

# BILLY ROWE'S Note Book

WRITE IN AND OUT OF POLITICS--No career is as hazardous as politics which has more ins and outs than a street corner hooker. It has no lasting qualities though its effects on the people are oft times permanent. With Walter Washington's successful bid to become the first elected mayor of Washington, D.D., it is assumed that Dist. Rep. Walter Fauntroy may have lost his local political power base. He backed astute Cliff Alexander who blew despite a good poll showing. Al Lockhart, on the other hand, who did a last ditch campaign perkup for W.W., and his buddies Charlie Fisher seems set in the cat-bird seat as the twice appointed mayor is a sure in. In Fun City lovely Barbara Jacquet's political bubble was pricked when Howard Samuels' gubernatorial hopes failed to get away from the primary polls. With Congressman Hugh Carey beating him out of the chance to run full circle against incumbent Gov. Malcolm Wilson, Andy Hatcher will be given another chance for a political comeback. The same goes for Bayard Rustin who was all pearly-whites in the background when the would be governor made his tube victory speech. With a femme running for Lieut. Gov., look for Gov. Wilson to trot out all the female brains on staff. Prominent among them will be Evelyn Cunningham and Ersa Poston, prez of the State's civil service commish...Marion Logan, recupin' after a mild heart scare, has been told to take it easy, but will spend some energy helping Ramsey Clark in his bid for Senator Javitt's seat.

NEWS WITHOUT VIEWS---The Kenneth Sherwoods dined at the Resident of the President when Israeli Prime Minister and Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin were honored with a State Dinner last wk...The color, nor the attitude of "The Miss America" contest has changed enough for WCAU-TV's Trudy Haynes to continue as its token black judge. The event is still not representative of America's femme beauty...Mike Cooper, Chgo's 17yr old tee phenomenon, has been elected to captain next season's Arizona Golf Team. This is a first for a black tee-man and just super for Cook County Amateur Champ...Some golfers will boycott the up-coming Amateur Team Championship scheduled to be played over a course in La Romana, Dominican Republic. The event was switched there, after Malaysia, the originally scheduled location barred a team from South Africa because of its apartheid policies. Tee-off time is Oct. 22-25 for women and Oct. 30 thru Nov. 2nd for men...Colgate-Palmolive has turned over \$20 mil worth of shares to acquire the Ram Golf Co...Talk is that things are so bad in the Bahamas that Prime Minister Lynden O. Pindling is being booed publicly and the opposition is stepping up the pressure for a change.

Dr. Gloria E. A. Toote, Ass't Secy HUD E/O and a Republican, has been invited to intro the members of the Black Congressional Caucus, all Democrats, during the group's 3rd annual bread breaking in DeeCee...The "Women Agenda," developed during a two-day meeting of white and black major organizations' presidents, has been sent to the Prez by Dorothy Height. She prexy of the National Council of Negro Women which convened the historic togetherness. More than 100-mixed organizations sent "bodies"...Rights organizations are checking out the pluses and minuses of Attorney Gen. William B. Saxbe's re-organization of the Civil Rights Division of the Justice Department. The office of Institutions and Facilities, those of Planning, Legislation and Appeals have been abolished. Their functions will be carried out by the new Appellate Section. Brian K. Landsberg heads the new dept. and Walter Barnett is his deputy with Anne Clark as research director. Ben Holman, who directs the Community Relations wing of the Justice Dept., is happier about an agreement with Peoria, Ill where an agreement has been reached for the official hiring of more minorities and women. The "Welcome Wagon" has also felt the wrath of the J.D. and it will henceforth no longer be allowed to discriminate in its housing promotions...Another SRO tour of the Ohio Players with Sly and the Family Stones has got promoters smiling all

## NAACP and PPPT benefit from "Amazing Grace"

"Amazing Grace," starring "Moms Mabley, Slappy White, Rosalind Cash, Moses Gunn and Stephin Fetchit" was a successful fund-raising event in behalf of Poor People Pulling Together (P.P.P.T.) and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (N.A.A.C.P.).

"Amazing Grace" premiere benefit occurred on August 30th and 31st at 4:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m., respectfully at the Rancho Circle Theatre.

P.P.P.T. and the N.A.A.C.P., would like to thank the following persons for their contributions towards the success of both performances of "Amazing Grace." The contributors were: Mr. Bob Bailey, Nevada Economic Development Corporation, for planning and organizing this fund-raising event; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Walker,

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the way to the bank. This group is so hot, "Skin Tight," its first Mercury album turned gold before the leaves turned green...Katheryn Jackson, chair/person of the Manhood Foundation, Inc., the org. which addresses its efforts to helping released prisoners, is seeking national chapter. It's annual Survival benefit has been set for mid-Nov. in Fun City.

Congrats are in order for John Procope who has been upped to Pres-Gen. Mgr of the Am' News...Howard Woods, publisher St. Loo Sentinel and that city's Urban League are plotting a gigantic "Yes I Can" dinner in honor of blacks who have made a way thru the system...If you're wondering what has happened to stand-up pianist Maurice Rocco, he has been discovered by Beulah Bryant doing his thing in the Chao Phya Hotel in Bangkok, Thailand. The ample size and talented one was there rounding out another smash USO round for the lads on the Far East ready lines... Eleanor Shannon has been added to the Transportation Dept's Civil Rights section as it's Federal Women's program coordinator...Ed Brown was given the Schaefer Beer bounce after 15yrs. But so were quite a number of other nice persons in a re-trenchment move by the suds brewer... The National Newspaper Publishers' Bd. got together in N'York to forge a new "Black Press Agenda" for '75. It changed the Winter Work Shop from the Virgin Islands to DeeCee where they expect to meet with Pres Gerald Ford comes January...There are more folks outside of Washington, D. C. who are aware that Jackson Champion is running for Mayor under the Republican banner, than those who live and vote there. Not too long out of Westchester, the fella should get a few votes for guts...Ruth Bowan, Queen-B of QBC Agency, turned her back on all her chores in Fun City to celebrate her Sept.-13th b'day in Las Vegas. Dave Hepburn, the teevee veepee, and the lady of this scribe's household, did their Friday the 13th. thing closer to home. Hope nobody tells Ray Charles, Gladys Knight and the Pips, Aretha Franklin or any of those fine soul stars Ruthie books that she took the trip to ear' embrace Frank Sinatra.---STAY LOOSE.

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