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Sending The WRONG Message

Too Much Violence, Pornography In Hard-Core Rap Music

By Karla Clark
The Seattle Medium

One week indicted for murder and topping the charts the next. Snoop Doggy Dogg is just one of the rap artists today whose music is making him millions while he's facing criminal charges. Are these artists the type of role models we want for our children? Should they be held responsible for what they preach through their music?

These questions run through the minds of parents every day. The latest word for this hard core rap era is "Gangsta Rap". This is believed to stem from the fact that many of the rap artists today are ex-gang members, current gang members, or involved in some type of gang activity.

Rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg is making headlines after allegedly killing a man he claims was stalking him. Some might hesitate to believe his claim due to the violent lyrics in some of Dogg's songs. For example, the term "gat" often used by his partner, Dr. Dre, is another name for a gun. There is also much negativity towards the female gender in Dogg's music. Referring to females as b--ches and "hoes" is not someone's idea of respect.

Not only is the derogatory and degrading name-calling in rap music being criticized, but also the explicit talk about drinking and drug use. One line in a song off Dogg's album states, "Rollin' down the street smoking Indo, sippin' on Gin and juice." Most youngsters know that Indo is another term for marijuana.

Some feel very strongly against hard-core rappers like Snoop Doggy Dogg. Recently in Washington, D.C., several well-known names in the African American community were arrested for protesting outside a local record store. The store reportedly sells the most negative gangsta rap and misogynist music around. Those arrested included the national chairperson of the National Political Congress of Black Women, Dr. C. DeLores Tucker, comedian Dick Gregory, and former D. C. Councilmember Nadine Winter.

"The graphic enclosure in Snoop Doggy Dogg's album is nothing more than hard-core porn which is being sold to our children. It is our moral responsibility to halt the sale of this rap pornography. It teaches our children to rape, kill, and do acts of violence against their people," said Dr. Tucker.

In an interview with the video show M-TV, Snoop Doggy Dogg defended himself by saying he is expressing himself and what he is about in his music. Some might say that's not saying much, but others might say it's okay to tell the listeners who he is and what he is really about. "I think it's okay for rappers to express who they are," said 17-year-old Xavier Finch. "True enough the music some of the teens listen to is influential, but I strongly feel that's where the parents come in."

Snoop Doggy Dog isn't the only one getting a "bad rap" these days. Rap star and actor 2 Pac Shakur is making headlines

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The Death Of Antonio Jackson

Prosecutor Calls For Inquest

By Denise Villavaso
The Seattle Medium

King County Prosecuting Attorney Norm Maleng announced Monday his recommendation for an inquest into the death of 25-year-old Antonio Jackson after the family's outrage gained support when the medical examiner ruled it a homicide.

Donald Reay, King County's medical examiner, said last week that the autopsy report showed that a chokehold in combination with chest compression, were attributing factors that resulted in Jackson's death.

Irma Hudson, the victim's mother, was in emotional shambles when she charged that the police officers and two Safeway employees who reportedly restrained her son are responsible for his death.

"I know that the police officers and the store employees did something wrong," Hudson said from her Compton, California home Monday. "I feel that they are responsible for my son's death."

She continued, "I feel like this is all a bad dream. I would like every person involved to be held accountable and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law."

Maleng said that while his office is independent and unbiased, he has assigned senior deputy prosecutors, Jeff Baird and Lee Yates, to the case.

Maleng said that the two deputy prosecutors will handle the inquest and conduct a complete and independent investigation surrounding the entire incident of Jackson's death.

"The role of the prosecutor is to investigate the case, call witnesses, and present the complete picture to the inquest jury," Maleng said. "Our role is to assist the court, not to be an advocate for one party or another."

Meanwhile, James Kelly, director of the Commission on African American Affairs with the state, expressed that because of the prosecutor's prompt response, it is too early to request that the attorney general's office get involved.

"It is our opinion that it would be premature to ask the attorney general's office to get involved," Kelly said. "We are pleased that an inquest jury will examine all allegations involved."

Though no formal charges have been filed against Donald Carrick, 23, a Safeway checker in Federal Way, friends of the Jackson family who were at the scene of the incident, charged that Carrick allegedly applied a chokehold, while another sat on Jackson's chest after chasing the victim approximately 200 yards from the store.

Cherie Meyers, a spokesperson for Safeway, said that because of pending litigation by the Jackson family's attorney, they cannot comment, but said they are "saddened" by the incident.

"All of us at Safeway are saddened," Meyers said. "Although we do not believe that the employee had intent to harm Jackson, our hands are tied since the family of the deceased has retained an attorney."

Dan Donohoe, a spokesperson for the King County Police Department, said that the prosecutor's office will review evidence that they have received from the medical examiner's office along with results from the police investigations.

"It is inappropriate to say that Jackson would be alive today if CPR had been administered," Donohoe said. "An investigation which may take up to four weeks has to be conducted before any conclusions are made."

The CPR issue is crucial in this case because Mona McCoy, a certified nursing assistant, who was a witness at the scene of the incident, said she pleaded with officers to let her help Jackson by administering CPR because he was unconscious.

"But they ignored me and refused to let me help him even though I identified myself as a

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Ski Season: Tubing Down The Slopes!

With the Christmas break over, schools resumed classes this week and youngsters had to say a somewhat remorseful good-bye to all the fun and excitement, and get ready to hit the books once again.

The happy little campers in this photo are shown enjoying a recent ski trip at Snoqualmie Pass as they "inner-tube" down the slopes. Staff photo/Monique Douglass.

KING BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE SOUND

(Editor's Note: The following are highlights of some of the activities The Medium has received in celebration and honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. Events begin Monday, Jan. 10. If your organization is planning a celebration for Dr. King's birthday, please send the announcement to The Seattle Medium, 2600 South Jackson Street, Seattle, WA 98144.)

Jan. 10-14, University of Washington, Week-Long Campus Celebrations

The campus celebration at the University of Washington of Dr. King's birthday will be used to remember the contributions of Dr. King and other civil rights leaders. In addition, the week's events will examine some of the contributions of different cultures to the richness and diversity of the UW community, explore scholarship that addresses issues related to ethnicity, and further the dialogue concerning the challenge of multiculturalism in the curriculum.

There will be a book and artifact exhibit, student forums, film discussions and a lecture on "Dr. King's Unfinished Agenda: Economic Justice."

Keynote speaker, Thursday, Jan. 13, 7 p.m., Ronald Takaki, professor of ethnic studies at the University of California, Berkeley. Topic: "A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America."

All events are free. Information: Bob Roseth, 543-2580.

Tuesday, Jan. 11, Metro/King County Employees, Kingdome, 11:30-1:30

The Metropolitan King County Employees' 7th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration will be held Jan. 11 in the Kingdome from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The Rev. Vernon King, a nephew of Dr. King, is this year's keynote speaker. The King County Chorus, Diversity Dance Workshop, Total Experience Choir, the Righteous Rainbow Children's Choir, and orator Carl Mack will all take part in this exciting birthday celebration.

Other participants include newly elected King County Executive Gary Locke, King County Councilman Ron Sims, and new King County Councilmember Larry Gossett.

Information: Deborah Brockway, 296-7739, or Manfert Lee, 296-7618.

Sunday, Jan. 16, 1994, Benefit Guild, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 3 p.m.

The Benefit Guild Association of Seattle presents its 25th annual birthday celebration service on Sunday, Jan. 16 at 3 p.m. at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 19th and Madison with the Rev. Dr. Samuel McKinney as host pastor. Theme: "Young People Doing The Right Thing: Keeping The Dream Alive." Young people who have demonstrated a commitment to family, church, school and community will be recognized. The Central Area Youth Association under the direction of Michael Preston will receive the Benefit Guild Founder's Award for its hard work and contribution to the boys and girls of the community.

The program will be moderated by young people and notable youth groups and choirs will be in attendance such as The No Kidding Choir (Where Kids Are Winners, Inc.) of Portland; Xymplycyty, of CAYA, and the Mt. Zion Junior Choir will be featured in the celebration. Patrick Wright and Debbie Cavitt will be guest soloists.

Although there is no cost to the celebration service, there will be an offering. Proceeds will be used to further Dr. King's

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POLICE BEAT

By Karla Clark
The Seattle Medium

SMOKEY & THE BANDIT

A 23-year-old Hispanic male led police on a high-speed chase down South Graham Street on Saturday, Jan. 1.

At approximately 4:20 a.m., the suspect was seen by police speeding down S. Graham, causing another car to swerve to avoid being hit. After noticing the police lights and sirens behind him, the suspect put the pedal to the metal. After a few miles the suspect came to a halt at 28th and S. Graham. He brought the car to a stop, then fled on foot while leaving the engine running. The suspect then ran between houses to his own on S. Eddy Street.

The officer who followed the suspect to his residence spoke to his mother, who was very angry and hostile. After claiming her son had not been home for almost 2 hours, police came to the conclusion the suspect left through the back door.

Police later found out the suspect's vehicle, a brown 77 Chevy Impala, matched the description of a suspect vehicle used in a robbery. The vehicle was then impounded for further investigation.

EXPLODING PHONE

At approximately 3:20 a.m. on Jan. 1, a man was awakened by a loud crashing sound. He went to investigate and found his phone arrayed. The man assumed the phone had somehow exploded and returned to bed.

After getting out of bed later that morning the man discovered a bullet hole in the wall of his trailer. The bullet apparently traveled through the storage shed, and struck the phone and the remote control. The man told authorities later he did remember hearing a series of shots.

LOVER'S QUARREL

Around 5:25 p.m. on New Year's Day, police were called to investigate an assault on E. Broadway. A 43-year-old White male told police his boyfriend assaulted him when he found him in bed with another man.

The victim told authorities he called the suspect and told him he was bringing a friend home with him and wanted the suspect to leave the apartment before they got there. When the victim and his friend arrived home, the suspect was still there.

The suspect then left for a few minutes and returned to find the door had been locked and no one answering. The suspect then assumed his boyfriend was cheating on him and began to kick the door in, finding the victim and his friend in bed together. The suspect, who became very upset, began striking the victim on the head several times, leaving a rising lump.

The victim called 911 and hung up. When police arrived the suspect was arrested on assault charges.

NEW YEAR'S EVE BASH

A couple was assaulted early New Year's day leaving a party in the 200 block of Yesler Way. Approximately 2:15 a.m., the couple who was walking to their car, was approached by a suspect who said something to the female victim. When she said something in return, the suspect punched her in the face. When her husband yelled at the suspect, he was then punched in the face several times.

Shortly after this occurred a crowd of derelicts ran into the melee. They began to assault others who were leaving the party. By the time police arrived several of the suspects left the scene. None of the suspects could be identified except the suspect that started the disturbance with the couple.

THESE BOOTS WERE MADE FOR WALKIN'

On New Year's Eve at approximately 10 p.m., a shoe store on Rainier Ave. S. was robbed. The suspects smashed the front door of the business and stole 30 pairs of men's leather boots. The cash register and the office area appeared to be untouched. The suspects apparently knew what they wanted. It appeared they hadn't gone anywhere else in the store.

BOTTOM'S UP

Police were called to the scene of a nightclub located on Rainier Ave. S. around 12:27 a.m. New Year's Eve, when two patrons got into a fight. One of the patrons threw a drink which hit a couple sitting at a table across from them. The couple became upset and the owner of the club called police to prevent further riot. By the time police arrived, everyone had been forced to leave the bar area and all was calm.

CAUGHT ON TAPE

On New Years Eve around 9 p.m., a mini-mart in the 7000 block of Rainier Avenue was robbed at gunpoint. The man described as a Black male between 30-35 entered the mini-mart and went to the get a six-pack of beer. After placing the six-pack of beer on the counter, the suspect pulled out an UZI-type gun. He then walked around the counter, pointing the gun at the clerk and told her to open the register.

When the clerk was slow to open the register, the suspect told the clerk to speed up or he would shoot. Once the drawer was open, the suspect began filling up a paper sack. He also took cash from two other containers behind the counter, one which was a licorice container.

On his way out, the suspect pointed the gun at a patron entering the store and told him to get out. Someone who apparently was in the back of the store observed the robbery taking place and started the VCR which caught part of the robbery on tape.

The suspect, after leaving the store, tucked the gun in the back of his pants and fled on foot.

THE CAT'S MEOW

On Jan. 1 at approximately 6:15 p.m., a Black female was assaulted by her live-in boyfriend. They apparently were arguing about the victim's health. When the suspect tried to force the victim to lay down, she refused. The suspect then began punching the victim in the right thigh.

Fearing the suspect would hurt her if she contacted police on the scene, the victim told the suspect she was going to buy cat food. When the victim left the house, she called police.

When the officers met with the victim and suspect, they found the victim was 7 1/2 months pregnant with the suspect's baby. The suspect was then arrested on assault charges.



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Most parents and students think that scholarships are only for the students with good grades, low-income families, or the athletically inclined.

A small example of the numerous scholarships available to student include: Left-Handed Student Scholarships, Handicapped Student Scholarship, Members of a Church Scholarships, David E. Letterman's Scholarship for "C" Students, Veteran Children's Scholarships, Scholarships for Minorities and much, much more.

The general public is not aware that over $10 billion is available to students from private sector scholarships. Over $20.4 billion is available from the federal government.

In a U.S. Congressional study, it was reported that "Over $6.6 billion of private sector financial aid went unused because the parents and students did not know where to apply." A conservative college tuition for a full-time student runs from $10,000-$30,000; high cost colleges run from $40,000-$100,000 -- and this tuition is per year!

There are organizations that have spent hundreds of hours in research locating scholarship sources. These organizations are American Educational Excellence (AEE) members and have their list of over 400 different scholarships available. The lists include the scholarship names, addresses, telephone numbers, application deadlines, summaries about the scholarships and the amount the scholarship will pay your child.

Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; otherwise, students combine applicable scholarships together to form one large tuition payment. Most scholarships include junior colleges, career and vocational schools, 4 year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools.

For information on obtaining these scholarship lists, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: The U.S. Channel of Commerce for Higher Education, College Bound, P.O. Box 773, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS. . .

BY ROBERT N. TAYLOR

MANDELA AMONG FOUR 'MEN OF THE YEAR'

NEW YORK -- Time Magazine has included South African Black leader Nelson Mandela as one of its four "Men of the Year" for 1993. Mandela was chosen for his work to bring both peace and majority rule to racially torn White-ruled South Africa. The other three men of the year are current South African President F. W. deKlerk, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Palstine Organization Chairman Yassir Arafat. For their efforts to being peace to strifetorn areas of the world, the magazine's editors said they "reasserted the principle that leaders matter: that an individuals vision, courageously and persuasively and intelligently pursued, can override the rather unimaginative human preference for war." Time's first "Man of the Year" was aviator Charles Lindbergh in 1927. President Clinton was chosen last year.

MIKE TYSON BEGINS COMPLICATED PROCESS TO REVERSE RAPE CONVICTION

INDIANAPOLIS -- "This could very well be the mechanism by which Mike Tyson is freed from prison." Those were the words used to describe new legal efforts to reverse the rape conviction of ex-heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson. Tyson was convicted of raping Miss Black America contestant Desiree Washington in an Indianapolis hotel room in 1991. He is currently serving a six-year sentence. His legal victory came recently when the Indiana Court of Appeals granted him a new hearing in which he will be able to argue that Washington invented the rape story in order to sue him for a large amount of money. He will also argue that prosecutors knew of her plans to sue him. Tyson lost an earlier appeal last August. No date has been set for the new appeal hearing.

JESSE JACKSON SPENDS HOLIDAY PERIOD IN CUBA

HAVANA, CUBA -- The Rev. Jesse Jackson spent the recent Christmas holiday in Cuba speaking with religious leaders and the island nation's communist President Fidel Castro. Jackson said his aim was to encourage Castro to "adopt economic and political reforms." The national Black political leader also indicated his desire to get the U.S. to drop harsh economic sanctions against Cuba. Those sanctions and the demise of the former Soviet Union are largely responsible for the economic hardship which currently besets the socialist nation.

FARRAKHAN, NAACP COME TO MICHAEL JACKSON'S AID

LOS ANGELES -- In recent days several Black groups have accused the major media of giving "unfair" or "excessive" coverage to allegations that pop music superstar Michael Jackson sexually molested a 13-year-old boy. Among the most prominent to denounce the media coverage have been Black Muslim leader Louis Farrakhan and the NAACP. West Coast NAACP Director Shannon Reeves told a Los Angeles news conference, "This is not only about Michael Jackson but about how the media uses its power to continue to aid in the oppression and degradation of African Americans." Meanwhile, Farrakhan told a crowd of over 20,000 in New York City: "The powers that be can't stand to see Michael Jackson politically aware and using his money for the advancement of this people." Jackson has denied that he sexually molested the 13-year-old boy. But his sister, LaToya Jackson recently told an Israeli news conference she believed the allegations against her brother.

BLACKS ACCUSE WHITE COSMETIC FIRMS OD DECEPTION

CHICAGO -- A group of 19 Black-owned hair care products companies are accusing White hair and cosmetic firms of using deceptive advertising to lure African American customers to their products. Estimates vary, but it is believed White firms such as Revlon and Alberto-Culver have already captured up to half of the nearly $400 million Black hair care market. But the Black firms, all members of the Chicago-based American Health and Beauty Aids Institute (AHBAI), accuse White firms of using Black slang and images to hide the fact that they are White-owned. Comer Cottrell of Black-owned Pro-Line Corp., says AHBAI is promoting a "Buy Black" campaign because "There is quite a bit of deception in the marketplace." However, the White firms counter they were criticized when they did not make products for Blacks and now they are being criticized for making them.

