



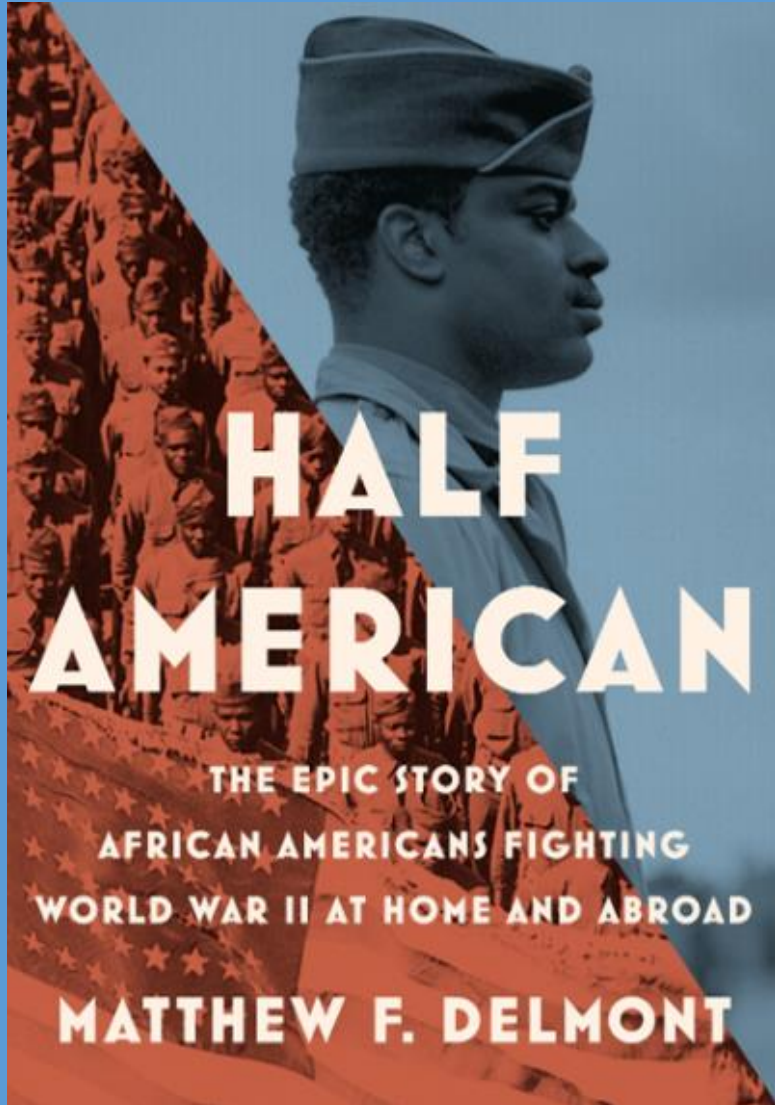
Freedom Battles - 1960s and 70s

PEACE!

After World War II, people expected a better life and a better world.



