

We've Been WONDERING

WHY that college cat whose folks are footing his bills talks way over their heads on all subjects except those asking for more loot? If he ain't careful, he's going to be like a New York pimp, who talks right up to and right on past the money all in the same breath.

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WHY Les Gray could have nerve enough to ask people to elect him to the US Senate when he says that Civil Rights and Politics ain't in the same bag? He has labeled himself a "Political Abortion" with that boss boo-boo.

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WHY that mixed-up broad who keeps all her BF's so mixed up, don't make a choice between them before she gets somebody cut up.

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WHY Ofay office girls get so upset when they learn that they are soon going to be integrated with a Soul Sister? It really ain't no bad deal. They can ask their BF's about it and get it right from the horses' mouths.

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WHY that bearded big mouth who struts like a peacock when he sounds off to an audience about what a boss mack man he is, don't cool his insults to other cats' wives and GF's, and don't stop walking out on his bar tabs, and stepping on the toes of those he calls 'squares' before somebody gives him a fat lip and a couple of broken legs so he can't talk or walk.

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WHY the sequences of 6-7-8-18-28-38-39-40, and 41-51-52-62-63-64-74-74, don't win nothing for Mo Henry but they supposed to be lucky for those born in December, January, and February.

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WHY that NLV couple, rookies in the political ring, don't try to get with the Harambee bag? They been so brainwashed by the opposition, that they really don't know when they are doing Bro wrong. If they believe in the Democratic way of things, they must learn to go along with the decisions of the majority -- the majority of Souls, not of others.

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WHY Emperor Jones who has the boss Rights job in the State insists on fighting the whole war by himself? It takes all kinds of allies to win a war. War is bigger than all personality conflicts tied up in one big bundle. The Emperor will find himself a private 'no class' if he don't change strategy.

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WHY those who claim that there is no need for an Open Housing Law don't check with Leonard Mason et al whose recent housing survey shows exactly why we do.

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James Pughsley, Polemarch of the Las Vegas Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, welcomes a Los Angeles Brother, Mr. Charles Field, as the local Keeper of Record Joe Haynes (right) looks on.

Field, sales representative for Frankfort Distillers of Southern California out to increase the sales of Anticue, Henry McKenna, Mattingly and Moore whiskey in Las Vegas, received support of his Kappa Brothers.

Mr. Field grew up in Oklahoma and is the son of Band leader Ernie Fields.

DR. KING'S ACTION IN MEMPHIS PUZZLING

By ROLAND BLACK

MEMPHIS - (NPI)--Why did Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., quit the scene as soon as trouble broke out during a protest march in this city? That was the question being asked as tensions remained high following a "nonviolent" march that turned out not to be.

At a time when he could have been instrumental in keeping the marchers under control, he instead was whisked away from the march at the first sign of trouble.

It was reported that he left the march route and went to a side street, where an old-model car picked him up and took him to a local motel. There, he remained in seclusion, although he later denounced "those on the sidelines" for the bloody rioting that broke out, leaving at least one dead, and scores injured.

The civil rights leader denied that march members were to blame for the trouble. "I thought the march itself was basically a very dignified one," he said.

Even so, the questions remain:

--Does his "nonviolence" extend only to the marchers he personally gathers? Is he free to wash his hands of any trouble which might ensue, if his group is not to blame?

--A strike involving a predominantly black sanitation workers' union was the issue that sparked the demonstration. Was it proper--and relevant--for Dr. King to interject himself into a local conflict that essentially involved a dispute over wages and hours, rather than racial grievances?

--Was Dr. King sufficiently in control of the marchers, in the first place? It was hard to believe that he would be, since the bone of contention--the strike--was there before he came to town, and other people than he were involved in leading protest actions.

--Was there the danger that civil rights marches, in degenerating into violence, would boomerang on their own purposes? The strength of Dr. King's earlier "nonviolent" efforts was their respectability; by becoming identified with looting and rioting, even if the civil rights leader was not personally to blame, the demonstration tended to call the marchers' grievances into question, rather than presenting a moral argument for their rectification.

Even worse, the rioting left blocks of his-

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Protest At The Polls

toric Beale street in shambles, and turned the issue away from civil rights to the more pressing problem of restoring order.

Four thousand National Guard troops had to be called in to patrol the street where the blues were said to have been born. The Guardsmen and local police were blamed for contributing to the disorder by going on a "rampage"--as one paper put it--against black citizens.

Undoubtedly, some of the lawmen were as much to blame for the trouble as anyone else, but it was increasingly difficult, amid the disorder, to determine who really was right and what the protest issues actually were.

In any event, Dr. King indicated that the marches would go on, despite the trouble.

"It is imperative to press vigorously and relentlessly for the goals which had been set by the local Negro leaders," he said. King added "We will go out of the way to see that the demonstrations remain nonviolent."