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NATIONAL NEWS

Survey Finds Gaps Between Blacks and Whites About Race Relations

In the wake of President Clinton's announcement of his plan to improve race relations in the United States, the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies has released findings from its 1997 National Opinion Poll. It revealed that reaching a consensus on the subject of race may be difficult as there are enormous differences between Black and white Americans in their perceptions of race relations. Whites thought race relations in their own communities were fairly good, but poor elsewhere in the country. Blacks saw race relations in their own communities as the same as in the nation overall -- fair to poor. Whites believed that some discrimination against Blacks continues and that police are more apt to harass Blacks than whites. Blacks believed that discrimination against Blacks is common and police harassment is rampant. Whites saw Blacks as the same or better off than they were five years ago. Blacks saw no improvement. A majority of whites felt that poor Blacks were to blame for their condition and that Blacks should not receive preferential treatment. Among Blacks, opinion was divided. Conducted in early spring of 1997, the survey polled the views of 850 Blacks, 100 Hispanics and 850 members of the general public about race, politics and social policy. For details about the findings call The Joint Center at (202) 789-3500.

Rainbow/PUSH Coalition to Host Town Hall Meetings in Chicago

A town hall meeting on "Race and Public Policy" will kick off the first annual Rainbow/PUSH Coalition conference on July 30, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. at the Chicago Hilton & Towers Hotel. The event will bring together some of the country's top researchers, educators, civil rights leaders and public policy makers to discuss U.S. racial justice before a national audience. The conference, "Equal Educational Opportunity: Opening New Markets" (July 30 - Aug. 2), will also close with another town hall meeting, "Vision 2000: The Road to the White House," as Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Sr. and political pundits will discuss the three-year road to the White House and Congressional politics. "There are critical issues facing the nation," said Rev. Jackson. "Whether it is the inequalities in funding schools for our children versus the funding of the jail-industry complexes or the corporate outsourcing of jobs and economic opportunities, Rainbow/PUSH intends to have a voice." For more information and convention registration call (773) 373-3366 ext. 253 or 262.

Summer Freedom Schools Open

The Children's Defense Fund (CDF), co-sponsors 30 Summer Freedom Schools nationwide. "Freedom Schools" were first established by members of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) who began teaching children as part of the voter registration and community mobilization efforts of the 1964 "Freedom Summer." Continuing on their 1960's legacy, the CDF-sponsored schools serve children who need them most, primarily African-American children from low-income households who might be otherwise idle, intellectually unchallenged, unfed and unsafe during the summer months. "In an atmosphere of school closings and hopelessness, this is an exciting program that seeks to do more than provide summer daycare, but also encourage personal development for young people. It nurtures a future generation of leaders to go forth and create a better world," said Rev. Dr. James Key, II, the executive director of Sojourners Neighborhood Center (SNC) in Washington, D.C. The CDF recently named SNC one of the top three Summer Freedom School projects in the U.S. For information on the Summer Freedom School program contact the CDF at (202) 628-8787.

NIKE COMMITS \$2.3 MILLION TO SUPPORT TIGER WOODS' GOLF DIVERSITY EFFORTS

P.L.A.Y. Golf Grant Funds Clinics to Reach Under-served Kids



WASHINGTON, D.C. - While Tiger Woods captivates kids of every age, gender and race on the greens of this week's U.S. Open, NIKE announces its new commitment to help diversify golf. Over the next five years, NIKE P.L.A.Y. (Participate in the Lives of America's Youth) will donate \$2.3 million to support the Tiger Woods and National Minority Golf foundations youth programs.

"Minority youth programs are changing the face of golf," said DeMonty Price, manager of NIKE's P.L.A.Y. program. "How many more African-American, Hispanic, Asian, disadvantaged youth and women golfers will we

see in the years to come? It is up to us - adults, businesses, communities, everyone - to bring opportunity and inspiration to our young people. Sports is a very powerful medium through which to accomplish that."

NIKE's five-year, \$2.3 million P.L.A.Y. golf grant works on three levels to reach children. First, more than \$1.3 million will fund the ongoing outreach efforts of the Tiger Woods Foundation. Second, P.L.A.Y. supports the cost and resource needs of Tiger's six annual golf clinics, with a five-year total of \$375,000. Last, recognizing the value of continuous community-level efforts, P.L.A.Y. will give \$600,000 to aid the National Minority Golf Foundation's grass-roots golf programs.

The Tiger Woods Foundation and NIKE are hosting four more clinics in 1997 in New York City (June 16, 1997), Chicago (June 30, 1997), Memphis and Miami. Earlier this year, dozens of kids had the opportunity to receive golf tips from Tiger in clinics held in Orlando and Dallas.

Delta Sigma Theta Scholarship Recipient



Trashonda Lagail Johnson has been rewarded with the

Gwendolyn-Titus Scholarship, presented by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., the Eta Lambda Chapter of Texas Tech University. Trashonda is a graduate of the Medical Magnet at Estacado High School. She was born and raised in Lubbock, Texas under the guidance of many including her parents, Vera and Jonathan West, and Agape Temple Church of God in Christ. She is going pursue her education at Texas Tech University and will major in Premedicine.

Captain Goff Receives Honors from Public Health Service



Captain Joyce A. Goff, a graduate of Dunbar High School and a native of Lubbock, Texas, received

honors from the United States Public Health Service Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. She is a registered nurse and Director of Continuing Nursing Education at the CDC, and is recognized as a leader in her profession.

Captain Goff was promoted to the rank of Captain and was awarded the Commendation Medal for her contribution and commitment to the nation's public health goals for the year 2000.

KIDSTUFF PROGRAMS for August 4 - August 7

The South Plains Obedience Training Club will present a dog show at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street, at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, August 4. For more information, call 767-2838.

The South Plains Wildlife Rehabilitation Center will exhibit rescued wildlife at the Godeke Branch Library, 6601 Quaker, at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5. For more information, call 792-6566.

Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway, presents the

"Leonardo da Cookie" cookie decorating contest at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6. Prizes will be given for the prettiest cookie, the ugliest cookie, and more. Then we will eat our creations. For more information, call 767-3300.