SOUTH AFRICAN PARLIAMENT OFFICIALLY ENDS WHITE RULE

CAPE TOWN, South Africa -- The White South African parliament approved an interim constitution in December, which officially ended centuries of White majority rule in the majority Black country. The vote was 237 to 45. Multiracial elections are set for April 27. Those elections are expected to result in African National Congress President Nelson Mandela becoming the country's first Black president. However, the transition to democracy still faces opposition from conservative Whites who are demanding a separate Whites only nation." In addition, some Black groups oppose the elections. They claim Mandela is a socialist and will have too much power.

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Mona Lake Jones Keynotes Seattle Community College King Birthday Celebration



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Special To The Medium

The legacy of the community's children will be the focus of Dr. Mona Lake Jones, keynote speaker at the 20th Annual Dr. martin Luther King, Jr., commemorative celebration sponsored by the Seattle Community College District.

The popular service will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan.14, at Mount Zion Baptist Church, 1634 19th Ave. Doors open at 11 a.m.

Jones, a longtime Seattle educator and civic figure, is known to many as Seattle's multi-cultural poet laureate. She has taught at the elementary, college and university level, and today, teaches in the graduate program for Pacific Oaks College.

During recent years, she has gained a national audience for her poetry, published in Essence magazine and in her recent book, "The Color of Culture."

Her indelible word portraits paint a rich world of African American life experiences with insight, humor, and love.

Jones' poetry and her career have been distinguished by a passion for children. She helped establish the Mount Zion Ethnic School and served as its director; is past president of the Black Child Development Institute, served on the Seattle Youth Commission, and represented the city on the Joint Advisory Commission on Education.

Jones delivers her works in a concert-style presentation of themes and moods that are entertaining and informative. An appearance this year at The Boston Museum of Fine Arts featured the dedication of a painting by artist Paul Goodnight, commissioned to commemorate one of Jones' poems, "A Room Full of Sisters."

A room full of sisters
Like jewels in a crown
Vanilla, cinnamon and dark
chocolate brown. . .

Now in its 20th year, the Seattle Community College District event is the area's most significant and important celebration of the anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It annually draws area civic and social leaders, and people from throughout the community, in a celebration of inspiration, music, and awards.

Emcee of the program will be KIRO personality Patti Payne. The Mount Zion Inspirational Chorus will sing. The soloist for "Oh Precious Lord" is Felicia Leffall Curry.

The program will include "Shattering the Glass Ceiling" awards given to U.S. Senator Patty Murray and newly elected King County Executive, Gary Locke; a "Building the Best" award will go to Aki Kurose, math-science instructor at Laurelhurst Elementary School.

"Content of Character Awards," from the King Foundation and signed by Coretta Scott King, will be presented to four Seattle Community College District students.

Earlier in the day, an invitation-only program for school children will be held at Seattle Community College District facilities. The second annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Math-Science Program will include 500 students form selected schools throughout the area. This program was established with a vision of inspiring young people to pursue careers in math and science, areas in which women and people of color have been historically under-represented.

The Pacific Science Center is bringing it Physics on Wheels [POW] and Rock and Roll geology exhibits to the Math-Science Celebration.

Students will hear motivational talk from two African-American leaders in technical fields: Walt W. Braithwaite, vice-president-computing in the Boeing Commercial Airplane Group, and a videotaped presentation form Sherita T. Caesar, an engineer and Director of Quality in the Paging and Wireless Data Group of Motorola, Inc.

Students will share their personal experiences and success stories in group discussions led by science and engineering students from the University of Washington and Seattle Community College District.

"Our partnership with this spectrum of leaders in business and education, combined with the enthusiasm of the children, is testimony to Dr. King's ideal of cooperation and excellence," said Dr. Charles Kane, chancellor of the Seattle Community College District.

The Seattle Community College District educates 27,000 students each year at North Seattle, South Seattle, and Seattle Central Community Colleges, at Colleges, at Seattle Vocational Institute, and at three training centers throughout the city.

King Birthday Celebrations . . .

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dream through contributions to homeless and educational programs.

Contact: Cheryl Ross-Audley, president, 852-1136, or Donnetta Alexander, 722-7418.

Sunday, Jan. 16, M. L. King Progressive Women's Club, Tacoma, Allen A.M.E. Church, 3:30 p.m.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Progressive Women's Club will present their 15th annual celebration commemorating Dr. King's birthday on Sunday, Jan. 16 at 3:30 p.m. at Allen A.M.E. Church in Tacoma at 1223 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way South. The Rev. Milton Green, pastor of the church, will deliver the keynote address. Proceeds from this event will be used for scholarships and educational funding.

Contact: Justine Brown, Tacoma, 759-7249.

Monday, Jan. 17, March & Rally, Garfield, Beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Seattle's 1994 Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Workshops, March and Rally Celebration begins at Garfield High School at 401-23rd Avenue at 9:30 a.m. Marchers will march from Garfield to a designated downtown location beginning at 11 a.m.

Theme: "Step Up, Help Keep the Dream Alive: Let's Stop the Violence Now." Critical issue workshops: AIDS, Health Care, Jobs/Labor Issues, Hate-Crimes, Youth and Safe Neighborhoods, Police/Community Relations, Education, Economic Empowerment, U. S. Policy in South Africa and Haiti, and the Life and Legacy of Dr. King.

This year a great deal of emphasis has been placed on youth participation, and the theme itself was determined with youth actively collaborating as part of the 1994 Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Planning Committee. Students from Rainier Beach High School will coordinate and facilitate the Youth and Safe Neighborhoods workshop as well as participate in the Police/Community Relations workshop. All workshops will focus on the positive contributions of our youth in providing solutions to the problems of violence.

Contact: Oscar Eason, Jr., 764-3684 and 725-5303, or Marjorie Prince at 281-7664.

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BID NO. IT10193-PAK
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Opens: 1/20/94

BID NO. C10578C
FENCING PROJECT AT HOOVER PIT
Opens: 1/13/94

Provide and install fencing around portion of pit area.

Project Manager: Loren Nett, 296-8277
Engineer's Estimate: $42,000.00

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Bid No. C10579C
FENCING PROJECT AT SUMMIT PIT
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Provide and install chain link fencing for separation of pit area and golf course.

Project Manager: Loren Nett, 296-8277
Engineer's Estimate: $28,750.00

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF KING
No. 93-3-09703-8
Declaration For Service Of Summons By Publication
(DCLR)

In re the Marriage of:
Jung Soon Kim, Petitioner
and
Hee Soo Lee, Respondent

I Declare:

1. The summons in this matter needs to be served on the respondent by publication because: the respondent cannot be found in this state because the respondent's last known address is Korea. However, there's a rumor that he may be currently in the U.S.A. although he cannot be located at this point as to where he lives and so forth.
2. The following efforts were made to locate the respondent for personal service or service by mail: Petitioner have tried to locate the respondent through friends, neighbors, and even have visited his last known address.
3. I do not know the respondent's address.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.
Signed at Seattle, WA. on 12/15/93. Jung Soon Kim

I. Basis: The court has considered a declaration stating that the summons in this matter needs to be served on the respondent by publication. II. Findings: Based on the representations made in the declaration, the court FINDS that the summons in this matter should be served on the respondent by publication in accordance with RCW 4.28.100. III. Order: It is ordered that the summons in this matter be served on the respondent by publication in conformity with RCW 4.28.100. Dated: 12/15/93, Presented by: Jung Soon Kim
Sarah W. Shim/WSBA #22150

To the Respondent: 1. The petitioner has started an action in the above court requesting that your marriage be dissolved. 2. The petitioner also requests that the Court grant the following relief: Approve a parenting plan for the dependent children, dispose of property and liabilites, enter a permanent restraining order. Award the tax exemptions for the dependent children as follows: Mother, Jung Soon Kim. 3. You must respond to this summons by serving a copy of your written response on the person signing this summons and by filing the original with the clerk of the court. If you do not serve your written response within 60 days after the date of the first publication of this summons (60 days after the 22nd day of Dec., 1993), the court may enter an order of default against you, and at the end of 90 days after serving and filing, the court may, without further notice to you, enter a decree and approve or provide for other relief requested in this summons. If you serve a notice of appearance on the undersigned person, you are entitled to notice before an order of default or a decree may be entered. 4) Your written response to the summons must be on forms approved by the Office of the Administrator for the Courts. These forms may be obtained by contacting the clerk of the court or the Office of the Administrator for the Courts at: Office of the Administrator for the Courts, Temple of Justice, AV-01, Olympia, Washington 98504, (206) 357-2129. 5) If this action has not been filed with the court, you may demand that the petitioner file this action with the court. If you do so, the demand must be in writing and must be served upon the person publishing this summons. Within 14 days after you serve the demand, the petitioner must file this action with the court, or the service on you of this summons will be void. 6) If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that you written response, if any, may be served on time. 7) One method of serving a copy of your response on the petitioner is to send it by certified mail with return receipt requested. 8) Other: Effective date of the petitioner will be the first date of publication. This summons is issued pursuant to RCW 4.28.100 and Superior Court Civil Rule 4.1 of the State of Washington. Date: 12/15/93.

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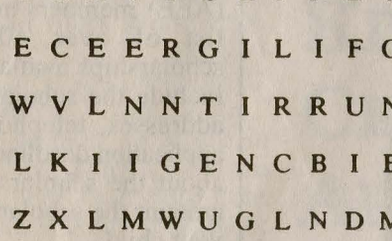
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Should Students Be Allowed To Carry Pepper Mace To School?

By Karla Clark
The Seattle Medium

Each day millions of children and teens are sent to school with the intention of getting what their parents want most--an education. Somehow the burden of learning their lessons seems quite small compared to the hopes they make it home safely.

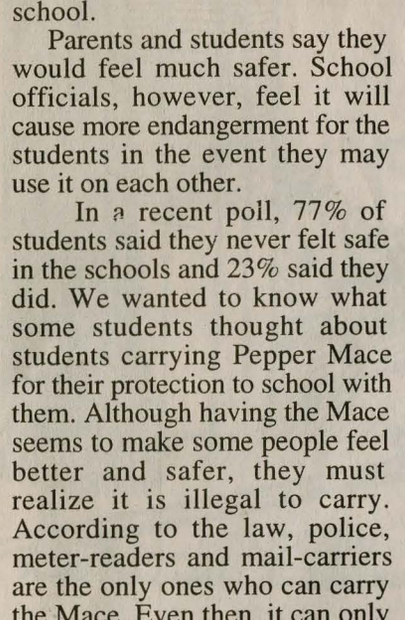
The death of a young Federal Way girl, who was killed behind her high school, has parents outraged and wondering what is to be done about the safety of their children. The issue now is whether or not students should be allowed to protect themselves by carrying Pepper Mace to school.

Parents and students say they would feel much safer. School officials, however, feel it will cause more endangerment for the students in the event they may use it on each other.

In a recent poll, 77% of students said they never felt safe in the schools and 23% said they did. We wanted to know what some students thought about students carrying Pepper Mace for their protection to school with them. Although having the Mace seems to make some people feel better and safer, they must realize it is illegal to carry. According to the law, police, meter-readers and mail-carriers are the only ones who can carry the Mace. Even then, it can only be used in self-defense. Here is what some students told The People Speak:

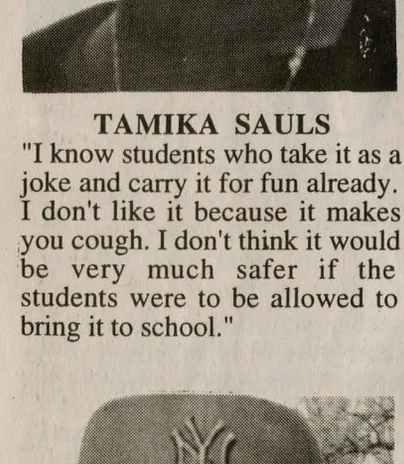


NAKACHIA DORROUGH
"I think it would be okay to carry the Mace to school. It is for our protection. I know people who had it but got it taken away. I don't think it's fair."



CHRISTOPHER PEGRAM
"I know a friend who was suspended because they were carrying the Pepper Mace. It made them feel safer. I think it would be okay to have as long as people use it in the right way."

TAMIKA SAULS
"I know students who take it as a joke and carry it for fun already. I don't like it because it makes you cough. I don't think it would be very much safer if the students were to be allowed to bring it to school."



DERRICK SMITH
"I personally don't think the students should be allowed to bring it to school. I think some may use it in the wrong way, like on each other. I think things should be left the way they are."

POLITICAL POTPOURRI

New County Executive & Corporations

Question: Did corporations buy influence with the new King County executive? Some folk are wondering because new exec Gary Locke persuaded 30 local corporations to sponsor his coming-out party. These corporations donated $1,000 each to Locke's "office fund." This money will be used to finance the inaugural bash for party loyalists. Locke defends his action by saying that there is no difference between asking for campaign contributions and office contributions. Not so say some concerned citizens. They are concerned about the appearance of influence-buying that is presented. The appropriateness of the solicitation of funds from the corporate community is what's at issue. Locke, like other politicians, needs to be mindful of the messages they are sending by their course of conduct.

Clean Hands

One Disgruntled Voter is concerned about the recent actions of Governor Lowry. This voter is concerned because the governor is offering a $19.7 million tax-break over the next 18 months for companies that invest in advanced computing and electronics. The concern here is whether this action on the governor's part constitutes a payback to those companies who made donations to the campaign against Initiatives 601 and 602. Some companies in the computing and electronics industry contributed funds to the fight against 601 and 602. So Disgruntled Voter questions the tax-break for companies that invest in advanced computing and electronics. Maybe Disgruntled Voter has got it all wrong. Maybe his distrust is misplaced. After all, the fastest growing industry in the country is that of computing and electronics. Disgruntled Voter needs to take a second look at the governor's action in light of future economic needs of the state.

Service & Community

During the course of this year's activities, we need to take a look at advocate groups and determine if they are advancing the interests of the community as a whole or if they are advancing their own selfish interests. Those who would aspire to speak and act for the community need to be aware of the impact that their actions have on the social, political and economic interests of the community. Things being done in the name of and for the benefit of the community should be for that purpose and that purpose only. The community's interest is advanced when all of us put aside our self-interests as groups and individuals in the interests of the collective good of the community. Community survival is dependent upon our coming together and working for the greater good of the community in the broadest sense.

Crunch Time

Once again we are faced with a significant lack of African American hiring in positions of influence in a Locke administration. Newly elected County Executive Gary Locke has made a number of appointments to head county agencies. Those agency head appointments based upon our observance have been primarily White males. One African American woman has been appointed, while one African American male has been bumped from his position as head of county personnel. Well, Locke is holding true to form. Longtime Locke observers have reaffirmed once again Locke's unwillingness to reach out in a meaningful way to the African American community when it comes to hiring people in his administration.

Patty's First Year

Senator Patty Murray's first year in that post has earned mixed reviews. The "Mom in Tennis Shoes" finds the difference between reality and political rhetoric quite striking. Patty is luckier than most freshman Senators because she has more positive than negative reviews. Some congressional watchers are of the opinion that Patty may in the future become a first-rate Senator. Others believe that Patty's emotional style may be a stumbling block to future achievement. Patty has been true to her campaign vow to champion the cause of the middle-class family. Patty has been outspoken on those issues of benefit to them. One area of concern for us is Patty's staff hirings. Patty, like her political soul mate, Gary Locke, has done little to recruit and hire African Americans on her personal staff. There is also a lack of Black faces among those nominated by Patty for federal appointments. We expected better of Patty. Although we don't know why.

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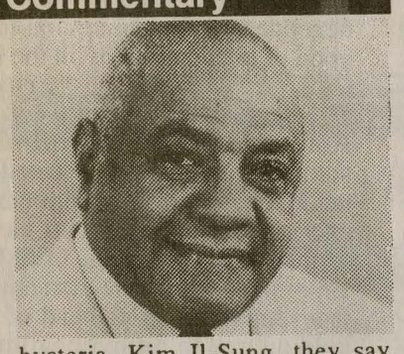
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Carl Rowan's Commentary



A furious campaign is in full force to further demonize North Korean dictator Kim Il-Sung and to frighten us Americans into believing that all humankind would be in peril if North Korea got nuclear weapons.

There is a white man-"Great Power" arrogance at work here. It says that in winning the Cold War the U.S. also won the right to declare that only its friends and "sane" leaders may develop nuclear weapons and nerve gas and chemical weapons.

This arrogance is "justified" by arguments that Kim is as crazy as Iraq's Saddam Hussein and thus must be denied weapons that are, or long have been, available to the leaders of the newly independent states of the former Soviet Union, Israel and South Africa, Pakistan and India, China, France and Great Britain, and surely other countries.

Those building up a doomsday shroud for North Korea privately concede that even with a crude one or two nuclear bombs it seems capable of producing, it would be lunacy for the Pyongyang regime to use an atomic weapon against South Korea or Japan. North Korea would be wiped off the face of the earth in days after such an attack.

The "balance of terror" that brought sanity to Nikita Khrushchev during the Cuban missile crisis, and also tied John F. Kennedy to diplomacy, still exists. It still precludes North Korea, China, Pakistan, India or any other new members of the nuclear club from launching an attack that could become Armageddon.

