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QUE ONDEE SOLA



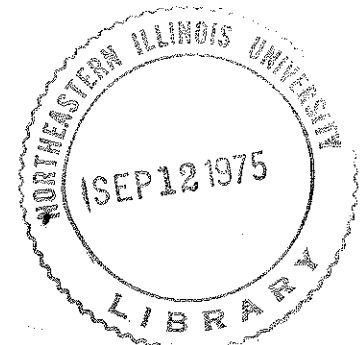
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Welcome Latino Freshman !



Que Ondée Sola would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the Latino freshmen students to Northeastern Illinois University. Realizing how it must feel to enter into a whole new atmosphere, Que Ondee Sola has decided to dedicate this issue to you. Through reading this, we hope you will find out many things that are going on on-campus that the Latino students are into.

WHY QUE ONDEE SOLA? Que Ondée Sola is the Latino form of media on campus. The name was chosen by the founding staff to interpret the goals and struggles of the Puerto Rican people. Que Ondée Sola, literally translated, means May The Puerto Rican Flag Wave Alone. May the Puerto Rican Nation achieve its rights to self-determination from United States Imperialism. Through our publication, the staff hopes to bring an awareness to the Puerto Rican struggles to liberate our nation, and at the same time to bring out an appreciation for Puerto Rican and Latino literature. Through the year, we will be reporting on Community events that affect us as a Puerto Rican Nation or as a Latino, and any on-campus issues that might take place. Anyone wishing

to contribute to QUE ONDEE SOLA is welcome, and anyone interested in joining the staff (photographers, reporters, layout), also. QUE ONDEE SOLA is located in room E-210 of the Commuter Center.

ON-CAMPUS ACTIVITIES; Northeastern through the last years has had many active Latino organizations. The oldest of these being the Union for Puerto Rican Students. The U.P.R.S. through its years, is responsible for such successes as Que Ondée Sola, some of the Latino professors at Northeastern Illinois University, and for the Puerto Rican Weekend. They meet Thursdays at 1:00 P.M. (Activity Hour). Meeting places will be announced before each meeting.

Another quickly growing organization is the Chicano Student Union. They meet on Tuesdays, at 1:00 P.M., in Portable 2. (P-2 in front of new building).

Recently, a new organization has been formed called the Puerto Rican Alliance, (La Alianza). La Alianza will be announcing their meeting days.

We all hope that the freshmen will become active in school clubs and politics, after all, we have a voice and it should be heard.

PUERTO RICAN STUDENT ALLIANCE

The Puerto Rican Students Alliance welcomes all the new Latino students to our academic community here at Northeastern. We hope to be of help to you and contribute to your growth.

We would like to offer you the following information which might be helpful to you.

The following are a list of Latino faculty and their various departments:

SPANISH DEPARTMENT:

Mr. Gonzalez
Mr. Jolly
Dr. Edgardo Pantigoso
Dr. Angelina Pedroso
Mr. Rodriguez
Dr. O'Cherony

BILINGUAL EDUCATION:

Dr. Baldonado
Dr. Diego Rangel
Mr. Vilaro

HISTORY DEPARTMENT:

Dr. Lorenzo Harrison
Mr. Jose Lopez

HUMAN SERVICES:

Mr. Carlos A. Torre

PHILOSOPHY:

~~Dr. Chacon~~

SOCIOLOGY:

Dr. Samuel Betances
Mr. Alberto Mata

STUDENT SERVICES:

Vice President- Mr. Jose Morales

COUNSELING:

Mr. Maximino Torres
Mr. Santos Rivera
Ms. Aida Sanchez

FINANCIAL AID:

Mr. Frank SoJano

We hope this information will be helpful to you in becoming familiar with the resources at the University. In addition, the Puerto Rican Students Alliance is at your service.

William Guerra:Chairperson

Historical Notes

GRITO DE LARES-Sept. 23, 1868

On January 6, 1868, the Comité Revolucionario de Puerto Rico was formed by Ramon Emeterio Betances in Santo Domingo. The Revolutionary Committee's program called for the proclamation of an independent republic in Puerto Rico. On September 23, 1868, Puerto Ricans staged on schedule a revolt against the Spaniards which is now known as El Grito de Lares.

