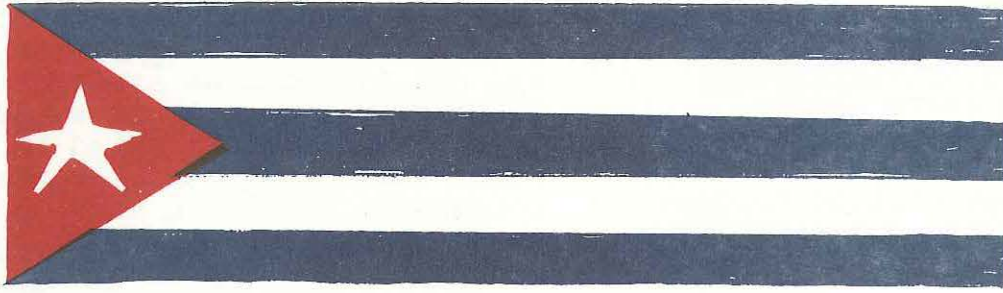
Puerto Rican Advisory Board

The following are the demands presented to University of Illinois, Circle Campus administration by the Puerto Rican Advisory Board.

Be it resolved that University of Illinois, Circle Campus short range goals in relation to the Latino community be as follows:

1. 800 Puerto Rican students should be recruited beginning in the fall quarter of 1973. The breakdown should be 300 students for 1973-1974; 500 for 1974-75 and from then on students should be recruited in a number proportionate to the total of Puerto Rican population of Chicago.
2. Liaison offices to encourage and recruit Latin students.
3. Programs relevant to the Latin student and community including more Latin teachers, personnel, etc.
4. A- More immediate response to Puerto Rican students applying in a number proportionate to the total Puerto Rican population of Chicago.  
B- Also, that the waiver of admission fee be adequately and clearly publicized.  
C- Composite ACT score should not be used as a major factor for entering students with Spanish background, because poor English tests results are a product of the second rate education received by them.





# CHICAGO EXPO-CUBA

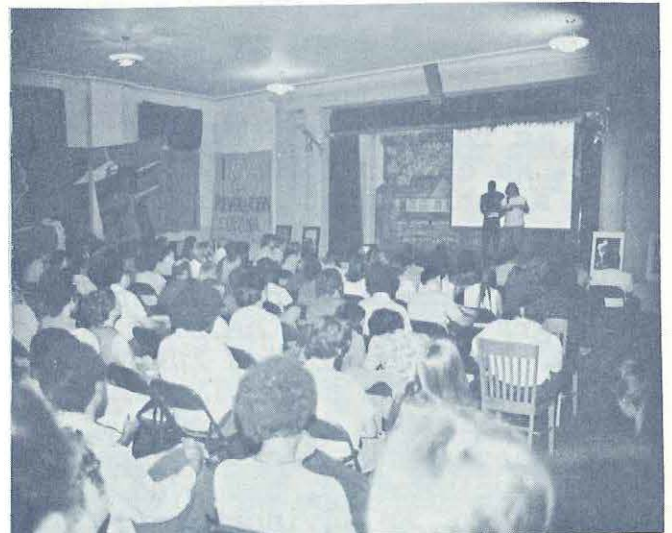
El sábado 28 de julio, se celebró en Chicago una exposición de gráficas, retratos, diapositivas y películas sobre los logros de la Revolución Cubana desde su triunfo en 1959 hasta el presente.

Dicha exposición fue celebrada en conmemoración del Vigésimo (XX) Aniversario del Ataque al Cuartel Moncada. Este ataque marcó el nacimiento del Movimiento 26 de Julio, y culminó con la resistencia armada del pueblo cubano contra la tiranía de Fulgencio Batista.

En los Estados Unidos se sabe muy poco de Cuba, con excepción de lo que tergiversa las agencias noticiosas de este país, UPI, (United Press International, AP, (Associated Press) y a través de la gusanera exilada comprada por este gobierno. EXPO-CUBA fue organizada con el propósito de ayudar a romper el bloqueo de información que el gobierno de los Estados Unidos le ha impuesto al pueblo norteamericano, intentando de esta manera aislar las luchas y victorias que desatan los pueblos por su liberación nacional. Ejemplo de ello es la tergiversación de la realidad del pueblo cubano y el bloqueo económico que el gobierno imperialista de Washington ha impuesto sobre Cuba.

