

# STONY BROOK BLACKWORLD

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## Civil Rights Commission Condemns S B

### Rejects Affirmative Action Program

By LINCOLN O. LYNCH

In a scathingly critical rebuke to Dr. John S. Toll, President of State University of New York at Stony Brook, Jacques E. Wilmore, Northeast Regional Director of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights termed the Affirmative Action Plan submitted by Stony Brook a "collection of memoranda" ... "aggregated statistical data" ... and a "roster of various EEO committees."

Wilmore's letter of rebuke dated March 26th was in response to the Affirmative Action Plan submitted by Toll on February 11th at the request of the Civil Rights Commission that the University submit information on "developments in affirmative action ... since June, 1973." In his six-page letter accompanying the Stony Brook "Plan," Dr. Toll stated that he was "pleased that the concern for equal opportunity which has been traditional at Stony Brook has ... led to

increased consciousness of the need for affirmative action" ... and "for continuing self assessment of the results." Although the president's letter indicated the "consciousness" of affirmative action dated back to July, 1972, there was no evidence in his letter of any effort at "assessment of the results."

This glaring deficiency appears to have prompted Wilmore to observe "there is no single, integrated statement of the policies and procedures required by your various memoranda and directives."

The Commission accused the University of having "no specific plan of dealing with deficiencies" and of having "no goals and timetables." In response to Dr. Toll's assertion that the University "employs both women and minorities in numbers as great as, or greater than might be expected by an analysis of the sexual, racial, and



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ethnic composition of the pools of available qualified people." Wilmore commented rather sarcastically, (that) "I am sure, was not meant to indicate that there are no problems with respect to minorities and women which need rectifying."

Citing certain specific deficiencies in the Stony Brook

Plan the Commission pointed out that "minorities" were not broken down into specific groupings, for example; "blacks, Puerto Ricans, Asian Americans, American Indians." They also questioned the distribution of minorities and women in faculty rankings, suspecting that both groups predominate in the lowest levels of the faculty scale.

The Commission also criticized the University's failure to indicate the distribution of minorities and women between the tenured and non-tenured faculty.

In a recent sample survey, the Black Students Assistance Fund concluded that in 12 years since its founding, little progress has been made by Stony Brook as indicated by the following estimates; of a total of 14,000 students, 7% or about 1,000 are black or Puerto Rican, of an overall faculty/student ratio of 1 to 14.8 the minority faculty/student ratio is 1 to 25.

Of approximately 1,000 faculty 40, or 4% are black or Puerto Rican, of the tenured faculty only 1.6% are black. In a more recent survey, the Concerned Faculty for Leroy Brown claims that on the Main Campus at Stony Brook blacks constitute only 1.7% of the total faculty of which .2% is above the assistant professor level.

Dr. Toll in his letter to the Commission further stated, "the plan is operating at Stony Brook in an atmosphere of good will which permits us to deal constructively with ... real disagreements about personnel decisions." Although Toll complained of "the gradual (sic) deterioration of support for affirmative action," Wilmore questioned whether the Stony Brook affirmative action staff "gave their approval" to the Plan as submitted unless "the support ... to which you

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## Still Struggling for Justice: Brown Requests Review

By PAULETTE PERRIER

Dr. LeRoy T. Brown, nationally recognized Professor of Anatomical Sciences continues to explore every possible avenue in his attempt to overcome the racial discrimination which has resulted in his being denied promotion and tenure in the Anatomical Sciences Department here at Stony Brook. He has filed a complaint with County and State Human Rights Commissions. In accordance with Article 33 of the United University Professions By-Laws, Brown is requesting a review of his situation. Article 33 B states that "Where the initial academic review committee has recommended that the employee be granted continuing appointment and the subsequent academic review committee, if any, has not so recommended, the Campus President shall indicate the reasons for the notice of non-renewal..." On April 22nd, in an interview in his laboratory, Brown stated that University President John S. Toll has yet to indicate any reasons for Brown's tenure denial.

In a recent letter laden with innuendo to several concerned members of Stony Brook faculty, Toll insinuated that Dr. Brown may not presently be qualified for a promotion to tenured faculty. This notion is noticeably in contradiction to the decision arrived at by the



LeRoy T. Brown

appropriate review committees. Brown has refused to be seduced by the offer of a non-tenured post which Toll states "might support a later recommendation to grant a continuing appointment." Toll subsequently stated that "there is no presumption of a later appointment or of a grant of a continuing appointment." Dr. Toll has refrained from divulging

the reasons why in his recent letter he termed the Brown situation "unique". However, as if the message were not clear enough he further warned that "it is exceedingly rare for the University to offer a further appointment of any kind to a person who has been denied an application for a continuing appointment under the circumstances that exist in the case."

One Black student commented that such an offer reminded him of "the old carrot-stick approach; before you know it they've got you where they want you - trapped and defenseless."

A formal letter signed by sixteen Distinguished Faculty Members was sent to the Chancellor of the University three weeks ago voicing concern over the mistreatment of Dr. Brown. At this writing, April 23, a reply has not been received.

Brown said, "On my own part, I wholeheartedly solicit the support of all Black Faculty and students for it is my preference to continue to conduct research and teach at Stony Brook and most importantly to continue to function in the vital areas of community service."

Brown was recently awarded a scroll of recognition as an outstanding member of the Black Community of Stony Brook at the Second Annual Awards Night Dinner.

## Diluted AA Resolution Passed By SASU

By TEDDY WHITE

Canton—In an eleventh hour attempt to save a dying proposal, the Student Association of the State University (SASU) and the Student Assembly passed an abbreviated version of the original resolution on Affirmative Action proposed by minority caucuses at the SASU Conference, April 18, 19, 20. The conference was held at SUNY at Canton.

The adopted version calls for an affirmative action committee to be formed consisting of, but not exclusive to, members of Third World and Women caucuses; two staff positions to be filled by a woman and a Third World person; and safeguards to insure notification of available staff positions to all Third World and Woman campus groups.

The proposed resolution met heavy opposition throughout the 11 consecutive hours of debate as some delegates walked out, raising questions as to the validity of a quorum. According to SASU's bylaws a majority of delegates must be present to constitute a quorum, thereby making a majority vote binding upon SASU. SASU President Dan D. Kohane said after the meeting, "If the question is raised [quorum count] at the next meeting in June then the motion could be reconsidered. The delegate assembly has 58

representatives from SUNY campuses.

SASU Needs Mandate

During the debate, Third World Caucus spokesman Chris Spral of Old Westbury accused SASU of being racist in the past and therefore in need of a mandate to "insure compliance of hiring practices based on race and sex."

"It is now our task to reverse the status quo," said Henry Frummer, Stony Brook Graduate School representative. "If we feel racism is bad, then let's do something meaningful about it."

Much of the opposition centered around defining what affirmative was. The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights in the "Statement of Affirmative Action for Equal Opportunity" report defined Affirmative Action as "steps to be taken to remedy grossly disparate staffing and recruiting patterns that are the present consequence of past discrimination and to prevent the occurrence of such employment discrimination in the future."

An earlier and quite similar affirmative action resolution was presented at the April 4 SASU executive committee meeting. Action was deferred until the Canton Membership Conference. In June, the issue is expected to be finalized at the next membership conference.

## Dick Gregory Returns



Photo by Ron Antonio

Political activist Dick Gregory made his annual pilgrimage to Stony Brook last month. Speaking in the capacity-filled Gym, Gregory brought with him new disclosures of evidence linking the CIA with the Kennedy assassinations and possibly LBJ's demise also.

Just before his death LBJ told news commentator Walter Cronkite that he believed there was a Kennedy conspiracy, according to Gregory. Three days later he asked to have the statement deleted. Eight days later he was dead.

## Psych Recruiters Deny Accusations

Two members of the many professors were Department of Psychology unconcerned about the Graduate Studies recently multi-faceted problems black denied allegations made by a students face at Stony Brook." Morgan State College student Prior to the recruiting trip, accusing them of "exhibiting the which included Howard air of insolence and disrespect" University and Virginia State during a December, 1974 College, Smith and Bramel recruiting effort on the Morgan State campus.

Terrell Smith, psychology graduate student, said, "I find the charges hard to believe. It is true that we weren't wearing suits and ties but we definitely weren't 'slovenly dressed' as she (Deborah Ann Robinson) claimed."

Referring to the charge that he and Dr. Dana Bramel, psychology professor, attempted to avoid the issue of racism, Smith said, "We told them that job opportunities were slim, housing hard to find and that

### BLACK POLITICAL GAINS

Two hundred and seventy Black persons are now sitting in the legislatures of 42 states almost tripling the number of Black State Legislators in 1964 where there were 94, and a 39% increase since 1970 when there were 198.

According to the survey prepared by the Joint Center for Political Studies, Georgia has the largest number of Black legislators with 23, followed by Illinois (21) and Maryland (18), New York has ten. Thirty-four percent of all Black legislators now come from the 11 Southern States, compared to 24% previously.

The 270 Black legislators constitute only 3.6% of the 7,563 legislators in all 50 states. There are nearly 2,600 Black elected officials in the U.S. today, yet Blacks remain less than half of one percent of all elected officials. The population of the U.S. is more than 11 percent Black.

# The Case Against Rape: Joanne Little's Trial Begins

The trial of Joanne Little, 20 year old black woman accused of killing a white night jailer whom allegedly attempted to rape her in a southern county jail is scheduled to begin this month.

At the time of the incident she was being held in Beaufort County Jail in North Carolina pending an appeal of a burglary conviction.

Numerous civil rights and women's rights groups have been appealing for donations to cover legal fees for her defense. Juilian Bond, Georgia legislator and president of The Southern Poverty Law Center said, "Joanne's case will require at least \$150,000 and may run as high as \$200,000."

According to Bond, Clarence Alligood, the 62 year old jailer, entered Joanne's cell the night of August 27, 1974, and

attempted to rape her. During the struggle with her assailant, Joanne stabbed Alligood numerous times with his own ice pick.

The medical examiner's autopsy report stated that the jailer had been found naked from the waist down. In one hand was Alligood's pants and in the other hand he clutched the icepick. The medical examiner "reported clear evidence of recent sexual activity by the jailer," according to the N.Y. Times.

Joanne, who fled from the jail that night in a confused and fearful state of mind, contacted a Durham lawyer who helped to ensure her safe surrender a week later to the State Bureau of Investigation.

On September 11, Joanne was indicted for first-degree murder. If convicted the charge carries a

mandatory death penalty in North Carolina which now has the highest number of persons on death row in the nation (60), mostly black.

Among the issues expected to be raised at Joanne's trial are the discriminatory use of the death penalty against black and poor people, selection processes which fail to produce juries of true peers, and the right of a poor person to an adequate defense.

Of particular importance will be the right of a woman to defend herself against sexual attack. "In many local jails, male guards and even male trustees have exclusive control over the women held as prisoners. Special treatment or extra privileges have been offered in return for sex," said Bond. "Brute force, as in Joanne's case, is another method."

## Black Nationalism Conference

Held in Wash., D.C.

By WENDELL DOTIN

On April 3rd through the 6th the African Heritage Studies Association (AHTSA) sponsored its seventh annual conference at the Shoreham Americana Hotel in the District of Columbia. The central theme of the conference was "Strategies for World African Survival."

The conference was well attended and Stony Brook's Black community was represented by Professor Donald G. Blackman, Franklin Anderson, Wendell-peter a dotter, and a former student, dar a savage (N.A.R. Mwata ber-Nubiar). The African Studies Association is an association of "scholars" of African descent, dedicated to the preservation, interpretation, and academic presentation of the historical and cultural heritage of African peoples on the Ancestral soil of Africa and in the African Diaspora.

The conference was strictly Black Nationalist in outlook and among those present were scholars who had played extremely important roles in developing and shaping the Pan-African Movement — such as C.L.R. James, John Hendrix Clarke, Walter Rodney, James Turner, Yosef ben-Jochannan, and Curtis Porter to name a few. It was stressed time and time again during the conference that race, not class, must be the primary "magnetic force," around which people of African descent must write, and also of the need to develop separate Black institutions so as to correct the misconceptions of our history and present them from an Afro-centric viewpoint.

The problems of separate and independent Black schools was one of the major discussions at the conference. Representatives from various independent schools stressed that their schools were essential to the

development of African people (African youth in particular) because it afforded one an avenue to express to the people the need for unity and cooperation so as to bring about a better understanding of the historical experiences within the African framework.

The question of the status of African people within the economic context in Africa and the Americas was also raised time and time again. In a workshop chaired by Walter Rodney, entitled "The Current Economic Crisis in the Pan-African World," one of the panelists attempted to suggest that Marxism, as an ideology, can remedy the problems of African people, but he was warned of the inherent contradictions involved when one attempts to apply an alien ideology toward solving the problems of black people, especially when one considers the uniqueness of their historical experiences.

Among other subjects discussed at the various workshops was the question of Black powerlessness. In Brazil, Pierre Michael Fontaine, in the "Contemporary Politics of the Caribbean Workshop" presented a well-documented and scientific paper illustrating various ways in which the multi-national corporations and the Brazilian military junta systematically deprived the Africans in that particular country of any upward socio-economic and political mobility.

Pan-Africanism was also discussed, and one was able to get a first-hand report of the problems of the North American delegation to the 6th Pan-African Conference in Tanzania. The fact that some of the delegates from the above mentioned delegation used the trip to Tanzania to sight-see and

as a vacation, limited the effectiveness of this particular delegation in terms of presenting a united ideological front.

Another major factor which was brought to light in this conference was that while the conference in Tanzania was supposed to be Pan-Africanist in outlook, one had integrationists, Marxists, Marxist-Leninists and people from almost all facets of the ideological world, thus causing a lot of "petty bickering" over whose ideology was best equipped to solve the problems of our people. It is my opinion that if the conference was a Pan-Africanist one then any delegation to it must be Pan-Africanist in outlook and therefore made up entirely of people of that particular ideological persuasion.