Black Soldiers Returned From a Deeply Racist Army to a Deeply Racist Society

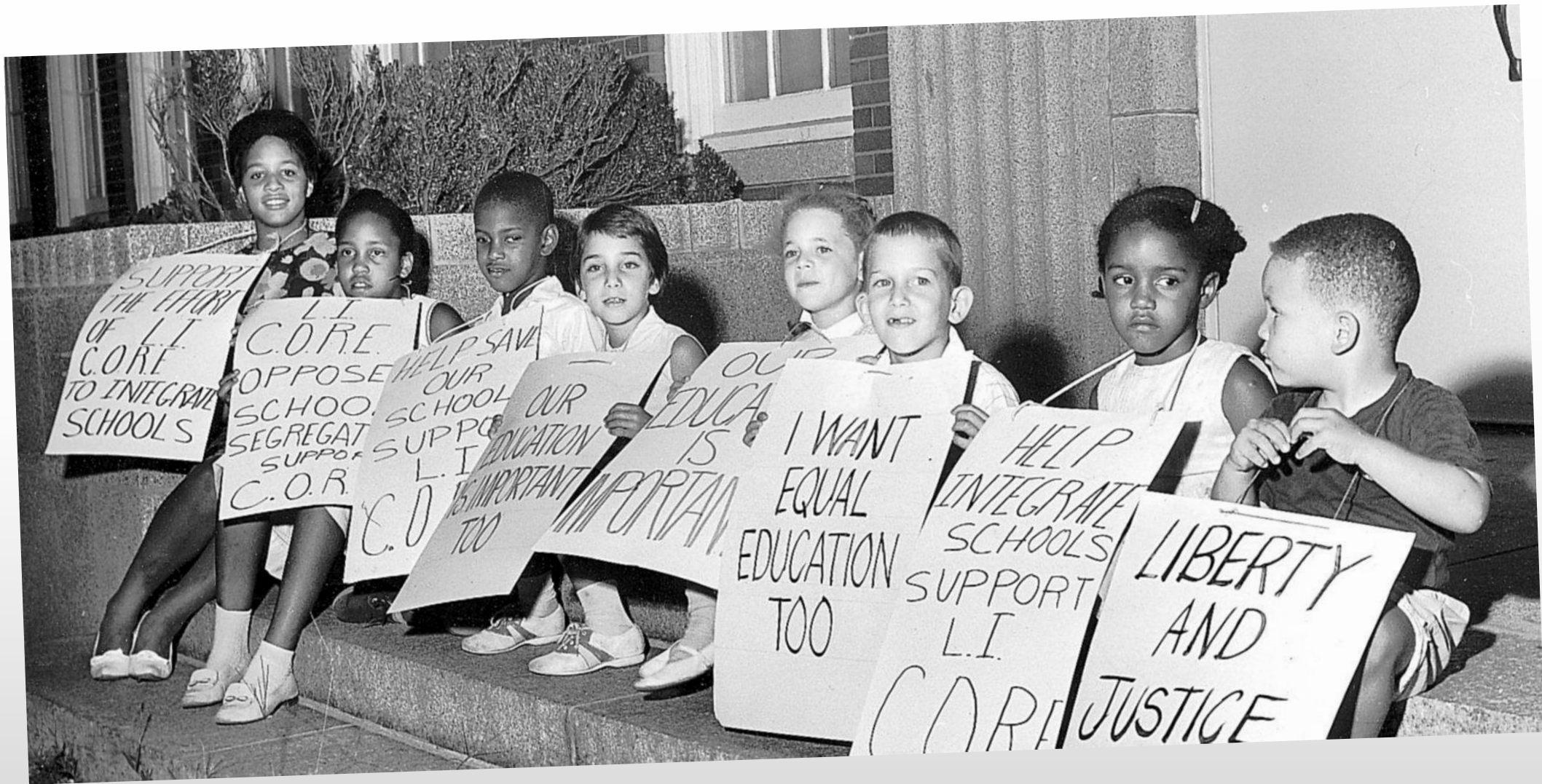




The Black Freedom Struggle

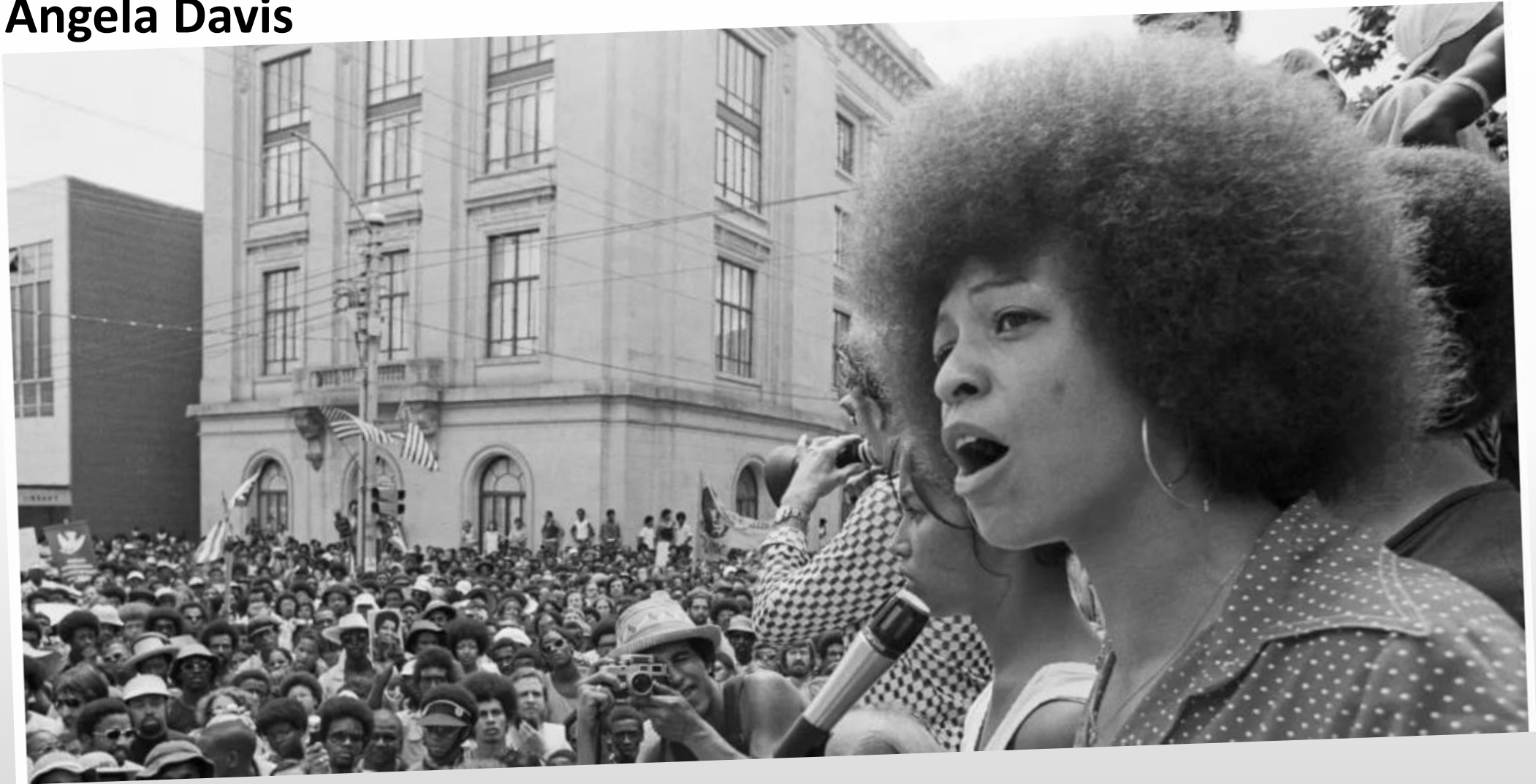
Black veterans mobilized their communities to win the right to vote, and to end racist segregation and police violence.

