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States is now more than 26 million and represents about 12 percent of the total population, according to a recent Census Bureau report. In 1980 Blacks represented more than 50 percent of the population in 17 cities: East St. Louis, Illinois-96%; East Cleveland, Ohio-86.5%; East Orange, New Jersey-83.2%; Compton, California-74.8%; Prichard, Alabama-73.7%; Gary, Indiana-70.8%; Washington, D.C.-70.3%; Atlanta, Georgia-66.6%; Detroit, Michigan-63.1%; Newark, New Jersey-58.2%; Inglewood, California-57.3%; Birmingham, Alabama-55.6%; New Orleans, Louisi-iana-55.3%; Baltimore, Maryland-54.8%; Camden, New Jersey-53.0%; Richmond, Virginia-51.3%; and Wilmington, Delaware-51.1%.

However, in terms of numbers, New York City had the highest Black population of any city of the United States in 1980 (1,784,337), followed by Chicago (1,197,000), Detroit (758,939), Philadelphia (638,878) and Los Angeles (505, 201).

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Expensive Weddings

African marriage rituals are getting too expensive, says a Nairobian cor-respondent. "Newlyweds begin their married lives on a miserable, debt-ridden footing," says Winnie Ogana. "The couple invites close friends to a fund raising.... It is not unusual to hear of a couple wanting to part during their first year of marriage. The cause? Loan repayment problems."

In Zambia, another journalist suggests that lobola (dowry) should be modified. "We need lobola for the traditional link with our ancestors," says Lywell Nali. "But it should be reasonable."

24 African Nations **Face Starvation**

Weakened by drought, civil unrest, poverty and disease, 24 African nations cannot feed themselves and face starvation in 1984 a UN Food and Agricultural Organization report stated. From the Cape Verde Islands in the west to the tip of the Horn of Africa in the east, the 24 countries need at least 1.6 million tons of food and about \$100 million in agricultural assistance. "Africa is now the No. 1 hunger problem in the world," said Sen. John Danforth (R-Mo.).

Among the hardest hit are: Chad, Swaziland, Mozambique, Zambia, Ethiopia, Somalia, Tanzania, Upper

Volta and Guinea-Bissau.

From Husks to Fuel

Until recently, coffee processors in Kenya threw away more than 7,000 tons of coffee husks each year because there was no known use for them. Now the husks are being turned into high energy fuel that is showing a good profit. The Kenya Planters' Cooperative Union (KPCU), a growers

organization, has discovered that coffee husks can be converted into synthetic fuel. A carbonizing process turns the husks into briquettes that can be used for heating as well as cooking without contaminating the food.



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