

A Working Neighborhood...



What does it take?

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James
George's wife
James' wife
George's children

Joseph Butler
Charles Tucker
Maxine Hall
Sheila Tucker
Bernadette Butler
Joseph Butler
Steven Hall
James Tucker
Karen Tucker
Marvin Tucker

James' children

OTHERS

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Gerry Belgiano
Andrea Blye
Mary Blye
Wilbur Blye
David Branch
Gale Branch
Russell Brown
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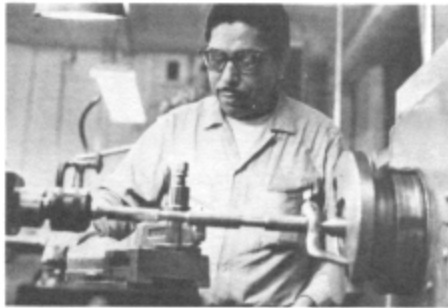
A WORKING NEIGHBORHOOD:

What does it take?

JAMES AND GEORGE LIVE IN THE CITY OF TROY, THEY'RE NEIGHBORS. THEY ALSO WORK AT THE SAME FACTORY, AND STARTED ABOUT THE SAME TIME



James works at lathe no. 7



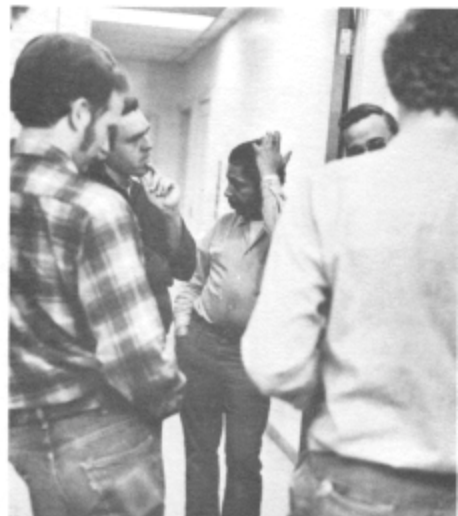
At change of shift one day, a lay-off notice is posted.

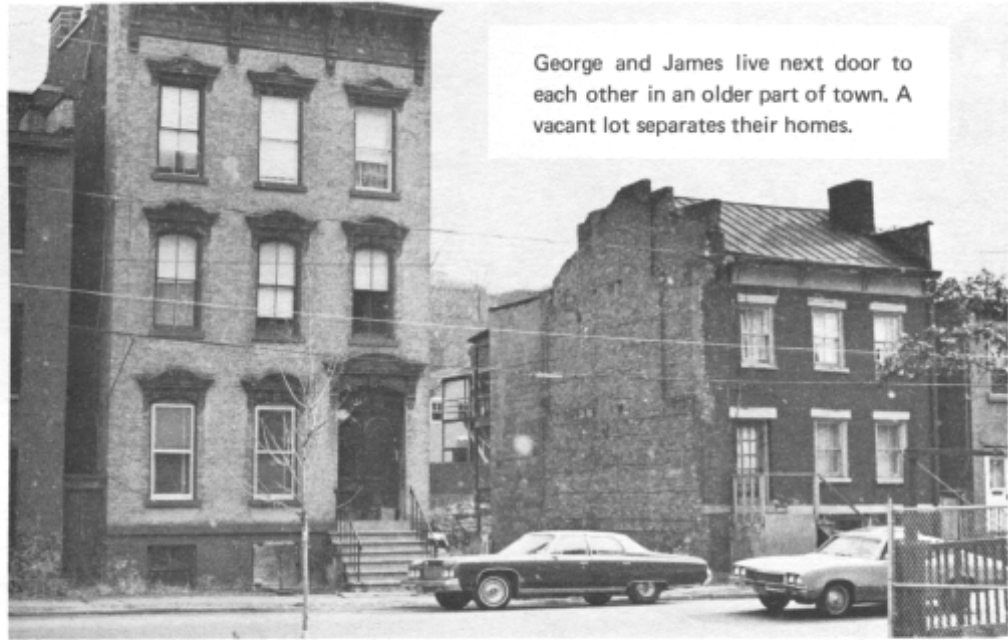


George works at lathe no. 8



The workers begin talking about who might get laid off.