Groves Branch Library, 5520 19th Street, The Kidstuff program at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 7, will be an arts and crafts program. For details, call 767-3733.

U.S TENNIS PROS TEAM WITH CELEBRITIES IN UNCF INAUGURAL PRO-AM TOURNAMENT



FAIRFAX, VA -- The College Fund/UNCF held its Inaugural Celebrity Tennis Pro-Am tournament in Phoenix, Arizona April 18th - 20th. Tennis pros Zina Garrison-Jackson and Billie Jean King served as co-host for the weekend. The event was sponsored by the Coca-Cola Company, Pontiac-GMC, Reebok, BET, Chase and Mutual of New York.

The Celebrity Pro-Am Tournament provided an exciting opportunity for The College Fund to raise awareness and resources to assist deserving young men and women receive a quality education," said William H. Gray, III president and chief executive officer of The

College Fund/UNCF. Joining Garrison-Jackson and King were tennis pros Chanda Rubin, Pam Shriver, Lori McNeil, Katrina Adam, Todd Nelson, Leslie Allen Selmore and Womens Sports Legends Rosie Casals, Ilana Kloss, and Valerie Ziegenfuss who took the court in support of The College Fund. Celebrities including former NFL pro Harry Carson along with NBA all-stars Sam Jones, Earl Monroe, Phil Chenier, Bobby Dandridge, Connie Hawkins and John Lucas teamed with the Honorable Sharpe James, Mayor, Newark, New Jersey and the Honorable David Dinkins, former Mayor, New York in a round-robin tournament. Others

participating in the weekend included the Harlem Globetrotters and Terry Irving of the Arizona Cardinals.

The Saturday evening gala featured the soulful sounds of The Dells, Connect Five (a male capella group from UNCF member-institution, Oakwood College) and the humor of comedian A.J. Jamal. The event will be televised on BET in July. GMC awarded the one-year use of two Pontiac-GMC vehicles to tournament finalist Henry Brandon, Vice President, William E. Simon & Sons and to tennis pro Valerie Ziegenfuss.

The United Negro College Fund is the nation's oldest and most successful higher education assistance organization in the country. It is a consortium of 39 private, historically black colleges and universities. The College Fund currently administers more than 400 educational programs which strengthen its member colleges and provides students access to higher education and career opportunity. It had been named as the number one education non-profit in America by The Chronicle of Philanthropy. To date, more than 300,000 men and women graduated from UNCF colleges and universities.

A CIVIL JURY AWARDS \$7.6 MILLION IN A MEDICAL MALPRACTICE CASE

THE COURT ORDERS DOCTOR TO PAY FOR NEGLIGENCE



(L to R) Victor Davis, Attorney W.E. Gary, Priscilla Byrd-Davis, Attorney A.C. Marcus

Port St. Lucie, Fla...Attorney Willie E. Gary with associates Paul Lucas and Andrea Marcus proved to a 6-member jury that obstetrician William King was negligent when he failed to treat Priscilla Byrd Davis on the day she gave premature birth to her son Kenan. The boy now suffers from cerebral palsy.

The law suit, filed in 1992 claimed that the lack of treatment led Davis to go into a troubled labor that resulted in

the birth of Kenan, her first child, two months early. The baby weighed 2 pounds, 11 ounces when he was born.

On the day she gave birth, Byrd went to King's office complaining of severe pain in her abdomen. Doctor King had Byrd sit down, asked her some questions, then told her she had nothing to worry about and sent her home with her mother, who had come to pick her up because the pain was so bad Byrd could not drive.

Later that night, Byrd suffered even more severe pains, and her mother took her to the hospital where she gave birth that night.

The jury believed Willie Gary and his associates' argument that King should be held liable for his behavior which resulted in a premature birth. A medical expert testified that King should have examined Byrd and administered drugs to stop labor. A rehabilitation expert and an economist testified about the expense of future care and Kenan's loss of earning ability.

Attorney Gary said "no amount of money could replace what Kenan Byrd could have possibly achieved but the \$7.6 million should make life easier to bear in the days ahead."

The trial was 9-days in duration, The jury deliberated only 7-hours.

20th Celebration Thursday, Sept. 11, 1997. More Later!!

SCLC First African-American Heritage Crest



SCLC National President Joseph Lowery and Charles Walker (left) present the first African-American Heritage Crest during the 18th Annual "Drum Major for Justice" Awards Dinner held April 4th at Atlanta's Marriott Marquis. Looking on is Evelyn Lowery, SCLC/Women national convener and general chair of the annual dinner commemorating SCLC Founding President Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life and ideals.

LITTLE MISS AFRICAN AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT GOES NATIONAL AND AWARDS OVER \$15,000 IN SCHOLARSHIP AND PRIZES



For the fifth consecutive year, The Little Miss African American (LMAA) Scholarship Pageant will be held, on Sunday, August 3, 1997, at the Universal Sheraton, Universal City, CA., at 4:00 PM. The brainchild of actress/choreographer/singer, Lisa Ruffin, the LMAA is a close and personal matter. "When I was the age of the young girls in our program, I had powerful dreams that helped me to see myself doing exciting things like going to Julliard School of Music, performing as a dancer and an actress. I was fortunate to have a family that helped me realize those dreams. That's why I organized the Little Miss African American Scholarship Pageant. Working with the wonderful parents of our girls, I feel that I'm helping to support the dreams of some of our future leaders," says Ruffin.

Actresses Dawn Lewis and Suzanne Douglas will again host this year's event, and actress Salli Richardson will be the Mistress of

Ceremonies for the evening. Stellar performances are guaranteed by R&B balladeer Freddie Jackson and members from The Andre Crouch Choir. Otis Sallid, who choreographed the 1996 Academy Award dance numbers, will lend his talents for the evening, along with choreographers Neisha Folkus (The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre) and LMAA Founder, Lisa Ruffin.

The list of celebrity judges, include: Anna Maria Horsford, Darius McCrary, Tisha Campbell, Simbi Khali, who stars in "3rd Rock From The Sun," Howard Hewett, Vanessa Bell Calloway, record producer, Paul Lawrence, and President of Yab Yum Records, Tracey Edmonds

Lisa Ruffin, an accomplished actress and choreographer originally instituted the competition as an education vehicle for young African American females. As a scholarship opportunity, LMAA has become instrumental in guiding its participants toward a positive future. The contestants learn Confidence, Awareness and Pride (CAP). In addition to the \$15,000.00 in prizes to be awarded, the preparation process for the young contestants incorporates a learning experience defined to forever impact lives.

