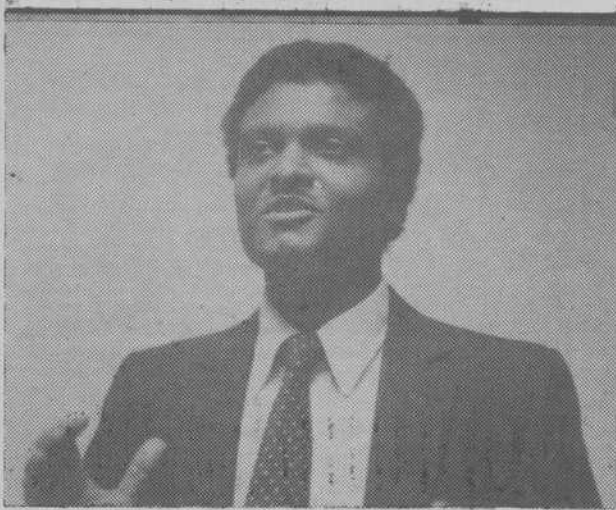


Freedom And Social Justice

by Alexander H. Jones



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Dear Mike Tyson,
Thank you.

Thank you for upholding the pride and hope of African-Americans by refusing to be degraded and destroyed by a dangerous psychiatric drug before our eyes.

Obviously, I cannot speak for the whole community, but I know many of us never believed that psychiatric nonsense. And we didn't need the routine comedy of having one shrink discard the conclusions of another either.

I am not a Ph.D. or even a M.D. I have no big, high sounding degree. But I know how to tell a good apple from a rotten one, and I know that psychiatry is rotten, clean down to the core. It has been nothing but bad news for our people.

Where do I start in explaining what they have taken from us? Do I spend endless days reading the names of the tens of thousands of African-Americans who have been murdered by psychiatric drugs, electroshock and lobotomies in mental hospitals? Do I list out the names of all the elderly widows who have been electro-shocked into early graves while being sucked dry of all insurance money? Do I point to example after

example of young children who are warped, confused or dead after being put on psychiatric drugs to correct invented "learning disorders"?

Do I point to the innocent African-Americans who have been brutally murdered by men and women driven to wild explosions of violence by powerful psychiatric substances? Do I remind people that psychiatry believes that man is a soulless animal and that there is no God? Do I start by reading the quotes of international psychiatric leaders who declared the concept of right and wrong obsolete and vowed to change our ways by infiltrating the Church? Do I jog people's memory by pointing out that as recently as the late 60's leading psychiatrists were advocating lobotomies and chemical castration to cure ghetto violence?

Forgive me for getting carried away, but you see, those of us who know their history, their methods and their motives were frightened for you, and were much relieved when you turned your back on them. Our heroes and champions are important to us. We could not bear to lose another one.

Thank you for surviving.

SPORTLIGHT

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about it?

Len Bias was the No. 1 pick of the Boston Celtics in the NBA draft. The next day he was dead of an overdose. What was more important than a great talent going to waste was the fact a young life was lost.

Because of drugs, Hay-

wood lost his skills, his money, his home and his marriage to fashion model Iman. He says he was talked out of killing Westhead by his mother, who was dying of cancer at the time.

Don't we have enough examples already? Let's get our children back doing sports instead of drugs. It's up to us.

MAYWEATHER vs. PAZIENZA ADDS THIRD WORLD TITLE BOUT TO LEONARD/LALONDE CARD

World Boxing Council super lightweight champion, Roger Mayweather (32-5, 22 KOs) will face former IBF lightweight champion Vinny Pazienza (25-2, 20 KOs) for Mayweather's WBC crown on Nov. 7 at Caesars Palace.

The Mayweather-Pazienza confrontation adds a fourth WBC belt to a card that now features three championship bouts. Donny Lalonde's WBC light heavyweight championship and newly created WBC

super middleweight belt will be at stake when he faces Sugar Ray Leonard, who will attempt to win unprecedented fourth and fifth world titles.

The other title fight will pit champion Gilberto Roman against former world titlist Sugar Baby (Jose) Rojas for the WBC super flyweight crown.

Mayweather, 5'7", from Grand Rapids, Mich., knocked out Rene Arredondo

WORLD-RANKED KO ARTIST PEDROZA FACES MARTIN AT BALLY'S SATURDAY, OCT. 22

World-ranked knockout artist Engels Pedroza faces who could be the toughest foe of his career — crafty

in the sixth round in Los Angeles on Nov. 12, 1987, to win the WBC super lightweight championship. Since then, he has successfully defended his title three times, the last defense coming on June 6 in a 12-round decision against Howard Brazier in Las Vegas. The 25-year-old Mayweather is a former world super featherweight titleholder. His five losses have come against experienced world champions.

