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THE CONTROVERSY CONTINUES

by Camille Nelson

The denial of tenure for Africana Studies Professor Ernest Dube has touched off a heated controversy at Stony Brook. In an unusual move, a favorable recommendation of tenure for Dube was overruled by Dean Neville, Vice Provost Homer Neal, and ultimately President Marburger. As you may recall, Professor Dube was assailed last year by the misinformed, including New York Governor Mario Cuomo, who accused him of teaching that Zionism is racism. Because the topic 'Zionism as Racism' appeared on his course syllabus for his Politics of Race class, it was assumed that Prof. Dube was espousing anti-semitic ideas. But as Prof. Dube adamantly states, 'The syllabus was taken out of context. We were analyzing Zionism as it fits in the context of racism. Actually, we found there was no justification to generalize and make such a global statement as Zionism is racism.' Nevertheless, the misconstrued perception of the class discussion prevailed and Prof. Dube was roundly criticized and physically threatened.

As Dube's tenure review approached, campus supporters feared that outside political pressure would negatively affect the decision. In fact, during the divestment protests of last semester, Dube's right to fair evaluation was emphasized as a major point by student leaders in discussions with President Marburger. But the curious manner in which the decision was reached has cast suspicion on the impartiality of the proceedings. Prof. Dube firmly believes that the three Administrators simply 'buckled under the pressure of the Zionist lobby.' Furthermore, he questions the validity of the grounds on which Dean Neville, the first to deny tenure, made his decision. The decision for tenure is primarily based on the value of a professor's published works but Dube claims 'It is obvious he didn't understand my studies. He didn't understand the purpose or the aim. So how could he decide if it is academic or not?' According to Dube, Dean Neville ignored specific guidelines by considering promotion and tenure as one issue when in fact one should have no bearing on the other. Indeed, they should be considered separately and not necessarily at the same time.

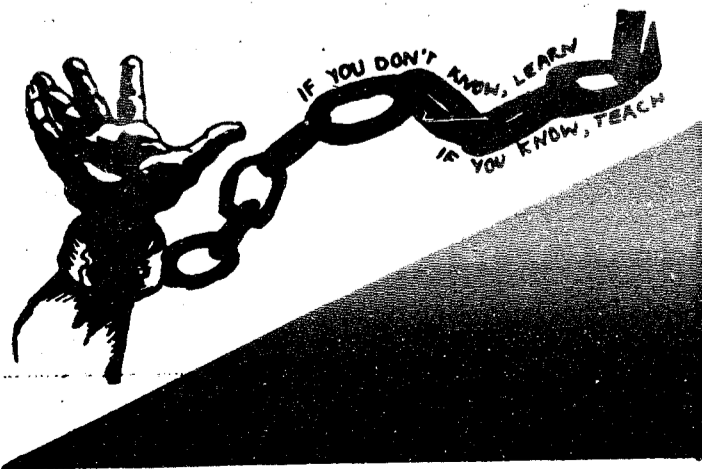


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Fortunately, Professor Dube is well respected by the student population and has many supporters including the United Front which is currently conducting a fund drive to help in legal fees. Dube cites a number of colleagues who are sympathetic but wonders 'whether that sympathy can translate into anything.' His case is presently being heard by the Chancellor's Appeal Board and a decision is expected at the end of the year. Professor Dube awaits justice.

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DROP DIME

by Rebecca Sutherland

I would like to start by welcoming back all of you to Stony Brook, and as well, welcoming all of those that are new to the Stony Brook campus. As briefly as possible, I would like to explain the purpose of 'Drop Dime', an annual column in Blackworld. Throughout the entirety of the year, there are many events which take place that many of us are unaware of. However, I will make it my responsibility to inform you, as best I can of those events which are of great interest, prominence, or simply social activity. I hope that this column will benefit you in more ways than one, in that it is made solely for your convenience.

As the school year opens many organizations and committees have already begun preparing for the semester. The S.A.I.N.T.S. held their first meeting on Wednesday, September 11, in the Union. One main topic of discussion was that of introducing and familiarizing themselves with those in attendance. Various speakers from such programs as Mentor, The Medical Program, H.C.O.P., and many others spoke of the many ways in which to provide information and help in the guidance of students future goals. In all, the meeting was very informative and quite insightful.

The Black Historians also held their first general body meeting on Monday, September 23 at seven-thirty, in the Unity Cultural Center. Firstly they discussed their purpose, which is that of fostering unity of black and minority organizations by raising the consciousness of the black community, within the University as well as outside of it. They also talked about fund raising and diversity, and their endorsement of equal opportunity.

And again, yet another committee held their first meeting, The Minority Planning Board, also known as M.P.B. It is a relatively new organization which seeks to publicize all minority groups that are not given the acknowledgement needed throughout the university. They intend to plan events for the semester with the help of other groups in hopes of giving the campus a greater awareness of their existence and of course their importance.

On a lighter note, the Student Polity Association held their fifth Annual Fall Fest which took place on September 20th and 21st on the softball field. The fun-filled weekend opened at 3:20 Friday, September the 20th with rides, games, and attractions. On the 21st, such events as Grucci fireworks set the sky and could be seen throughout the campus. In addition there were many food stands, and this year all kinds of foods such as fried chicken, tacos, and other ethnic foods were sold, making this event that much more eventful.

In conclusion, I would like to introduce myself as Rebecca Sutherland. I'm new to the Blackworld staff as well as to this particular column. As I stated earlier, this column is written with the intentions of helping you. However, if by chance you feel that you yourself could help in any way please by all means contact me. I will try to deliver what I feel is suitable but at the same time I am willing to listen to your comments. I know that I am following in the footsteps of some fine 'Drop Dimers', but if they can do then so can I. So feel free to inform me about any events that are upcoming and you can be sure to see it in the next issue of Blackworld.

MPB Returns MPB plans Cultural Fest

By Darren Jenkins

The MPB (Minority Planning Board) will once again try to give the minority community of Stony Brook more events on campus that relate to the community itself. 'MPB will be working for the community' said an optimistic Susan Powlette, the Assistant Chairperson of the Board. 'We will be working with all minorities on campus, not just a select few.'

The way the board will relate to the whole minority community is a cultural fest that will be held sometime in November. 'The fest is designed to represent all minorities and their cultures. 'This is why MPB was created, to satisfy the needs of the minority community' stated Susan Powlette. 'SAB (The Student Activities Board) deals with the majority. We are not another SAB, just a subsidiary.'

Last year was the first year for the Minority Planning Board. The board was able to have two events. The 'Rhythm Club' which was produced by MPB had marginal success around the community. Some of the minority community was very wary of MPB. One reason for this lack of trust was because the board's events didn't reach the mainstream minority students. 'We changed our image so the community can accept us. There was a lot of internal fighting within the board. This year we will have the support of the minority community.'

This is an all new MPB this year. The chairperson is Peter Ward. Assistant chairperson is Susan Powlette. Pam Adams is the special events chairperson; Stessoir Altemis is the board's corresponding secretary, and Nilda Rivera is secretary.

With a new look and a new image, MPB will try to accomplish what they failed to do last year. With support from the community and no internal problems, the minority community will have more to do on campus than just go to class and do homework

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Bloods Spilling Blood

By Lura DeBerry

Regina Brown would have been 30 years old this year. She was pretty and young-looking for her age. She loved fast men and fast money. One day she and her boyfriend got into an argument over the drugs that they were selling. After the argument lasted about an hour he raced to his apartment, casually grabbed a .22-calibre handgun, keyed his way back into her apartment, and shot her in the head twice. Regina died instantly.

Steven Hicks, 19, was once known as one of the fast talking money making guys on his side of town, until something tragic happened to him about a year and a half ago. Steven was seen staggering on a street not far from his home by a youth who tried to help. Hicks collapsed in front of the doorway of a neighbor where he bled to death. Hicks was cut from behind the right ear to below the Adam's Apple. The weapon may have been a razor blade or a knife. The police said that Hicks' death may have been drug related.

A year ago, a freshman at Dewitt Clinton High School in the Bronx was shot to death. He was attempting to break up a dispute between some younger youths. One of the youths pulled out a gun and threatened to kill to end the argument. The peace-loving student exclaimed 'If you want to shoot someone, shoot me!' The assailant took his advice.

These three death incidences are all symbolic

of a disease which pervades the Black community: Black on Black crime. Black on Black crime is a result of repressed anger, frustration, and self hate.

According to Time Magazine, the major cause of death among black males aged 15 to 24 in the U.S is murder by other blacks. Why are so many Blacks killing Blacks? Is it because of the anger and frustration they feel, trying to find a way out of the poverty and oppression or is it some other unknown cause?

Blacks are killing each other because of all the centuries that they were held in bondage. During this period, Blacks were severely brutalized by the white community. Because of this rage builds up inside Blacks. When Blacks finally obtained their freedom they wanted to vent this rage and take it out on the White society. But the punishment is more severe for black on white crimes than they are for black on black crimes. Therefore, black people started to take out their rage on one another. The idea of not being able to vent this rage in any way has contributed to Black oppression.

Dr. Alvin Poussaint who was interviewed by Time Magazine stated that such violence is evidence of the self hate and repressed rage that is a legacy of racism. In other words, killing someone who reminds one of oneself is evidence of self hatred and repressed anger. Poussaint added that violence can be a potent drug for the oppressed; the easy availability of hand guns has

given power to the powerless. The Saturday-night special has become the great equalizer in the ghetto.

Can the epidemic on Black on Black crime be cured? Yes, the epidemic but not Black on Black crime as a whole. The epidemic can be cured if Blacks learn to love themselves and take pride in their race. Black on Black crime as a whole can't be cured because in any society it is always the nature of a few to try and oppress or destroy others.

What should people do to avoid being a victim of Black on Black crime? When confronted with a potentially violent situation, walk away from the situation. Also, don't get involved unless it is really necessary for you to get involved. It could save your life.

Why is Black on Black crime only considered a black problem instead of a problem of society? Society disregards this problem and concerns itself with AIDS, taxes, unemployment, and Black on White crime. Society does not make time to seriously consider the problem and never will. Society only worries about crime when the rich and the white are involved.

Blacks have to start organizations that will help educate the Black youth and the Black parents on problems dealing with anger, frustration, poverty, drugs, and child abuse. Lack of education, morals, self love, and principles are the roots to all problems.

