

BILLY ROWE'S Note Book

WRITE ON POETRY AND PEOPLE.

Nikki Giovanni, endowed by a fine enriching balance of talent and brains, just gifted this scribe with an autographed selection of her poetry, titled "Re-Creation." She even noted her favorite among them, "Revolutionary Dreams." All of her words in poetry are full of self searching meaning with more truth than rancor. Her flowing style is like a breath of fresh air to us who live in a society of constant confusion that's polluted by the vigor of those who are against everything, and are locked in symbolic confusion. Nikki will put her rare talent on display at Philharmonic Hall Thursday in celebration of her 30th. b'day. In a program with a gospel touch, called "Echoes and Silences, Sunshine and Fire," She will read her poetry before a backdrop of the N'York Community Choir. Special guest stars for the event will be Melba Moore, Wilson Pickett and Rev. Ike...Aretha Franklin did a quick get-a-way from it all to Acapulco, Mex. last wk-end and almost bought a house by the sea.

Speaking about the Mexican playground, Dr. William Beck was the low gross trophy winner of the gold tournament Don Newcombe sponsored for the benefit of Los Angeles West Adams Hosp. there. Dr. Henry Lee took second after Newk bowed out as winner since he was the sponsor. In the low-net category Dr. Cleveland Butler was number one. Though they tried harder Herman Wooten, Doctors Price Braithwaite and Thomas Boger had to settle for second and third places. Ursula Bates didn't have any problems winning the femme championship as the only damsel in the competition. Eye ballers from the Angel city were Attorney Herman English, Dr. and Ms Homer Williams, Newk's entire family, Dr. Michel Perara and Attorney Earl Brody and his family. This group got off the plush greens of the posh Princess Country Club just in time for the tee-off of the Steel City Golf Club. From Pittsburgh, this org. brought 149-bros and sisters to Mexico from the smokey city. This was the '73 stop of the Steel City Club which annually sponsors such tournament in famous places throughout the world. Spotted about the fairway and the fabulous Princess Hotel were Walter Manghan, "Boots" Parker, who used to pour the 'shots' at Gus Greenlee's place, Sonny Dent, Bobby Jones, Bob Lane and Bill Browne. Also Roy Jefferson, of the Washington Redskins, Bob Clark, from Philly, Fred Beckett, James Dyer and Stanley Garland. For a dude who got his start on the Pitts-Courier, it was like old home week seeing them all.

Lionel Hampton is planning the biggest venture of his colorful career. Right after he opens the Lionel Hampton Houses in Harlem he will start work on setting up the first Black teevee network...Josephine Baker was most together during her 4-days at Carnegie Hall with Bricktop to help her entertain a house full of people. The sexy septuagenarian, she only admits to 67, was scrumptious in a revealing skin-tight costume which censored not a syllable of her svelte body. Many N'Yorkers are happy that Jack Jordan and Howard Sanders brought her 'home' after all these years...Eddie Curtis, the Black playwright-composer, feels that he has CBS-Teevee right by the money bags. The giant network allegedly showed a sign of weakness in answering his million dollar plagiarism suit...Ken Sherwood, who continues to try harder (see ROWE, page 14)

UNLV, Students

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In fact, nearly two out of every three students enrolled for 12 or more credits on campus also hold an outside job, according to an employment survey conducted recently under the supervision of Dr. Shamin Ibrahim of UNLV's Office of Student Personnel Services.

Purpose of the study, Dr. Ibrahim explained, was to find out more about the kinds of students attending the university by evaluation their work requirements and how the pressures of supporting themselves financially affect their productivity in the classroom.

A total of 235 full-time students were interviewed in the survey, a random sample of about eight per cent of all full-time students. The results:

--63 per cent of those interviewed hold outside jobs.

--17 per cent work full time (40 to 60 hours per week).

--46 per cent are employed part-time (5 to 36 hours weekly).

Salaries range from 75 cents an hour up to \$1,460 per month. Calculated on the whole, the average hourly earning rate is \$2.63, Dr. Ibrahim reported.

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