People participated from all parts of the island. Juntas were set up in towns and cities all over the island including Mayagüez, Lares, San Sebastián and Poce. Although recruiting was made difficult by Spanish colonial propaganda, which associated the idea of independence with disorder and crime, Betances and other Puerto Rican patriots managed to collect sufficient funds to purchase in the U.S. rifles, cannons, and a small boat.

A flag was designed by Dr. Betances and submitted to the Junta of Lares, which accepted it enthusiastically. The first flag was made by Doña Mariana Braceti. The revolutionary anthem was a danza called "La Borinqueña", composed by Felix Astol Artés. The lyrics were written by the patriotic poetess, Lola Rodríguez de Tío.

Rich, poor, white, black, peons, and landowners, all reunited behind the ideal of freedom and independence. The slogan on one of the banners read: "Freedom or Death! Long live Free Puerto Rico!"

Recordamos

El Grito De Lares

Sept. 23

Proyecto Pa'lante

Proyecto Pa'lante is an inovative and creative perspective in university admission. While the prevailing social conditions have proved to be adverse to the academic achievement of many a Spanish-American youth in the schools in their community, Northeastern is making a sincere effort to bring on campus Latino students with academic potential. The program is directed by Mr. Maximino Torres.

Proyecto Pa'lante's goals are to:

1. Bring to the university Latino students who have demonstrated academic potential.
2. To assist these students with the counseling, tutoring, and other necessary support.
3. To assist the academic community in relating to the educational needs of the Latino students.
4. To provide cultural relevance to the students, co-curricular activities, which are intended to assist the student in developing a positive self, necessary in the pursuits of academic excellence.

Proyecto Pa'lante is now in its fourth successful year and has brought in approximately 450 Latino students, of which the first group (1972), is in its senior year and approximately 50% of that group will be graduating this academic year.

Most Proyecto Pa'lante students are going into various majors in the College of Arts and Sciences and recently there is an interest among Proyecto Pa'lante students for the math and science majors.

Mr. Maximino Torres' office is located in B-155 (Counseling Center). Aida Sanchez, Proyecto Pa'lante assistant, is in P-1 (outside mobile). Mr. Santos Rivera, another Proyecto Pa'lante assistant, is located in adjoining P-2.

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A TRIUMPH !

For six long months an organization has been trying to be born. Its existence was threatened and nearly aborted by forces opposed to students; independent thinking. This struggle for self-determination brought out the evil of the aggressor; the aggressor being that element which dictates violence. Students can not be denied representation, it is our right!

Students can not be discouraged from receiving a education because the struggle calls for "guerrillas". Through education the individual will fulfill his dreams and desires. We do not claim it to be an easy task, but, by being responsible and through hard work and will power, the student will be that much closer to success in his educational goals.

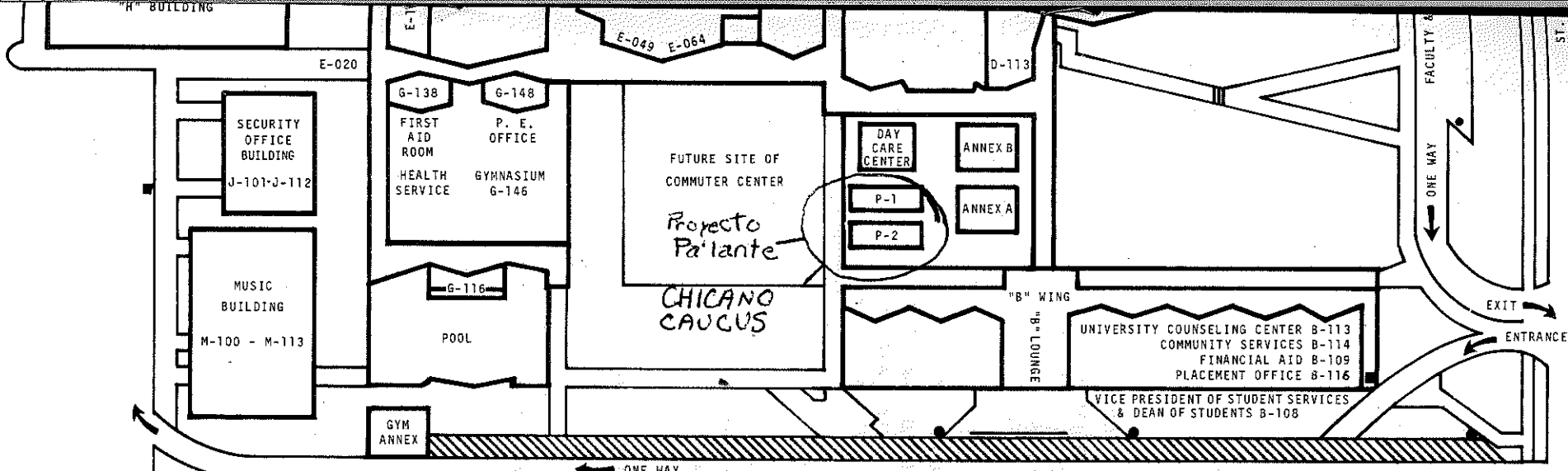
Our proof being the PUERTO RICAN STUDENTS ALLIANCE which became possible through hard work and planning.