A STEP UP

Susan S. Powlette

I would first like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back to another productive school year.

As many of you may or may not know, this past weekend was our annual Fall Fest Festivities. Fall Fest is brought to us by the combined efforts of Polity, F.S.A., Student Activities Board, Residence Halls Association, COCA and SCOOP.

In the past the participation of Black Organizations in Fall Fest has been zero and the presence of Blacks has been almost as much. It was just a matter of saying "If you don't like Rock Music and Beers, don't bother."

This attitude still exists among the Blacks on this campus because prior to the event I spent time questioning students about their attendance to the Festivities and almost all were negative. There was no enthusiasm and the main concept of the idea was that it did not involve us.

Despite all the opposition the two day weekend started Friday Sept. 20 and ended in Fireworks in the early hours of Sunday Sept. 22. The weekend featured a mini carnival with rides and games, a flea market, movies, food and lots more.

For the first time this year Blacks had a particular interest to attend Fall Fest. It was not because of the unusually good weather nor the games and attractions but because for the first time Blacks participated in it. The combined efforts of a group of young men and women made this year's event far more meaningful by participation in the sale of food.

Another Organization (American Student Organization) sold sodas to raise money for Professor Dube's Tenure Controversy. I personally admire the effort, dedication and initiatives of these young men and women to promote change that is long overdue. Keep up the good work!



Blackworld

By Kokui Gbeho

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Justification for Non Divesture?

(A student's perspective)

The biggest question being raised about today is why should we divest. Does not divesture ultimately hurt the black person? This is the cry of the moral majority and popular capitalists such as the Rev. Jerry Falwell. Their point being if large companies were to close down plants and withdraw monies entwined in these structures, the black person would lose their jobs and inevitably suffer the consequences of being unemployed under the apartheid tyranny.

These statements sound somewhat rational to the average person, but what we fail to realize is that there is only a miniscule percentage of the black population working for these companies. They in actuality are 'tokens' and have in essence assumed white citizenship. They cooperate with a system that oppresses them. In my opinion these people should at least be striking. If we identify with the blacks who are cooperating with the system, we are identifying with the weak part of the movement. To this extent openly giving an okay signal to apartheid. The instant gratification gained by a sprinkling of black workers is certainly not worth the tremendous suffering of a whole population.

All the major leaders for a free South Africa

including the United Nations, Jesse Jackson, the A.N.C (African National Congress), and Nelson Mandela say Divest! How can we allow world Superpowers Parenthood to essentially tell South Africa what is good for her? Imperialism has a history of telling us what to do. Should we listen to and build a movement on the white moral majority in America or on the black majority in South Africa? Are we going to follow the Falwells or the Mandelas?

On a more personal level let's talk about self boycotts which can lead to divestment. Our community is slowly slipping back into the habit of buying those cokes (and our Stop Apartheid buttons are collecting dust somewhere under our beds.) Upon asking several of my peers why they persist in purchasing these sodas, the most common reply I get is 'my sixty cents will not make a difference.' I submit to you today that it does. History teaches us that change does not take place with one big contribution but with many little contributions. Martin Luther King could not have made all those important walks alone, every person and the steps these people took were important. The statement that sixty cents will not make a difference is only a justification for us to consume products made poss-

ible by apartheid, thus supporting the inhumanity of the Botha Regime. Since we can not send a million dollars to buy arms, why can't we give up a little thing like soda? Yes, many companies are invested in South Africa and therefore a lot of products we touch on a daily basis are linked to South African investment. We should be straight forward and say we prefer not to do anything about the situation rather than offer this weak argument.

If Stony Brook is like living on the Sahara Desert and in every mirage there is a coke machine therefore making drinking unavoidable, choose other products such as Colgate, Kellogg or I.B.M to boycott. Conscience is not something that knocks us out like an immediate blow from Muhammed Ali but if we do not pay attention to it, after ten million people die, it may sneak up on us like a mugger in the night. These statements might seem magnanimous but 'little drops of water make a mighty ocean.' Remember, if you are not conscious you are most certainly unconscious... I'd sure like to hear a justification for being functionally alive and yet unconscious.

The Hell with Dube

Who gives a damn about Dube anyway. He's not American, right? What is he, South Africa? Oh no, what does that uppity nigger want next? Maybe he'll apply for citizenship and have the right to preach more ideas?

Let's deport him before he forces us to think about our world anymore. Come on get this damn man off this campus. While we're at it, how about the A.F.S. department. Let's get rid of that too. Cultural organization? They look ripe for destruction. Hey! Hold on! How about the students? There are too many minorities on this campus anyway. Blacks, Puerto Ricans, Indians, Chinese. Too many of them.

But this Dube fellow needs immediate attention. Look he has no backing. The students are dead. Let's get rid of him before they realize we have done this before. We can get rid of that slick talking Kafia now and won't have to answer to anyone.

I know! Let's say one of his classes is too controversial and racist. Let's send him back to South Africa. They know how to take care of trouble makers over there.

Tenure? Tenure? Are you out of your damn mind? Help him fight for tenure? I want him out of here. I don't want him to open anymore eyes around here. Let's shut him up now.

UNITED FRONT MEETINGS? What the hell for? They'll only start trouble anyway. Let's get rid of them too.

ONE MAN'S OPINION
(Don't let it be yours)

No man is an island
No man stands alone
Each man's happiness enriches me
Each man's sorrow my own.

Note: There is a point made above. Please read it again. Do you see your self in it anywhere? If you do then get involved now while you can help.



From the Editor

Picture if you will a heart, a heart pulsating for its existence. Feeding on nutrient rich blood to satisfy its hunger. Hear the rhythmic beat. See the heart expand and contract. Look how content the heart is.

Now picture the same heart; it is not pulsating as before. There's a weak throb -- it gives a few good thumps now and then. See it decrease in size.

Blackworld too has a heart; throbbing with new ideas. Blackworld main purpose is to focus on all the events which are of interest to the minority community here at Stony Brook. Blackworld entitles the minority community to expel its views on the happenings which affect us all. You might say that Blackworld is a stream of information which exposes us to club events, the view points and creativity of our peers, campus news, and the sometimes gruesome side of politics.

What Blackworld is mainly looking for is the support and ideas of the minority community. By uniting with each other, we can make Blackworld an impressive and well-cultivated paper.

If there is anything of interest you wish to see in the forthcoming issues of Blackworld, please don't hesitate to convey your feelings to us. Allow me, on behalf of Blackworld to wish you success in all your endeavors.

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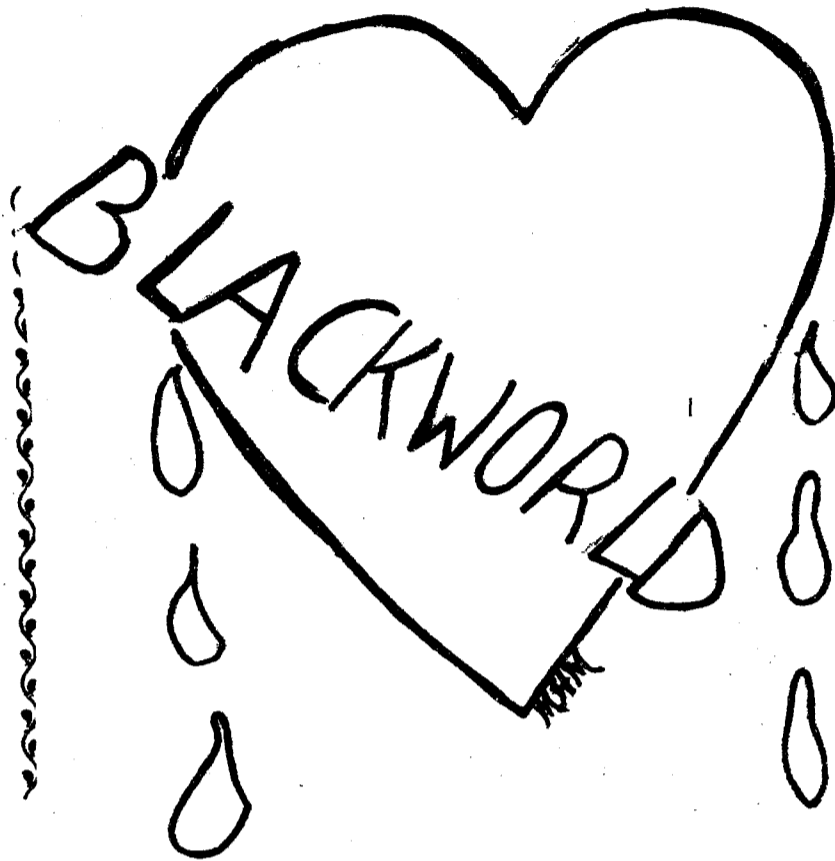
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Let's keep the heart of Blackworld pumping!

Sincerely,
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Gloria; A Question of Public Safety

by Peter Ward

Stony Brook, N.Y. -- The State University of New York of Stony Brook has always been thought of as an isolated institution. Students customarily complain that they never know what is going on in the real world. The running joke has always been that if the world ended we would hear about it a week later. Now there is a new question: Can we trust our safety to Stony Brook officials?

The joke persists today with more than a small degree of validity behind it. Nature took a hand in this running joke last Friday by showing its fury in what was anticipated to be a very powerful display of destruction. Thankfully, we were spared the entire potential devastation in the form of the hurricane named Gloria. There are questions to be answered, however. Serious questions.

Why weren't the dorms adequately protected in the event of Gloria's anticipated destructive power? Why weren't students told to go home for their own safety? Why wasn't the campus itself secured to avoid the flying about of trash cans and such?

There are no answers upcoming to these questions. If the truth be known about these matters, it would state clearly that the university staff was as faultily protected as the students. Most students gauged the danger of the storm by the standard that if classes were cancelled then the danger was great but if not then the storm was no big deal. Why then were they still here when classes were cancelled? Because the information desk closed before most students had a chance to call there. Answers from bewildered R.A.'s and M.A.'s were as subjective as they possibly could be. Results: students missed their chance to get off the campus and to a place of safety. Many tried to beat the storm that Friday morning but most stayed because with the arrogance of New Yorkers they felt oblivious to the storm. Yet the questions are still there.