The African Heritage Studies Association Conference was considered a success. It dealt in great detail with many of the fundamental philosophical ideological problems faced by African people in Africa and in the Black Diaspora. While some people tended to believe that the Association is elitist and therefore a select one, which excludes or alienates most blacks.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the African Heritage Studies Association please contact Professor Donald G. Blackman, Black Studies, 246-6737.

P.S.: There will be a conference on Pan-Africanism at Queens College on May 1-May 4. Please attend.

God is a circle whose center is everywhere and whose circumference is nowhere.

# Black Liberation Army Member Held in \$50,000 Bail

Timothy Adams, an alleged member of the BLA, is currently being held on Rikers Island in lieu of \$50,000 bail. He faces three counts of attempted murder against police officers and one count of criminal possession of a weapon, charges stemming from his involvement in a shootout with the police on 12/15/74.

Brooklyn cops had apparently located Timothy's home and staked it out in the Crown Heights area. At midnight, as Timothy was walking down the street, the police opened their attack on him. Timothy received 12 wounds, most in the back and consequently is paralyzed from the waist down. The official version of these injuries the day after the incident was that Timothy was in "fair condition." He has received minimal therapy for his paralysis. Curiously, a friend who was with Timothy at the time, was uninjured and, although taken into custody, was released the next morning and hasn't been seen since.

Police were after Timothy because of his supposed BLA connections. In addition to the charges stemming from the shootout, he also faces several outstanding charges in NY and Connecticut, including murder, attempted murder, robbery, illegal weapons and harboring a fugitive.

Timothy has faced police harassment for several years with no case ever being brought to court. Most recently, he had been held in the Brooklyn House of Detention in 1973 for

"hindering the prosecution" of Henry Brown, another BLA suspect and a friend of Timothy's. Timothy was placed in segregation at this time as is customary treatment for alleged BLA members. As a result of a class action lawsuit against such policy, Timothy and several other people were released from custody. His release was in March, 1974. In May he was accused of being involved in a bank robbery in New Haven.

Detective Herrmann was in charge of that bust. Herrmann is thought to be a member of the "Major Case Squad," a section of the police whose primary assignment is busting the BLA.

Timothy's case is still in the preliminary hearings stage, most of which have been held without him due to his physical condition. To those hearings he is able to attend, he is taken to court by an armed caravan, with his ankles shackled to prevent him from "escaping" presumably. He has made three such trips so far, from the medical ward of Rikers to the Brooklyn courthouse. On March 12, his bail was increased from \$5,000 to \$50,000 — also, presumably, to prevent him from "escaping." [Martin Stolar is handling the case for Timothy.]

A benefit to raise money for Timothy Adams' defense costs is being planned for the near future. Those wishing more information should contact:

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Adelphi University,  
Eddy Hall, Rm. 233



## Ed. Center Starts Parental Seminars

Attempting to demonstrate the everpresent need for education on all levels, the Malcolm King Education Center has recently begun bi-monthly seminars for parents and counselors. Methods of relating to children are discussed from both the parental and clinical approaches allowing, as one parent said, "the parent to become directly involved with the education of the child."

Located in the Pan African Cultural Center, the Center has been in operation since the summer of 1974 under the directorship of Bobby Houston. Thirty pre-school children are involved in a "total" program of daily educational and recreational activities. Along with the three basic "R's," classroom instruction is given in Black History, Black Culture, arts and crafts and drama.

"The children are our future," says Bobby, "our only future... Without them nothing else is left." Perhaps this helps explain why he and Jerry Morgan, associate director, work 10 to 12 hours a day every weekday coordinating the efforts of seven dedicated counselors.

Aside from the regular curriculum, the Nguzo Saba black value system is taught and practiced at the Center, exposing youth at an early age to positive images of black people.

circumstance, there no longer is that fund."

### Parental Involvement

Parents have a strong and necessary place in the program. There are parents on the Tri-State Advisory Committee, a committee which acts as a buffer between the federal agency and the program itself. There is constant contact between parents and the program and they are deeply concerned and very strict on the children's behavior and attitude toward their school work. "One strong reason for strong parental education in school curriculum," stated Godfrey, "is that the need to undo what schools have done cannot be accomplished until parents are educated to the institutional evils, get motivated for their children, and as a result be able to control material thought."

The Upward Bound program is in progress during the summer months, June to August here at Stony Brook. Teachers and counselors are predominantly college students from Stony Brook and elsewhere. If you feel

This summer the Center expects to also include a program for 10 and 11 year old youth.

The pre-school age is a very precious time for children because they are no longer under the minute protection of their mothers. The preschool age is the time where contacts with new and strange people are made, and where everything has some type of lasting effect on the child because this is where his actual molding for life really begins.

Can you imagine what happens to our little warriors and sisters when they enter this outer world beginning with a white day care center? The most blatant forms of oppression are the destructive experiences that our children go through. Our children are taught that they are inferior because of the color of their skin and because of their verbal expression. Our children tend to be stripped of their pride and dignity by the European. Our children are also deprived of their cultural activities of our heritage culturally, economically, and socially. This is the reason why centers are such a necessity in the Black Community, to be programmed, devised and prepared especially for Black children, and run by members of the Black community. Working together like this as a community will help to build and maintain unity among Black People.

### THE KIDS ARE GROWING UP

Look at the kids playing in the streets  
Playing handball, and running  
them track meets  
Have you ever looked back on your younger days  
And see how you've changed in so many ways  
Looking at the kids cutting from school  
And wondering who they're trying to fool  
They're getting older now they're starting to hate  
I hope they realize they're wrong before it's  
Too Late!

Pat Thornton

motivated to help a younger brother or sister better their lot, and, as a direct counter, yours also, look into Upward Bound.

# Polity Comm Investigates Bash

Amidst the present athletic controversy an ad hoc committee appointed by the Senate to investigate charges made against Basketball Coach Ronald Bash has begun a long-awaited probe, announced Chairwoman Roxanne Ross.

The charges against Bash are incompetence, poor recruitment habits, intimidation of players, and exhibiting a racist attitude in dealing with Black players, according to Ross.

Ross, a Polity Judiciary member, said, "All concerned parties will testify. If necessary we will subpoena witnesses."

Last year the black basketball players accused Bash of making unfulfilled promises of stipends and other fringe benefits to newly recruited players and having a biased attitude in his relations with black players. Last season the Patriots lost 22 out of 24 games.

### MUSLIM MINISTER SPEAKS

By LORELEI ANDERSON

Minister James 98X of Muhammad's Temple of Islam #7L, Hempstead, New York discussed the plight of the Blackman with Stony Brook students on March 18. Student Union Room 236 resembled a Muhammad Temple with women sitting on one side of the room and men on the other. Handsome, clean-cut young Muslim brothers stood at attention throughout the address as Brother Carl Hunter, a soon-to-be-registered Muslim and present Stony Brook graduate student, introduced the Minister.

The Minister touched on a number of issues affecting the lives of black people as the young brother brilliantly address the brothers and sisters. The dangers of pork, and the peculiar ways in which "Madison Avenue faggots" are dressing Blackmen and women were two of the many thought-provoking topics delivered. Minister James 98X, armed with the gift of humor, enabled black students in attendance to laugh and yet reflect on their lives in America.

### \*CURRICULUM\*

It is of vital importance to teach our children clear goals and objectives which will improve the quality of our people's lives. The main slogan can be

- "LOVE, PEACE, AND TRUTH = POWER"
- LOVE—is to love first of all himself, and to love his people
- PEACE—is to have peace with yourself and the rest of the Black World.
- TRUTH—to teach and preach a clear and honest picture of our people and our problems.
- POWER—all of these combined with unity
- We can teach a value system based on the Nguzo Saba (seven Principles of Blackness) and Kwanza (tradition and reason).

# Upward Bound: Summer School on a College Campus

By WILTON BURWELL

Where can high school students from Long Island who come from low income families and have below average grades go to better their plight during the summer months? The place is a university campus in New York State, and the program is Upward Bound, dedicated to the advancement of education and an alternative to the in-high school education.

The Upward Bound Program here at Stony Brook, directed by Aaron W. Godfrey, an outstanding educator, is dedicated to the support of minority education. The program got its inception in 1966 with an original class of 75. Godfrey himself had applied for a federal grant back then, through the office of Economic Opportunity, now the Office of Education. Every year the program is evaluated and reappropriated. The inaugural year the program ran on its own funds, was evaluated and refunded the next fiscal year. Since then federal funds have so far insured the continuation of the program.

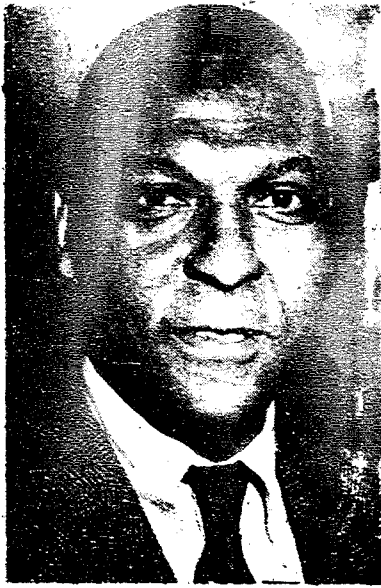
Students enrolled in Upward Bound usually do attend a post high school institution upon completion, and the ratio of college graduates to members is very high; 55 per cent of the first class are now college graduates. But the program is not simply out to get minority students into college,

emphasized Godfrey, "It also prepares students for society, survival skills are taught, and a competent feeling about themselves being able to compete in a wider society is provided."

Does the University support the program? Is financial support given? "The University has given good moral support to the program," replied Godfrey. "Funding is adequate, yet could be substantially more." He also added, however, that "as usual, where high school students are, naturally there is trouble, irregardless of the validity of the situation." As for the financial status of the program, "Where once we had surplus to help the students in an emergency or fire



# Wright Speaks at Justice Conference



BRUCE WRIGHT

By MIKE STRIPLING:  
The Suffolk County Conference on Juvenile and Criminal Justice was held this month in the Stony Brook Union Auditorium. Participants of the two day conference included politicians, lawyers, law enforcement officials, students, and interested citizens. The conference, endorsed by local church and community groups, examined and evaluated specific ways in which the State and Federal governments deal with "criminal offenders." One of the goals of the conference was "to recognize the deficiencies in the juvenile and criminal justice system," according to a spokesman.

The keynote speakers were Suffolk County District Attorney, Henry F. O'Brien and

the Honorable Bruce McM. Wright, Judge of the Civil and Criminal Courts of New York City. Judge Wright, one of the State's few black judges, is highly respected, yet has been criticized for setting low bail for black and poor people. "The American justice system is a sick and omnivorous monster," Judge Wright said, pointing to how the system feeds on the people of low economic and social status.

The conference workshops focused on detention, the availability of legal services and diversion of "criminal offenders." Discussions in workshops ranged from Black History to the need to redefine the means by which "anti-social" behavior is reversed, modified and controlled.

The workshop reports, which signaled the end of the conference, included a resolution calling for "discontinuation of the hearings on the judgements of Judge Wright." Other conference action was the drafting of a letter to New York Governor Hugh Carey protesting "racist overtime" in hiring and promotion practices at Stony Brook.

This conference deemed by most participants a "success" will reconvene next year. No definite location for next year's conference was established.

# Criminal Justice Farce

By TEDDY WHITE

America's criminal justice system has dismally failed to curtail crime, to provide equitable legal remedies to those who come under its authority, and to protect the best interests of society as a whole. A society is only as great as the moral and ethical foundation upon which it is based. The historical roots of American society excluded from its moral vision an important segment of humanity—the non-white majority of the world, allowing racism to take its toll by affecting the common minds of this society and all of their undertakings. Racism so destroyed the moral fabric of American jurisprudence that the nation has become incapable of making a just equitable decision involving black folks.

Racism, by its very nature, has rendered white America morally incapable of administering the essence of justice to any branch of the human family, and therefore, unable to authoritatively adjudicate a crime. How could justice possibly be served when a U.S. Supreme Court judge ruled solely on the basis of color that a man, any man, has no rights that another man is bound by "law" to respect? When a ten-year-old child meets his tragic end from a policeman's bullet in the back, and the murderer is absolved from all blame by a court of "law?" The heart of American people has been undeniably tainted by its failure to rectify its own wrongs, its own crimes against the shole of humanity. It is indeed America's legacy: justice denied, because the vicious edicts of racism which have encompassed America's way of life cannot tolerate the real and natural laws that govern the universe including man.

As Ramsey Clark alluded to, the most tragic and dangerous risk of racism in America today is that it has caused America to misconstrue the meaning of crime among poor blacks. Crime by blacks flows clearly and directly from the brutalization and dehumanization of racism, poverty and injustice. Black America has shown itself to be far gentler and more humane than white America. There is nothing inherent in black character that causes black crime. On the contrary, the slow destruction of human dignity caused by white racism is responsible. This is the most pitiable result of this huge wrong of the American people.

Ghetto crime is usually the result of basic needs rather than greed. Some poor black people do steal, rob and sometimes kill but not for thrills or due to a mental depravity. It is nothing wrong with their minds that education and equal economic opportunity cannot solve.

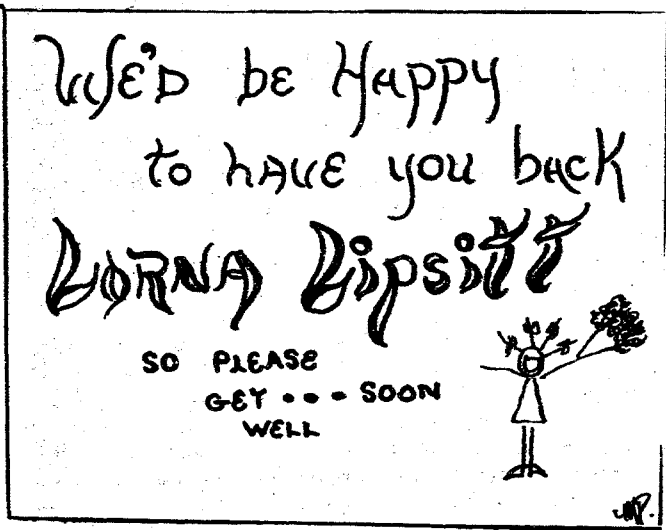
Some poor black people commit crime to supplement their meager welfare checks in order to buy food for themselves and their undernourished children, and to pay exorbitant rents for rat-infested, dilapidated housing that necessity dictates they must call "home." Some commit crime in order to support expensive narcotics habits, narcotics imported exclusively by profit-minded white American entrepreneurs. Some commit crime because 10.2 percent of the known black labor force cannot find a job including 35 percent of teenaged blacks, and 34 percent of the entire black population are considered poverty-stricken by Federal standards. Some commit crime in order to survive in a society which refuses to rectify its past and present inequities and injustices perpetuated against them simply because they are black. Who then is the real criminal?

