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And Look out on the world
And Wonder
What we're gonna do
In the face of
What we remember
Langston Hughes.



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Jeffries KO's Donahue

by Patrice Lumumba

Monday, September 30, was not a boxing date. It was a television date. Dr. Jeffries appeared on the Phil Donahue's show and many CCNY students were part of the live audience. They witnessed a Jeffries knock-out punch as he made it clear that "the search for the African truth" would not be stopped.

For the balance of the hour, Donahue zeroed in on making the issue Dr. Jeffries vs. the Jewish community, but he failed as the professor pointed out to the viewing audience that he would not allow Donahue to "distort" his explanations. A series of clips from the two-hour July 20 speech were shown. Before Dr. Jeffries could explain some points however, another clip would be shown, evidence of Donahue's strategy.

Among other things

Donahue asked why Jeffries had it in for Jewish people. In his response, the professor said that he didn't have any hatred of Jews, and cited his friendships and presidency of a Jewish fraternity in his college days. He also mentioned the continuing support by many Jewish scholars of his statements to back up his point.

During audience questions and comments, a woman cried, "you're just an anti-Semite, and everyone who supports you is an anti-Semite!". This generated applause from many whites.

Clearly annoyed with Donahue leveling charges of anti-Semitism at Jeffries, Lee Anthony Nieves, a student, and the Managing Editor of The Campus, got up and shouted "look, Semites are black and Semites are white. Black and white!" Nieves ended his state-



Dr. Leonard Jeffries

ment with "that's it". Although he was at a temporary loss for words, he seemed to be implying that there was no way that Jeffries could be anti-Semitic because it would mean that he was anti-himself.

Dr. Jeffries stated over and over that *rich* Jews and merchants from many other Eastern European countries, and some Africans

were involved in the slaughter during the African holocaust, the African Slave Trade.

Trying to depict Dr. Jeffries as a hater, Donahue asked the professor about his comment on Diane Ravitch as a "Texas Jew." After the clip of that portion of the speech was shown, Jeffries stated that the Christian Bible belt teachings in Texas excluded teaching the histories of African, Asian, Latin and indigenous Americans and being brought up in that environment Ravitch was now doing the same as a Jewish person with her agenda against the curriculum of inclusion, a document developed by a variety of scholars and historians. Dr. Jeffries himself had been involved with structuring the new curriculum.

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An Epic Solution To an Old Campus Problem

by Mohale Masithela and Wesley McKenzie

Wednesday, September 25, 1991, marked the dawning of a new era in City College history. Perhaps that might be an exaggeration, but that date did bring the opening of the new City College Barnes and Noble bookstore and along with it at least prima facie, an improvement in the City College environment. While only time will tell for certain if the new bookstore improves City College, *The Paper* did some investigation which seems to indicate so. We spoke to the Vice President of Finance and Management Affairs, Jon Yellin, as well as students,

and bookstore personnel.

We got lots of background information, from Vice President Yellin, who incidentally was very informative and eager to speak with us. As most know by now, the bookstore has been contracted out to Barnes and Noble. Why did CCNY contract out the bookstore? There is a Bookstore Committee, which annually evaluates the bookstore. This Bookstore Committee is composed of individuals including Vice President Yellin and elected student representatives, so under the tortuous process

of City College democracy, student opinion was represented in the decision. Last year, after its evaluation, the committee agreed to contract out the store, deciding that this would benefit the administration financially, as well as the students, in terms of better services and more affordable prices.

City College went out to bid on the bookstore and invited all collegiate bookstores in the country to bid. Two serious bids were made; one from Collegiate Bookstores, the organization continued on pg. 3

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The City College chapter of the New York Public Interest Research Group, Inc. (NYPIRG) announces the opening of the Small Claims Action Center.

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The center counsels by phone or in person Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For further information, call (212) 234-1628 or visit the center at Baskerville Hall, Room 306, at City College on the corner of Convent Avenue and 140th Street.

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In Round 3 (the third segment of the show), Dr. Jeffries explained how the recent attacks on him began. He said that Joseph Berger of the New York Times started things in an April 20, 1990 article that said that Jeffries had a "theory of sun people and ice people" which said that blacks were superior to whites because of their melanin content. Jeffries condemned this, saying that there was no such theory.

Following that New York Times article, media from around the world, including Scotland and Australia, came on campus at City to find out about his "theories." A

month later, Jeffries said, former mayor Edward I. Koch wanted to see him. Jeffries went to Koch's Rockefeller Plaza law office after Koch declined an invitation to the campus. There, a discussion about the documentation to support Jeffries' comments on the enslavement of Africans ensued. On the show, Dr. Jeffries read part of a transcript of that discussion. (Koch recently sent a letter to the Managing Editor of The Paper, Tammie V. Lacewell, requesting information about the protections that academic freedom include, what a tenured professor is allowed to teach, and what restraints

may be imposed on a department chairman. His letter was not answered.)

Jeffries then explained that he spoke on July 20 this year at the Empire State Black Arts and Cultural Affairs Festival in Albany. "Hundreds of thousands of people upstate saw it, including many Jews, and there was no response," Jeffries said. He continued on, saying that on July 27, 1991 the N.Y. State Board of Regents voted 14-2 in favor of a revised, multicultural, curriculum for New York City's public schools. Even though he said that he hadn't been

involved with the Curriculum of Inclusion since March 1989, the media singled him out as part of their agenda to "stop the African truth," and prevent the curriculum from being implemented and all from learning about the truth of history.

During the show, a caller mentioned that whenever "a black man speaks the truth, White America is threatened." One student stated that before people make attacks on Jeffries, they should examine the documentation that he has cited as support of his statements.

continued from pg 1. Bookstore which runs the bookstore at Queens College and other CUNY colleges, and the other from Barnes and Noble. While Collegiate Bookstores made a very strong bid, the committee unanimously voted for Barnes and Noble.

By contracting out the bookstore, Mr. Yellin said, the school would eliminate all financial risk, and guarantee an income. The school will be receiving a percentage of the bookstore's income. With the contractual store, in case the store loses money, which it did a few years ago, the school would not lose money along with it. If the store does not make money neither will the school, but the school won't lose money, either.

Additionally, "....outside vendors could really provide us with a degree of expertise which would ultimately benefit the students and the faculty that we really weren't providing to be very honest about it" admitted Vice President Yellin. Many students we spoke to complained about the inefficiency of the old bookstore. One way expertise and efficiency will manifest itself in the new store is in an increase in the number of open cash registers to up to thirteen during the rush periods as opposed to the three or four the old bookstore provided. This should definitely eliminate the seasonal frustration of CCNY students brought on by the "unavoidable, but nevertheless disgraceful" long lines as Vice President Yellin characterized them.

The store hours will be expanded into the evening to accommodate the substantial evening student body. Vice President Yellin commented that when he was teaching an evening course last semester, he observed the trials evening students had to go through to get their books. The store will also be opened at least two Saturdays at the beginning of each semester. The bookstore will offer the City College community a straight four percent discount. New textbooks will be priced exactly as the former bookstore prices minus four percent.

Students were asked what their opinion about the new bookstore, and if they thought it would benefit the college financially. Anthony Welcome, a Computer

Science major, replied, "I think it's very important that the college turns the book store over to Barnes And Noble. But at the same time, it's also very inconvenient for the undergraduate students. To this day, the lounge hasn't been renovated. I don't like it one bit." Jason Gaston, a Physical Education major, praised the college for the transformation but felt the school could have come up with their own plans. He stated, "This institution has the authority, and I believe enough funds, to do what Barnes and Noble did. I just hope it helps the college in terms of funding, instead of going into deeper debt." Chung Lee, an Engineering major responded, "the good news is that everything is going smoothly and accordingly. However, there's really no difference in the price range. There's a policy on discount. Other than the site (being) renovated, there's not much of a change."

