

Setting the Record Straight

We have been aware of the trickery used in promoting efforts to induce, persuade, provoke, contrive and effect ways and means of stopping Messenger Elijah Muhammad by murder through instilling seeds of threat, intimidation and scaremongering.

The New York Herald Tribune's columnist, Jimmy Bresling, states:

"Then we get Elijah Muhammad. We get him this week. If we don't get him this week, we get him next week. If we don't get him next week, we get him the week after. We wait for a whole year if we have to. But we get him. That old man in Chicago gets killed."

This, mind you, is the alleged conversation of an intended executioner. Was this man apprehended for making a threat against the life of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad? No!

Prior to last week end, the press, radio and TV blarred on the pages of newspapers, across screens and on the air waves threats that Messenger Muhammad would be killed by the week end, before the Muslim convention ended, or before the month of February was out. Now that this base, shallow threat did not come about, will the press acknowledge that Messenger Muhammad is indeed a brave, bold man, who has the power behind him of Allah, Who is well able to protect him?

When Threat Brought Arrest

Public threats against any other person, especially a leader, would have brought arrests. As recently as March 1, a man of Champaign, Ill., was sentenced to three months on a penal farm for telling a state trooper Gov. Otto Kerner would die.

There is more to this than meets the eye. America would have you believe that the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is responsible for the outlaw action in Malcolm's death.

In Malcolm's death, as in his defection, the devils seek to use his death as a divisive tactic meant to trap the so-called Negroes. Don't tell us the devils had taken to Malcolm because of his alleged changed attitude. The devils care no more about the death of Malcolm than they do the death of any black man. If so, they themselves would stop killing and beating our people. The killing and mistreatment of black men is shot into the mind, blood and veins of white America like vaccine or vitamins.

Who Was Malcolm?

Malcolm was with the Honorable Elijah Muhammad—and Malcolm was hated by the government along with Messenger Muhammad. In those days, Malcolm had the same protection as Messenger Muhammad, the all-wise Protector, Almighty God Allah.

These threats being made against Messenger Muhammad are only wedges the white man is trying to drive between our people and Messenger Muhammad. These threats may increase because the white man knows that Messenger Muhammad's mission is to lead the so-called Negro to a better life and toward true peace, freedom, justice and equality. These threats are a form of opposition intended to disgrace and diminish the divine teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

The many pieces of mail coming to Messenger Muhammad have increased since the death of Malcolm. There are many cowardly threats, with the writers refusing to give their names and addresses. We advise these unknown people to stop writing their poison pen notes and planning threats against Messenger Muhammad and his followers. Messenger Muhammad and his followers seek only a united front of black men in America. Islam is the only force that will make black men what they should be—brothers. Let us love for our brothers what we love for ourselves.

Temporary Advantage

The weak and envious among our people do not threaten Messenger Muhammad because of their great love for Malcolm. It is because of a temporary advantage they enjoy in America. They know the government does not love Muhammad. But Messenger Muhammad is not the least bit disturbed. He has Allah on his side, just as Moses had Jehovah on his side in the days of the separation of Israel from Pharaoh. Messenger Muhammad's divine effort and mission is to separate our people from our enemy so God may judge the enemy. It is written and promised to Abraham that God would judge that nation which mistreats his people. This is Messenger Muhammad's work—to make our people aware of God's presence and purpose.

It will do well for all white America and the so-called American Negroes to keep in mind these words of Allah to the Messenger in the last day, written in the Holy Qur-an:

"Those who resist Allah and His Apostle will be humbled to dust as were those before them. . . . Allah has prepared for them a severe penalty; evil indeed are their deeds.

"You will not find any people who believe in Allah and the Last Day, loving those who resist Allah and His Apostle, even though they were their fathers or their sons, or their brothers or their kindred.

"Allah has declared: It is I and My Apostle Who must prevail, for Allah is One full of strength, able to enforce His will."