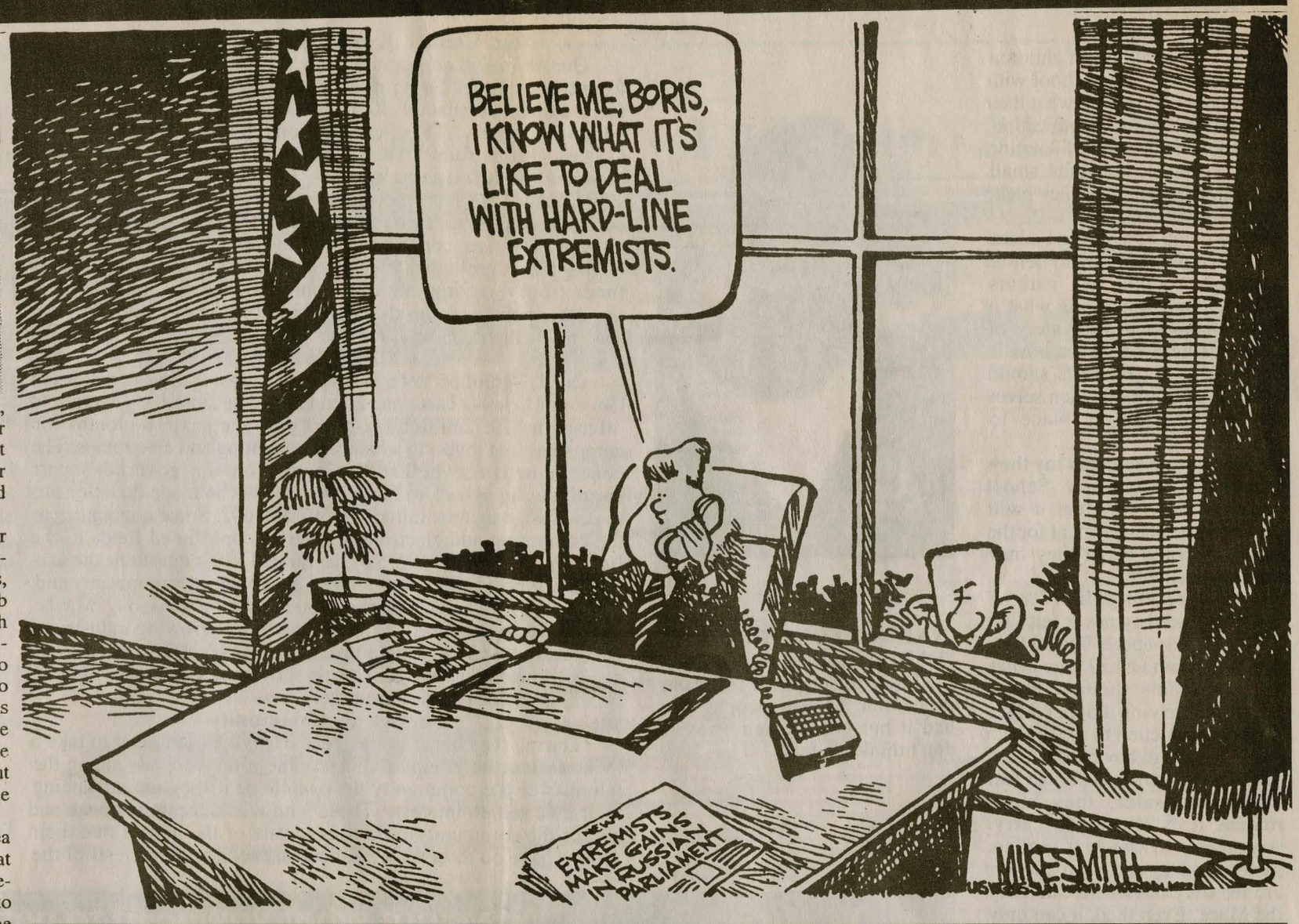
But tell this to those who try to drum up an attack on North Korea's nuclear facilities and they come up with another reason for American hysteria. Kim Il-Sung, they say, would probably sell nuclear weapons to terrorist groups that want to destroy Israel or deliver nuclear hell to buildings such as the World Trade Center in New York.

My answer is that we've seen for decades shameful and world-damaging transfers of horrible weapons, from the Soviet Union to Arab countries, from Israel to South Africa, from China to Iran and, cynically and incredibly, from the U.S. to Iran and Iraq. We probably need to worry more about nuclear weapons in the Ukraine and other pieces of the former Soviet Union falling into the hands of terrorists than we do about North Korea selling one of its crude weapons to some madman.

A military assault on North Korea would only multiply the chances that the haters of the American double-standard would intensify efforts to deliver some terrible device to some terrorists, including a few we know are among us.

Attacking North Korea would be infinitely more costly than were the wars on Iraq, Panama and Grenada combined. So it is good that U.S. leaders are using diplomacy, hoping to find that the new generation of North Koreans is smarter than the American demonizers think they are.

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Manipulating Your Way To Happiness

By Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

Let's face it! When you are honest, lovable and devoted, you receive a mild emotional "kick in the teeth." Your spouse thinks you are weak, takes you for granted and stops treating you with kindness. Your friends become less careful and considerate of your feelings. Your boss expects you to do more work than other employees. And, you generally are made to feel unhappy.

On the other hand, when you play "hard to get," act nasty and intimidating and push people around, the results are often surprisingly different. Your spouse becomes jealous and affectionate. Your friends regard you as strong and assertive. Your boss gives you a promotion for having strong leadership qualities. In general, you get the respect that you want.

The nice people usually gets abused. The manipulative person gets respected. This seems to contradict what you have been told all of your life by your parents, ministers and teachers. You were told to be honest, fair and kind. You were told to do unto others as you would have them do unto you. This was supposed to lead to friendship and happiness because people were supposed to respond to you with kindness whenever you were kind to them. But, it has led to people labeling you as weak and has, as the result, led to your unhappiness.

Most people are reluctant to admit this apparent unfortunate truth, because it seems so wrong. It seems so unfair. It seems so much against what we want to believe. But, no matter how unfair it may appear, no matter how much we want the "nice guy" world to exist, the blatant reality is simply that nice guys, in fact, do not often win! In fact, nice people usually end up as losers.

The winners in this society are (unfortunately) the manipulators of behavior, or the con men. We are not referring to evil people, bank robbers or sadists. We are not referring to people whose primary objective is to harm you in some way. We are not referring to people who have any negative intent in mind. The reference is to people who modify their behavior in order to provoke a favorable response from others. There is, normally, no desire to hurt anyone.

Are you startled by this revelation? Probably not. You realize that in order to get a pay raise from the boss you must smile, be kind and courteous, and make him think that you regard him as a nice guy (even though you may resent him).

If you want your teacher to give you a good grade, you must act as if you have studied hard and fully understand the lesson (although you may not have studied at all). If you want to be pursued by the opposite sex, you must hide all of your negative qualities and act as if you are kind, desirable, intelligent, confident and give the impression that you are pursued by many other members of the opposite sex (even if this is not true).

The point is that you are already well-schooled in the art of psychological manipulation. But, you have a less provocative name for it. Perhaps we call it psychological pragmatism, a little white lie, gentle persuasion or common sense. But, no matter what you call it, it is manipulation and playing the con game to get what you want.

TO BE EQUAL

Health Care At Top Of 1994's Agenda

By John E. Jacob

This looks to be the Year of Health Care.

The Administration's sweeping reform of the nation's health care system is now on the table, and in 1994 we can expect it to dominate public debate and Congress's schedule.

Unless Congressional gridlock intervenes, we should have a national health care bill by the end of the year, with a new, reformed system kicking in over the next several years.

It will be different, but will it be better?

That depends.

Congress could maul the President's package so it looks very different from the one he developed. Or there could be compromises that weaken some aspects or, hopefully, strengthen others.

But the President has said he will not accept any compromise that weakens the one non-negotiable aspect of his plan -- universal coverage for all Americans.

That alone makes it likely that the nation will be better served by the reformed system than by the present one that leaves 37 million people, most of them children, without health insurance.

Since health security is a major 1994 national agenda item, then protecting the health security stake of the poorest Americans has to be a major agenda item for community-based organizations.

It would be tragic if universal coverage is not complemented by universal access, and access means more than simply being covered by an insurance plan.

Access also means having doctors, clinics, and hospitals in the neighborhoods where poor people live. It means assuring preventive care for the poor and their children.

And it means one health care system serving all, not a two-tier system where the affluent get the best coverage and care, while the poor get the worst.

This equity issue takes on special significance because the high cost of a reformed health care system is supposed to be funded by, among other things, cuts in Medicaid, the program that now provides some coverage for some of the poor.

It seems every time there's a budget squeeze, at either the national or the state levels, the answer is always found in cutting Medicaid.

That answer always winds up costing the poor. Either the eligibility requirements are tightened, forcing many poor people off the Medicaid rolls, or fee schedules are cut, encouraging some doctors to refuse to treat Medicaid patients and imperiling the finances of hospitals that serve poor neighborhoods.

That can't be allowed to happen in the new health system.

The Administration's plan would enroll all Americans in health alliances that would negotiate rates and set premium payment levels for a variety of plans.

People would choose which plan they wish to join, a complex task that should be eased by provisions for community-based organizations to provide counseling services or other assistance.

It won't be easy to protect the interest of the poor in an environment dominated by heavily-bankrolled special interests. Some of those interests could gain or lose massive amounts of money depending on how the health security legislation is written.

And a President who has, rightly or wrongly, developed the reputation as a compromiser, may be tempted to accept changes to his plan that may impact the poor negatively.

But as we saw in the NAFTA vote, this President is also a fighter capable of ramming legislation he believes in through a reluctant Congress.

So the representatives of the poor must be heard, must define the key issues at stake beyond simple universality of coverage, and must pressure Congress and the President to assure equity.

Blacks Criticize Hard-Core Rap Music. . .

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as well.

This summer he stunned viewers with his debut role in the movie "Poetic Justice" with Janet Jackson. However, his true colors came out when a 20-year-old fan alleged that the singer and two of his friends raped her. As if that wasn't enough, 2 Pac was recently arraigned for the shooting of two off-duty police officers.

"I am personally outraged at the people who promote these rap artists," said Hubert Locke, a professor at the University of Washington. "These people make money from promoting bad values. In my opinion, some of the music put out today is a disgrace to Black life in America."

Some seem to believe it is not only the responsibility of the rap artist but also of the radio stations who play the music. Frank P. Barrow, who is the program director and operations manager for KRIZ and KZIZ radio stations, said he feels it is definitely up to the radio statio to use good judgment. "You have to respect your audience. In return they will respect you. You can't take a song and try to camouflage cuss words by splicing it yourself," said Barrow. "It isn't the radio station's job to edit and dissect a song just to say you're playing a particular artist."

It must be made clear that not all rap is negative. Groups such as Salt-N-Pepa, DRS, Kriss Kross, Queen Latifah and Hammer do send some positive messages through their music. Queen Latifah and Salt-N-Pepa send strong messages about respect for women and safe sex.

Other groups such as Hammer and Kriss Kross make it clear that kids need to stay in school and off the streets. These types of rap artists get the bad name along with the hard-core rappers when they are all lumped in the same category.

Although it's obvious we can't tell artists what they can record and what they can't, we can control what our youth listen to--and what we listen to. "I feel it is up to the parents, definitely," said Cemal Wright, a young rap listener. "It's up to them to teach their children values. We can't put all the blame on the artists."

Prosecutor Requests Inquest Into Death Of Antonio Jackson. . .

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CNA," McCoy told The Medium.

Mothers Against Police Harassment, a local anti-violence group, issued a statement likening the Jackson death to lynching. "We refer to this as a possible lynching because, like a lynching, private citizens took the law into their own hands, serving as arresting officer, judge, jury and possibly executioner, and it appears that his neck was constricted until he ultimately died."

According to the organization, since a chokehold for law enforcement and detention personnel was outlawed several years ago, the same should apply same should apply to private citizens and store personnel.

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Farrakhan Defends Michael Jackson

Mama Jackson, NAACP Join Defense

By William Reed, NNPA

Saying, The attack on Michael Jackson is a wicked thing," in a speech before 22,000 people in New York City, Minister Louis Farrakhan recently defended Michael Jackson against charges of alleged child molestation. And on the West Coast, Katherine Jackson and the NAACP joined the growing list of African Americans stepping forward to defend the pop superstar amid the national furor.

Pointing to a cover-up with Jackson as "scapegoat," Farrakhan lashed the media for treating Jackson with a double standard. "You don't handle your own people that way. You cover up the wickedness of your presidents. You cover up the mistresses of your presidents, and the homosexuality of your great leaders," he declared.

"You put the man up to worldwide ridicule, and he's judged as guilty. Michael Jackson is no dope fiend. But he puts his trust in the wrong people who are feeding him morphine and pain killers. Whether you like it or not, I am a defender of Black people. And when I see the world ganging up on Michael, I think it is time for us to say cut this foolishness. Leave that man alone. Stop using him for ratings points on your silly news shows," stated Farrakhan, who was joined on stage at the Jacob Javits Convention Center by Rev. Al Sharpton, singers Johnny Gill and Stephanie Mills, rapper Flavor-Flav, actor Wesley Snipes and radio personality Gary Byrd.

Farrakhan further said, "Personally, I think there's a conspiracy. You want to hang him by innuendo. You want to hang him on the basis of circumstantial evidence. You want to weaken him and make him bow down. But you will find out that there is more to Michael than what you think," Farrahkan said in his two-hour speech.

Appearing on TV's "Hard Copy," Michael's mother Katherine, and bother Jermaine, attempted to dispel what they see as erroneous notions about the reclusive superstar. Mrs. Jackson said, "Michael's appearance makes a lot of people think he's gay. But you can tell when a person is gay, sometimes you look at a person's face and you say, 'On my God, that guy is gay.' Michael is not gay," She wonders why there has not been more investigation of possible extortion by the father of the 13-year-old accuser.

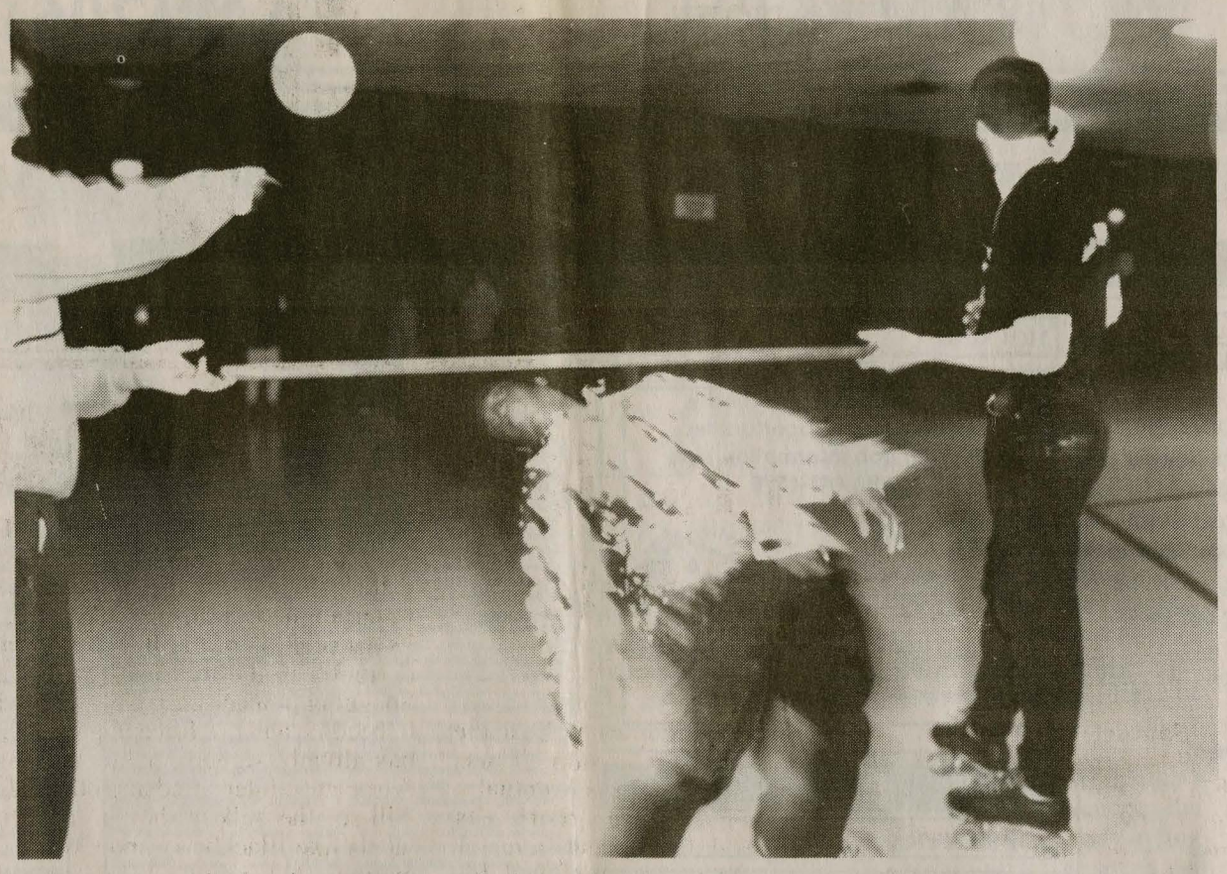
Both Mrs. Jackson and Jermaine said that kids always came by their house and stayed overnight. she said: "Kids slept at the house when he lived at home and nothing happened. We have a guest room. Kids slept in the guest room. Kids slept on the floor in his room. Michael is not the type to do anything like that."

Jermaine Jackson states that Michael, who according to Forbes magazine made $42 million last year, has been confirmed to appear with the family in Las Vegas on a television special this February. With no mention of the role sister LaToya will play in the special, Jermaine said that he still has talks with Michael and proclaimed, "He's strong. He knows that he's being strong. He has inner strength and God is with him."

Members of the Los Angeles NAACP also held a press conference to say that they too were in support of Michael Jackson. The civil rights group added its weight in lodging complaints against the media for its "mistreatment" of the superstar.

Also, in L.A., prominent Black attorney Johnnie Cochran has been brought in to bolster the Jackson defense team. Cochran has gained a level of stardom himself for his defense of the White truck driver in the L.A. riots, Reginald Denny, and TV star Todd Bridges. Lawyers for Jackson point out that the case is a civil one and no criminal charges have been made against Michael.

Hard Work Pays Off For Youngsters In Black Achievers Program



Doing the Limbo at the Skate King.



Snacks to keep the energy level up!