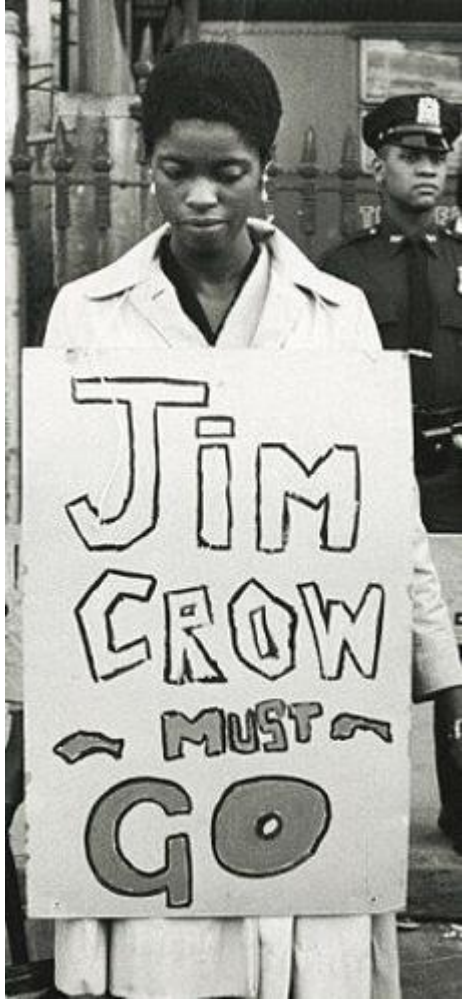






Angela Davis





Birmingham, Alabama, 1963





**WE MARCH WITH
SELMA!**





**Attica
Prison
Revolt
1971**



Malcolm X



Martin Luther King Jr.



Martin Luther King Jr. addresses the crowd from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, where he delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech during the Aug. 28, 1963, March on Washington. *The Columbus Dispatch*

Each Struggle
Inspired and
Emboldened the
Next One





The Young Lords

“Latino Panthers”

Demanded Self-Determination
for Puerto Rico and for all
Oppressed Peoples





The Rainbow Coalition

The Rainbow Coalition was formed in 1969 in Chicago by leaders of the Black Panther Party, the Young Lords, and the Young Patriots (urban Southern Whites). They joined forces to fight racism, poverty, political corruption, substandard housing, and police violence.

The Rainbow Coalition grew to include Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), the Brown Berets (Chicano movement), the Red Guard Party (Chinese-American youth), and the American Indian Movement.

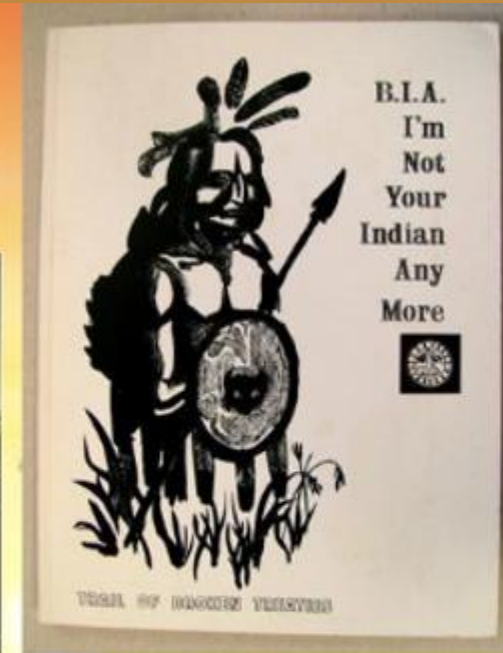
The American Indian Movement

FREE
INDIGENOUS
ACTIVIST,
POLITICAL
PRISONER
LEONARD
PELTIER!



Framed by the FBI
Imprisoned since 1977

“Trail of Broken Treaties”



- 1971 march to Washington D.C. of ~10,000 Native Americans
- Ended with the occupation of the office of Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Protesters caused \$2M in damages, but gained nation-wide attention for their cause

