

THE WORLD of BOOKS

Destroy This Temple: The Voice of Black Power in Britain; Obi Egbuna; William Morrow & Company, New York; 157 pp.; \$5.95.

By Jim Haskins

The name of my passport is Obi Egbuna, but this is only a forgery. My real name is Bantu in South Africa, Aborigine in Australia, Nigger in America, Bum in Nixonville, and Grinning Piccinny in Britain. Everybody talks about me, never to me, hears about me, never from me, is an expert on me, except me.

When the Englishman comes to my country to earn his living, he is what they call a Brain Drain. But when I come to England to earn my living, I become what they call an Immigration Problem. But I am bothering nobody for apologies.

A Nigerian, one of the founders of the Black Panther Party in Britain, sometime political prisoner, constant target of the British "Establishment," Obi Egbuna is that rare kind of Black man who has combined revolution with understanding of the forces that confront the Black man in the Western World. He is able to express and expose these forces and their interaction with the Black revolutionary struggle.

"Destroy This Temple" is the first comprehensive expose of the Black struggle in Britain -- a struggle which the British have so far refused to acknowledge as other than a minor aspect of the "Immigration Problem."

Taking his title from John 2:19 ("Destroy This temple, and in three days I will raise it up."), Egbuna has drawn together seven powerful essays that belie the official British stand on the "Black problem." This group of essays will withstand the ravages of time to become an important work in the literature of revolutionary notes.

Egbuna's introduction and his first essay, "Note to the Jury," are especially powerful; his

style is extremely eloquent. Some will agree and some will disagree with his position, particularly with regard to the Black struggle in America, for he is strong and uncompromising. He is harsh in his criticism of Stokely Carmichael and in "Black Power or Death," in his view of Martin Luther King and the concept of nonviolence;

Juxtaposed with this harshness are some very intimate and sensitive moments. Egbuna's letter to Delores in "Letters from Brixton Prison" rivals Baldwin's "My Dungeon Shook" (letter to his nephew on the 100th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation).

"Destroy This Temple" is a fine book and one that should be read by those who write about Black power, the Third World, cultural nationalism, negritude. It defines the Black movement, not only from an emotional standpoint, but also from a scholarly and intellectual one too often lacking in contemporary Black protest literature. While he is interpreting the movement, Egbuna is at the same time of it. Blacks involved in the revolutionary struggle in America can learn much from this book.

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