Hard work and achievements by young people who have joined the Black Achievers' program sponsored by the East Madison YMCA were amply rewarded recently at an exuberant roller skating party at the Bellevue Skate King. Over 120 youth, mainly sixth-twelfth graders, raced and rolled around the rink from 7-9:30 p.m. Black Achievers' volunteers and some parents joined in the fun.

Games and prizes were part of the evening's entertainment, along with a buffet table full of cheesecake, apple turnovers, double fudge cake and drinks provided by two Eastside Jack in the Box restaurants.

The Black Achievers' Program is comprised of selected employees who are sponsored by their companies. The program is designed to bring managers and executives together with young people in the African American community. They meet within a model of cluster groups which represent various interests (business, computers and mentors to name a few). When a company agrees to sponsor an employee, that employee agrees to work within a cluster for a minimum of 40 hours during the school year. The company, in turn, underwrites the employee with a $1,000 donation.

Co-chairs for the Skate King party were Deborah McDade and Ruth Easley. Easley will chair a talent show in April.

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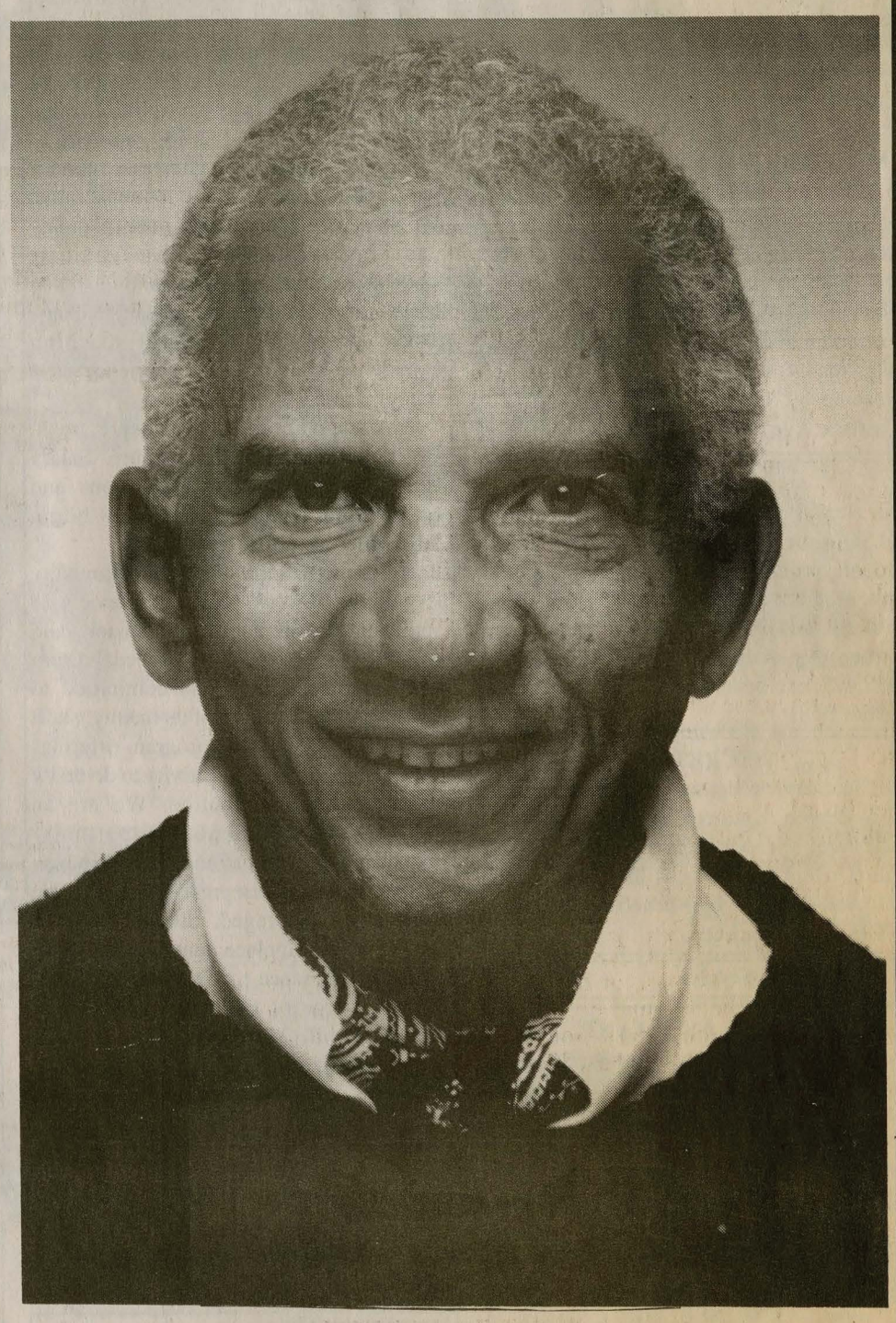
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AL FREEMAN, JR.

The Anderson Family Reunion

It was a mutual love affair as Andersons from all over the nation and The Netherlands came to Seattle for a family reunion, turning Independence Day into their version of "Reunion '93" weekend celebration.

They were royally received at Embassy Suites of Tukwila who gave them excellent service and made their stay enjoyable. Gene Coulon Park on Lake Washington was the base of operations as the Andersons enjoyed a family picnic.

Home of Good Barbecue was the able caterer as they dined on traditional delicacies such as barbecue beef, ribs, hot links, hamburgers, and chicken. The weather prevailed as they enjoyed a log fire, home-baked pies and cakes--food, fun and fellowship Anderson-style. They had their evening meals at Freedlander CCF.

In true Anderson tradition, they worshipped as a family at Cherry Hill Baptist Church and contributed a sizable donation to the church. In addition, to being together and sharing family history, the Andersons visited many local landmark areas of interest beginning with Ft. Nisqually at Pt. Defiance Park in Tacoma.

The Andersons then continued their travel on the "Supersonics' Bus" to Bremerton where they toured the battleship USS Turner Joy. They ferried across Puget Sound and enjoyed the sights and sounds of Seattle. And, of course, the Andersons enjoyed a day in Canada seeing many points of interest including the Queen Elizabeth Gardens.

Everyone enjoyed the talent displayed by family members on talent night. El Paso, Texas City Councilman, Dusty Rhodes, warmed hearts with a very dramatic reading of several chapters from the Bible.

Veronica Rhodes-Buggs sang a soulful rendition of "The Lord's Prayer." LaShauna Smith (1st runner-up to Hal Jackson's Talented Teens) danced a beautiful ballet. Poetry was read beautifully by Karen Cameron.

Lynitra Jackson sang a beautiful gospel song. Twana Rhodes and her protege' Tamara danced and sang in true Las Vegas fashion. Henry McDaniel III played the saxophone and charmed guests with his quick wit and humor.

Brian Anderson must have taken guitar lessons from his brother Stuart as he "strutted his stuff" picking a six-string guitar which had been newly purchased by Raymond Kirby.

Who can forget the booming rendition of "Lift Every Voice and Sing," sung by Brea Hill, and "It's So Hard To Say Good-bye To Yesterday" sung by Roger Filgo, Jr. and Kelvin McDaniel. Rose Filgo and Patricia Smith entertained with their beautiful voices and gospel songs. Bill McDaniel provided the music and Shanonne Kirby was an excellent mistress of ceremony.

Deacon, Dusty Rhodes rendered the invocation prior to the talent show and before they dined on shrimp canapes, Chinese egg roll with honey mustard, finger sandwiches, fruit of the season served on a mirror, honey yogurt dressing, fruit punch and coffee.

Prior to coming to the reunion in Seattle, Rebecca Rhodes retired after many years of service as "Teacher of the Year" in El Paso, Texas. Another bright light in El Paso is Councilman Dusty Rhodes who was elected this past election to the El Paso City Council.

Mrs. Charlsye Heard of Memphis, Tennessee donated $100 which will be the impetus for the Anderson Scholarship Fund.

The Seattle Reunion was dedicated in memoriam to Zelpha Anderson-McDaniel and Ester Anderson-Shelwood who could not be with them and passed away after long illnesses.

The first Anderson Reunion was the vision of Claude Anderson and brought to fruition by Bernice Anderson-Ott, Otis Anderson, Phyllis Anderson-Lovette, James Kennedy and Johnny Shelwood.

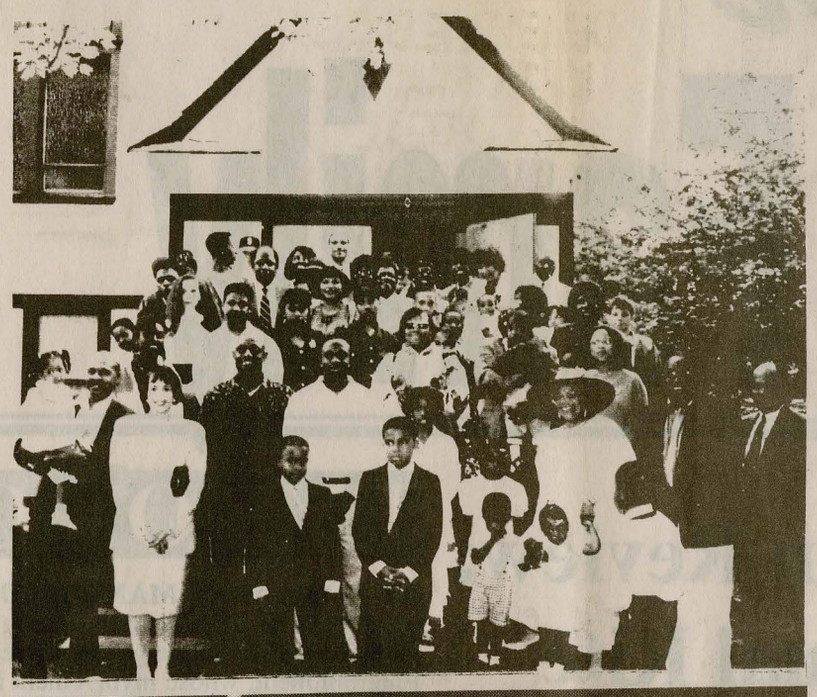
Otis Anderson has been the historian and Griot for all of the family reunions. His dedication and painstaking work is appreciated by all family members. Otis will never tell you that he is an architect, faculty member of Morehead University in Detroit, Michigan, and on the Board of Trustees of Holly Spring College in Holly Spring, Mississippi. He is too modest, says his sister Bernice Anderson-Ott.

James Kennedy, Johnny Shelwood and their family hosted the first Anderson Reunion at the University of South Alabama in Mobile, Alabama. James is the head of the Art Department at the University of South Alabama. He is also the official record-keeper of all old Anderson photographs.

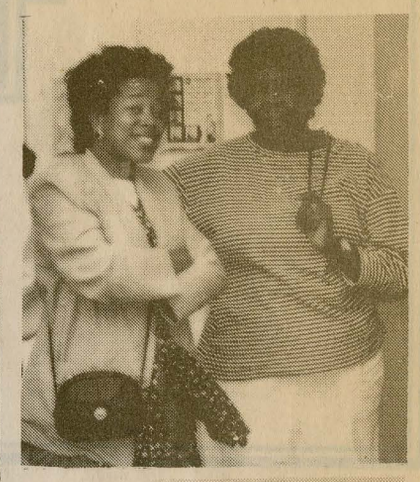
The reunion brought together family members across generations, all descendants of George Anderson, Sr. The eldest member was George Anderson of Cleveland, Ohio--80 years young, son of John Anderson. The youngest member, "Mr." Jovan Grady Wright, 3 1/2-weeks-old--great grandson of Ora Grady Allen. Furthest traveler was Twana D. Rhodes from The Netherlands. Recorded attendance was 70.

The next family reunion is scheduled for 1996 in Houston, Texas. The host will be Mrs. Veronica Rhodes-Buggs.

The committee members for the Pacific Northwest gala: Mrs. J. M. Davis, chairperson, sponsor; Mrs. Bernice Anderson-Ott, Mr. John McDaniel, Ms. Lottye Jackson, Ms. Ora D. Grady Allen, planning committee; Mr. & Mrs. Raymond and Shannone Kirby, entertainment committee; Mr. & Mrs. William and Pat McDaniel, music and table logo; Mr. & Mrs. Clarence and Patricia Smith, picnic committee; and Mrs. Otis Anderson, historian.