Vice President Yellin conveyed to us that the contracting out of the bookstore was as much a project to enhance relations between students and the administration, and an attempt by the administration to appease students, as it was a financial consideration. He claimed that after the takeover this spring, he sensed that the student body felt the administration was generally not supportive and he was disturbed by this. He felt that the new bookstore, "was visible evidence that we [the administration] are trying to get something done for students." Because of limited selection and overpricing, City College students often went searching for books at other bookstores, primarily Barnes and Nobles. So it seems convenient that Barnes and Nobles would come to City College to save the very busy, often working student body the trip to bookstores elsewhere.

The student body has not seemed to notice the difference in the prices of texts, but the new store's first patrons did seem to appreciate the aesthetic appearance of the bookstore. Words like "nice," "cute," "fly," and "fabulous" typified student opinion on the new bookstore. Another factor which excited the student body about the bookstore was the loca-

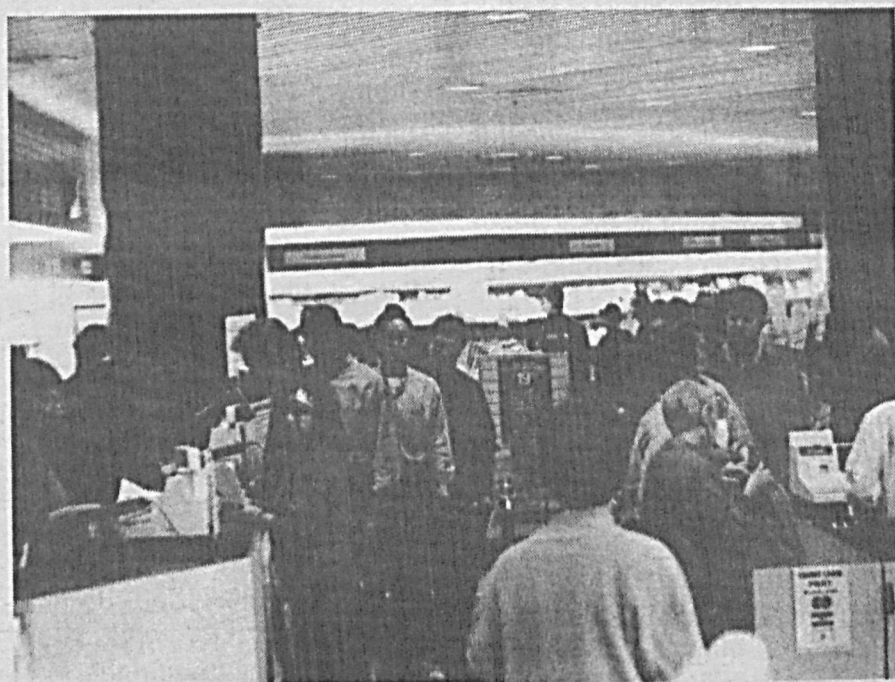
tion. Most students spoke of the convenience of the new location, not only of accessibility but the fact that the new bookstore has windows and is above ground. The students appreciated new conveniences such as the magazines now available, and the mini-baskets to carry their goods while shopping in the store. Students did have one common grievance—the fact that they were not allowed to roam around the back where the text books are kept.

Already the bookstore has shown its sensitivity to some of the various ethnic groups which comprise City College. The store has sections geared toward African-American literature, Latin-American literature, and women's literature, in addition to the texts required by the corresponding academic fields. The store plans to highlight these sections during relevant occasions and events, such as Black History Month. Sandra Hall, a Nursing student, and a Senior responded with great enthusiasm: "Barnes and Noble broke a record here at City. For the first time in the four and a half years I've been here I've noticed that there are great varieties of Afro-American books and other items. In a college where the majority of the people are Black, we do indeed need that. It makes you feel you want to go back. Great steps taken by Barnes and Noble." These additions are welcomed and appreciated, however Black people should continue to patronize Black bookstores and not desist from buying

from those bookstores.

While all seemed rosy on the surface, I brought up a general CCNY community concern during the interview with the Vice President, i.e. the bookstore staff. What would become of all the employees of the old bookstore? The answer I received seemed fair. Barnes and Nobles contractually agreed to keep the employees for a one year period during which they would receive "training and counseling" and if they performed well, be offered employment at Barnes and Nobles bookstores elsewhere. The employees even received four to six percent salary raises. However, the employees would not all be kept at City College because the thirteen full-timers who were employed at City College's old bookstore would not all be necessary to run the bookstore, especially with Barnes and Noble's centralized processing facilities within New York. After speaking with the Barnes and Nobles personnel director, V.P. Yellin felt that employees have a "very good chance" to work their way into the Barnes and Nobles system. The bookstore employees we spoke to did not seem worried about the one year period they have been granted to prove their worth. In addition, the new store as the old store did will be hiring students to work part-time during the rush periods, and even part-time throughout the semester. This staffing issue was one of the factors that influenced the decision to choose Barnes and

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The New CCNY Bookstore: Opening Day

CCNY Anthropology Students Conduct Summer Field Work Among the Mayas

by Professor June Nash

Maya Indians are rapidly entering the commercial and industrial world that seemed to have left them aside in the 500 years of colonization and independence. Students in the Anthropology Department of City College spent two months in the highlands of Chiapas, Mexico, documenting the changes that are sweeping women and men into work related to the tourism and commercialized agriculture that is transforming the southernmost state of Mexico. Towns that only in the past decade have been connected by highways that penetrate into the jungle and high in the mountain ranges that border



June Nash visits with Amatenango del Valle and her grandson

Guatemala are now regularly visited by government agents, tourists, and the ubiquitous anthropologists.

City College undergraduates, financed by a National Science Foundation grant awarded to June Nash, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology at the college, selected projects related to the new development as their research activity. Luz Martin del Campo and Paul Polivko chose to study the newly colonizing areas of the Lacandon jungle, which has become a meeting ground for indigenous people throughout the southern region of Mexico as population has surged beyond the land resources of old settled areas. The dramatic changes resulting in drought in cleared areas is demonstrated in the educational film that Paul

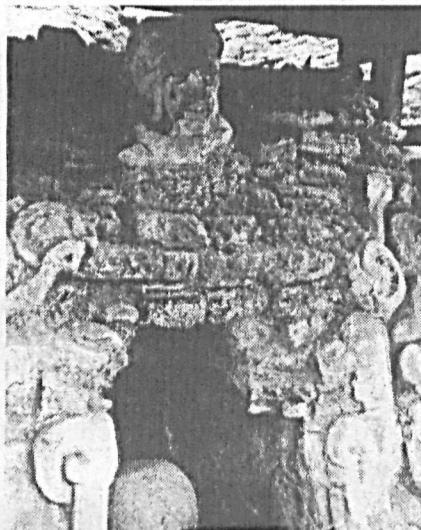
videotaped. This will be used by missionaries and government agents to educate the new settlers in carrying out agriculture in ways that will not further threaten the diminishing tropical forest. Luz's report reminds agents of change that women have an important role in development, since their contribution is often not promoted in national programs.

Pedro Farias Nardi worked with agronomists of the Union of Campesinos and CIES to ascertain and respond to the needs of semi-subsistence cultivators threatened by the commercial crop agriculture spreading through the area. He was able, in his report, to document the desperate need of these small farmers for credit that has dried up to the extent that it threatens the Union as the debt crisis and the privatization of the economy proceeds in anticipation of the Free Trade Act proposed between the U.S., Mexico, and Canada.

The Maya ruins of Palenque and Tonina, as well as lesser known Classic centers near the Guatemalan border, have drawn more tourists than ever as the highways have made these remote areas accessible. Ceasar Naupari of Queens College studied the tourist guides who have flocked, along with the tourists, to the ruins. His report will assist planners in developing educational programs for guides. Donald Craig also looked at tourists from the perspective of accommodations in the colonial town of San Cristobal, where the homes of the conquistadors have been converted into hotels and the churchyards transformed into the informal markets of artisans. He analyzed the possible consequences of plans for a new airport, 200 room hotel and other facilities that might, if not carefully related to the existing cultural capital of the

city, destroy the existing attractions for tourists seeking a sense of the past.