It is estimated that the same storm would have shattered trees and power lines around Stony Brook would have done a great deal more damage if the winds and storm had reached its expected proportion. And through all of this there were students trying to hold windows together with strips of masking tape. Windows which are routinely broken by stones cannot hope to stand against the fury of something which rips roofs off buildings yet there we were anyway in our domiciles because once again we were insufficiently protected.

What would've happened if a student were severely injured would our ambulance be able to get to him while the roads were clogged with trees as they were. What would the university say to your parent if they found out you were hurt?

The storm probably won't have any effect on university safety policy but we can at least hope that if it happens again the university will have more concern for its display of destruction.



By Lennox Hinds

We Are All In Danger

● During the early morning hours of October 18, 1984, over 500 heavily armed members of a so-called Joint Terrorist Task Force—a combination of FBI agents and New York City police officers—stormed several homes and arrested eight Black men and women. The federal authorities described this massive show of force as a preemptive strike against “dangerous terrorists.” Prior to their arrests, the accused—who came to be known as the New York 8 (and later 8+)—were subjected to extremely intrusive surveillance over a two-year period. Over 600 reels of taped conversations and over 300 hours of videotapes of their activities were obtained by the government.

This group of eight political activists—Lateef Carter, 39; Coltrane Chumurenga, 40; Omowale Clay, 38; Yvette Kelley, 32; Colette Pean, 25; Viola Plummer, 47; Robert Taylor, 29; Roger Wareham, 35—are highly educated professionals and family men and women who have been committed to community and international issues for many years.

They identify themselves as revolutionary Marxist-Leninists and believe that armed resistance to an unjust social order may be necessary; accordingly, they acquired and trained themselves in the use of weapons. These beliefs are what triggered the government's unprecedented surveillance and subsequent preemptive strike and criminal prosecution. Although the 66-count indictment charged the eight with conspiracies—“thought crimes” rather than actions—the only substantive charges against them were weapons' possession and fraud-related charges arising out of the use of false identification.

I believe this case exemplifies the political use of the law by the U.S. government for the purpose of chilling political dissent. Despite the Constitution, despite national reliance on the law as an individual's shield against abusive government action and despite First Amendment guarantees of the right to protest and voice unpopular views, repressive laws can be passed and existing laws can be used to suppress political dissent when those in power feel threatened.

In practice, freedom of speech and assembly and the right to petition for redress of grievances are made to yield to political expediency under the rubrics of “law and order” or “national security.” In the past, federal authorities even used illegal means to quell dissent. You may recall the FBI's counterintelligence program (COINTELPRO), initiated around 1967 by J. Edgar Hoover in an attempt to destroy various political movements of the time. Black individuals and groups were singled out for surveillance, blackmail, eavesdropping, arrest and prosecution, incarceration and even murder.

In the manner of COINTELPRO, the government attempts to damage the reputation and legitimacy of political activists such as the New York 8+ defendants, characterizing them as “terrorists” and “dangerous criminals,” even though it cannot point to any acts of violence committed by them or to any criminal history or records. Charging dissidents as criminals can serve to neutralize them by

forcing them to spend time and funds for legal defense; if prosecution is successful, they can be imprisoned. Criminal charges damage the dissidents' reputations and legitimacy.

In building its criminal case against the New York 8+ defendants, federal authorities used four methods that dangerously threaten our constitutional right to dissent. Under a recently enacted federal law, anyone merely *suspected* of engaging in “terrorist” activities can be held without bail in preventive detention. Conspiracy charges have traditionally been used against political activists who have committed no crimes, and

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in this case, the government charged the eight men and women with conspiracy to commit armed robbery and to engineer a prison escape for two convicted Black men. To build its conspiracy case, the government attempted to use the grand jury to intimidate families, friends and political associates of the accused into collaborating. Three spouses and several others—accused of no crime—were imprisoned for refusing to testify while, ironically, the eight were out on bail. Lastly, the government maximized possible prison sentences to 20 years (rather than a possible five under general conspiracy laws) by indicting the New York 8+ for conspiracy under a broad and vague statute aimed at organized crime activity.

Clearly, the federal government's vicious response to the beliefs and activities of the New York 8+ men and women flows from its worst fears of who they are and what they represent: highly educated, revolutionary Black men and women—America's greatest nightmare. But by attacking their right to dissent, the government attacks us all. Tomorrow it could be me or you.

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The Mentor Program

by Michelle Morris

Often students enter Stony Brook feeling alienated or disillusioned. This is especially true for the minority students. In need of advice, too proud to ask, they end up registering for Bio 151, Chem 131, and Calc 131 in one semester, or standing on the student accounts line for an hour only to find out that they should have been on the financial aid line. They become frustrated with the bureaucratic procedures characterized by large university environments.

A program has been designed here at Stony Brook to help ease some of the difficulties that incoming students experience. It is called the Mentor Program. Coordinated by Brenda Hoke the program pairs new students with faculty or staff persons. The student is given the opportunity to develop a relationship with a person who is not a peer. The mentor is there to help the student in various ways. The program stresses academic excellence.

The Mentor Program, sponsored by the Minority Students Concerns Committee (M.S.C.C.) makes students aware of the various resources available on campus. The committee composed of Judith Burke, Brenda Hoke, David Ferguson, Norma Mahoney, Marta Moczko, Lucia Rusty, Mike Molina, and Gerald Shephard.

During the 1985-86 academic year, the Mentor Program will sponsor workshops on test anxiety, financial aid, career development, computers, and procrastination. These workshops have been proposed to help students learn the strategies that are necessary for survival here at Stony Brook. For example, the financial aid workshop makes students aware of deadlines to hand in financial papers. Any student can participate in these workshops. Interested persons should contact either Brenda Hoke or Judith Burke in the Undergraduate Office, Rm 118 in the Administration Building.

The Mentor Program is not limited to new students, though they are given top priority. The M.S.C.C. is forced to give top priority to incoming students because of the lack of resources necessary to accommodate returning students. No student is turned away!

Presently, there are seventy mentors and 163 students involved in the program. More faculty and staff persons are needed to support this volunteer program. All mentors are assigned to one student but some have consented to take two or three students.

Applications are still being accepted for freshpersons and transfer students. Applications should be mailed or brought to Brenda Hoke or Judith Burke in the Admissions Office.

This program has been designed to change the image of Stony Brook as a cold, hard place for new students, especially minorities. The Mentor Program hopes to establish a sense of warmth for students at Stony Brook.

A New Surrounding

by Carol Johnson

Adelated greeting to all freshpersons and transfer students. Welcome to Stony Brook University: a new environment, new faces, new teachers, and a new way of life. Coming to a school where once again you are a minority, not only as a race, but in number as well, you've probably experienced fear, inadequacy, and isolation. No doubt some of you encountered the frustrating situation of being ignored when asking questions in class, or being made to feel unintelligent. It may be new to the majority of you, but if you remain in this university, you will have to adjust to all of these issues.

Being on your own, away from mom and dad for the first time, definitely has its setbacks, but the results in the long run are rewarding. Matters such as doing your own laundry, sharing a 12 x 14 room with one or two other persons, and considering your roommate(s)' feelings, may seem ridiculous now, but in the end you will have acquired characteristics such as independency, consideration, and cooperation.

Regarding the subject of conflicting personalities, communication between you and your roommate(s) is the best policy. If you were placed with a person that is completely unlike yourself, having an attitude will not solve the problem. Discuss the most minute details that annoy you; getting it out of your system will not only settle any differences between you and your roommate(s) but it will enable you to perform better in the classroom. For further assistance visit your R.A. If no action is taken, visit Residence Life, located on the first floor of the Administration building.

One of the major issues that causes discord among roommates is the room itself. If you are tripled, everyone thinks the other has too much closet space, too many drawers, and the

best bed. To make the environment in your room more comfortable, work together as a team to accomplish a masterpiece. You would be amazed to see what coordinating accessories such as carpet and curtains to match your room color could do. Putting up posters, pictures, mirrors, hook-rugs, and hanging plants can also do wonders. If you are able to get access to milk crates, spray paint them to match the accessories in your room. They make great book cases. Two excellent ideas would be to get matching comforters, and arrange your room with everything centered around your beds. Not only does your room look uniformed, but when guests visit, you and your roommate will seem unified. If you have a problem with roaches, attend hall meetings and bring up the subject of exterminating on a regular basis. If that is to no avail, try Boric Acid. It is a harmless eye-wash that is available at your local discount store.

Concerning your academic, social and political involvement, numerous organizations were designed with you in mind. Organizations geared toward your academic performance are: S.A.I.N.T.S. (Scholastic Achievement In Non-Traditional Students); HCP (Health Career Program); The Mentor Program; The Special Service Program; The Minority Engineering Society; The Center for Academic Advising; The Career Development Office. It is evident that in order to do well this year academically, you should take advantage of these organizations to their fullest potential.

Organizations geared toward your social and cultural entertainment are: The African Student Organization; The African American Student Organization; The Black Historians, The Caribbean Students Organization; The Gospel Choir; Drama Clubs, movies and parties every week. Also available for your social sti-

mulation are sororities, fraternities, pageants, talent shows, and of course Blackworld. All are invited to come and be apart of this organization. Writing is not the only issue involved in producing a paper, but the organization of the paper as well. Your help would be greatly appreciated on production night.

The Student Polity Association is the foremost political organization on campus. It is of utmost importance that you attend the Polity board meetings, to see what is being done with your money. Because these descriptions are extremely brief, I invite you to visit the information desk in the union to get a schedule of the meetings and the locations of the various organizations mentioned, or call information, extension 6-3636.

One last word of advice I would like to offer concerns studying. For those of you who find it impossible to study in your room, I recommend the all too obvious, the Library. The main library consists of resource departments, such as periodicals, the reference room, the reserve room, the music library, stacks, individual study units on the fifth floor, and lounges for your convenience when the going gets tough.

I close with great hope and expectations of seeing your new faces at the various organizations mentioned above for your welfare. Again I must stress the fact that this is your community, as long as you remain at this university. Don't sit back and expect things to happen, make them happen.



Stony Brook Women Reject Rastafari!

Ras Abbakha I

In Isesma 1:5 Irator Tony I revelation of 'Woman in Rastafari' received stiff opposition and condemnation from several daughters here on campus. This, of course, leads to the question again of where do women fit into the scheme of things aka Rastafari?