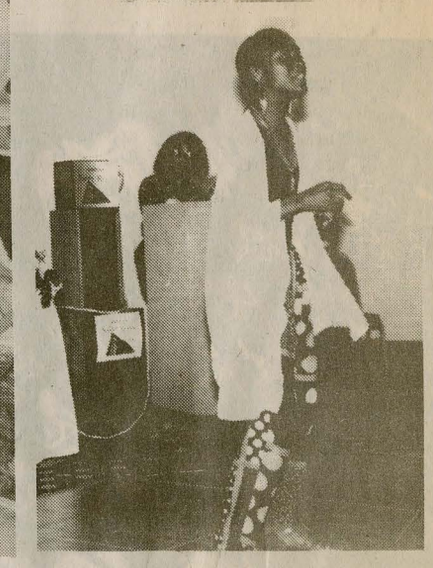




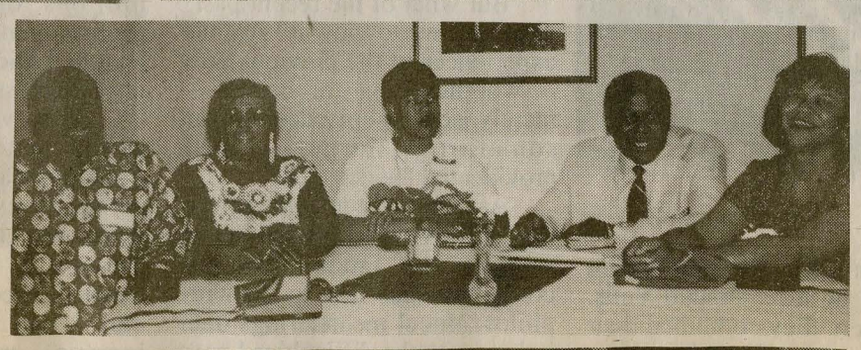








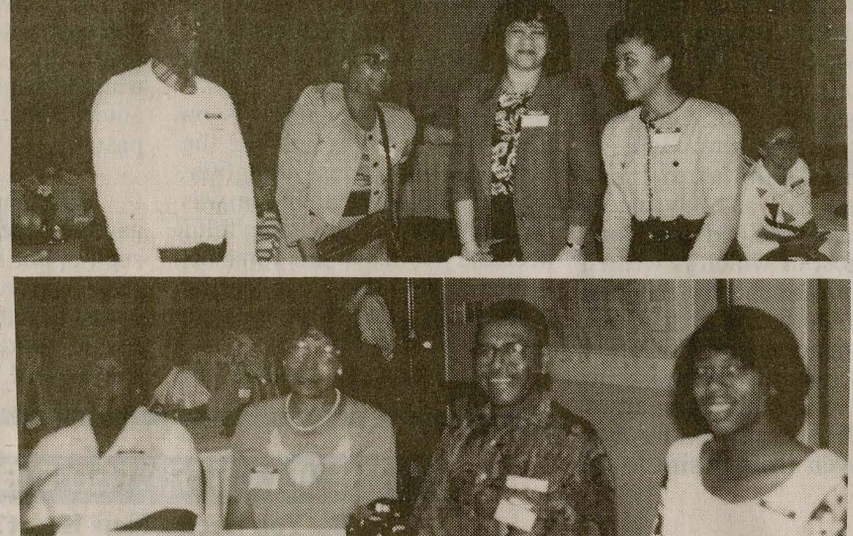




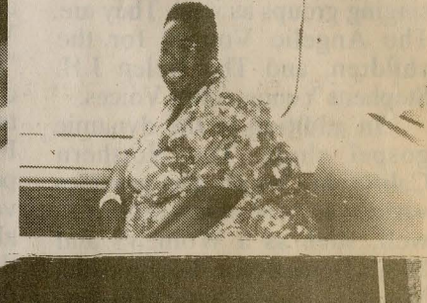


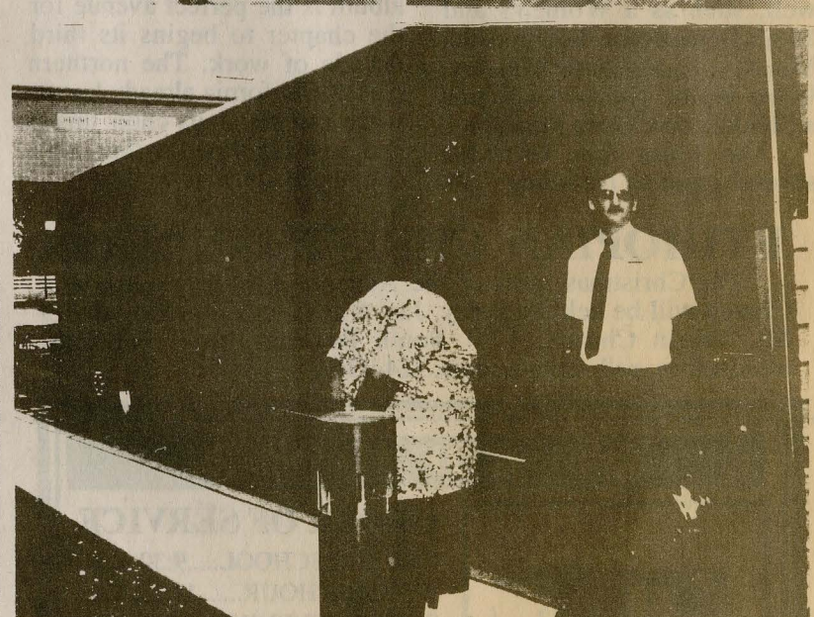


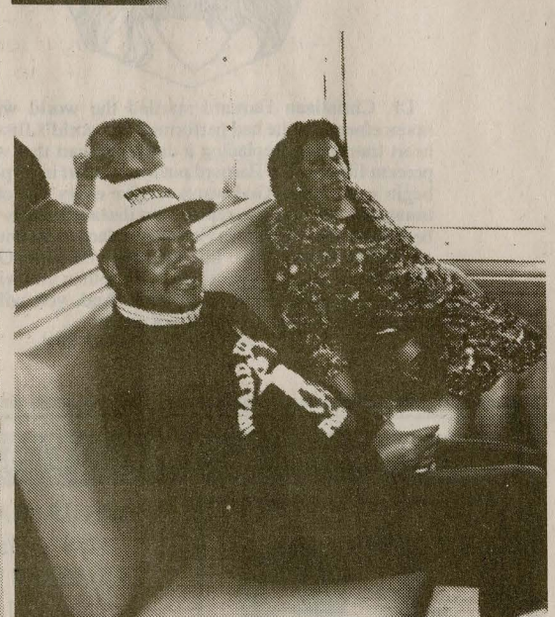








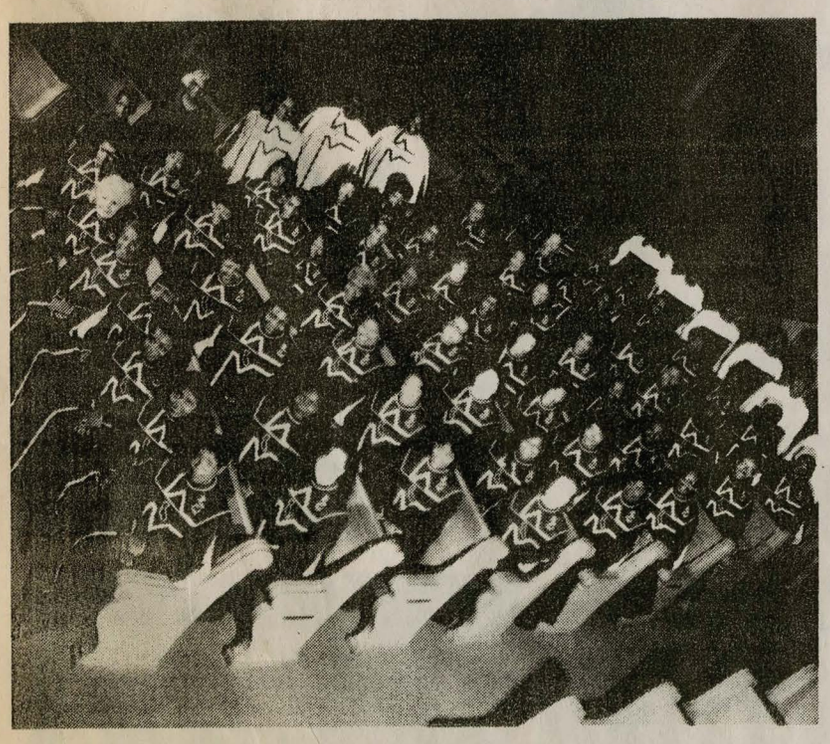




Church & Family

Wait On The Lord

Northern California Chapter Mass Choir: *A Heart Full Of Song And Service*



After attending two sessions of the nation's Gospel Music Workshop of America, of which Rev. James Cleveland was the founder and president, Helen J. H. Stephens, saw a deep need to combine the various Bay Area choirs, ensembles, and scloists under one organization. In 1970, under the leadership of Helen Stephens (a 1992 appointee to the Board of Directors of the GMWA), the Northern California Chapter was organized.

In its early stages, the chapter's membership was 200. But after much prayer, perseverance, sacrifice, and hard work, the chapter's enrollment blossomed into 5009 members. Musically they are also very dedicated. The chapter meets once per month to rehearse and to attend academic classes that consist of vocal techniques, piano, organ, percussion, evangelism in gospel music, and directing.

Rev. James Cleveland's influence of traditional gospel music led to the formation of the James Cleveland Chorus and the chapter maintains two other singing groups as well. They are: The Angelic Voices, for the children, and The Helen J.H. Stephens Young Adult Voices.

In addition to the dynamic gospel choir, The Northern California Chapter also provides various service organizations as well, such as a Women's and Men's Department, Young Adult Ministry, Evangelistic Ministry, Usher Board, Nurses Guild and a Children and Youth Ministry.

The choir has recorded several projects including "Oh, My Jesus What A Friend" which featured the Rev. Donald Vails. In addition, they combined their voices with The Southern California Chapter to record a live album. They were also very honored to perform on the "National GMWA 25th Anniversary" album.

The choir performs at least one concert per month at a variety of churches, among them -- the famous Saint Boniface Catholic Cathedral of San Francisco, California. In 1991, The Northern California Chapter celebrated its first official choir anniversary after 22 years of faithful service. They are very thankful for the way God has always been faithful to them. Their goal as a body is to continue to create and to perform music, most of which is written from within the chapter, that will enlighten the hearts of listeners as they encourage all Christians to "press towards the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" So far they have proven their desire to do just that.

Their debut album recorded at the Second Baptist Church in Vallejo, California, and entitled "Wait On The Lord", truly demonstrates what a wealth of talent is embodied in this choir. From the dynamic solo performances, to the exhilarating voices of the entire choir, this album is the perfect avenue for the chapter to begins its third decade of work. The northern part of California already knows what a tremendous choir this is and now it's time for the entire country to know as well.

The Year In Review: An Annual Rite

By Samuel K. Atchison

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God." *-Romans 8:28*

There is a saying that the more things change, the more they remain the same. Certainly this is true of the period between Christmas and New Year's when most of us give pause to reflect upon the year gone by.

Like an annual rite of winter, we take one final look at the events of the past -- savoring the joys, lamenting the sorrows -- before gazing resolutely at the year to come.

But what of the recent past? How are we to view it? Are the experiences of the previous year -- whether pleasant or not -- merely isolated episodes? Or can something larger, even providential, be detected?

As one might imagine (given my calling as a preacher), I suspect the latter. Yet my conviction has less to do with philosophical meanderings than it does with the difficulties I have experienced with day-to-day living. Allow me to explain.

As noted previously in this space, I worked for three years as an administrator in a Christian emergency shelter. Our ministry had no denominational backing and garnered little in the way of financial support. As such, the ministry's board of directors could only pay me a fraction of the income I had received during my prior employment with the State of New Jersey.

In 1990, my wife was on maternity leave following the birth of our oldest daughter, when she learned that she was about to lose her job. I then felt it necessary to leave the homeless ministry and find a position which would enable me to support my family.

Unfortunately, during the period the country was in the throes of a recession. Thus, though my wife was eventually able to obtain work as independent consultant, I remained under employed for more than two years.

Suffice it to say that I was a happy camper. Working as a clerical temporary -- with a master's degree, mind you -- was not exactly my idea of having fun.

After all, I had given up an upwardly mobile career to do God's work. Now, when I needed Him most, He seemed to have let me down. The fact that millions of other mid-level professionals were in the same boat as I, did nothing to assuage my bitterness and despair.

Yet it was during this same period that I began to write commentaries, sharing perspectives gained from my years working with the poor. Though it didn't pay much (indeed, success as a freelancer can never be measured by income), my work began to garner a following, reaching thousands of people around the country.

In addition, I was eventually offered a position as a prison chaplain. As a result, I now work with hundreds of inmates, some of them my former clients -- again as a result of my work at the shelter.

In personal terms, 1993 was the best year I have had in the previous seven. Yet, the triumphs of the present had their antecedents in the failures of the past.

As a Christian, both my faith and my experience assure me that such is not happenstance, but is rather part of God's divine order. I trust that those whose year was not so good will find this to be true as well.

EYE ON GOSPEL

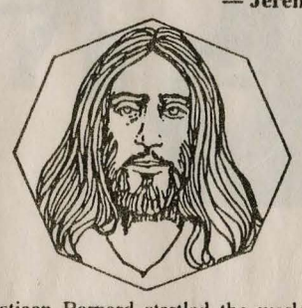
BY MARGARET MANSFIELD

Catching The Vision: Among those record labels recently getting involved in the gospel game is Georgia-based Intersound Entertainment, whose involvement in gospel had been limited to its distribution of Fix It Records, has also caught the vision and is currently in the midst of staffing a full-blown gospel division. Snagging pioneer gospel executive James Bullard, the label hopes to become a major force in gospel in 1994 and reports are the label has already signed Vickie Winans and O'Landa Draper & the Associates. Intersound and other labels wanting to get in to gospel will see the bulk of their competition from smaller, independent labels like Blackberry and Gospel Centric, -- gospel's own "little engines that could". While operating on a shoestring budget, GospoCentric, founded last year by former Sparrow executive Vicki Mack-Lataillade, has enjoyed success with two of the year's biggest releases -- Kirk Franklin (& the Family) and the Tri-City Singers. Blackberry Records, a small, independent label founded by the Williams Brothers (Doug and Melvin), just three years ago, was on the verge of collapse earlier this year when Spectra went belly up in what was one of the year's biggest stories. Now, distributed by Malaco Records, it is thriving with a top ten release and three additional charted singles (among them, their own "Best Of & More Live" release). In their stories is reflected a solidification from within the unfolding gospel/church marketing base as efforts to tap the growing church marketplace are paying off. So too, is the trend toward combining resources and becoming more politically savvy. Such is the thinking that has ignited the "Year of Gospel" campaign, the purpose behind which is to broaden the awareness of gospel music and its potential. A joint resolution was made in Congress on November 19, designating 1994 - the year of gospel music. Congress and the president are being asked to proclaim 1994 as "the year of gospel music". The year-long campaign, kicking off earlier this month in both Los Angeles and Nashville has already served to unite the United Gospel Industry Council and the Gospel Music Association in a joint goal. This, in itself, is indicative of the strides being made in the industry. Over the next 12 months, the thrust of the campaign is expected to push sales of this genre to as high as the one billion dollar mark. Numerous events include a Disney World gospel spectacular, the nationally-televised 25th Anniversary Dove Awards and a South African music jubilee slated for Johannesburg. The Los Angeles press conference also provided a forum for Motown Records to announce its launch into gospel with a release and subsequent TV special featuring legendary and contemporary artists paying tribute to gospel. And while gospel is thrilled with the attention, this movement seeks no validation from the mainstream record community, hoping instead to follow the path of its country music cousins. Sure enough, if gospel handlers have their way, all eyes will be focused on gospel during the coming year. Of course, the biggest challenge remains as always, the opportunity to show its full range, shirking the often one-sided perception of those who shreak, "gospel!". (And believe me, it ain't like you thought it was')... **This week's scripture: "Make every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace", -- Ephesians 4:3.**

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"I will set my law within them and write it on their hearts; I will become their God and they shall become my people."
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Horn Of African

Lutherans To Join Local Ethiopians In Celebrating Christmas

The public is invited to participate in a celebration of Christmas with local Lutheran church members, Eritreans and Ethiopians on Saturday, Jan. 8, beginning with a concert at 4 p.m. A potluck dinner will be served after the concert. The multicultural event will be held at Luther Memorial Church, 13047 Greenwood Avenue N., Seattle.

The event is sponsored by the Campaign Synod Committee of the Northwest Washington Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America as a way to promote understanding between Christmas of different cultures.

An early January date was chosen to honor the date Christmas is celebrated in the Horn of Africa. The concert will feature traditional American Christmas carols for everyone to sing, a handbell choir and Ethiopian music.

The event is free, but donations will be accepted and used to pay the salaries of two Ethiopian pastors working in northern Ethiopia.

For more information, call Fred or Yvonne Robbins, 365-4996, or Margaret Culbertson, 337-3380.

ETHIOPIAN CHRISTMAS MASS

The Christmas mass of the Amanuel Ethiopian Orthodox Church will be held Saturday, Jan. 8 at 10 p.m. at Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Church, 1531 South Bradner Place. For more information, call Abba Haddis, 324-3362.

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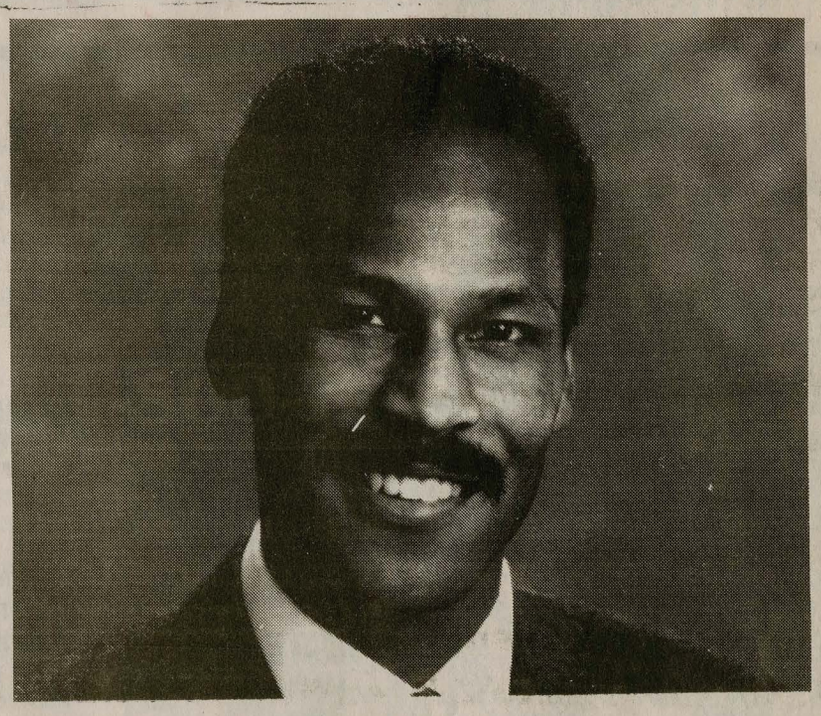


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Business

Entrepreneurial Training Program Receives $2,000 From Loan Officer



The Inner City Entrepreneurial Training Program, a program that assists low-income Seattle residents who want to open small businesses, has recently recognized Kirby Felder, a mortgage loan officer in the Mountlake Terrace Mortgage Branch of Continental Mortgage Company, for his recent contribution of more than $2,000 in education materials and books, according to Zachary K. Bruce, coordinator of the training program.

"These materials cover a wide range of subjects that will be useful in helping entrepreneurs operate their own businesses," says Bruce. "We appreciate donations such as this and, of course, are interested in receiving other donations that will help entrepreneurs open or manage a business." He adds that the materials will be placed in a business resource center, scheduled to open next March in the annex of the New Hope Church, located at 114-21st Ave. in Seattle.

The Inner City Entrepreneurial Training Program, which is sponsored by the Black Dollar Days Task Force of Seattle, was officially launched in 1991, although educational programs for small business owners had been supported in the past by the task force. The training program was recognized as one of 10 outstanding programs being developed in the United States by the National Association of Counties.

Before joining Continental as a mortgge loan officer, Felder spent more than five years in international trade and marketing. "The Inner City Entrepreneurial Training Program fills an important need in the community, providing valuable resources to small business owners who in turn provide more jobs in the community," says Felder. "And this supports more housing."

For more information about the Inner City Entrepreneurial Training Program, call Billie Burns at 323-0534.

To find out more about home loan programs, call Kirby Felder at the Mountlake Terrace Branch of Continental Mortgage Company, 771-2500. Continental Mortgage Company, a Seattle-based company founded in 1921, operates 16 residential lending offices and offers a variety of home loan programs, including a number that are geared toward first-time home buyers and households with low and moderate income.

Prominent African American Judges To Speak AT Urban People's Law School

Two prominent African American judges and a superior court commissioner will speak at the Urban People's Law School to be held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 11 and 18. Judge Charles V. Johnson, the presiding judge of the King County Superior Court, together with several noted Seattle lawyers, will speak about personal injury claims on Jan. 18, and Judge LeRoy McCullough will speak about criminal law on Jan. 11. Court Commissioner Bonnie Canada Thurston will speak on the topic of family law on Jan. 25. Presentations on business law will conclude the People's Law School on Feb. 1.

1/18/94	Christian Life Fellowship Center 1123 - 23rd Avenue	• Personal Injury—What Should You Do If You Believe You Have A Claim For Injuries? • Benefits For Workers' Compensation, Social Security, Unemployment, And Other Entitlements
1/25/94	Emerald City Bible Fellowship (Location to be announced)	• Family Law Issues—How To Protect Yourself, Your Children, And Your Assets
2/01/94	Emerald City Bible Fellowship (Location to be announced)	• Business And Employment Law—What The Small Business Person Needs To Know About The Law. • Your Legal Rights As An Employee

Judge Johnson has been a judge for almost 25 years. For many years he has been the presiding judge for all 46 superior court judges and all seven commissioners King County. He assigns cases to other judges, speaks publicly for the court, and manages the thousands of cases filed in King County Superior Court every year. The size of Judge Johnson's job is shown by the enormous number of cases filed each year in King County Superior Court -- in 1992, 64,000 cases.

Under his capable management, the court has streamlined its procedures, taken a strong role in managing the lawyers who appear before the court, and greatly reduced the delay in bringing a case to trial in King County.

Judge Johnson's leadership has been nationally recognized by the award of the 1991 Distinguished Service Award from the National Center for State Courts. The lawyers of Seattle and King County have honored him through the Seattle King County Bar Association's 1991 Outstanding Judge Award. Judge Johnson was not only selected by his fellow judges to preside over the King County Superior Court judges, he was elected president of the American Judges Association, an organization of some 1,600 judges.

Judge Johnson has served the community not only as a judge, but in many other important ways as well. He is a member of the National Board of Directors of the NAACP, where he served for more than 10 years as vice chairman of the Board Committee on Branches and Chairman of the NAACP's National Legal Committee. He is a past president of the Seattle Branch and the Northwest Area Conference of NAACP.

