

Entertainment

BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

Jack The Rapper Swings 'Write' Big Stick

ORLANDO, Fla. — Jack The Rapper, publisher of the only, and most informative Radio/Record trade publication from our side, is "Ticked Off" about the lack of indignant action by all of us over the recent slur of that DeeCee deejay on the historic dawn of the National Holiday to add to the immortality of America's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Let the Rapper tell you why in his own inimitable style. "Ticked off in square talk means 'P---ed off. Now that we understand where I am coming from, this funky mess concernin' that

"greaseball." "Oh excuse me, we mean 'the greaseman' sic, that uttered that garbage concernin' our beloved hero, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. has been reported by many in straight fashion, meanin' offerin' no opinion one way or the other, just reportin' the facts. Only Billy Rowe, the dean of all Black columnists who write for the Black Press, Brother Bob Long, Cashbox magazine and Brother Joe Loris, Impact newspaper, lifted their pens to stand-up and say something 'bout this mess and demanded, as we have asked, the boy's ouster at Radio WWDC. No one else

has said a mumblin'. These so called n---ahs who front for their ofay massahs, who have given them a page or two to report the doings of the brothers & sisters, and we got some on the Black radio scene, said nothing. If you all stop beggin' to be listed in these jive a-- (we left a few letters off that a) publications, you'd see how long those n---ahs would hold onto their gigs. It's unbelievable that Black or white you haven't said a thang 'bout this Toro Poo Poo in Washington, D.C. This demandin' of firin' of a nothin' in D.C. is a moral issue affectin' all America." "Sure it's Black today, but could be White tomorrow and Hispanic the next day. If we allow these kinda racial slurs over our air waves, it will spread like a bon-fire

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'cross our country and all Americans will be slapped in the face." The Rapper has a good case in asking Black and White to standup and be counted. Stick your write hand in the eyes of G/mgr. Goff Lehber, radio station WWDC, 1150 Connecticut Ave. Wash., D.C. 20036, as a reminder that in view of his transgression the "Greaseman" must be slipped out of ear range for desecrating an American King.

WHITE PEOPLE — The illness reports about John Bubbles, the retired comic-dancer, of the star duo, Buck and Bubbles, are conflicting. However even the good news about him isn't that heart warming to his surviving pals . . . The initial down to business meeting of the now off the drawing board and recruiting Afro-American Guild of Performing Artist got a major boost from Honi

Coles. He took the jet route in from his road run with "My One And Only," the B'way hit which got that way winning him a coveted Tony Award. Former matinee idol, the once dubbed "Colored Rudolph Valentino," Lorenzo Tucker, made it in from H'wood to show his support. The AAGPA will fill a void which has been left unbreeched since the too long demise of the Negro Actors Guild . . . My fill-in eye-spies were thoroughly impressed with George Furth's new play, "Precious Sons" at the Longacre Theatre. Central characters Ed Harris and Judith Ivey made lasting acting impression on each. Our aisle emissaries were mentally embraced by the realistic chemistry between parents and sons, Anthony Rapp and William O'Leary. They recommend it as a good family play. Criticism from

Anglican Bishop Desmond Tutu and its own campus is the main reasons Harvard Uni. aborted its Southern Africa student-internship program . . . The University of Alabama suspended two White students recently who were suspects in a cross burning incident on the lawn of a house they assumed was to be taken over by a predominately Black sorority. The names of the suspects were withheld and tensions were resolved after a meeting between the Black dominated Alphas and the basic White sororities. . . . A number of participants, including a few key chief executives, sneaked away from the Nat'l Confab of Black Mayors in Atlantic City to eye'ball Cleavant Derricks and Loretta Devine do their stuff in "Big Deal," the new Bob Fosse musical. It hopes to dance its way into a B'way hit and a "Tony" favorite. Another TeeVee juggernaut, Magnum P.I. has fallen by the rating slide in the wake of the Bill Cosby Neilsen onslaught. The one hour adventure series, opposite Cosby, is being switched to a more eye-survival time slot as the Huxtables continue piling up ratings unheard of in network since the early 60s . . . STAY LOOSE. Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.

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