Rastafari pleases no one but Jah Almighty! The utterances of I and I stems from the phrase "AH SO WE SEE IT!" Many of our university sisters' complaints focused on the roles of the Rasta woman. However these roles were not originated in Jamaica where Rastafari was born but in Ethiopia many centuries ago as related to I and I in the Hola Book. The bible is a sacred book to most Rastafarians. It is an important source of guidance and inspiration, (Yawney: 99 Irons in Babylon.) According to Maureen Rowe in (Caribbean Quarterly V26 N.4), to overstand Rastafari attitudes to females, it is necessary to absorb and Itate upon the roles of females in the Hola Book.

The roles of Eve, Rebekah, and Leah that unfolds in the Bible is perceived by many Rastas as examples to look at and learn from. The first woman mentioned in the Bible--Eve is made out to be the villain. The one who corrupts saintly Adam. This was first interpreted as a clear warning against the potential evil in the female. However, a more sympathetic reinterpretation has evolved through the maturation in the concept of Rastafari. Some Idren have reasoned that Adam was the weak one since he as the male should have known better and advised Eve accordingly. The male after all should be the protector and the guide. Which ever the version, however, puts the male at the helm. This also syncopates with the Rasta code: Females are not truly called to Rastafari except through a male or Kingman or A female cannot experience the highest heights of Rastafari if she is without a Kingman.

It is obviously necessary for the woman to be part and parcel of Rastafari to inject the Rasta woman perspective. After all, Miriam, Ruth, and Esther are mentioned favourably in the Hola Book.

On this campus, for example, it is hard to overstand the sentiments and feelings of our Rasta daughters because of the mere fact that there aren't any!

The loud outcry made by women because of Tony's article emanated from the outside looking in, not from within the movement. Effective change can only come through involvement.

The Bible bears the foundation of Rastafari and the majority of women seem not to have been favourably mentioned in it. Maybe that's one of the reasons why some women will 'deal up' with a Rastaman but stay far away from his ideology since his ideology is based around the scriptures. Whatever the reason(s) the Rastafari Movement can only undergo radical changes through the involvement of Rastafarians and Jah Almighty.

Seiassie I.

**Check
d' Ital Men**

**LEARNING...
Books**

**GLORY TO WORD
SOUND AND POWER
BIBLIOGRAPHY
Books on Rastafari**

The following is a short list of generally available literature on the Rastafari movement. At present I and I are unable to advise directly where these books can be obtained in each region but suggest bookshops that deal in Black Literature and in Libraries...

A growing body of writing and research is now being done by brothers and sisters within the movement. The tendency towards distortion of information on Rastafari will therefore be lessened. Misconception will more easily be kept in check till it is totally and completely curbed -- so that the Rastafari movement can emerge from this dark passage of propaganda and be seen in the light of Majesty...

Let J and I be vigilant not only in finding and publicising the Word of Truth, but as I and I Father directs, in ensuring that the least transgression against international morality and i-man rights does not go undetected and unchecked.

"Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?"

--- Isaiah 53 Vs. 1

Bulletin 1 ARM
(Association of
Rastafari Media)

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HAILE SELASSIE I



Unity

HERBREW 12,22-24

22. But ye are come unto Mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels.

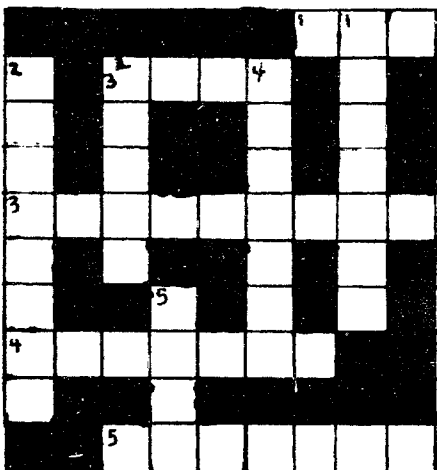
23. To the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirit of just men made perfect.

24. And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant....

Dreadiation:

- ISESMA --- Semester No.; Issue No.
- I and I --- Us together as a people
- Hola --- Holy
- Itate --- Meditate
- Overstand --- Understand
- Idren --- Brethren
- deal up --- associate affectionately

Dread Word Puzzle



Across

- 1) Ethiopian word meaning head or chief
- 2) Adam and Eve's second son
- 3) Another word (name) for the Bible
- 4) September 18, 1909 is the birthday of a famous Pan-Africanist (born in Ghana)
- 5) Another name for God (Jah, Allah...)

Down

- 1) The name of the language spoken by Solomon, Jesus Christ, and Haile Selassie
- 2) African nation that celebrates independence on September 30.
- 3) The capital of Ghana
- 4) A country in Africa, north of Ethiopia which was part of Ethiopia before the Italian invasion.
- 5) Professor '---' must get Tenure!!!



Dread Corner



Dreaditor --- Ras Abbakha I
Iratator --- Ras Tony I
Dread Word --- Ras Marvin
puzzle

ONE LOVE TO ALL.

DREADITORIAL

Well Dread Corner has survived a semester. I and I give thanks and praises, for without Jah, love, and guidance, the word Rastafari would remain a myth or an untold story here on campus. I and I again have stepped forward to present the university community with accounts, analyses, critiques, and syntheses of the Rastafari Movement from a Rastafari perspective.

We begin this ISESMA by revealing one of the first chronologies highlighting the history of Rastafari. Actually this is an edited version of the works performed by E.S.P. McPherson and L.T. Semaj.

RASTA CHRONOLOGY

Any chronology highlighting the Rastaman's history needs to be based firstly from within Ethiopia's history. It needs also to be based in "literate" as well as "oral sources". Recent historical investigations done in Jamaica by E.S.P. McPherson have "revealed" new dates related to the Rastaman's historiography that were previously not recorded by the literate world/sources. It is this focalty of history/tradition, oral historical investigation, that has brought to fore the Rastaman's earnest history and it is with such a historical/traditional tool that the Rastaman can counter Euro-oriented/Eurocentric "written stories representing a truth what in fact derives from ignorance, error or envy". Black/Ethiopian/Rastā history is "orally" based, and need not fear losing any of its' literal value. The format of the chronology is intended to reflect the historical continuity from Africans/Ethiopians at home to Africans in the Diaspora.

This edited Chronology is based on a larger work being conducted by E. S. P. McPherson: The complete Chronology will be published later this year.

- BC**
- 14thC Moses takes an Ethiopian wife (Numbers 22) Ethiopia is identified as Son of Ham.
- 10thC Makeda, Queen of Saba (Sheba), visits Solomon and conceives Menelik I, who is subsequently anointed King of Ethiopia by Solomon.
- AD**
- 4thC Ethiopia converted to Christianity with the conversion of Qezanas (Ezawa) 3.
- 1150 Zagwe Dynasty come to power, claiming descent from Moses and Ethiopian wife.
- 1270 Zagwe Dynasty ejected. Solomon Dynasty re-established by Emperor Yekuno Amlak.
- 13C Solomon-Makeda Sheba folklore written into Geez records.
- 1559 Emperor Meenas outlaws Roman Catholicism for Ethiopians.
- 1565 Queen Elizabeth I gives John Hawkins a Royal Charter and her personal ship the S. S. Jesus of Lubeck to transport slaves from Africa to the West Indies.
- 1748 Earliest literate source showing Black African slaves in the Caribbean (Jamaica) identifying themselves as Ethiopian.
- 1885 The Berlin Conference of 1885 partitioning of Africa by European powers.
- 1891 Alexander Bedward gets vision of "Three Crowns Mystery" foretelling Emperor Haile Selassie advent/reign.
- 1896 Italians defeated by Emperor Menelik II near Adua (Adowa) (Tigre).
- 1916 Marcus Garvey founded the U.N.I.A. and the African Communities League (ACL).
- 1929 Garvey formed the People's Progressive Party. In September he was arrested for a placard of his manifesto. In October he was elected to Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation.
- 1930 November 2nd Ras Tafari Makonnen was crowned Emperor Haile Selassie I, the 225th monarch of the Solomonic Dynasty. (*Howell attended the Coronation).
- 1930 The Moscow Congress in Russia at which Haile Selassie I was elected head of the Nyabingi Order. He was chosen/recognized as the Messiah, a Savior of Black people and the Emperor of the Black Kingdom.
- 1931 Hibbert returns from Costa Rica and begins to preach Haile Selassie as the Returned Messiah and Redeemer of Israel.
- 1932 Hibbert forms the Ethiopian Coptic Faith in which the Ethiopic Bible of Saint Sosismas was used extensively.
- 1932 Howell returns to Jamaica from the U.S.A. to catalyze the traditional consciousness based on the divine Kingship of His Majesty Haile Selassie.
- 1932 Paul Earlington, Vernal Davis, Ferdinand Ricketts and Robert Hinds (a former Bedwardite) continue Rastafari doctrine.
- 1933 H. Archibald Dunkley formed Kings of Kings Mission. December 10, the literate world first mention of Rastafari (in the Gleaner).
- 1934 L. P. Howell tells people to await ship on August 1, for redemption.
- 1935 Italian invasion of Ethiopia.
- 1937 His imperial Majesty empowered Dr. Malaku E. Bayen to establish the Ethiopian World Federation.
- 1938 Paul Earlington forms the E. W. F. local (local 17) in Jamaica.
- 1939 Howell's Ethiopian Salvation Union renamed Ethiopian Salvation Benevolent Society.
- 1940 (Early 1940) The House of the Youth Black Faith was founded by Ras Boanerges, Phillip Panhandle, Breda Arthur and others.
- 1940 Pinnacle Estate in Sligoville, St. Catherine, was bought by L. P. Howell (Note: this first Rasta commune was where the first free village was established after 'given emancipation' in 1938).
- 1941 May 5 H. I. M. re-enters Ethiopia as victor over Italians.
- 1941 Arrest of L. P. Howell and members of pinnacle Commune for growing ganja and disorderly conduct.
- 1941 J. N. Hibbert established a local branch of the Ethiopian Mystic Masons.
- 1942 H Y B F started the Nyabingi drumming (Burro drums were transformed by the H Y B F to the heartbeat trob).
- 43 L. P. Howell returned to Pinnacle after release from prison.
- 1943 Professor George Eaton Simpson from the U. S. A. began field study among four Rasta groups in Kingston. The 1st academic/literate research began on the Rasta Movement.
- 1954 Government/Police finally breaks up the Pinnacle Commune.
- 1955 Henry visted Ethiopia and returned to Jamaica satisfied that H. I. M. was indeed the returned Messiah. He then built the African Reform Church.