A gathering of minds by students that were rejected, those that foresaw a path of destruction left by the political group, and those students that became aware of the need for a non-political representative student organization; THE PUERTO RICAN STUDENTS ALLIANCE gives the student an alternative.

We welcome our new students to NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY!

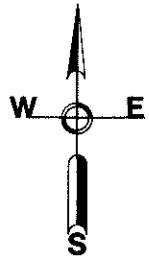
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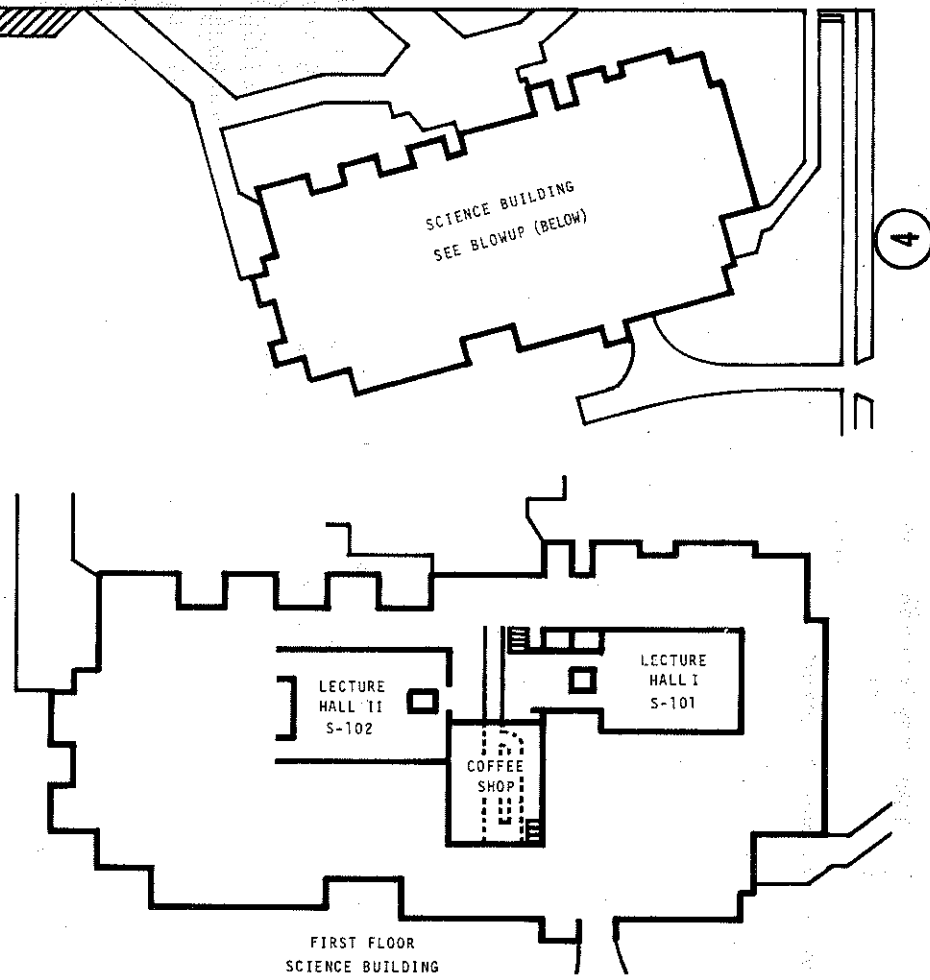