George and James live next door to each other in an older part of town. A vacant lot separates their homes.

WORRIED ABOUT THE LAYOFF NOTICE, GEORGE DISCUSSES IT WITH HIS WIFE AFTER WORK.



How did it go today?

Not well. There's a chance that I'll get laid off.



What do you mean? What will we do? We just can't afford it!



Maybe I can get a job as a waitress.

I don't know what to do, there's nothing in the paper. I'll have to collect unemployment, but that's only \$90 a week at most.



I'll bet James doesn't get laid off.

No. They wouldn't dare get rid of their token Black.



The way he keeps his machine at work he ought to get fired.

I'm not surprised, have you seen the garbage in their lot?

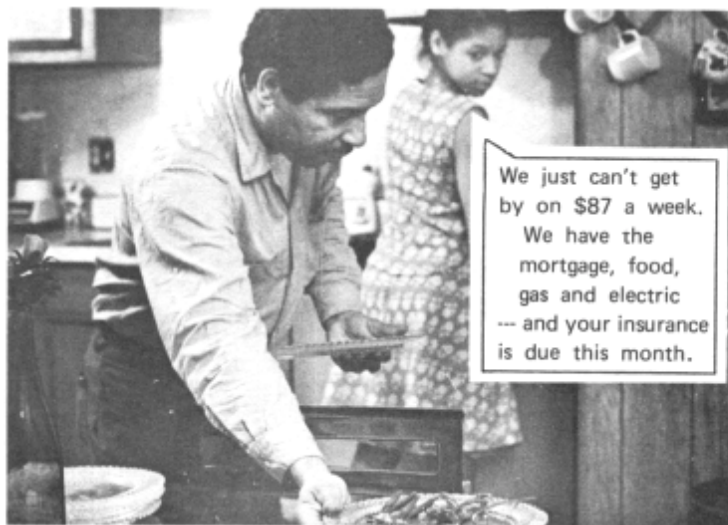
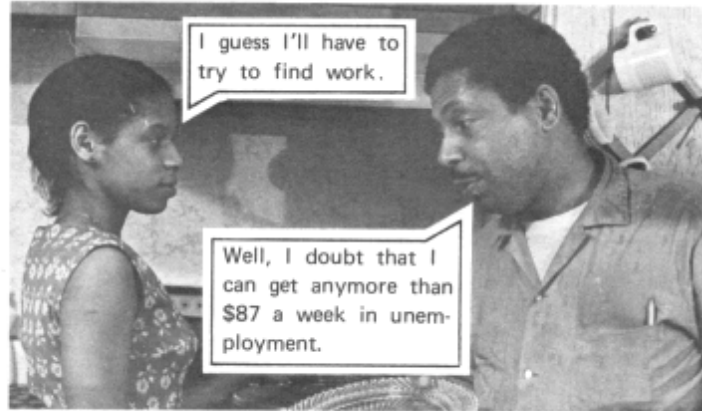


I even saw a rat down in the basement today.

For sure they're comin' from next door!

