

Entertainment



BILLIE ROWE'S NOTEBOOK

LET THE NAACP COUNT ON US ALL

N'YORK CITY: -The itch for freedom has created a contagious scratching all over the world. Here at home growing pockets of tension and terror opening doors leading backwards to the turbulent sixties. Unless all Americans face the issues and douse the sparks before they become flames that will destroy all that which democracy was destined to stand for in all human corners of the universe. To that

end, this letter from Dr. Benjamin L. Hooks, executive director of the NAACP is quoted in full for your attention and a command for your dedicated resolution to rush to the aid of "your" organization in the hours of its greatest needs.

THE LETTER: -"Once again racial bigots are trying to silence the NAACP by resorting to cowardly acts of violence. Lethal mail bombs have been directed to a Federal Judge, a civil rights attorney, a federal court house and the NAACP branch



Benjamin L. Hooks

headquarters in Jacksonville, Florida. Two of the bombs were opened and killed Federal Judge Robert Vance of Birmingham, Alabama. Also Attorney Robert Robinson of Savannah, Ga. The other two bombs, directed at the NAACP's Jacksonville office and 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta, were harmless when detected in advance and disarmed. A few weeks later,

a hate mongering letter was posted taking credit for the diabolic act with threats to hit other NAACP leaders and branches in the future. The Federal law enforcement officials and the NAACP have deduced that the common thread connecting all 4 bombs were NAACP legal suits attacking racial discrimination in schools throughout Florida, Georgia and Alabama."

ON GUARD: -The Justice Department and the FBI have prevailed upon the civil rights organization to take suitable measures to increase security and surveillance wherever its headquarters, regional and local branches are located. The necessary devices and human power necessary to keep each out of harm's way will substantially add to the already high operational costs of the nation's premiere guardians of freedom. Here now "talk is cheap." This one will take hard and on-going cash to mount a winning battle against entrenched violence nurtured by bigotry. So just don't stand on the corner hoarding that couple of booze bucks. Shar them with Dr. Benjamin Hooks, the executive director of the association and his dedicated staff in their month-to-month year-to-year tireless and continuous thrust against maggots that are infecting the body and purpose of democracy. Let the cash flow in this hour of the NAACP's greatest thrust for its and your survival as a free and equal American whose foreparents were imported here from freedom to subjugation while the dominant race was shipped here from subjugation, on the "prison" ship Mayflower, to freedom and rulers of a land which belonged to the Indians. In his letter plea Dr. Hooks urged us to demonstrate to the cowards that Americans reject the methods of those who hide in dark corners and use weapons of death and destruction anonymously. His call to mobilize is to the millions of Americans who believe in a free and equal America without regards to race, creed, religion or political affiliation. It has been said and proven that evil thrives in any society wherein good people remain silent.

BLACK SILVER LINING SPOTLIGHTS FILM FESTIVAL

The Berlin Wall isn't the only thing that's tumbling down under the weight of change. To the surprise of many, the chagrin of a few women and African-Americans dominated the 12th Annual U.S. Film Festival. "Chameleon Street," an initial film by director/writer Wendell B. Harris, Jr., was adjudged the winner of the "Grand Jury Award." Charles Burnett, a Los Angeles filmmaker's "To Sleep With Anger," was awakened by a special "Grand Jury Award." Cinematographer Peter Deming's "House Party" was singled out for the Dramatic accolade. A comedy by Black filmmakers Reginald and Warrington Hudlin, it also won a dramatic trophy...If you're wondering what's happening with Whoopi Goldberg, she's on a Hollywood set with Jean Stapleton, bringing alive the CBS-TeeVee sitcom "Bagdad Cafe"...Molly Moon's annual Beaux Arts Ball's theme is "The Other H'wood." Bright in the spotlight will be Oscar contender Morgan Freeman, for his "Driving Miss Daisy" and "Glory." Filmmaker William Graves and producer Paula Weinstein whom the Guild will also honor. After the Ball there will be a "Champagne Breakfast." The preview of the flick "A Dry White Season" is the perfect lead into the Ball's theme. Baritone Sir James Randolph will lend his voice in song...Walking happily to the bank as the result of his universally hailed untold civil war drama "Glory," TriStar Pictures has locked in with producer Freddie Fields to purchase the film rights to the Boys Choir of Harlem story. He would love to cast "Glory" star, Denzel Washington in the role of founder and director Walter Turnbull...When you're hot you can boil. Janet Jackson's initial tour sold out



Janet Jackson

the Delaware Valley concert arena in 55 minutes...Top delineator, Ruth Brown, personally dropped several coins to douse those rumors of a stage hands, performer's fued going on backstage at the Minskoff Theatre where "Black and Blue," the award winning musical, is moving into its second year...The Equitable Financial Companies has put Arthur W. White, Jr., its "I can do it" Veep, into the executive director chair of its Youth Summer Jobs initiative. He has already cranked up the machinery...Those in love with a job well done have their hopes crossed that N.Y.P.D. top cop, the Hon. Lee Brown, will keep on Comm. Billie Holiday as deputy Police Comish. Community Affairs. It would be the perfect reward for a job well done...STAY LOOSE...Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.



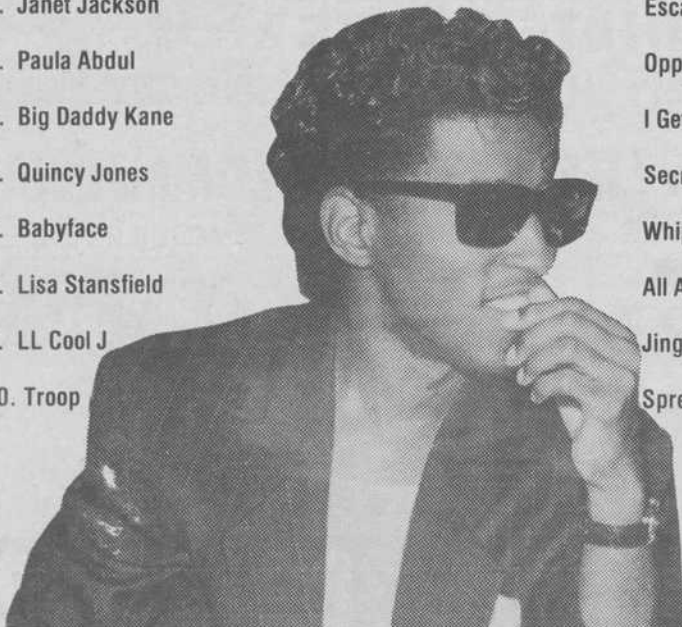
Denzel Washington



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Top Ten Strong Singles

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| 1. Stacy Lattisaw & Johnny Gill | Where Do We Go |
| 2. Michel'le | No More Lies |
| 3. Janet Jackson | Escapade |
| 4. Paula Abdul | Opposites Attract |
| 5. Big Daddy Kane | I Get the Job Done |
| 6. Quincy Jones | Secret Garden |
| 7. Babyface | Whip Appeal |
| 8. Lisa Stansfield | All Around the World |
| 9. LL Cool J | Jingling Baby |
| 10. Troop | Spread My Wings |



Babyface

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