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"It's seven to eleven, and it's time for some Ghetto Heaven." Yes, recording artist FAMILY STAND has another big hit record currently slamming in the east coast called, "Sweet Liberation." Everyone is saying this record's "Got The Power."

Say it loud, I'm black and I'm proud! With Black History month upon us, the Mattel Toy Company is pleasantly surprising African-American's with the coming out of line of Shani Afri-

can-American dolls. In New York the Mattel Toy Co. will display these new Shani African-American dolls at a celebration party at the legendary String-Fellows Night Club. Also, celebrating the coming out of these long awaited "In Living Color" dolls, is new recording artist ENVOGUE. ENVOGUE will dazzle the Mattel crowd with their singing inspirations at the String-Fellow throw down. Oh, and there will also be a tribute to the late great WILLIE

SMITH. "Mattel, I think it is so Black of you to do this."

Love is in the air, and I wonder if it is due to the month being February, or if it is because BARRY WHITE and BIG DADDY KANE's new record has hit the airwaves. Well, the Apollo Theater in New York is keeping the love fires burning by highlighting singing sensations THE O'JAYS and SURFACE for the New York Lovers on Valentine's Day! "I don't know how you can get there, but get there if you can!"

Recently, JEFFREY OSBORNE was quoted as saying that the reason he switched from

A & M Records to Arista Records is because A & M took him for granted. I guess A & M is 'only human' JEFF."

Happy Birthday to ya, DONNY SIMPSON! Yes, this past January 30, 1991 was BET's own, DONNY SIMPSON's birthday. "Donny, you don't have to talk just look at me with those beautiful eyes, and you know it!!" The sound track for the new up-and-coming movie, New Jack City, is said to be Stupid Dope! Oh, for you that might not be able to translate the new age language, Stupid and Dope



Smokey Robinson

mean tremendously good! The new Mario Van Peebles movie has artists such as,

JOHNNY GILL, KEITH SWEAT, TEDDY RILEY, and GUY kicking on the sound track. This New Jack City movie is currently having premiers in select cities around the country.

Smoking them up recently in Las Vegas was SMOKEY ROBINSON, who headlined at the Las Vegas Hilton. Also, on the west coast in Los Angeles all of the EX-RATED RAPPERS gathered to party down with party host "BITCHES WITH PROBLEMS" and "NO FACE" at the Pounna Night Club. Well, until nexttime, "Let Me Entertain You!"

DRAW RAVES DURING 80-CITY NORTH AMERICAN TRIPLE THREAT TOUR

BELL BIV DeVOE WIN TWO AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS

Bell Biv DeVoe — whose debut MCA Records album, Poison, recently went Triple Platinum — have added to their success, winning two awards at the 18th Annual American Music Awards ceremonies, held January 28 at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

Bell Biv DeVoe, featuring New Edition members Ricky Bell, Michael Bivins and Ronnie DeVoe, were voted Favorite New Soul/Rhythm & blues Artist and Favorite New Dance Music Artist. They were also nominated in two other AMA categories: Favorite Pop/Rock Band and Fa-





vorite Pop/Rock Band and Favorite Soul/Rhythm & Blues Band.

The American Music Awards are selected by the public, with 20,000 ballots sent out to a cross-section of individuals across America. Two other MCA Recording Artists won AMAs: Reba McEntire, for Favorite Country Album (Reba Live) and Favorite Country Female Artist, and George Strait, for Favorite Country Male Artist.

When nominations for the Fifth Annual Soul Train Music Awards were announced recently, Bell Biv DeVoe were nominated in two categories: Best R & B/Urban Contemporary Single ("Poison"), Group or Duo and R & B/Urban Contemporary Album of the Year (Poison), Group or Duo.

The five month, 80-city, North American Triple Threat Tour, featuring co-headliners Bell Biv DeVoe, Johnny Gill and Keith Sweat, has been garnering lots of press attention, with most of the words of praise being directed at BBD. A USA Today review of the Philadelphia Spectrum show noted, "With a smart blend of rap and R & B and outrageous stage antics, Bell Biv DeVoe surprising steal the show." The USA Today reviewer goes on to call the BBD set an "energetic, stylized performance."

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