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ing yourself to have your enemy decide on what basis you will wage war. An example: Yes, it is true that many young African American children do have access to Uzi's and are beginning to use them on each other. However, if we were to drive up and down every African Ameri-

can community in this country, I can guarantee you that you will not find one gun factory. I can also guarantee you that in the vast majority of those communities, you will not find one gun store; retail or wholesale. High tech, highly destructive weapons, are available from the military, but the level of security

around military bases is almost unbelievable, usually there are two fences which are electrified, there are guard dogs, there are sentries with automatic weapons, who are trained to kill everyone who is caught in the perimeter. So how do these guns get to these youngsters? Very simple, it is our adversaries, who are supplying the weapons of our own destruction.

As I have stated in this column before, it does no good to tell a youngster that he should not react violently to a situation in which he has no control, a situation in which he or she has no hope for the future, a situation in which he or she is exposed to the violence of the majority society upon their people. Children going to bed hungry, children having no educational opportunity, children being warehoused into schools and/or jails,

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Let's face it. In a day and time when Black youth have plenty of idle time on their hands and a feeling of complacency sets in, its awful tempting to plop down two-bucks, if you've got it, to buy a "forty" (forty ounce bottle of malt liquor) at the corner store. And especially so if you believe the beverage makes you more manly as the product's ads claim.

WESTSIDE STORY

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I tell the absolute truth about American history, I am making waves. Even blacks tell me that I am keeping the old wound open. I won't let us all get along? Now...I can learn all my life absolute lie, in American history, distorting the true facts as if truth wasn't important. When whites boldly tell lies in my face, I am supposed to accept them because if I don't, it will make whites uncomfortable. Besides, we would have to reprint all the racist textbooks, or one would have to fall from the sky! peace..

At this point, the conversation begins to move in the direction, I'm sure all of us have faced, when talking to whites about ethnic issues. They conclude, "you know R.K., you really are a nice guy, but when it comes to BLACK issues you really have a chip on your shoulder."

To me it is strange that when

which are interchangeable considering that neither do the job of education, and neither makes any corrections in the pathway that the youngster chooses to take. The criminally unjust system in this country is an absolute failure. It does nothing but make a petty criminal into a better criminal. It releases people back into the society with no better hope for survival that they had before they went in and is a total waste of time. It is done only as a warehousing mechanism to find something to do with some people, while you try to find a more efficient manner of eliminating them as a final solution.

I will not nor do I respect anyone else, who does tell young people that they must accept this system, that they must not struggle against it, and they must not turn violent against it. This is a system that has been directed

towards violence towards our people for four hundred years. It is time, that the struggle for liberation on the part of our people succeed in any way that it can. Whether that be violent or non-violent. Like most I would hope for a nonviolent solution, but like most, who would be honest, I would opt for any solution that tends to work.

What is very disconcerting to me is the attitude of my brethren within the National Medical Association. Too many of which

tend to view the solution as more cops, more jails, and more misguided ineffective programs aimed at making young African Americans docile participants in the concentration camp. It ain't gonna work. It hasn't worked, and it ain't gonna work in the future. If there is really to be a change in the way of violence that we see in the African American community, what has to happen is that first we must recognize societal violence in a (See NAARPR Report, Page 5)

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL OF AFRICAN PHILOSOPHY

I'd like to take this opportunity to applaud Mr. Steve Wynn for displaying some "sensitivity" towards the African community in regards to the naming of a particular ship he purchased as an attraction for his new venture, Treasure Island at the Mirage.

After he received a letter from the Black Panther Party voicing their concerns about the choice of name for said vessel, Mr. Wynn quickly decided to change the name of the ship from Sir Francis Drake to the Royal Britania, barring any copyright infringements. The letter, endorsed by several other African organizations was fact filled with information about Sir Francis Drake's nefarious activities. This I believe was instrumental in the Mirage executive's decision.

Kudos to Wynn and his staff for acting in a timely manner and avoiding potential backlash from inaction. It is not often that I have cause to commend a European but I do it with caution knowing that there is always an ulterior motive behind any good a European does for any one of color.

I'd also like to use the space allotted to me to encourage you Africans to join me and my "family" in a celebration of the Honorable Marcus Garvey on Sunday 15, August '93 from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Lorenzi Park. Marcus Garvey, one of the premiere Pan Africanists of this century, was instrumental in unifying millions of Africans throughout the diaspora into a massive organization called the Universal Negro Improvement Association.

Come out and find out why "we must canonize our own saints, create our own martyrs, and elevate to position of fame and honor black men and women who have made their distinct contribution to our racial history. If Garvey could organize millions of us at a time when there was not the massive communication network; phones, fax machines, computers, televisions and the like, imagine what is possible as we head in to the 21st century.

