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"TOP OF THE ETCHINGS..."

The recent appointment of former Philadelphia Police commissioner Willie L. Williams to replace Daryle F. Gates as Police Chief here in the City of Los Angeles, is the beginning of the healing process and reform of the Police Department that is long overdue. It also marks the first time in 50 years that an outsider (and I hate the term) has been appointed to head the L.A. police department. His appointment also makes him the first black man to be appointed for the position.

He brings with him an outstanding record from his 29-year police career, and is a strong advocate of community based policing programs. He was lauded for his success of keeping a racially diverse city in harmony, and his strong stand on disciplining officers involved in misconduct.

From a former Philadelphian to a soon to be former Philadelphian, we say congratulations on your appointment as our new Police Chief. Hopefully, your coming to us from the City of Brotherly Love' will bring to Los Angeles, the love, understanding and police programs it takes to curb police brutality especially those that are racially motivated, eliminate drive-by-shootings, and in general effect an overall cure of the cities chronic ills stemming from or relating to the city's police department.

Millie Jackson's hot and hilarious musical stage play "Young Man, Older Woman" that was scheduled to begin a five day run in New Orleans at the State Palace Theatre on the 29th of April, has been pushed back a week because Millie's original playdates at the State Palace Theatre would bump heads with the overflow crowds attending the Annual New Orleans Heritage Jazz Festival which winds down its' five day run of the town on May 3rd. The rescheduled opening date for Millie Jackson and her all star cast comprised of Myles Jaye, Kesha Jackson, Reynaldo Rey, Douglas Knight and Pjaye Scott, plus the internationally famous E.Z. Action band to hit the stage at the State Palace Theatre in New Orleans for a five day run, is now May 6th.

There is also a strong possibility the hit recording group of Ray, Goodman and Brown will added to the cast of Millie's "Young Man, Older Woman" musical stage play before the tour ends.

The hush-hush network planning that's been in the works for a while, has leaked out!! The producers of NBC's "Quantum Leap" series are working on an unusual show-within-a-show story line in which Scott Bakula would time travel in the body of "Magnum P.I.'s" Tom Selleck. Which means that Rodger E. Mosely will be joining Tom Selleck, John Hillerman and Larry Manetti in a sorta' reunion of the "Magnum P.I." series. The story line to air as a season cliff-hanger next month — Sam (Bakula) and his partner Albert (Dean Stockwell) land in Hawaii, where Sam becomes the former CBS private eye. To other characters in the episode, Bakula will appear as Selleck, and to viewers watching this episode, he'll be seen as himself.

Tinseltowners are also talking about Grammy Award winning singer Natalie Cole and her husband Andre Fisher, who is credited with producing half of the numbers on her Grammy Award winning "Unforgettable" album, having a riff which resulted in her asking him to leave the house.

Smokey Robinson was honored at the Inaugural Motor City Music Awards for lifetime achievements that included soul singing, and helping to found Motown Records, Sunday, April 12th, at Detroit's Music Hall. The awards program took place before nearly 2,000 musicians and fans, and was presented by the Motor City Awards Foundation, a non-profit group of promoters, radio stations, fans and civic groups.

Looks like the next project for Eddie Murphy is a sketch comedy TV show, called "Bust A Move." Casting is underway for this ABC-TV pilot that's being executive produced by Eddie that will feature stand up comics, and improvisational players.

Apparently Danny Glover and Mel Gibson have become cult artists with high ratings on the list of cult collectibles! Folks are actually breaking glass and taking the one-sheets promoting "Lethal Weapon 3," which opens May 15th, so they can have their very own copy of the poster art with Danny Glover, and Mel Gibson's likeness. So far no ones been caught, or an arrest made here in Tinseltown relative to this case.

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The AIDS Education video aimed at teenagers and young adults that Magic Johnson and Arsenio Hall are collaborating on "Play It Safe: the Truth About HIV, AIDS, and You," will feature skits, music and instructions by such popular performers as Paula Abdul, Kirstie Alley, Bobby Brown and Jasmine Guy. It will be directed by Malcolm Jamal-Warner from the Cosby Show... and that's Hollywood this time!! Until the next time.

SENTINEL-VOICE TOP 10 SINGLES

1.) GOODBYE - Tevin Campbell
2.) SAVE THE BEST FOR LAST - Vanessa Williams
3.) WHY ME BABY (Remix) - Keith Sweat with LL Cool J
4.) JUMP - Kriss Kross
5.) ALL WOMAN - Lisa Stansfield
6.) I DREAM...I DREAM - Jermaine Jackson
7.) MY LOVIN' - En Vogue
8.) WE GOT A LOVE THANG - Ce Ce Penniston
9.) MONEY DON'T MATTER TONIGHT - Prince
10.) WHITE MEN CAN'T JUMP - Riff

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2ND #1 SONG FOR: Tevin Campbell - Goodbye

PICK HIT OF THE WEEK: Jump

GOTTA SAY WHATS UP: To local recording artist and radio personality **Greg-Spin.** The former **KCEP** jock has found a new home at **KYRK-POWER 97**. So if you miss humor and wit on the air, tune into **'97** throughout the day and check him out.

FURTHERMORE: **Tevin** chalks up another #1 song; Watch for the youngsters named **Kriss Kross** to tie up the #1 spot after next week as they **Jump** in line to take over the top spot although **Keith** and **L.L. Cool J** could visit #1 also; Yes **Lisa**, you are definitely **All Woman** but you are also "all through" climbing with this cut - it'll take others to falter for you to resurge

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"EYES ON THE PRIZE" PRODUCER TO BE HONORED BY BLACK MAYORS

Atlanta, GA— Henry Hampton, creator and executive producer of the award-winning PBS documentary series, **EYES ON THE PRIZE**, will be presented the **"Tribute to a Black American"** Award during the National Conference of Black mayors, Inc.'s (NCBM) 18th Annual Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. This award, the organizations highest honor, recognizes African Americans whose life and work symbolize both struggle and achievement.

The **"Tribute to a Black American"** Award dinner will be held the evening of Saturday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m., culminating the convention activities at the Kansas City Hyatt Regency Crown Center. Hampton will be the keynote speaker for the dinner. Paying tribute to Hampton will be Amelia Parker, Executive Director of the Congressional Black Caucus and record producer Quincy Jones.

As president and founder of Blackside, Inc. since 1968, Hampton has produced or been responsible for more than 50 major films and media projects. **EYES ON THE PRIZE**, one of the most highly acclaimed tele-

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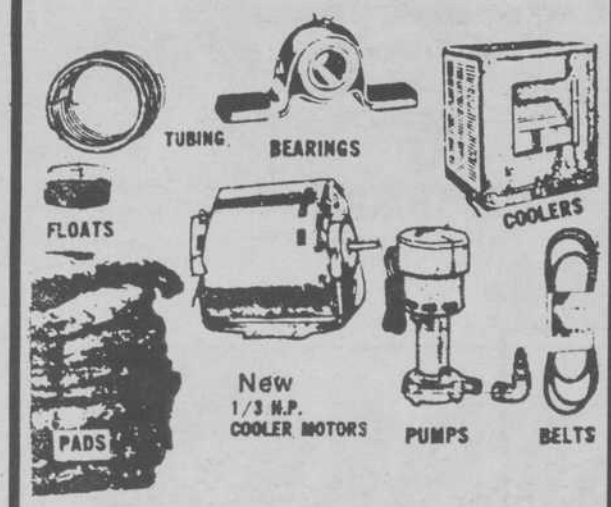

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