

# Point of View

## What is "white media" up to now?

By Tony Brown

The "White media" has so thoroughly depicted Louis Farrakhan as anti-Jewish, & of course, anti-White that no traditional African American leader will even share a podium with him. But just as Farrakhan's position as a pariah was assured, the "White establishment press" reversed itself on the leader of the Nation of Islam. The *Washington Post*, for example, has respectfully rediscovered him as an "emerged Black leader" with "a large role in U.S. politics."

*In a very conspicuous, and most peculiar, treatment reserved for heads of state, The Washington Times and The Washington Post gave elaborate space on the same day (March 1, 1990) to very objective page-one stories, along with two text-tight inside pages in a double-truck spread. The Post front page headline read: "Farrakhan Calls for Better Relations With Jews." The paper said its staff had spent 2 1/2 hours at breakfast with Farrakhan's "contingent of 20 Muslim leaders and security personnel."*

Struck by the obvious shift in policy, I wondered what went into the new thinking. Had they changed their minds about Farrakhan being anti-Jewish or anti-White? Not hardly. Then if the establishment attitude toward him has not softened, why is he getting treatment reserved for only one other African American, Jesse Jackson?

That's also strange because, while the establishment press largely promotes Jackson because it sees his personal needs overwhelming his ability to threaten the "White status quo," Farrakhan is viewed as a wild card - potentially capable of extremist behavior, including a call to violence among the masses.

This peculiar turn has also aroused intra-Post concern. *Post* columnist **Richard Cohen**, unimpressed with Farrakhan's olive branch to Jews, criticized his paper's judgement for holding a "marathon breakfast" for one labelled as a "racist and antisemite." However, the answer to my questions and Cohen's outrage may come

from the growing popularity of a "Black version" of "The Plan." This euphemism refers loosely to an alleged "plan" by the U.S. government and the White establishment to annihilate the African American population with drugs, AIDS, poverty, jail, illiteracy, crime, etc.

However, the original version of "The Plan" ("THE PLAN" published by *Independent Research Associates*, Box 2013, Hayden, Idaho 83835) has been around for decades with its emphasis on a small cabal of powerful families, nefarious characters and secret societies starting wars



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and plotting a one-world government for their own selfish ends.

Two recent books "*Space-Gate: The Veil Removed*" and "*Cry Of The Phoenix: Death Rattle of Freedom*" (*American West Publishers*, 6992 El Camino Real #104-335, Carlsbad, California 92009) have updated that "plan" to include AIDS, the "gray-men" and the government cover-up of extraterrestrials visiting our planet.

The original plot of the "plan" has grown from the Bilderbergers, MJ-12 (Majestic 12), the Rockefellers, the Council for Foreign Relations, the Jason Society, the Trilateral Commission, Skull and Bones at Yale, which claims President Bush as a member, to the present unconfirmed conspiracy between Communist China and the Bush Administration.

"America's Secret Establishment" (Liberty House Press) links Skull and

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## POLITICAL POINTS

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### I'm A Step Closer To Death



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480 years before the birth of Christ, one of the greatest Greek poets of all time was born. Euripides once said when speaking of death, "Who knows but life be that which men call death, and death what men call life?" Euripides like other great thinkers explored the concept of death. Surely Shakespeare had a point when he said, "The ripest fruit is first to fall." Last week one of the ripest of ripe fruit fell, and a part of my life fell with him.

On last Friday afternoon, I paid a visit to Booker Burney over at the Hair Unlimited Barbershop. After our talk, I headed out of the door and immediately walked into one of the most caring individuals that I have ever known. In several minutes as we stood and talked, we were able to discuss several topics. Like so many times before, he gleamed like a child on Christmas morning, as he talked about a community project that he and I were working on. And as always, as he talked, words poured out of his mouth that would easily rival the best of dictionaries. And as always, as he talked, his body stood proud and as erect as a Grecian pillar. He was a man who fully understood and discovered that the only joy of living is the joy of giving.