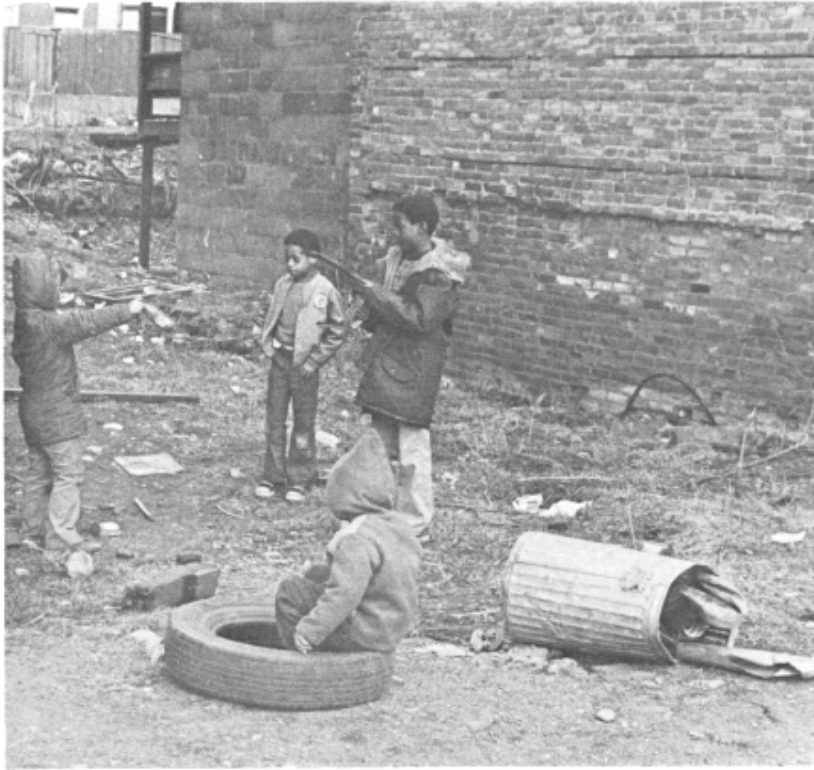
AND
NEXT
DOOR . . .

AS JAMES
COMES HOME
FROM THE FACTORY

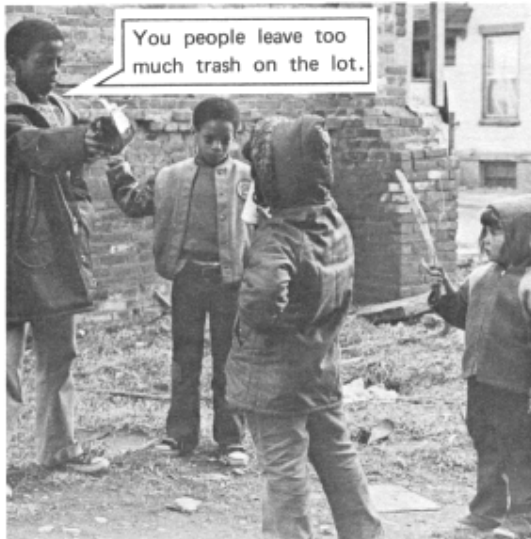


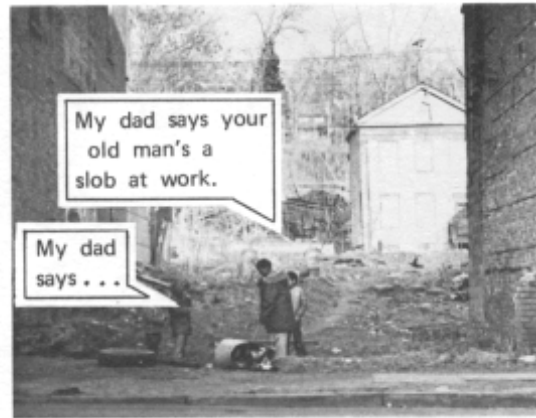
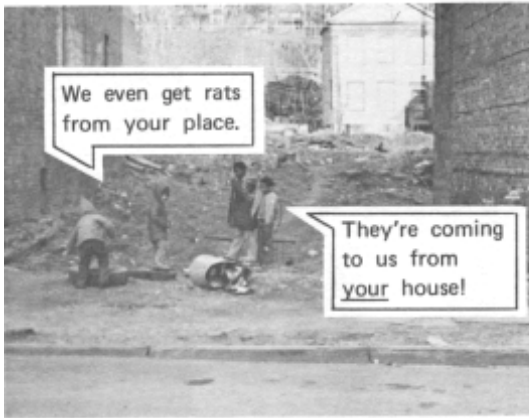
LIVING ON UNEMPLOYMENT
WILL NOT BE EASY FOR
JAMES' FAMILY