Debido a esta realidad se organizan exposiciones sobre la realidad cubana en diferentes puntos de los Estados Unidos.

En Nueva York, la gusanera, organizada por la Agencia Central de Inteligencia (CIA) colocó bombas en el Martin Luther King Center, donde se celebrara la exposición más grande hecha en los Estados Unidos. Por otro lado, las oficinas del Comité Central del Partido Socialista en Puerto Rico fueron bombardeadas por las mismas manos criminales. Juan Mari Brás, secretario general del Partido Socialista Puertorriqueño responsabilizó al gobierno de los E.U. de dichos atentados.



Members of the Venceremos Brigade share experiences of their recent visit to Revolutionary Cuba.

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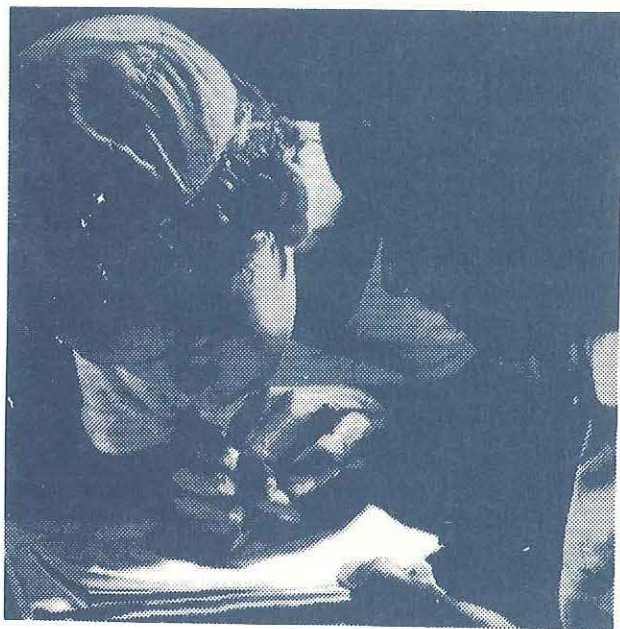


At the triumph of the Revolution, one Cuban in four could not read.

In a single year, 1961, "Year of Education" illiteracy was abolished.

100,000 volunteers, such as the young boy in this photo, traveled to the farthest reaches of the island, lived with the people, and taught the illiterate to read.

In a Cuban museum is the following letter to Fidel Castro: "Dear Companero, I write this letter to let you know that now I know how to read and write thanks to our socialist and democratic revolution."



This poem is one of a collection of poems written in Revolutionary Cuba from 1959 to 1966. It is an expression of a great Cuban poet, an expression of the determination and emotions of the Cuban people in building a new society.

## WIFE AND COMRADE

You are my wife and comrade;  
before you, I place the Revolution,  
for it is greater than both of us.  
You become anxious and worry yourself sick  
caring for the children,  
for the plight of yet to be redeemed slums,  
for the sick and the dying.  
You are here today,  
near my watchful eyes;  
tomorrow you'll be in Santiago or Pinar del Rio.

In the small hours of the night  
You'll be checking, organizing, trying  
to set things aright.  
In short, you'll be cutting away what's  
rotten; you'll be busy gardening, building.  
You belonged to the wind, to the seed,  
to the victory march.....

Plata Giron cannot destroy you  
neither can mercenaries no marines.  
terror is wasted in you;  
your thoughts and actions are dedicated  
to moulding things into their true image.

By Alicides Iznaga



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5. A- That the Latin students, admitted through EAP, who could otherwise qualify through regular admission, be taken away from the program so that the slot can be used for a student in need of remedial courses.

B- Special action be enforced.

6. The university should provide the Latin students with adequate space for a discussion of common problems, educational dialogue, reflection, and tutorial service.

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Este acto de cobardes no detuvo la celebración en solidaridad con el heroico pueblo cubano. A la misma asistieron miles de personas a nivel nacional, sectores del pueblo conciente norteamericano. Aquí en Chicago la exposición fue un éxito, tanto por la participación del pueblo norteamericano como la participación de Boricuas.