RASTA CHRONOLOGY (contd.)

Next issue



Rastawoman SURVIVAL NEWS

"A virtuous woman is worth more than precious gems! Her Kingman can trust her, and she will richly satisfy his needs. She rewards him with good, and not bad. She buys wool and linen and she works at whatever is the delight of her hands. She has proved to be like the ships of a merchant. From far away, she brings in her food. She also gets up while it is still night, and gives food to her household and the prescribed portion to her young maidens.

She considers a field and proceeds to buy it, from the fruitage of her hands she has planted a vineyard. She has girded her hips with strength and she invigorates her arms. Her trading is good. She is an energetic, hard-worker and looks for bargains. She works far into the night.

She sews for the poor and generously gives to the needy. Her hand she has trust out to the distaff, and her own hands take hold of the spindle. Her palm she has stretched out to the afflicted one, and her hands she has thrust out to the poor one. She has not fear of winter in her household for she has made warm clothes for all of them. She also upholsters with finest tapestry: her own clothing is beautifully made -- a purple gown of pure linen. Her Kingman is well known, for he sits in council chambers amongst the Elders of the land.

She is a woman of strength and dignity, and has no fear of old age. Strength and splendour are her clothing and she laughs at a future day and she will rejoice in time to come. When she speaks, her words are wise and kindness is the rule of everything she says. She watches carefully all that goes on through-

out her household and is never lazy. Her children stand and bless her: so does her Kingman. He praises with these words:

"There are many fine woman in the world, but you, have ascended above them all."

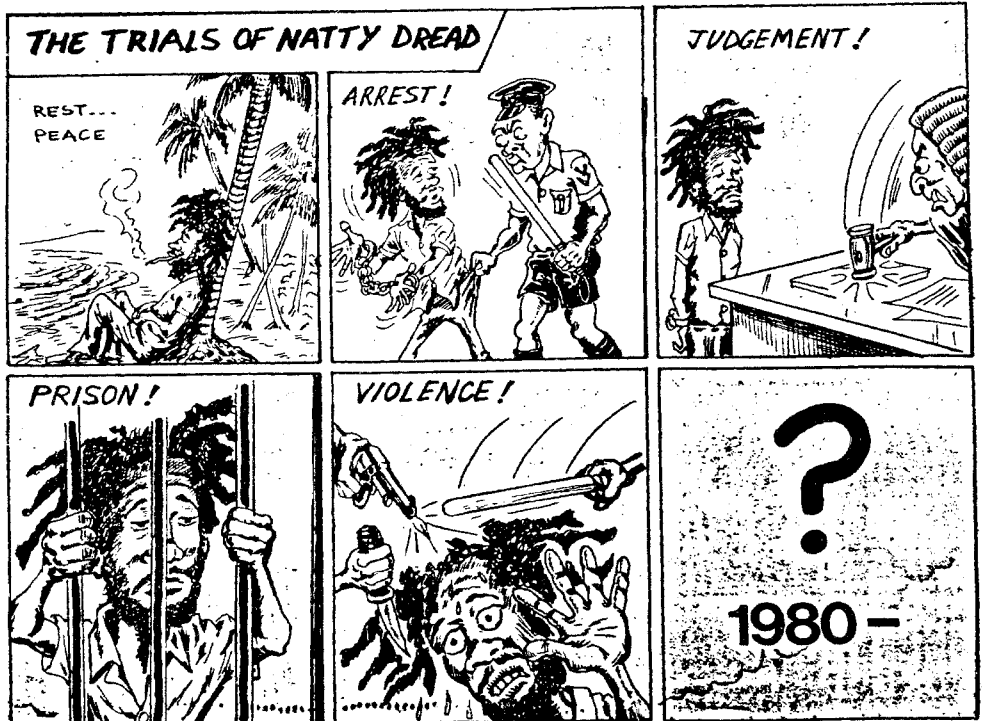
Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain: but a woman who fears and reverences Jah shall be GREATLY praised. PRAISE her for the many fine things she does. Give her of the fruit of her hands. These good deeds of hers shall bring her honor and recognition from even the leaders of the nations."

(Proverbs chap. 31, verses 10-31) versions used in this bible statement New Rold Translation of Jehovah Witnesses Bible, King James Version and The Living Bible selfhelp edition)

"Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear; forget also thine own people, and thy father's house. So shall the King greatly isire thy beauty: for he is thy Lord and worship thou him. And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: even the rich among the people shall intreat thy favor.

The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework; the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee. With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought; they shall enter into the King's palace.

Instead of thy fathers, shall be they children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth. I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever. (from Psalm 45)



POETRY

Birth of Azania

South Africa is Burning Down,
Who can stop it?
South Africa is Burning Down
Look everyday, they are burning it down
Fire in Johannesburg
Fire in Durbin
Fire in Capetown
Burn, Burn, it's burning down
I can see it now
Azania is being born.
Just as a baby comes through
a mother's womb with pain,
many will die as a new Nation is born
but history shows the oppressed wins.
Fight, Fight, my Idren fight
Fight for that which is right
Fight for all of your birth rights
I don't know why some are trying
to prevent your birth?
They say it goes against their philosophy
of Free Enterprise and Maximization of Profit.
It's a shame they don't realize
that Jah gives life and takes it too.
Yes Mother Africa,
Another child of yours is being born.
Brimstone and Fire is hailing on the wicked
South Africa is Burning Down
These are the days when we
Knock down the Walls of South Africa.
Just like the days of Jericho,
Fiyah won't stop burn until justice prevails
No more will there be Segregation
No more will there be Exploitation
No more will there be Oppression
Which side of this inhuman act
Are you going to support and fight for?
The blood of those who died will nourish
the Trees which bear the Fruits of Freedom.
Like they say, the harder the battle, the sweeter the VICTORY.
AND RISE AZANIA, RISE UP.

(Ras Marvin)

Lift Every Voice (not a Poem but something you should know)

Lift every voice and sing
Til earth and heaven ring
Ring with the harmony of liberty
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies
Let it resound
loud as the rolling sea
sing a song full of the faith
that the dark past
has taught us
sing a song
full of the hope
that the present
has brought us
facing the rising sun
of our new day begun
Let us march on
'til Victory is won
Stony the road we trod
bitter the chastening rod
felt in the days when
hope unborn has tied
facing the rising sun
of our new day begun
let us march on
'til victory is won



LOVE

Love is a strong positive emotion that you have about someone or something you care for a great deal.
Love is like a bar of "Snickers" that you ingest because as soon as you take it, it is digested all over your body. And it satisfies you as if you were eating a meal.
Love is being able to not just have sympathy but also empathy.
Love is being able to tolerate another person in spite of their bad ways.
Love is today, tomorrow, and always.
Love is forgiveness and it can't be measured.
Love is not fetitious or vendetta but love is caring and pleasure.
Love is 100% pure (with no artificial colors or preservatives)
Love is being able to endure.
Love tastes sweet not bitter or sour
When you love someone, you like to be with them every single hour.
Love has one face, one color, shared between two.
Love is a device that brings unity, peace, and happiness.

by Naymie Rene

SOMETIMES

Sometimes I feel so strong, I don't take the path that's given instead I make my own. Sometimes I feel so strong, my heartbeat endlessly weighing the rhythms of time. Yeah, Strong enough to tell a bull about his own Bullshit. Sometimes I feel so strong I can change all the atrocities of life all in one blink. Sometimes I feel so strong, the rainbow is my chariot as I ride through the heavens. Yeah, strong enough to confront a lion about his horrible breath and stand there and wait for his reply. Sometimes I feel so strong I can direct the Ku Klux Klan to the nearest possible sanitarium by explaining to them that the niggers are coming and it won't be safe in the streets no more. Sometimes I feel so strong I can embrace the world with one hand while using the other to wipe my ass. Yeah, strong enough to tell Reagan about his little Dick complex, his dyed hair and to stop eating Nancy's pussy before he comes on the air. Sometimes I feel so strong I can rearrange my lifetime within a matter of minutes. Sometimes I feel so strong, I am as fresh and magnificent as spring. Life belongs to me.

Yeah, when I feel this strong
I cry
for I know
that I can only be so strong
...Sometimes.

—Sharon King

THE PAIN OF LOVE

Taking a chance at love once more,
Ending all over again.
Why does this silly feeling called love
Seem to cause me much pain.

I thought for sure this was the right one
But once again I was wrong.
When will I ever find the right words, or a tune
To complete the whole love song.

It is not the love that is so cruel
But the feelings that grow along inside.
Now my emotions won't ever be strong
For the next one, my love will surely hide.

Taking a chance at love once more
And ending it all over again.
NEVER!
No more!
It hurts too much
This is really the end.

D.M.

And Man Created Poetry

Poetry is life,
it is mystery.
Poetry is unmistakably
A charismatic device to seduce.
It is the spiritual voyage
Of the mind into
The complexed universe of
Life, Nature and..... the other World.
Poetry is unique,
It is the universal language
Of romance, of despair.....
It brings to life
One's dearest dreams and fantasies.
It reveals aesthetically to the world
The unseen truth.
And expresses with class and majesty
One's inner feelings
In terms of: love, hatred,
Happiness and sorrow.
Poetry curses, it flatters
Poetry rebels, it praises
And of course...
Poetry makes love.

YVON MAGNY

Black in the Classroom

SATAN DO DESPISE

You looked at me brother,
and after you realized that
I am as dark as the night
without a moonlight;
Dark as the depths of my Africa
with my coarse hair
which unmistakably states my identity

You laughed.
But when I looked at you,
you seemed so depressed about your skin color
and so enthusiastic to follow the crowd,
To forget your own values
Because "Lady Society" says:
to be beautiful and stylish
you must have "blow hair"
And a light complexion.....