The Little Miss African American Scholarship Pageant is sponsored by Essence Magazine, Quincy Jones/Qwest Records, Kingdom/Michael Jackson, Shaquille O'Neal, Pepsi, Def Pictures, Emmitt Smith, Hughes Aircraft, and Xerox.

A non profit organization, ticket information regarding the event can be obtained by calling 214-396-1730.

For further information, please contact Kenneth R. Reynolds, 213-938-2364.

Ruby Jay's Corner



The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the proud pastor. Visitors are always welcome to come and visit.

been broken. Responsive reading was done with the congregation standing and led by Sister Billie Caviel. The morning hymn was "Nothing But The Blood of Jesus." Pastor Moton brought greetings from the State Convention held last week in Houston, Texas.

Sunday School began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with Assistant Supt. Virgil L. Johnson presiding. All teachers and students were at their various posts of duty for thirty minutes for instruction. All classes reassembled at 10:45 a.m. marching into the auditorium singing "Trust And Obey." The review of the morning lesson was given by Brother Johnson. It was very well done.

The hymn of preparation was "Where He Leads Me." Pastor Moton's sermon was entitled "Just One Word, Trouble, Does It Make You Think?" His scripture was II Corinthians: 1:8-11. Pastor Moton made it so plain. It's good trouble doesn't last always!

Secretary's Report: Young People's Department -- Intermediate Class won the Attendance Banner while the Seniors received the Offering Banner. Adult Department: Adult Class No. 1 retained the Attendance Banner and Adult Class No. 2 received the Offering Banner.

Let us continue to whisper a prayer for those in the community who are on the sick and shut in list. This list continues to grow each week.

The morning devotional period at 10:45 a.m. was conducted by Sister Bernice Kelly and Brother R.J. Givens.

The Solace and Kitchen Committees are in charge of the devotional period of Frayer Meeting and Bible Study during the month of August, from 7:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. each Wednesday evening.

The Senior Choir marched in the processional last Sunday morning singing "We Got To Praise Him." They sung as pretty as they looked. Praise God for our Senior Choir, as they looked their very best in their white blouses and black skirts. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown. A song, "Lift Him Up," was sung by the Senior Choir. Scripture was read by Sister Ann Chatman, and prayer given by Sister Doris Dailey. Another song, "The Lord Is Blessing Me," and followed by the singing of "I've Eeen Bruised, But Not Broken." Have you ever felt like you'd just as soon

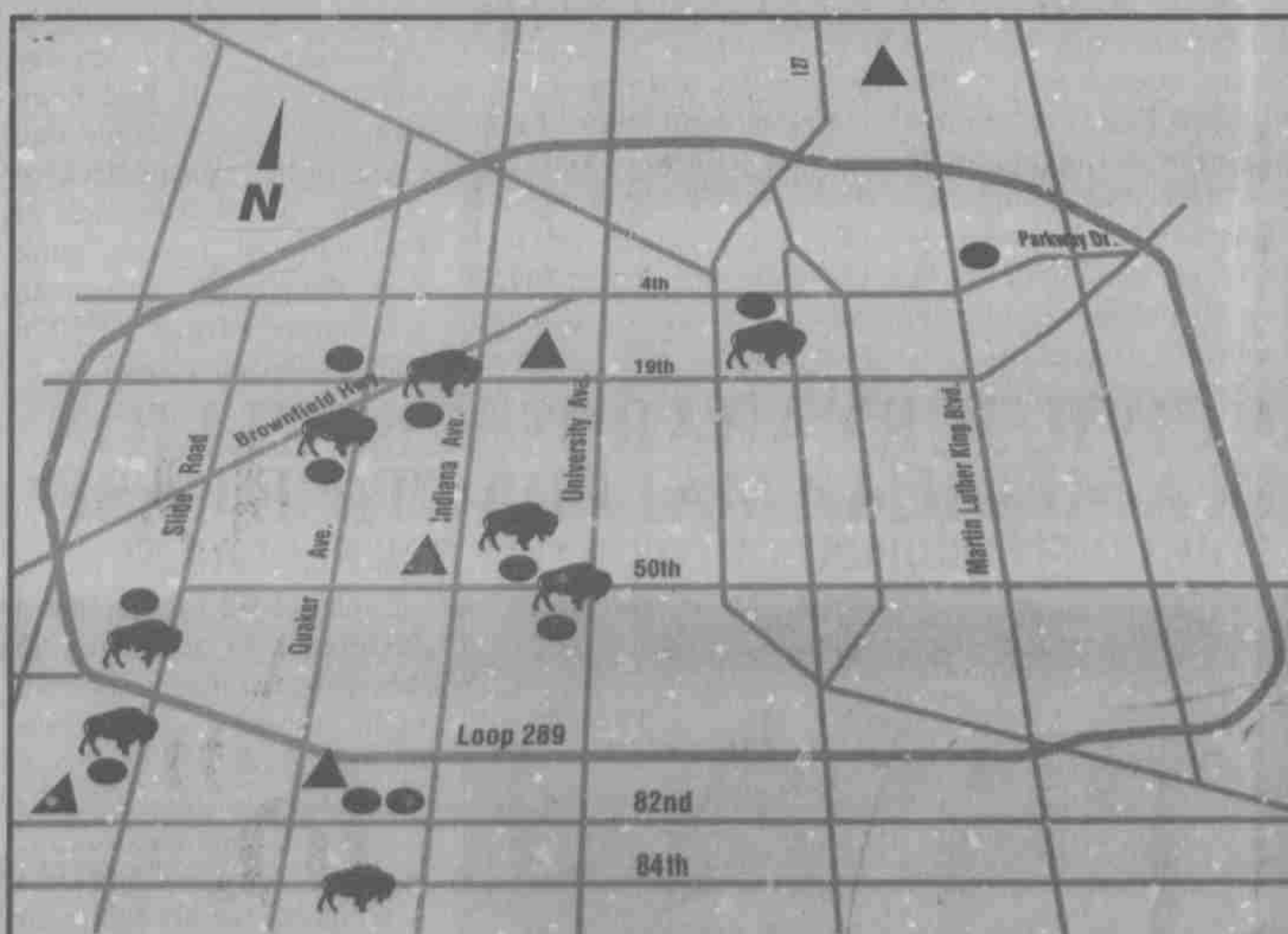
Region's IV's first meeting of the Youth Convention of the Baptist Missionary and Educational Youth Convention of the State of Texas will be held at New Hope Baptist Church. It will be hosted by the Youth and Adults department on Saturday night, August 2, 1997. All youth and youth workers are asked to make this a Red Letter day on their calendar of events.