EXPO-CUBA celebrada en el Humboldt Park Civic Center fue una exitosa demostración de solidaridad con el pueblo cubano. La presencia de centenares de personas que pasaron por los distintos salones pudieron comprobar la proclamación del pueblo cubano: CUBA, PRIMER TERRITORIO LIBRE DE AMERICA.

Por Luis Perez

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# TO QUE ONDEE SOLA

The following is a letter from Cha Cha Jimenez a Puerto Rican political prisoner, who was forced to go into hiding in August of '70 because of \$23 worth of lumber. After being away for 2 yrs. and 3 mos., he has decided to turn himself in to come back and be with his people; endure the hardships and agonies with them; organize, fight, and help win victories for them.



photo- Lerner Booster Newspaper

To Latinos of Northeastern,

I'm very grateful for all those that made it possible for us to be able to share some ideas. Though your presence, last December, was not for an individual; but rather for the People- I wish to thank you, as a Latino, for your support.

Time moves very quickly and as some say in here "we're getting very short." The year will be completed in September. Also, we will be starting trial on the next case, bond-jumping (for 2½ years not appearing in court) in the fall. Since last December, till now, we've won six more cases. Officially they haven't been dropped, so the bond still stands at \$188,000. However technically

they've been won, which means, that out of a total of eighteen cases we've won thirteen and have only four cases, still pending. I'm very confident with the People's support that we will win these four remaining cases.

Recently, I've read in the paper, about the "New plans for Chicago". Urban Renewal plans to "revitalize Chicago's core area". They are not new plans; but rather a part of old plans, just now being given to the People. In fact the repression in 1969, on myself, the YLO and the People of the Lincoln Park Community stemmed from the fact that we were fighting, some of these Urban Renewal plans.

We did deal with other issues: Day-care, welfare, police brutality education, the self-determination of All Latinos etc. However, out of necessity, we stressed the Urban Renewal issue. We stressed it because, we were residents living in an Urban Renewal area-the Lincoln Park Community. We were not benefiting from the Plans; but rather, we as Latinos and poor were the victims. It was not the first time that Latinos were the victims of Mr. Daley's Urban Renewal Plans. And if, we would look closely, at the New Plans-we would see that it won't be the last.

"La Clark" a Puerto Rican Community, in 1956, was totally wiped out in order to build the "Carl Sandburg Village". The University of Illinois moved hundreds of Chicano families, when it was built. In the Lincoln Park Community, the Latinos were in the majority. Today 90% of the People, are middle-class whites, who have just moved there, from the suburbs. In Lakeview remodeling (connected with Urban Renewal) has forced Latinos to move. Demolition in Uptown is driving Latinos and other poor out of that area. Urban Renewal, has already leveled buildings on Division Street and has more plans for the Humboldt Park area. There are



plans for a large area around Chinatown and the Pilsen Community. Many Latinos and other poor will be pushed out. Basically Mr. Daley wants to expand the lakefront and rehabilitate all the Communities around Downtown, so that these communities will lure suburbanites, into the inner-city. There are no plans to build housing for the poor or Latinos. In the Lincoln Park Community, one three story building on the corner of Sedgwick and North Ave. was constructed, for the low-income families. Only one building after all the promises made, to construct housing, for the poor, by the Mayor.

In an Urban Renewal Newsletter (1969), Mr. Lewis Hill, the director of the Department of Urban Renewal defending the Plans stated, "By the year 2,000, eighty per cent of the American People will be living in large metropolitan areas...housing must be provided for these People". Therefore let's make the inner-city acceptable to lure suburbanites to it. In the meantime the poor and Latinos are pushed from one ghetto into a worst one. While no thought is given to improving their housing. So that they won't feel ignored. We'll throw fish in the Chicago River and make mini-beaches in neighborhood parks.

It's almost unbelievable for Mayor Daley, who has always received the Latino vote, to make twenty-five years plans and not take Latinos and other poor of Chicago into consideration. We should always be progressive; but these plans are racist and retrogressive.