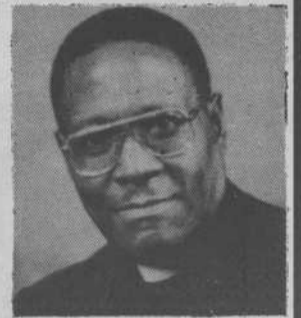
Finally I'd like to encourage or almost insist that those of you truly interested in gaining knowledge of self join The Institute of Luxor as it presents Tony Bowden on Monday, 23 August, '93 at 7:00 p.m. at the Huntridge Theater. Bowden, a cultural historian, artist and educational consultant, has lectured throughout the world and has authored 3 books. For a small donation you can gain insight into self and your contribution to civilization.

Hope to see you at this historic event. Call 796-7702 or 795-7081 for more information. Until next week this has been the Minister of Information.

THE NAACP AND YOU



Rev. Jesse D. Scott
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BLACK LEGISLATORS SPEAK

State Senator Joe Neal and Assemblyman Morse Arberry were the principal speakers at the Las Vegas branch NAACP monthly meeting held in the Grace Immanuel Baptist Church, 805 Bartlett, Las Vegas, Nevada, Sunday, August 8, 1993 - 3:00 p.m. The meeting began with the showing of a video of Nelson Mandela, President of the African National Congress party of South Africa as he appeared before the NAACP 84th National Convention recently held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Rev. S.P. Parks, the Pastor of Grace Church, did the devotion and brought greetings. Senator Neal and Assemblyman Arberry did a superb job in explaining what happened in the last session of the Nevada legislature.

As chairman of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, Assemblyman Arberry spoke extensively about the state

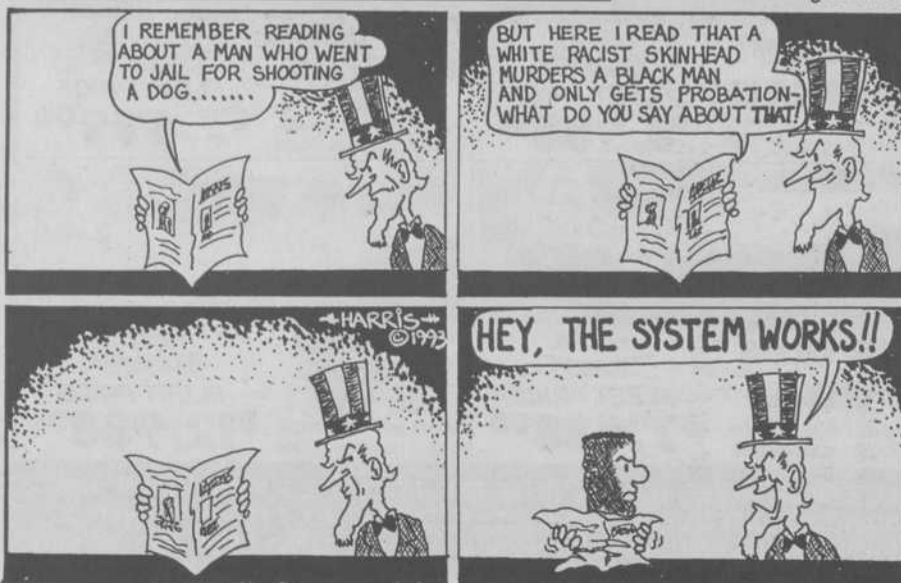
budget, Governor Bob Miller, what programs were funded and those that were denied. Mention was also made of several positions that were created statewide and are to be filled by the Governor. Assemblyman Arberry said that there were several changes made in the Smog Control law and if you encounter any problems you should contact him.

Senator Neal also explained to a very appreciative and enthusiastic audience of the NAACP what President Bill Clinton's recently passed budget means to the American people. It provides for an earned credit for the working poor on the money they earn dollar for dollar up to \$3500.00. For those persons who make \$115,000 dollars per year, their tax rate would increase from 31 to 36%. Small businesses would not be affected until their gross adjusted income reaches \$180,000.

The retroactive tax applies to 1.2% of the richest people in America whose income exceeds \$500,000 dollars annually.

Study this information and decide for yourself why you think U.S. Senator Richard Bryan voted against the president's budget.

Who stands to gain the most from the President's budget; men and women who work one and sometimes two jobs every day and still cannot pay their bills. Or the "fat cats" who ate at the public trough for 12 years during the Ronald Reagan and George Bush administrations.



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