

BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

THEY AIN'T FOOLIN'

NEW YORK CITY --- The H'wood branch of the NAACP has filed a \$1-billion suit against eleven major television groups, and their local radio and TV affiliates. Instigated by the Labor & Industry committee of the hard fighting civil rights org., the suit alleges that blacks have been "bastardized" thru the production of racist programming designed to ridicule the pride and dignity of black Americans. Co-chairpersons of the committee are Marvin Walters, Jim Cato and Lin Hilburn. The suit, filed in the L.S. Superior Court, also hit me where I like as it also alleges that while the term, "nigger," used by cats like Red Fox and Richard Pryor, who should know better, is air-permitted while similar derogatory references to other ethnic groups are censored. All the electronic biggies are named in the suit that's aimed against the entire b'casting industry of southern California. A petition to deny license renewals, of each outlet, has been filed with the FCC Commission.

In the mean while, back at the Presidential arena in the nation's capitol Prez Carter has dashed the ambition of a number of hopefuls by letting it be known that he may name Attorney Tyrone Brown to the FCC chair-dusted by the Hon. Benjamin Hooks. The fella the prez nominated to the boss chair of that agency is not expected to run into problems with Civil Rights activists. He's Charles Ferris, general counsel to "Tip" O'Neill, the powerful House Speaker. He's best remembered here as among the chief drafters of civil rights legislation during the turbulent sixties. A native of Norfolk, Brown has made his legal mark since graduating from Cornell in '67 . . . Buzz Willis, former veep of several wax works, has opened his on entertainment and marketing corp. on Madison Ave . . . Sarah Dash has hit the winning tape on the fast N'Y cabaret scene at Reno Sweeney's. The former wailing force behind the har-riding Lebelles, she was in a muddle when that group brokeup last spring, but not anymore. She's a boss new single that can be expected to trot into super-places.

THEM THAT HAS GIT --- We translate that idiom: Dick Cavett, the TV monologuer who spreads caviar instead of margarine on his breakfast toast, and has more money than Fort Knox is about to carry a bundle out of his new talkie show debuting Oct. 13 on 191 public TV stations. It's reported they'll throw \$2-million into his budget covering 52 weeks of half-hour (11 to 11:30 P.M.) five-day (Monday through Friday) interview shows, mostly ad-libbed. Now that ain't bad pay no matter how he spreads it. TV critics figured it out to \$38,500 a week. But they're assuming it's a 40-hour week which it ain't cause the talkies actually consume two-hour-thirty minutes each week at a half hour a night for five nights. Now we weren't intending a dissertation on diminishing returns for TV personalities. After all, they pay guest stars, (but not enough to get out of town) technicians, secretaries, and a whole host of piggy-back personnel. But Cavett beclouded the questions of interviewers over how much take-home pay there's in the deal for him. In his first show, for instance, he'll be giving a paycheck of sorts to Sophia Loren, the equally beautiful Lena Horne, and the sad widow of Lee Harvey Oswald. Later he'll have comedian Harry Ritz and newsman Daniel Schorr.

The point that irks is that Cavett calls \$2-mil "a limited budget." What strikes me "mad" is that this is a PBS show where those who are in control can never seem to find enough dough to give blacks a proper outlet on this public-supported network.

NBC-TV and its latest star, comic Richard Pryor, are not seeing eye-to-eye and are not on the same wave lengths; so their legal beagles are barking at each other . . . Stripped off her usual feathers and spangles, because they lost her luggage, and ike, her former spouse Tina Turner lost neary a move or groove as her performance in Australia elicited standing ovations. This is her third tour Down Under in 2-yrs. No silly, she didn't perform nude, but in striking white jeans and crepe-de-chine, which "ain't"

her usual.

For reasons best known to inside wheelers and dealers Retha Philips, the Dayton, O. (WDTN-TV) reporter who was fired last June, has decided not to press her \$150,000 suit against the station whom she had charged with race and sex discrimination. The suit was dropped, it was said, to avoid "simultaneous duplication" of time and resources.

