

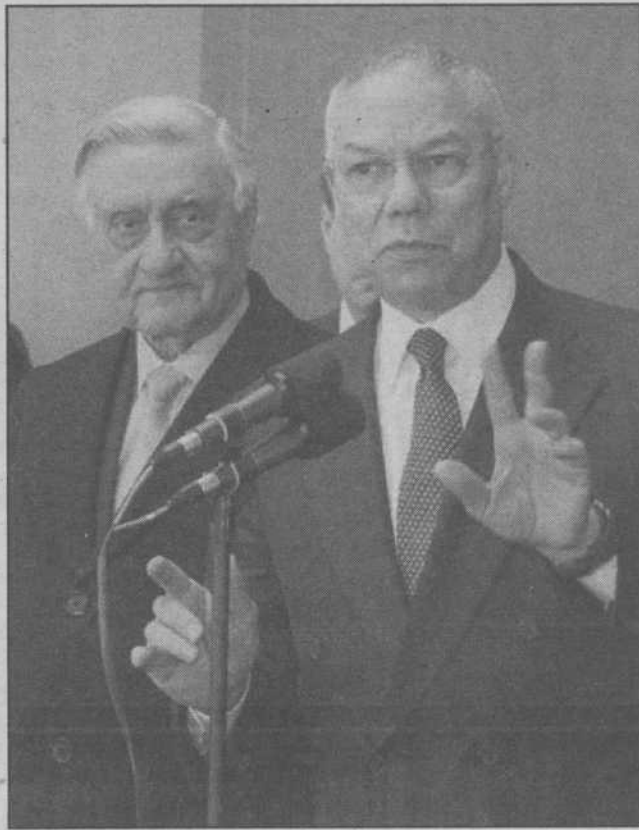
Powell urges Arabs, Muslims on diversity

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Bush administration advises Arab and other Muslim governments to educate their children in schools that teach more than Islamic doctrine, Secretary of State Colin Powell said Wednesday.

In some of these schools children are being taught to hate, thereby hurting peace efforts in the region and also not helping their own societies, Powell said.

"We have been talking not only to the Saudis but to other Middle Eastern leaders and Muslim leaders around the world, and made it clear to them that Islam is a great religion," Powell said in an interview with WPHT Radio in Philadelphia.

"But they also have to be educating their youngsters not just in the tenets of Islam and the Islamic religion, but they have to educate their youngsters for the demands of the 21st century," Powell



Iraqi Governing Council President Adnan Pachachi, left, looks on as Secretary of State Colin Powell talks to reporters outside the State Department in Washington Tuesday after their meeting, which focused on Arab-Muslim relations.

said.

"They have got to give them skills. They have got to teach them to read and write," Powell said. "They have got to teach them science and math and all the other things that are necessary for societies to be successful in the 21st century."

Drawing a bead on some of the Islamic schools, Powell said "if they are just going to take their young people and put them in these madrasses, these schools that do nothing but indoctrinate them in the worst aspects of a religion, then they are shorting themselves, they are leaving themselves back as well as teaching hatred that will not help us bring peace to the region, and will not help their societies."

Powell said the Bush administration had made it clear to Saudi Arabia that the 21st century is going to require changes in their society.

Tips led to arrest in Williams sisters' case

COMMERCE, Calif. (AP) - Tips from citizens led to the arrest of the chief suspect in last year's fatal shooting of the half-sister of tennis stars Venus and Serena Williams, investigators said Sunday.

Robert Maxfield, 23, was being held without bail Sunday in connection with the Sept. 14 shooting of Yetunde Price, who was 31. He was scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday.

Maxfield was arrested Saturday afternoon without incident at his sister's Compton home, officials said. The arrest came the week investigators issued a warrant for Maxfield's arrest.

Authorities had been chasing Maxfield through Southern California and Las Vegas after witnesses identified him as the man who fired an AK-47 assault rifle at a vehicle Price was in, said Lt. Daniel Rosenberg of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's homicide bureau.

Although no monetary reward had been posted, several "courageous citizens stepped up to the plate and helped," Rosenberg said Sunday outside homicide headquarters in Commerce. He declined to give details about what information was called in.

The Williams family expressed gratitude.

"It is our hope that all involved in this heinous crime will brought to justice," the family said. "We are also very honored and grateful to the community for assisting the police in their efforts."

Maxfield was one of two suspects who authorities believe shot and killed Price while she was sitting in a sport utility vehicle in Compton with her boyfriend, Rolland Wormley, about a mile from the courts where her sisters once played tennis.

An assault rifle and shell casings were found at the scene. The other suspect, Aaron Michael Hammer, 24, has pleaded innocent to a murder charge and is awaiting trial.

Investigators believe Price and Wormley got into an argument with residents on a street known for gangs and drugs.

Hammer, a felon with ties to a street gang, admitted to firing a half-dozen shots from a .22-caliber rifle, a sheriff's detective testified in court.

But prosecutors say the fatal shot did not come from a .22-caliber weapon and that someone else fired an AK-47 rifle.

Jury: Airline not liable for discriminatory quip

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) - Southwest Airlines is not liable for a flight attendant who upset two black passengers by using a version of a rhyme with a racist history, a jury determined Wednesday.

The two passengers, sisters Louise Sawyer and Grace Fuller, were heading home from a Las Vegas vacation nearly three years ago when flight attendant Jennifer Cundiff, trying to get passengers to sit down, said over the intercom, "Eenie, meenie, minie, moe; pick a seat, we gotta go."

The sisters say the rhyme was directed at them and was a reference to a racist version that dates to before the civil rights era: "Eenie, meenie, minie, moe; catch a n— by his toe."

The sisters filed a federal lawsuit against the airline (See Rhyme, Page 4)



This photo is part of a now-showing exhibit, "East Side/West Side," on display at Winchester Cultural Center.

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ing their business license, that sounds like the Deep South, which they used to call Las Vegas, the Mississippi of the South.

Mrs. Baker added, "I truly enjoyed it and its definitely educational for me coming from the East and trying to understand how Black entertainers were treated. They were allowed to perform in these resort areas and not allowed to stay there, but through perseverance history changes and this pictorial depicts that."

Sylvester Collier also attended the reception.

"I've been in Las Vegas since 1977," he said. "This is a very graphic exhibit with a lot of familiar faces and images that I am familiar with from other archives and some that I have never seen before. I find that the captions are very informative and overall it's a nice visual experience. The thrust of the exhibit shows a transition from the time when the entertainers didn't have a place to stay downtown to the time when the strip was integrated."

Vicki Richardson had not seen the exhibit.

"Well, I had wished to see more of the actual people outside the entertainment industry," Richardson said. "That's why I came to the exhibit. I wanted to get a new perspective. I've been here for 22 years. I feel, if we could look back on some people who had been here for three or four generations, we could document more and have more meaning to this exhibit about the people of Las Vegas and their struggles and contributions to Black people living here and who helped to build Las Vegas."

For further information about the exhibit, call (702) 455-8239.

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