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and all the way up to Northern Florida. And they went along creeks that's why they were called Creek Indians, but I hook them in and then the African populations which fought with the Yemassee in early Charlestown, the early Charlestown settlement, and they went south to St Augustine and then to Cuba. That's what that's all about. Then I've got another section, which is a more naturalistic section, it's got to do with the Great Dismal Swamp and the history of that geographic area. I'm looking at that one as a part of the lore, the place and why it became known as the Great Dismal Swamp, but it really wasn't dismal. Depending on who you were, if you were running away, it was a paradise. But I think it's coming in the right size. I remember the first book I wrote, that thing was way too big.

TFSR: I still use it as a reference, though.

MK: It had all the documents in the back. I think that's just saving grace, the rest is shit. I lose to self-organization every once in a while. But that was where I was in the 1970s, a young man trying to put it together.

TFSR: And at least he referred to the book very clearly on the cover as the raw notebooks.

MK: It's raw, really. Because my students, one student, in particular, he came by the house and I was rummaging through some stuff and he said "What's over here?" It was one of those manuscripts. He put this together. He grabbed the thing, and took it back to the office, and started hunting and pecking, I said, "What are you doing?", and he said, "I want to put all this together". They organized it and put it in a book. It's very raw. It offers no real solution. But it shows certain attempts: it shows the 6th Pan-African Congress, the League of Revolutionary Black Workers, and its lack of democracy. And it shows the African Liberation Support Committee. So it came from the minutes and stuff that I was keeping at the time. So it has an empirical side to it, I think

TFSR: It's interesting to hold that up to your shorter book *The Pan-African Social Ecology*, because a lot of those events that are in a lot of cases you and Andrew talking about or that you referenced during speeches, to be able to dig back into this book and say, like, "Well, here's the notes from that time, here's a little deeper context of what was going on with the League of Revolutionary Black Workers or the 6th Congress".

MK: I guess it has that value, but it doesn't speak to any kind of ecology. When I started exploring questions of ecology, I was really out of the anti-nuclear movement, I just thought the nuclear shit was dangerous to the planet. But I didn't