I did not laugh because I realized that
"Too many Black folks
Are fools about color and skin"
Then I said to myself:
You have learned to reject your identity
To be stupid!
And I have learned to be proud of it.....
To be wise!

by Michael Grimes

Black in the classroom,
I alone Black in the classroom,
as I sit upon a chair,
surrounded by white faces.

"Black" is the word spoken,
and at once I am on the defense,
as the eyes of forty pierce my skin,
my nerves tingle, my mind races,
as eighty ears are awaiting the black view.

Mistake, I can't make a mistake,
it would be a costly label for my race,
I'm their only representative,
Whatever I say has to be right;
Damn, I wish I knew everything.

Black I wish there were more of me,
the teacher learns my name so quick,
my absence he always knows,
for who else stands out like me,
Black in the classroom.

Hey if you do get a chance,
and you want to find me,
go to a class, and there I will be,
keeping my chair from breaking
as I wait for you to join me.



Speedy, Hello

Can't forget someone threw the grenade
that exploded in his face
The telephone said he was not dead

V.A. Hospitals,
voices lost in time and space
Up in the sixth floor ward
Erick got the bullet extracted
Here in my room,
waiting,
tequila shots sooth my pain

Days pass by
and hearing his voice,
in tears, secretly I loose control

I wanna walk mamma,
and to swim in filthy beaches again
with my friends
—said the boy
I wanna throw downstairs
the squeaky wheelchair some day
...some day ...yeah some day....!?!?

by ANGEL A GARCES

Desperately Reaching For You!

I reach for you girl,
For you are what you are:
A beautiful, young African Woman!
With a tender and charismatic smile.
Yes, I reach for you,
Because I do adore you
With your shiny little eyes, your sensual lips.
Look at me intensely
Yes, you I feel so close to,
And yet so far from...and.
See through my eyes
True love, affection, obedience...
Listen to my voice
Blowing softly toward you:
Have no fear!
I'm reaching for you mysterious woman,
Because you are my Aphrodite,
Yes, you are my Heaven.
I'm reaching for you sweetly
Because I desperately want you...
To be my kingdom, to be mine!

YVON MAC

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Nigeria; A Native Son Speaks

by Yvon Magny

Recently I had the pleasure of interviewing Tommy Koledoye who is a native African from Nigeria. Mr. Koledoye has studied Electrical Engineering in West Germany and in the course of his career, traveled extensively between Africa, Europe and America. Now at Stony Brook, Tommy Koledoye is a junior pursuing a major in Political Science.

Black World: Can you tell us what Nigeria was like as a British colony?

Tommy Koledoye: Well, as far as I can recall from the history of Nigeria, from direct information, from all the people on the littoral like myself, Nigeria was just an ordinary country without any infrastructure and really nothing much. It was basically a country resourceful enough where the Europeans went and took whatever they could then leave. Politically, the geographical area called Nigeria used to be three separate countries: The Yoruba kingdom which extended from the South all the way to the West and included the territory where actually are located the TOGO and BENIN republics. The Hehni kingdom which covered the northern part of Nigeria and the Eastern region which was not under the colonial rules it was around 1914 that the political entity known as Nigeria became into formal existence. It was for the Nigerians a way to make the British realize that they could rule themselves. They created the National Executive Council of Nigeria. This was created as a means of a central government. Economically, Nigeria was then significant to the sustainment of the British economy because it was a major producer of CoCo and was then the second exporter of this product to Europe.

B.World: What was the social status of the Nigerians then?

T.K.: They were basically traders, farmers and were going about their own business. They traded CoCo, rubber, groundnuts, etc

E.World: Were the Nigerians considered as British citizens?

T.K.: Yes, we were then considered as British citizens. We were given British passports and we could go to Britain to live anytime depending on what we wanted to do. But, you have to understand that even though every Nigerian had a passport, it was a different thing to really have the same opportunities as the antochtones (British born citizens). So that was the situation and it had to be understood. It had to happen like that because Nigeria, like Ghana, was very vital to the British economy. That's why I believe we were given all these facilities.

B.World: When did Nigeria become an independent nation?

T.K.: Nigeria became independent in 1960 through struggle by our leaders Chief Abufami Arulawa who was a British trained lawyer-Nnamdi Azikiwe who was an American trained social scientist and then Abubatar Tafawa Balewa from the North and others. Fortunately after twenty long years of struggle, they never had to resort to violence in order to gain Nigeria's independence.

E.World: Socio-economically speaking, What is the actual situation in Nigeria?

T.K.: Right now, the economy of Nigeria is down. But if we go back in history, we will see that the economy was damaged as a result of the 1966 coup which overthrew the parliamentary government. However, there was a period between 1970 after the oil excavation and 1980, where Nigeria was a very rich country compared to many European countries. Now since there is less demand for the Nigerian oil on the market and since all the money made from the oil export has not been properly used, the economy is down. We don't really have to depend on oil because we have many other resources to sustain our economy. Nigeria is in fact the richest and the largest black nation in the world. It has a population of about 80 millions inhabitants and the average income per capita is about \$1000 a year.

B.World: What can you say about the system of government in your country?

T.K.: Nigeria has always been a capitalist country and now we have a military government which is very responsive to criticism.

B.World: How do you foresee Nigeria five or ten years from now?

T.K.: Five or ten years from now, I am anticipating that Nigeria will have achieved its status quo politically and establish a form of government suitable for Nigerians and Africans as a whole. I sincerely believe that ten years from now, if the so-called super powers don't disturb Nigeria; We should be on our feet and competing with some European nations.

B.World: What about the education system in Nigeria?

T.K.: Education in Nigeria is a very important issue because most Nigerians believe that the education is truly a vital part of life. Between 1979-83, education at all levels was completely free in certain parts of the country. Even now in certain universities, the tuition is free. I would say 85% of the country offers free education.

B.World: How is the health care system back there? Is it efficient enough?

T.K.: Concerning the health care system, there is still a lot to be done: There are insufficient hospitals, and very few doctors. We do not manufacture most of the drugs that are used-the equipments and such are still being imported. What Nigerians should have done since 1978, was to bounce back to what they used to do before the Europeans came into control. Africans basically have been treating themselves, they have been keeping themselves healthy with what we call native medicines which were replaced by the actual health care system.

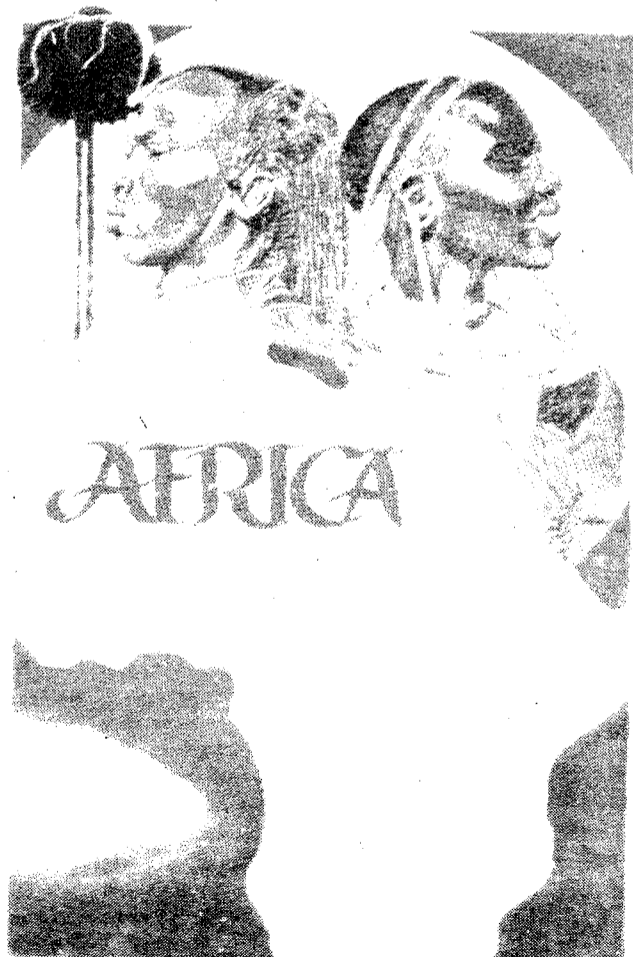
B.World: Are there any social services in Nigeria?

T.K.: Social services. Yes, like I said between 1979 up to now health care services in the Western region which is now Lagos-Ondo-Oyo-Ogun and Bendel states are free.

The Minorities in Engineering and Applied Sciences club, which meets every other Thursday at 6 pm, in the Uniti Cultural Center invites you to our next general body meeting Thursday, October 10th. during our last meeting, we hosted three guest speakers. The first was the president of the National Society of Women Engineers. The Second was Miss Sandy Pusey, a chairperson of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Finally, Miss Nadine Francis delivered an informative talk on the importance of writing a correct and functional resume.

Our club provides various support services for students interested in common majors, yet your major need not be Engineering, Computer Science or Applied Math to attend. We cater to all related fields of study. So come and check out our next meeting. We're here to help you!

Reminder: We are sponsoring a party Friday, October 11th, (Scholarship Fund Raiser) in Kelly Cafe. 2 DJ's, Reggae, Disco. 10-3. 2 dollars w/id, 3 dollars w/o. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED!





News Release

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PRINCETON, N.J. (September 3, 1985) -- Applications for the 1986 Dow Jones Newspaper Fund Editing Intern Program for College Juniors and the Minority Editing Intern Program for College Seniors are available through October 31. Deadline for completed applications is Thanksgiving Day.

Each of the 60 students to be selected as Dow Jones Newspaper Fund interns will be offered a work/study/aid package totaling approximately \$6,000.

Both programs include guaranteed paid summer jobs on newspapers or news service copy desks throughout the nation and a two-week free editing training seminar at one of six selected university sites before students begin their jobs.

The salary the student will receive from their employers is expected to range between \$200 and \$350 a week, an average of \$250 a week for 10 weeks. The Newspaper Editing Intern Program for College Juniors includes a \$1,000 scholarship. The Minority Editing Intern Program for College Seniors includes a \$1,500 scholarship for students who will attend graduate school and a \$1,000 scholarship to pay for senior year expenses of students who do not attend graduate school.

Application forms now are available at college journalism departments and placements offices, as well as from college editing professors, college newspapers and campus chapters of Society of Professional Journalists, SDX.

Students may obtain an application directly from The Dow Jones Newspaper Fund, P.O. Box 300, Princeton, N. J. 08540.