The development and application of an entirely new system of values must permeate the American Tradition before the problems of crime and criminal justice can be adequately dealt with. History clearly demonstrates the decline and fall of numerous civilizations that resorted to the dubious material values of wealth, luxury and power through force to the exclusion of any humane qualities and considerations. The Roman Empire is a prime example of which America is its modern-day replica. Is America so blind, so stubborn, so insensitive to the malignant cancers of materialism and racism spreading throughout its society that it cannot comprehend the lessons of its own history books?

It has also been persistently demonstrated that racism cannot be eradicated simply by legislating new laws. In 1954 the U.S. Supreme Court ordered the desegregation of all public schools and today, twenty years later, white parents in Boston are still defying the law by having their children violently boycott classrooms in which sit black children. For over 300 years racism has been allowed to entrench itself into the attitudes, customs and values of white America which the criminal justice system is an accurate reflection of and which laws alone cannot change.

It is imperative that white America psychologically face up to the racist lie they have lived with for numerous generations and acknowledge the fallacious reasoning of their past and present attitudes, customs and values as they relate to black people if peace or justice is ever to become a part of the American Reality rather than the American Dream too long deferred.

It must be remembered that this nation's founding fathers included exiled European criminals, men who were deported from their native country after being found guilty of commission of crime. They literally robbed the indigenous Indian of his land, his gold and his freedom. They kidnapped and enslaved millions of Africans who built their homes and their railroads, raised their crops and their children, and who alone developed the economic base of this country on their own bare aching backs, working from sun-up in the morning to sundown at night on minimal subsistence rations of corn pone and fatback. Yet today the ancestors of these "founding fathers" have the sheer audacity to don a black robe in the nation's courtrooms and "In God We Trust" attempt to adjudicate a crime. This hypocritical concept and application of justice must be immediately rectified if America is ever to be recognized by the nations of the earth as anything more than a nation of sophisticated criminals who have made virtually no substantial contributions to civilization except in the mastery of how to kill, maim and destroy the Creator's creation.



# Professionalism and Pan-Africanism

By CARL PETTY

Ours is the paramount struggle against racism and is also a struggle for peoplehood. Peoplehood transcends and subsumes, but need not involve the nation-state, just as the nation transcends and subsumes individualism.

Bandung People must be able to say: "As a black person of whatever class, I am enveloped by my nation; as a black person, any nation, I am enveloped by my oneness with my people. Whatever they may be, wherever they may be, whenever. To take up the battle for Pan-Africanism is to fight on the battlefield of the entire world; but it is also to fight on that portion where "I FIND MYSELF". This is a very important reality. American Blacks must begin thinking of Pan-Africanism not solely in terms of Africa, but to now see themselves as part of the "oppressed people of the World." This comes through study of Ideology.

Ideology is crucial in this struggle. It will provide the orientation to maintain a positive direction. It will give

people of color goals beyond America's gadgetry, which white people say will make our lives easier to bear. Indeed, all of Africa has natural resources yet We must combine our newly acquired professional talents with our profound humanism, so that we will not achieve Nationhood and yet be balkanized as in the case of Nigeria, or otherwise be victimized as in the manner of Nkrumah's Ghana. We (professional Blacks) must mobilize and organize ourselves so that:

1) We can maintain communications with other people of color in struggle.

2) Raise the level of political sophistication through professional talents.

### Pan Africanism & Politics

In order for such a movement in any area where people of color are being oppressed to succeed: a common Ideology (ex. Pan-Africanism), an organization, resources, and communications are needed.

In this respect, we would surely be a free people, free to control our lives, but more importantly, our destinies.

to be developed by neo-colonial forces or by millions of black Africans. The latter course will mean a long range goal to build and create a international economic and political base.

In other words, Pan-Africanism, no matter what else it may be, must be political. Thus, if we are not merely going to change our arena of struggle to Africa, using our professional skills there, or in America — we inevitably arrive at the question: "Pan-Africanism for What?" For black (African) love and unity; yes, we shall be united; but it is not enough to love our African brothers, that will soon be taken for granted. For peoplehood, yes; for power; yes, we shall be powerful. But we must be the makers of a new and revolutionary culture, we must as James T. Stewart says: "Emancipate our minds from Western values and standards."



Certain central African tribeswomen are never allowed to eat liver, because they believe that liver is the seat of the soul, and women, who have no souls, shouldn't be allowed to acquire any.

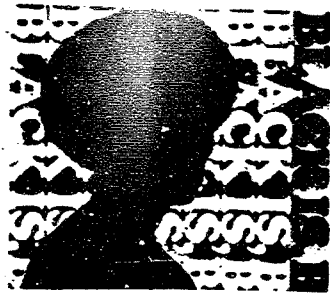
### AIM Peer Counselors Selected

Thirteen students have been selected as Advancement on Individual Merit (AIM) peer counselors, announced AIM Director Ruppert Evans recently.

The peer counselors are now undergoing special training for the next seven Saturdays by Lee Jackson, senior counselor and a Columbia professor, Ron Horry. The counselors are expected to serve as a liaison between the program and students, and keeping students informed of AIM activities and other services. The peer counselors will also serve as Orientation Leaders this summer for incoming freshmen and transfers.

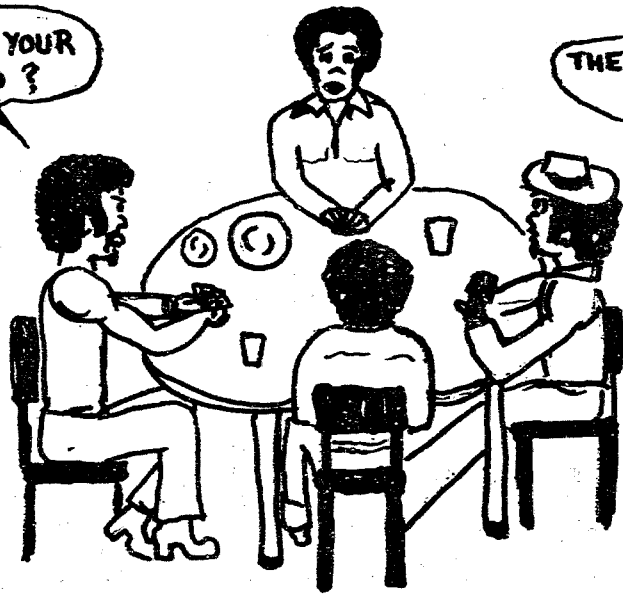
Funds have already been provided for the program, said Evans. However, if a recently submitted proposal is funded by Exxon Foundation, the program would be expanded to 24 counselors.

The selected students are Deborah Britton, Aurora Cabrera, Russell Dingle, Charles Fritsch, Deborah Kosyla, Rose Martinez, Marc Pollard, Remon Reyes, Mercedes Rodriguez, Lynette Spaulding, Booker T. Washington, Carolyn Middleton and Dana Escossier. Alternates are Lorelei Anderson, Thurman Ransom and Mary Usher.



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## Bookstore Lacks Black Publications

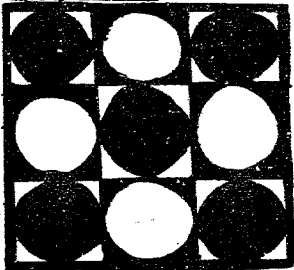
By BRIAN BENJAMIN

The Campus Bookstore has almost any publication that could catch your interest. The range runs from "Oui" to "Modern Photography," from "Kung-Fu Illustrated" to "Nostalgia Illustrated," and from TV Day Stars" to "Good Housekeeping." At this time in history, there are more black oriented publications (written by and for black people) on the open market than ever before. However, the campus bookstore carries no more than two of these publications at a time. These few publications are constantly sold-out, and if any of my readers have ever talked to the manager about having any of these publications ordered, they will discover that he is a master of the run-around.

It seems to me to be an overwhelming folly to have a campus that is composed mostly of minorities and diverse ethnic groups (African-Americans, Puerto Ricans, Italian-Americans, Jewish Americans, Irish Americans) completely ignore the fountain of knowledge that is represented by black publications. It is a fact that black publications are written for black people first, but reading a black publication is an education experience for any thinking person.

There is, unfortunately, a huge gap between the images that the media presents as "black" and the lives that black people really live. From my experience, I have seen that the overwhelming majority of whites know next to nothing about black people. What little that most whites do know is mostly updated versions of twisted centuries old stereotypes.

It also seems to me that the black students on this campus should be able to read publications by, for, and about themselves. There are many special interest groups represented by the plethora of publications at the bookstore; it is nothing less than a glaring omission to leave out black publications. Many persons just cannot afford to subscribe to these publications at six to fifteen dollars per year. Everyone should be able to pick up on the publication of his (her) choice. More than a few black people make investments at the bookstore and if black people were to immediately cease all purchases at the bookstore and begin picketing outside the bookstore until these publications come in, the change would occur faster than you could snap your fingers. Let's hope we won't have to resort to that.



### U. CHOIR FEATURES GUEST SOLOIST

The Main Library hosted the University Choir at noon Thursday April 23 as they presented excerpts from their May 4 and May 9 concerts. The highlight of the choir's performance was guest concert soloist Karen Floyd, who graced the scale (at one point reaching a high "C") in a clear soprano "The Mar'vous Work" by Joseph Hayden. Karen, a first year graduate student in music at Stony Brook, is a native of Alabama and no foreigner to music. A graduate of Julliard, the sister said that her first interest in music was realized as an elementary school child. At 13, Karen was a featured guest soloist with Tuskegee Institute's choir and then continued to sing with the St. Louis Sympathy after winning the Young Artists Auditions. Some of her other awards include the Metropolitan Opera auditions. Sister Karen, was asked what music represented to her, and replied "... satisfaction for me as well as others."

### MAY DAY MARCH IN BOSTON

By JERRY SCHECHTER

On Saturday, May 3, thousands of workers and students of all races and nationalities will march through the streets of Boston, including South Boston. Organized by the Progressive Labor Party and Workers Action Movement and endorsed by a number of unions, the march is for socialism, for more jobs through 30 hours work for 40 hours pay, and to smash the budding fascist movement being organized around the racism and anti-busing issue.

The bosses and politicians of Boston have tried to sucker white workers in South Boston into thinking that black workers are their enemy. Therefore the question of unemployment, poor schools, and rotten housing — WHICH AFFECT BOTH BLACKS AND WHITES AND IS CAUSED BY THESE SAME BOSSES — gets lost in the wind. Only the unity of all workers and students can change this situation for the better. We can show the few white workers in South Boston who are playing the racist game that there is an alternative.

Buses leave Stony Brook early on May 3 and return the same evening. Tickets cost \$2 (\$5 if you have a job). For ticket information call 981-5260 or 246-8778.

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### What is Black?

By WENDY JACKSON

Hey Brothers,  
P.S. Black is a color just like all the others  
Or is it a color that makes you feel proud  
And makes you feel that you want to yell out loud?  
That you are Black  
And that's a fact  
And you don't want it any other way  
Black is the color you are and you'll always stay.

### BLACK

By KIM PHILIPS

B is for black which is the color of my hair.  
L is for the looks of my beautiful face.  
A is for able in which I am to do things.  
C is for the color of my hair.  
K is for the beginning of my name.

Brothers and Sisters,

It is of the utmost importance that during this period of the year when we attempt to attend/deal with our individual priorities, that we not neglect our responsibilities/commitments to others who are in less-desirable positions. What I'm specifically speaking of are our brothers who are facing incarceration throughout North America. Right here in the New York area, many blacks, Puerto Ricans, Carribeans, Haitians, native Americans are being detained in institutions which deny them an opportunity for self-development via programs which provide them with so-called rehabilitation (as we all now by now, or we should — rehabilitation is without a doubt a myth).

There has been much concern over the spirit, and general well-being over those incarcerated. The Rikers Island Project of Stony Brook which is functioning out of the Black Studies Department and Psychology Department has been a constant source of upliftment mentally, emotionally, educationally, and other areas which could not clearly be expressed in writing due to the value on a humanistic level.

It is of my concern that we begin to consciously examine institutions such as Rikers Island and take steps which might aid those in these modern concentration camps. One alternative is to correspond with these brothers at Rikers Island Hospital. Any efforts would be appreciated. However "Time is of the essence."

