

The early days of Islam: the 'Glorious past'

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Part IV

The incarceration of some of our brothers and sisters came as a result of the trouble which occurred at 11th Street Station, better known as Central Police Headquarters in 1935. The date was March 5th — trouble started between Muslims and the police during the trial of my brother-in-law Zack Hassan and my sister-in-law, Rosie Hassan.

The judge dismissed the case involving my brother-in-law and my sister-in-law. The Muslims started to leave the courtroom when suddenly a white bailiff pushed one of our sisters. This he should not have done — he lived to regret it.

The infidel is not to touch a Muslim woman. This incident angered the Muslim brothers and brought on the fight at 11th Street Police Headquarters between Muslims and the entire police department.

I use department, because this fight between the Muslims and the police involved every police on duty inside police headquarters and those on the outside joined in on the fight to put down the Muslims who were involved in this historical fight which did not only make the headlines of every paper in Chicago, but all over the country — it will also go down in history.

The entire police department was shocked and stunned at seeing such courage and solidarity of the Muslims under fire. The police opened up with their automatic weapons shooting point blank at the Muslims.

The Muslims never yielded from this withering fire. The Muslims kept coming after the police; they never

lost their courage — Allah gave them the will and the spirit to fight.

Allah, to Whom Praises are due forever, showed forth His mighty power through the Muslims in that fight at the 11th Street Station, which lives on in the hearts of the Muslims and the police department today. It is as fresh today as it was the day it happened.

The police had never witnessed anything like this in the history of the police department. A small group of dedicated Black Muslims willing to

fight unto death for the noble cause of Islam — defending their Black brothers and sisters from the hands of the unjust white man who is known to kill any Black man who attempts to defend Black women. Black womanhood's honor was in jeopardy.

The Messenger taught we, the Muslims, to fight unto death for the preservation of the Muslim women. The Muslims always gave good account of themselves when it came to the protection of the Muslim women.



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She was then, and is now, our glory, as was taught to we the the Muslims by our Honorable Leader, Teacher and Guide — Mr. Elijah Muhammad.

We the Muslims obeyed all the Messenger's instructions. We the Muslims found it easy to obey the Messenger's instructions, because we wanted to obey him. It was a pleasure to do so.

The Honorable Elijah Muhammad was 'and is the first Black man in America ever to speak out loud for the protection of Black womanhood. All the other so-called Black leaders are afraid of white people.

Black women — you all should love and honor this divine man, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, who is always speaking in your defense. Black sisters, the daughters of the tribe of Shabazz — bring your husbands over to Islam. The Honorable Elijah Muhammad wants to shake the fear out of them with truth; you Black women love brave Black men!

Honor, respect and dignity is yours on your acceptance of Islam, and the willingness to follow the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

(To be Continued)

Muslims let your light shine

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We are taught by Messenger Muhammad, that the duty of a civilized man is to teach