

BILLY ROWE'S Note Book

AUTHENTIC BUT NOT AUTHORIZED ---
The West German gov't has invited Joe Louis to hi-lite a celebration honoring Max Schmeling . . . New Heavy Champ George Foreman has brought up all the little pieces big man had of him before he snuffed out "Smoking" Joe Frazier. He's currently checking the figures to see if the Jamaican National Sports Limited dropped any dough in promoting the title bout which he surprisingly won. If so, he will fite for them first as the boss of his division is ready to do battle soon since, though money talks, the little 300 plus G's he made in that encounter only said two words to him, "hello and goodbye." As expected, there is some dissention in the Foreman's camp as to who will have the important say about how he will be handled as the top heavyweight in the world . . . Madison Square Garden is pressing the State Athletic Commission to work out a new tax arrangement with Gov. Rockefeller so that Harry Marson and his crew can get down to some meaningful bidding for major bouts in N'York . . . N'York State law-makers have confirmed biz tycoon Kenneth Sherwood as a full fledged member of the State's Athletic Commish. With the Chairman away, on a world's tour, Ken is currently handling the main man's decisions. He is also counting the number of Black inspectors on board. Seems that Kiah Sayles is the only one. He was appointed by the late Jackie Robinson whose death created the vacancy Ken now fills.

Charlie Jackson, N'York State top Black cop, he's chief investigator Westchester Sheriff's office, is calling it quits . . . Former N'York P. D. Chief, Arthur Hill, has been given a top security position with the United Parcel Post Service . . . Judge Harold Woods of Westchester is expected to be shifted to the Supreme Court bench should the law-makers create some vacancies on that bench. The sad part about it all is that Harold is the only Black judge in that county with none of the politicians paying deserved attention to Atty Joe West, the top and most astute member of the D.A.'s staff in that affluent suburb of "Fun City" . . . Emma Bowman, who heads the Black committee for Fair Media, had lodged a complaint with the FCC about CBS-TV's cancellation of Dr. Roscoe Brown's program, "Black Arts." In the meantime the NYU professor has prepared a new teevee package and is looking for funds to produce the pilot . . . Young and pretty Terri Gonzales has been screen tested by MGM for a role in its contemplated flick depicting the life of the late immortal Bessie Smith . . . It wasn't drink which drove nice lady LaRue Manns under the table at the Latin Casino.

A who's who of the jet set has been formed into a committee to honor the theatrically wise Ruth Bowen. The prexy of QBC will be the subject of a March dinner at the N'York Hilton chaired by Sammy Davis, Jr., Aretha Franklin, and Ray Charles . . . Before this month has its span the 100 Black Men will honor Dr. Kenneth Clark, one of the truly great men of our time . . . James Earl Jones and "Black Omnibus" bowed to the teevee audiences in several sections of the land last wk. It ran into "ruff" stuff in N'York in its 8:30-9:30 p.m. time slot on WOR-TV. Too many folks forgot to turn away from the regular shows they eye in that prime time . . . Reps of the 700 Black Jews who were refused Israeli citizenship have taken their case to Congress. Rep. Charles Rangel has dispatched a letter there seeking facts . . . Chgo's southside has intensified its surge to replace the late Congressman George W. Collins with his spouse, Cardiss Collins who has been endorsed by the Committeemen of Chgo's 7th Congressional District. She is opposed by several Indies who have entered the April primary. Her husband was killed

PPPT Files Complaint

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Poor People Pulling Together, a community organization dedicated to promoting justice for poor people, and Concerned Parents of the West Side today filed a formal complaint with the Las Vegas City Attorney's Office demanding a full scale investigation of the actions of the Las Vegas Police Department at the Roller Skating Rink on Foremaster Lane on January 20, 1973. We expect that a complete investigation will be made of this incident, and that a full report will be made to the City Commission within 30 days. Ultimately, we expect the Commission to hold a public hearing into this and other abusive police practices. We will not allow this incident to be "white-washed." If this investigation is unsatisfactory we will file a complaint with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

in a Dec. air crash returning from DeeCee . . . Barbara Simmons, one of the lovelier adv-exec, will be awarded an important gov't contract. She worked with Floyd McKissick for the "Re-election of the Pres" . . . Happiness is in the report that the Media Women have planned a long overdue salute to Gerri Major and Eve Lynn Reynolds. A few news-guys will be honored to pick-up the tab.

The Jamaican gov't has lifted the ban against Elijah Muhammad, head of the powerful Black Muslims . . . Ron O'Neal will be behind the wheel of the Lamborghini (Bull) Miura in his repeat role of "Priest" in "Super Fly II." . . . A two sided fite is in process at Harvard U over whether the Afro Studies Dept should be continued separately or enjoined. It is headed by Dr. Ewart Guinier whose recent report expressed a happiness over the graduation of the dept's first 15-degree candidates . . . Luther Randolph has brought nitely entertainment back to the Shalimar. Irene Reid and the Gloria Coleman Trio got things off to a rockin' start . . . Rev. Dr. Gardner Taylor added to his natural tan on the golf courses of Jamaica, W. I. . . Henry G. LaBrie III, Ph.D., the N. E. H. Research Fellow at Harvard is set to do an anthology on the Black Press. He's now working on a biography of the late Robert L. Vann, founder of the Pitts Courier . . . The Hon. William S. Thompson, Assoc. former DeeCee Councilman, current Secy-Treasurer, World Peace Through Law Center, and a guy who still prefers his friends to call him "Turdey," is back from Abidjan, Ivory Coast. He made the trip to confer with leading Ivorian bigs to finalize plans for the 6th world conference on World Peace Through Law slated for Abidjan in Aug . . . Don't invite Sentinel's Doc Young and Warner Bros' Vincent Tubbs to the same screening. It may also be a mistake to invite George Wein and any members of the Nat'l Urban League exec staff to the same Jazz Festival

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