

# BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

THE INAUGURAL PLUS-MINUS (Part II)

WASHINGTON, DC - No way was it possible for us to write out the Inaugural of the 39th President of U.S.A. in one session, just as it was impossible for ABC-TV to deal with Alex Haley's "Roots" in one TV evening. To change write-thoughts for a second, that was some kind of entertaining and educational event. It was like a meteor pacing its luminous trail across the face of the night opening up its darkness to the light. "Roots," and the winter of this season will be talked about as long as there are learned generations to probe the record of great events.

Now back to the Inaugural where there were problems, but don't ask anyone who was there to tell you about them because in the end everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves so much they forgot the minus to just repeat the pluses. For instance, the DeeCee crowd that was so miffed because they did not receive invites they threw their own inaugural bash, to which the Prez nor the Veep showed, and had ball. In fact, it was regarded as the best in town even over the one fashioned by Mayor Walter Washington, former White House aide Bob Brown, who had a dilly of an affair, Jim Duffee who rigged up a small one for close pals and the one the California folks threw at the Foxxtrope.

One bad feature was the problem of getting places, the streets were so traffic choked it took hrs to move a few blocks. Some 200 people were stranded between the Washington Hilton, and the Visitors' Center trying to get over to hear Melba Moore who was the star attraction there. Of course, this scribe was happily stuck at the Sheraton Park where the Prez danced with his spouse, Pat Roberts Harris exhibited her beauty, where like the other hotels there were parties in every room and laughter and tales were supplied by Tony Brown, who said "Gerald Ford will go down in history as the last Republican candidate not to campaign in the black community. The Republican party cannot continue to be a serious and viable party if it continues to fail to get a significant percentage of the black vote. On the other hand, the Dems cannot afford to lose any of the black votes if it is going to continue to win elections." Therefore, the black voters are in the catbird seat." And Georgia Senator Julian Bond who said; "Patomac Fever has replaced Sickle Cell Anemia as the #1 black disease." Guess that's why so many folks from all the cities were on the town.

Among those remembered were City Clerk David Dinkins, Earl Graves, M/M George Norford, Edna Beach, Charles B. Wright, Janice G. Kissner, Rev. William Carr, Bill Brown, stopping to tell he's leaving his mgr's post at the N'York State bldg, and his lovely spouse, Lerone Bennett, Carl Lawrence, Howard Bennett, Dorothy Height, M/M John Wilks, Jackson Champion, Dr. Lenora Moragne, Marietta Dockrey, Alex Farrelly, with wife and daughter,

Libby Clark, Jeri Turner, Herman Smith, Joe Rollins, Jr., Joan Mosley, Eleanor Howard, Gale Carrington, Willie Jackson, Jim Wells, Bernard Scott Lee, Andi McCombs, Gene Jackson, Wm. Ross, Madelyn C. Andrews, Sarah H. John Lewis, Wanda Johnson, Andy Hatcher, Jimmy Booker, Ed. Nelson, Anna Marie Anderson, Marie Byrd Jackson, Molly Moon, Sylvester Leeks, Gloria Easton, M/M Lewis Martin, Earl White, Ann Woods, Doug Gardner, Chuck Curry, Gloria Cheek, Charlotte Chapman, Bob Saunders, Jackie Jackson, Dr. Mike Holloman, Dora Parker, Mae Coles, Bill Young, Marion Wade, Erick Holder, LaGrand Lewis, Pauline Jones and Mickey Rowe who's not part of these roots.

The pawtee of the N'Y delegation was so humanity wall-to-wall you couldn't see Mayor Beame and Billy Carter couldn't get in. Those imbibing and snatching hors d'oeuvres there in no'way eyed Councilady Ethel Allen, Councilman Fred Samuels, Brenda Yearwood, Sam Tucker, Charles Tolsen, Dora Parker, Mae Coles, Bill Young, Mable Bryant, Henry Brock, Gloria Shepperson, John Thompson, Bruce Henderson, Betty Brown, Mary Stafford, Rev. Wm. Cobb, Lillian Huff, M/M John Foster, Mae Porter, Ann and Billie Suttles, M/M Billy Pickens, Ernie Green, Lee Gordon, from the Virgin Islands, Sadie Wright, Judge Edward L. Jefferson, Geraldine Wood, bank veep Larry Wilson, Councilman David Cunningham, Edn Thompson, M/M Leonard Davis, Charles Knox, Mary Herbert, Kathy Green, Harriet Plumber and Jerry Pack who were all from Calif. We've never seen such a collection of folks, all going for the southern hospitality, complete with drawl, grits and eggs, champagne, peanuts and pecan pie. However, nobody was more gracious than Texas State Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson, who's also vice chr'person of that state's Dem. party. In her opinion Cong'lady Barbara Jordan would have said "yes" to Prez Carter had he offered her the Attorney General's shelf in his Cabinet. Seems there were a parcel of folks who believed that. Among them were Sadie Bryant, Dr. Lois Davis, Joe Pollard, Buzz Willis, Earl Lewis, Johnny and Tommy Moore, Harold Redding, Madeline Andrews, John Gay, Ouida Whitfield, Clarina Talmus, Juddy Williams, Eddie Ryan, George Brown, Sam Tucker, Charles Knight, Dobbie Crawford, Douglas McVee, Fran Farmer, Dr. Joe Chaplin, Altheria Hudson, Lloyd Wise, Hazel Hopkins, Woody Gist, Lance Drummond, who changed his clothes more than a hi'fashion model, Ida Simms, Joe Glover, Juanita Padmore, Lois Ricks, Florence Herman, Isabella Webster, Brenda Yearwood and Mayor Richard Hatcher who said; "This is an interesting inaugural, but I am not sure that we, as blacks, have that much to celebrate." --STAY LOOSE.

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