Judge Johnson was one of the organizers of the Seattle Model Cities Program and was chairman of its Citizens Advisory Council for five years. He has served as vice president of the National Council YMCA and chairman of the Board of Directors of the Seattle Metropolitan YMCA. He is a past president of the American Judges Association, an organization of some 1,600 judges. He is a former trustee in the First AME Church. Judge Johnson has served on numerous local and national boards and committees. Judge Johnson is married and has three children.

Judge LeRoy McCullough has served as a superior court judge for four years. He has presided over numerous major trials, including murder, rape, drug offenses, and homicide, as well as a variety of civil cases such as divorce, contract, and personal injury cases. Judge McCullough serves on committees of the statewide Superior Court Judges' Association, including committees on Judicial Education and Institutions. His committee work requires him to evaluate prisons, youth centers, Western State Hospital, and other institutions. Before becoming a judge, he served as hearing examiner for the City of Seattle, supervising reviews of such major projects as the Washington State Convention and Trade Center and the West Point Treatment Facility. Judge McCullough also has served as an assistant attorney general, representing the state in child abuse and child welfare cases. He is married and has two sons.

The People's Law School, co-sponsored by six Central Area and Rainier Valley churches and the Washington State Trial Lawyers Association, presents a rare opportunity to hear prominent judges and lawyers describe how the law touches your life. The cost is $5 for any one session, or $15 for all four January sessions.

The Urban People's Law School will be held 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. on the following dates, in the following locations:

To register for the Urban People's Law School, send $15 to Urban People's Law School, 1809 - 7th Avenue, Suite 909, WA 98101-1316. For additional information, call Melissa Marsh (WSTLA) at 464-1011.

Insurance Commissioner Rejects 150 Premium Hikes

OLYMPIA -- State Insurance Commissioner Deborah Senn says her office will hold insurance companies' feet to the fire if they can't prove their rate increase requests are justifiable.

Since Sept. 1, 1993, Commissioner Senn's office has rejected 150 rate increase requests by at least 15 health insurers. The increases ranged from 0.3 percent to 52 percent.

"We are not doing this because of some new regulation. We are simply enforcing the laws already on the books, laws that were not enforced by my predecessor," said Commissioner Senn.

Commissioner Senn says health insurers often fail to provide even the minimal data to justify a rate increase request. Last March, two months after she took office, Commissioner Senn issued a bulletin alerting insurers that their rate filings would be analyzed more closely in the future. Commissioner Senn says that bulletin also laid out the kind of information insurers should use when submitting their rate requests.

"We know that the inflation rate for administrative costs has not risen nearly as high as the inflation rate for medical claims costs. That's why we want health insurers to provide us with data that show exactly where and how the increase is needed," said Commissioner Senn.

Commissioner Senn said some insurers are citing health-care reform as a reason for their rate requests. According to Commissioner Senn, quite the opposite is true.

"What we're finding, in fact, is that the market forces are responding to health care reform in a much more cost-effective way, such as reductions in hospital says, reductions in doctor visits, a change in provider habits and more emphasis on wellness," said Commissioner Senn.

Commissioner Senn said health insurers will be allowed to resubmit the rate increase along with supporting documentation.

7 POLICE AGENCY DRUG SEIZURE AUCTION



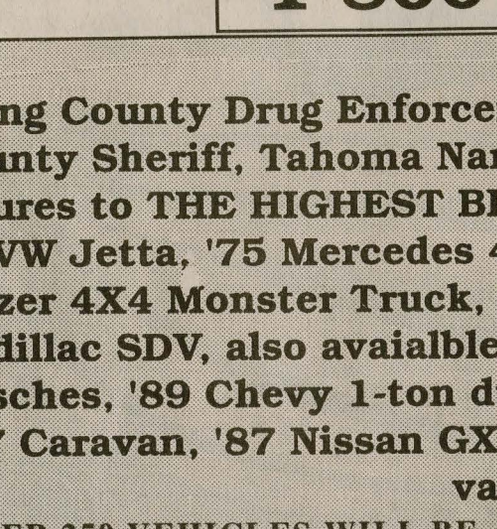
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1993-94 NBA STANDINGS

WESTERN CONFERENCE

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	Home	Away	Conf.
Seattle	**22**	**3**	**.880**	**--**	**13-1**	**9-2**	**13-2**
Phoenix	21	5	.808	1 1/2	14-1	7-4	12-3
Portland	17	12	.586	7	11-5	6-7	10-7
Golden State	14	13	.519	9	6-8	8-5	10-9
LA Clippers	11	16	.407	12	8-8	3-8	5-12
Sacramento	9	19	.321	14 1/2	6-8	3-11	4-8
LA Lakers	9	20	.310	15	4-8	5-12	5-11

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	Home	Away	Conf.
Houston	24	4	.857	--	10-1	14-3	13-3
Utah	21	8	.724	3 1/2	12-2	9-6	9-5
San Antonio	19	11	.633	6	11-4	8-7	9-7
Denver	14	14	.500	10	10-3	4-11	11-9
Minnesota	8	20	.286	16	3-11	5-9	6-15
Dallas	2	25	.074	21 1/2	0-13	2-12	2-18

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	Home	Away	Conf.
New York	18	8	.692	--	11-4	7-4	11-4
Orlando	16	12	.571	3	9-4	7-8	9-8
Miami	13	13	.500	5	7-9	6-4	10-7
New Jersey	12	16	.429	7	8-6	4-10	8-9
Boston	12	18	.400	8	7-8	5-10	9-14
Philadelphia	11	17	.393	8	6-8	5-9	6-10
Washington	8	20	.286	11	5-8	3-12	7-11

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	Home	Away	Conf.
Atlanta	19	7	.731	--	11-1	8-6	14-4
Chicago	18	9	.667	1 1/2	10-2	8-7	12-4
Charlotte	17	12	.586	3 1/2	12-2	5-10	13-8
Cleveland	12	15	.444	7 1/2	10-5	2-10	6-10
Indiana	10	16	.385	9	5-7	5-9	7-8
Detroit	8	20	.286	12	5-11	3-9	5-13
Milwaukee	8	20	.286	12	3-9	5-11	4-11

Chieftains Capture Title Of Pacific University Christmas Classic

Mychal Brown (6-0, Jr./Kent, Wa) scored 17 points to lead four Seattle University players in double figures as the Chieftains captured the title of the Pacific University Christmas Classic with a 63-54 victory over host Pacific (OR).

The Chieftains pulled away from a 36-36 tie early in the second half to take a 51-40 advantage with 10 minutes left. Pacific was unable to get any closer than seven the rest of the way.

Jared Robinson and Hugh Stephens added 11 points and Kenny Bush 10 as Seattle University won it third straight and improved to 8-5 on the year. Robinson was named the tournaments most valuable player.

Goeff Vernon led Pacific (3-5) with 19 points.

Upcoming Sonics Schedule:

January 5
@ LA Clippers
(KSTW 11, 7:30)
January 7
VS. Sacremento (7:00)
January 8
VS. Utah (7:00)
January 11
@ Portland (PSN, 7:30)



Helping Out. The Breakfast Group, an organization of African American business and professional men with a basic goal of being involved in programs and activities to enhance the quality of life in the African American community, lived up to that goal recently by obtaining, repairing, wrapping and delivering 1,000 toys to various community associations throughout the city.

Organizations benefiting from the toy distribution included Camp, Central Youth and Family Services, Employment Opportunity Center, Jackson Heights Community Center, Mount Zion Baptist Church, Neighborhood House, North Seattle Boys and Girls Club, Rainier Vista Boys and Girls Club, Rotary Boys and Girls Club, and Yesler Community Center. Shown in the photo are Breakfast Group members and friends preparing toys for delivery to various community organizations.

If you would like to report scores and updates of your favorite teams (Little league, High School, College, ETC... Please call our Sports Department at 323-3070. Or Write us at: 2600 S. Jackson, Seattle, Wa 98144

Sonics Tops In NBA At 22-3

By C. Bernard Bennett
Staff Writer

The Seattle Supersonics are off to their best start ever, at 22-3. The last time that the Sonics had the best record in the NBA this far into the season (25 games) was during their 1978-79 championship season, when the Sonics were 19-6 after 25 games. The 1978-79 team finished the regular season with a 52-30 mark, and the rest was history as they won the NBA Championship four games to one over the Washington Bullets

The Sonics 22-3 record also marks the best record the club has ever had after the beginning of a new year (January 1), the previous best of 23-8 was set by the 1982-83 squad which started off the season with an 12-0 mark. That year the Sonics finished with a 48-34 record and were swept in the first round of the playoffs by the Portland Trailblazers (2-0).

The Sonics have been able to put together the league's best record to date by playing great defense, and by virtue of not having to rely on anyone player every night. The Sonics force opponents into committing a league high 21.9 turnovers per game, while they are also on a record pace for steals by a team in a single season. The Sonics had 310 steals in their first 23 games, an average of 13.48 per game. The 1977-78 Phoenix Suns hold the NBA record with 1,059 steals, averaging 12.9 per game. The Sonics Nate McMillan is the league leader in steals with 3.48 per game, while his partner in crime Gary Payton is eighth with 2.26 steals per game. McMillan is on pace to record 285 steals this season, which will break the all-time Sonics record held by Slick Watts (261), and place him third on the NBA's all-time single season list (Alvin Robertson hold's the league record with 301, 1985-86).

The Sonics claimed the leagues best record with a convincing win over Houston last week, at home. "I think people were starting to doubt us." said Sonic co-captain Nate McMillan, after the win over Houston. "We needed to beat these guys" said McMillan alluding to the fact that many people thought that the Sonics hadn't really beat any quality teams.



Sonic Guard Ricky "Big Money Daddy" Pierce has been a very effective and efficient scorer for the Sonics. Pierce is averaging over one point per minute played, and continues to be terrific as the Sonics "go-to guy" down the stretch of tough ball games.

The Sonics might have the best record in the NBA as of right now, but they haven't let all their success this season go to their heads. "As far as I'm concerned Phoenix is still the team to beat, and until we prove ourselves and win our division, all this talk about being top dog doesn't really make any difference" Said McMillan.

Last week the Sonics had two wins and no losses, as the defeated the Houston Rockets and the Los Angeles Lakers. Here's a recap of last weeks games:

Seattle 112, Houston 97

Hakeem Olajuwon and the Houston Rockets came to town, in a clash between the teams with the top two records in the NBA. Michael Cage started in place of Shawn Kemp, who did not start because he was suffering from the flu, and got the Sonics off to a 4-0 start as he made an 18 foot jump shot and got a dunk on the Sonics first two possessions. The Sonics raced out to a 30-19 first quarter lead as they shot 52 percent from the field. during. The Sonics extended their lead to 66-42 at the half as they got 14 second quarter points from Ricky Pierce, and 12 from Shawn Kemp.

But the Rockets answered back in the third quarter as the held the Sonics two 35 percent shooting from the field, as the Rockets front-line of Olajuwon, Horry, and Thorpe went to work on the inside, and cut the Sonics (who had led by as many as 30 points) lead to 8 going into the final period.

During the final quarter Olajuwon hit a 12 foot jump shot to bring the Rockets within three points, at 84-81. But then Ricky Pierce hit a 15 foot jump shot to ignite a 9-0 Sonic run, that was capped off by a Gary Payton three-point shot with time running off the shot clock to give

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Monday, January 10
Auburn
Auburn High School Library
800 Fourth St. N.E.

Tuesday, January 11
Puyallup
Kalles Junior High School Cafeteria
515 Third St. S.E.

Wednesday, January 12
Kent
Kent Public Library
212 Second Ave. N.

Sumner
City Council Chambers
1104 Maple St.

Thursday, January 13
Tukwila
(Open house begins at 6:30 p.m.)
City Council Chambers
6200 Southcenter Blvd.

Wednesday, January 19
Renton
Renton Senior Center
211 Burnett Ave. N.

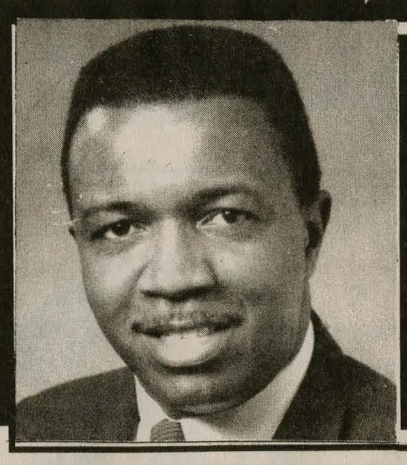
Tacoma
Tacoma Public Library
1102 Tacoma Ave. S.

Tuesday, January 25
Seattle*
Bush Asia Center
409 Maynard Ave. S.

Except where noted, all open houses will be from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

* Held in conjunction with City of Seattle's Intermodal Terminal Scoping.

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DETAILS PAGE 7/B

URBAN CONTEMPORARY

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Blacks Jailed After Demonstration Against Record Store To Ban Negative Gangsta Rap Records

NATIONAL DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED

WASHINGTON-- Demonstrators at a National Political Congress of Black Women's protest against a local record store that sells the most negative gangsta rap and misogynist music, were arrested over the holiday in the first of what the group's leaders say will be a series of national demonstrations to ban the sale of negative gangsta rap and misogynist music.

There arrests followed an NPCBW press conference to announce the group's withdrawal of economic support and direct action against the record chain store The Wiz, and Senator Carol Moseley-Braun's decision to hold hearings on negative gangsta rap early this year.

Those arrested included NPCBW national chair Dr. C. Delores Tucker, Dick Gregory, former D.C. Councilmember Nadine Winter, and radio talk show host/NAACP board member Joe Madison.

"We want to make this perfectly clear -- NPCBW is not against the rappers, not the positive rappers, but is against negative gangsta rap and misogynist lyrics that promote and glorify violence through guns, knives, and drugs and degrades and denigrates women," said Tucker.

"The graphic enclosure in Snoop Doggy Dogg's album is nothing more than hard-core porn which is being sold to our children. It is our moral responsibility to halt the sale of this rap pornography. It teaches our children to rape, kill, and do acts of violence against their people. This misogynist rap further dehumanizes and disrespects all African American women by calling us bitches and ho's," said Dr. Tucker.

"Today is the winder solstice, the darkest day of the year," said Gregory. "At 3:26 p.m., fall leaves and wintertime begins. This is not going to be a cute walk. We intend to interfere with the normal flow of commerce -- That's what this is all about. I can't think of a better day to do this."

"I have a 14-year-old son who felt that jail is better than his middle-class home," said Madison. "That idea came to him from listening to negative gangsta rap music, that teaches that bad is good. That music only carries a message of destruction and hate. It is programming the minds of young Black women and young Black men to keep us down and out. Worse yet, more than anything else it degrades someone I honor more than my life -- the Black woman!"

Former Senator Clarence Mitchell, chair of the Center for the Study of the Harassment of African Americans, also addressed the crowd. His son represented him at the press conference. "I join with you and stand behind you. These efforts to destroy our young people must be resisted," he said. "If White folks had killed as many Black folks in D.C. as we have, we would have been rioting."

Internationally respected psychiatrist Dr. Frances Welsing, a guest in the audience, gave a brief perspective on the matter.

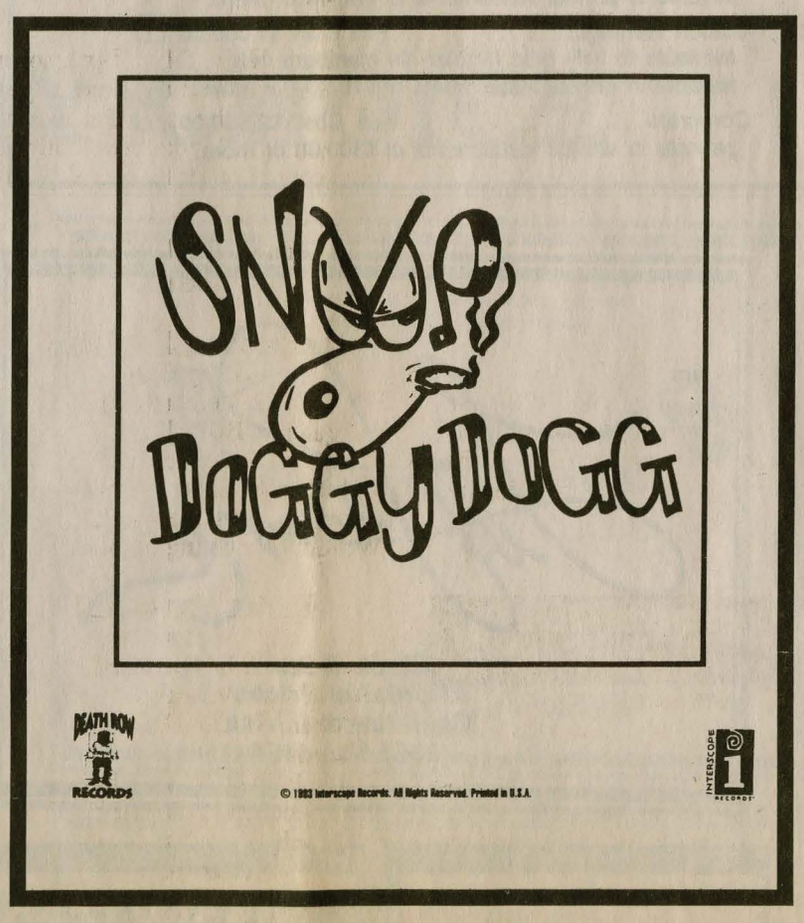
"When I graduated from college, my parents asked me what I wanted for a graduation present. I told them that I wanted a trip to Germany," the eminent psychiatrist said. "I wanted to find out how they could participate in the destruction of their (Jewish) neighbors.