As-Salaam-Alaikum  
(Peace Be Unto You)  
Brother Willie Sullivan

Brother Albert O'Neal  
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Rikers Island Hospital  
East Elmhurst, N.Y. 11370

Brother Nathaniel Hutchinson  
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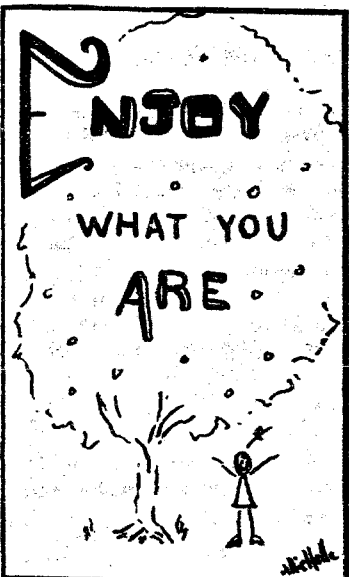
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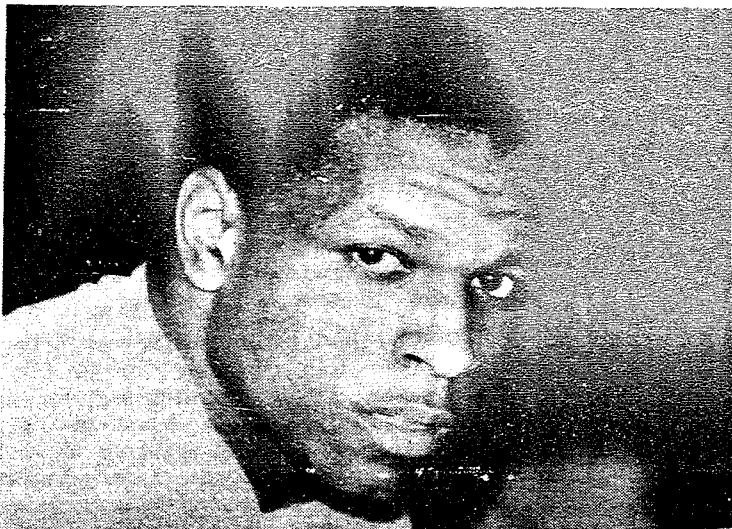


# Profiles In Blackness

## Focus on BSU '75

By SEPI TEFERRA

*Kenneth Hawkins, the new Black Student United (BSU) chairman, is a third year transfer student from a small college in Indiana. Originally from Brooklyn, Kenny is a Youth and Community Studies major. Kenny is a member of the Program and Services Committee, Soul Apple and the Black Basketball Association. In his spare time, Kenny likes all kinds of entertainment (including women), traveling and working in radio stations as D.J. Some of Kenny's duties as chairman are calling executive committee meetings and coordinating the various BSU clubs.*



**Blackworld:** Kenny, what do you intend to do to make the BSU a stronger organization?

**Kenny:** I would like mainly to form an organized student body that would think for itself and make its own decisions in areas that would affect them.

**Blackworld:** What do you think of Stony Brook in terms of interpersonal relationships between black students and male-female relationships?

**Kenny:** Stony Brook is a good science school with well-qualified teachers, but it may not meet the needs of the students in other areas. For example, the Black Studies Program should be broader and the teachers of most other courses should be screened by the department and students. As to the interpersonal relationships between black students, it is improving but we have a long way to go. The black students are not really united because of the ego trips most of them are taking... They have not come to a level of dealing with each other. This also applies to all Stony Brook students.

**Blackworld:** What do you think of the relationship between Afro-American students and other black students from Africa and the Caribbean? Is there a gap? And if so, what can be done to breach the gap?

**Kenny:** There is indeed a gap between them. The past BSU did not really include the African Students Union and the Caribbean Students Union. It was a union of all black students in theory but not in practice. One reason for this gap may be that we may not have mutual respect for each other's values and cultures. We have to learn to come to grips with each other together. The relationship is improving now because attempts are being made to breach the gap under the new BSU. We welcome project ideas from everyone because we believe that we can only learn by doing things together.

**Blackworld:** What are your views on A.I.M.?

**Kenny:** I am not in the program although I would really like to meet the counselors to find out what's happening. I believe they know more about the program than anyone else and I also think that they're good through experience. I think A.I.M. might be having problems because the students are not involved in decision-making and some administrative hassles might threaten the program's success.

**Blackworld:** What do you see as the Black Movement's present direction?

**Kenny:** I personally see the movement going towards separatism. It has its positive and negative results; positive in that black people are learning how to work with each other and thinking for themselves and addressing their needs without white interference. The negative side is that Black people are turning towards reverse racism in that they will turn and do the same thing to whites without being constructive. This only increases the tension and the idea should be to decrease it and still get what you want.

**Blackworld:** Would you like to add anything to what has already been said?

**Kenny:** Yes. With the approval of the SBU budget for 1975-76, we hope to get more students involved in the program. As far as BSU is concerned we are getting a new constitution with the draft well under way now. We hope to get input and suggestions from students and get the clubs functioning well. We hope to set up a better working relationship between BSU and Polity and get more BSU senators in Polity positions. We are going to write up a questionnaire for black students to find out what they want and what is lacking now.

# Africa for Africans At Home And Abroad

The Liberation Struggle  
in South Africa

The great land mass of Southern Africa contains over 30 million people who are suffering under the domination of European settler colonies inhabited by less than 5 million whites. In all these colonies our brothers and sisters are suffering at the hands of these white colonialists. In Angolo and Mozambique, the Portuguese rule. In Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), Europeans of British descendants rule. In South Africa and Southwest Africa, Dutch, German and British descendants rule. In addition Guinea-Bissau (Portuguese Guinea) is dominated by Portugal.

Ever since these Europeans invaded Africa they have systematically and consistently raped, pillaged and brutalized the people of Africa and their natural resources.

Mother Africa is the richest of all the world's continents. It is the universal storehouse of most kinds of mineral and metal deposits. Southern Africa is the number one world source of gem diamonds, and electrolytic copper, uranium, coal and platinum — all the essential elements needed in sustaining the industrialized societies, namely the United States and other European countries. Moreover, the Continent's Southern region ranks fifth as a world source of manganese lithium, iron nickel, antimony, asbestos and several other important minerals and metals needed by the settler colonies as well as their European mothers.

While the white settlers live lives of ease based on the riches extracted from the African soil, by and large our African brothers and sisters themselves are forced to live in poverty, deprivation and degradation. In South Africa and most of the remainder of the region Africans are forced to carry the notorious passbooks to go back and forth from their reservations ("Bantustans") to their jobs in the regions inhabited by Europeans.

From the very beginning of European aggression Africans led by warriors such as Chaka Zulu, Matabele, and Dingane, fought for 300 years to retain their land but were overwhelmed by the superior arms and mechanized warfare waged against them by Europe. Now African freedom fighters are daily waging guerilla type warfare against the settlers and their colonial empire.

They fight bravely and fiercely with inadequate supplies and arms against overwhelming odds but are nevertheless managing to strike telling blows against the colonial governments and private investors. They are DETERMINED to get back their land! They want no British-promoted proportionate arrangement of seats in the white folk's parliamentary government. They want no South African machinated Bantu ("Black Capitalist") programs. They want no gradual easing of apartheid laws as it suits the economic and international political schemes of the South African and Portuguese governments.

Black people in the United States have the technical skills and financial resources to aid in the liberation of the Continent. Some brothers and sisters are already contributing their time, talents and financial resources toward that end. Maybe we can't all do that at this point in time but we can all show the world that we love Africa and are angry about the United States support of racist colonialist regimes in Southern Africa. (U.S. capitalists have heavy investments there and also massively supply its NATO partner Portugal with arms which they consistently divert to use in the suppression of the African liberation fighters.) Moreover, given the U.S. history of aggression in Southeast Asia, using a large percentage of Black soldiers to wage war against the poor coloured people there, who can deny that the U.S. would have no compunction about sending U.S. armed forces containing Black soldiers to fight our African brothers. We must not let this happen.

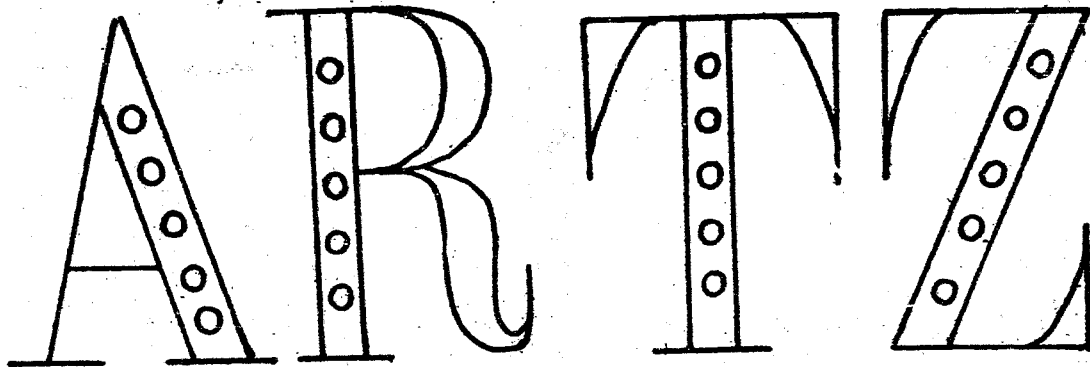
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## I Know of Disguises

By AKI DAVIS

WHEN I WAS A YOUNG BOY, I ONCE CAME ACROSS A WORD THAT I DIDN'T KNOW THE MEANING OF, THIS WORD WAS DISGUISE. SO I ASKED MY MOTHER, WHAT DOES DISGUISE MEAN? AND SHE TOLD ME, "SOMETHING THAT APPEARS TO BE ONE THING, BUT IS ANOTHER." AND NOW THAT I KNOW WHAT DISGUISE MEANS I ALSO KNOW... What was once chains, now comes under the disguise of bars... What is now behavioral modification, is really brainwashing... What is now called "our war" is really their war... What used to be politicians representing "all the people" is really politicians representing particular people... Undesirable food from slavery, now soul food... Abortion today, is really destruction of our genesis... The McCarren Act of today, is Hitler's act of yesterday... What we think is the government, is really big business... That herding, and busing is the same thing. That forty acres and a mule, definitely ain't Harlem & the Subway... YES MOM, I NOW KNOW WHAT DISGUISE MEANS. JUST AS MALCOLM, KING, THE BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN PRISONS, AND THE 12 YR SISTER FROM THE SOUTH WHO CAN NO LONGER HAVE KIDS KNEW. THANKS MOM FOR TEACHING ME THE MEANING OF THAT WORD. FROM THAT I CAME ACROSS AN EVEN BETTER WORD. AND THAT WORD IS RETRIBUTION!





ART EDITOR MICHELLE POLLARD

# Contemplations in Black

By MICHELLE POLLARD

Well folks, this is our LAST EDITION- and if I must say so its been rough (smile). But that's alright too, 'cause next year's gonna be even rougher. (smile). Whether most of us realize it or not some mighty significant changes have come about in this year at Stony Brook. But what we must not do is become contented and smug in our accomplishments. WE MUST ALWAYS MOVE AHEAD.

Significant changes in your B.S.U. have been made, folks. Next semester you should'nt have to go home every weekend- for fear of going crazy with nothing to do besides study. According to your budget for next year you should have something to do, something "Cultural" should be happening every weekend, folks...so don't despair.

Black folks sure are talented though-I'm backstage at RAISIN, and they're happy as hell(the cast I mean).. And hell they've got good reason to be- they gave eight of the most extraordinarily sensational performances that I'm sure this campus has ever come upon. I noticed familiar faces in the audience two and three times during the week- people sincerely enjoyed this latest production of the Black Theatre Ensemble. I went back six times (but I'm a theatre freak- smile). My little Capricorn friend, Richie Allen Green, at the age of five, nearly destroyed the audience. The innocence of his tone coupled with his adult awareness of the stage was wonderful. Denise Jennings was delightful. Night after night she played Beneatha Younger with an easy smoothness throughout the week that expressed the form of an indeed, polished young actress. Gregory V. Ward, performed as Walter Lee Younger with such passionate intensity of character that he seemed to be able to veer the whole mood of the audience in moments merely with his presence. . . I love Val Porter's style, in both her directing, as well as acting capacities. A star is born,(smile). Why? . . because for example I didn't even realize how different her usual speaking voice was until I spoke with her after the show.

Funny thing just happened. There's a guy downstairs that we call "SQUIRREL"- Norma gave him that name- Norma's got this way about her- it's funny, she gives people names of animals that they remind her of most. When she gives them these names nobody can figure out the reasoning behind them, sometimes not even she can. . . this is a riot. I can't stop laughing 'cause my brother just came upstairs seething mad, practically frothing at the mouth because the guy has stolen his two pound bag of peanuts and slipped up to Roth Quad

where he lives. Squirrel has finally lived up to his name(smile).

Anyway, as I was saying, RAISIN, was fantastic most of all because none of these crazy characters have ever had any formal training. They were beautiful. Debra Givens played Ruth Younger with a delicate simple attractive grace. But what I enjoyed most were the performances of the minor characters. The performance of Jamie Miller, as Joseph Asagai was so pleasantly proper that it did remind me of many an earnestly sincere African college student in corrupt America. But the miserble haughtiness of George Murchison, played by Persko Grier, was played to such splendidly snobbish perfection that all I could do was enjoy that scene over and over again, . .when Walter Lee is drunk, Beneatha is dancing, Ruth is ironing and in walks George. And Persko's Philadelphian accent was prominent enough to sincerely make him sound as though he was from another world. . .we got a kick out of Aki Davis, my man Bobo. Bobo was a riot. And invariably he lightened up a scene that was supposed to be serious, he made it thouroughly enjoyable, anyway. .a little comedy never hurt anybody(smile). . .and Robert Taylor as Karl Linder was also perfect. His tone, his manner, his purpose-all so very perfect. . . But Marc Pollard as the moving man threw the audience completely off when he lifted a whole upholstered chair through the air as though it were an tin ash tray. The funny part about it was that he was trying not to be noticed(smile). What I'm waiting for is Black Theatre's next production. I can't wait, and I don't think the rest of the community can either. They are beautiful people.

You know its funny how some folks have soooo much money- and the rest of the folks don't have any at all. I have been sitting in this Union Cafeteria for the past five hours and the same clown still is running back and forth between the pinball machine and the change-making machine. He must really have money to waste. I guess the economy is'nt all that low.(smile)

But to get down to business Canute Parris of Black Studies organized a fantastically informative trip to Washinton, D.C. last weekend. Brothers and sisters you had better get your grades together- in Washington they are trying to pass a bill which should eventually eliminate all Blacks from attending university's, in essence. This country intends to dismiss all the criteria of financial aid on NEED. They would like to base all aid on merit. They would like to eliminate work study and in essence, open up financial aid to the middle class, folks . . and we all know who that always eliminates. Alright then, people. Keep this bill in mind this summer in school, next fall semester, and please try to become more politically aware and more important, involved. We had appointments with Congresswoman Shirely Chisolm, of Bedford Stuyvesant, with Yvonne Braithwaite Burke of Texas, with Hawkins of California and a few of the other seventeen Black Congressmen and women in Washington. They spoke to us personally, which was most effective. Black Studies intends to make this an annual trip- I think I'll start recruiting people in Sept., thats how much I delighted in the trip- I'd never been to Washington, compliments to a Mr. George Hoft (smile).

