

Entertainment

**Billy
Rowe's
Notebook**



SALUTING A KING WITH GOD-LIKE QUALITIES

N'YORK CITY:— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a man of the ages who belongs to immortality. There's a continuing new sound throughout the land today, that embraces the entire world. This sound has a name, the name of a man...Martin Luther King, Jr., whose birthday is celebrated as a national holiday annually. Equality is not a gift that is often graciously bestowed, no matter how much in principle people agree to it. It is something to be cherished, to be hard fought for and won. And there are as many ways to win it, as there are human beings on this earth with burdens. But each person has it in themselves to win a piece, maybe once in a lifetime, there comes a person whose gift is so great, whose unselfishness is so unmistakably God given, that their voice becomes heard as the choice of many. Martin Luther King, Jr., was such a man. He had the gift of compassion, and he expressed it with warmth, understanding and feeling. he called it his dream! Maybe there is no other

statement with which to define it. Maybe "I Have a Dream," a simple phrase, just like that, is enough to describe all the fears and loneliness and desires of human beings.

But for Martin Luther King, Jr., it was more. It was the sound of a woman crying, of a child dreaming of the future, of a poor drought-filled land seeking water. And more than that, it was the sound of his people expressing their faith for tomorrow in the realistic terms of their daily understanding. In his time the world of the South, from a "Black" point of view, was like no other world. It had standards and prejudices of its own. It was in this world that Martin Luther King, Jr., began to make himself hear. We do not have to repeat here the many degrading terms which embraced his ears. We remember them too well from our youth. But that sound is dying today, and the world has come to recognize Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., his just struggle and, through it, the just desires of his people. The world recognized Dr. King with its highest honor, the Nobel Peace Prize. In accepting the honor, Dr. King realized that it was not exclusively the property of one man. The Peace Prize belongs not exclusively to one people, nor to one race. Such an honor was bestowed upon him as representative of a way of life, a way of life that stands up for Humankind, and which counts Humankind one by one. It is not a difficult nor complex way of living. It is the right way!

Martin Luther King, Jr., was a simple man. He never thought of himself as a warrior, as a knight in shining armor. He just fell in love with humanity and had a dream of a better world of a denied people and went afar to forge that dream into a reality to bring into focus and in reach of his people the promise of freedom. Inside that dark world in which prejudice, discrimination and bias had locked his people his spirit shone bright, and was undimmed for even in darkness he could see many wonders...It is these wonders that make his legacy to the world.

END NOTES:— The warm embrace by the President of the

SENTINEL-VOICE TOP 10 SINGLES

- 1.) STAY - Jodeci
- 2.) WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND - Eric B. & Rakim
- 3.) KEEP IT COMIN' - Keith Sweat
- 4.) LET'S STAY TOGETHER - GUY
- 5.) REMEMBER THE TIME - Michael Jackson
- 6.) I WANT YOU - Jody Watley
- 7.) COMFORT ZONE - Vanessa Williams
- 8.) THE RUSH - Luther Vandross
- 9.) CAN'T LET GO - Mariah Carey
- 10.) MY WORLD - ABC

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TWO WEEKS @ #1: Stay
STRONG CONTENDERS TO TAKE OVER #1: Keep It Comin' - Let's Stay Together - What's On Your Mind
PICK HIT OF THE WEEK: The Rush
POTENTIAL TOP 10 SONGS: Diamonds & Pearls - Prince; What You See - Aretha Franklin; You Called And Told Me - Jeff Redd; Somebody Loves You - Patti Labelle
***** FURTHERMORE...:** Jodeci holds the #1 spot for it's second straight week; Big shake up in the Top 10 as Luther-Mariah and ABC make an appearance; Keith Sweat should steal the #1 spot next week!!!
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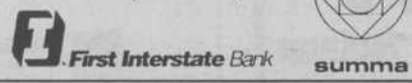
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United States around the United Negro College Fund is a sure sign that William H. Gray, III; president and CEO of the Fund, is moving a different and more productive direction of financially strengthening the program. I wonder if all those who spotlighted the King Holiday at a price, shared any of the money making with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Center for Non-Violent Social Change in Atlanta. The depression has hit them also and I am sure that Coretta Scott King could use some financial help. This is no time to be financially selfish. It isn't all racism in Brooklyn. The Brooklyn Public Library will celebrate Black History Month with nine performance of "Roots of Rap: A Musical Drama." Three performers and a percussionist from the Interborough Repertory Theatre will explore the poetic use of language by comparing and contrasting rap music with the works of Langston Hughes, Robert Hayden, Paul Lawrence Dunbar and other great poets of African descent, as well as with peddler's rhymes and the words from children's games. Eddie Murphy Prods. has upped Linda R. Morris from manager of development to director of development. A three year veteran of Eddie Murphy Prods., she is currently the liaison between the company and its distributor, Paramount Pictures in the development of feature films. Propaganda Films, producers of Michael Jackson's "Remember The Times" video, were picketed by members of the Theatrical Stage Employees Union. Protesters claimed that the producers hired crews for lesser conditions and no health, welfare and pension payments. Michael is not a part of the dispute. the Rhythm & Blues Foundation, an independent organization founded to foster wider recognition and financial assistance for R&B performers, will award \$160,000.00 to 10 R&B pioneers in February. Recipients are Hank Ballard, Bobby (Blue) Bland, Chuck Jackson, Ella Johnson, Nellie Lutcher, Jesse Stone, Rufus Thomas, and Paul (Hucklebuck) Williams. Members of the Dells and the Staple Singers will receive \$20,000 awards. The "Racism, Intolerance & T.V.," panel at this years National Assoc. of Television Program Executives confab in New Orleans may be one of the most interesting. Participants include "Roots" author Alex Haley; DJ and TV announcer Casey Kasem; Time Mag senior writer William A. Henry III; Cassandra Clayton, co-host of CNBC's "The Real Story"; lance Hill, exec. director of the Louisiana Coalition Against Naziism and Racism; and Dick Lobo, V.P. and general manager of NBC-owned WTMJ Miami. TV gabber Montel Williams will moderate...STAY LOOSE...Billy Rowe is a syndicated columnist.