A dynamic fighter, the 5'7", 25-year-old Pazienza will attempt to win his second world title. The Providence, R.I., native defeated rival Greg Haugen on June 7, 1987, to win the IBF lightweight belt before losing it to Haugen in a rematch eight months later. Since then, Pazienza has knocked out two opponents in the early rounds, the latest coming Oct 4, against Rick Kaiser in Chicago.

The Mayweather-Pazienza bout is scheduled for 12 rounds.

Tickets for the Leonard-Lalonde card, ranging from \$300 to \$800, still remain at Caesars Olympic Box Office, Ph 800-634-6698 or 702-731-7865. All \$200 and \$1000 seats are sold out.

and rugged Eric "The Prince" Martin, in Banner Promotion's nationally televised, 10-round junior welterweight main event Saturday, Oct. 22 at Bally's Resort Casino.

Also on the professional boxing card at Bally's will be world-ranked welterweight Maurice Blocker against Ruben Villaman in the semi-main event.

Pedroza, ranked No. 7 by the World Boxing Association, has a record of 22-1 with 22 knockouts while Martin, who has gone the distance with three world champions, has a mark of 21-11-2 with seven knockouts.

Blocker, ranked No. 4 by the WBA and No. 5 by the World Boxing Council, has a record of 25-1 with 14 knockouts while Villaman has a mark of 26-9 and 23 knockouts.

Also appearing on the regularly scheduled card presented by Mort Sharnik and Arthur Pelullo of Banner Promotions of Philadelphia and assembled by matchmaker Mel Greb will be three more fights, one featuring undefeated Las Vegas lightweight Jeff Mayweather, younger brother of current WBC super lightweight champion Roger, and another including unbeaten Hartford, Conn., junior welterweight Sean Malone.

The card starts at 7:30 p.m. in Bally's Ballroom



Black Quarterbacks

More and more, we are seeing black quarterbacks on NFL teams. Men like Warren Moon of the Houston Oilers, Randall Cunningham of the Philadelphia Eagles and Super Bowl MVP Doug Williams of the Washington Redskins are some of the real stars in the league.

While some people still believe that racial stereotyping has kept other blacks from getting to the starting quarterback spot, I believe that racism isn't really a factor anymore. There are other reasons why not many blacks have been NFL quarterbacks in the past and why we will start to see more of them in the future.

The scarcity of great black NFL quarterbacks through the years is largely due to the fact that as youngsters, many blacks did not develop proper quarterbacking skills. Because they were multi-talented and excelled in other areas of the game, such as rushing, they did not take the time to develop the skills needed to be passing quarterbacks.

At the collegiate level, the invention of the wishbone formation shifted the focus of the game to quarterbacks who could run and opened the position to many more blacks. But passing is the focus of the NFL game and because of this, many blacks who were college quarterbacks really had no chance of making it at quarterback in the NFL. They just didn't have the all-around skills.

But all that is changing. Rule changes have made professional football so much more of a wide open game that coaches now want big, strong quarterbacks who can scramble and pass effectively, keeping the defense off-guard. Young black quarterbacks are now starting to take the time to hone their passing skills along with their running skills.

Randall Cunningham, who led his team in rushing last year, is the perfect example of what a quarterback can do when he has the double threat of passing and running.

Then again, so is John Elway. That is why I don't believe racism is a factor in the quarterback selection process anymore. Head coaches and general managers want to win ball games, that's the bottom line. Sure, some of them might be sensitive to a black quarterback failing and revive the old stereotype that black quarterbacks just can't cut it in the NFL. And there is the thinking that general managers don't want to draft a black quarterback who they will have to change to another position later.

But the best quarterback will play regardless of whether he is black or white. The main thing it takes is to have the skills to be a professional quarterback. It doesn't matter what your skin color is, if you can't pass, you can't make it as an NFL quarterback. **ii**

Gale Sayers is considered one of the greatest running backs of all time. The former Chicago Bear is a member of the National Football League's Hall of Fame.

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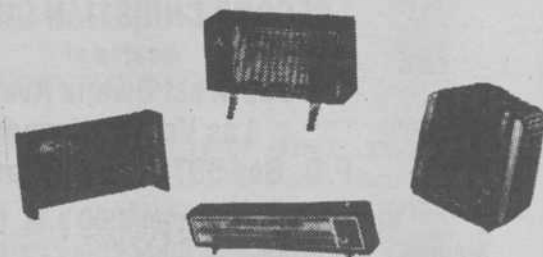
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