

Entertainment

BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

Lawyers vs. Law U. Re: Black Dean

N'YORK CITY—It should make you and Bill Cosby happy that faculty members at Temple U. Law school are not taking the pink slipping of Carl E. Singely, the school's dean, like a final exam. Instead they're threatening legal action against Pres. Peter J. Liacouras who wants to remove the dean in July '87 because, in his words, "It's time for a change."

Singely, who has been on board since '83 and is the first Afro-American law dean in Temple history, questions whether the decision is racially motivated. However, he does not plan to resign. Meanwhile, the Law profs. are calling Liacouras' move a violation of both the American Bar Assoc. standards and the U.'s tradition on Law deanships. They have denounced his

action as a show of "Naked Power."

I'm glad you're too busy in the P.M. to get up early enough in the A.M. with peepers open enough to "eye" gest" the "Today Show." Since Jane Pauley has been on "baby-cation", so far not one Afro-American co-host has been invited to sit opposite the handsome and articulate Bryant Gumbel. I wonder if "I'm gonna have to change my opinion of him as a stand-up guy. I hope it's the hierarchy of NBC-News that caused this oversight of a great opportunity to expand the in-roads the peacock

network has made with the onslaught of your man "Cos." I'm surprised that this is the case, since "Dr Huxtable" has injected it with so much vitality...Even this season's "Saturday Night Live," which has always had at least one token, looks like it may be a one color production this go-round.

FAMILY HONOR—The other Gumbel bro., Greg, who does weekly chores as the co-host of the syndicated Ebony-Jet Showcase, has been named host of "Coca-Cola High School Sports Week" on the Madison Square Garden Network. He

is also doing the gamecast for the Apple's Knicks and Rangers...Journalist Mal and his better half Mary Goode celebrated their golden wedding ann'y without fanfare and hoopla, but with sweet and romantic remembrances in a scrapbook filled with cards, letters, photos, and other items provided by friends and family...Cab Calloway's booking on a cruiseship kept him away from the EDGES group's salute to Lena Horne. He and wife Niffie, who was in Chi-town, sent a note to the World's prettiest grandmother...EDGES member Alphonso Whitfield,

Jr., prexy. Nat'l. Min. Supplier Dev. Council, Inc., is handing out cigars because his eldest son, and namesake, and daughter-in-law Myrna, who live in Atlanta, have presented him with his first granddaughter, Ani...That's also true for W'Chester's Long and Brown families whose children Richard and Sharon have gifted them with Sarene, who doesn't like a bath-time...By the time they reach college age they might want to apply to Florida A&M, or Florida State; both universities will split an estimated \$550Gs for an endowed engineering Chair named in honor of ret. Cong. Don Fugua. Most of the moola was raised at a \$500 per-plate din-din in honor of this Dem, who has served for 24yrs. Currently, he chairs the House Committee on Science and Technology. He will head an association that represents aerospace corps. He'd better be careful, if he doesn't want to end-up like Mike Deavers...The up-scheduled Bronx Community College Foundation's Hall of Fame Recognition Awards dinner is shaping up quiet nicely and Pres. Roscoe Brown is feeling pretty good about same. Co-Chairs are Travers J. Bell, of Daniels & Bell, Inc., and John Torell, III, Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. Honorees are advertising exec. Caroline R. Jones and businessman Lewis Rudin.

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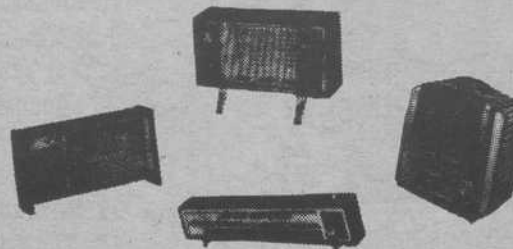


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STAR TROUBLE—Motown Records has filed suit against chanteuses the "Mary Jane Girls." It seems that the ladies turned in master LP recordings that were, according to the label, "not suitable for manufacturing commercially saleable records." At this time nobody is sure what part Funk star Rick James, who discovered and has produced the "Girls," has or has not played in this dispute...The Nat'l Alumnae Assoc. of Spelman College has launched a membership sweepstakes to reclaim 6000 grads who have not paid their alumnae dues, including yours truly. As part of the contest, when dues are sent in, one instantly becomes eligible to win a cash prize by guessing the number of grads in the College's 105yr

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