Remember New Hope is serving as Regional IV's Vice President. Will be expecting you there!

Attend some church come this Sunday morning. You'll be glad you did so! Until next week, take good care of yourself.

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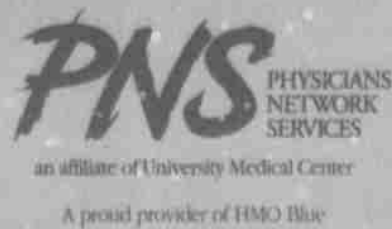
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Ann Davidson Joins Secretary of State Tony Garza in Urging Texans to Vote

The City of Lubbock, Ann Davidson and Texas Secretary of State Tony Garza are teaming up to encourage the people of Lubbock to get out and vote in the upcoming August 9 Constitutional Amendment Election. Ann Davidson and Secretary Garza want the people of Lubbock County to take the initiative in shaping our state constitution.

Early voting for the August 9 Election begins Monday, July 21, 1997, and runs through August 5, 1997. Polling places for early voting are: Lubbock County Courthouse, 904 Broadway Room 207, Lubbock County Courthouse Annex, 240 West Garza, Slaton and South Plains Mall, 6002 Slide Road, Space H-2 (next to McDonald's).

"Voter turnout in Lubbock County for the last Constitutional Amendment Election in 1995 was less than 10%," said Ann Davidson. "We need to

improve this number."

"Historically, a ballot with propositions does not generate as much voter excitement as a ballot featuring candidates and contested races," said Secretary Garza. "Even though the August 9 ballot will contain only one proposition, that doesn't make this constitutional amendment election any less important to Texas."

As a kick-off to the August 9 election, Secretary Garza will spend the first week of the early voting period visiting more than a dozen Texas cities all around the state. This extensive "Get Out the Vote" tour is part of a multi-media effort to educate and motivate voters to go to the polls.

For more information, contact Ann Davidson at 767-1042, or Lisa Glass in the Secretary of State's Office at (512)463-1419.

TOP LEADERS TO ADDRESS CONFERENCE

Top administration officials, Congressional leaders, and civil rights figures will address the 19th Annual National Training Conference of Blacks In Government (BIG) set for August 18-23, 1997 in Washington, D.C. The theme of the conference is: Preparing for the Millennium: Securing Our Future.

The keynote speaker for the opening plenary session on Tuesday, August 19, is Dr. Michael Dyson, author of "Race Rules," a popular book on race in America and its impact on American life. Dr. Dyson has been featured on the Oprah Winfrey show and on Nightline. The speaker at the closing plenary session on Friday, August 23, is Danny Glover, popular movie star, who has played many ground-breaking roles. Also invited are Earl Graves, publisher of

Black Enterprise, Kweisi Mfume, president of the NAACP, and Hugh Price, president, National Urban League.

Administration figures scheduled to participate include Alexis Herman, Secretary of Labor; Rodney Slater, Secretary of Transportation; and Jesse Brown, former Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Congressional speakers include Rep. Maxine Waters, chair, Congressional Black Caucus; Rep. Al Wynn (D-MD); Congressman Elijah Cummings (D-MD).

Oscar Eason, Jr. president of the Washington-based organization, said BIG is prepared to lead the way into the new millennium. "It's a new day for government and a new day for African Americans. Government is required to do more with less and the challenge we face is to seek equity and opportunity while contributing to a higher quality of public service." He said more than 100 workshops, forums, and plenary sessions will focus on issues of concern to the public service employee in the workplace and in their communities.

BIG is a nonprofit, nonpartisan national organization of government employees organized to work for excellence in government through equality of opportunity. Organized in 1975, it has more than 300 chapters around the country.

Conference registration is \$305 for members and \$355 for nonmembers. After July 17, 1997, conference registration is \$330 for members and \$380 for nonmembers. For more information, call BIG's Washington headquarters at 202-667-3280.

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THIS N THAT



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A FALLEN SOROR NEEDS HELP! THIS N THAT...along with...Eddie P Richardson... took time last Sunday morning to...visit with a fallen educator...who once graced the...Lubbock Independent School district...and retired in 1979...and moved to...WACO, TEXAS...in 1980...A very active soror of the...ETA OMEGA CHAPTER...of the...ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC...while in Lubbock...SHE WAS A PART OF A GROUP OF WOMEN...who helped many people...But

today...after...TWO STROKES...this sister needs help...At first...she didn't really know who we really were...but after a while...SISTER SMITH...began to recall who we really were...Would be really nice if there were those who live in Lubbock...who would like to do something nice for...SISTER CLARA BELL SMITH...if you are interested...you may contact her at...1112 ELM STREET...WACO, TEXAS or you may call her...but will have to talk with her sister...MAURICE JOHNSON...at AREA CODE 254...756-3201...Anyway...just thought it would make...GOOD SENSE...to advise about one of our...FALLEN EDUCATORS...who was very much concerned about young people in Lubbock...Will you...REACH OUT AND TOUCH...SISTER CLARA BELL SMITH?

SHIRLEY CANDADY THE BARBER SAYS: "NO GOD...NO PEACE!"

NEED SOME SERIOUS RECRUITING AT TEXAS TECH! THIS N THAT...is watching with vigor...the...POSTURE...AFRICAN AMERICANS...who enroll in higher education...especially in the...SCHOOL OF LAW...and the...MEDICAL SCHOOL...since the enactment of the...HOPWOOD DECISION...looks real dim...come this fall...but the...other shoe hasn't fell yet...What could happen...could really...IMPACT...the Black Community...in many years to come...

