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Hollywood Happenings

(Ed. note: This is the second of a two-part exclusive interview with Jim Brown, one of the most sought-after actors in Hollywood today.)

Hardly anyone would have guessed two or three years ago that Jim Brown would become, almost overnight when you consider other Hollywood careers, the hottest acting talent in the industry.

In anything, they probably supposed he'd break every athletic record in every sport which ever existed. For, following an exceptionally brilliant career as a high school athlete, Jim was offered full-scholarships to Ohio State and 44 other colleges.

However, he settled on Syracuse University --one of the colleges from which he didn't receive an offer. He led that school's team to a 7-1 season, the Lambert Trophy as the East's best college team, and a trip to the Cotton Bowl. He also found time to become the second highest scorer in the nation in lacrosse with 43 goals. Upon his graduation in 1957, he was an All-American halfback in football and an All-American center mid-fielder in lacrosse.

He was grabbed by the Cleveland Browns football team, which switched him to fullback, and as David Boss of the National Football League puts it, "He started setting records and never stopped."

ONLY 11 men in football history have racked up 200 yards or more by rushing in a single game. Nobody but Jim Brown has done it more than once. Brown did it four times. It's little wonder that in 1964 Jim won the \$10,000 diamond-studded Hickok Belt as professional athlete of the year.

On June 24, 1958, he married Sue Jones, of Columbus, Georgia. They have three children--twins Kim and Kevin, born Feb. 4, 1960, and Jim, Jr., born Nov. 5, 1961. They make their home in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jim was in Los Angeles for an All-Star game in '63 when he received a message that 20th Century-Fox had called and wanted to get in touch with him. Not one to be rushed into anything, Jim didn't return that call--or the next two.

However, he was finally persuaded to go out to the studio, where he met producer David Weisbart and director Gordon Douglas. By the time he had shaken hands on a deal the offer had been doubled, but the studio didn't regret it. "Rio Conchos," in which he played a cavalry sergeant, was a smash hit--and so was Jim.

In analyzing his approach to acting, Jim notes that "My approach is simple. First, I know I have to appear calm. Looking stiff takes away from acting. You have to appear 'natural' to start with, then take it from there.

"Then too, I'm talking with all the pros and trying to learn from them; actors, directors, photographers, film editors--everybody. When it comes to technique, I pick up what I can use and what I feel I can handle and test it out. What I feel I'm not ready for I simply stay away from."

At the same time, he's wisely working at pinpointing and projecting what there is in him and about him that people apparently like. And what exactly is that? "Well," reflects Jim, "I'm honest, and people like that. But I'm not going to talk about what I've got, otherwise I'd lose it."

"I want to try to represent something up there on the screen the Negro can be proud of and find inspirational; something good he can identify with, that will make him feel like a man and make his heart pump and leave him feeling good when he goes home."

Colonel Receives George Washington Honor Medal



LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. - (NPI)--Col. Daniel "Chappie" James, Jr. (right), a 1942 Tuskegee Institute graduate, will be given one of the top freedom awards of the Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge (Pa.) on Feb. 22.

The Air Force Colonel will receive the George Washington Honor medal and a \$100 cash prize for a letter he wrote on his "heritage of freedom" while serving as vice-commander of the Eighth Tactical Fighter Wing in Southwest Asia.

Presently assigned as vice-commander of the Tactical Air Command's 33d Tactical Fighter Wing, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., James added 78 combat missions over Communist North Vietnam to his battle total that included 101 missions during the Korean war.

"Today's world situation requires strong men to stand up and be counted--no matter what their personal grievances are," the fighter pilot wrote. "Our greatest weapon is one we have always possessed--our heritage of freedom, our unity as a nation."

Colonel James is pictured here with Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul H. Nitze after meeting with newsmen at the Pentagon, Washington, D.C., December 14 upon his return from Ubon Thai Air Base, Thailand, where he had served since December, 1966 as Deputy Commander For Operations at the Thailand base.

Fair Housing Committee Offers Aid To Problem

The Executive Committee of the Clark County Fair Housing Committee has included a service in its program to assist in finding housing for anyone having housing difficulties. The telephone number to call is 870-3409.

The Committee has also compiled names and addresses of the following apartment complexes where rentals are on a non-discriminatory basis.

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2038 Palm Street
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3064 Kishner Drive
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Sherman Gardens No. 1
Corner Doolittle & J Streets
Las Vegas, Nevada

Sherman Gardens No. 2
1801 J Street
Las Vegas, Nevada

Forward Look Apartments
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Westwood Park
1001 West McWilliams Avenue
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Bonanza Gardens
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Las Vegas, Nevada

Cheyenne Square Apartments
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