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# P o e m s

### In The Dark

For what it's not worth  
I'll lay beside you in the dark, night after night  
Only to have you disappear with the stars

For what it's not worth  
I'll sit with you in our blooming garden  
In hope that autumn may never come

For what it's not worth  
I'll be contented with my head in your lap  
In hope that you'll never feel a need . . . to walk away

For what it's not worth  
I'll love you  
'Till you stop loving me —

michelle pollard

### LOVE POEM

Sister  
I love you  
I have seen you  
in all angles and aspects  
of you/your beauty

and I feel it is right  
that I tell you again  
that you are my queen  
and I love you

there are times when I don't/can't  
understand  
you/your changes  
and I say

Later for this bitch  
But the times when we love  
the times when you laugh  
When we smile together at only  
what we know  
when the warmth within your bosom  
radiates out into a cold heartless world  
and melts the iciest icicle  
somehow makes it right  
that I tell you again  
that you are  
My Queen

brian benjamin

### BLACK WOMAN/BLACK GOLD

My heart is the Summer  
My vitals the new Fertile Spring  
My body is Seasonless/constantly changing  
My mind is the Universe/constantly expanding

I am infinite/Because/they say  
I can go into Eternity/I am Eternity  
I am invisible/they/can look but cannot see  
There is no prism/that/will set my color free

I am all the colors/I am the SPECTRUM

I am in silver, iron, manganese, COAL  
I am BLACK GOLD  
I am hard and brittle/young lithic, BOLD  
I am old and alive/young dead COLD

I was born a woman/and became a Queen  
I am sweet and soft/angry and mean  
The wonder of me/I am the being

They/had the nerve/to try/to buy me  
They/thought/I could be sold

What price can/they/put on BLACK GOLD

### LOVING YOU

When I stroke the soft fur of a kitten,  
or smell the fragrance of a summer rose,  
When the warmth of the sun is making my skin golden brown,  
or the ocean water enfolds me,  
When I watch a robin eating cherries from a tree,  
or a swan posing for her mate,  
I think of loving you.

### FANTASY OF MY MIND

Was it my imagination or were you close to me one night,  
Like a bee hovering over a lotus flower drinking  
its sweet warm nectar?  
I felt your gentleness with your strength, I saw your brownness,  
And your power generating warmth to beauty through the  
melodies of life.  
You were there by my side through the evening, showering my  
lips with kisses as soft as the rain planting kisses  
upon the brown earth . . . or was that my imagination?  
If it was my imagination, I won't be sad.  
I'll just live in the imagination, the fantasy of my mind  
and hope someday it will be true.

### FLOWERS OF MY MIND

There are words I want to speak from deep within my heart,  
But the door will not open for fear you will depart, or  
Break apart the fragile pieces of my soul.  
My lips are fearful of whispering those sacred words  
So I will stand quietly aside until the silver jewels of you  
unlock the flowers of my mind.

### THOUGHTS

Because someone loves you,  
it gives you no right to impose upon  
their feelings,  
or trespass upon their souls.

Whenever I am far from you,  
love me in your mind,  
expanding from within,  
to reach for me miles away.  
I'll be there.

### BLACKWORLD

This world is full of Black people  
Full of soul and rhythm too!  
This world is full of Black people  
Who are brothers and sisters  
'To me and you  
All Black people are beautiful,  
But in their own way  
And don't you forget, their beautiful Ebony skin  
Will shine through every day.

colette pollard  
-an eleven year old

### YOU BLACK PEOPLE BETTER OPEN YOUR EYES AND FACE REALITY

Why do you subject yourself  
To being with the same people  
At all times,  
And why don't you ever speak  
What is really on your minds,  
And why do you want to know her business,  
When it has nothing to do with you,  
Who are you to say what is right  
For her to do.

Don't you realize that you are acting like a  
kid growing up,  
With the inability to see,  
Hurting  
Not caring  
Making decisions so abruptly.

### 10 Mia

I only dream with my eyes wide open—  
and you beside my arm

### Can You Invision Your True Origin?

Can you invision your origin?  
or do you care—  
Is to know the answer  
Is not to know just a lost secret.

Can we invision origin  
Can we invision the conception  
The conception of your purpose  
At birth--that purpose--that root  
That was passed on by the ancestor

Can our people invision origin  
Or must we commit ourselves  
To a lost kingdom for a thousand years

INVISION YOUR ORIGIN!  
We Afrikans in America hold kinship to the sea  
Seers invision their origin  
Seers are hard to find  
But then sweet grapes  
Can turn to fine wine

Can you invision the destiny of "number-one"  
Ifr welcome to the club of those  
Who care to know a lost secret.  
The tale of the Afro-American SOUL!

by  
oluyemi

### FOR MY WOMAN

When I am away from you  
I am empty. . . a part of me is  
missing  
I dream of your softness and  
sweet kisses. . . of your soft voice  
And when we love it does a fantastic job  
On my natural mind,

Your hurt is my hurt  
Your pain is my pain

When you call I know I must be there  
Because being away from you  
is being  
nowhere

When I look into your eyes, I can see all  
the strength of Mother Africa  
Yet and still, all the soft, shy coquettish  
qualities of the comely Black woman you are  
Being with you is a source of sheer delight  
in itself  
Your warm sense of humor  
Makes being with you truly together;  
The love I have for you is undying;  
undaunted by time or space  
You are everything for me.

brian benjamin

A Spring  
Collection  
by  
Every Mojica

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# Contemplations

You know sometimes I wonder what New York City is really about. I know it's supposedly the richest city in the world; so why the hell don't they invest in a little money for sanitation. I never in my whole life came upon a real life live rat, until last week, when I went unruffledly strolling through the Brooklyn Botanic Gardens, at the peak of Cherry Blossom season. Never in a million years, would I have expected to encounter my first rat in a garden- any garden! Then when I was talking to my younger sister and in misery relaying the story- she says to me "What do you mean?-they always do that". She says the only time she sees rats is when shes passing through the park. I guess the rats stroll at Cherry Blossom time, too. . . Jesus Christ!

What happened to the softball team- it was over before it even got started. . strange how the ball never got up off the ground.

O.K. people next week Sat., May 3 is Family Day here at Stony Brook (Another first annual- I can't imagine what Prof. Parris and staff could have meant by the First Annual Awards Dinner, we've been having them for years before this from what I have observed- I wonder if we are all Black or if there is another race of people the same color hidden away someplace. (smile)

Happy Birthday to all those wild Taureans. Happy Birthday Jerry and Jamie and Calvin and Persko and Marc and all the rest of those charming fellows. Watch out girls, springtime and a Taurus man, will definately make you fly the coop. Behave.

By the way, Calvin what happened at the Senate meeting Monday. Jesus-if there ever was a time that we needed you it sure was at that meeting- what happened?

I don't know whats to happen

I don't know what's to come, folks, but it's been a damn productive year. Black theatre has taken a big step, Blackworld has taken a positive step and B.S.U has taken a giant step-just wait till next year! I wish all the seniors the luck, happiness and success that I would wish my own child. And in the midst of this madness don't let the most important aspect of anything you do get swept up in the rush-love eachother, people. -Easy.

# Writers Symposium

BY MARVA USHER

A symposium on literature, politics and culture in the Black World was held April 24 featuring a panel of four well known black writers from all parts of the Black Diaspora.

The panelists, Kofi Awoonor, SUNY at Stony Brook; Wilfred Cartey, City University of New York; Paule Marshall, Columbia University; and Ezekiel Mphahlele, University of Pennsylvania, could not give a definition of Black Culture due to the vastness of the topic, but each spoke on an aspect which was relevant to the purpose of the symposium.

Mphahlele gave a short talk about the parallel relationship in Black Culture between violence and love, hardness and softness. He read some poetry from a South Africa countryman of his which conveyed the essence of his parallels.

Marshall dwelled on the Black Woman, her relationship with other blacks and her reaction to the white racist society. She gave a short narrative about herself as a West Indian child growing up

in an American society and how these experiences help in becoming a writer. What she said struck home with the blacks who were there for it re-created old situations in their own homes.

Cartey spoke on the effect that certain politically-oriented time periods have had on Black writing. He lashed out against what he called assimilation tactics which will force many Blacks to become "Oreo cookies" if carried out. He cited the changing of many Black Studies Departments into "Ethnic Studies" departments as proof of such tactics.

After the panel had finished, time was given for the audience to respond. The questions asked ranged from what were the panel's thoughts on Women's Lib to what is the trend in black plays on Broadway. A general feeling that came out was that a white person should never try to depict black people in his writing because he cannot fully express black culture nor understand its nature.



Were Happy to HAVE YOU  
BACK  
NORMA JEAN McDAW  
THANKS FOR GETTING WELL, AGAIN



# Campus Events

## Norma Jean Is Back Y'all

Sister Norma Jean McDow, Blackworld copy editor and BSU senator is back in high gear after undergoing a successful operation and recuperation period. Welcome back, Sister Norma, we all missed you, needed you, and, now since we got you back, plan to keep you in good health for a long time to come.

## Aries in Bloom

Congratulations to Sister Ade Molara who gave birth to a seven-pound twelve-ounce baby girl, Damali Neequoi, March 30.

## Black Family Day May 3

BSU is sponsoring Black Family Day May 3 in Wildwood Park. Activities will be a soul picnic, the BBA Allstar Playoffs and the All-Star softball game. Students, faculty, family and friends are all invited.

## Open House at Malcolm King

The Malcolm King Educational Center is having an Open House May 4. Little brothers and sisters from the Center and Wider Horizons will present a one-act play, and the Black Gold Dancers will perform. Refreshments will be served.

## Condolences To Sister Herdy

Our sincere condolences to Sister Herdy Micou, residential counselor, whose 11 year old nephew recently passed away.

## Minister James Returns May 1

Minister James 67X of the Nation of Islam will return to Stony Brook May 7 to speak on current issues that affect black people.

## Lorna Lipsett Recuperating

Lorna Lipsett, associate director of AIM, who took sick in February, is now home recuperating from a serious operation. She was released from Mather Memorial Hospital in Port Jefferson in March and is expected to return to work the second week of May.

# UGB CALENDAR

### MONDAY, APRIL 28

- SILKSCREEN DEMONSTRATION and sale of Bridge to Nowhere T-Shirts, Union Lobby, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- RAINY DAY CRAFTS, String & Cord pictures, Union Main Lounge, 11-3 p.m. All materials free.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 29

- TUESDAY FLICKS, GREETINGS. An outrageous satire on America in the sixties and the failure of Johnson's Great Society
- SQUARE DANCE with caller Ed McKerly. He will be leading the dancing from 9 p.m. till midnight, Union Ballroom, free. All are welcome.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

- BROWN BAG RAPPERS. MR. GEORGE MICHAEL, renowned in the field of the treatment, science and care of long hair. Union Room 236, 12-2 p.m. Free coffee; bring your lunch and enjoy!

### THURSDAY, MAY 1

- MAYFEST - Harp Concert with Jennifer Sayre and Rebecca Flannery performing 12 noon-2 p.m., Union Courtyard; 6:30-8:30 p.m., Library Mall. Refreshments will be served. (Co-sponsored by CED student government.)

DESPITE STUDENT PROTESTS, ATTICA DEFENDENTS FOUND GUILTY (SUNN)

After 25 hours of deliberation, the jury in the Attica murder trial of Decajawiah (John Hill), and Charlie Joe Pemasilice found the two defendants guilty of crimes committed in connection with the Attica Prison uprising in 1971. Decajawiah was convicted of the murder of Attica correction officer William Quinn, and Mr. Pemasilice, was convicted of attempted assault in the second degree.

The conviction followed a week of daily demonstrations by supporters of the Attica defendants from the State University of New York at Buffalo. On Wednesday, April 2, six demonstrators were arrested during a rally of 500 students.

The rally followed the passage of a resolution by the Buffalo student government supporting moves to dismiss the defendants' charges, and calling for the cancellation of all classes for students to attend the demonstration in front of the Erie County Court House.

The first arrest came in the early morning of the demonstration when the ralliers were told by New York State Supreme Court Justice Norman Stiller to move the demonstration from Erie County Hall to Niagra Square. When they refused, the first person, Danny Katz, was arrested.

Following the arrest, the students moved to Niagra Square, but an hour later they were back at Erie County Hall chanting and carrying banners.

Judge Stiller reappeared and once again told the students that the demonstration had to be moved. The students again refused and Judge Stiller quickly directed deputies to arrest five people who he had picked out.

Two of the arrested students were detained and then released. The remaining four were charged with obstructing government administration and resisting arrest. Three were released in the custody of their lawyers, while the other, a minor, was released on \$200 bail.

The Attica trials grew out of the events of September 9, 1971 when 1500 prisoners took over part of Attica Prison, held guards hostage for protection, elected their own representative governing body, and put forward a petition which demanded better treatment. Two days later, one of the bloodiest incidents in New York's history took place. Correctional Officers, State Police, and National Guardsmen stormed the prison, killing 43 men and wounding some 200 others. Ten of those killed were prison guards who were employed by the State.

Two years later, a special Grand Jury handed down indictments charging 61 prisoners with murder and other felony charges, while not one State Official, guard, or policeman was charged with anything.

The trial of Decajawiah and Charlie Joe Pemasilice was the first major case to stem from the Attica rebellion. Pre-trial hearings began last November.

Campus support groups are planning a "March on Albany" on April 28th.



