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As we go to press word has reached us that Recorder's Court Judge Robert Colombo has dismissed charges of sales of marijuana against John Sinclair. His trial on the charge of possession began on June 24 and may be in progress at this writing. Call our office or White Panther headquarters for more information.

If things go as we plan, *The Fifth Estate* will be a weekly newspaper before Fall. There never was a greater need for accurate information about what's going down and we hope to get to you more often.

Also read the *Ann Arbor Argus*, *Creenz*, the *Metro* and *The South End* to keep in touch with what's happening in our community. Support these papers; they support you.

Last week's film review of "Goodbye Columbus" was written by our resident film critic, Dennis Raymond.

Selling *Fifth Estate* is the easiest, low-hassle gig there is. If you want to make some bread this Summer, pick up papers at the distribution point nearest you or call our office for more information.

Also, if people want to combat the bullshit about Che Guevara being presented in the new movie, "Che!" there are back copies of our issue exposing the film for the hype it is available for free distribution at the theatres where it is being shown.

New Bethel Suspect Freed

Alfred Hibbitt, accused in the New Bethel shooting of wounding Patrolman Richard Worobec, has won his fight for a reduced bond.

Recorder's Court Judge Joseph Maher had doubled Hibbitt's bond to \$50,000 at a pre-trial examination and led to the confrontation between the judge and attorney Ken Cockerel. (See FE #81, June 12-25, 1969.)

Hibbitt, released on \$10,000 bond, offered to take a lie detector test or truth serum to prove his innocence in the shooting.

"I want to show that I am telling the truth when I deny shooting that police officer," he said. "I don't like my case being used to cause tensions between black brothers and white brothers."



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