................ ve've Been

WHY Abe Lincoln is known as the cipator"--Honest Abe freed the slaves because of politics, not humanities ... Abe did demonstrate honesty in his letters to Alec Walcott when he told the New York editor that his (Lincoln's) prime interest was to salvage the Union and that he would free, some, all, or none of the slaves, whichever was best to hold the Union together. Lincoln later wrote Walcott (after the Emancipation) and informed the editor that his proclamation which freed the Blacks did not mean that he (Lincoln) held the Black man as the White man's equal .. Lincoln was the Emancipator by political accident -- not by soul.

WHY so many shoppers drive right past the West Owens Shopping Center and go downtown or way cross town when they can get better bargains close to home? Take a tip from Poor Henry, the old bargain hunter, and try Worder World West the next time. You can stretch a buck a long way at WWW...Drop in and see.

WHY Bob Fahey thinks he could beat Big Daddy in the coming city elections? A one-legged man could win a rump-kicking contest much easier than "Blow-off" could win over the "Georgia Peach".

WHY some of the downtown merchants, who couldn't make it without Bro's business, can't see the forest for the trees? They refuse to advertise their business in Bro's paper, but they would have to close shop if Bro took his money elsewhere. Lots of soul folks have started to talk that talk.

WHY Joe "The Lover" Johns finked out of cuttin a rug with that doll after she fell for his spiel? Could it be that the "Lover" can't cut a caper.

WHY those partyin' parents become shocked when their beast-of-a-brat goes gay? The gay one is only aping the action he has had to live with.

WHY Educated Fool ain't ever learned that diplomacy is a part of success? A man goes farther among friends than he goes through enemies.

WHY that big time financial outfit keeps spittin' in Bro's face? They got a few cool millions invested in Soulville that ain't exactly laying golden eggs, but they keep sending another Patty to salvage their Harlem interests. We got a few Bros that could get the job done. Them moneyed cats can't see the forest for the trees. Some of that spit must be blowing back in their eyes.

WHY certain ones that lay claim to having juice with the new administration, hold tonguein-cheek, and hat-in-hand, when the new wheels appear on the scene? Those of the new in-group who don't follow suit, don't seem to be getting no kind of action.

WHY the GOP don't let us know what political plum they are tossing to Rev. Donald Clark, or get off the pot? The Reverend starved with their team as long as they were bush league, but now that they are league, it looks like the Reverend ain't good enough for them no more.

? ? ? ? ? WHY all them pots of New Year peas, pig, and greens at the Westwright's got cleaned out so fast at their little Chittlin Strut to hail in the New Year? (The Westwrights must have bought their soul food at the Big 8. It sure was a gas!)

? ? ? ? ? WHY certain Foghorns and Claghorn in theU.S. Congress think they can get away with their attempt to unseat the Harlem Dandy, Adam "Champion of the Little People" Powell? If they think that this action will

The Scene and The Seen



EVEN A XMAS SHOW must have a 'Change of and these first graders at Jo Mackey School handled their assignment in superb swinging fashion at the School's recent Christmas Program--"Teach" is Bobbie Smith.



STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY at Bob Bailey's Sugar Hill naturally would be a swinger...In foreground--Shirley Westley (left) and Elaine Carter (right) have the undivided attention of manager Willie Gibson.

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weaken the Civil Rights Movement, it is because they've got weak minds. Every Bro in the nation will join forces to pr tect their knight in shining armor--nothing has ever happened to arouse Soul Folks like this ... The more they try to pull Adam down, the more Bro will pull together. ? ? ? ? ? ?

WHY them fools in glass houses keep throwing. them rocks at Adam Clayton Powell? They must think that Adam don't throw nothing but curves--but, they ain't ever seen the likes of his "fast ball" which will shatter many of their crystal palaces.
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HENRY 'P.' (for 'Puzzled')



BOYS WILL BE BOYS even on New Year's Eve as indicated here when (from left) Till Toms, Bob Reid, and Gene Lewis took a few minutes away from their fair ladies at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Charles West for a little private man-



RINGING IN THE NEW YEAR like it's supposed to be rung is Ernest "Chappie" Johnson and Betty Mosley who apparently were in accord that "The Place" is the place to greet the New Year with warmth and affection.

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