Kathleen Sullivan of Staten Island College chose to do her work with the indigenous women who have come to sell their own handiwork and that of other women in the streets and plazas of San Cris-



tobal. While documenting the major problems faced by these women—sexual harassment, domestic violence, and impoverishment as they become estranged from traditional community structures—she and other students taught the women self-defense tactics she had learned as a nurse. Her report will provide a statistical base for municipal and state agencies concerned about the welfare of these women and their children.

Tourism also played a role in Natasha Fuksman's study of dance since state and

local officials recognize the attraction of indigenous performances for the tourists. She compared the traditional dances performed as part of communal rituals with the dances promoted in public educational institutions. She took lessons and performed in the class's dance at the end of the course.

For the first time in history, midwives and traditional curers are being accorded the attention that their contribution to health care merits. Ileana Matamoras worked with midwives and with the organizers of a state-wide Congress of Midwives to upgrade the profession that delivers 95 percent of the infants born into the state each year. Her biography of a 75 year old midwife in the town of Amatenango del Valle reveals the sacrifices of the women who earn a pittance for their difficult task.

The work of these students will draw attention to the existing traditions to alert development agents to conserve the positive contributions of this ancient culture. As the indigenous population of Chiapas has become dependent on their relationships with the new agents of change, the survival of their culture may be threatened if the lessons they have learned are not adopted into practical policies.



From L to R: Paul Polivko, Luz Martinez, Kathleen Sullivan, Ileana Matamoras, Donald Craig, Ceasar Naupari, and Pedro Nardi in seminar room in San Cristobal.

MAKING IT II: The Meaning of Success According to Dr. Dennis Kimbro

by Patrice Lumumba

On Tuesday, September 24, a studio audience of high school and college students attended a taping of the recently televised program "Making It II," hosted by WABC-TV's Roz Abrams.

The hour-long taping featured Dr. Dennis Kimbro, author of the book Think and Grow Rich: A Black Choice, a book whose title was based on much of the material featured in White author Napoleon Hill's book of 1937. Here are some excerpts from Kimbro's book:

"If you fail to control your mind, you may be sure you will control nothing else."

"If you change your thinking, you will change your life."

"Every man and woman has within himself or herself a sleeping giant. There rests within each of us the power to become great—each in our own way."

With these and other conditions from the book in mind, students form around the city questioned the Northwestern University graduate.

Nkrumah Reed of Manhattan College made the comment that Kimbro 'should mention the people who taught Socrates and Aristotle' in Africa. Kimbro, during his previous responses kept mentioning Greek "philosophers" and this seemed to get Reed and some others quite upset. "Well," Kimbro responded, "I did mention that Aesop was a Black man who told many fables hundreds of years ago."

Some students raised ques-

tions about the rather easygoing attitude Kimbro provides for attaining success in a racist society. Poverty, race, and gender were thrown into the air for discussion. Roz Abrams, almost from the outset of the program, seemed bent on emphasizing that the "Black choice" title of Kimbro's book was also applicable to all other groups of people. A White student, concerned about the "Black

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Dr. Dennis Kimbro

Choice" title said, "Doesn't it add to the racial problems?" Cries of disgust rang out from segments of the audience. Kimbro replied, "get excited about the inside not the outside...if you get rid of your exterior, what are you? You are a bundle of ideas." Speaking to the acknowledgment of pervasive racism in America society, Abrams mentioned that the problem people of color have is that "they perceive themselves as victims, and perceive the world incorrectly." She added that "poverty ends where prosperity begins—with service."

Two other guests on the program were students considered to be people who had made it. Luis Rodriguez, a brother from the Dominican Republic, and Yolanda Pierce, a sister from Brooklyn. Rodriguez was brought up in the South Bronx and now attends Harvard University. Pierce attends Princeton and had

to face life head on after the death of her mother when she was 12. Now 19, she said that "networking" is the key to success in college and beyond.

"It's about who you know," she continued. "I'm proud of my heritage, I'm glad to be Black," and she said she was getting along fine at Princeton. Rodriguez said that it would be "ignorant for us to sit here and think that race doesn't play a part" in this society when it comes to the achievements that people make (which is exactly what Abrams and Kimbro were trying to do). The audience applauded for a few seconds (but the applause was very cleverly edited when the show aired on television). After the taping, Rodriguez said that "I'm not afraid to tell people about myself and my heritage." He added that a predominantly White school like Harvard does not stop him from expressing himself as an African man. Rodriguez is also 19-years-old.

In outlining a program for success, Kimbro advised the mostly African and Latino audience to "dream big...refuse to accept limitations," and refuse to fail."

The students in the audience were definitely sharp-minded, and were clearly aware of the fact that America is not a melting pot, and that their heritages are rich and they were proud of them. One student gave Abrams a t-shirt with a map of Africa on it and a message which read "If the truth hurts, then you will be in pain." Most in the audience applauded in agreement. As Kim-

bro spoke to some students off camera, it was clear that they were not absorbing everything without question.

Some White student addressed their grievances privately. Three of them, Maureen Benson, Richard Kramer, and Evan Laltuta, all high school students from Staten Island, were not at a loss for words when it came to issues such as racism and affirmative action. "People who deserve a job, it shouldn't matter whether they're White or Black." Maureen said she didn't like it when someone White or Black was hired because of their color. I thought the show was very productive....But we should go beyond this Black pride thing...I look at all my Black and Puerto Rican friends as humans, as Americans," Kramer said. He added that Black pride parades can occur but thought it was "kind of unfair" that people would look upon a White pride parade as being racist.

Benson admitted that her fear was that she would lose her job and lose opportunities to people of color because of affirmative action.

Laltuta said that he got a "common sentiment among the audience that it was a Black thing, a Black issue." He said that this is what scared him the most. "Blacks have suffered hardships in the past, and they should be compensated for it, but...other people should not be put down to bring others up." He added that "...if I could change the color of my skin to get into college I would certainly do it."

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A matter related to the bookstore project was the new student lounge. Michael Ching, a Freshman and a Bio-Med major said, "...it's good to see that there's major improvement. The last time I was here with my brother the place looked like a rat race. But what are they doing about the student lounge? It's getting cold." The old snack bar was essentially merged into the main cafeteria on

the second floor of the N.A.C. Building, which will now stay open later to accommodate the evening students who patronized the snack bar. This freed up the space for the new location of the student lounge. The new lounge will be refurbished, refurnished, there will be new carpeting, plants will be added, a new sign which says "Student Lounge" will be in place. The renovation will cost a total of approximately \$130,000, totally funded by bookstore liqui-

dation money, **money Barnes and Nobles paid City College** for buying the old bookstore's stock. There will be no cost to the students, from the student activity fee or any other fee. The lounge will be completely surrounded by glass for complete visibility, improving security, especially for female students. This had been an administration concern. Incidentally, the game-room has also been renovated. All in all, the new bookstore seems to please all con-

cerned. The administration seems to be happy with the store, the lack of financial risk, and the improved services. The students are pleased with the new bookstores services, appearance, and location. In the final analysis, the new store seems to be a significant improvement over the old one. As Barnes and Nobles has the reputation of providing quality service, it is our hope and expectation that they will continue to do so for a long time here at City College.

Opinions

Is Preferential A Differential In Crown Heights and Williamsburg?

by Keith A. Mayes

It is truly painful to unearth and confront one's place in the world when, seen in retrospect, one's place always seems to be stagnated in an abyss of political, economical, and social affairs. It is quite remarkable how many of our well-to-do Black and Latino middle class bourgeoisie in America (mainly elected officials) and even those who live in squalor would deny that such a stagnation exist when they themselves are being used as agents to sustain it. Unfortunately, after the "White man's burden", and the resulting Black man's bludgeoning a few centuries ago, we who represent various ethnic groups in America do not exist in and of ourselves. Associations one to another have become far more complex; take the Brooklyn communities of Crown Heights and Williamsburg as a case study in social relations.

For almost 20 years, Black residents in Crown Heights and Latino residents in Williamsburg have complained about preferen-

tial treatment of Jewish residents from different agencies and representatives of New York City. There have been incidents in which Hasidic patrols have stopped and harassed Black residents who were going about their daily business and also unprovoked attacks on young Black youth that sometimes result in injuries.