CONGRATS, OLIVIA SOLIS-REYES! THIS N THAT...would like to say... CONGRATS...to one of our favorite people...OLIVIA SOLIS-REYES...who will be moving to a new position for the...CITY OF LUBBOCK...She's a...SWELL PERSON...and has done...GREAT THINGS...for the City of Lubbock...THIS N THAT...wishes you well...OLIVIA SOLIS-REYES...as you have been...THIS N THAT'S FRIEND...for fourteen years!!

LEGAL MATTERS

by Attorney General Dan Morales

GANGS IN TEXAS CITIES

SINCE 1991, MY OFFICE has been tracking youth gang problems in our state, especially in our larger cities. The Attorney General Gang Reports reflect the views of police and sheriff's departments: gangs are a growing menace to public safety and the future of our young people.

We are encouraged by our state's decreasing crime rate and the progress we have made in the area of juvenile crime. I am concerned, however, because the gang problem in Texas is apparently still getting worse, not better.

How can you tell whether your community has a gang problem?

Some signs of gang problems in schools are a rise in truancy, an increasing number of social groups with unusual names, and young people wearing tattoos, beads, and

uniform colors. Not every child who experiments with gang styles is a gang member. But the presence of gang style and subculture is not a healthy element in a child's environment.

Graffiti (names and symbols painted on walls and other surfaces) is significant, too. "Tagging," or graffiti that consists of only names and pictures, is not necessarily gang-related. It is vandalism, however, a costly nuisance.

When gang names, challenges, and symbols appear, the situation is more serious, especially if signs and gang names are crossed-out. Gangs challenge one another by painting over each other's graffiti. Your local police or sheriff's office may be able to help you decipher the sometimes cryptic signs. Graffiti is not confined to walls, look for gang signs on school notebooks, books,

and papers, too.

Finally, a rising incidence of confrontations, "stare-downs" and racial tensions should be taken very seriously. "Show-bys" (displays of weapons) and "drive-by" shootings are clear signals that gang activity is well out of hand.

What can we do about gangs?

First, acknowledge the problem. In some communities, residents and officials are afraid to admit that there is a gang problem. They may be concerned about their community's image or about the negative effects of labeling young people as gang members. Some people are even afraid that by giving the problem any attention, they will be encouraging gangs by giving them the notoriety they seek.

All of these understandable concerns should be addressed, and all can be met.

But, denial is never beneficial. You cannot solve a problem until you define it.

Secondly, assess the problem. Every locality has its own version of the gang problem. Before you can begin to find solutions to your own situation, you must understand it. How many gangs and gang members are there? What kinds of gangs are present? What sorts of local conditions are contributing to gang activity?

To gather this information you must establish cooperative relations between schools, police, and community organizations. You may wish to call a meeting at your church, school, or community center. Invite citizens who are concerned about gangs to meet with local authorities.

Finally, act on the problem. Send a clear message to the gangs in your community that gang activity will not be ignored. Clean up graffiti immediately after its appearance—and keep it cleaned up. Arrange to hear about new graffiti promptly.

For more information To find out what you can do to help young people in your area, contact your police or sheriff's office, local community center, school or church. You can also write for our free brochure, Gangs and Community Response, Office of the Attorney General, Research and Legal Support Division, PO Box 12548, Austin, TX 78711-2548. For help in organizing a plan to address gang problems in your community, contact our Juvenile Crime Intervention Division at the same address. More information is also available on our home page on the Internet, at <http://www.oag.state.tx.us>.

The Tuskegee Experiment: Is An Apology Enough?

by Earl Ofari Hutchinson

Recently, President Clinton formally apologized to the survivors of the Tuskegee syphilis experiment. But Clinton's apology can't and won't wipe away the shame and disgrace of one of the most monstrous episodes in the annals of American medicine.

In 1932, the U.S. Public Health Service recruited more than 600 African-American men to take part in the study on the long-term effects of untreated syphilis. The men were never told they were infected with syphilis. They believed that they would receive free medical treatment. They were given no treatment then, and were later denied care even after penicillin became widely available for treating the disease in the 1940s.

The government got away with turning these men into human guinea pigs for a simple reason. This was the lynching era in the South and the men were poor, Black, possessed little education and lived in the deeply segregated rural South. Their lives meant nothing to the officials conducting the study. Even the title of the experiment, "The Tuskegee Study of Untreated Syphilis in the Negro Male," showed the abominable contempt that government officials had for these men.

When many of the men died, officials provided them free burial only if their families consented to allow the government to perform autopsies to gather data. Government officials never made any attempt to determine how many others these men may have infected with the disease, let alone any thought to providing treatment for them.

When the public finally learned about the experiment in the late 1960s, government officials didn't even bother to try and cover up their actions; they admitted that the federal government bought, paid for, and approved every aspect of the experiments. Some of the medical officials who took part in the study even tried to claim that it had made a substantial contribution to medical science.

It took protests by many public health officials, a rash of indignant newspapers articles, and a mass outcry from African Americans, before the tests were officially ended. And, it took the threat of a massive lawsuit against the government in 1972, and the prospect of greater scandal

and embarrassment from more public disclosure about the experiment before federal officials finally agreed to an out-of-court settlement.

Even here the government got off cheaply. The settlement called for a pay-out of \$10 million to the survivors and the family members of those who died. In addition, the government promised to provide lifetime health care for the men and their families.

It took a best-selling book, "Bad Blood," published in 1993, that documented the decades of horrid lies and deceit of government officials and medical personnel, and a play, to bring more attention to the tragedy. This stirred even greater demands for an official government apology.

The government has continued to provide medical treatment for the survivors. Last year it spent \$2.1 million on health care for the eight survivors and a handful of family members under the Participants Health Benefits Program.

But continuing to provide medical treatment is hardly enough. What should the U.S. pay for knowingly letting men and women die? How and what should the government pay untold numbers of Black men and women for the emotional damage and trauma they suffered? And, doesn't their suffering cry out for more than a few presidential words of sorrow and regret?