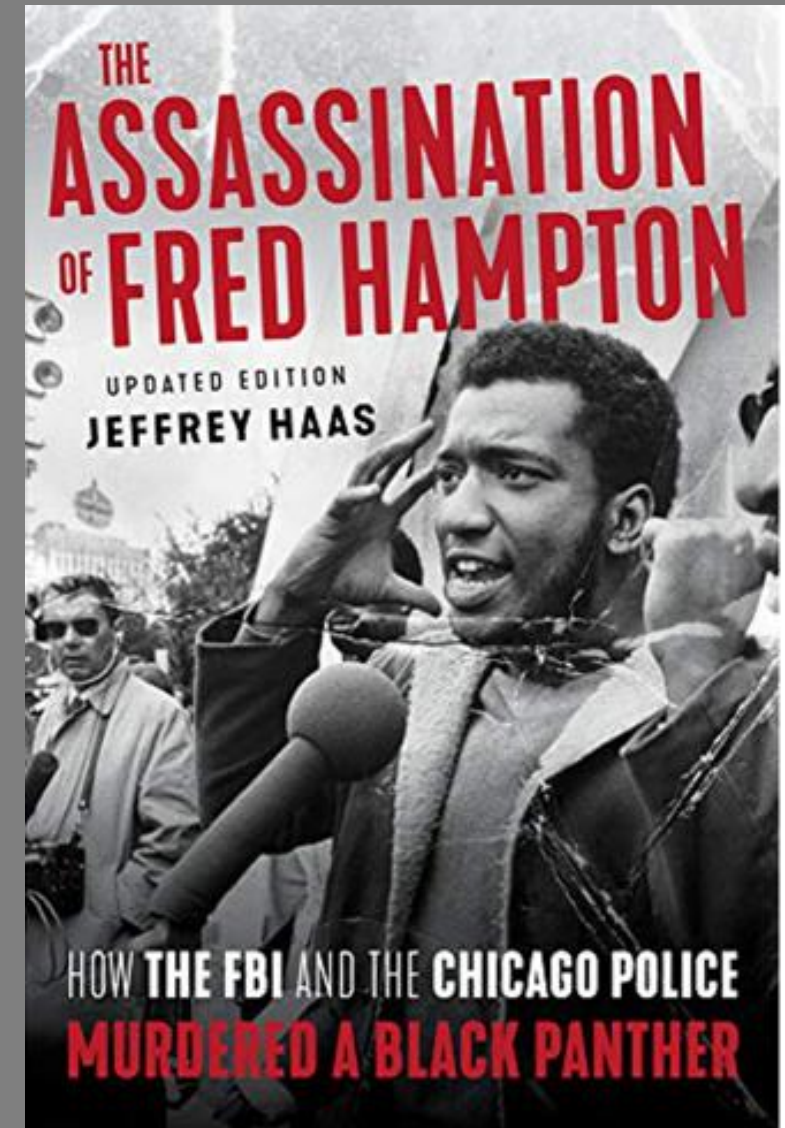


State Repression



Malcolm X - Assassinated February 21, 1965

Martin Luther King Jr – Assassinated April 4, 1968





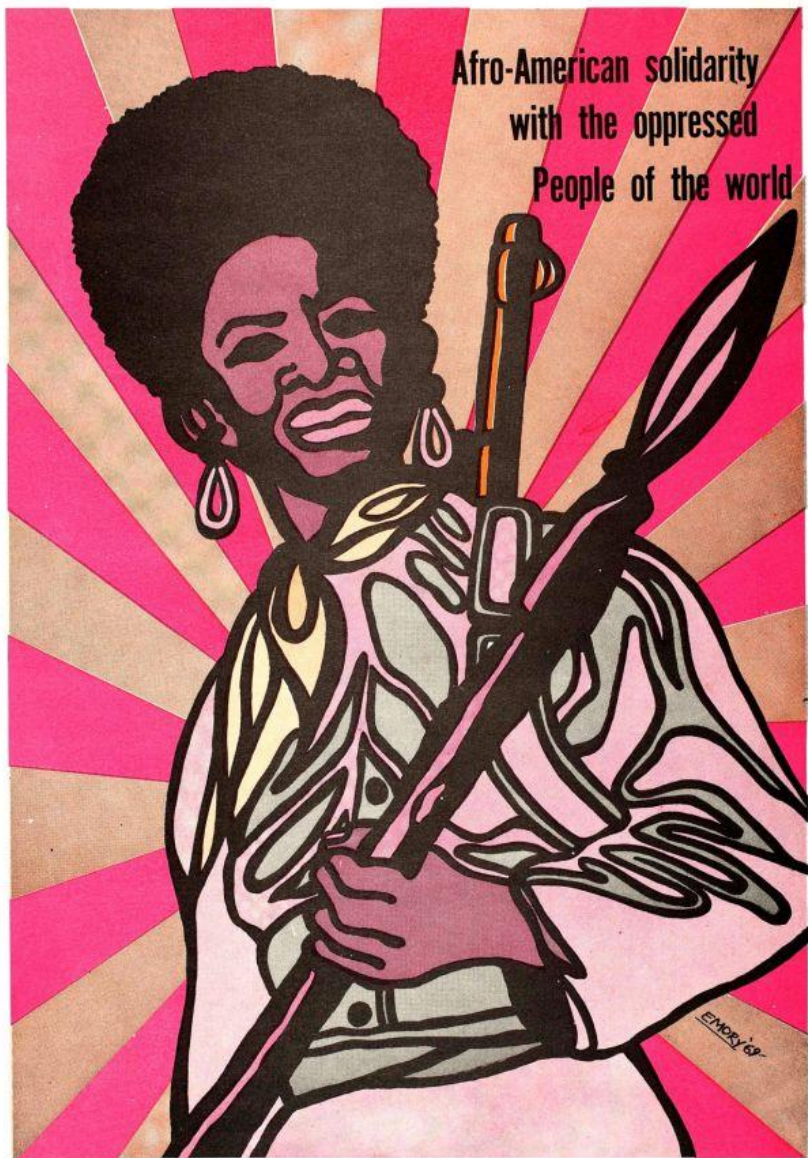
A Wave of Revolt Spread Around the World





Paris France
May 1968

Anti-Colonial Wars



Revolutionary art by
Minister of Culture
EMORY



Ministry of Information
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San Francisco, CA 94128





African Wars for National Independence

Algeria 1954 – 1962


Angola 1961 – 1975

Mozambique 1961 – 1974

Zimbabwe 1964 – 1979

Namibia 1966 – 1974



A composite image featuring a soldier in the foreground and a fire in the background. The soldier in the foreground is wearing a green helmet and a dark uniform, looking off to the side. The background shows a forest with a large fire burning, creating a yellow and orange glow. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