The charges of preferential treatment was exacerbated by the tragic, avoidable death of a young Black boy named Gavin Cato, whose killer became the latest victim of Jewish favoritism. Crown Heights was a festering sore that could only grow worse as the years rolled by and the Hasidic Jews went unchallenged. Of course no one would call them in to question as long as Blacks accepted their communities sickness. Two persons who have extensive knowledge on Jewish preference is Dr. Amy Neustein, who is a researcher and founder of Help us Regain the Children, and David Santiago from the Wil-

liamsburg Housing Committee.

Both agree that injustices unanswered in Black and Latino communities will result in more war like confrontations. But the irony of the whole issue is that the Jewish community is being protected by city officials. The Lubavitch sect has authority in the Office of the Brooklyn District Attorney. A Jewish Advisory Council was formed by Joe Hynes' deputy district attorney, Joseph Fisch, who himself is the president of the National Committee for the Furtherance of Jewish Education, the educational wing of Lubavitch.

According to Amy Neustein, the council has four rabbis directly involved with the Lubavitch, including two who were connected with the Cato accident. Joseph Hynes for some strange reason will not release the names of his Jewish council members saying that he would need permission from each member of the council before he would be able to release them. Remark-

ably, Hynes' office was forthcoming with membership lists for their Black, Latino, Asian, and Gay & Lesbian councils. Why are they, in contrast, so tight-lipped about their Jewish council members? Is it because they are the ones who have the most power and influence?

Aside from the tragedy of Gavin Cato and his young cousin, a little Black girl, there are proven atrocities that go unreported by major media: Jewish slumlords that do not make repairs in their buildings occupied by Blacks; rodent and rat infested apartments, where the same owners wouldn't dare let a building inhabited by Jews rot in the same fashion. The creation of a religious state, according to David Santiago in Williamsburg is underway. The Satmar Hasidic sect are building a three-story, 6,000-seat synagogue that will include dining rooms, libraries, and wedding halls at a price of 8 million dollars on city owned land.

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Letter to The Editor

In Answer to Leonard Jeffries Policies

Dear Sir,

I am white. I met my first black person, a friend of my brother, when I was twelve years old in a small town in Canada. I recall no special feeling about that, except a sense of de ja vu.

I am sending to the big jails of this county a plea to change the very definition of jails so they can hatch men, not beasts. Cages and brutality are not for people's benefits, indeed. There are many black people in prison, too.

You make it clear that black people have been hurt and that they do not deserve it, being such great people. I certainly agree with you. But as a teacher, you certainly know that man has been ruling his world by force or cunning for a long time.

We could talk about the yel-

low skinned invader's traditions, the Muslim's hot hot blood, the civil wars in Africa, the South American imposed poverty. How about the dark-skinned poorest women in the world, overworked with 7 children, uterus and breasts hanging to their legs. All of this thought and done in the name of justice, religion and fairness. There are so many causes, so many unfulfilled needs that we can give part of our time.

You, as a star (and all stars need to shine), are telling your people that they are the "chosen people." Are you ready for a second round of martyrs? Races have never liked others thinking of themselves as better. It is a natural self-preserving principle. It must be true: Jews are still persecuted after 2000 years. Enough of that too!

Lately, in our history, some have come up with a principle of intelligent, civilized behavior: Democracy. It is a thin varnish over our territorial emotional instincts. But it gives acceptance to others and creates inside all of us a more international view of humanity. No matter what you look like, if you smile back, we both receive a lift. If we reconnect with all of our natural highs, crime and drugs may disappear. And if somebody insults us, we can always use the law. That keeps our hands clean.

As an "elder," you have been elected to a chairman's post. Many of your students will do as you do, as do all kids in search of mentors. And violence has become so familiar.... You know that it is always innocents (some call them tax payers) that pay with blood or

money for their leader's commands.

Blacks are certainly great in many aspects. But how about all the other colors of the spectrum that want their place in the sun too? You may not have had in history the immense power the whites did, but now that you are coming up with your end of the stick, are you making the same mistakes and becoming a conduit to defeat? As humans we have one mind and one system of values. You are a torch of light, shine it on where we want to go. We do not want to go to hell.

God bless forever.

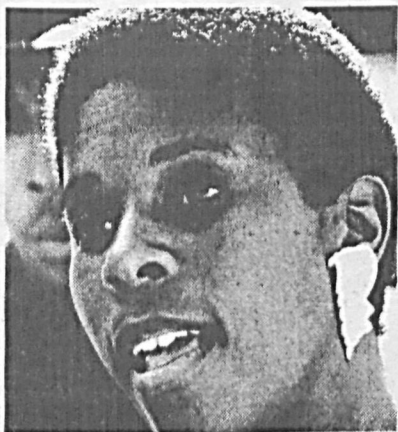
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Dr. Lenora Fulani

Blacks And Jews



I recently invited Dr. Fred Newman, my political mentor and very dear friend, to speak at the weekly meeting I lead in Harlem on the subject of "Blacks and Jews." The ongoing tensions between the two communities were brought to the boiling point in New York City when seven-year-old Gavin Cato was killed by a car in the entourage of the Grand Rebbe of the Lubavitchers, a Hasidic Jewish sect, as they drove through the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn and the police and the employees of the Hasidic-owned ambulance company chose to look out for the safety of the Jewish driver and his passengers rather than try to save a Black child's life or to treat his little cousin, who had been seriously injured.

the racist and anti-Semitic corporate-owned media, which make huge profits from sensationalizing Black-Jewish tensions, "covered" the story with their usual irresponsibility, untruthfulness, and viciousness; liberal Jewish leaders refused to speak out about what had happened; and our "respectable" Black leadership chose, as usual, to condemn the hundreds of Black youth who poured into the streets of Crown Heights to protest this latest instance of indifference to Black life—rather than to condemn the institutionalized unfairness that

they were protesting.

I asked Dr. Newman—a Jewish radical whose compassion, honesty and courage as a friend of the Black community have earned him the title of "self-hating Jew" from right wing Zionists and the deep love and respect of many thousands of Black people throughout this country—to set the record straight. And, as always, he responded.

"Talking about the relationship between Blacks and Jews is made very hard because there are so many lies and so much hypocrisy," he told the audience of about 150 mostly Black people. "These lies are not just surface; they are part and parcel of American culture. to break through them is very difficult because to do so means confronting the depth of White supremacy in this society. And White supremacy is so deep you almost can't say it has depth. It is so fundamental to American life it overdetermines how even the most well intentioned people respond.

"There is tension between Blacks and Jews because Jews have a privileged position in this society and Blacks are exploited," Dr. Newman continued. "Jews don't want that exposed because to do so would mean losing that privilege—and they have sufficient control of the media and

other institutions to make sure that never happens."

Nevertheless, said Dr. Newman, Blacks and Jews are united. "We're historically united. Our past, present, and future aren't separate. When liberal Jews argue that Jewish people want acceptance, we have to ask 'acceptance by whom?' If you are looking to gain your self-identity as a Jew by having Blacks acknowledge how liberal you've been, it denies this unity. It denies that Blacks have already accepted you.

"I don't buy the argument which says that Blacks got angry because they realized that Jews got more out of the deal," said Dr. Newman in his usual straight-ahead manner. "Of course, that's true, but Blacks knew that from the get-go. I think that the Black community is responding to the fact that Jews are denying this unity. The Jewish community is looking to gain acceptance elsewhere—including from the right wing. It is the Jewish community that has backed out of the deal.

"We've built a major Black-Jewish connection, but the media continue to perpetuate a story of difference. The liberal Jews won't look at the alliance we've built because to do so would expose how much they have backed off. Of course the liberals would argue that they had to back away because

they were getting raked over the coals for being 'too liberal.' But that's nonsense. They backed off out of their own self-interest. And now they're trying to have it both ways; they're trying to be liberals while totally altering liberal positions. They won't speak to any of the issues of concern to the Black community in 1991 America. And the Black community knows they are hypocrites."