At the very least, Clinton and Congress should drastically increase the amount of funds to be paid to the survivors and their families for medical and health benefits and for their pain and suffering. They should also appoint a bi-partisan commission to: Fully examine how the study was conducted and why it was allowed to continue as long as it did; what criminal violations may have been committed; what legal action should be taken against any individual involved who was found to have broken the law; determine if the government bankrolled any other experiments similar to the Tuskegee, study on human subjects and establish clear guidelines on medical experimentation.

The Tuskegee experiment was a monstrous crime-against humanity. A presidential apology won't wipe the slate clean. Only forthright government action to make sure nothing like this ever happens again, can.

Community Health Outreach

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AUGUST 6, 13, 20, 27

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Attacks on Clinton: Character or Politics?

By George Wilson

From the day that William Jefferson Clinton raised his right hand and was sworn in as President of the United States, he has been targeted by his political adversaries. This president has seen everything from his days in high school to his tenure as the Governor of Arkansas scrutinized. However, in spite of special counsels, inquiring Congressional committees and questionable journalism on the part of some media, none of the president's missteps have caused him to stumble from office or significantly fall in public opinion polls.

Now, Clinton appears to be on his way to providing stimulation to an American public that has exhibited a particular delight in court cases involving the rich and famous. According to a lawsuit filed by Paula Corbin Jones in 1994, she was the victim of unwanted sexual advances from Bill Clinton. At the time of the alleged incident, Clinton was Governor of Arkansas and Jones was a state employee. The suit contends that Jones was punished by lack of promotion, rude treatment from fellow employees and suffered defamation of character. Clinton claims he doesn't even recall meeting his

accuser.

Since the suit was filed, lawyers for Clinton have been trying to delay any court proceedings involving the Chief Executive from occurring until his term of office is complete. The battle eventually found its way to the Supreme Court which recently ruled that the president "can be sued for actions outside the scope of his official duties." In other words, the Supreme Court is saying, "let the games begin."

Since this writer, and no reader were present in the room when the alleged offense occurred, we are forced to believe either the president or Paula Jones. The final arbiters of this dispute will be the jury that will have a front row seat at the proceedings, along with a probable television audience. Clinton will have to account for his actions or the lack thereof. However, the credibility of all American politicians will be placed on the world stage for all to see.

A scenario is developing here in Washington in which the president and his associates could be spending more time in hearings or courtrooms than in their offices doing the nation's business. I am certain that there are many

Republicans who are jumping for joy at that possibility. It seems that they want the courts to do what they couldn't accomplish at the ballot box.

I recently read an article in The New York Times which outlined some of the problems of previous inhabitants of the White House. From all appearances, if guilty, President Clinton, will be part of a fairly large group of presidents who exhibited what could be considered unethical or immoral behavior. For example: George Washington, known as the Father of the country, was also known to be the father of dozens of illegitimate children, including Alexander Hamilton. Incidentally, Hamilton was allegedly conceived during a trip that "old George" made to Barbados. Could this mean that Hamilton was a person of color? Hmmmm. In addition, Washington was accused of stealing \$5,000 from the Continental Army.

Thomas Jefferson, aside from his well-known connection to Sally Hemming, one of his slaves, was forced to publicly admit to seducing a good friend's wife. Some of the others include Andrew Jackson, who married a woman who wasn't divorced from her first husband; Ulysses S. Grant, known for his public drunkenness and Franklin D. Roosevelt, for adultery. The consistent thread that runs through all of the previously mentioned cases is that none of those accused were drummed out of office because of their behavior.

Clinton can avoid an embarrassing public trial by settling this matter out of court. The other option is to follow the lead of many of his predecessors by denying everything after being caught, so to speak, with his pants down.

The Republicans are having great fun for now. However, it won't be quite as humorous when some of the charges they are hurling at Clinton come flying back at some of them.





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JOHN 10:10. JESUS SAID, THE THIEF COMETH NOT, BUT FOR TO STEAL, AND TO KILL, AND DESTROY; BUT I AM COME THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE LIFE, AND THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE IT MORE ABUNDANTLY.

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1 TIMOTHY 6:7-10. FOR WE BROUGHT NOTHING INTO THIS WORLD, AND IT IS CERTAIN WE CAN CARRY NOTHING OUT, AND HAVING FOOD AND RAIMENT LET US BE THEREWITH CONTENT. BUT THEY THAT WILL BE RICH FALL INTO TEMPTATION AND A SNARE, AND INTO MANY FOOLISH AND HURTFUL LUST, WHICH DROWN MEN IN DESTRUCTION AND PERDITION(RUIN). FOR THE LOVE OF MONEY(AMERICA) IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL: WHICH WHILE SOME COVETED AFTER, THEY HAVE ERRED FROM THE FAITH, AND PIERCED THEMSELVES THROUGH WITH MANY SORROWS.

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1 CORINTHIANS 6:9,10. KNOW YE NOT THAT THE UNRIGHTEOUS SHALL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD? BE NOT DECEIVED: NEITHER FORNICATORS, NOR IDOLATERS, NOR ADULTERERS, NOR EFFEMINATE(PERVERTS), NOR ABUSERS OF THEMSELVES WITH MANKIND, NOR THIEVES, NOR COVETOUS, NOR DRUNKARDS, NOR REVELERS, NOR EXTORTIONERS, SHALL INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

(BELOVED:IF YOU TRYING TO GET TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD; YOU WILL BE MET WITH HINDRANCE AND OPPOSITION: THE DEVIL IS DOING HIS JOB! TRYING TO GET YOU OFF YOUR MARK, HE WILL SEND FRIENDS AND FOES, FROM WITHIN AND WITHOUT, TO HINDER US FROM SERVING GOD; AND IF OUR LIGHT IS NOT SHINING; GOD IS NOT GETTING THE GLORY!!! THE THINGS THAT OF GOD, OFTEN CLASH AND INTERFERE WITH THE THINGS THAT ARE OF MEN, THAT IS, WITH OUR OWN WEALTH, PLEASURE,AND REPUTATION. YOU CAN'T SERVE TWO MASTERS. KNOW YOUR MASTER'S VOICE!!!)