A black leader has joined Jewish organizations in a general protest against the "guesting" by Ku-Klux-Klan Grand Wizard, and a Socialist Party national coordinator on the Sept. 30 edition of "Black Perspective On the News," shown over Philadelphia's WHYY-TV. Rev. Wycliffe Jandharre, director of the Black Economic Development Conference urged scrapping the program because of questions asked by black panelists Lawrence D. Reddick, Harvard historian, and Charles King of the Urban Crisis Center, Atlanta. The station says it will not cancel the program because Duke and Collins "condemn themselves" by their comments . . . With controversy still rearing its ugly head, "Soap" got into the eyes of more viewers the other night as the ABC series opened with a no-holds-barred series of interviews with supporters and critics of the news series. And that, dear readers, was no "soft soap." As quiet as it's kept, Barry White has pulled his label distribution deal away from 20th Century Records, and is now in the process of shopping for a new label to distribute his Unlimited Gold label to which Love Unlimited is signed. This move by the multi-talented super star lends strong support to the rumor that he will not renew his contract with 20th Century Records come December. . . . **STAY LOOSE.**

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INVITATION TO BID No. 761-77

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Commissioners, Clark County, State of Nevada, will receive sealed bids from qualified general contractors for the furnishing of labor and materials including all mechanical and electrical work for the construction of approximately 2,000 square feet of wood frame, concrete unit masonry and stucco construction of two meeting rooms, office, storeroom and lobby including demolition and remodeling of existing facilities all as described on the contract documents prepared by Edward P. DeLorenzo, Architect.

Proposals must be submitted to the Office of the Clark County Purchasing Agent, 400 Las Vegas Blvd. So., Courthouse Annex, Las Vegas, Nevada, no later than 2:45 p.m. on the 20th day of October, 1977, and said bids will be opened and publicly read at 3:00 p.m. in the Public Works Conference Room, 400 South Fourth St., Courthouse Annex, on the same day for:

ADDITIONS & ALTERATIONS TOPARADISE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER.

Four sets maximum of the contract documents may be secured at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, at the above address, prior to the date set for the bid opening for the const. of \$50.00 per set (refundable).

All the copies of the contract documents are the property of the Owner. Each bidder may obtain the drawing

der may obtain the drawings and project manual together with separate bidding documents upon making the required deposit for each set of documents so obtained. Such deposit will be refunded to each person who returns the plans and specifications and other documents in good condition with five (5) days after bid opening. In addition to the deposit, a non-refundable fee of \$5.00 per set, paid by separate check, is required if the documents are to be mailed.

Proposed forms of contract documents, including plans and specifications, are on file at the Office of the Architect, Edward P. DeLorenzo, 1700 E. Desert Inn Road, Suite 304,

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Las Vegas, Nevada 89109.

Bid proposals must be submitted on the form provided by Clark County and accompanied by a proposal guaranty in the form of cash, or a certified check, cashier's check, money order or a bid bond in favor of Clark County in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid.

Bid proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked, "Bid No. 761-77, Additions and Alterations to the Paradise Park Community Center," with the name and address of the bidder in the upper left hand corner.

Prices quoted shall include all Federal, State and Local taxes.

Bidder must be a duly licensed General Contractor in the State of Nevada.

The pre-bid conference will be held in the Public Works Conference Room, Courthouse Annex, 400 So. Fourth Street, Las Vegas, Nevada at 10:00 a.m. on the 13th day of October, 1977.

Names of sub-contractors, if any, to perform certain work shall be submitted with bid proposals, indicating type of work to be done. Sub-contractors shall have a current Nevada State Contractor's License for the type of work to be done.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) consecutive calendar days subsequent to the opening of bids without the prior written consent of the Owner.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids or to waive informalities in the bidding.

By order of the Board of Commissioners, Clark County, Nevada.

LORETTA BOWMAN, County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Clark County Commissioners, Clark County, Nevada.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID Bid No. 755-77 "OFFICIAL NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS"

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Commissioners, Clark County, State of Nevada, will receive sealed bids from qualified licensed contractors for the supplies or services indicated below, at the Office of the Clark County Purchasing Agent, 400 Las Vegas Blvd. So., Courthouse Annex, Las Vegas, Nevada, until the hour of 2:45 p.m. on the 20th day of October, 1977, and said bids will be opened and publicly read at 3:00 p.m. in the Public Works Conference Room, 400 South Fourth St., Courthouse Annex, on the same day for:

RESURFACING OF STREETS WITH ASPHALTIC CONCRETE AND ADJUSTING MANHOLES, VALVE BOXES, ETC. TO THE NEW STREET GRADE IN THE FRONTIER NO. SUBDIVISION LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LAMB BOULEVARD AND CAREY AVENUE.

which must conform to drawings and specifications to be secured at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, at the above address, prior to the date set for the bid opening, for the cost of \$15.00 per set, which is refundable. Four (4) sets maximum.