When I went to Crown Heights on the day the "riots" began, the first thing I did when I got there was to call Dr. Newman for guidance and support. Why? Because he has always had our backs. For the last 20 years, Fred Newman has dedicated his life to building the independent political movement centered around the New Alliance Party that I am proud to lead—a political weapon we are using to fight against racial injustice not only in Brooklyn but throughout the world. I know what Jews who put themselves on the line for our people must have meant to the Black community at one time, because I work with Jews who still do.

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Clarification

by Patrice Lumumba

The September 27, 1991 issue of The Paper ran a front-page article of which I wrote in support of Dr. Leonard Jeffries, who has been under attack for the past two years.

The title of the article, however, was false. Readers may have

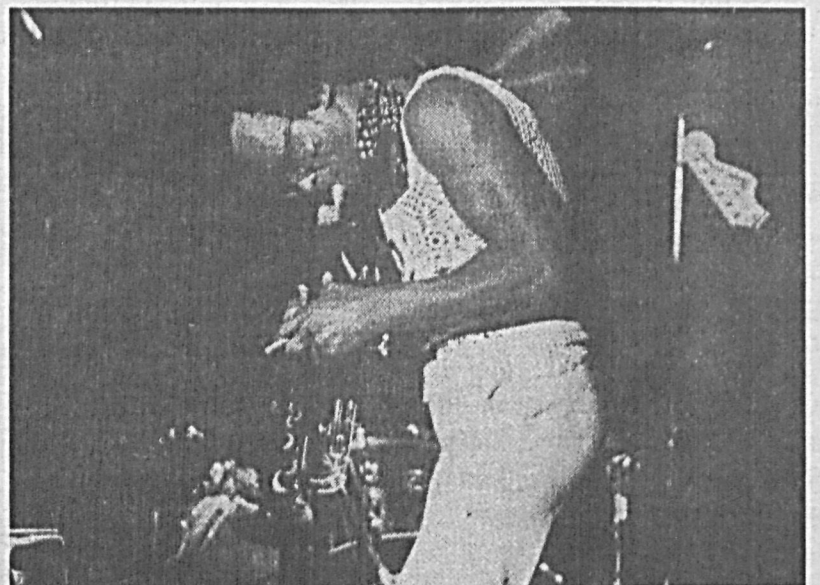
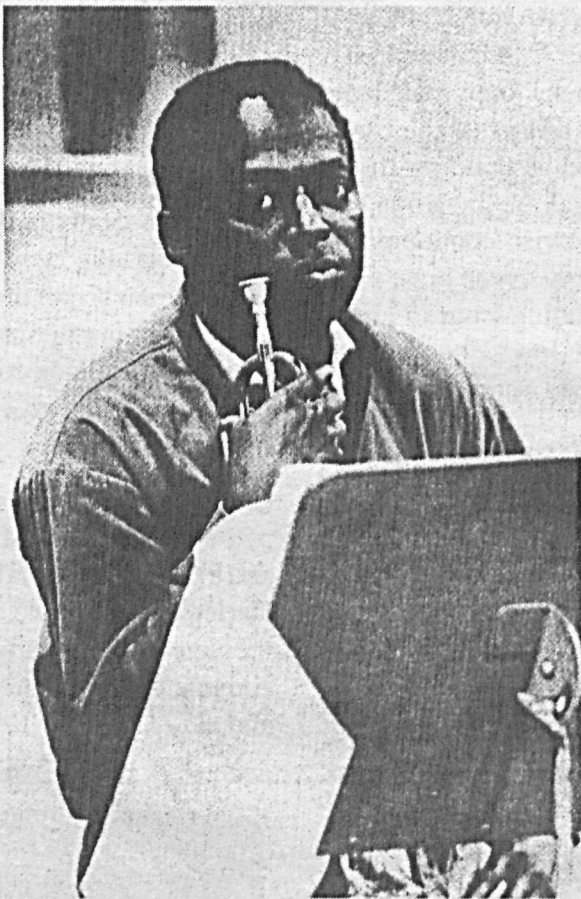
quite easily felt that I was responsible for the title "The Three Ring Circus: Dr. Jeffries, City College And The Media."

I take this time now to make it explicitly understood that this was the editor's title. The original title of the article was "The Big

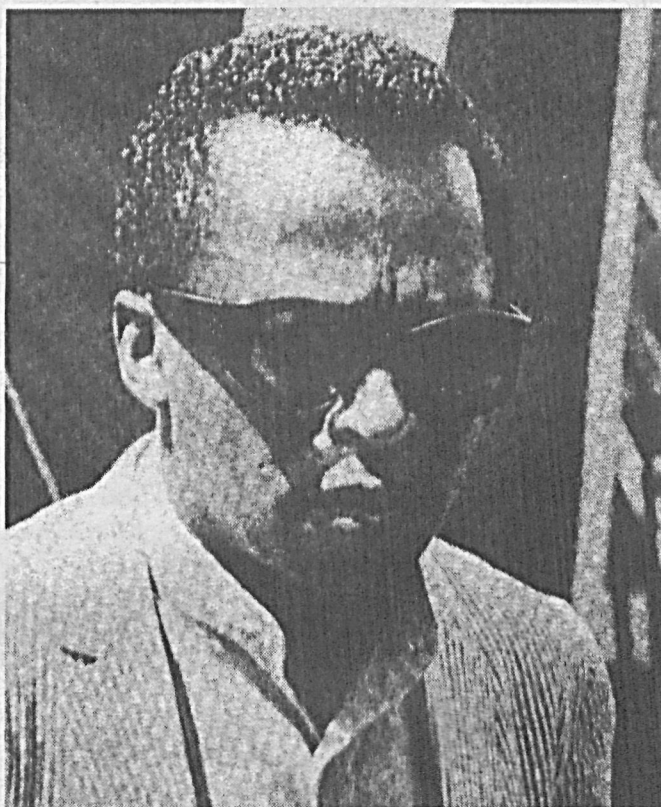
Hoopla: Dr. Jeffries, City College And The Media". This title, along with the article's content, explains the media frenzy that has occurred since The New York Post's August 5th story.

If you have any information that you wish to share with the CCNY and Harlem communities, Please submit it to Laurie Abraham or Brian Spivey, Features Editors of The Paper, NAC Building Room 118, 138th Street and Convent Avenue, New York, NY 10031, at least two weeks before the scheduled event.

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EXPRESSIONS

The Future of the Past

I stare into the abyss of the dawn,
and I see the brightness of the future.
I look upon the setting sun
and I see the blood of my ancestors.

I look upon thy face and I see
the pain of our heritage,
I weep silently in the darkness
of a new day,
and wonder what it will
say.

—Marlon Calliste

Ecstasy

Ecstasy...
a kind hearted expression,
a sweet
fulfilling death,
an end met
at a mutually agreed point.

The strange perfume
intermingled
mine with yours,
yours in mine.

Ecstasy...
this sweet death
knows no unkind life.

Ecstasy...
erotica's wife
Adam's fall.

Ecstasy
the sweet fruits
derived from pleasures.
Pleasures of the flesh.
Ecstasy
a sweet death
yet too tainted to be blessed.

—Jacqueline Ibingira

The Crystal Ball

While sprinkled with
character
and painted with
setting
I still wonder
that while littered with
conflict
if poetry
ever offers
resolution?

—Keisha Lea 1991 in the Sun

Health

Dr. I. Boozindrug

Dear Dr. Boozindrug:

In a previous column, you spoke about the stages of drug or alcohol dependency. How can I tell if I have serious dependency or addiction habit?

Sincerely,

Nervous but Curious

Dear Curious:

Good question. Here's a little test I use with my classes that I call the TWA PARCEL test. Lots of drugs are smuggled on planes, so the letters TWA PARCEL will help you remember the nine signs that experts use to decide if you are psychologically or physically dependent on alcohol or other drugs. P.S. You need only three of these signs to qualify as drug or alcohol dependent. (Our

next column will tell you what to do if you score three or more.)

T stands for **TOLERANCE**. Has your mind or body built up a tolerance so that you need more alcohol or drugs to get the same effect as when you first started?

W stands for **WITHDRAWAL**. Do you notice certain emotional feelings or physical reactions when you cut down or try to stop?