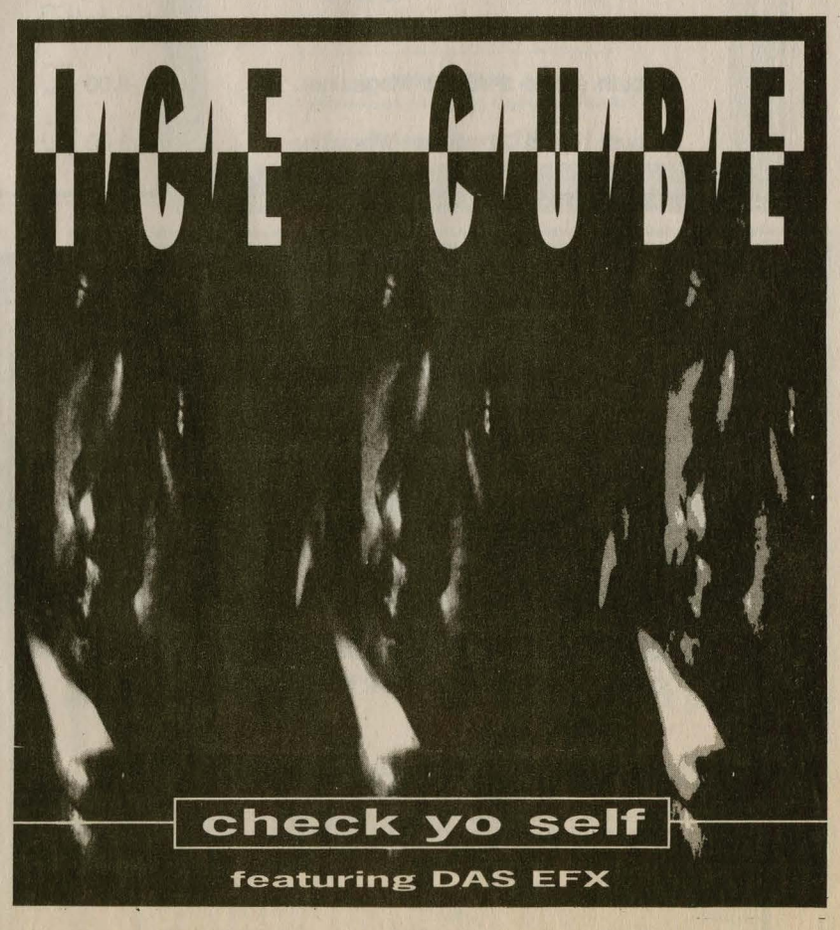
"(The Holocast) happened because of racism and Anti-semitism. The Nazis used the media to portray Jewish people in a negative light. What was done to the Jewish people then is being done to us now, and those negative images including the images you see here today (the enlarged enclosure in Snoop Doggy Dogg's album) are going by satellite all over the globe and will be used to justify the disrespect and destruction of Black people."

A coalition of NPCBW members and community leaders then marched from the Grand Hyatt Hotel to The Wiz located at 1115 F Street, N.W., in downtown Washington where several were arrested.

Dr. Tucker, Gregory, Madison, former D.C. City Councilmember Nadine Winter, and Pastor Bishop Thorpe of Solid Rock Church in Washington, D.C. were arrested. Dr. Tucker, Winter, and Bishop Thorpe were later released. Gregory and Madison spent the night in jail.

RADIOSCOPE





Whitney Houston's The Hit of the 1993 Billboard Awards: It was Whitney Houston's night at the 1993 Billboard Music Awards. The songstress walked away with 11 awards, which wasn't surprising. Houston topped the Billboard charts with her hit song, "I Will Always Love You", which holds the record as the single staying the most weeks in the number one slot.

Some of the bigger surprises were backstage. Artist/producer Teddy Riley revealed that his record company has closed shop. To that he added, "I'm not exclusive to MCA anymore.

Also backstage was Snoop Doggy Dog with his mentor Dr. Dre. Snoop, who's been charged with murder wanted to thank the media for publicizing his recent case so heavily. He believes all hype added to the success of his debut album. The former gangster and convicted drug dealer seems to think of himself as a role model. And he believes it's okay that young people look up to him. In short, he says giving them the knowledge that they can turn their lives around (through his rap career, that is).

Needless to say, controversial acts were big at Billboard this year. Jodeci, who've been accused of sexual assault, steered clear of the issue. "Living Single" co-star Kim Fields also wasn't too keen on giving a straight answer. When asked if she and castmate John Henton--the guy who plays Overton--were an item, she danced around the issue stating that "the entire cast were very good friends."

Rounding out the awards, rapper/producer Dr. Dre took home three awards. Vanessa Williams and Brian McKnight took home a joint award for their single "Love Is". Other winners included Illegal, Robin S. and RuPaul.

From the PP&T (People, Places & Things) File: Rapper Ice Cube took some good into the hood on his recent visit to Locke High School in South Central Los Angeles. Ice Cube answered students questions about himself and his career. But his main focus was to instill a sense of self-love and community pride into the students. One issue he tackled was that of gangs, stating that "being destructive killers ain't where it's at." Instead, Cube emphasized the importance of a college education--and bringing that knowledge back into the inner cities. Cube also encouraged students not to follow the leads of gangster rappers who glorify violent, drugged-up lifestyles. Despite the testimonial, Cube didn't leave before offering his support for rappers Tupac Shakur, Snoop Doggy Dog and Flavor Flav, all of whom have recently been charged with crimes. Cube's high school visit kicked off a promotional tour for this current album, "Lethal Injection".

While Ice Cube is giving teens something to think about, singer Deneice Williams is giving the little ones something to sleep on. The entertainer recently published "Lullabies To Dreamland", a companion book to her 1991 children's album. As the mother of four sons, aged 2 to 22, it's not surprising that the project was inspired by her children. "I wanted to do something for the children. Something they could take comfort in." Since her six-year hiatus from secular music, Williams has enjoyed a lucrative gospel career. She continues to travel and perform both gospel and R&B, for private audiences as well as concert crowds. But fans who've enjoyed her R&B hits such as "Silly", "Black Butterfly" and "Let's Hear It For The Boy" can relish in the fact that she's coming back to the R&B circuit as early as this year. Williams is presently at work on another children's book. She's also trying to market a doll.

Prince is giving kudos to Full Force for songs they've written and produced for her newest Paisley Park artist, Tyler Collins. He will also be producing the LP for release early next year. In the meantime we hope the Purple One found his holiday squeeze. He took out ads in several papers earlier this month looking for a lovely lady to spend the holidays with. He asked for videos an photographs. And he reserved the right to do whatever he pleases with the submissions.

During a party celebrating the TV talkers 500th show, Montel Williams made a tearful plea for media to leave his wife Grace alone. Grace doesn't seem to mind the press harping on her past as an exotic dancer. She just says the stories that are untrue are the ones that hurt.

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BEHIND THE SCENES

BY LISA COLLINS

A Princely Feud: Look like no lawsuit has yet been filed, but actress Janet Hubert-Whitten is still threatening that if former castmate With Smith doesn't stop had mouthing her around town, she will indeed file one. Seeds of discord between the former co-workers took root long before Janet was released from her contract with "The Fresh Prince" earlier with year. The two have publicly disagreed on decisions relative to the show. Nor did she approve of some of their behavior on the set, citing "fart jokes and profanity" as particularly offensive. Atlas, the long-running feud hit fever pitch when Hubert-Whitten got pregnant and had to make some adjustments. Smith had publicly stated that he felt she'd forgotten just who's show it was. For the moment, the actress most recently completed work in "New Eden" a sci-fi TV movie. Meanwhile, Will Smith's just received a Golden Globe nomination his work on the "Fresh Prince of Bel Air". Others receiving Golden Globe nods include Rosie Perez (Supporting actress -- "Fearless") and Angela Bassett (Actress, musical/comedy -- "What's Love Got To Do With

Something To Say: Camille Cosby (wife of superstar and entrepreneur Bill Cosby) recently announced her acquisition of both film and stage rights to the bestseller "Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years". Cosby plans to bring the story of Sarah Delany (now 104 years old) and A. Elizabeth Delany (who's 102), to the stage or big screen. (At the time of this writing, the book was number six on the New York Times bestseller list). The story and illustrations accomplishments as Black professionals. Elizabeth Delany was the second Black woman licensed in New York to practice dentistry, while Sarah was the first Black to teach domestic science on the high school level in New York City.

Onto The Silver Screen: A star-studded gathering turned out for the premiere of "Philadelphia" recently in Los Angeles. Film stars Tom Hanks and Denzel Washington (and their wives) were all smiles as those like Eddie and Nicole Murphy, Tom Danson and Bruce Springsteen praised the movie and their parts in it... **Kid 'N Play return** to the silver screen January 14 with "House Party 3". In this installment, Kid decides to get married. (In real life it is "Play" -- Christopher Martin -- who is planning to jump the broom with "All My Children" regular Sherri Headley). "This story" says Play, "takes their friendship to a level that requires them to do some soul searching." Co-starring cameos are members of the female rap unit, TLP.

On Responsibility: As Tupac Shakur entered a New York courtroom for the start of his sodomy trial, he told reporters, "I really want to thank you from the bottom of my heart. I appreciate your destroying everything I've worked for in the past 22 years in just one week. "Shakur went to to say that he's exhausted his resources (financially, that is) on the many legal battles that have befallen him since a string of arrests for charges of him slapping a woman for asking him for his autograph to shooting at and wounding two off-duty Atlanta police officers. He can thank only himself for the behavior that led up to the arrests. The media only served to shed light on his legal woes. Of course, that was all after the fact.

Everybody's making a big deal about the recent plunge in ratings Oprah Winfrey suffered after the November sweeps. They're blaming the show's recent change in focus. But in spite of the fact that it took the biggest plunge, Oprah remains the nation's most-watched talk show. Les Brown, another big ratings casualty was recently cancelled... **By the way:** Among the music legends to be honored with stamps in 1994 are Nat King Cole, Bessie Smith, Billie Holiday and Ethel Waters... And congratulations to Natalie Cole who will sing the National Anthem at the Super Bowl, January 30.... **Next week: A look at what '94 will bring some top stars.**

ENTERTAINMENT

Look Out Gangsta Rappers!

You Done Got Mamma Mad

By Chester Higgins, Sr.

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Uh! Oh! Snoop Doggy Dogg, Ice-T, Niggaz With Attitudes! You done gone and got Momma mad!

And anybody with smarts knows you should never get her started!

In a crowded Russell Senate Building, the National Political Congress of Black Women and its Entertainment Commission formally declared war on Gangsta Rap and its filthy, misogyny lyrics.

Dr. C. Delores Tucker, who chairs the organization, flatly declared that this music is simply "not acceptable" to America's Black women and other decent Americans.

She called it "pornography," pure and simple and introduced a Baker's dozen of national Black organization leaders, including representatives of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the National Newspaper Publishers Association, the National Association of Black-Owned Broadcasters, the NAACP, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and others, who chorused a loud "Amen!" as they faced a forest of news cameras.

A local funeral director movingly underscored Dr. Tucker's anguish by declaring he was burying four young Black today, victims of the drugs-induced Gangsta Rap violent culture "and I don't want any more of this business." Washington, D.C., has been dubbed "the Murder Capital of the World." Already this year more than 400 murders have been committed as the city appears on its way to breaking its own bloody record. Most of the victims are young Blacks killed by other Blacks.

Joe Morgan, a board member of the NAACP and host of a popular radio talk show, said it is not sufficient for radio programs to bleep out offensive words "because kids listening can supply the censored words, and then go out and buy the record."

The NPCBW's Entertainment Committee is co-chaired by luminaries Melba Moore and Dionne Warwick, both internationally acclaimed artists, and Teri Rossi, an entertainment industry executive.

Dr. Tucker disclosed that U.S. Sen. Carol Moseley Braun (D-IL) has agreed to hold a Senate hearing on the controversial music that she calls simply "pornographic" early next year. She said support for her drive is gathering national momentum and coming from a number of surprising sources.

Looking at this well-dressed, highly educated, cultured and sophisticated group of Black women and their Black male supporters, one begins to wonder what happened and when. How did such gross behavior -- scatological talk engaged in only in the most private male circles when we were growing up -- become common and more or less publicly accepted?

To raise the question can be an exercise in futility. Sophocles once said: "It's a sorrow to be wise when wisdom profits not." Black music is America's only popular indigenous music, accepted with reverence, globally. Travel anywhere in the world, as I have, and you'll discover the truth of this.

The old field slave "holler" songs give little clue. Nor do early blues. Jazz, which began in the bordellos of New Orleans contained sly, insinuating lyrics and, indeed the word "jazz" itself, suggested a double meaning not to be explained in polite company. But nothing explicit like gangsta rap.

Gospel paved an often happy road to the celestial hereafter. Nothing suggestive there. Scat singing ala Jon Hendricks and Bobby McFerrin, is a rapid, stylistically staccato delivery style, pleasing to the ear, but containing no hint of early gangsta rap porno.

Mr. B. was a wonderful balladeer, so was Nat King Cole, who became a star after he "got piano playing" and that trio off his back, both gentlemen of distinct order; the bodacious James Brown had nothing in "Papa's Brand New Bag" that even faintly resembled the foul-mouthed filth spewed by today's gangsta rappers.

Bessie Smith's blues singing could be suggestive, but nothing, as I say, explicit. Lady Day sang of a bitter "Strange Fruit" and Nina Simone was even more outraged with her "Mississippi Goddam." But none of it in the gangsta rap mode. Then there are Aretha, the Motown Sound stars -- from Diana Ross and Little Stevie Wonder to the Jackson Five and now Michael Jackson, the latter who makes some highly sexually suggestive moves in dance. But still no gangsta rap.

Chubby Checker is a twistin' deverish; Joe Williams Day" (I have the Blues); the Divine Sarah and Ella and Lord knows -- you'll need the Encyclopedia Britannica to list them. Sterling artists all. But nothing in this musical continuum to hint at the dark (no) white lurking-to-be-born streak, porno rap.

Maybe the rappers took note of the in-your-face machismo of the 1960s Black Panthers; the scathing scatological stage rap of an early Richard Pryor or Eddie Murphy. Or some other angry cats who came out of some strange and frustrated ghetto bags.

Anyway, Dr. Tucker is leading a national group of influential Black women, to put an end to the public airing of gangsta rap filth. I say it's about time momma got mad enough to do something about it. After all these are her (and our) children!

Ladysmith Black Mambazo Brings African Harmonies To Life At UPS



Ladysmith Black Mambazo

In its only Northwest appearance, Ladysmith Black Mambazo will perform on Sunday, Jan. 30, at 8 p.m., in the Memorial Fieldhouse, University of Puget Sound. Tickets are $12 for general admission, and are available at Ticketmaster outlets, and the Student Union Information Center, 756-3419.

These nine Zulu men, most well-known for their work on Paul Simon's Graceland project, have most recently received rave reviews for their role as the omnipotent chorus in "The Song of Jacob Zulu," a drama about the effect of the ironies in South African society.

The traditional music sung by Ladysmith Black Mambazo is called *Isicathamiya.* It was born in the mines of South Africa. Black workers were taken by rail to mines far away from their homes and families, where they were poorly housed and paid worse. After a six-day week they would entertain themselves by singing songs into the wee hours of every Sunday morning.

The workers called it *Cothoza Mfana,* meaning "to walk on toes, lightly." This was a challenge to the performers' ability to practice without disturbing the white camp guards as they practiced their dance steps at night, during the week. When miners returned to their homelands, the tradition returned with them.

Joseph Shabalala is the founder and leader of the Mambazo, along with his brother Headman Shabalala, who was shot dead a year ago along a highway near their township of Durban. When questioned as to what the group would do without Headman, Joseph's answer was simple. They would sing. Said Shabalala, "This is

Joseph Shabalala had sung with various groups during the '50s and '60s, but was rarely satisfied with the results. Then a dream came to him, and there he heard the harmony he wanted to teach to others. He recruited members of his immediate family, and he taught the group the harmonies from his dream.

A radio broadcast brought about their first recording contract in 1970 and the rest was only a matter of time. Brought into the spotlight by Simon's 1987 Graceland tour, the group remains one of Africa's most acclaimed artists, having sold more than 3 million records. In 1988, their recording, "Shaka Zulu," won the Grammy for Best Traditional Music Recording. They have toured the globe extensively and have worked in television, films and commercials. Soundtrack work in Eddie Murphy's "Coming to America," and Marlon Brando's "Dry White Season," their critically-acclaimed appearance in Michael Jackson's "Moonwalker," their award-winning 7-Up commercial and their appearances on "Seasame Street" have kept them quite visible.

Ladysmith Black Mambazo is sponsored by ASUPS Cultural Events. For more information, contact the Student Union Information Center, 756-3419.

Cutting Through The Crap On Gangsta Rap Coverage

By Todd Burroughs

"Rap music is an externalization of highly charged inner feelings shared commonly by young Black people."

--James G. Spady,
co-editor of the book,
Nation Conscious Rap:
The Hip-Hop Vision

Some things to take not of as the white media continues to write and broadcast about "gangsta rap":

1) No disrespect intended, but Stanley Crouch (the author) and William Raspberry (The Washington Post columnist) are NOT -- I repeat, are NOT -- experts on hip-hop music and Black youth. They are far away from the reality of "gangsta rap" and its problems as Washington, D.C. from Mars.

Crouch and Raspberry may be Black, but they are NOT youth-oriented, are NOT Afrocentric and did NOT grow up in the (sub-) culture that the White media obviously feel they are qualified to talk about.

It's well past time for the White media to expand their rolodexes to include people whose point of reference on race they don't agree with as well as those they don't like (which is often the same thing in the White media culture).

2) John Leland of Newsweek finally got it right (almost!) when he wrote the following in its recent cover story on gangsta rap: "The problem of urban violence is much bigger than rap... The music, the industry, the White and Black audiences all push the performers back toward their roots and reward them for staying close. But these forces aren't villains, just unwitting accomplices. The real problems are outside the music, not within."