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Bill Cosby Show Rated Number One: What Else Is New For This Season!

by Jacqueline A. Simpson

"I must be doing something right" says Bill Cosby as his comedy show hits the new TV season with Emmy nominations. Bill Cosby says that his TV series has become a close part of his real family. His TV family closely parallels that of his own family. In reality, he has five children; four girls and one boy. He sums up the philosophy of his show as manifesting the universal problems of parenting and growing up.

Fortunately, Bill Cosby's show has inspired many other TV minority stars in show business. In fact, for this season alone, there are seven new shows with minority stars, compared with only five last season. Two new season premiere shows are "Charlie and Company", which stars Flip Wilson and Gladys Knight (CBS) and "227", which stars Marla Gibbs (NBC) from the previously cancelled "Jeffersons" comedy series. "Charlie and Company" is similar to the basic concept of "The Cosby Show" with the exception of the characters' background and occupational status.

In "Charlie and Company" Flip Wilson plays a civil servant and his wife, Gladys, takes on the role of an elementary school teacher. In this series they have three children who are Fran Robinson, Kristoff St. John, and Jaleel White.

"227" is a great comedy which emphasizes all the talent of Mary (formerly known as Florence) and is put into one half-hour of laughs. This show stars Hal Williams, Regina King and of course the talented Marla Gibbs.

The newly released series "Hell Town" introduces us to the talents of Whitman Mayo who takes on the role of a man who tries to help Robert Blake (priest) fight crime, degradation, and bring about improvement in East Los Angeles.

Other minority shows and minority included shows for this season are: Benson, Webster, Gimme A Break, Different Strokes, The Insiders, Miami Vice, and Fame. Most of these shows have already received raving reviews, and are expected to do quite well in the future. Here are some more familiar minority stars that will be returning to television this season. Keep up the good work!!!



Diahann Carroll returns as the appealing Dominique Devereaux in ABC's prime time soap Dynasty.



Mr. T of NBC's The A-Team will be quite tough when he returns this fall with his neck full of gold.



Gary Coleman and Todd Bridges will return as brothers on Different Strokes.



Nell Carter will continue to star in Gimme A Break, the renewed comedy series on NBC.



Robert Guillaume resumes his role as lieutenant governor in Benson, the ABC comedy.



Kim Fields, known to TV viewers as Tootie, is back on NBC's program The Facts of Life.

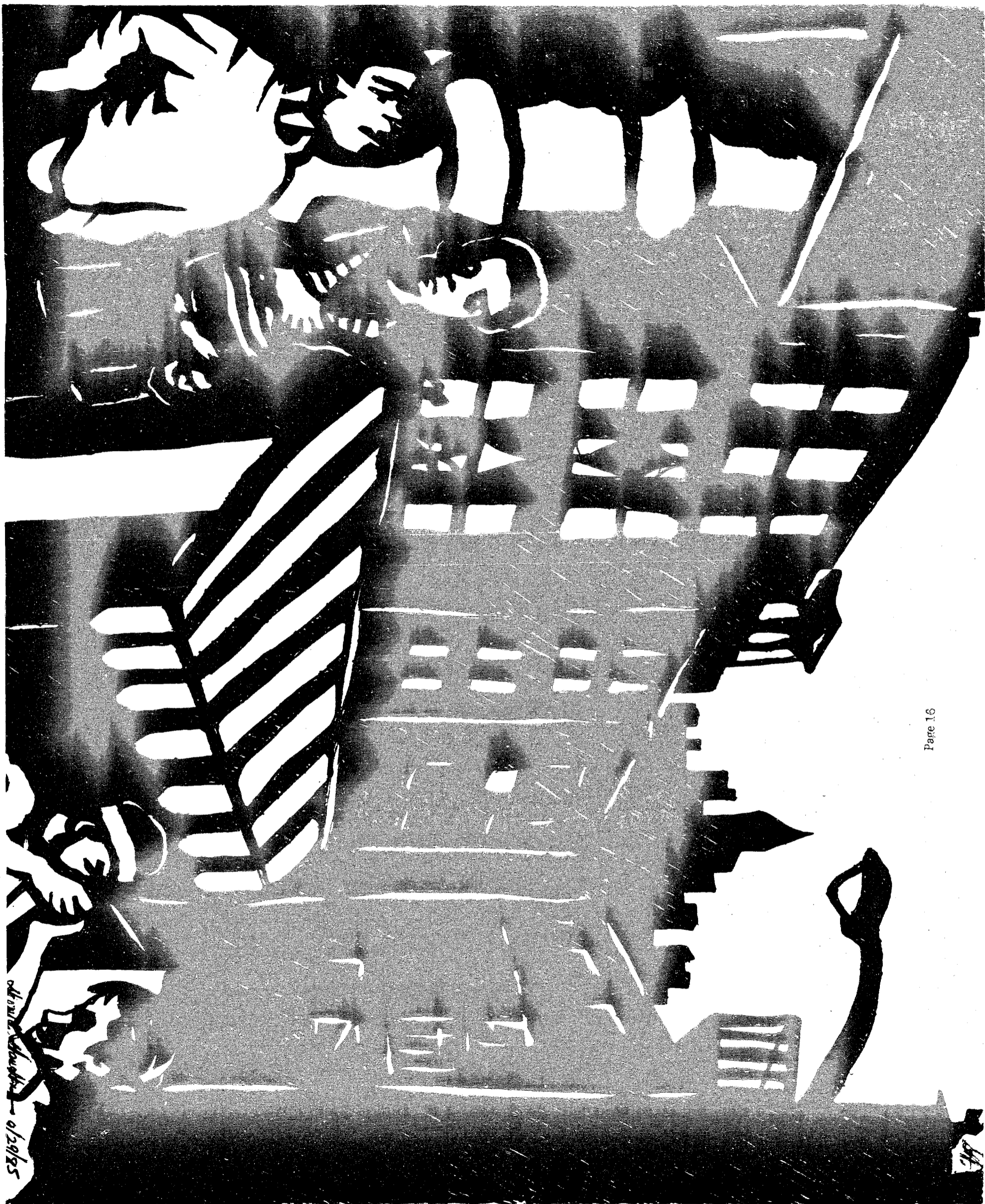


Emmanuel Lewis stars in Webster which will begin another season on ABC this fall.



Phillip Michael Thomas is back as detective Ricardo Tubbs in NBC's cool series Miami Vice, which is a different kind of police drama that continues to gain popularity.





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SUMMER AT HARVARD

by Camille Nelson

"What did you do for the summer" will be the question asked on campuses all around the country. And for 89 of us, the answer will be "I went to Harvard's Health Professions Program." Eyebrows will raise, followed by a whistle of awe here, an "Excuse me!" there. And I'm sure all 89 of us will smile a knowing smile because the images that the name Harvard conjures up and our experiences there are as different as night and day. When we were first notified that we had been accepted into HPP, I suspect we all visualized an old stuffy place full of spoiled rich kids and bow-tied intellectuals. Even though HPP is for minority and disadvantaged students, we figured we'd be the only hip person there surrounded by bespectacled bookworms who don't know how to dance.

My summer at Harvard was, without a doubt, the best summer I've spent in my adult life. (And if you can't dance now you'll learn once you get there.) Judging from the reactions of many students during our last week together, I would say the vast majority thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The first few days were foolishly occupied with "I wonder what her GPA is" and now I know he couldn't have over a 2.0." Then we figured out the real purpose of the program and from then on gladly treated everyone as a person and not a number.

The purpose of the HPP program is to expose minority and disadvantaged students to an environment that will stimulate and encourage them to become competitive applicants for a graduate Health Professions School. A 4.0 GPA will not immediately get you in because with that you already considered attractive to Medical Schools. Ideally, it is suited for the above average student whose determination to be a doctor can be reinforced by the HPP experience thereby yielding a more highly competitive minority applicant. This country is sorely lacking minority physicians and dentists yet the Black and Hispanic Pre-Med student faces numerous demoralizing and destructive obstacles that the so-called majority student

does not. Financial impediments are a given but the major culprits seem to be a lack of peer support and role models. I, who considered myself a fairly well-adjusted Black Pre-Med was amazed at the effect that seeing a Black Md-Phd student had on me.

We met the entire professional and student staff in an afternoon meeting on the day we arrived. As each student stood up to introduce himself, we heard stories about getting lost from the airport, being ripped off by cabbies, and many thanks to God for having been given the opportunity. We also heard many accents from around the country and, for the first time, we New Yorkers were told we talk funny. The 89 students were composed of approximately 25% Californians, 25% New Yorkers, and the rest from around the country. The staff included Medical and Dental students from Harvard, Boston University, and Cornell and 3 extremely efficient women who ran the program from the central HPP office. The students were mostly Black and Hispanic with a few Orientals and 3 or 4 disadvantaged Caucasians. The Med and Dent students were either advisors to 6 or 7 students or they taught the various Medical Science Tutorials that were offered to us. Talking to a real Med student who looks like the girl next door in your own neighborhood and even uses the same slang words is both refreshing and relieving. Since they were in our shoes just 3 or 4 years ago, they served as our immediate role models. They encouraged us by their words of support but more importantly by their mere presence.

The entire program was carefully structured to help sustain our motivation academically, socially, and psychologically. We were required to take one science class in the undergraduate Harvard summer school (Microbiology, Biochemistry, Neurobiology, Cell Biology, Physiology) and one Medical Science Tutorial patterned after a Med School course (Renal Physiology, Cardiovascular Physiology, Infectious Diseases, Neuroanatomy, Pathophysiology). Eight students with special interest in research took a Research Seminar and Lab placement instead of a tutorial. We all were as-

signed a practicing physician whom we met with in any one of Boston's many hospitals to get some clinical exposure. My physician was a Black female pediatrician from New York who taught me the subtleties of bedside manner. I was also able to view a Caesarian section in the Labor and Delivery room. Every Sunday the group had a general meeting where we would hear activities scheduled for the week and listen to a guest lecturer on topics such as Alternative Health Professions, Health Care in Nicaragua, Women in Medicine, the study of skin pigmentation, and many more. Med Schools from across the country sent their recruiters to Harvard and we were able to be interviewed by the schools of our choice. There was also a voluntary MCAT review session every weekend. We had two official program parties and many spontaneous suite-parties. There was enough spare time to go sight-seeing in Boston, play tennis and basketball, and go sculling on the nearby river. Trips were planned to go to the beach and to see the 4th of July fireworks accompanied by the Boston Pops Symphony. Many of us were able to visit two Medical Schools on a bus trip to New York City. More than half of us were on full scholarship and received \$60 every two weeks as spending money.