As we began our departure, he gave me his usual warm smile, we shook hands and walked away. That moment made real to me the thoughts of George Eliot, when he once said, "In every parting, there is an image of death." When I walked away from Brother Anthony Thomas at that moment, I would have never dreamed that it would be the last time I would see him alive.

When you love someone, you live a part of them; when they experience death, you experience it also. I am proud to have shared a part of Anthony's life; I also readily accept that fact that when Anthony died, so did a part of me and a part of the world.

Yes, we are all closer to death, because we lost a spirit from among us who understood the importance of world peace, the importance of giving, showing and sharing love. A committed spirit that not only talked a good talk, but more importantly, walked the walk. The impact that Anthony Thomas made on the State of Nevada during the past 28 years will continue to grow through the many lives that were enriched through contact and interaction with him.

Where ever Anthony Thomas is now, the people there better get ready for one of the best people they could ever welcome. Where ever Anthony Thomas is now, he has a part of me. However, I guess it could be worse - it could have been that I never knew him at all. And that would really be sad. My soul is sharing Anthony's death and feels good about it. Peace be unto you, Brother, I'm with you.

**POINTS IN HISTORY:** — 26 years ago on April 14th, Sidney Poitier became the 1st African-American to win an Oscar.

101 years ago on April 15th, Labor Leader A. Philip Randolph was born.

128 years ago on April 16th, Congress passed the Bill ending slavery in Washington, D.C.

**POINT OF VIEW** — "The Negro cannot win, if he is willing to sell the future of his children for his personal and immediate comfort and safety." - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## To Be Equal

# TAX STRUCTURE UNDER SCRUTINY

By John E. Jacob

Congress is in its annual tax debate, with the Administration pushing for cuts in the capital gains tax, Senator Moynihan plugging for a cut in social security payroll taxes, and others calling for imposing new taxes or cutting old ones.



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The debate takes place in the shadow of a huge federal deficit and tight reins on most forms of government spending that keep us from making investments in human resources that are the basis for future prosperity.

Advocates of a capital gains cut say that tax break would be such an investment.

Investors now pay taxes on gains enjoyed from the sale of stock or other assets at their regular income tax rate. Before the tax law changed in 1986, such investments were taxed at a lower rate.

All we have to do, say the backers of a capital gains cut, is to restore a lower tax rate on capital gains, and that will spur new investments that create jobs and put some juice back into the fading economic boom.

The trouble with their thesis is that the plan is unfair and wouldn't accomplish its stated goals.

The fairness issue should be enough to sink the proposal.

Since the big 1981 tax cuts that were tilted toward the affluent, the tax system has driven the growth of inequality in America.

During the 1980s, the after-tax income of the richest

20 percent of American families rose by over 5 percent. At the same time, the after-tax income of the poorest 20 percent declined.

In 1986, tax reform legislation cut the number of tax brackets, leaving the most affluent taxpayers in the 28 percent bracket. At the start of the decade, the top bracket was taxed was taxed at 70 percent.

So another tax cut for the

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affluent would just accelerate the trend toward inequality.

A congressional study found that 83 percent of the benefits of a capital gains tax cut would go to families earning \$100,000 and up -- two-thirds of the benefits would go to families earning more than \$200,000.

Even if that's so, claim the backers of the plan, less affluent people would benefit because it would encourage savings and investment, and thus create more jobs.

But that's highly unlikely. The national savings rate is even lower today than it was when tax rates were high.

There's no reason to assume that another tax break for the more affluent will encourage them to save and invest any more than previous tax breaks did.

After a decade of merger fever, leveraged buyouts, and other financial games, no one can safely assume that tax breaks automatically get channeled into job-creating investments.

The big secret about the so-called tax-cutting decade of the 1980s was that it was a decade of tax increases for the less well-off.

While income tax rates were cut, payroll taxes went up sharply. Today, many working people pay more in

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