Kevin Powell, a gifted young Black writer for whom I have a lot of respect, wrote in Vibe Magazine (a White-edited Rolling Stone-type magazine for hip-hop), some comments that should be looked into, in the light of Leland's statement.

He points out in a recent issue that "the 'harder' the artists act, the more successful they become; from the ghettos to the suburbs, hard-core rap is selling like crazy. Record companies can't get enough of this gangsta boogie. And if it's 'the real niggas' who get the most loot, naturally everybody wants to be real nigga. So, does being hard mean being real or does it mean -- dare I say it -- selling out? Being hard is not a question of reality anymore -- it's an aesthetic choice, a marketing decision. Call it hardness for sale."

If Powell is correct, then how could a (White-owned) record company be an "unwitting accomplice?" And if the majority of hip-hop record-buyers in this country are White, who is selling this stuff to whom, and how does this contribute to the image distorting of African Americans? And are Blacks who play the role of the gangsta rapper voluntarily contributing to this madness, and at what price to the Black community?

3) If it is the responsibility of the Black community to provide answers to its own problems, any suggestions? If the answer is "yes," send them to the Black newspaper that has printed this column. If you know anyone who could write about this issue, have them contact this newspaper as well.

"The 'COOL RUNNINGS' of basketball films."
— Paul Wunder, WBAI-FM

Jimmy Dolan went to Africa to recruit a new player.
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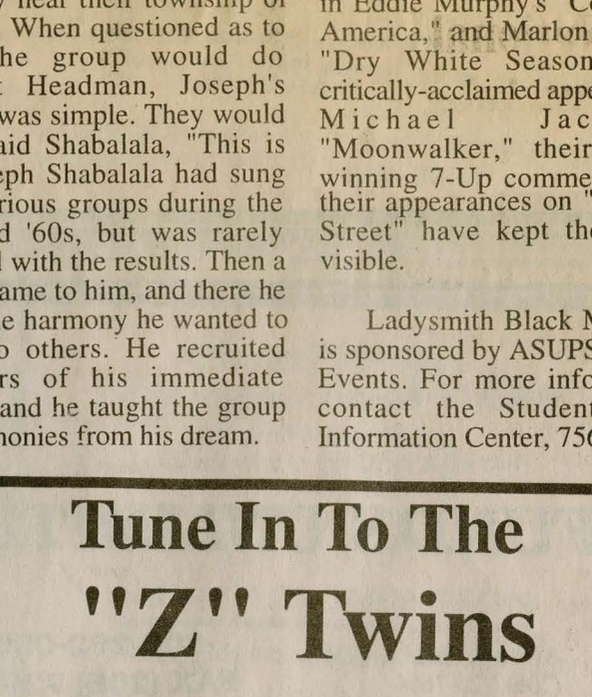
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Womack Heads Black Greeks Council

BLOOMINGTON, Indiana -- More than 500 undergraduate students and college graduates attended the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky on Oct. 14-17, 1993. Immediate past national president of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Carter D. Womack, was elected to head the official coordinating organization of eight historically African American, internationally fraternities and sororities. These organizations represent 1.3 million members worldwide.

Womack has been cited by Dollars & Sense Magazine as one of 1990s "Brightest and Best Young Men" and listed in Ebony Magazine (1992,1993) as one of the 100 most influential Blacks in America. Womack is employed with Blockbuster Entertainment Corporation.

"The NPHC will benefit greatly from Mr. Womack's wide breadth of corporate, civic, and higher education leadership as president of the NPHC," said NPHC executive director Michael V.W. Gordon.

The national president of the eight historically African American fraternities and sororities were present to address and collaborate on major issues and challenges facing African American fraternities and sororities, ranging from alcohol and drug abuse in African American communities to economic empowerment.

The eight national presidents also voiced their concern about African American students' collegiate experiences. "The leadership of the NPHC member organizations are acutely aware of the issues confronting African Americans on a whole, especially issues related to the future well being of our young people," said Womack.

The eight national presidents are: Dr. Mary Shy Scott, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; Attorney Milton C. Davis, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; Dr. Bertha Maxwell-Roddey, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; Jylla Moore Foster, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; Attorney Robert L. Harris, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity; Corine J. Green, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority; William Stanley, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity; and Tyrone Gilmore, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

The theme for the NPHC is "African American Fraternities and Sororities United to Stop the Violence and Save Our Children." "I envision, through a series of Stop the Violence activities in selected cities, our local councils conducting workshops, seminars, rallies, and holding recognition events to honor courageous individuals and organizations who have gone the extra mile to make our communities safe," added Womack.

Among the dignitaries who attended the 1993 convention were U.S. drug czar Lee Brown, who called on the NPHC's 1.3 million members to help fight the war on drugs; the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who commended the NPHC member organizations on their contributions in helping to improve the quality of life for African Americans; and international entertainer Nancy Wilson, who entertained conventioneers at the closing gala event.

For additional information on the NPHC, contact the national headquarters at Indiana Memorial Union, Suite 30, Bloomington, Indiana 47405, .812-855-8820.

National Watchdog Group Offers $10,000 Reward To Government Whistle Blowers

WASHINGTON -- Up to $10,000 is being offered to government whistle blowers who come forward with documented instances of corruption within the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The target? U.S. officials who wrongly approve dangerous but profitable health care products or who stymie safe products like vitamins, all at the expense of the public's welfare.

Hundreds of flyers announcing the reward campaign were handed out recently to FDA employees at both the agency's Rockville, Maryland and Washington, D.C. offices by representatives of the National Commission on Law Enforcement and Social Justice (NCLE), a group established by the Church of Scientology.

"We know there are individuals within the Food & Drug Administration who have authorized dangerous products for public consumption," explained NCLE spokesperson Rhea Smith. "The American public has a right to know if current regulatory attempts on vitamins stem from vested interests rather than interest in public benefit. We want the honest and decent people within the FDA to come forward and help us clean up this agency."

Smith said that the American public is concerned and upset about increased FDA authority to regulate the vitamin industry. As of Dec. 15, the FDA gained the power to regulate how vitamins are labeled.

The issue has become so hot that the U.S. Congress has been deluged by mail from angry constituents demanding that their freedom to supplements be protected. According to congressional sources more mail has been received on the vitamin issue this year than on any other topic.

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SPORTS

Sonics

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the Sonics a 93-81 lead. Payton had the hot hand as he led the charge down the stretch. Payton also got into an altercation with Houston's Vernon Maxwell with one minute left in the game. Rocket head coach Rudy Tomjanovich sent Maxwell to the dressing room following the altercation to avoid further problems.

Gary Payton and Ricky Pierce led the Sonics with 25 points each, while Shawn Kemp chipped in 21. The Sonics as a team shot 51.7 percent from the field, as they scored 29 points off of 22 Houston turnovers.

Seattle 99, LA Lakers 92

The Sonics took their league best record to the forum in Inglewood, California. But it was the Lakers who stole the show in the early going. The Sonics came out very flat in the first quarter and the Lakers took full advantage of it as the led 30-26, in a quarter in which the Lakers led by as many as 13 points.

In the second quarter Kendall Gill led the way, as he found his shot and paced the Sonics to a 56-50 halftime lead. The Sonics were up by 12 in the third quarter, when the Lakers went on a 13-4 run. But then the Sonics defense started to toughen up, as they contested every shot that went up. Ricky Pierce committed a hard foul on the Laker's Sedale Threatt that escalated into a bench clearing altercation. Doug Christie (Rainier Beach HS) went chest to chest with Pierce following the incident, as Pierce grabbed Christie by the throat. Anthony Peeler got into the altercation as he grabbed Ricky Pierce from behind by the neck, sending both barrelling over a base-line table. Shawn Kemp also stepped into the picture as he grabbed Christie. After the altercation Peeler, Christie, and Pierce were all ejected from the game with just over a minute left in the 3rd quarter.

The Sonics seemed to get a wake-up call from the altercation as they pulled away behind the 12 fourth quarter points of Shawn Kemp. Out-scoring the Lakers 24-16 in the final period, on their way to their 22 victory of the season.

Shawn Kemp led the way with 25 points, 9 rebounds, and 4 steals. While Gary Payton and Kendall Gill added 24 and 21 points respectively.

Boys High School Basketball

Hale Knocks Off Top Ranked AAA, AA Teams

The Nathan Hale Raiders made a name for themselves last week, as they knocked off both the top ranked AAA and AA teams in the Bellevue Community College Holiday Classic. Nathan Hale (7-2) defeated Federal Way, the state's top ranked AAA team, 72-68. The Raiders led throughout the game, building a 40-30 halftime lead. Nathan Hale was led by the Metro league's leading scorer Jevon Green, who finished with a game high 26 points as the Raiders handed Federal Way it's first loss of the season.

In the championship game of the Bellevue Community College Holiday Classic, the Raiders faced Metro league rival Garfield (6-1). The Bulldogs came into the game undefeated in six games. Garfield and Nathan battled down the stretch, Nathan Hale got a jumper from Gino Williamson with five seconds left in the game to give Hale a 71-69 lead. But Garfield's Bryce Olson was fouled on a desperation shot, and went to the free-throw line to shoot a one-and-one. Olson hit the first free throw but missed the second, as the Raiders defeated the Bulldogs 71-70 to win the Bellevue Community College Holiday Classic Title.

Franklin 64, Curtis 60

The Quakers (3-3) got 20 points from Jason Terry as they had to come from behind in the fourth quarter to beat Curtis (4-3).Franklin's Aaron Dixon chipped in 17 points.

Cental Catholic (OR) 75, Raineir Beach 53

Gary Ladd scored a game high 24 points, but it wasn't enough as the Vikings (7-1) were handed their first defeat of the season. Rainier Beach was able to keep the game close for the first half, but couldn't keep pace with Central Catholic in the second half.

Girls High School Basketball

Lakeside Girls Take Surf n' Slam Tournament Title

The Lakeside Lions (10-0), the state's top ranked team, had a great showing at the Surf n' Slam Tournament in La Jolla, California. In their Semi-final match-up, the Lions pounded Buena High School (Ventura, California), rated as one of the top ten schools on the west coast, 61-43. The Lions held Buena to only six first quarter points as they led 15-6. Lakeside pulled away for good as they out-scored Buena High 20-11 in the third quarter. Takiyah Jackson led the Lions with 26 points. Zakiya Pressley scored 16 points in the championship game, as Lakeside had four players in double-figures on their way to the Surf n' Slam championship.

Nathan Hale 54, Claremount (B.C.) 38

Rachele Martin scored 21 points to lead the way as the Raiders (7-2) won the championship game of their own holiday tournament. Rayna heard chipped in 15 points for Nathan Hale as they get ready for league play this week.

Boys Basketball schedule

Wednesday, January 5

KingCo

Interlake @ Mercer Island,
Issaquah @ Bothell,
Juanita @ Bellevue,
Redmond @ Lake Washington,
Sammamish @ Newport,
Woodinville @ Inglemoor.

Friday, January 7

Metro

Chief Sealth @ Franklin,
Garfield @ Ballard,
Ingraham @ Cleveland,
Lakeside @ O'Dea,
Seattle Prep @ Rainier Beach,
West Seattle @ Blanchet,
Roosevelt @ Nathan Hale.

Seamount

Evergreen @ Highline,
Hazen @ Mt. Rainier,
Kennedy @ Renton,
Mt. Si @ Lindbergh,
Tyee @ Liberty.

SPSL

Auburn @ Decatur,
Jefferson @ Kent-Meridian,
Kentwood @ Kentridge.

KingCo

Eastlake @ Mercer Island,
Inglemoor @ Issaquah,
Interlake @ Bellevue,
Newport @ Juanita,
Sammamish @ Lake Washington, Woodinville @ Bothell.

Girls Baskeball Games

Wednesday, January 5

Metro

Cleveland @ Ballard,
Franklin @ Seattle Prep,
Garfield @ Eastside Catholic,
Holy Names @ Roosevelt,
Lakeside @ Ingraham,
West Seattle @ Chief Sealth.

KingCo

Bellevue @ Juanita,
Bothell @ Issaquah,
Inglemoor @ Woodinville,
Mercer Island @ Interlake,
Newport @ Sammamish

Thursday, January 6

SPSL

Decatur @ Auburn,
Kent-Meridian @ Jefferson,
Kentridge @ Kentwood.

Friday, january 7

Metro

Chief Sealth @ Franklin,
Garfield @ Ballard,
Ingraham @ Cleveland,
Seattle Prep @ Rainier Beach,
Roosevelt @ Nathan Hale,
West Seattle @ Blanchet,
Lakeside @ Holy Names.

Seamount

Renton @ Kennedy,
Mt. Rainier @ Hazen,
Lindbergh @ Mt. Si,
Highline @ Evergreen,
Liberty @ Tyee.

KingCo

Bothell @ Woodinville,
Mercer Island @ Eastlake,
Bellevue @ Interlake,
Sammamish @ Lake Washington, Juanita @ Newport,
Issaquah @ Inglemoor.

1993-94 NFL Standings

AFC STANDINGS

East	W	L	T
Buffalo*	12	4	0
Miami	9	7	0
NY Jets	8	7	0
Indianapolis	5	11	0
New Engl.	4	12	0

Central	W	T	L
Houston*	12	4	0
Pittsburgh•	9	7	0
Cleveland	7	9	0
Cincinnati	3	13	0

West	W	L	T
Kansas City*	11	5	0
LA Raiders•	10	6	0
Denver•	9	7	0
San Diego	8	8	0
Seattle	**6**	**10**	**0**

NFC STANDINGS

East	W	L	T
Dallas*	12	4	0
NY Giants•	11	5	0
Philadelphia	7	8	0
Phoenix	7	9	0
Washington	4	12	0

Central	W	T	L
Detroit*	10	6	0
Green Bay•	9	7	0
Minnesota•	9	7	0
Chicago	7	9	0
Tampa Bay	5	11	0

West	W	L	T
San Fran.*	10	5	0
New Orleans	8	8	0
Atlanta	6	10	0
L.A. Rams	5	11	0

*-clinched division title;
•-clinched playoff berth

NFL Scores:

Buffalo 30, Indianapolis 10
Dallas 16, NY Giants 13 (OT)
Detroit 30, Green Bay 20
Houston 24, NY Jets 0
Kansas City 34, Seattle 24
LA Raiders 33, Denver 30 (OT)
LA Rams 20, Chicago 6
Minnesota 14, Washington 9
New England 33, Miami 30 (OT)
New Orleans 20, Cincinnati 13
Phoenix 27, Atlanta 10
Pittsburgh 16, Cleveland 9
Phila. @ San Francisco, Late
San Diego 32, Tampa Bay 17

This Week's Playoff Schedule

Saturday, January 8
AFC Wild-Card Game
Pittsburgh @ Kansas City

NFC Wild-Card Game
Green Bay @ Detroit

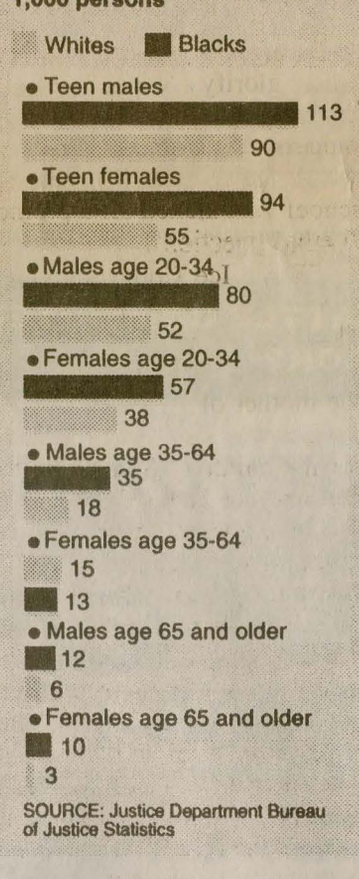
Sunday, January 9
AFC Wild-Card Game
Denver @ LA Raiders

NFC Wild-Card Game
Minnesota @ NY Giants

Black youths most often crime victims

A Justice Department survey of crime victims found that African-American teens and young adults experience violent crimes more often than do their white counterparts.

Crime victimizations per 1,000 persons



SOURCE: Justice Department Bureau of Justice Statistics

Sports Quiz
by Larry Duncan

NFL POST-SEASON

1. What NFL team has the best winning percentage in post-season?
2. What NFL team has the most lifetime post-season victories?
3. Name the only NFL team that the Tampa Bay Bucs have defeated in post-season.
4. Who has the most lifetime field goals in post-season play?
5. Who has the most career touchdowns in post-season play?
6. Who holds the record for the longest field goal in post-season play?
7. Name the only two NFL rushers to have 1,000 career post-season rushing yardage.
8. Name the most lopsided post-season game ever.

Sports Quiz Answers

1. Green Bay Packers 13-5-0 .722; 2. Dallas Cowboys 24-17-0; 3. In 1979, Bucs beat Philadelphia 24-17; 4. George Blanda (Chi. Hou. Oak.) 39; 5. Franco Harris (Pitt.) 17; 6. Peter Stoyanovich (Miami) 58 yards in 1990 vs. K.C.; 7. Franco Harris (Pitt.) 1,556, Tony Dorsett (Dallas) 1,383; 8. In 1940, Bears beat the Redskins 73-0

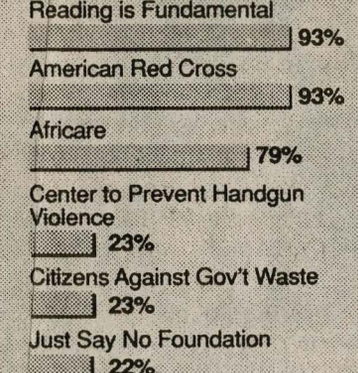
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