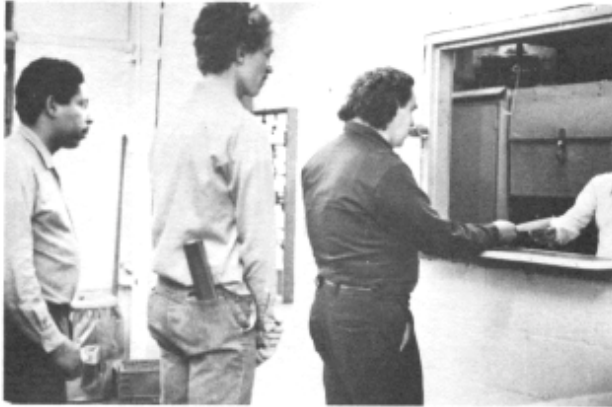


JAMES' AND GEORGE'S CHILDREN ARE ON THE VACANT LOT, ARGUING AGAIN . . .





ON PAYDAY AT THE FACTORY . . .



GEORGE GETS A PINK SLIP

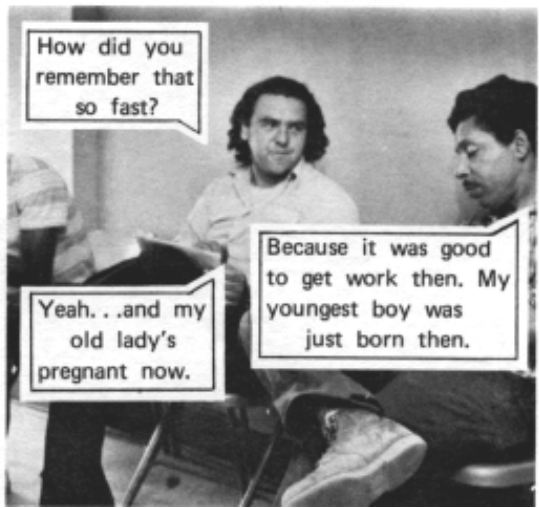
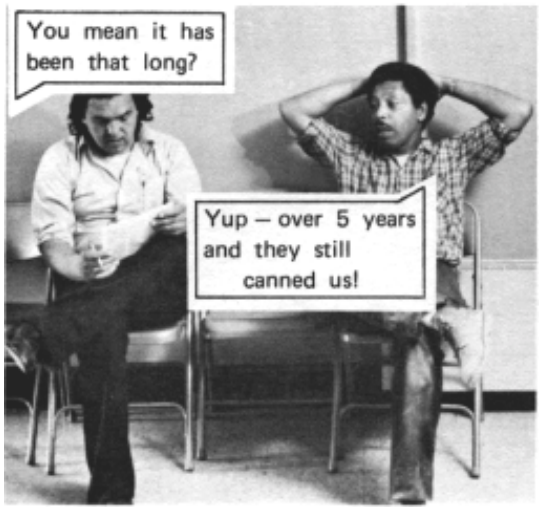
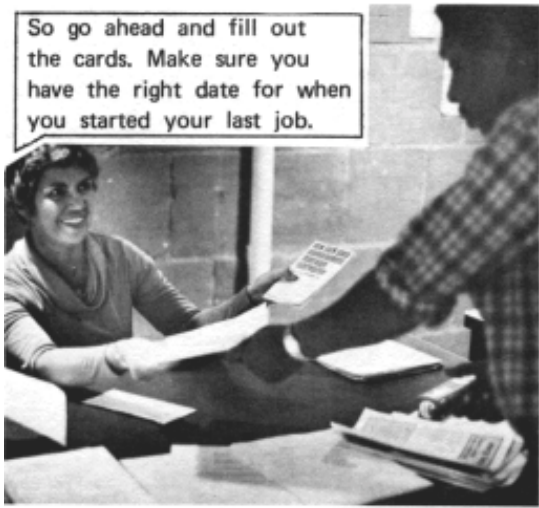