## DAVE LIEBMAN AT STONY BROOK

By KIM WATSON

In keeping up with Stony Brook's tradition, the concert started late and once it did start, it was a disappointment. Looking at the stage set with the lighting and instruments, I was expecting some good music. I obviously expected too much.

Playing under the handicap of a poor P.A. system and a bass player who was too loud, the jam started. Liebman opened on soprano sax and the group seemed to be far behind. There seemed to be a lack of feeling among the musicians.

They got a slow start but things finally began to fall in place. The group was finally making some music. Liebman broke into a nice soft tone with a hip melody but when the bass player took a solo, we was ANTI-CLIMATIC. The keyboard took over bringing the song back into perspective, momentarily. Liebman fell in on tenor and not until then did the group sound tight.

Before the first set was over, quite a few people found their way to the door. The set was full of music that I found weak, uninteresting and on a whole, dull. At the end of the first set, I was brought back to life by a tune that finally got cooking. Liebman's soprano was adequate, but not outstanding. I got a drink. I thought it might sound better if I'm mellow.

The Liebman's group consists of Dave Liebman on soprano and tenor sax and alto C flute, Richard Beirach on acoustic and electric piano, Frank Tusa on electric and acoustic bass, Jeff Williams on drums and Badal Roy on tablas. Their album has some nice cuts but their live performance during the first set was ineffectual.

There must have been a half time huddle because the group sounded tighter in the opening tune of the second set. They seem to have reached a common plane and developed a groove. Everything was going well until the solo was handed over to Richard Beirach on electric piano; he fell short of his goal. Beirach was stuck until Liebman jumped in to save the day. The music was getting better but still remained under par. Liebman played his Flute on "Oasis," a cut from his new album "Lookout Farm." Nothing fancy, but it was enjoyable.

The collaboration of Liebman on Tenor and Beirach on piano on a standard jazz piece was one of the better happenings of the night. Liebman finally had control of his Sax.

Liebman did one last tune that Coltrane had done. It would be unfair to compare Liebman's rendition to Coltrane's, so I listened objectively. Liebman impressed me on tenor and soprano and handled the song well. The group that had only two members whose solos were interesting (Liebman and Badal Roy) and had a drummer who must have been in space some where and had a keyboard and a bass player who could have been much better had finally hit a peak. There were so many negative aspects to the concert that by the time they peaked, I was almost asleep. I'm glad I didn't pay to get in.

## Michael White's Magic Music Co

By KIM WATSON

The name is unique and so is the music produced by this group. In no way does Michael White (who plays violin) overshadow his fellow musicians. They play as a unit and blend beautifully. The group is tight and every piece sounds calculated without sounding restricted.

The Magic Music Company goes through many moods ranging from the funky boogie feeling in "Spaceside" to the sweet and mellow vibes produced in "Her." The versatility of the group can be attributed to the contributions all the musicians made in the making of this album. Every member of the group has written at least one song on the album. When you have six musicians who have the talent and depth of those in the Magic Music Company you are sure to come up with some heavy music.

Kenneth Jenkins on bass and Paul Smith on drums lay the foundation. Between the two of them you can feel a powerful push. Kenneth Nash fills in with some excellent percussion work. His presence can be felt through his many percussion instruments and subtle use of the moog synthesizer. When you feel the music coming to a peak you can be sure Kenneth Nash is at the bottom giving it a rhythmic push. With such a strong foundation on which to build Bob King on guitar and Ed Kelly on keyboards can't go wrong. They move in and out bringing everything into perfect balance. Bob King maintains a softness to his playing at all times (unlike many new jazz guitarists). Ed Kelly and Bob King seem to feed off one another's music and some beautiful sounds result.

I think the key to Michael White's music is his total knowledge of when to play and when to lay back. Unlike Michael Urbaniak (another popular jazz violinist) White does not center the group around himself. He is an unselfish musician and his music is all the better for it. The album is worth picking up.

# Loud & Clear

By LLOYD SARGEANT

"It's a downright rotten, low down, dirty shame—  
The way you treat poor me, and I know I'm not to blame!"

That's part of "Jelly, Jelly," a blues that Jimmy Rushing used to sing. A couple of Sundays ago I listened to "Black Ethics and Expression," a Black-produced documentary series on WBLS, New York, and John Carlos was interviewed. As the interview went on, that old Blues came to mind. John Carlos? Who's John Carlos? Surely you remember the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City in which John Carlos, a gold medal winner, and Tommy Smith who won a bronze medal both gave the now famous Black-power salutes with fists clenched, as they stood proudly on the reviewing stands as the National Anthem was being played. Surely you remember the immediate reaction of derision these men suffered in the media, because they chose to affirm their Blackness for the entire world to see in a proud and public manner.

"It's a downright rotten — shame —"

No one really understood those men, not even many of their brothers on the same Olympic team. What had been a tremendous triumph for John Carlos quickly turned into what must have seemed like a horror movie to him, as he was chastized and then castigated for affirming his Black manhood, by saluting with what was then regarded by the Establishment as a threatening symbol of Black rebellion.

"The way they're treating poor John —"

Because he has had such a hard time finding a job, since the incident, his home life has not been serene, and his family was disrupted. He tried to get jobs on various campuses, in corporations, or just anywhere.

He has had tryouts with the N.Y. Stars of the World Football League, and the Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League, and was dropped by both franchises. While they both might have "legitimate" excuses as to why they let John go, the fact remains that he had enough going for him to get a football trial in the first place. Playing with a pro team requires time to get oriented into the flow of the particular unit to which you are assigned. The N.Y. Stars gave him four days to get it together. Then they cut him. I don't know the Philadelphia Story, nor do I need to, for although I was born there, Philly, the city of "brotherly love," is really not one of my favorite places, especially since that place saw fit to elect Rizzo, the ex-law-and-order Police Commissioner as Mayor. So whatever happened to John Carlos there wouldn't surprise me in the least. Remember Richie Allen on Connie Mack's Philadelphia baseball team?

"And we know he's not to blame!"  
Oh well, you know the rest of the story... He hasn't been able to land a good job. When they ask him if he is John Carlos the Olympic runner, and he answers "yes," he's had it. They get into their "gee I'm so glad to know you, and proud to shake your hand..." bag. "We'll let you know about the job..." And that's the end of that. He finally has an offer of a job with a Councilman, somewhere in California I think, and he hopes to be able to keep the Councilman from going through too many changes about his appointment. You know, pressure from the top... pressure from other Councilmen or pressure from his constituency, like, "Hey, you know you're not supposed to touch that black boy... no way, baby... no way!"


John Carlos is paying the price of being a young Black man who challenges America with his Blackness. He certainly has a right to his dignity as a human being, regardless of his color, or his race. He would get the respect due that dignity if he chose not to declare Loudly and Clearly that he is Black, and proud of it!

Liberal rhetorists among the whites, and milk-toast browns among the Blacks will tell you that John Carlos has been politically unwise. They will point to hundreds of other Black professional athletes that are making it in the system these days. They will do it tongue-in-cheek when they refer to the tokens; golf pro Lee Elder the first Black ever to make the Masters, the golf classic tournament; perennial champ Arthur Ashe, our pro tennis rep; or Frank Robinson, who as baseball's first Black manager will get his baptism this season. But they will make their point. John Carlos would probably have been a big man in sports today, if he had been wise enough, in the exhilaration of victory and the exuberance of youth, wise enough not to give way to his emotions, and he had been calculating enough to salute the flag in the normal manner, instead of giving vent to his true emotions that shouted within him — "I've done it, and I'm black... and, right this very moment, I AM THE GREATEST!"

Today, the John Carlos-Black power salute is common in sports. Black basketball players and white, too, run back downcourt after making a significant contribution in a game, with clenched fists held high, challenging their opponents. Fans too, in exuberance, support their teams, raising their fists as symbols of support, of pleasure in the accomplishments of their teams, in satisfaction of their teams' dominance or triumphs. Baseball players, both white and Black, pro golfers (white), white women tennis victors all perpetuate John Carlos' symbol which they use today as a symbol of challenge or to indicate that they have vanquished their foe.

But John Carlos still suffers. America has justified the symbol, but it has all but eliminated the man.

I wonder what the reaction would have been had a white American, flush from victory, given a fascist salute, in full view of the eye of the television camera which reports it all to millions of viewers. Think that he would have to go through the changes of the damned as has John Carlos? I doubt it.



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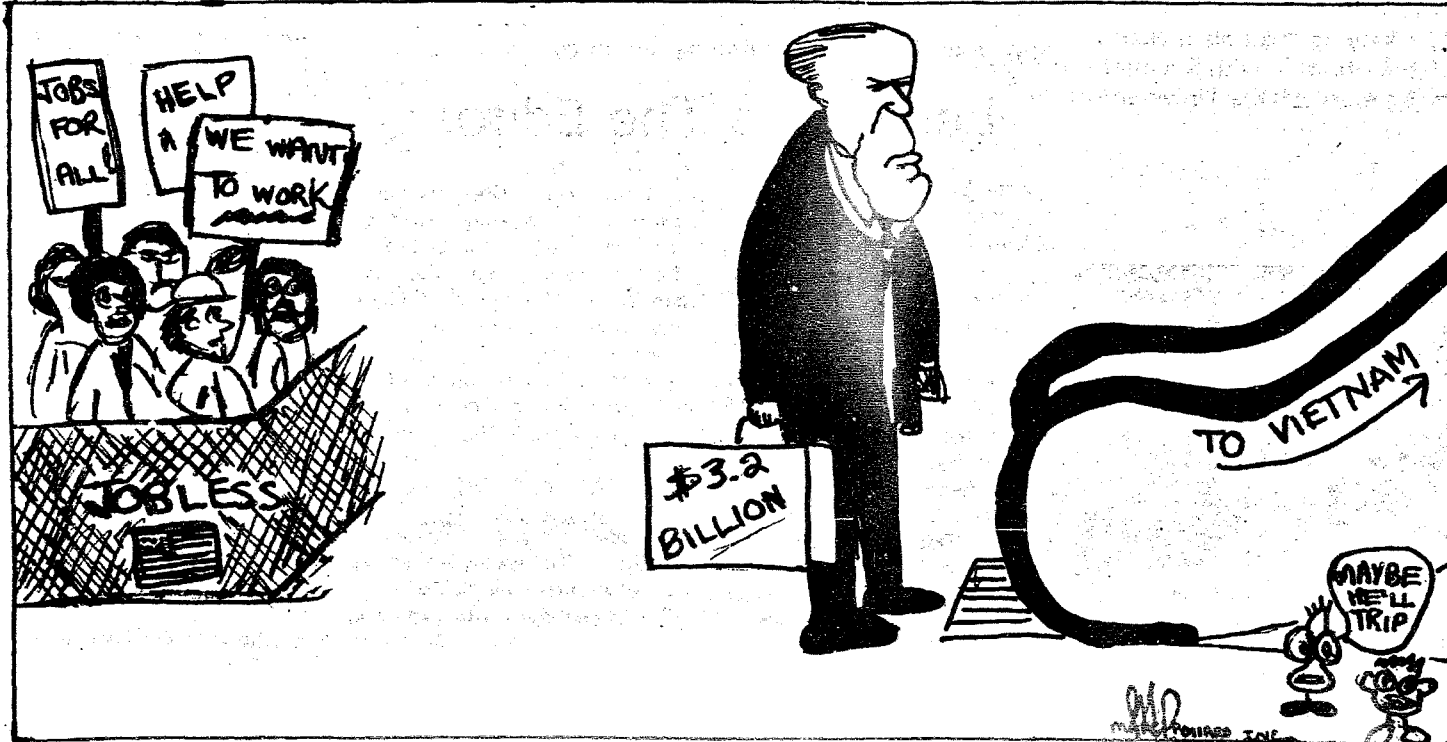
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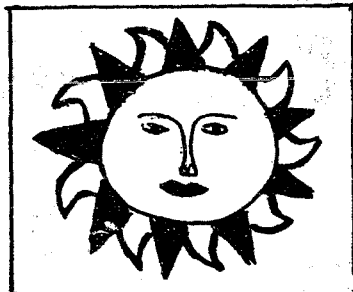
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LT. CHARLES REED:  
SECURITY

By AKI DAVIS  
If anyone was to enter the basement of the administration building anywhere from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and enter the Security office, they will find on duty Lt. Charles Reed, Supervisor of the day shift.  
Lt. Reed seems to be aware of some of the problems which the black community here at Stony Brook face, and expressed a willingness to help in any way that he could. When asked what is being done in his department to improve these conditions, Lt. Reed indicated that he has informed his subordinates to be a little more tactful in handling problems dealing with blacks, as well as the rest of the campus community. When asked how he thought the Nat Hibbler case was handled by Security, he said that his personal feeling is that there wasn't enough supporting facts to justify Hibbler's arrest, as well as many other arrests under those circumstances. Lt. Reed appears to be a black man who works independent of strings, which people in his position normally have.



Nathan Richards, director of the Jamaican Development Bank explains the economics of Jamaican society to Stony Brook students in the Caribbean Project. Left to right are: Wayne Foster, Ben Watford, Leona Ward, Ann Matis, Prof. Lebert Bethune, Pamela Agar, Dolores Donegan and Michelle Gaskins.





## Editorials

The University community has often been called a "microcosm" of the larger society reflecting the same structures, values, symbols and tactics in maintaining the status quo and at the same time "pretending" to be open to new and positive changes that will benefit all. Just as this nation pretends to be committed to the ideal of equality and justice for all — so also does this University.

The motto for this University is "Let each become all he is capable of being." The ALL in the statement above and the EACH in this statement refer to one and the same persons in this society: The White middle class, certainly not the minority persons and students. The University motto would read better for the minority student, "Let each become capable of being all that we think you are capable of if you can stand the harassment." Whenever black students on campus have attempted to "become," they have met with constant harassment from the Administration, the faculty, the police, the same as in the larger society.

The semester started off with the firing by the University of an AIM counselor, Eugene Woolwine; the Administration then went on its annual run of systematically de-registering students — which affects minorities most because it is harder for them to come up with ready cash immediately.

