

'Jackson Street Beat' by Rudi Jackson

He Stood A Proud Black Servant Of Ardent Spirit

A rich baritone voice spoke, "Good morning Mr. Jackson" which had the ring of the late Johnny Ace singing a soft song of love and life. I had caught the attention of the char-skin gentleman known as CHARLIE HORSE. He stood a proud black servant of the ardent spirit dram. Medium built. Attired in fine tailored black trousers, vest, shoes, bow-tie, and a crisp white shirt. He smiled and gave out with a cheerful bartenders expression, "I'm feeling good as living color looks" perhaps conceived by him or some other care-free black persons mind.

Short cropped head of salt & pepper hair moved knowingly as he ambled the octa-angled bar of Love's Cocktail Lounge. A name tag on the left lapel of his vest reads:

CHARLIE HORSE...but he really needs no introduction to the throng of people who have come to meet this long



CHARLIE HORSE

standing Arkansas Road-runner who did a lots of woodshed living in "Sweet old Chicago, Ill." In 1946 he was muster-out of the military service and settled in San Bernardino, Calif. for a spell then made a move to Las

Vegas where he started to tending bar (1951) at the El Morocco. Next the Cotton Club.

1956-61 found him back in Chicago. Hustle & bustling folks 'round town in a jitney-cab where he stayed and played for a few years before heading back to sunny Las Vegas, Nev...Most folks call him: C&H-pure cane sugar from How-are-You (Hawaii).

Well seasoned in the arts and ways of living and easy-going man is he with Friends/or/Foes. A deep lover of jazz music (but can dig a lil 'bit of all of it...Jack...if I just have 'ta) like he does a good sweet woman. His conversation is deep like his voice and the drinks he pours along with his co-workers Tilman, Brown, Coleman, Becky, Ray, Stephine, Jeff (kojack), & Lucille.

They will treat U right as right can be treated. Enjoy yourself cause it is greater than you think. C & H looked over his left shoulder and stated, "I gott'a woman and Five children way over town that's Good To Me!" See C&H for your FUN & TUN in '81.

A song (one he likes to hear) by Stanley Turrentine-Ann, Wonderful One- was playing softly

on the multi-songs juke-box as I made my way towards the eating section of Love's for a cup-o-coffee before I headed for my typing workshop to get this ready for Ed Brown. Outside I tugged my overcoat around me cause it was a misty-morning and such a long ways from Sweet old Chicago...Right-on for C & H! A Man You Can Rely ON.

Watchful Thanks for '81: Lelia Walsh advises persons who desire to grow graceful in this

ERROR MAKES TEEN 'COLORED'

East London, South Africa - A computer made Richard Symes colored for at least 24 hours - which meant, among other things, that it was illegal for him to live with his white parents - but on Thursday the government made him white again.

Officials blamed the mistake on a computer error. An Interior Department spokesman said the department regretted any inconvenience it may have caused the 18-year-old. Colored is the official term in South Africa for people of mixed race.



Rudi

world of life to visit "The Fountain Of Youth" as often as you can in this life-or at least ONCE as she did-YEARS AGO!

Symes discovered the error Wednesday when he applied for a national identity card and it came up with the classification "colored." His parents complained, and the classification was changed.

Had it remained in force, Symes would not have been able to live with his British-born white parents or go out with white girls, and would have faced other restrictions imposed on non-whites under the country's apartheid system.

South Africa's 26 million residents are classified as white, colored, black or Asian. Apart-heid, or racial separation, requires each group to live apart from the others.

Think I will kick back for a bit and enjoy the football game thats on and fight this Bang cock Flu Bug that is sock-in it to me Jim...I mean sock-in it to me and a whole lots of other folks around the good old U.S.A..Lots of juices and bed rest is about the real thang to do to combat it...Then There is always the good doctors and the apothecary-folks to help out. Oh well, I have made 4-days into the New Year-monamodi.

P.S. Rudi...is coming soon!

REAGAN URGED TO SPEAK

New York - A broad cross-section of religious leaders Wednesday appealed to President-elect Ronald Reagan to speak out strongly before his inauguration against a spreading "wave of terror" by U.S.-aided governments.

The religious spokesmen said Reagan's election apparently is fomenting increasing violations of human rights and said his condemnation of it now could save thousands of lives.

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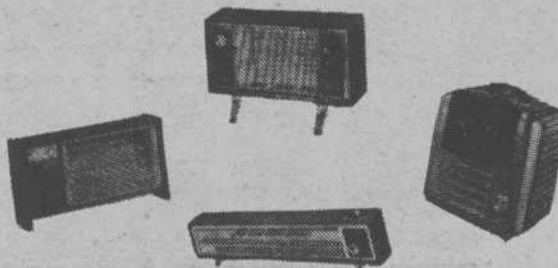
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