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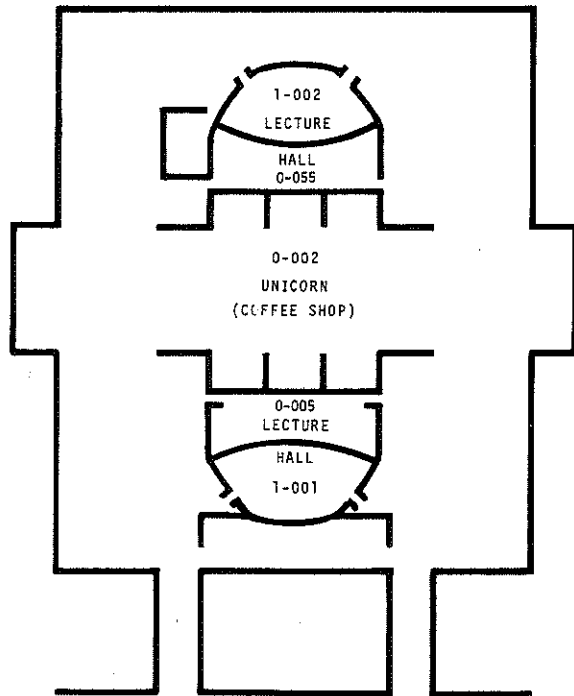
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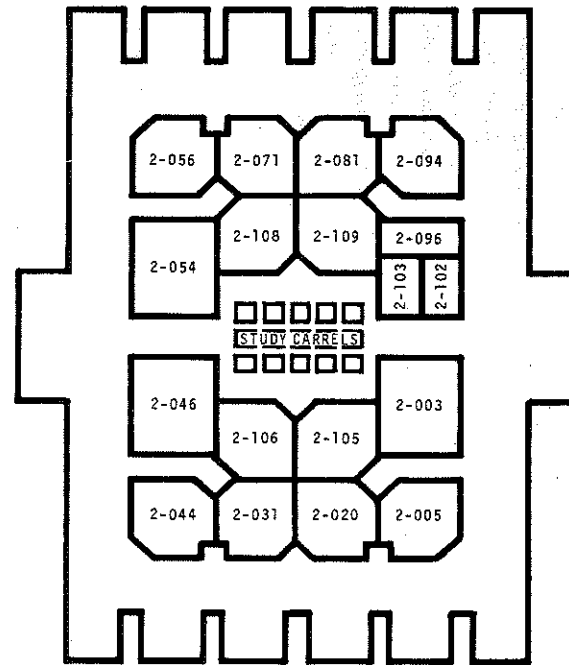
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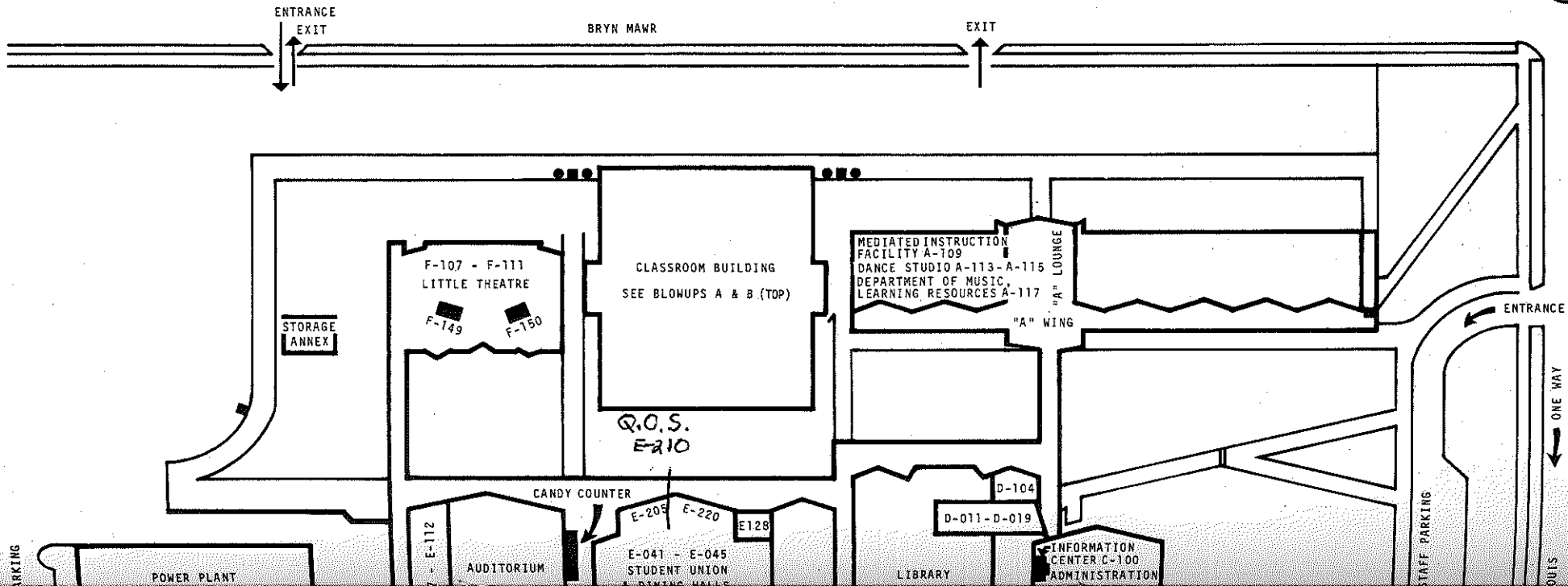