A stands for **AVOID WITHDRAWAL**. Do you use alcohol or other drugs as much to avoid or cope with withdrawal craving as to go for the high?

P stands for **PROBLEMS**. Do you drink or use drugs to deal with loneliness, boredom, anger, fear, sex, or tension? Do you have problems with friends, family, or

lovers about your using or drinking? Have you had unpleasant physical reactions like blackouts, nausea, hangovers, coughing, or feelings of unreality? Has alcohol or drugs interfered with school or work performance?

A stands for **ACTIVITIES**. Do you hang out and feel more comfortable with people who drink or use drugs? Have you lost interest in things you used to enjoy that made you feel good? Is getting high more and more important?

R stands for **RULES**. Do you need to get high or have a drink just to play the role of student, worker, family member, or lover? And has drinking or drugging sometimes screwed up how you play these roles—or drive a car?

C stands for **CUT DOWN**. Have you tried to cut down, control, or

stop drinking, smoking, or using because of fear, or cost, or school problems, or the law, your job or friends—or just the need to get control of yourself again?

E stands for **EFFORTS**. Do you spend time and money to keep your supply coming? Do you sometimes lie, beg, borrow, or steal when your supply is low?

L stands for **LIMITS**. Is it harder now to limit how much or how often you use alcohol or other drugs—even if it's only on weekends or when partying?

I didn't mean to scare you. But if you feel like I'm talking about you, give me a call if I can help.

Call the CCNY Drug and Alcohol Program, NAC 7/217, at (212) 650-6868.

A New Way To Play Hopscotch

by Andrew Daley

Looking out of my apartment window on Edgecombe Ave in Harlem, you can get a clear picture of what it is like to live in a neighborhood where illegal drug sales, prostitution and sporadic shootouts are as commonplace as a liquor store on every other street corner. I am awakened at night by the screaming sirens of the police and ambulances speeding up my block. A mother frantically beckons to her child to hurry inside to safety. The body of a boy lies on the sidewalk, motionless, the blood oozing from his gunshot wounds, stealing his life while making its way to an open gutter of running water. There lies next to him a 9mm hand gun. This child is no older than 15. Why was he caught dead in a situation like this? Unfortunately, there is no one answer to this question.

One of the numerous reasons could be the drug epidemic, how it has pervaded the everyday lives of our youngsters, giving them false status and a quick way

of making cash. A preexisting factor lies within the home, the primary institution responsible for critically shaping a child's personality and giving him groundwork to arrange his priorities. This institution today is either rapidly decaying or is non-existent. In addition to this, there is the absence of ideal role models that could effectively influence these kids into seeking stimulating and healthier alternatives. Our children have found a new way of playing hopscotch. It has a fascination that has them maiming and killing themselves.

Crack, a powerfully addictive derivative of cocaine, is quite a popular item on New York City streets. It is relatively easy to prepare, making it very cost effective. As a result, it is sold cheaply. Ten dollars will get you two "rocks" and a sale is made very quickly. The average teenager growing up in these drug infested neighborhoods are used to seeing the crack dealer on the

corner of their block. He is decked out in the latest fashion and grossly decorated with lavish, expensive jewelry. The dealer, portraying this false image of posterity, is respected by his peers or his "posse." His image is given further breadth by the kind of firearm that he carries or the amount of artillery power at his disposal. His weapon, a status symbol, is also a means of defending himself against rival gangs who contest each other over territorial possessions—the streets and their inhabitants, potential customers.

This fast and flashy lifestyle usually masks the grim predicament one could be placed in. Sure there is money in selling drugs, and women for your pleasure, making it more inviting for the naive youngster. At this point his mind is fixed on getting a piece of this cake. What should be noted here is that the men belonging to this trade are also teenagers, 13-18 years old. They have taken over the streets because the pre-

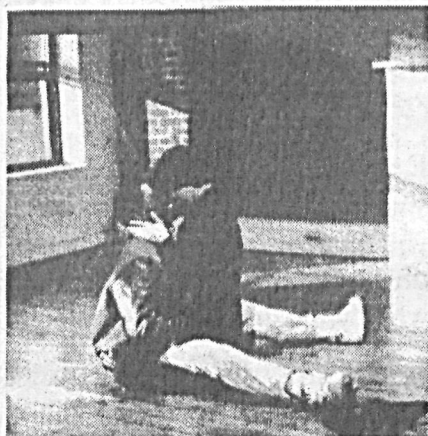
vious controllers (adults) have either learned from their mistakes, taken a different route, are killed, or have been arrested and incarcerated. The teenager is further attracted to an organization that is governed by his peers. He steps in and feels a sense of comradeship. How long he will last depends on how soon he realizes the difference between life and death. The reason being that these teen gang members are so removed from the reality of death, they feel little remorse when they shoot another individual. You could say they are cold blooded but that is not necessarily true. According to a friend of mine, they feel like actors in a movie where the parent (usually the mother) works two jobs to make ends meet. She is hardly at home to give council, to set and enforce rules and guidelines for her children to follow. As a result, the child becomes wayward and finds himself in the streets looking for a way to

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Out of Ten: An Numerical Evaluation of Some Summer Films Playing Near You

by Patrice Lumumba

Summer has long gone, but here are brief reviews of some movies that were released during the vacation.



Jungle Fever

BOYZ N THE HOOD

(still playing)

23 year-old director John Singleton's debut feature is a great and important film about young African men in South Central L.A. and the importance of positive African male role models. It could have been better if it had taken more time to clearly address and attack the blatant disrespect for African-American women. [8 1/2]

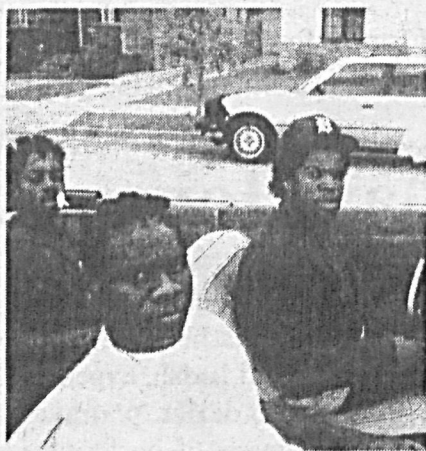
JUNGLE FEVER

The film was not only about interracial relationships occurring for the wrong reasons, but it was

also about the devastating havoc that the drug epidemic creates within the African community in this country. With the multitude of other issues included in "Fever," Spike Lee allows moviegoers to once again come to their own conclusions. [9]

STRAIGHT OUT OF BROOKLYN

The directorial debut of 20-year-old Matty Rich succeeds with a mature and powerful vision of the cycle of generational destruction in a poverty-stricken African family in Brooklyn's Red Hook section. The film is based on a true story of the experiences of the director and his friends. [9 1/2]



Boyz N The Hood



Terminator 2: Judgement Day

TERMINATOR 2: JUDGMENT DAY

(still playing)

The excellent special effects do not hide the George Bush ideology inherent in "T2." Excessive violence, racism and "new world order" are stamped all over this \$100 million product, which stars Arnold Schwarzenegger and is directed by James Cameron. [5—for special effects]

UP AGAINST THE WALL

A film that went almost unseen. Distribution problems can be attributed to this. Ron O'Neal's film carefully and successfully deals

with an African teenager's fight to avoid peer pressures and do the right thing while maintaining a love for his family and a respect for others within a Chicago enclave of hostility. Written by Dr. Jawanza Kunjufu of African-American Images of Chicago. [9]

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Mysterious arsons of Black and Latino property to reduce and control the population are never rigorously pursued by law enforcement. Since the 1970's over 12 thousand Blacks and Latinos in Crown Heights and Williamsburg have been forced out of the community by mysterious arsons. Police officers are transferred out of precincts for arresting Hasidics; precincts are stormed by members of the Hasidim if a perpetrator of a crime against their community is not arrested or if one of their own is not immediately released from jail.

So asking for peace and calm means to maintain the status quo in the face of cruel unfairness by Jewish groups with support from city government. You will never have calm where there is an inconsistent treatment of a community. Nobody can applaud violence, but no one will tolerate preferential treatment.