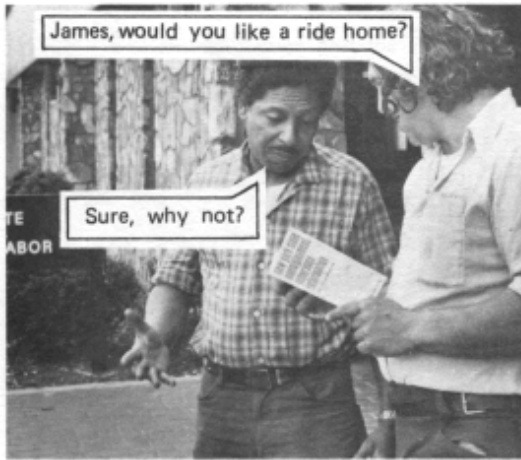
JAMES ALSO GETS A PINK SLIP



A FEW DAYS LATER
GEORGE AND JAMES
ARE BOTH AT THE
UNEMPLOYMENT
OFFICE







AS THEY ARRIVE BACK HOME, THEY SEE A STRANGER DUMPING TRASH AT THE REAR OF THE LOT



THE DOGS ARE GOING TO HAVE A FEAST



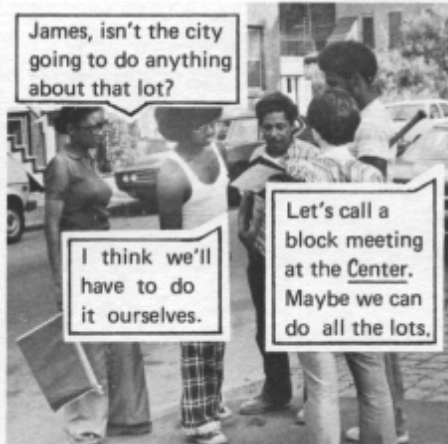
... AND SO WILL THE RATS



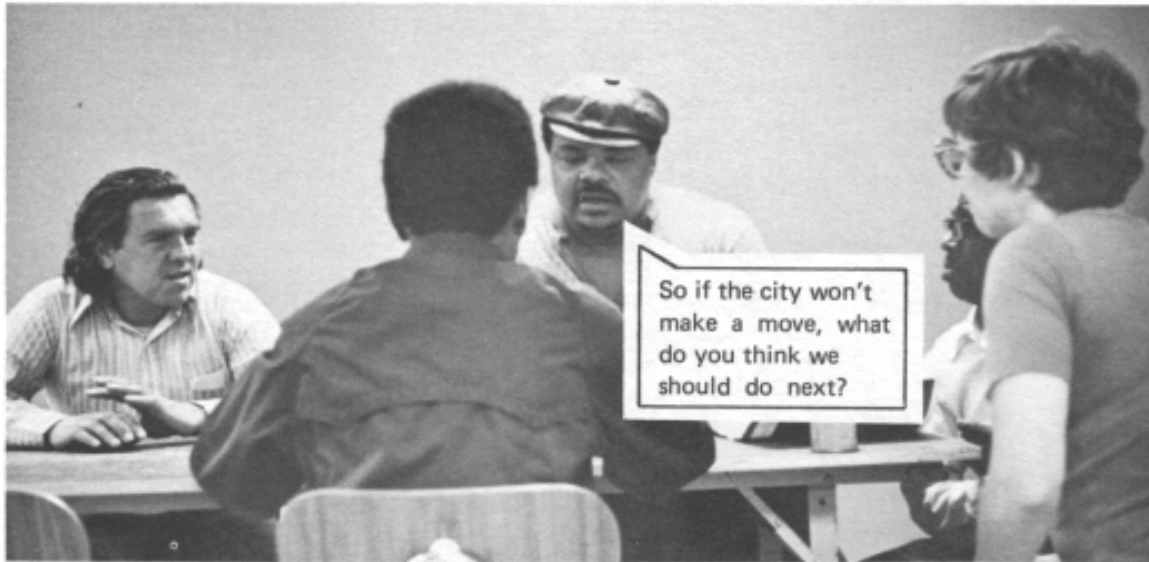
AFTER THREE VISITS TO CITY HALL, THEY LEARN THAT THE CITY OWNS THE LOT
(AND OTHERS ON THE BLOCK)