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"QUE ONDEE SOLA"

Que Ondee Sola: But Not Alone
Que Ondee Sola: With All Others
Que Ondee Sola: To Defend All
Universal Rights

The following lines are dedicated
to all the Puerto Rican students at
Northeastern Illinois University.

Our Struggles

Let me, oh God, not be indifferent to the needs of my people. But more than that, let me, oh God, not be indifferent to the needs and sufferings of others.

We, Puerto Ricans, have a need to be free. We also have a strong need for our own identity. These needs of freedom and recognition are holding us together. The love for what is right and for our own existence kept our parents alive. The same causes also will keep our children alive in the future. These are not the only needs of we Puerto Rican people. There is also the need to commune with the spiritual aspects of man.

We are not struggling alone in this fight. Other nations and millions of people around the world are going through the same experience. We are not alone in our trial. We are not alone in the world.

Political freedom is not the only cause we are fighting for. There are other causes as important as political freedom. To be free also means not to cut ourselves off from all the richest experiences of human life. The combination of these two forces together are necessary for the making of a complete man. A free nation can only be created by strong, mature men. A free nation can only continue functioning if its people are aware of these needs. Our struggle would be a wasted cause if we close our minds to such needs.

A man who reads only to confirm what he already believes, ignoring what does not fit his preconceived scheme, is a lost man. A student who only takes classes which concern only his background and his particular needs will never mature as a human being. Such

an individual, whether he is a student or a man in the larger world outside the University will never be prepared to be a really good citizen. Such a limited life would be a complete waste. The struggle will be in vain. We don't want to fail in our mission. Our rights are the rights of all the people with whom we share this world. Our love and understanding will reach other people, and with them we will work for a better world and for a better Puerto Rico. Only then can we become a symbol of the universal human struggle for freedom and identity.

The purpose of our lives would be betrayed if we let the Caribbean Sea set the limits to our struggle. There are other lands and other seas waiting for us to reach them. This can only be done by studying and by learning about other countries and peoples. The knowledge and experience of their lives will enrich our experience and add more meaning to our lives.

When my struggle in life reached its limits, when tired and sick, I am prepared to die; Give me the strength, my God, to return to my land.

When as gently as the sun which shines upon it and the rain which gives it life, my kisses will tell Borinquen how much a part of her I am. I will then ask my people to bury me deep inside the earth and place over my grave a Puerto Rican flag.

Then I will know that my life was not useless and my struggle was not in vain. My love for Puerto Rico is deep enough and strong enough to encompass other peoples and other lands. My love for Borinquen ultimately brings me home.

P. R. Socialists Jailed

AN INTERNATIONAL CONSPIRACY AGAINST PUERTO RICAN LIBERATION.

The imprisonment of three Puerto Rican activists of the liberation movement by the Armed Forces of the Dominican Republic, charged with introducing three guerilla fighters into that country, has provoked an international scandal which brings to light the forms and methods used by the Dominican government to keep its own citizens on line.

The three Puerto Ricans, Angel Gandia, 42 years old, John Sampson, 26 and Raul Garcia, 33, were seized while, supposedly, they entered a Dominican port to refuel after having been lost in the Mona Channel, which stands between the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico, on June 2nd.

The arrest was not known for over a week, until allegations appeared in the Dominican Press by officers of the Armed Forces of that country that the trio had confessed to having introduced the guerillas from Puerto Rico to the Dominican Republic. Yet no formal accusations were made before any court, nor were they allowed to see lawyers -- be them Dominican or Puerto Rican -- nor to receive visits from their immediate relatives.