MATTHEW 5:13,48. JESUS SAID, YE ARE SALT OF THE EARTH; BUT IF THE SALT HAVE LOST HIS SAVIOR, WHEREWITH SHALL IT BE SALTED? IT IS THENCEFORTH GOOD FOR NOTHING. BUT TO BE CAST OUT, AND TO BE TRODDEN UNDER FOOT OF MEN, BE YE THEREFORE PERFECT, EVEN AS YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN IS PERFECT.

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You Can't Fool God!

"This is a nation that obeyeth not the voice of the Lord their God, nor receiveth correction: truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth."— Jeremiah 7:28

God had sent message after message to the nation of Judah, attempting to get them to repent and leave their sins, but most of the people failed to change. Instead, they pretended to worship God, but their hearts were far from Him.

They had refused to obey God's laws, thinking they knew better how their society should be run than God did. When God corrected them, they would not listen to His requests. They did not value truth; they lied to each other, to themselves, and to God. They believed the false prophets who told them that as long as the temple was in Jerusalem, God would protect the city from invaders.

God is not a puppet to be manipulated; neither is He some kind of magic that responds to certain formulas. He answers the cry of the sincere heart, but He is not deceived by false

fronts. If we expect to get anything from God, we must deal truthfully with Him.

Jeremiah's nation thought they could tell God lies and He would not know the difference. They hid their sins behind their so-called worship of Jehovah like so many of us modern do. Today some people become church members and even attend church in order to make others think they are good people. They may fool some people, but they will never be able to fool God.

Some who have followed this road of making-believe they are Christians are tired of their hypocritical life. Guilt and remorse are not pleasant companions to live with, and these pretenders may be longing to give up their pretense and experience a changed life. There is only one route to a right relationship with God, and that is obedience to His Word. No one need pretend he is a Christian; he can be the real thing by obeying God's Word.

18TH Anniversary Set At New Zion

The New Zion Baptist Church, 1601 Martin Luther King Blvd., will be having its 18th Church Anniversary. The theme will be "Rejoicing In Hope," Romans 5. Services will began Friday, August 8, 1997, at 7:30 p.m. and will climax Sunday afternoon, August 10, 1997, at 3:00 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend. Come one, come all!

HOME GOING OF SATAN SET HERE

The public is invited to be a witness to the Celebration of the Homegoing of Satan at Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ, 1602 Martin Luther King Blvd., on Sunday afternoon, August 10, 1997, beginning at 3:30 p.m. For further information, call Sister Lula Crittenden at 796-2732. Host pastor is Elder H.C. Johnson, who invites all the public to come and witness this effort. "We just want Satan to know he's not welcomed anymore," said Elder Johnson.

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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, along with friends, will have a very important meeting at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church Fellowship Hall on Saturday morning, August 2, 1997, beginning at 9:00 a.m. We would love to see all of you there. Plans are being made for the program in August, 1997. Specific dates and times are forthcoming next week.

We will be armed and considered to be dangerous. We also have a hit list, that is, Satan. We need more women today who's faith breaks the rules. Stand with so much faith that God will express Himself through us. We want to stand back and let God use these vessels.

People are dying, and some are needlessly. This is a hurting world and everything that has a voice need to shout it. The good news of Jesus Christ needs to be said loud and clear.

Listen to me, God's redemptive plan has nothing to do with sexes. If you can make a donkey speak, an ox swim, He can truly use anybody anyway, and at anytime, any place that He sees fit. While many are bickering over doctrines, rules and laws, souls are lost. We're out to reclaim our PRECIOUS PROPERTY WHICH IS OUR CHILDREN FROM THE EVIL ONES. GOD IS LOVE. HE LOVES ALL OF US THE SAME! THERE ARE NO LITTLE "I" AND BUG "U'S".

We will work in Acts 1:8; Mark 11:22-24; and II Chronicles 7:14. To all of those who are hurting, ill and bereaved, remember God is the answer.

See you on Saturday, August 2, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, 1704 East 24th Street, where Rev. Wendell B. Davis is the proud pastor. The Outreach Prayer Breakfast is proud to host this special meeting.

Write to us at: Outreach Prayer Breakfast, P.O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408. We'd love to hear from each of you.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christine Burleson, vice president; and Sister Ernestine Fraizer, secretary.

Minister Takes Community Crusade to 37 States

By Leon Coleman, Sr. Special to the NNPA from the Alexandria News Weekly Grammy Award-winning Minister Joe Simon has announced that he will be continuing his Family Day Community Crusade, with his next stop in Alexandria, LA on June 22, 1997.

Minister Simon, who is a native of Simmesport, LA, will help kick off central Louisiana's "Juneteenth" celebration, by participating as the Grand Marshal for this year's "Juneteenth" parade. The celebration is being sponsored by the Central Louisiana Juneteenth Association and the Alexandria News Weekly.

Minister Joe Simon's 37 state evangelistic Family Day Community Crusade kicked off March 16, 1997 in Montgomery, AL and was sponsored by District IV City Councilman Dr. Mark Gilmore and WAPZ Radio. Minister Simon's Crusade was adopted to give African-American children something to do in the community other than playing basketball, football and other games. It was adopted to get our young people actively involved in the community through helping a senior citizen, a disabled person, or any resident who is in special need of services that can be provided by a responsible youth. They can assist with chores around the home, run errands, cut or rake the lawn, read Bible scriptures or newspaper articles, or anything that will help another person's life move a little smoother.

Hon. Johnny Ford, mayor of Tuskegee, AL, said in endorsing Minister Simon's Crusade, "As Director General of the World Conference of Mayors (WCM), I am honored to endorse Rev. Joe Simon's Evangelistic Crusade, and I urge our mayors throughout the U.S. and the world to cooperate with the Crusade in their cities. This is a wonderful movement and we commend Rev. Simon for his fine spiritual leadership. May God bless Rev. Simon and this crusade."

Minister Simon said, "I am pleased and overwhelmed that they adopted my plan and my program and immediately put it into operation." Minister Simon looks forward to every city adopting and implementing his program through support from city councilmen, state representatives, local political figures and radio and television stations.

