

MINORITY REPORT

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 Executive director United Negro College Fund, New York, 1970 to 1971.

After Whitney Young drowned off the coast of Africa in

1970, Jordan in 1972 succeeded him as president of the National Urban League. He served until 1981. Jordan performed civic tasks on many boards, commissions, and councils. He is a

member of the A.M.E. Church, the American Bar Association, the National Bar Association, the National Council of Black Lawyers, the Council on Foreign Relations, the Century Association and other groups.

Jordan was almost killed in May of 1980 when shot in the back by a gunman believed to be Joseph Paul Franklin, a White man and avowed racist, from Mobile, Ala. Reports say the bullet was from a 30.6 rifle and "left a hole almost large enough to put a fist in." Jordan's life was saved by a Black surgeon, Dr. Jeffrey H. Towles, who performed the operation. Jordan was shot when about to enter his room at a motel before going to a speaking engagement at the Fort Wayne, Ind., Urban League.

Newspapers report the would-be assassin was arrested because of his previous history of attacks on Black people and his being traced to a location near the attempted assassination site on the day of the crime. He was not tried because of a reported "lack of evidence." Some Blacks say he was a "copy-cat killer" attempting to mimic James Earl Ray, who used a rifle in 1968 to kill Dr. Martin Luther King in Memphis.

Since president-elect Bill Clinton named Jordan head of his transition team, speculation is that Jordan may be the first Black U.S. attorney general.

George Bush used Willie Horton to scare White people, to divide the nation along racial lines and to get a larger "White"

vote for himself. He imitated Nixon and Reagan, who with a numerically inferior political party successfully used the Horton-like ploy of racial hatred to divert the nation's attention away from

America's economic decline and infrastructure deterioration.

The Jordan appointment is one Clinton signal that he wants to be fair, reunite a ruptured nation and heal its racial wounds.

FASHION TIPS

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• Pick the Right Pocket - At conventions and trade shows where you'll be meeting a lot of contacts wear clothes with flat, square pockets to hold business cards.

• Dress Up - Dress "up" to the position/status to which you aspire. There's something to be said for the entry-level worker who dresses like the boss.

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POET'S CORNER

THE ANGRIEST BLACK MAN IN AMERICA

(A Tribute To Malcolm X) By Derick Wickliffe

The angriest black man in America,
 Despises the blue-eyed devil who
 often hides behind a sheet.
 Because America's racist system of
 oppression -
 Continues to cripple races of people
 right before her feet.

The angriest black man in America,
 Despises the modern-day house Negro
 who stays in his place,
 Because he's locked away in a mental prison,
 While roaming through life like a man
 without a face.

The angriest black man in America,
 Believes violence is the result of many years
 of oppression.
 Because if you continuously deny a man his basic
 human rights,
 He'll eventually let you feel his frustration.

The angriest black man in America,
 Didn't come to this country on no luxurious cruise.
 Malcolm took the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad,
 And in the black neighborhoods, he and others spread the news.

The angriest black man in America,
 Is just watching his back,
 And as a descendent of the lost
 tribe of Shabazz,
 He despises pacifistic handouts that stem from
 America's political acts.

The angriest black man in America,
 Was outspoken and also had a dream,
 One of black solidarity -
 Flowing in unity like a peaceful stream.

40 DEEP

By Keith A. Brantley
 At the bottom of the bottle
 I have something to keep;
 a belly full of despair
 forty ounces deep.
 In my mind
 I'm blind
 to yesterdays pain
 pride to the side until the bottle gets drained.
 Maybe then
 a friend
 can speak a little truth
 but the facts
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