

Chicago Pays Respects To Mayor Washington



Mayor Harold Washington

Associated Press

CHICAGO—Thousands of mourners stood quietly in line in a wet drizzle today to attend funeral services for Mayor Harold Washington, Chicago's first black mayor,

down by political considerations, and I suppose he expressed rage and anger with discipline. He was a great advocate of personal and racial freedom . . .

"He was one of the giants . . . He will go down with the greats."

A small man who had a sharp sense of humor, James Bladwin was the son of a pastor born in Harlem in New York City on Aug. 2, 1924.

His first novel, "Go Tell It On The Mountain," published in 1953, recalled his days as a teenage preacher in a store-front church.

"Mountain" is the book I had to write if I was ever going to write anything else," Baldwin said in a 1985 interview with The New York Times. "I had to deal with what hurt me most. I had to deal with my father. He was my model; I learned a lot from him. Nobody's ever frightened me since."

The black writer was a strong opponent of racism and intolerance, and that belief permeated much of his writing. He once defined a racist as a "coward who is afraid of himself."

felled by a heart attack last week.

Washington was "the greatest black man besides my father," said Gerald Nicholas, a retired city worker who took his place in line at 5 a.m. The mayor's death "was a terrible shock," he said.

People began lining up shortly after midnight for the funeral, police said.

A small procession of police cars adorned with purple bunting and flowers escorted a hearse carrying Washington's flag-draped coffin to Christ Universal Temple early today.

Church bells were to ring out across the nation's third-
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Traveling Fashion Show To Stop In Las Vegas

The "Sepia Fashion Revue," a traveling fashion show featuring Vogue-Esquire models of Chicago, comes to Las Vegas December 5 at the Hacienda Hotel.

"Sepia Fashion Revue" is a social and fund-raising project for Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. The traveling fashion production will stop in more than 70 major cities nationwide. The revue exposes local residents to the best in wearable designers' fashions, as well as serving as a charitable tool for various civic and social organizations throughout the country.

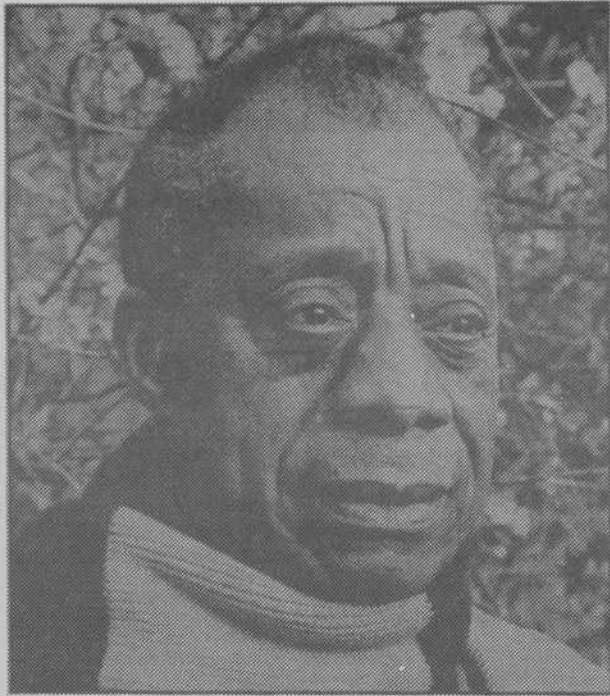
"Fashion Odyssey '87/88" is a fast-paced two-hour pro-

duction that features 10 top models, both male and female. The show will revisit a time of fashions past and then explore the possibilities of the future.

This year's show will feature style over practicality, as hemlines have gone up. The Parisian can-can influence and little skinny minis in body molding fabrics such as lycra, spandex and wool jersey will be spotlighted throughout the show.

While there will be plenty of glamour and glitter, some of the strongest looks this season will be understated.

Tickets may be purchased at the door. For further ticket information please call Flo Gray at 451-7714.



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FAMED WRITER—James Baldwin, 63, died Tuesday in St. Paul de Vence, France. Many of his works explored racism.

Author Baldwin Dead at Age 63

Associated Press

ST. PAUL DE VENCE, France — James Bladwin, whose first novel, "Go Tell It On The Mountain" established him as a major American writer and whose later works explored racism in the United States, has died at age 63.

Baldwin died Monday night at his home in southern France of stomach cancer, said Chantal Lopicque, a spokeswoman for Baldwin's French publisher, Editions Stock. He had undergone an operation last spring and his health had declined steadily since then, Lopicque said.

Surrounded by members of his family, including his brother David, Baldwin had not lost hope and was planning to finish a book on the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Despite his illness he told friends he wanted to write a last play.

Baldwin lived in France for about 40 years. Four years ago, when he received an honorary doctorate from the University of Nice, he said he considered France a "refuge far from the American madness."

A friend, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said a funeral would be held in New York on Friday.

Baldwin — author of "Notes of a Native Son," "The Fire Next Time," and "No Name in the Street" —

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was called one of the "few indispensable American writers," by American critic Benjamin Demott.

Baldwin was remembered today as "one of the giants," who wrote daringly and passionately of racial discrimination in the early days of the civil rights movement.

Jesse Jackson, a presidential candidate and civil

"I wanted to find out who I was, not what I was . . .

"I had to disentangle my birthright from my inheritance. I was born to be a man—to live and die, but my inheritance was that I was born a nigger to be despised."

—James Baldwin

rights leader who knew Baldwin, called him "a great source of inspiration for that generation . . . A prolific and sensitive writer."

Jackson, interviewed in Chicago, said Baldwin's "voice was not watered

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The City of Las Vegas Applications and Public Information Summary is now available for its 1988-1989 Community Development Block Grant Program. Applications are due to the Department of Economic and Urban Development on January 29, 1988 by 4:30 p.m.

Community Development Block Grant Technical Assistance/Public Meetings will be December 8, 15, 1987 and January 12, 19, 1988 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 400 East Stewart Avenue. Attendance is strongly encouraged.

Any questions concerning the application process should be directed to:

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