**Vietnam War for
National Independence
1940 - 1954**

**The US War in
Vietnam,
1955- 1975**

American Anti-War Soldiers



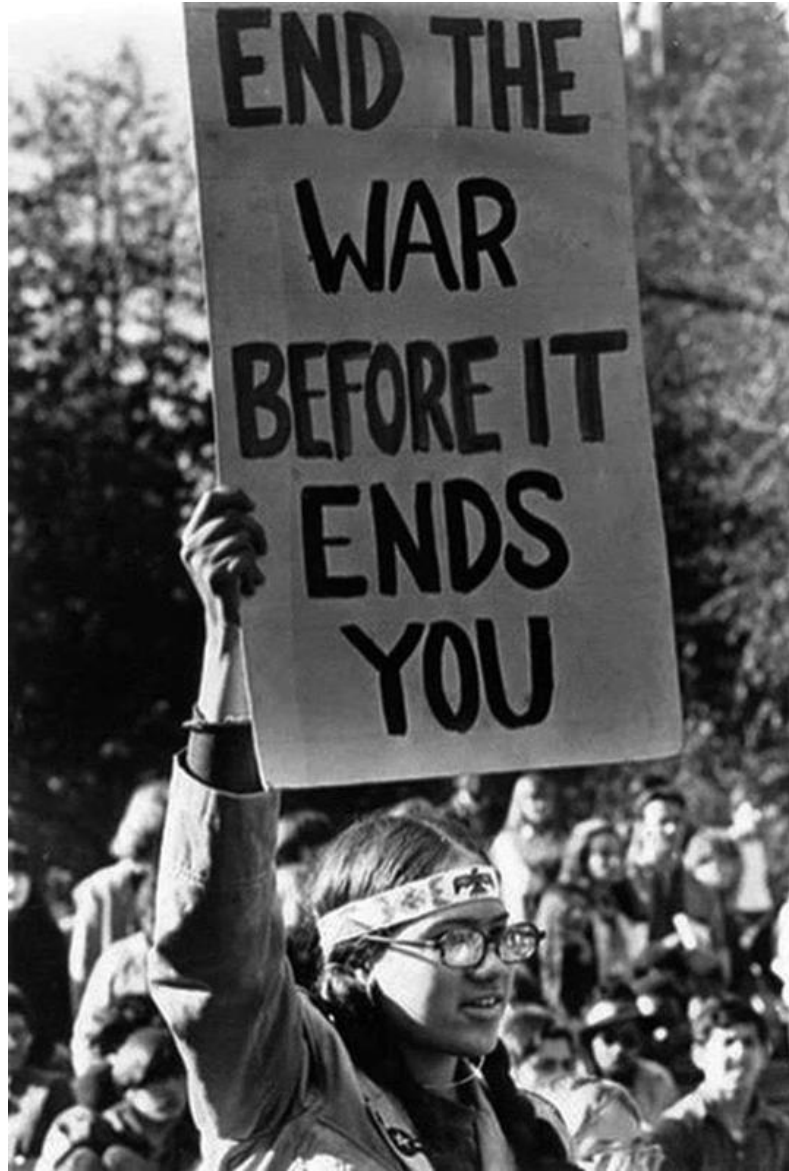


The Berkeley Free Speech Movement (1964-65) opposed the ban against political activity on campus and demanded the right to free speech and academic freedom.





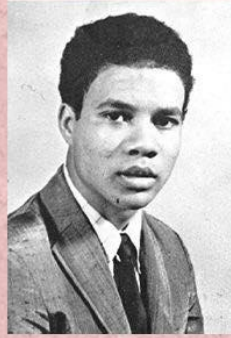
View of anti-Vietnam war protestors around the Lincoln Memorial reflecting pool on 21 October 1967. Photograph: Leif Skoogfors/Getty Images



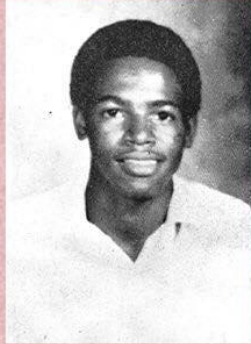
In Mississippi

Jackson State Massacre, (May 14, 1970)

- 2 students killed by National Guard amidst a protest
- Poorly reported & mostly forgotten
 - These were **black** students



Phillip Gibbs



James Green



Kent State Massacre (May 4, 1970)

Ohio National Guards
kill 4 unarmed students
and wound 9 others.







Women's Liberation



**WOMEN STRIKE
FOR PEACE-
AND EQUALITY!**

**I'M NO
BREEDEF
FOR THE
MAN'S WAY**

**SISTERHOOD
IS POWERFUL-
END THE WAR!**
WOMEN STRIKE FOR PEACE.

**THE
WOMEN OF
VIETNAM
ARE OUR
SISTERS**
WOMEN STRIKE FOR PEACE.



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With
3,000
DRIVERS
SHORT
YOU MUST WAIT FOR A
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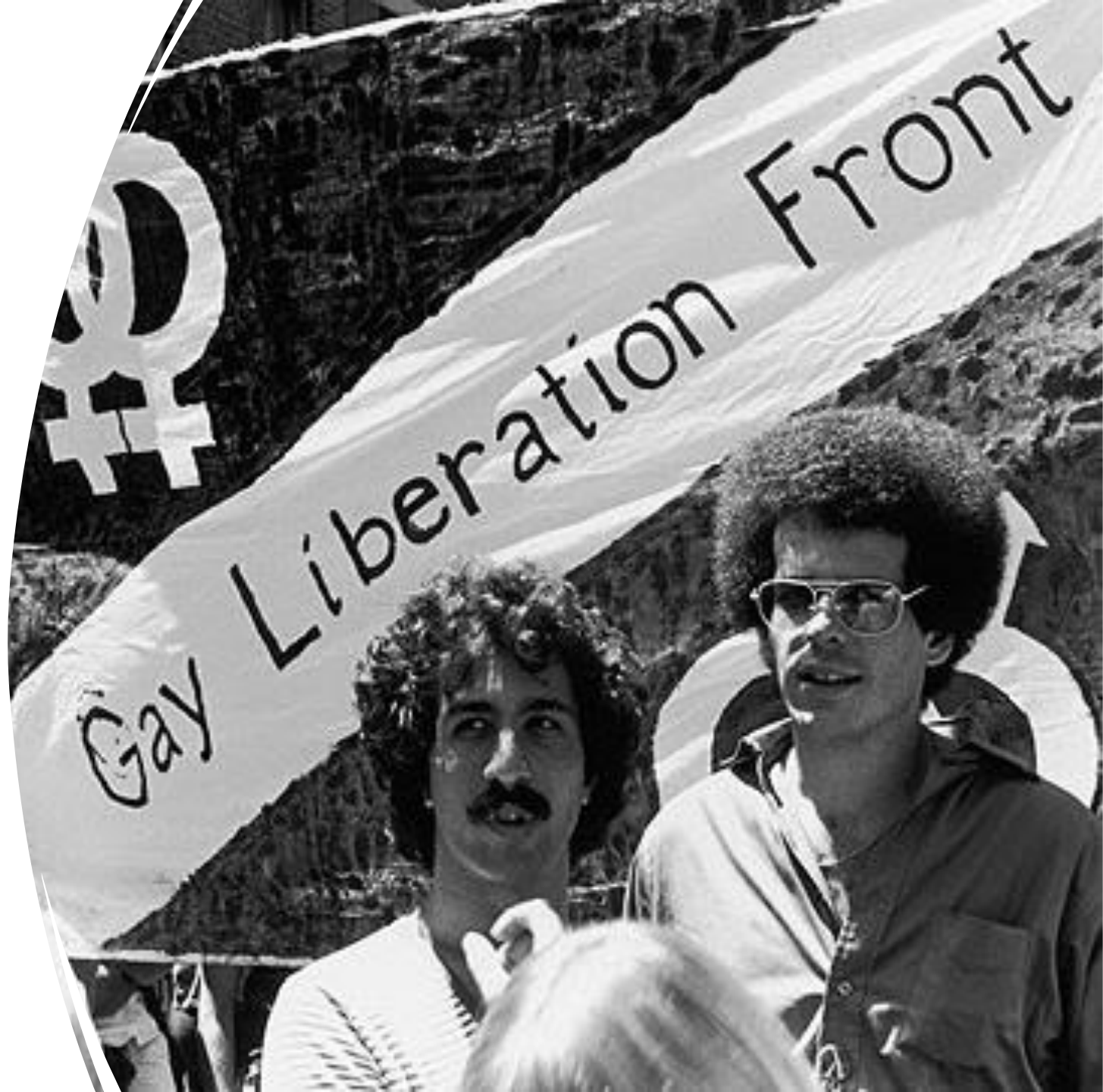
WOMEN
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EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES
WITH THE
MEN