For me and most of the people I spoke with, the experience was a positive one. The classes were appropriately difficult but not impossible. Some students there had been the only Black or Hispanic Pre-Med student in their home institution and they were relieved to see that there are lots of us scattered around the country yet connected by a special bond. That common bond was shared by Pre-Med, Med student and minority physician alike. It involves all of us in different levels of a struggle to obtain success and pride for ourselves and our people. That bond is a source of strength and the discovery of its existence is what the summer of 85 "The Beginning Of Something Beautiful."

This is a reprint of an article appearing in this semester's Health Career Opportunity Newsletter.

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M.P.B. Meeting
Mon. Oct. 14th at 7:30
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Dear Colleague,

Recent trends in our health care system indicate that a major shift in emphasis is occurring—a shift toward wellness and prevention for patient populations, as well as the general public. Governmental agencies, private industry, hospitals and health financing agencies have all recognized the need to support health promotion and allied health practitioners are seen as a major resource in affecting the necessary changes.

This program has been designed as a forum to stimulate ideas and dialogue among professionals involved in patient care. Case studies will be the primary instructional medium used and active participation will be encouraged.

The Resource Center for Health Promotion/Disease Prevention

AGENDA

- 1:00 P.M. **Registration** (coffee)
- 1:15 **Welcome and Introductions**
 Edmund J. McTernan, Ed.D., Dean, School of Allied Health Professions* and Project Director, Resource Center for Health Promotion/Disease Prevention
- 1:30 **Dynamics of Health Behavior Change**
 Richard Friedman, Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Science, School of Medicine*
- 2:30 **Case Presentations in Health Promotion**
 Patients will be interviewed and an interdisciplinary panel of health practitioners will analyze the cases and offer suggestions for improving health status.
Moderator: Peter Kueffel, R.P.A.-C., Assistant Professor, Department of Physician Assistant Education, School of Allied Health Professions*
Panelists: Allied Health Practitioners (Physician Assistants, Physical Therapists, Respiratory Therapists, Health Educators, Dietitians, Medical Technologists, Nurses, etc.)
- 3:30 **Break**
- 3:45 **Workshops**
 Participants will assemble in discipline specific groups to design health promotion regimes for new cases presented.
 Panelists will serve as workshop leaders.
- 4:30 **Plenary Session**
 Presentation of health promotion strategies developed during workshops.
Moderator: Rose Walton, Ed.D., Chairperson, Department of Allied Health Resources, School of Allied Health Professions*
- 5:00 **Summation and Adjournment**
 Elaine Friedman, M.A., Co-Director, Resource Center for Health Promotion, Disease Prevention, School of Allied Health Professions*

*Health Sciences Center, SUNY at Stony Brook

Continuing Education Credit: Participants will receive four (4) hours of continuing education credit awarded by the School of Allied Health Professions.


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LET'S GET PERSONAL

THERE ARE NO PERSONALS AND HERE IS WHY.
PERSONALS: GETTING TOO PERSONAL
Editorial Policy

The last issue of BLACKWORLD was a welcomed end to the semester when the phone calls began coming in. 'How could you print this trash?' Who wrote personals to me calling me a whore?' 'I should sue your paper for this!' Get the point? No? Well perhaps we can clear it for you.

For a very long time Blackworld has been read by a large part of this community by people who wanted to read the personal sections alone. Last year with an influx of new students this small group exploded in its enthusiasm for reading and writing personals, especially after students discovered that the price for personals was nothing. Suddenly Blackworld was barraged by a ton of personals each issue.

We tried to print all the personals but as time went on we discovered that Blackworld could not afford to print all the personals. Nevertheless, for some special events we made exceptions to this policy. Exceptions to the point where four pages of personals were printed. As anyone who has ever been associated with a paper knows, personals are the most tedious and time-consuming elements of a paper to put together.

Then we were, most dishonorably, stabbed in the back. What made it worse was the fact that we were shafted by the very people we satisfied by sacrificing Blackworld time and funds.

This is the situation we face. What can we do about these personals? As it stands there are quite a few options starting from having each personal signed with the authors name to discontinuing that section of the paper all together. The choice is up to YOU!

The system will work like this. From this point on, Blackworld will weed out all blatantly derogatory items... If we receive any complaints we will set up office hours where the personal must be delivered in an envelope with the person taking responsibility for the personals, name signed and printed on the envelope. If any personal receives a just complaint, that person will lose all rights to use this paper again. Ultimately, if we still receive an excessive amount of complaints: all personals will be accompanied by the writer's name.

We wish to be congenial about this but we will not be used for the demented mentalities of others.



Sports

Michael Spinks Does The Impossible Holmes Unable to Answer the Riddle of The Spinks

by Darren Jenkins

Saturday, September 21st was a day that many streaks came to an end. Earlier that day Dwight Gooden of the New York Mets had his string of 31 scoreless innings snapped by the lowly Pittsburgh Pirates. The New York Yankees finally ended their eight game losing streak. But the streak that most of the sports-world had an eye on was Larry Holmes' unbeaten streak of 48 wins. Larry Holmes on this night was trying to make history by being the second heavyweight champion to retire undefeated. "I also want to be remembered 400 years from now. No make that 1000 years from now." Holmes will be remembered, but not for being a great champion, but being the only heavyweight champion to lose to a light-heavy weight champion.

Michael Spinks another great champion who has been unable to receive the recognition because of his weight class and the escapades of his older brother Leon Spinks. But Saturday night was Spinks' night. Answer the riddle of the Spinks: How can a light-heavy weight defeat a heavyweight? Many great light-heavy-weight champions like Archie Moore, Billy Conn, and Bob Forster all tried but fell short of answering the riddle.

Larry Holmes who had defeated all challenges for his belt believed Spinks was a stepping stone for his place in history. "I've searched deeply and tried to find a way Michael can beat me. I decided the only way is if I have been out all night getting drunk and not training."

Holmes should have searched deeper because Spinks thoroughly handled the champion for 15 rounds to capture the IBF version of the Heavyweight Championships.

Although two of the three judges scored the fight 143-142, the fight was not that close. Holmes did win three of the first six rounds, but the rounds Spinks won were much more impressive than all of Holmes'. The middle rounds belonged to Spinks. More important was the fact that during these rounds Spinks' confidence grew to a point that he felt Holmes couldn't hurt him. "He didn't hit me as hard

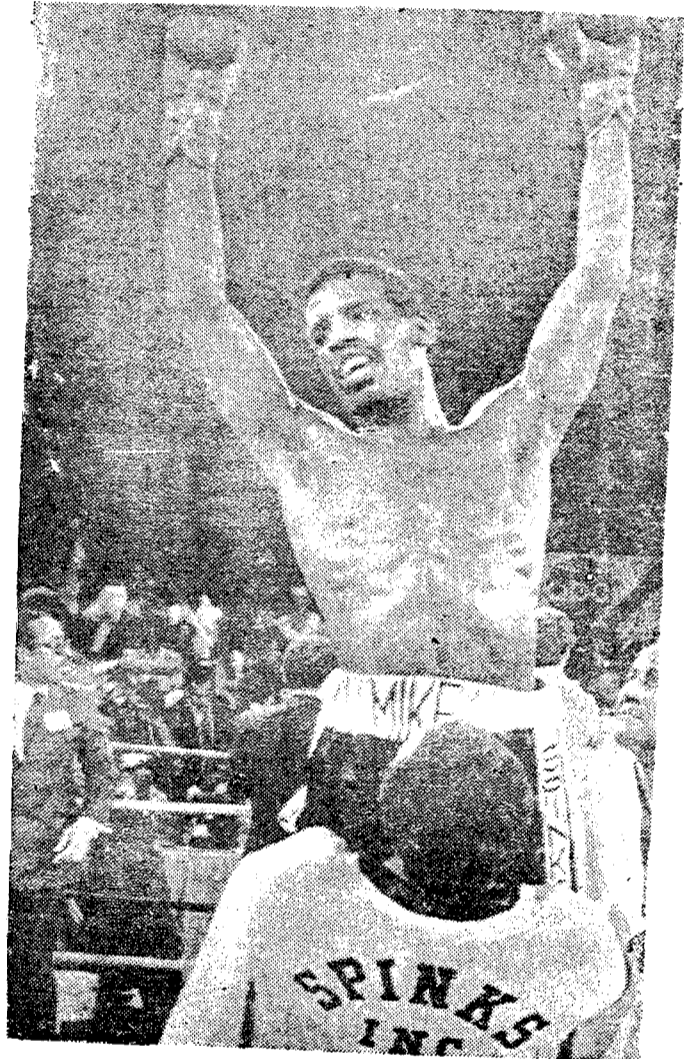
as I thought he would; he couldn't knock me out. I don't know if he ever really hit me good." From round 10 (usually when Holmes takes charge of a fight) he couldn't put together any combinations to stop the relentless Spinks.

Larry Holmes should not be ashamed of his performance. Since winning the title from Ken Norton in 1978, Holmes has fought all opponents inside and outside the ring. The press has not been a big Larry Holmes fan and at times Holmes had been bitter about how the press portrayed him.

One reason for this lack of appreciation is the time he won the title. Before the WBC gave Ken Norton the heavyweight title Muhammad Ali was the champ and with his charisma elevated boxing to more than a sport. Many of Holmes' fights weren't great, but when the time came, like against Gerry Cooney, Holmes silenced all of his critics.

Michael Spinks, another great champion, had to contend with his brother's wild lifestyle and the fact that the light-heavyweight is sandwiched between the two most glamorous divisions in boxing. Spinks also had ups and downs in his personal life. Spinks had to overcome the loss of his common-law wife in a car accident and a serious knee injury to become a great champion.

Spinks now must decide on which division he will keep because it will be too tough physically to go up to 25 pounds and then turn around and lose it. For Holmes it has been a great career, and let's hope Holmes can do something not other great black champion ever did; retire and not try to come back for the title.



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