Then they were finally brought to a court, 21 days after being held incommunicado, for a hearing of a writ of habeas corpus introduced by their Dominican lawyers, where they repudiated the alleged confession. As they explained in open court, they had been tortured and threatened. But not even then were they allowed to consult with their lawyers. Thirteen Dominican, six Puerto Rican and one American lawyers have been working in the case but today -- more than one month after the arrest -- not one of them has been allowed to interview the prisoners in private.

As a colony, the government of Puerto Rico has no international standing to intervene with the Dominican

authorities, yet the government of the United States has refused to do so, even to demand that the most elementary civil rights of the prisoners be guaranteed. Nevertheless, officers of the American Embassy have seen the prisoners and, it is believed, participated in their questioning.

The Puerto Rican Socialist Party, to which the three prisoners belong, has been very clear as to the real meaning of this conspiracy: The Dominican government has served as an instrument for the efforts of the repressive agencies of the United States to crush the liberation movement of Puerto Rico. The intentions are to build a frame-up in which the Puerto Rican liberation movement appears intervening in the internal affairs of another country -- something the U.S. government does under the guise of international cooperation and law. It's clear who are the ones violating international law.

But to make things worst, the kidnapping of the three Puerto Ricans has also served as an excuse to unleash the most fierce repression in the Dominican Republic against its own citizens, raising the number of political prisoners held in that country, including some of the most prominent labor leaders.

While asking for solidarity with the three Puerto Ricans, we are also asking that progressive people throughout the world denounce the antipopular and repressive nature of the Balaguer regime, which oppresses the Dominican people to serve the interests of a minuscule native oligarchy and international imperialism.

por: RAMON ARBONA, editor
CLARIDAD member, political bureau Puerto Rican Socialist Party

Chicano Student Union

The Chicano Student Union would like to take this opportunity to welcome you as Proyecto Pa'lante students to Northeastern Illinois University and introduce our organization.

Latino student movements exist in colleges and universities throughout the country. They exist out of a necessity to organize not only students but Latinos. The goals may vary from organization to organization, however the interest that brought them together was one that would prove to be beneficial for the struggle of our Raza. It is evident that the Latino Student movement exists on this campus, under varied "names" but the common interest of the betterment of a people is the essence. As members we believe that the C.S.U. is representative of this nationwide movement and this letter serves also to share with you our short but progressive history.

As recruits of Proyecto Pa'lante some Chicanos decided to work and form membership with the Union for Puerto Rican students. The U.P.R.S. was the only political Latino organization at Northeastern Ill. Univ.

In the winter trimester of 1973 the Chicano Caucus was formed by Chicano members of the U.P.R.S. The reason being that although Chicano issues existed they were not dealt with in equal interest.

As our own population of Chicano students grew our interests and issues further developed. It became evident that Chicano students needed a stable foundation, that being our own organization. Because our purpose was to deal with issues characterizing our own culture it was necessary to acquire a charter and consequently a monetary budget to implement any ideas requiring financial support. In 1974 the Chicano Caucus formed into the Chicano Student Union.

Stated below are our present goals taken directly from our Constitution:

Article I Section A.

To organize Chicano Students, Faculty and Workers on the Northeastern Campus for the benefit of the struggle of La Raza.

Section B.

To help create awareness of the identity, culture, history of the Chicano and to develop a political consciousness for the progress of Third World People.

Section C.

To work with/or support other Latino/Third World organizations within and outside of the Northeastern Campus in order to reinforce the struggles of the working class community.

Section D

It is the responsibility of the C.S.U. to make evident our needs to the University, i.e., Chicano Professors, Chicano Studies, etc., consequently the University is responsible in meeting such needs so that our goals can be implemented.

On behalf of the Chicano Student Union, we extend our sincere hopes of a meaningful educational career and invite all those interested students to participate in the further development of the C.S.U.

MEETING PLACE: (P-2, 1:00PM Tuesdays)
OFFICERS: Chairperson Bira Carrizales
Vice-Chairperson Bertha Molina
Secretary Irma Cortez
Treasurer Susana Ayala

Advisor: Santos Rivera

Membership: (All whose priorities include those of the C.S.U.)

Con Carnalismo,
Chicano Student Union