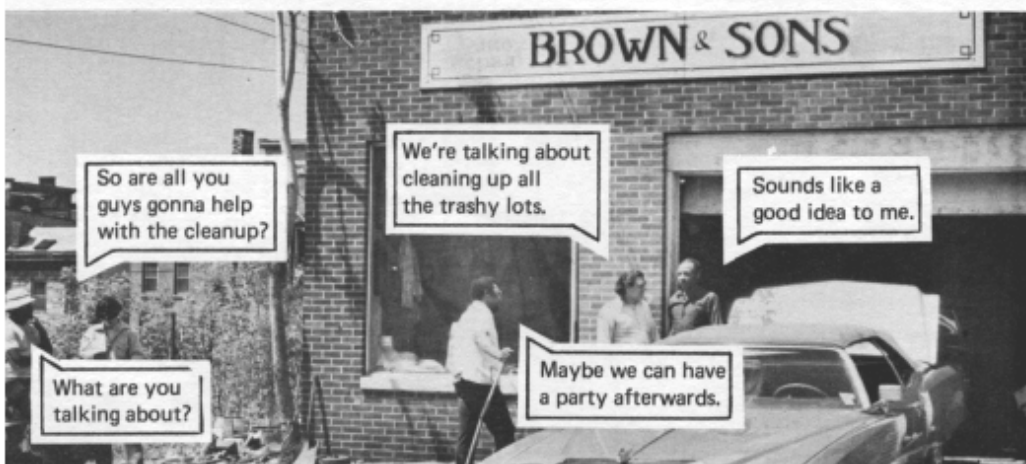
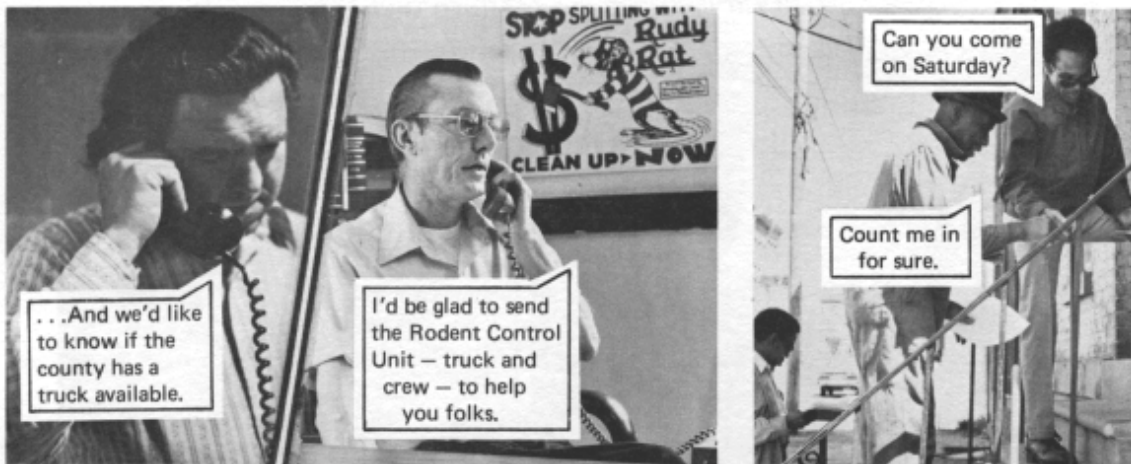
TWO WEEKS LATER AFTER ANOTHER VISIT TO CITY HALL
...AND NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE!!!



