

NATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST & POLITICAL REPRESSION

SEMPLER SPEAKS HIS MIND

(With apologies to Langston Hughes for out-right plagiarism)

By James S. Tate, Jr., M.D., Executive Director, NAARPP

I was recently sitting on a stoop with a friend of mine on the 4200 block of Drexel Avenue in Chicago. My friends name is

Jesse B. Semple. Semple was in the process of pontificating on the state of the world and various

other weighty matters, when our conversation started. Semple's first reflection was, "I wonder if one million black folks are really going to show up in D.C on Monday the 16th. I offered probably, in fact, some say that there will be more than one million.

Semple's reaction was, "Now, how are a million colored folks going to end up fitting into Washington, D.C. There are already one million of them there now. You are gonna' fit an extra one million?"

I suggested that Minister Farrakhan, Reverend Chavis, and the other organizers of the Million Man March have taken that into consideration, and adequate accommodation for the extra one million people would be taken care of, after all, D.C is a tourist city. Semple's reaction was "Yeah, but those brothers who are going aren't going there to tour the place. They are going there to make it clear that they don't appreciate what is going on in this country."

What is going on in this country Semple? "Listen here,



JAMES S. TATE JR., MD

you take this O.J. thing. All them white folks are upset that the jury let O.J. off. Because the prosecution didn't prove their case, they are all mad. Where were all them mad white folks when they were letting them three "crackers" off down in Birmingham, after they had killed them four little black girls."

I conceded to Semple that that was a fair question. "You dog-on-right that was a fair question! Them white folks ain't answering. Where were all them outraged white folks when they let them "crackers" off for killing Emmitt Till in Mississippi." Well that is also a valid question. I don't know if I could answer that. (See NAARPP Report, Pg 4)

NLV...THE WESTSIDE STORY

BLACK BOYS

By R.K. Brown

Why is it that everyday in the media black boys are the only problem with America. If I watch the news, read a paper or mag, YOUNG BLACK MALES make

America so afraid! Just the other day, even black leaders (as they sometimes do) condemned our youth for their public reaction. Blacks always have to explain to white America

why we do things. Because tomorrow's black leaders were glad an innocent man was freed knowing 3 out of 4 brothas don't get so lucky, students from Howard to Jackson State became those bad black boys.

Like I said, black males make up 13% of the drug users in this country, but they are 70% of the prison population. Are you kiddin' me?! Taxpayers are willing to pay between 25 to 30,000 dollars a year to keep brothas in jail. When they get out, they can't get a job because they are on paper and they have been in a deep freeze for 5 to 10 years depending on their sentences.

I jail you get little job training or drug rehabilitation, so what good are the jail plantations of

2000? Just one thing; they attack the only thing whites remain truly afraid of — the true lions...those too real black boys!

In the 90s, they won't be feeding the black mothers' children. They will desegregate the schools and give separate but unequal funding to our inner city districts. Young black music and culture is attacked through rap, and our creative black movie makers are condemned.

But...in the end, racist sections of white America have a right to be afraid of the black boys... because they always grow into black men. After all, isn't that the most frightening thing?!

Since these warriors gained (See Westside Story, Page 4)

THE RAY WILLIS REPORT BY RAY E. WILLIS

Who's Zooming Who

Did you know that African American accountants in America outnumber Black athletes and that today there are actually more Black men in college than in prison? And just as all Black men are mislabeled as criminals, unemployed Black women who receive government assistance are wrongly stereotyped as welfare queens. Fortunately, truth is stronger than fiction. So here's the honest-to-God straight up truth about welfare.

The media stereotype of a welfare recipient is a Black woman. Despite that misleading assumption, most welfare recipients are White. The most recent actual racial breakdown of who's on welfare looks like this: 39 percent Black, 38 percent non-Hispanic White, 17 percent Hispanic, and 3 percent Asian. In strict numbers, there are many, many more White people on welfare than those who are Black.

Being Hispanic means you are a part of an ethnic group, but it is not a race. Most Hispanics, even those who may appear visibly to be mixed, check the "White" box for race designation.

Did you know that the percentage of Blacks receiving welfare has dropped for the past two decades? From 46 percent in 1972, to 39 percent in 1992.

I've only scratched the surface in setting the record straight on welfare. Obviously, welfare is an easy, convenient target for several reasons. That is to be expected when you have an ideal mix for misrepresentation.

I agree, something is wrong with welfare and for that matter something is wrong with America when so many people are on it. But it is totally senseless to use poor people as a political tool to promote conservative self-interests. Don't believe the hype. To know is to grow. Until next week.

Welfare accounts for less than 1 percent of the national budget. If you include welfare and food stamps, aid to the poor constitutes less than two and a half percent of the federal budget.

If welfare is such a small part of the budget, why do politicians and the media focus so much attention to it? Why don't they scrutinize those items that consume a major share of the budget? Where is the rest of the national budget being spent, and why isn't it being put under a microscope like welfare is?

For the record, national defense consumes a whopping 24 percent of the budget. Social Security alone eats up 20 percent. Sophisticated "welfare" programs, such as farm subsidies and subsidies for beekeepers and other business breaks cost five times more than traditional welfare programs. Why isn't there a hue and cry over those expenditures?

A Great Place to Start

4 Floor Plans Starting from \$91,900



Your first home is closer than you think. At Sunbeam you'll discover extra features that don't cost extra, plus the convenience of living close to everything from shopping to schools. Just minutes from downtown Las Vegas, Sunbeam homes are a great place to start.

Extremely Attractive Mortgage Rates Available

- Four exciting floor plans, one right for your family. Choose 3 bedrooms or 2 plus den option. All feature lifetime tile roofs and over 40 standard options.

MODEL 4 SUNDIAL floor plans showing second and first levels.

MODEL 2 SUNBURST floor plan showing layout.

Take Lamb Blvd. to Owens Sunbeam II is located 2 blocks west of Lamb, at Gateway 878-8500