EQUAL
RIGHTS
FOR
WOMEN
MUST BE MORE
THAN JUST A
SLOGAN



Gay Liberation

The Gay Liberation Front took their name from the Vietnamese National Liberation Front (NLF)





A Surge of Strikes

(partial list)

1960s

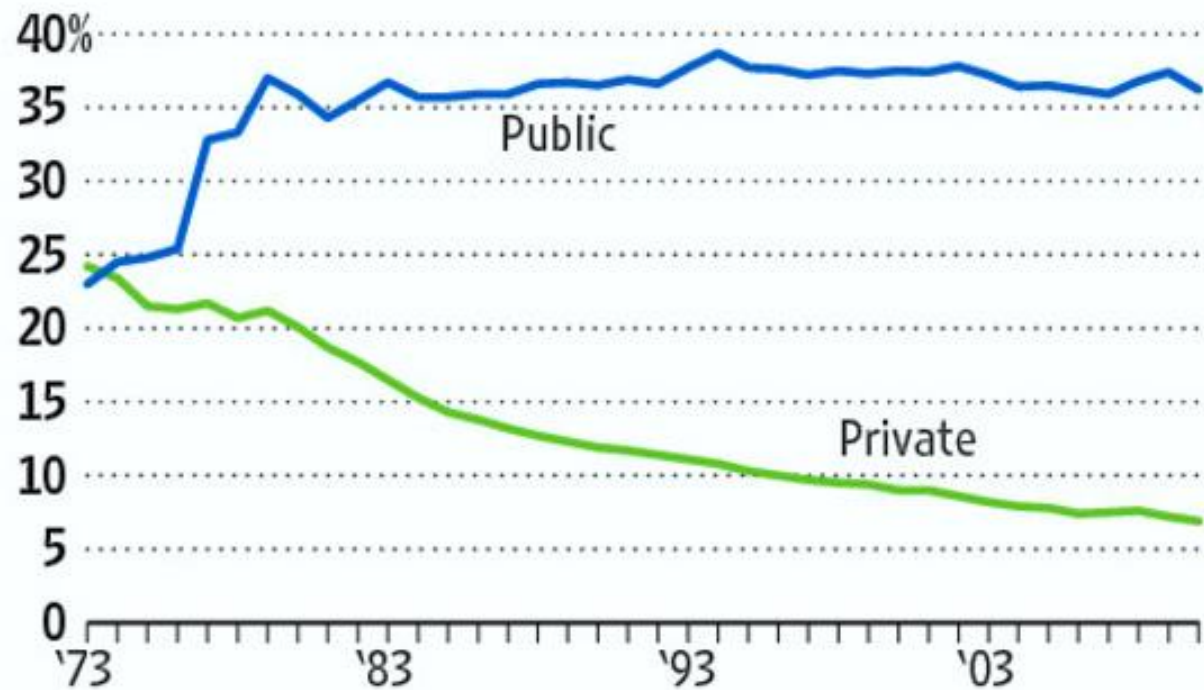
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1960	1960 Writers Guild of America strike	Hollywood, California	United States
1962	1962 New York City newspaper strike	New York City	United States
1962	Novocherkassk strike	Novocherkassk Electric Locomotive Plant	Soviet Union
1963	Reesor Siding Strike of 1963	Reesor, Ontario	Canada
1964	1964 Mount Isa Mines Strike	Mount Isa, Queensland	Australia
1965–70	Delano grape strike	Delano, California	United States
1966	1966 New York City transit strike	New York City	United States
1966	Gurindji strike	Kalkarindji, Northern Territory	Australia
1966	Texas farm workers' strike	Texas	United States
1966–67	St. John's University strike of 1966–67	New York City	United States
1967	1967 United States truckers strike ^[17]	nationwide	United States
1967	Hong Kong 1967 Leftist Riots	citywide	Hong Kong
1967	1967 United States Railroad strike ^[17]	nationwide	United States
1967	September 1967 General Motors strike ^[17]	Dayton, Ohio	United States
1967	1967 Caterpillar strike ^[17]	Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Ohio and Pennsylvania	United States
1967	November 1967 General Motors strike ^[17]	Pontiac, Michigan	United States
1968	May 1968 in France	nationwide	France
1968	Memphis sanitation strike	Memphis, Tennessee	United States
1968	Chrysler wildcat strike	Detroit, Michigan	United States
1968	New York City Teacher's Strike of 1968	New York City	United States
1968	Florida statewide teachers' strike of 1968	Florida	United States
1968	1968 NFL strike/lockout	Florida	United States
1969	Unofficial strike by mineworkers over pay of surface workers ^[18]	nationwide	United Kingdom