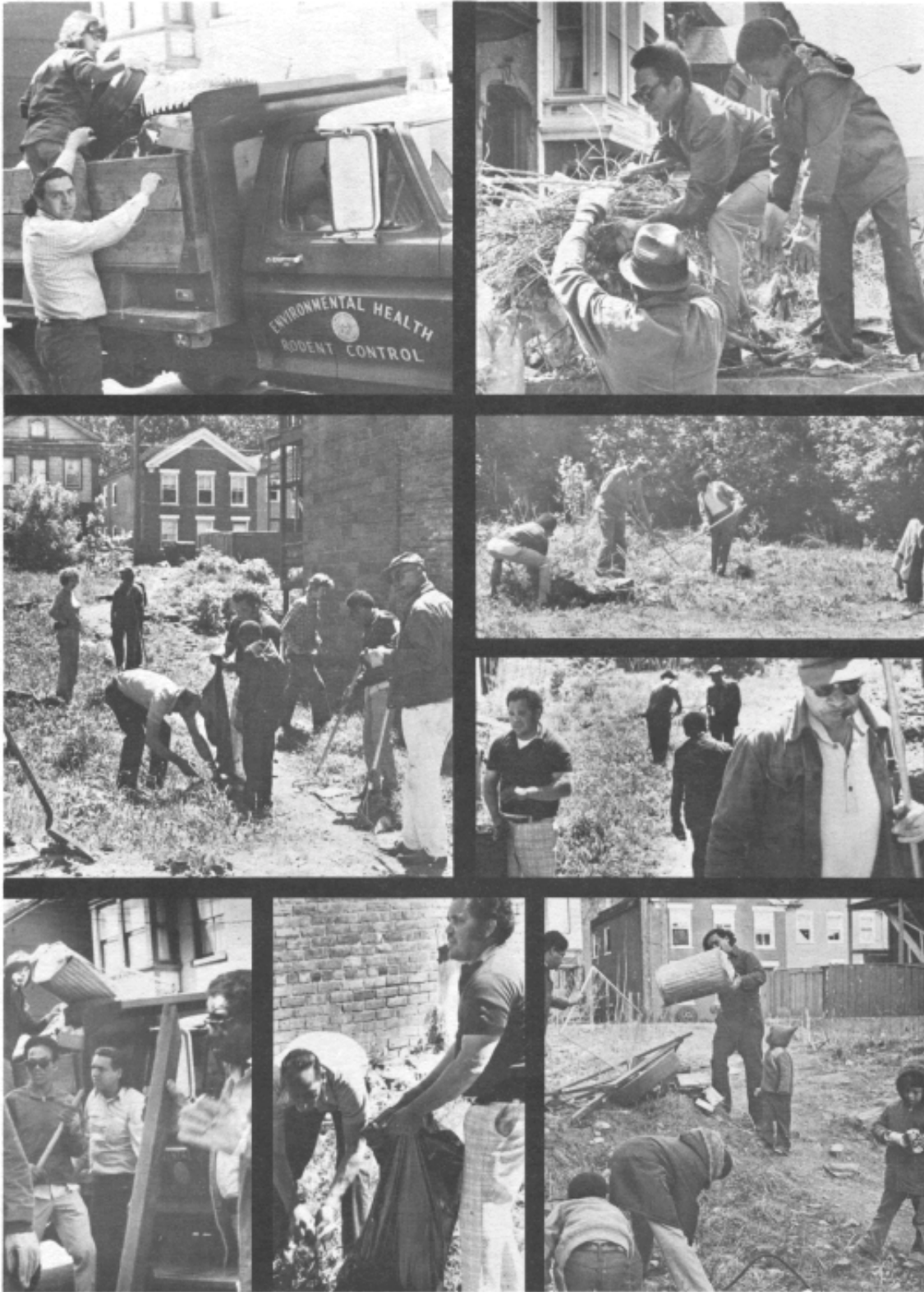
THAT NIGHT AT THE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, GEORGE AND JAMES
EXPLAIN WHAT THEY'VE LEARNED THUS FAR