The faculty was able to play a hand in adding to the harassment of students through the coach of the basketball team. There was a boycott of the team by the black players (based on charges by the players that "there is no communication on the team between the Coach and the players . . . "He has no respect for us as a people"). There were allegations of racist remarks, suspensions of black players and promises of financial assistance which never materialized, all leveled against the coach of the basketball team. The coach countered these allegations with denials and remarks such as "next year I'll be more selective, checking personality, attitude, and background; for the players that's left the team this year, there will be no future in the Stony Brook basketball program . . . we will go with basketball players, not politicians." Anyone who speaks up for their rights is labeled a politician which is a polite way in the University community of saying "trouble maker." He closed his summation of the situation with a remark that reflects the sentiments of most of the University

community as well as the larger society — "I hope they all transfer." Married students lost in spite of winning, when the Court of Appeals overturned a U.S. district court decision granting married students the right to live on campus with their children. The University is attempting to get rid of as many of its resident married students this year as possible so that any new returning couples will have only limited choices as to what housing they can have. One married couple is already suffering the repercussions of the university attitude; they have been expelled from their room because of an infraction of the university rules on pets. They removed the pets immediately but were ordered to move while dogs and cats of white students continue to abound and run free on this campus as do their masters. This couple are both graduate students, one in the middle of an experiment for his dissertation who doesn't have the time or the resources to fight the administration. In seeking housing elsewhere, they have run into the stonewall of racism from the community and so far have no place to call home.

Crime and harassment run rampant on this campus. The Security force has proven itself to be ineffectual in preventing crime but expert in creating harassing situations through the free distribution of traffic tickets, the constant and unnecessary tow away of students' vehicles and the generally intimidating air which surrounds these officers.

Security's abuse of its authority has increased in the last year and interesting enough so has the report of violence and crime. How much of the violence against students was actually inflicted by the "Security" force that is paid to protect us. Last year a student's room was broken into in the early dawn hours, by the police, the student was handcuffed and taken away under the use of gestapo-like tactics. Taken away on charges which were based on allegations by a white student.

Recently another black student experienced similar treatment at the hands of Security. This time in broad daylight on the bus — again the action was taken based on alleged charges made by a white person.

This harassment will continue across all lines; from administration, faculty, and security as long as black students and staff continue to do nothing about it. The basketball players countered their dismissal from Stony Brook's team by forming a new all-black league that will counter the actions of the administration. Will there continue to be further card playing, further guilt withdrawals from the University acquiescing to the racist structure or will we stand up and fight back together in a unified supportive manner? The answer lies only in us, the black community and now.

## Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

(To an ex-con from his prison friends.)

You are a free man, Rob, because you are no longer shackled, by the chains of falsehood, deception, trickaration and indoctrination of the pale-skinned European. You are free, yet you are surrounded by slaves, black slaves, those who are possessed by the passions and desires of their lower selves (European), and refuse to comprehend the true significance of what this capitalistic culture is all about — "Die Nigger, Die." All I can say, Rob, is let the dead bury the dead, and concentrate on those who are just beginning to live — your seed and mine — young, gifted and black.

I know that it hurts you, Rob, because it hurts me too — to see our people, here in the year 1975 still dancing in their sleep to the music of Azrael — the Angel of Death. Yet I know also that if you maintain your faith and strength, in your journey through life you will find those who think like you, who are willing to struggle and sacrifice like you, and who are willing to live and die like you for the total liberation of 30 million watu weusi wapendeza!

Keep the fire burning, brotherman, burning with an intensity equal to the center of the sun. Never forget what you had to go through as a black man to get where you are today — a struggle that cannot be told in words — but laying on point with the knowledge that his (European) retribution is on the way.

To the Editor:

"I Hope They All Transfer"

These are the words of a man who deems that he is not a racist. Should Stony Brook be forced to keep an impotent basketball coach?

At the beginning of the basketball season Stony Brook had the players with the potential, as a team, to win the Knickerbocker Conference. The question that comes to mind, is, did we have the coach to handle such a powerful team? By the middle of the season it was obvious that Ronald Bash was not and still is not capable of this job. Why is it that hundreds of other coaches throughout this country can deal with these "Streetball" players, as Ronald Bash calls them. How come Dr. Bash cannot adjust, as a coach

## Letters

To the Editor:

The media's one-sided portrayal of Southeast Asia amid frantic chaos and human desperation is consistent with the contradictions and hypocrisy of American diplomacy. Ford's "mercy mission" heralded as a gesture of good will is little more than a propaganda device to disguise the political and military policies of the U.S. Witness the great American paradox: atomize Vietnam, its people and its culture off the map, but leave the children because they're alright.

It is abhorrent to my senses the way the American public under the gauche pretensions of humanitarianism has come forth, to offer to the Vietnamese children their love and the way to a better life. As an Asian in America, I have not forgotten the racism, the immigration restrictions, the exclusion acts, nor the concentration camps. Today, though we have our college degrees and professional training, we continue to be discriminated against in employment, housing and avenues of opportunity leading to the "better life."

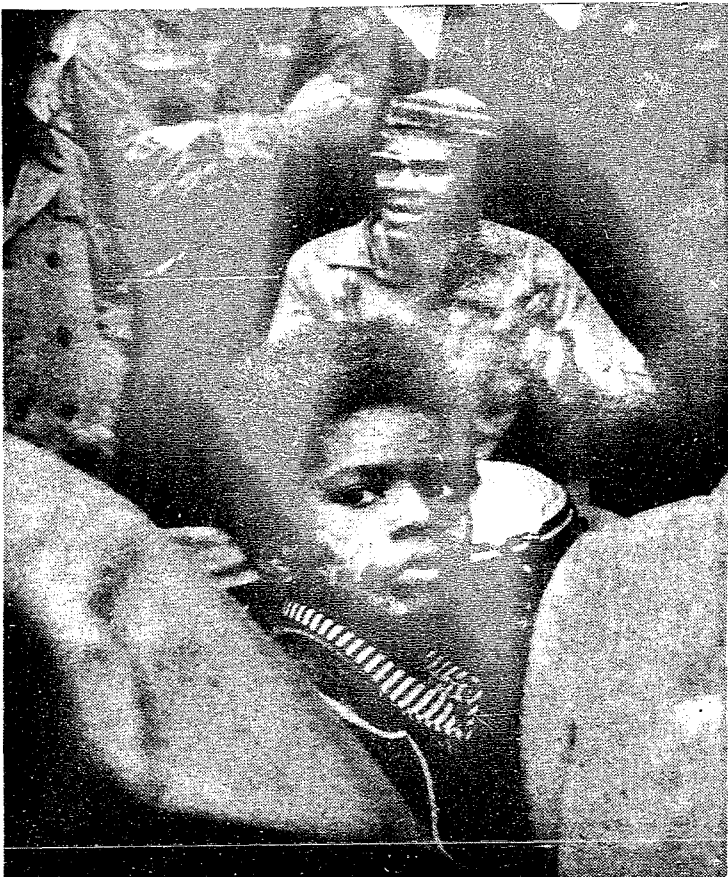
As I watched for the past two weeks as television cameras focused on the babylift operation complete with adoptive parents embracing the bewildered orphans, I thought of the terrible injustice being done to them. None of the adoptive parents I viewed were Asian or Black or of the other third world minorities. Why? Third World minorities in this country realize the tremendous struggle it takes to survive. It is the struggle for our rightful places in this racist society that I as well as other third world minorities have raised the question, "Can these adoptive families guarantee a place in society for these children?" Unfortunately, these Vietnamese children cannot ask their new parents why they're being taken away from their country of birth; why their names of birth are being changed to Peter, William or Robert; or even what happened to their parents and Vietnam?

These children are being selfishly exploited by the American public to allay their guilt-ridden consciences, by Ford to justify American imperialist policies and by the media which remains insensitive to these injustices by subjective reporting. That the American public chooses to ignore the fact that there are thousands of children in our own country starving for love and good homes, means they are participating in and supporting first the rape of Vietnam and then the kidnapping of its children.

Linda J. Lee  
New York City  
April 11, 1975

should, to these different "backgrounds" and "personalities." Other coaches can produce winning teams from various types of players . . . What's wrong with Ronald Bash?

"Concerned"



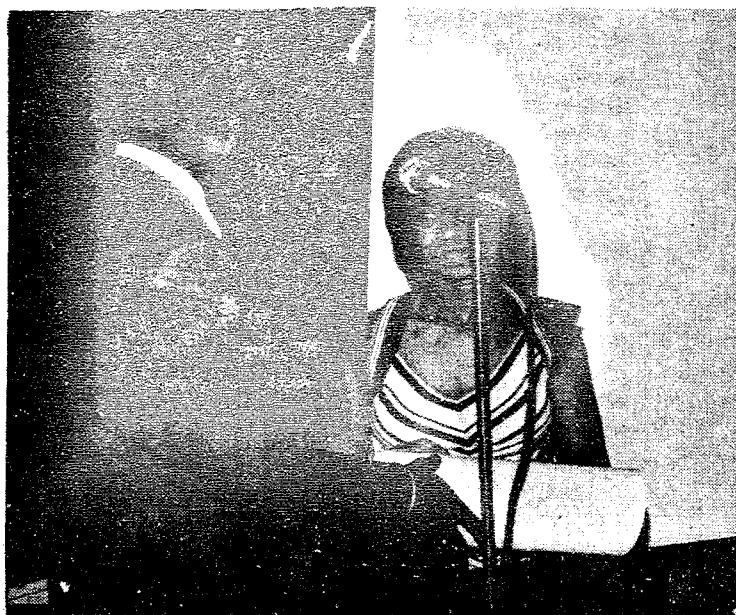
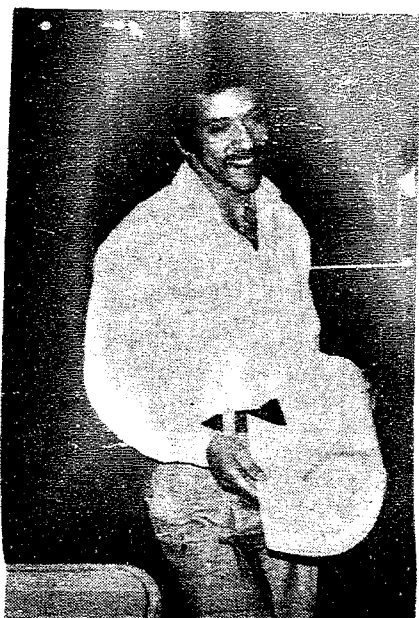
**"Let Each Become . . ."**

# Annual Awards Dinner

## Honors



## Three Students



Johachin Moyana, G.G. Greenhouse and Dana Escoffier receive awards for outstanding academic achievement presented by Black Studies Professor Canute Parris (second from left). The three students were selected on the basis of the highest cumulative averages amongst black undergraduates plus active involvement in campus activities. Over 100 guests dined on curried chicken and rice dinners as guest speaker Charles Hamilton, co-author of Black Power, stressed the importance of academic excellence.



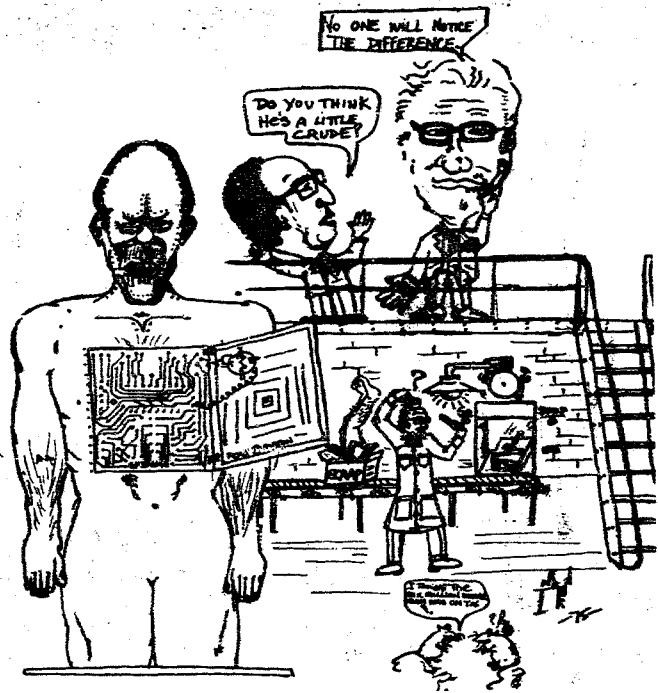
Dr. Leroy Brown (left) was presented the Outstanding Black Faculty Award.



Inca Mohamed and Larry Spruill



Irwin Quintyne and Lloyd Sargeant enjoy crusine.



## Chickens Coming Home To Roost Again

By LINCOLN LYNCH

There is an old Jamaican proverb which translated says that if the same bucket is constantly used to draw water from the well, one day the bottom will fall out.

All over the world and also here at home, the bottom is falling out of U.S. Foreign policy, and in the deathless words of Malcolm X "the chickens are coming home to roost," with a vengeance.

Over the last 30 years the U.S. government has followed a foreign policy which has been exceeded in its racism and its blindness only by its dealings with domestic issues here at home.

In every instance America has supported those foreign leaders who have articulated a policy designed to make the world safe for capitalism and all its inherent inhumanities, inequalities and repressions. The U.S. has opposed Mao in China, Nkrumah in Ghana, Lumumba in the Congo now Zaire, Ho Chi Minh of Vietnam, Ben Bella then Boumoudiène in Algeria, Fidel Castro in Cuba, Allende in Chile all of whom on the left are of the political spectrum and who have worked for change in the lives of the broad masses of their people.

On the other hand, strong and unquestioning American support has gone to Franco of Spain, Salazar of Portugal, Chiang Kai-Shek of Taiwan, Lon Nol of Cambodia and every right wing general who rears his ugly head in any South American republic, leaders all who practice open oppression of their people in the sacred name of anti communism.