Information for bidders and contract documents may be examined at: 1. Construction Notebook, 3599 South Polaris, Las Vegas, Nevada; 2. F.W. Dodge Company, 3555 Spring Mountain Road, Las Vegas, Nevada.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 2:00 p.m. on the 7th day of October, 1977, in the Public Works Conference Room, at the above address.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements to be met under the contract as to:

1. Conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wages to be paid under the contract.
2. Conditions of employment of qualified veterans.
3. Conditions that require the expenditure of \$22,000.00 of the project cost for contracts with / or supplies from minority business enterprises.
4. Conditions that no illegal aliens will be employed on the project.
5. Conditions that the project will be constructed from raw materials mined or produced in the United States or from United States manufactured articles substantially made from materials mined and produced in the United States.

Bid proposals must be submitted on the form provided by Clark County and accompanied by a proposal guaranty in the form of cash, or a certified check, cashier's check, money order or a bid bond in favor of Clark County in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid price.

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked, "Bid No. 755-77, Street Resurfacing - Frontier North Subdivision" with the name and address of the bidder in the upper left hand corner and accompanied by complete specifications for the item offered.

The successful bidder shall furnish, at his own expense, a Faithful Performance Bond, a Payment Bond and a Guarantee Bond in the amount of one hundred (100%) of the contract price. All bonds shall be from an acceptable surety company and shall be licensed in the State of Nevada.

The term "Owner" as used throughout the documents of the invitation to bid shall mean the County of Clark, Las Vegas, Nevada whose representatives shall administer and supervise the work in accordance with terms and conditions of a grant agreement between the Economic Development Administration of the government of the United States and the County of Clark. Although the United States will not be a party between the successful bidder and the County of Clark, it is understood that prior to award of contract, the Economic Development Administration shall

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review all contract documents and authorize further action. All terms and conditions contained in the contract documents shall become a part of the contract.

The Affirmative Action Plan must be in strict conformance with provisions of the Equal Opportunity bid conditions or bids will be rejected for non-responsiveness.

Contracts for work under this proposal will obligate the contractors and subcontractors not to discriminate in employment practices. Each bidder must certify if he is awarded a contract he will comply with an affirmative action plan for equal opportunity employment and actively seek minority manpower in conformance with the Greater Las Vegas Plan.

The successful bidder will be responsible for payment of all County and permit fees involved in the project.

Award of bid, when made, will be made as soon as practicable to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Time for completion, which included final clean-up is set at sixty (60) calendar days.

No bids will be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) consecutive calendar days subsequent to the opening of bids without the prior written consent of the Owner. The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any and/or all bids and to readvertise.

By order of the Board of Commissioners, Clark County, Nevada.

LORETTA BOWMAN, County Clerk and ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Clark County Commissioners, Clark County, Nevada.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID Bid No. 756-77 "OFFICIAL NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS"

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Commissioners, Clark County, State of Nevada, will receive sealed bids from qualified licensed contractors for the supplies or services indicated below, at the Office of the Clark County Purchasing Agent, 400 Las Vegas Blvd. So., Courthouse Annex, Las Vegas, Nevada, until the hour of 2:45 p.m. on the 20th day of October, 1977, and said bids will be opened and publicly read at 3:00 p.m. in the Public Works Conference Room, 400 South Fourth St., Courthouse Annex, on the same day for:

CONSTRUCTION OF REINFORCED CONCRETE BOX CULVERT AT JONES BOULEVARD AT FLAMINGO WASH

which must conform to drawings and specifications to be secured at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, at the above address, prior to the date set for the bid opening, for the cost of \$15.00 per set, which is refundable. Four (4) sets maximum.

Information for bidders and contract documents may be examined at: 1. Construction Notebook, 3599 South Polaris, Las Vegas, Nevada; 2. F.W. Dodge Company, 3555 Spring Mountain Road, Las Vegas, Nevada.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 2:00 p.m. on the 11th day of October, 1977, in the Public Works Conference Room, at the above address.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements to be met under the contract as to:

1. Conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wages to be paid under the contract.
2. Conditions of employment of qualified veterans.
3. Conditions that require the expenditure of \$19,300.00 of the project cost for contracts with / or supplies from minority business enterprises.
4. Conditions that no illegal aliens will be employed on the project.
5. Conditions that the project will be constructed from raw materials mined or produced in the United States or from United States