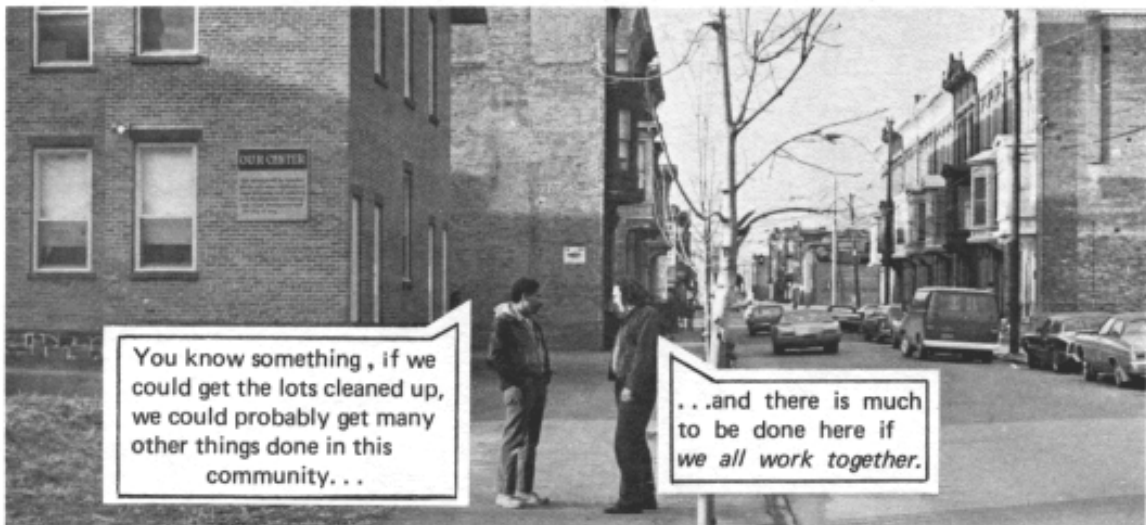
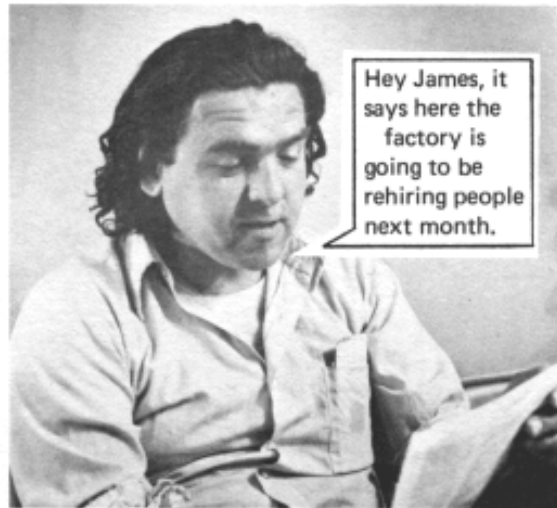
ORGANIZATION FOR THE SATURDAY MORNING CLEANUP CONTINUES. . .



THE CLEAN-UP IS VERY SUCCESSFUL, WITH MANY PEOPLE PARTICIPATING.



THE NEXT WEEK JAMES AND GEORGE RETURN TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE. . .





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