1970s

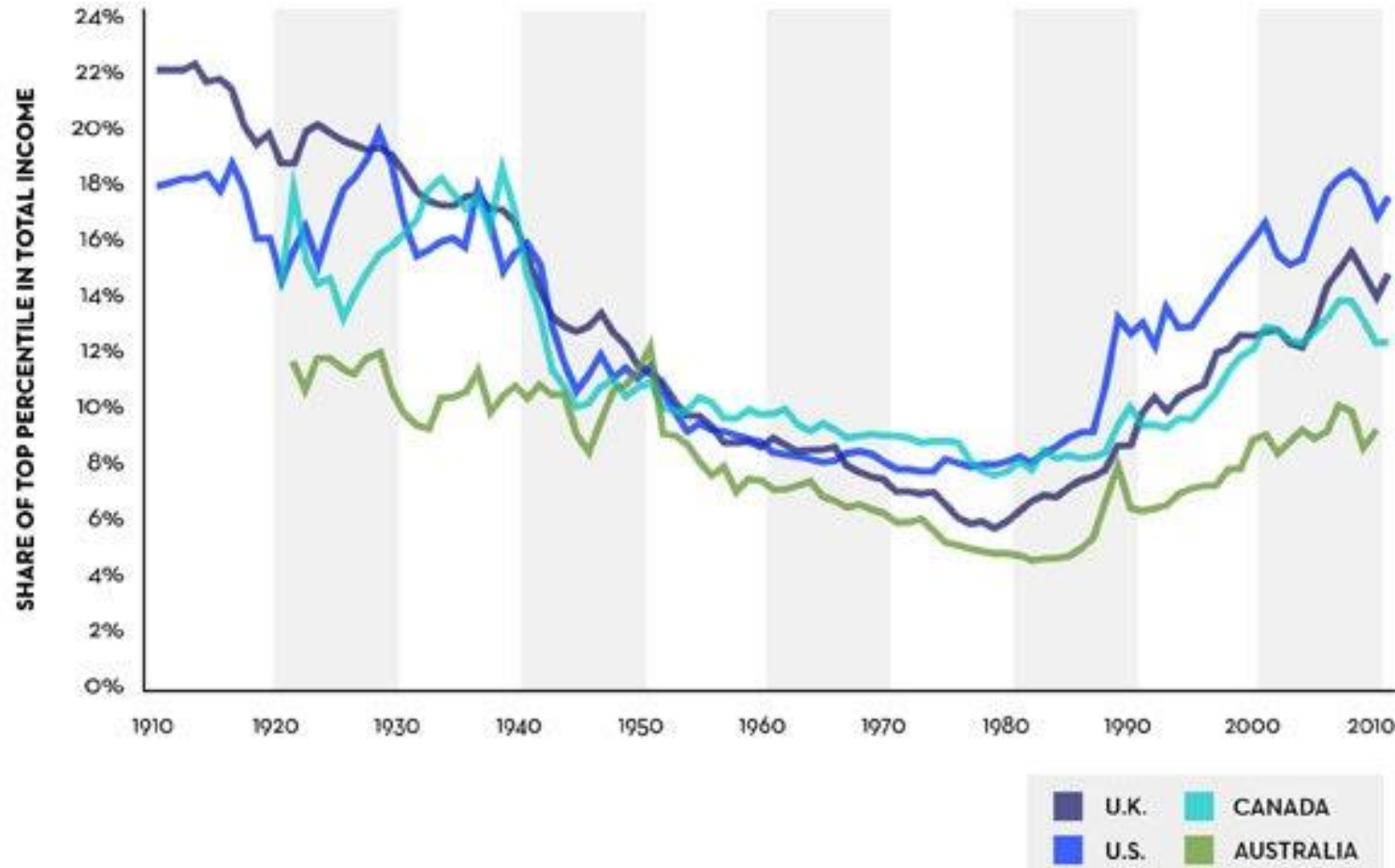
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1970	U.S. Postal Service strike of 1970	nationwide	United States
1970-71	Colour Strike	nationwide	United Kingdom
1970–71	Salad Bowl strike	nationwide	United States
1971	1971 NYPD Work Stoppage	New York City	United States
1971	Longshore Strike (1971, U.S.)	U.S. West Coast Hawaii and British Columbia	United States and Canada
1971	1971 United Kingdom postal workers strike	nationwide	United Kingdom
1972	1972 Major League Baseball strike	nationwide	United States
1972	UK building workers' strike (1972)	Shrewsbury, Shropshire	United Kingdom
1972	UK miners' strike (1972)	nationwide	United Kingdom
1973	1973 Philadelphia teachers strike ^[19]	Philadelphia	United States
1973	1973 Durban strikes	Natal	South Africa
1973	1973 Chicago teachers strike ^[19]	Chicago	United States
1973	1973 Cleveland teachers strike ^[19]	Cleveland	United States
1973	1973 Pennsylvania Central Transportation strike ^[19]	Northeastern United States	United States
1973	1973 Detroit teachers strike ^[19]	Detroit	United States
1973	1973 Chrysler strike ^[19]	nationwide	United States
1973	1973 Caterpillar strike ^[19]	nationwide	United States
1974	1974 railway strike in India by 17 million workers of Indian Railways ^{[20][21][22][23]}	nationwide	India
1974	1974 Elliot Lake miners strike	Elliot Lake	Canada
1974	Bituminous Coal Strike of 1974	nationwide	United States
1974	Ulster Workers' Council Strike	nationwide	Northern Ireland
1974	UK miners' strike (1974)	nationwide	United Kingdom
1974	1974 NFL strike	nationwide	United States
1976–77	Grunwick Dispute	London	England
1977	1977 Atlanta sanitation strike	Atlanta	United States
1977–78	Bituminous Coal Strike of 1977–1978	nationwide	United States
1977–78	1977–78 Coors strike	Golden, Colorado	United States
1978	1978 New York City newspaper strike	New York City	United States
1978	Sudbury Strike of 1978	Sudbury, Ontario	Canada
1978–79	Winter of Discontent	nationwide	United Kingdom
1979	1979 Boston University strike	Boston	United States