The gross indecency and national public shame of using Vietnamese infants as political pawns in the geopolitical chess game now taking place in Vietnam under the gross euphemism of "baby lift" is indicative of a national schizophrenia dating back to the

framing of the Constitution. For while declaring that "all men... are endowed... with... rights... to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," the very same men were large slave holders denying the self-named rights to millions of black African slaves.

This type of national macro-hypocrisy has permeated every bone and fiber of "the American way of life," a type of hypocrisy which says as one American officer was quoted to have said "the country is worth saving, but not the people," and another at the devastation of Hue by American guns and planes, "we had to destroy it to save it."

And while Americans are being asked by the arch hypocrites Ford and Kissinger of "honour our commitments" by providing the rotten toppling regime of President Thieu with seven hundred million dollars more in arms aid "to stop the red tide," Thieu and his fellow "champions of the people" are negotiating to ship 16 tons of gold worth \$73,000,000 from Vietnam to a Swiss Bank account.

This is the same type of hypocrisy evidenced by granoliquent words of self praise and mathematical formulas to prove success in affirmative action here at Stony Brook while the figures tell a different story, and the president violates established procedures in his effort to deny tenure to Roy Brown, a qualified black professor.

Americans, said Patrick Moynihan recently, "may not be the people they think they are."



Indian lamas say that the earth is placed on the back of a gigantic frog whose movements cause earthquakes.

## COOK

## Muhammad's Fish Houses

By LORELEI ANDERSON

Next time you're in the city check-out one of Muhammad's Fish Houses, for they've got a fish-fried rice dinner going for seventy-five cents that is out of this world! As some brothers in Tabler can bear witness to it comprises a bad fish salad (thanks to Brother Chef Leroy), while others were able to savour a tasty sweet fish during the Malcolm King Center's fish fry. All who have tasted the whiting fish know it's delicious!

Some facts about this fish make it a practically mercury-free (99%) imported by the Nation of Islam from Peru. It is "flash-frozen," meaning that as soon as the fish is caught it is preserved for its freshness. Being almost fat free we can be assured that it aids in lowering the cholesterol count in our bodies. That's more than one can say of meat! You know they're trying to link fat-saturated meats with breast cancer in females. Beware sisters! 5 lbs. costs \$3.25 and 10 lbs. costs \$6.50. If you've ever bought fish you know that's cheap. Five pounds will fit comfortably into the small freezer space of our refrigerators with room for other frozen food items.

How many of us meat-eaters can no longer afford that steak once a week due to our limited finances, packages and rising costs? The same brother who delivers you your Muhammad Speaks (at the Brook are Brother Willi, Brother Carl, and Brother Bobby full-time matriculating brothers) can deliver this fish. I remember not too long ago a Black Stony Brook student confessing that a few years back he and his roommate were eating local campus rabbits. There's no more need for this activity. What better way to "Buy Black," "Employ Black" and eat cheaply while maintaining good health than with Whiting H&G? If you checked out the March issue of the "news" (SUNY paper) you probably noticed the article on how they plan to make trash fish

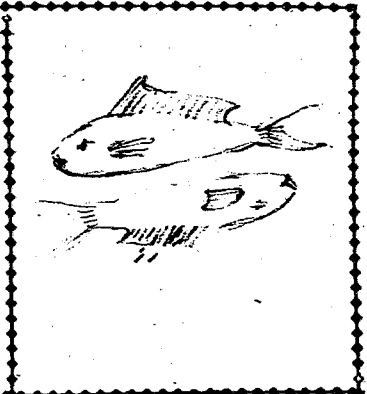
edible. There's no need for the Blackman and Blackwoman to eat trash when we have quality fish. I've compiled some hints and recipes that I'd like to share with you. Enjoy!

### STORING FISH

- (1) Keep fish tightly wrapped in an air-proof bag.
- (2) Fish must be kept frozen until you are ready to use it.
- (3) Do not store fish longer than 6 months.

### QUICK THAWING INSTRUCTIONS:

Keep fish in polyethylene protector (plastic bag). Place package under cold running water until you can separate the desired portions easily. Return what you didn't use to the freezer immediately.



### WARNING:

- (1) Do not use warm water in thawing or preparing fish.
- (2) Do not let fish thaw out at room temperature. Put it in the refrigerator.

### HOW TO FILET WHITING H & G

Wash and re-scale fish. Make two slits along back of fish, close to bone. Remove whole bone. Make one slit from belly to tail and remove.

### HELPFUL HINTS FOR WHITING H & G

You can clean this fish, filet it, chop it in a blender or steam it and put it in a covered glass dish or jar and refrigerate it. It will keep very well.

### RECIPES

#### WHITING H & G FISH CHOWDER (Makes 3-4 servings)

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| 1 lb. wh. H&G Fish      | 1 tsp. dried parsley                 |
| 1 cup boiling water     | 2 tbs. butter or vegetable margarine |
| 2 cups potatoes (large) | 2 cups milk                          |
| 1/2 tsp. onions         |                                      |

Simmer fish in boiling water until fish flakes. (Do not keep in water too long; causes mushy paste.) Remove fish, add diced potatoes, cook and simmer until soft. Saute onion and parsley in butter or veg. margarine until onion is tender. Add to cooked potatoes along w/milk and flaked fish. Season to taste. Reheat, but do not boil.

#### WHITING FISH SALAD (Makes 8-10 servings)

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| 3 cups of cooked flaked Whiting | Sweet pickle relish (season to taste) |
| 2 diced hard boiled eggs        | 1/4 tsp. powdered mustard             |
| 1 chopped onion                 | 1 tsp. prepared mustard               |
| 2 chopped celery                | 1 tsp. of sugar                       |
| 1/2 cup mayonnaise              | 1 tsp. of salt                        |
| 1/4 tsp. of pepper              |                                       |

Mix all ingredients well and serve.

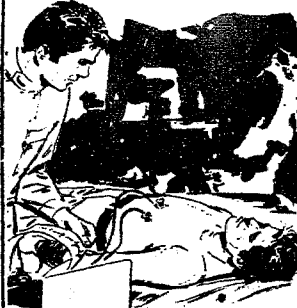


### Safeguarding Our Health Environment and Energy

1903 KITTICAWK, NORTH CAROLINA...



PLASTICS WERE A PART OF THIS HISTORIC DATE. THE WRIGHT BROTHERS USED A PLASTIC SOLUTION CALLED CELLULOSE NITRATE ON THE WINGS OF THE AIR PLANE THAT MARKED THE BIRTH OF MODERN AVIATION.



MOST ARTIFICIAL PACE MAKERS, WHICH ARE SAVING COUNTLESS LIVES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, ARE COATED WITH A PLASTIC SUBSTANCE WHICH ACTS AS AN INSULATOR BETWEEN TISSUE FLUIDS AND THE PACEMAKER'S ELECTRICAL COMPONENTS.



RECYCLING CAN TAKE MANY DIFFERENT FORMS. A NEW EXPERIMENTAL RECYCLING SYSTEM CALLED PYROLYSIS CAN BREAK DOWN ANY PLASTIC INTO LIQUID OR GASEOUS CHEMICALS AND RECOVER THEIR RESOURCE VALUE. THESE CAN THEN BE RECYCLED AS LOW-COST CHEMICALS TO MAKE NEW PLASTICS OR OTHER USEFUL PRODUCTS.



# What's In The Stars?

(Continued from P. 1)

By SANDRA B. RIVERA

**TAURUS** April 21-May 21 (Earth)  
 Ruling Planet Venus  
 Animal Nature — The Bull  
 Life Spirit Quiet Determination  
 Star Mates — Duke Ellington, Shirley Temple

**ROMANTIC YOU**

Yes, you are possessive, but you also know how to comfort and console, are a powerhouse in bed and a lady out of it. You're practical; you don't join committees on hunger — you do bring a casserole every Wednesday to a free community pot luck.

**HEDONISTIC YOU**

Who would suspect that underneath that unruffled Taurus exterior lies sexy, earthy you? You love to make love often, and for a long, long, time. Your Venus-ruled apartment is opulent: Oriental carpets, African carvings, fresh flowers everywhere.

**PRACTICAL YOU**

Charming you can realize all the Zodiac's high-flying schemes. Quietly, surely you do things perfectly, down to the tiniest detail. Dinners chez yours are known for the unexpected — never mind that you've just raced in after working late at the office.

**SOULFUL YOU**

Gemini has to learn to be quiet sometimes — that endless chatter is tiresome. Rein in a tendency to dabble: you know a little about music, a little about art. You'll be more satisfied if you limit that willy-nilly mind, master one subject.

**GEMINI** May 22-June 21 (Air)  
 Ruling Planet Mercury  
 Animal Nature Gazelle (antelopes)  
 Life Spirit — Adaptability  
 Star Mates — Rudolph Valentino, Marilyn Monroe

**ROMANTIC YOU**

Gemini loses her heart only when her intellect is stimulated. Until then, with her knack for flirtation, she has lots of loves . . . In fact, settling for just one poses problems — how to pick? Even happily coupled, an occasional affair is just this side of necessary.

**HEDONISTIC YOU**

Your apartment runs toward the casual, the comfortable, but always the neat. You enjoy drinking — it makes everyone as loose as you are. In bed, you care about pleasing-a lover; you try a menage a trois — and are free enough to enjoy it.

**PRACTICAL YOU**

You, interminably charming Gemini, shine in communications work — as a radio or TV interviewer: Barbara Walters, move over. Superefficient where others are concerned, you've a teensy problem with self-discipline. . . Get yourself together.

**SOULFUL YOU**

Possessiveness and stubbornness are your twin nemeses. Remember: people can never be owned — security comes from within . . . Taurus too often identifies it from without. You have to learn to accept new ideas; listen to different opinions with an open mind.

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referred has progressed at a faster rate than . . . perceived."

As a matter of fact in a memo to Dr. Toll, dated February 27, 1975, Mr. Irwin Quintyne, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee on Goals and Timetables, complained bitterly that his committee was not consulted prior to the submission of the President's Plan, and that data submitted by the Committee was misused in the Plan. The memo said in part, "the sub-committee objects strongly to the manner and method . . . used by the President in the preparation of the report. Not only was there no consultation . . . but the data was used in an arbitrary, capricious, not to say, tendentious fashion. It further seems that the data has been distorted to support a particular point of view, and to suggest a measure of success, which is in no way evident."

. . . This appears to contradict Toll's assertion to the Civil Rights Commission that the University would "be able to continue successful efforts under our Affirmative Action Plan."

In what appears to be a classic case of obfuscation, Dr. Toll in discussing "Utilization Analysis" in his letter to Wilmore, made the following statement. "In order to determine whether any unit is deficient in its employment of either women or minorities we have established standards of significant deviation downward from the proportion found in the pool selected. These provide that the employment rate shall be considered significantly low when the difference between the number employed and the number that would be expected in the available pool exceeds the square root of the number expected and amounts to more than two persons. (Where N is the number of women (or minorities) employed in the unit that size if it employed women or minorities in the same proportion as they are employed in the available pool, the downward deviation of N from  $N_1$  shall be significant when  $(N_1 - N) > N_1$  and  $(N_1 - N) > 2$ .)

On reading this one white professor commented "unless you can figure out this formula and language, tough shit." One black student asked "if N stands for nigger, what does  $N_1$  stand for?"

While President Toll tries unsuccessfully to convince the Civil Rights Commission that Stony Brook is hiring affirmatively in accordance with Executive Order 11246, he has maintained a sepulchral silence to numerous appeals and letters of support for the promotion and tenure of Dr. Leroy Brown, a black scientist in the Department of Anatomical Sciences.

Both Nassau and Suffolk Commissions on Human Rights have intervened on Brown's behalf and a case charging the University with racial discrimination is being prepared.

# BBA Nears Playoffs

Blackworld is proud to announce the newly established Black Basketball Association (BBA) that is now in operation. The BBA was the brainstorm of Ivory Fennell, a junior who resides in Kelly quad.

The BBA is divided into two divisions, the East and the West, with four teams in each division. For the East we have the Nets, the Stars, the Crushers and the Blazers. For the West are the Jets, Chairmen of the Boards, Courtsmen and the Kangaroos.

"An alliance is set up to give every brother who wants to play a chance to do just that," said Fennell, an excellent organizer and coordinator. There is a fee of \$1.50 per player for the

purpose of purchasing uniforms. A fundamental rule is that no player will be allowed to switch from one team to another.

Playoffs will begin April 30-May 1, followed by the Championship May 2 in the Gym. To cap the season, the All-Star Game will be played May 3 at Black Family Day in Wildwood Park.

In spite of Stony Brook's pitiful basketball season this year including the racist edicts of coach Ronald Bash, Ivory Fennell and the BBA demonstrated the resilient ability of black folks to bounce back from innumerable obstacles and yet still excel. . . the mark of true Champions. Asante, Brother, Asante.

**B.B.A. NEWS**

EAST	WINS	LOSSES
STARS	6	0
BLAZERS	4	2
CHAIRMEN	0	6

WEST	WINS	LOSSES
KANGAROOS	4	2
JETS	2	3
COURTSMEN	1	4

**SCHEDULE**

MONDAY	4/21	5:30 6:30	JETS -vs- COURTSMEN KANGAROOS -vs- CHAIRMEN
TUESDAY	4/22	5:30 6:30	BLAZERS -vs- COURTSMEN STARS -vs- CHAIRMEN
WEDNESDAY	4/23	5:30 6:30	JETS -vs- BLAZERS STARS -vs- COURTSMEN
THURSDAY	4/24	5:30 6:30	JETS -vs- CHAIRMEN KANGAROOS -vs- BLAZERS
MONDAY	4/28	5:30 6:30 7:30	COURTSMEN -vs- CHAIRMEN STARS -vs- BLAZERS JETS -vs- KANGAROOS
TUESDAY	4/29	5:30 6:30	JETS -vs- CHAIRMEN KANGAROOS -vs- COURTSMEN
WEDNESDAY	4/30		PLAYOFFS
THURSDAY	5/1		
FRIDAY	5/2		CHAMPIONSHIP
SATURDAY	5/3		ALL-STAR GAME



Super Stan Parker dunks one.