In the Department of Urban Renewal, there are no Latinos and yet these plans affect the majority of Latinos living in Chicago. In the communities, meetings are held not to revize the plans, but only to aid in carrying them out. The community has no voice and when the People stand up and speak out against the Mayor's Plans- they are threatened with incarceration. Incarceration for desiring the basic necessities of life: food, clothing and shelter.

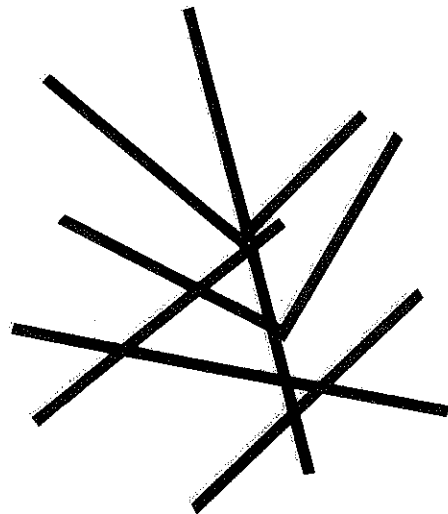
I support the right of Latinos to determine their own destiny outside the U.S. borders, but even more within it's borders. I don't

tell Latinos to stay in the U.S. - but, as long as Latinos are in the U.S. I ask, with the people, that they be respected. We don't say to stop building housing. All we say is build good housing for the poor and Latinos.

At the trial, in the fall, we hope to bring out the issue of Urban Renewal, the Defense Committee is selling buttons and pamphlets to raise the necessary funds needed for the trial. We hope to use the trial as an aid in the long struggle, to inform the People about Urban Renewal. Once Latinos and poor are well informed; they will unite and take action.,

Then there will be no problem in acquiring low income housing. This was pointed out clearly by Ruben Cruz, when he said, "Toca A Todos Unirnos Para Que Podamos Hacer Que Los Barrios Latinos De Chicago Sean Un Nuevo Modelo De Renovacion Urbana."

QUE VIVA EL PUEBLO  
Cha - Cha




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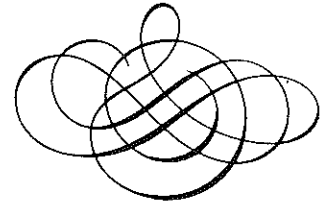
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# PENSAMIENTOS

## MACHO TIME

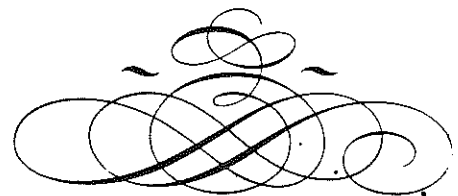
Where is it recorded  
that my Latin brethren  
have an innate duty to Prove  
their machismo, their manhood  
all of the time?  
Listen:  
hear it in our voices,  
hard and heavy, employing  
non-stop Profanities with every  
breath;  
see it in our actions,  
Pimping, looking and simulating  
smooth coolness, when to be very  
hot is where it's at;  
know it in our fighting back,  
for to take a slap on the cheek  
without retaliating is jungle  
taboo; it is a losing of face;  
sense it in our Latin character,  
our Latin blood so fiery and  
fierce that to Prove one's self  
is a concrete must.  
Yet, where is it written  
that we can't be gentlemen  
all of the time?  
Be intelligent men  
all of the time,  
and let this concept of machismo  
take care of itself.  
So that when a strong arm  
is needed,  
then Prove you are...MACHO



