

Entertainment

BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

N'YORK CITY: Nobody said he was thanked, but after Walter Brooks, prexy of the Ossining Branch NAACP called it to management's attention, the Finast Supermarket branch in that town cleaned its fruit dept. of South Africa's Granny Smith apples. Word is that the powers that be are considering expanding the policy throughout the entire supermarket chain. Goody! Now somebody needs to convert those super sports promoters and lawmakers that South Africa's Apart'hate Citizens should not be allowed to participate

in our professional and amateur events. That would be striking another blow for democracy. They're locked out of such events in Mexico, Japan, The Netherlands, most of South America and Scandinavia find it tough getting visas to compete in other European countries. It's time to check out the sponsors of events in which they appear here to win and take back big bucks to support their own Apart'hate Government.

I found joy in the write hand punch Jan Atwood just tossed in the face of Rev. Jerry Falwell after his



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onsight closed-eyed closeup of Apart'hate. I quote portions of this nemesis of hate "letter to the editor." "Jerry Falwell should have stayed home, his ignorance is horrendous. Even so, he has compromised the very principles of Christianity and principles that he is supposed to perpetuate." She supports sanctions against the hate nation saying; "Why not put our mouth where it really hurts, in the economic jugular vein?" In other words, taking this so-termed minister of God to task, she questioned; "How can Falwell see a country riddled with despair, hopelessness, pain, suffering and the destruction of millions, and say, "we have a country that is making progress and is a friend of the West? What a reproach to the cause and purpose of Christianity Falwell is. Somehow, even in '85, freedom's ring is still silenced and encircled by cries of pain, suffering and death as the lonely crowds forge through the prison streets in search of the keys to their God-given, man revoked, freedom. A freedom tht even God's so-called moral majority leaders denies."

BITS O' NEWS: Sept. may be the death knell of the minority casino training program in Atlantic City. The dice palace owners' contributions have dwindled from a high of \$100,000 to a meager \$45,000, according

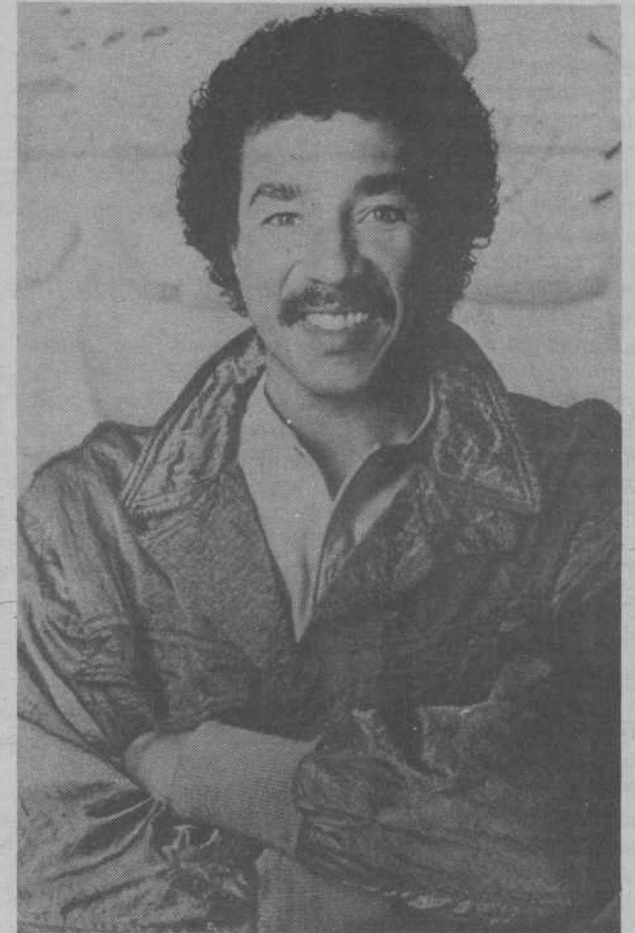
to a report. A N'Jersey Appeals Court ruling, that "The program was too vague," is the alleged cause of the 7-casinos' fund drought . . . That's Dorothy Height up there on cloud-9. Bill Cosby, the world class father, has just said yes to the request of the Nat'l President of the Nat'l Council of Negro Women to top marquee their upscheduled ann'y affair at the Kennedy Center in DeeCee . . . The inside word is that Dick Griffey is working on a no mince-word speech for his keynote before the attendees at the upscheduled New Music Seminar in the Big Apple.

The University of Colorado Board of Regents has rejected a motion to add homosexuals to the list of groups protected from job discrimination. The motion said the school would not discriminate in hiring because of "sexual orientation." . . . Patti LaBelle is being whistled at for more reasons than one since she moderated her electric hairdo . . . Tenor Luciano Pavarotti said he was a no show for the recent operatic benefit for African hunger relief because he wasn't invited to participate . . . As long as the forces of meanness are allowed to run rampant through the world, all the people of South Africa will remain chained by an apart-hate government . . . **STAY LOOSE . . .** Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.

Smokey Robinson Headlines Caesars Showroom, Sept. 25-30

The "Master of Motown," Smokey Robinson, is back in the Caesars Palace spotlight, this time with comedian Tom Dreesen, Sept. 25 through 30. Best known for his achievements as a recording artist, Robinson is also

known for his success in T.V. His weekly series "The Motown Revue," which ends Sept. 13, co-starred such



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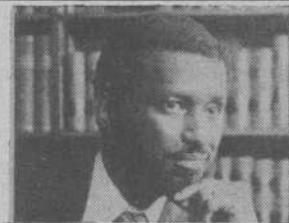
Dreesen, Sept. 25 through 30.

Best known for his achievements as a recording artist, Robinson is also

artists as Diana Ross, Linda Ronstadt, Culture Club and Boy George, Tears for Fears and Ray Charles. The series, originally scheduled for five weeks, was extended to a sixth and was inspired by the success of NBC specials "Motown's 25th Anniversary" and "Motown Returns to the Apollo."

On television, on records, or in a showroom, Smokey brings to life the rhythmic exuberance that bowled over the music industry in the 60's. Twenty-five years later, he can look back at hits like "Shop Around," "Yoy Really Got a Hold On Me" and "Cruisin'."

At Caesars Palace Smokey Robinson and Tom Dreesen will perform nightly cocktail shows at 10 p.m., except Friday and Saturday when showtimes are 8:30 and 11:30 p.m. For reservations phone the Caesars Palace Circus Maximus Showroom 702/731-7333 or 800/454-4544 (outside Nevada, within the U.S.)



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