THE NAACP AND YOU



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THE PRESIDENCY IS OJI

President Bill Clinton is going through a period of time, as all other presidents have gone through, known as <u>On The Job Training</u>. This president has never been president before, therefore he needs to be trained.

It's evident that he has the academic, physical, psychological and moral ingredients needed to become a great president. Just maybe, in the future, the president will become a president in the likeness of a Franklin Roosevelt or a John Kennedy, if only the media and Republicans will give him a chance.

These two aforementioned presidents were people persons. They believed in giving people a chance to help themselves. When there were choices to be made between property and people they did not hesitate to come down on the side of people, unlike two other presidents Reagan and Bush.

This president is neither forgetful nor sleepy, and is more on the ball than most presidents. He is young; a Rhodes Scholar, a family man, has a beautiful wife who is highly intelligent and is committed thelping 37 million Americans get some form of health insurance.

Contrast those descriptions with most of their critics such as Senator Bob Dole of Kansas who wants to be president but probably will never be because his interest is not in people, but apparently in helping the greedy, such as the Pentagon contract cheaters and not the needy. The Contra scoundrels and The Savings and Loan thieves.

President Clinton's greatest fault was in promising, during his campaign, that he was going to change many of the bad things about America in 100 days, that took Presidents Ronald Reagan and

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George Bush to accumulate in 12 years. The second biggest mistake president Clinton made was to weasle out of standing by his nomination of Lani Guinier as assistant attorney general for Civil Rights in the U.S. Dept. of Justice.

The unfairness of this case is that the nominee was tried and convicted in the media and was never allowed to go to the U.S. Senate, the proper body for examination, approval or rejection.

The shameful reasons given for the lack of customary advice and consent to play out it's role was that the nominee believes in quotas and as does America. Quotes can have either a negative or positive effect on the status quo.

The great majority of U.S. institutions such as the U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, State, County, and City Governments, Universitie's Departments of Law, Medicine, Dentistry or engineering, television, radio and newspapers, all have a limit on the number of women, Afro-Americans, Latin American and American

Indians and other minorities that will be allowed to be elected to be employed or to participate.

The hypocrisy of this sordid scenario is that Ms. Guinier's critics have been practicing for a long time the very same things that they accused her of writing about. So you see the pot can't call the skillet black

Senator Dole and his crew were painfully silent when the president gave the former Russians States \$1.6 billion to bail them out economically speaking, 1 trillion to bail out the savings and loans cheaters and refused to approve, by vote, 16 billion to rebuild the run downed inner cities of America.

All of you who want to be or would like to be president, just you wait, your turn might come some day and you will have your chance, like President Clinton, to get your OJT (On the Job Training.)

Let's stop griping and complaining so much and pray for President Clinton and the leaders of America.

GUEST COMMENTARY

NATION BUILDING

By Kamau Khalfani

Early this week I received a rather disturbing phone call about one of the former students of the boycott school (the Clark County School District boycott) that was run by WAAK-Up.

It seems that one student from that school was accused of assaulting a librarian from one of the local high schools. I did not realize who the child was until I was reminded that at the end of the boycott the child's mother called Mrs. Lewis to find out who "Mr. Kamau" was. The boy was determined not to return to the public school system because they did not treat the children the way Mr. Kamau did.

Iremembered finding outhow the boy cried because he did not want to return to that academic setting.

I remember telling him that to be a man is a practiced art and that you had to practice everyday and that the only time that you failed was when you stop trying.

Too many of our boys have stopped trying...and we no longer give them any reason to try!

What happened to this librarian cannot be down played but what is happening to our people is a far greater crime.

As an architect in the scheme of Nation Building I know that I cannot afford to be distracted by

this event or a Charles Bush or a Rodney King incident. I know that I must concentrate on creating or recreating the institutions that prevents this sort of thing from happening in the first place. This is the greatest place for establishing black schools like "The West Las Vegas Summer Program". The School of African Philosophy is teaching, feeding, transporting and most of all loving these children every day.

I, myself will be returning to the airways on June 19th at 2 pm on K.L.A.V. Radio with a show called "The Learning Tree" because we need a voice that is true to the people. These things can be the building blocks for our black nation but they are not enough! We must be able to envision victory and maintain confidence in our young warriors even when they have errored!...We cannot afford to turn our back on ourselves; not now...not ever!

If you would like to resport to this article write to "The Pame Minister of Information at 1301" D" St. LV NV, 89106. Hotep!

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL OF AFRICAN PHILOSOPHY

Back in January the School of African Philosophy had the pleasure of presenting Dr. Anyim Palmer to the Las Vegas community.

Dr. Palmer is the founder of the Marcus Garvey School in Los Angeles, an alternative, private school dedicated to educating African children from an Afrocentric perspective. He and his staff have elementary school children doing geometry and algebra, these students read at four and five grade levels above their actual grades and they receive healthy doses of self-esteem daily. Dr. Palmer's primary reason for accepting our invitation was to tell us that we too could and should do the same for our children here in Las Vegas.

On Monday June 14, 1993 the School of African Philosophy in conjunction with Project Youth will implement it's annual summer school program. This innovative program, modeled after Marcus Garvey and other alternative schools, will teach the standard subjects: "reading, writing and arithmetic," but from the Afrocentric view that is an understanding of the African contribution to these subjects.

It should be no secret by now that the European education system was designed for "subordination, exploitation, the creation of mental confusion and the development of under-development" of Africans. We hope to counter act their instrument of mental genocide this summer with future plans of creating a year-round school designed to develop strong and proud African children who can compete globally in any sphere.

The school and Project Youth, both non-profit organizations, can use all the assistance we can get. As one of our primary focus is the community, we are asking for help in any form or fashion that you may be able to render. Monetary donations, school supplies and your time are all valuable assets that would be instrumental in making the year's program a success.

Anyone willing and/or able to donate money, supplies or time contact the Ministers of Information at 796-7702 or 225-8363 and leave information regarding yourself and your contribution. We'll get back immediately. We thank you in advance for any support you may render! Until next week this has been the Minister of Information.

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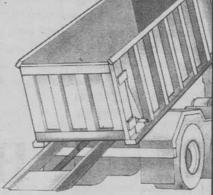


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