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occupy his time. The presence and availability of illegal guns in low income neighborhoods is quite common. A teen getting a gun serves, as one writer put it, as a mystical icon, a rite of passage into manhood. If the parent or an authoritative figure doesn't step in to teach these kids the rights and wrongs of gun possession and show them a way out, then that kid will slip away from us for good. Children need to have goals initially in order for them to realize their true potential. In doing so they will make strides in their pursuit to better themselves.

With this, a number of youth programs have been formulated

within New York City. One such is headed by Terry Williams called, The Harlem Writers Crew, aimed at teaching children language skills and critical writing which help keep them off the streets and broaden their minds. Another individual, Anthony Bryant, works with teens helping them find jobs. Working with older role models gives these kids a sense of responsibility and value.

As if in response to these small but significant community projects, the city will launch (later this year) in its public schools, a program which teaches children how to resolve personal differences without the use of guns and

other weapons. And this could not come at a better time. A recent survey showed that 95% of New York City teenagers carry a concealed knife or gun. This is an eye opening statistic. Are our children so lacking in civility that they have to use guns and knives to settle simple disputes?

We cannot leave the burden of this crisis on our city officials. They can do so much and no more. We as New Yorkers, as parents, big brother and mentors have to rejuvenate our youngsters by giving them a reason to put away the gun and to pick up a book or a pen. Making speeches without any action is the same as making prom-

ises you will not keep. We have to impress upon them societal mores and help develop their sense of virtue. Being a kid in New York is very difficult and we as adults tend to forget this. Remember, we adults don't own this city, but we're merely borrowing it from our children. So we have to make sure they are able to manage it when their time comes.

(For information, read: Pooley, Eric. "Kids With Guns." New York Magazine. August 5, 1991.)

Opinions



THE PEOPLES' PREACHER R E V. A L S H A R P T O N Crown Heights II

There has been much discussion—certainly in New York and to some degree in other parts of the country and the world—about my recent whirlwind trip to Israel, in which attorney Alton Maddox and I attempted to serve a court order to Mr. Yosef Lifsh, the driver who caused the death of Gavin Cato and the permanent injury of his cousin Angela Cato in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn.

I went to Israel because Yosef Lifsh left the grand jury, and according to his own associate and attorney at that time, Barry Slotnick, went immediately to John F. Kennedy airport and boarded a plane to Israel. When, two weeks later, attorney Colin Moore, at the behest of Maddox, received a signed court order for Yosef Lifsh to show cause as to why he should not be deposed for a pending civil action against him, I said we must immediately go to Israel to serve him. Though I knew that it was unlikely that we would find him, I adopted the strategy—which ended up being vindicated—that we could establish in court that we had made the best of efforts by flying across the world and spending thousands of dollars to serve him, and that it was his conscious desire not to be served.

Contrary to what was projected in the media, this was not a publicity stunt. I could have gotten far more publicity staying here and participating in the racial harmony orgies that were being broadcast on the evening news, which would have been heightened had they gotten someone with my "high profile" to participate—if just publicity had been my intent. Getting public attention was my intent, because I also knew that by pursuing Mr. Lifsh it would have to raise in the public's mind the question: why is he running in

the first place? No one in the United States gets in an accident, especially involving the fatality of a young child, and immediately leaves the country unless they have something to hide, or they are a cynical, unrepentant person. Or—they may not have been the driver

ing an ordained minister to go to hell; I was condemned for informing her that two Black men standing among 30 Whites yelling obscenities in full view of police who will not move to protect you is Hell, and you don't have to go—you have already arrived. Of

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Rev. Al Sharpton

at all, and are conveniently replacing the guilty party and then disappearing so that you chase a ghost who wasn't guilty in the first place. None of these possibilities could be resolved unless we pursued Mr. Lifsh.

Mr. Maddox and I went to the Israeli consulate in New York to be assured that we would not be barred from the country. Once they made contact with Israel and gave us assurances that we would be permitted in, we had two hours to make an El Al plane to Jerusalem. They had their state security on the plane to keep other passengers from harassing us, though one did break through to offer us any amount of money we wanted not to touch Israeli soil. When we landed at the airport in Jerusalem, 20-30 people on their way to the Wailing Wall to atone for their sins, broke their moment of sanctity and repentance to call us "niggers," to tell us to go home, and one lady ran in my face, sticking her finger in my face, saying "Go to Hell."

Typically, the lady was not denounced in the Western media for standing in the Holy Land tell-

course my statements were the ones condemnable; her conduct was understandable.

I wonder if someone had broken through the barricades in Central Park recently at the Billy Graham crusade and invited Mr. Graham to Hell, whether his response would have been the story and not the fact that this uncivilized savage person had dared question a White clergyman's destination.

But so be it. We went, and met with Mr. Matrinko and Mr. Vansan at the American consulate. They received the papers, publicly stating that Mr. Lifsh could come there and receive them. At this writing he has *not* done so, which clearly indicates that he does not intend to participate voluntarily in an explanation in civil court or to disclose in civil court his role in the death of Gavin Cato and the injury to Angela Cato, or to engage in any other way in what one does when one is involved in an incident that results in such tragedies.

Upon returning, we went to court, where the judge lifted the

deadline and said that he would accept personal service anywhere in the world, at any time—which clearly vindicated my strategy of best effort. It also left me with no other choice but to serve the Lubavitch Grand Rebbe, Menachem Schneerson. If I had served the Grand Rebbe first, I would have been accused of gross, inflammatory behavior. But since the driver is gone, and we spent thousands of dollars pursuing him across thousands of miles, and since the two other young men in the car are reportedly in England, there is no one left to depose but the Grand Rebbe himself. So as the Western media have their heart attacks over the arrogance of Al Sharpton in serving papers on the Lubavitch Grand Rebbe, let the record be clear that this was made necessary by the flight of Yosef Lifsh and the others who were in the car, and not the cynical design of some crazed, anti-Semitic preacher. We have no witness to the accident to depose but the Grand Rebbe. And we do not have any fear, trepidation or reluctance to go after *anybody*—Grand or ungrand—to pursue justice and remuneration for the families of these victims.

Another interesting occurrence has taken place as we prepare to see what the inside of the Lubavitch kingdom looks like upon serving the King. The New York Times finally came out with a front page story—two weeks after The City Sun, a Black newspaper, revealed it on its front page—that the state has now conceded that it was in fact Kings County Hospital that caused the death of Yankel Rosenbaum. Rosenbaum was the visiting Hasidic scholar from Australia who was allegedly knifed to death in revenge by a mob of Black youth on the night that Gavin Cato was

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DENZEL WASHINGTON JOHN LITHGOW ICE T

He's a cop
accused of murder.
And the only man
who knows
he's innocent
is the killer
who framed him.

RICOCCHET

This is one case that's going to be settled out of court.

COMING SOON

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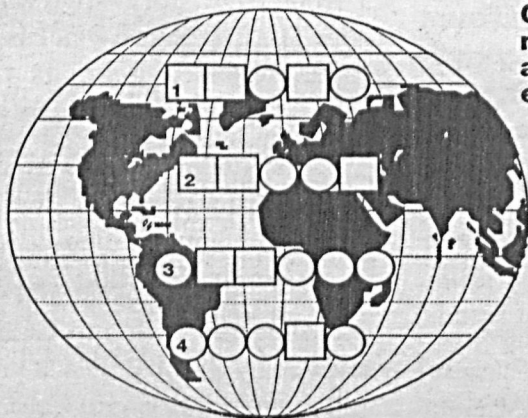
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PEACE CORPS WORLD WISE PUZZLE

For further information about Peace Corps, write Box 896, Washington DC 20526

INSTRUCTIONS: The Peace Corps has volunteers serving in more than 80 nations around the world. By solving this puzzle, you will learn about one of these countries.

Solve the four numbered puzzle words and then unscramble the letters in the squares to produce the name of the country darkened on the map at the right.