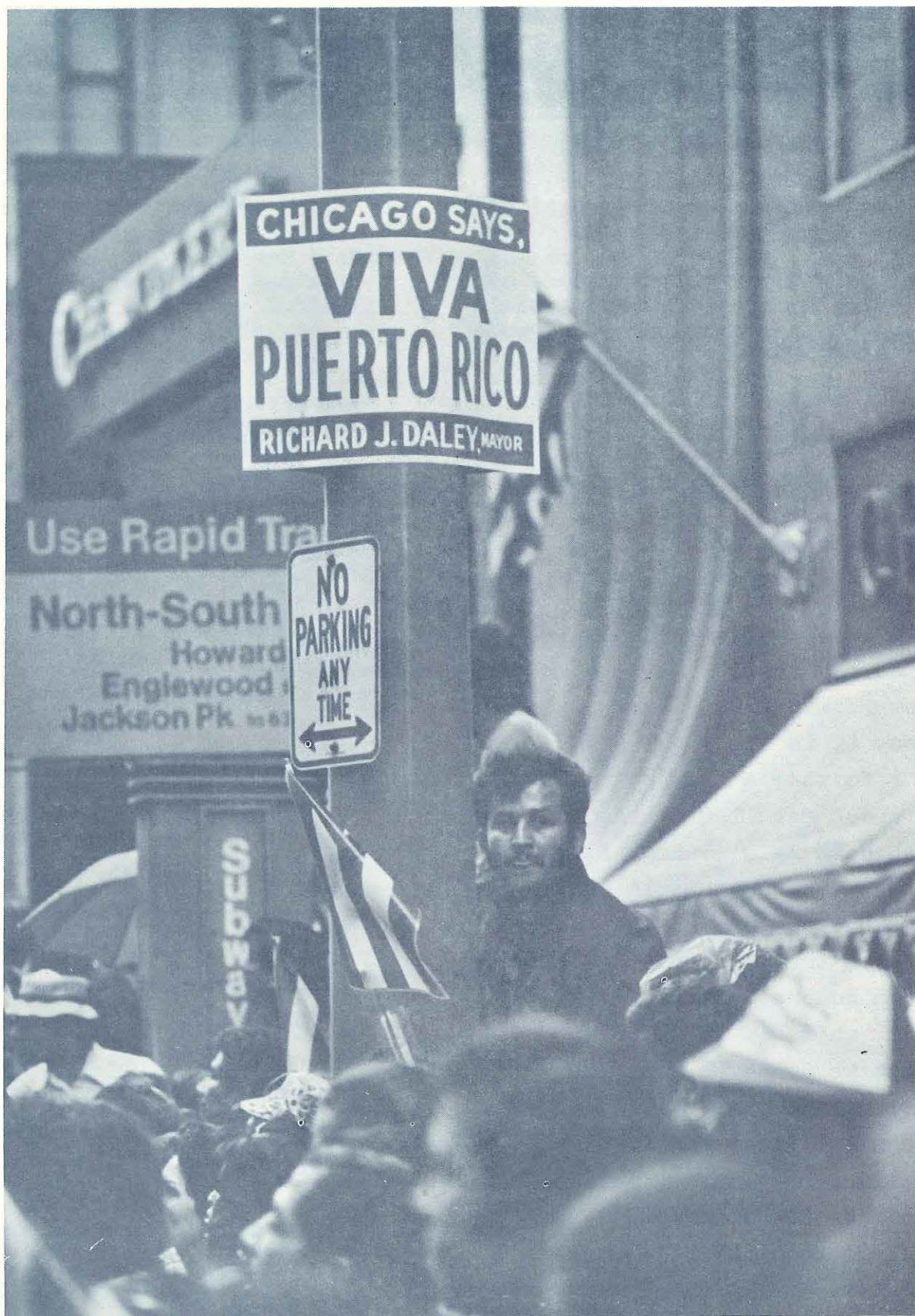
## ENTRE TU Y YO

Angustia  
Cry, coming from my heart's throat  
My brother  
Flesh of my own mother's womb  
Mother Puerto Rico.  
Is it not enough that I fight  
Against the prejudice of  
Whites, blacks, purples?  
Must I also fight you  
And in you myself?  
Is it not enough that I must guard  
Myself against the stabs of whites  
And, too often blacks?  
I can take those wounds and still stand  
Yet, I reach the limit  
Coming from you, Puerto Rican brother,  
Son of my mother, cultural, spiritual  
Brother - Dolor del alma!  
For, in hurting me, you hurt yourself,  
In killing me, you kill yourself!

E.I. Rodriguez







"DESFILE UN DIA - POBREZA TODOS LOS DIAS"; nuestra consigna hace eco. Los politiqueros usan nuestro nombre como si a un pueblo se le pudiera enganar toda la vida... llegara el dia que pobre de ti Daley, Nixon, explotadores...

photo por Danny