Public-sector strikes for union recognition increased the number of women and racialized people in unions.

Union membership as a share of public and private work force, 1973-2010



INCOME INEQUALITY IN ANGLO-SAXON COUNTRIES, 1910-2010



As workers raised living standards, inequality fell to its lowest point in the 20th century.
(Canada, US, UK, Australia)



Workers Came Close to Seizing Power

- **France 1968**
- **Chile 1972-1973**
- **Portugal 1974 -1975**
- **Iran 1979**
- **Poland 1980 - 1981**

Quebec General Strike 1972

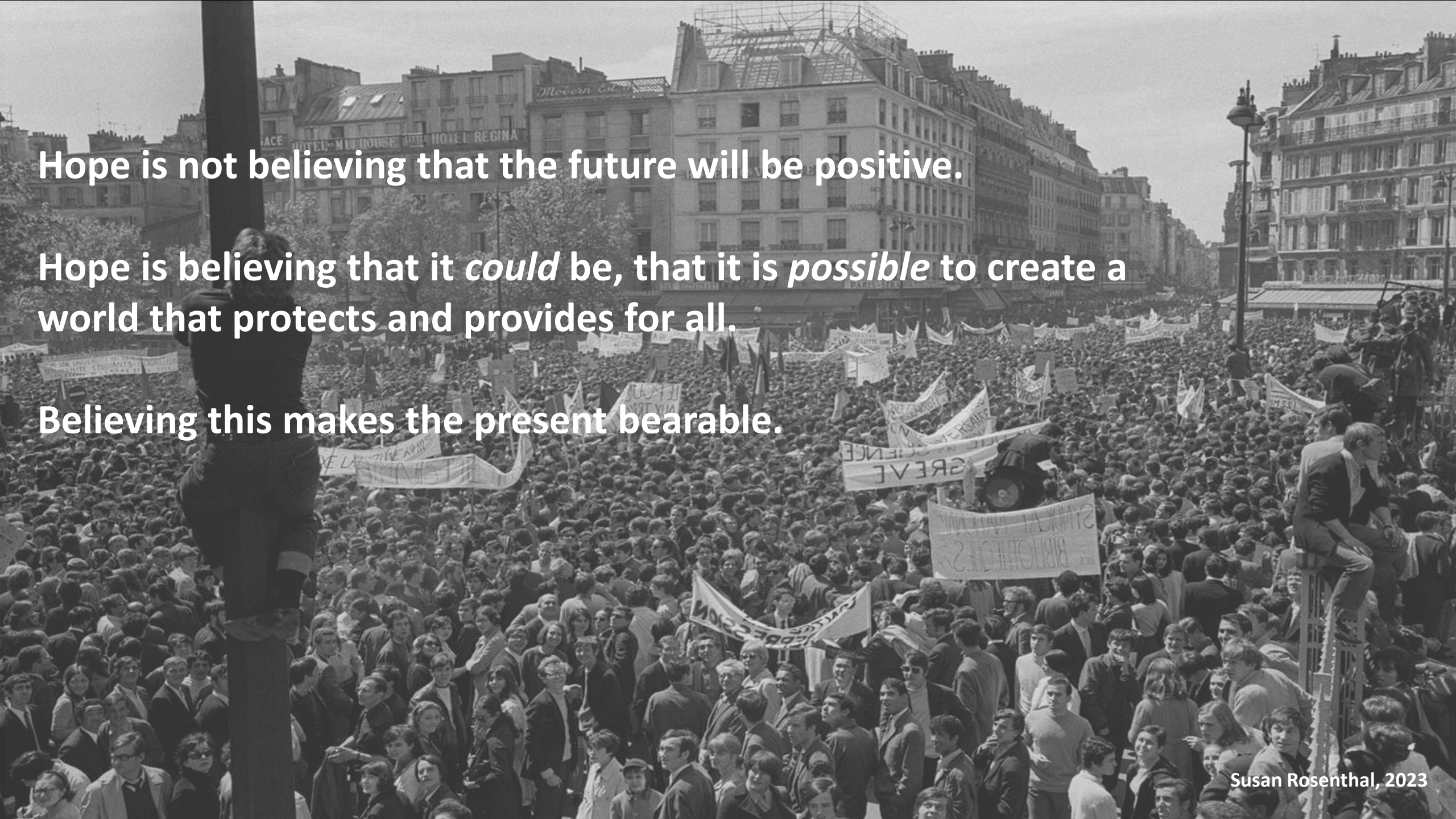
300,000 workers participated in North America's largest general strike. Workers seized radio stations, occupied their factories, and brought entire towns under workers' control.





The Struggle Continues

Egypt 2011



Hope is not believing that the future will be positive.

Hope is believing that it *could* be, that it is *possible* to create a world that protects and provides for all.

Believing this makes the present bearable.