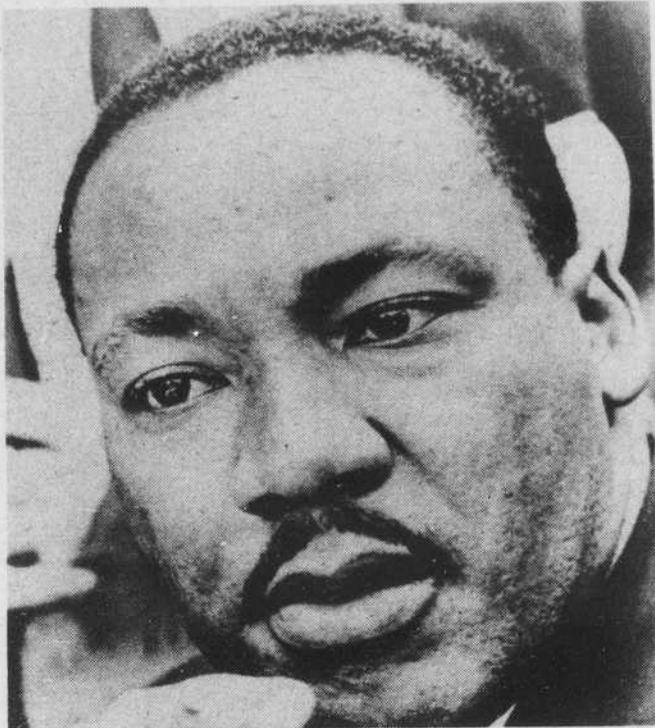


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ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF MARTIN LUTHER KING



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Martin Luther King faced a herculean task: White America had spent billions of dollars and more than three hundred years trying to enslave the minds of black men and women," declared Dr. Walter J. Leonard, President, Fisk University, at the annual breakfast in honor of Martin Luther King's birth date held at the Sheraton Hotel in Boston.

"Dr. King knew that his priority lay in helping his people remove the mental chains which hindered them from declaring 'I Am Somebody.'"

Sponsored by the Union Methodist Church of Boston, the breakfast was attended by prominent personalities from the Boston Area.

Dr. Leonard, former Special Assistant to Harvard's President and Assistant Dean at Harvard University's Law School, stated: "Martin Luther King's dream of non-violence became a reality. He challenged interracial injustice of his country without a gun. Blacks began to acquire a new estimate of their own worth."

"Dr. King knew, all too well, the great debt that this society owes to Black people. He recognized the opposition and refused to back down any confrontation."

During the 1960's Dr. King's pledge to non-violence became more and more difficult to sustain and, like Mahatma Gandhi, when asked, "What am I supposed to do when I have been slapped on two cheeks and kicked on the other

two?" replied, "Violence must never come from us. . . . If we become victimized by violent acts. . . . the pending daybreak of progress will be transformed into a gloomy midnight of retrogress."

Dr. Leonard feels that "moral courage was one of his noblest virtues."

In Dr. King's native Georgia, he witnessed the daily humiliation and racial bias shown to his own family, but "Martin Luther King refused to blame the Black people for their position in society. As he once said, 'the black man must have help to win his rightful place. And there is no section of the country that can discuss the matter of brotherhood with clean hands.'"

Even though living standards, education and job opportunities have improved for the Black population, "Martin Luther King would find new racism, encouched in the soft tones, and intellectual garb of sociology and psychology." Dr. Leonard analyzed the terminology used to denigrate Blacks as "less offensive yet hidden under intellectual awnings. Jim Crow is dead; Yes, and I believe buried," he continued. "But his more sophisticated, college trained urbane cousin, J. Crow, Esquire is alive and well. Benign neglect, more particularly malignant retreat is rapidly becoming the national, public and private posture toward America's largest minority group."

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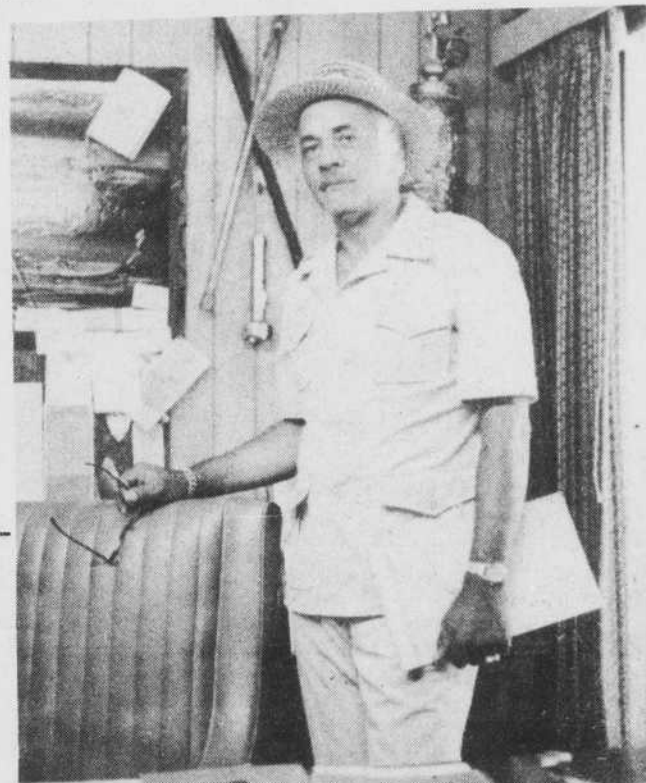
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WHAT ARE STANDARDS FOR LICENSING BAIL BONDSMEN?

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The insurance division of the State of Nevada has a wide range of regulating authority over a vast amount of the financial traffic within this state. Within the scope of that regulating authority is the much publicized industry commonly known as bail bonds. Considering that the Insurance Commissioner sets the standards, administers rigid examination, and literally decides who shall be bail bondsmen in this state raises a legal question with regard to the Ponderosa Insurance Company and the State of Nevada. The condensed version of what happened is that the State of Nevada somehow discovered that they had on record a defunct inactive insurance company. For reasons not yet disclosed they rewarded an exdeputy Insurance Commissioner with the right and title to this individual for a measly \$500.00. In months that followed this insurance company was then sold to a Northern Nevada bail bondsman for some reported \$75,000.00 the Conditions of Sale are yet unknown. As a result this state is being flooded with bail agents paving the way for more corruption. There are some very disgruntled bail bondsmen wondering why the state has not proceeded to take action to correct this cover up. There is concerted opinion that first; the Ponderosa Insurance Company should have been offered for sale under current Nevada Laws dealing with sale and disposition of assets. Secondly, the price for which it sold was patronizingly low. Thirdly, by what authority and what state agency was this insurance company sold?

Granted, the new Governor-elect and the new Attorney General have much to do in the area of new legislation, but of equal priority should be to right the wrongs committed in the recent past.



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