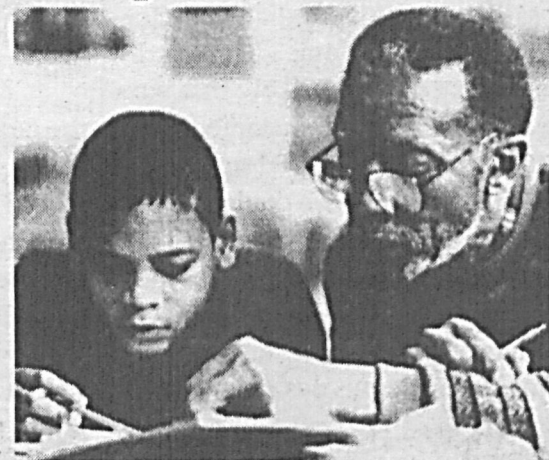
The northernmost of the Central American nations, this nation is the size of Tennessee and contains the highest elevation in Central America.



1. An ancient Indian civilization which once inhabited this nation.
2. A shrubby tree widely cultivated for its sweet acid yellow fruit.
3. The only English speaking country in Central America, adjacent to the northeast border of this nation.
4. A group of persons controlling a government, usually after a revolutionary seizure of power.

Solution: 1. Maya 2. Guava 3. Belize 4. Junta = Guatemala

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killed in the car accident. There was never any evidence pointing to a revenge stabbing. And now we don't even have a revenge killing, because—ironically—Mr. Rosenbaum died as a result of the same thing that Black people have died of for years in Crown Heights—the lynch mob made up of doctors, in a Health and Hospitals Corporation-run public hospital who go on permanent coffee breaks while one bleeds to death in the emergency room. It is a very strange paradox that the state officials who called the gang of young Blacks who allegedly stabbed Rosenbaum a lynch mob are really the lynch mob themselves—because it is the inadequate health services (which they oversee) that, we discover, was the real cause of the unfortunate death of Mr. Rosenbaum.

I wonder if we can sober Senator Patrick Moynihan up enough for him to call the hospital a "lynch mob," or get wise-cracker Senator Alfonse D'Amato to gear up his lungs again, or mild-mannered Mayor David Dinkins to call this a lynching in the waiting room. I did not see the rush of public officials to the nearest microphone when it was revealed that it was negligence on the part of the hospital which caused Mr. Rosenbaum's demise, and not the knife wound. Now that is not to excuse the attack on Mr. Rosenbaum, but it is to raise that the attack is not to be prejudged.

One must also ask the legal question of how district Attorney Charles Hynes—who was on a vacation in Israel sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council when the stabbing and the accident and the first days of violence took place—rushed back in on his white horse, convened a grand jury and indicted a young man for murder. Who went before this grand jury and perjured himself or herself by saying the

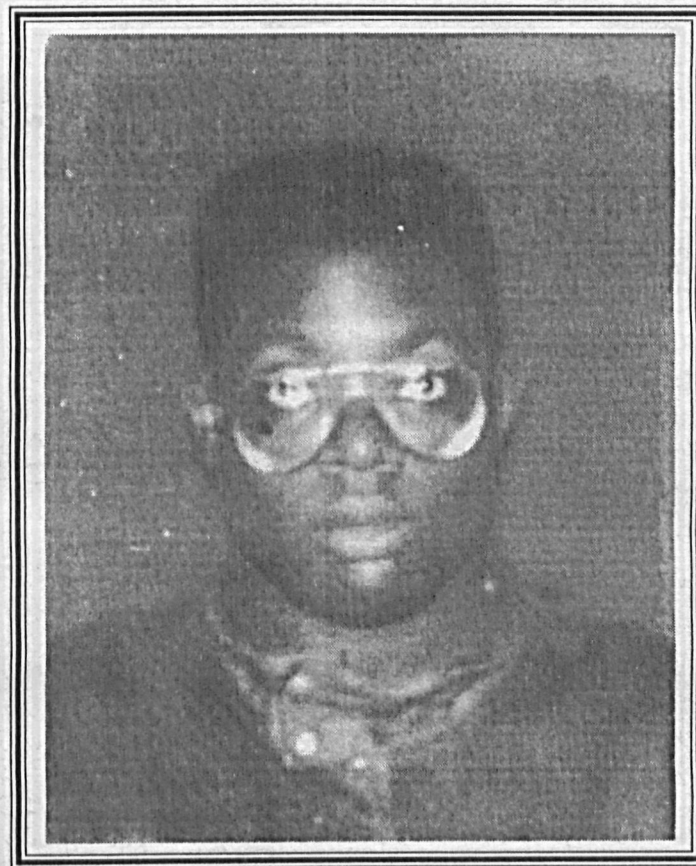
cause of death was a knife wound? And why isn't that person being indicted for perjury, since he or she clearly gave false information to a grand jury which wrongly indicted for murder a man who at most could be indicted for assault and attempted murder?

It seems that the reactionary forces which are trying to uphold the double standard and preferential treatment of the Hasidim should be embarrassed by these revelations. But since they control the media, they will try to reduce it to a one-day story and continued business as usual: cartoons and editorials against Sharpton and distortions in major stories.

But the pursuit of justice goes beyond the daily tabloids and the evening news. The pursuit of justice is an eternal fight of the dispossessed and the downtrodden against the oppressors and the fascists. And in the end we will win.

How can you be so sure, Sharpton, with the darkness of the hour? Because I look around the world; I've lived to see Mandela walk out of prison, I've lived to see colonies in Africa liberate themselves, I've even lived to see the Berlin Wall torn down, even though it was never to be torn down in this century. It makes me know that history takes its leaps at the most unexpected times, and takes a giant leap when it does go forward. If we just keep pushing, one second after another, one minute after another, one of those moments will be ours. A giant leap will be taken and the barriers to fairness, equal protection under the law and justice will come tumbling down, just like the impenetrable wall in Berlin. Some may call it naive. Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. called it "faith," and I intend to "keep the faith."

Obituary



This past summer the Urban Legal Studies program lost one of its brighter and one of its most industrious students in Hayden Braham. Hayden, an African-Caribbean brother, tragically passed at the tender young age of twenty-four, apparently of heart failure after having participated in an afternoon game of field hockey. A memorial was held for him at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in the Bronx. He was subsequently buried in his homeland of Jamaica. All of Hayden's friends in the Urban Legal Studies Program dearly loved and miss him.

Some Tributes to Hayden from his fellow Urban Legal Studies (U.L.S.) students:

He loved life

And that is why it makes no sense

That he should be snatched away

In such an untimely manner

There was no time to even say

goodbye

But God knows best

And he's at rest

—One of Hayden's closest and dearest friends, Shelly Brathwaite, U.L.S. 2nd year:

To Hayden with love,

There are phases in life that can't be explained,

For to seek an answer would be in vain.

A road has been prepared for all,

But what is unknown is when the bell will toll.

—Joanne Wilson, 2nd year U.L.S.

As a full time student as well as one who works full time I found myself identifying with Hayden's discipline. He was a unique student who struggled with deeds rather than words. From him you could see dedication which manifested itself unto faith rather than belief.

—Neville X, 2nd year U.L.S.

His kindness, his concern for others, his humor in time of depression, helping hands will always be remembered.

—Anna McFarlane, CCNY student.

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For more information contact: Assembly Intern Program, Room 104A, Legislative Office Bldg., Albany, NY 12248. Telephone: 518-455-4704 or FAX 518-455-4705.

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Maya Angelou

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Y Music School Washington Heights and Inwood is offering lessons for adults and children.

Langston Hughes Festival

This year's festival, honoring the gifted poet and author Maya Angelou, will be held November 7-9, 1991, here at CCNY. Ms. Angelou will give her address on Saturday, November 9, at 7:30 in Aaron Davis Hall. This year's theme is African American Biography and Autobiography. Speakers include Maya Angelou, Arnold Rampersad of Princeton University, Young Scholars Conference.

For more information, contact Department of English, The City College of New York, Convent Avenue at 138th Street, N.Y., N.Y. 10031. Telephone: (212) 650-5408 or 8166.

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Lessons are: half-hour - \$10, 3/4 - \$15, 1 hour - \$20.

For more information telephone 212-569-6200.

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