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"Yeah, and where were all those so-called 'allies' when this Indian dude, Sossa, wrote that book 'The End of Racism,' where he thinks that all black folks ought to be grateful for being enslaved and for being made into Christians. I ain't sure that is a big adventure to tell you the truth."

Jesse, are you a Christian? "Nah, I ain't no Christian." Well are you a Muslim? Nah, I ain't no Muslim either." Well what are you? "I am Jesse B. Semple. What makes folks think that you have got to have some religion to be somebody."

I don't think its that Jesse, I just think that most people believe that most people have religion. If you don't have one, that is fine. "I got a religion and it is 'SEMPLology.'" How many disciples of this particular religion would you say there are in the world? "At least one, me."

Since you are on a roll this morning, is there anything else that you would like to talk about? "Yeah, who was the one that decided that there was something wrong with affirmative action? I want to know that." I am sure I don't know. "I'll tell you who decided. It was some rich white folks who didn't like the idea of black folks, Chicanos and others, catching up with

them. So, they set out to sabotage affirmative action. Hell, they even got black folks believing that affirmative action is unfair. What about all those 400 years? If you were ten times better than the white boy, you still didn't get the job because the white boy's uncle was the boss. They didn't think that was unfair, so why now is affirmative action unfair?

Affirmative action says that you are as good as the white boy and they ain't been hiring you for 400 years and they got to hire you now. Hell, I don't think that's enough. They ought to make all these companies hire black folks

for the next 400 years. Let them see what it's like. Then they would understand why affirmative action is necessary. They are just talking trash."

I suppose you have a point. "Your damn right I have a point, but them white folks ain't listening and I want them to listen." How? "I don't know, that's their problem." When you figure that out, let me know and maybe you can write a book, or publish a paper, etc. "No, not me. That's for those 'egg-head' types. Me, I am just going to sit on the stoop and tell the truth." Sounds good to me.

Take care...I'll see you later.

WESTSIDE STORY

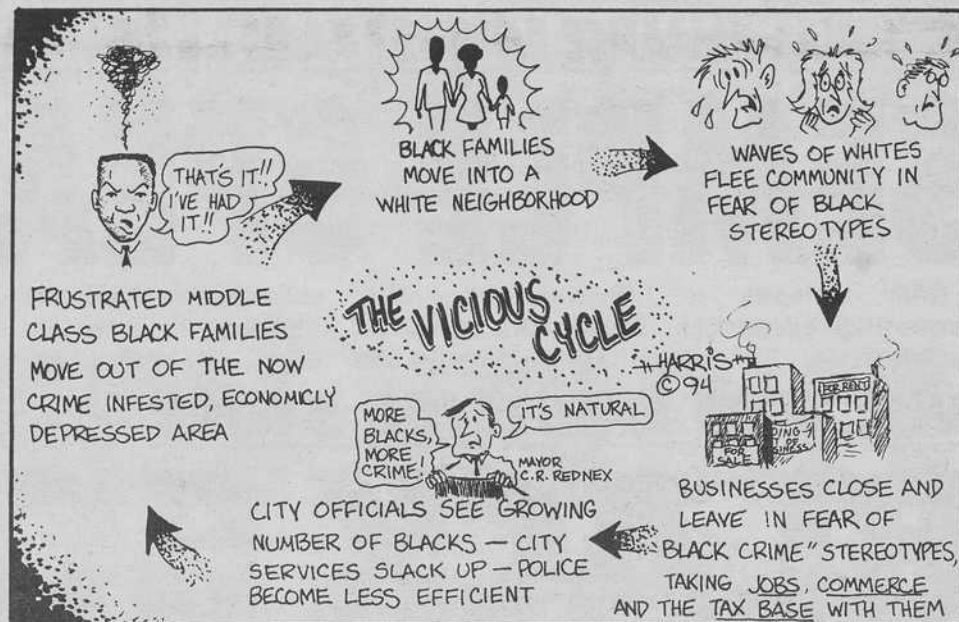
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basic access to jobs, voting, education, and professionals; everything has changed. In only 30 years, black youth have had the greatest graduation increases from high school in America. Blacks have made the greatest leaps in college attendance in the last 30 years.

They talk of black on black crime, but when there is a war, racists are the last to step up. Again, our black boys make up 33% of the PAWN AMERICAN FOOT SOLDIERS, when it comes to dying for America. Since we are ONLY 13% OF THE POPULATION, this is clearly white on black crime!

Finally, the greatest layer of proof. In only 30 years, our boys to men have established themselves as 50% of the major league sports, and unprecedented growth and access to social, economic and political arenas.

That is why America is always so mad at those bad black boys. They jail them, take away education, medicine, food, and money, but it makes no difference. We overcome and always put the fear of blackness in foolish, hating hearts. peace...



BLACK EMPOWERMENT

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positioning himself in it. The Black community is not unaware of this.

Moreover, Rev. Jackson has staked his career on being the loyal opposition inside Democratic Party. His son has just announced his Democratic primary candidacy for Mel Reynolds' seat in Chicago. It seems that Jesse is no longer in a position to go up against the army of Black elected officials one would have to confront in order to bring the Black community out of the Democratic Party and into independent politics, particularly at a moment when the Clinton re-election campaign is going to be fighting tooth and nail for every Black vote.

In my opinion, if properly reached, substantial portions of the Black community will go independent in 1996, over the heads of Black elected officialdom. When I ran in the New York Democratic primary in 1994 against sitting Governor

Mario Cuomo I polled 35% of the vote in key Black districts, while every key Black Democrat was attacking me and/or campaigning for Cuomo. I also polled above 40% of the vote in the six upstate counties where Perot got his highest numbers in 1992. In other words, my run against Cuomo, which helped

set the stage for his defeat in November and for the creation of a new, independent ballot status party, the Independence Party, established the rudiments of a new voter coalition between African-Americans and white "Perot" voters. It would be critical to continue to evolve that coalition for 1996.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To The Editor:

Keeping minors out of Casinos has been a high priority for the Gaming Board but I notice that with the latest undercover operation of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department — using a minor in such an operation — the Gaming Boars is helping the promotion of something that, according to the law in the State of Nevada, is illegal (people under the age of 21 allowed to gamble or drink alcoholic beverages.

Recently, a federal judge in Texas ruled that a Spanish

woman could not speak Spanish in her home to her child, because she was relegating her to a life as a maid. Instead of educating young people to obtain a better education and career, police officers in Las Vegas are relegating youngsters to a life as snitches. If this young man happens to be the son of one of the officers, is snitching all the aspirations this officer has for his own son?

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CIVIL RIGHTS

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Then the cousin accused four other young men, although he testified he only saw an arm come out of the dark and could not tell if it was even a black or white arm. Three of the young men were black; one was white. The one white man was given a plea bargain if he testified against the three young black men. The three black men now sit on death row.

Reginald Clemons, one of the accused is currently seeking a reversal for a new trial due to the beating he suffered while in police custody, lack of evidence, and insufficient and false statements by the police department and their witnesses.

There are dozens, perhaps hundreds of cases like this on death row across America. Cases where young men, most often young African American men, have been poorly represented. cases where unreliable witnesses have turned state's evidence to save themselves. Cases where little or no investigation has been (See Civil Rights, Page 20)

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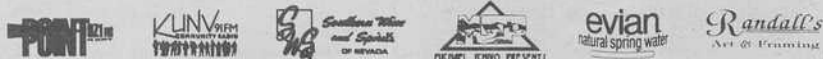
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