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The Groves Branch Library's "Lunch Bunch"

What better way could there be to "beat the heat" than to eat lunch in a cool room while listening to a program? The Groves Branch Library's "Lunch Bunch" series will begin at noon on July 23, and continue every Wednesday through August 13. The library invites participants to bring a lunch and a beverage.

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On August 6, Dawn Berry will discuss "Egg Masterpieces—From Faberge to Today."

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The Case For Mike Tyson

By Earl Ofari Hutchinson

The Nevada State Athletic Commission should listen carefully to Evander Holyfield before it makes a final decision on Mike Tyson. When asked whether he'd give Tyson a rematch, Holyfield didn't hesitate, "I never say never, if that's what the fans want." He accepted Tyson's public apology and forgave him. There are many reasons why we should too.

Tyson has made no attempt to defend the indefensible, and has thrown himself on the mercy of the public. He recognized his violent, and socially deprived background. He volunteered to seek professional help. He hinted that his inflated entourage of "yes" men has not served him well. He acknowledged that Holyfield was the true champ. He understood that he had to be hit with a severe punishment to send a message that barbarous behavior has no place in boxing or any other sport.

But Tyson isn't the only one to blame for his behavior. I remember that he once told an interviewer, "If I wasn't in boxing, I'd be breaking the law." He was never more wrong. The sports writers and many fans have never tired of reminding anyone who'd listen, that Tyson broke the law both outside the ring when he was convicted and imprisoned on rape charges. And in the view of just about everybody that watched the Las Vegas fight he broke the law inside the ring by hacking off parts of Holyfield's ears.

Yet, his apology has meant nothing to the hordes of sports fans, writers, boxing officials, and even many African Americans who demanded that he be banned permanently from boxing, his purse withheld, and that he be hit with a stiff fine. Some even said he should be jailed for assault.

I say they're all hypocrites. Tyson has long been much of America's poster boy for perversion. Nearly everyone who is jumping on the handwagon and screaming for his head knows

of his history as street thug, bully, brute, and lecher.

During his trial for rape, his attorneys played hard on his "bad as I wannabe" image. They evidently hoped that since everyone knew that this was his public image, the jurors might cut him some slack if they thought that his accuser should have known what would happen if she went to his room. The jurors didn't buy it, and convicted him.

After his release from prison, many boxing promoters and corporate media owners openly played on Tyson's bad boy image. They greedily hoped that this would swell the gate and bring mega pay days back to the dying sport of boxing. They were right. Thousands of fans forked up premium dollars to cheer and jeer the bad boy Tyson in his quest to reclaim his spot on top of the boxing world.

Many sports writers continued their love-hate affair with Tyson. They plied the public with a barrage of scandal and gossip stories on him, lambasted him as an animal and a savage, and then leaped over each other to grab their seats at or near ringside to eagerly build up the next Tyson extravaganza.

Many African Americans claimed that Tyson was being persecuted by white society, especially the white media, for being an outspoken Black man. They turned him into a hero/martyr. This only added to the Tyson mystique. There has never been any political principles at stake in any of Tyson's misdeeds, or the controversies that surrounded him.

To his credit, Tyson did make a sincere effort to redeem himself. He was a model prisoner during his three-year stretch in the Indiana State prison. He found religion and tried to improve himself educationally. He married a young Black professional. He has two children which he seems devoted to. He gave \$1 million to local charities in Harlem. He quietly settled a civil suit with the victim of his rape attack. He made no inflammatory attacks on Black women, some of who picketed and protested his public appearances.

Tyson always seemed to me to be uncomfortable with his marquee image as America's poster boy for greed and dysfunctionality. Every chance he got he lashed out at society for turning him into an extravagantly paid punching bag. He told one interviewer "They pay \$500 to see me. There's so much hypocrisy in the world." But Tyson pumped up by sports fans, admirers, the media, and boxing's money crowd as boxing's primal force gladiator took full advantage of that hypocrisy. He believed he was "Iron Mike," a man above the law who could do anything and get away with it. He was almost right.

Tyson rightly deserved and got a second chance to become the richest ex-con in history. I, like many others, sincerely, hoped that he wouldn't blow his chance. I wanted him to succeed in making at least some of his detractors finally take his mug off their bad boy poster. It was painfully clear that Saturday night in Las Vegas that it would and should stay there. Big money and sports fame could never turn Iron Mike into clean Mike. Still, the frightening thing is that in an era when much of the media routinely turns the thug behavior, and clownish antics of some athletes and celebrities into big bucks and ratings, Tyson's stock may soar even higher. In fact, I'm betting that if, or when, he fights again, many of those who are now clamoring the loudest for his blood will be the ones clamoring the loudest for tickets to see him bludgeon someone else in the ring.

So let's stop kidding ourselves. If Tyson is a monster, he's our monster. We made him. Now let's give him the chance to remake that image. Let him fight again.

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Accordingly he finds fault with election as a mere system of arbitrary partiality and favoritism; and tells us that if there be such a thing as total helplessness in man and sovereign election in God, then man is not to blame if he be lost. Man's entire apostasy and death in sin, so that he cannot save himself, and God's entire supremacy, so that He saves whom He will, are doctrines exceedingly distasteful to human pride. But they are Scriptural!

Why was one thief saved and the other lost? "Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight." God was not bound to save the one, and He had power enough to have saved the other, and neither could save himself. What made the difference? The sovereign grace of God.

Why was Paul saved and Judas lost? Was it because the former deserved to be saved and the latter to be lost? No, neither deserved to be saved. Was it because the one was a fitting object for the grace of God and the other not? No, the one was no more a fitting object than the other. Was it because Paul chose Christ and Judas rejected Him? Well, but how was it that Paul chose Christ? Was it not because Christ chose him?

Why is it that Britain is a land of light and Africa a land of darkness? Who made the difference? Who sent the gospel to Britain and withheld it from Africa? Is God unjust in leaving the mighty continent in the hands of Satan, and in delivering from his yoke that small island of the sea?

Why was it that Judea was made a land of light and Egypt remained a region of darkness?

Who made the difference? Man or God? Was God unjust in leaving Egypt in the shadow of death when He made light to arise on Israel? What had Israel done to deserve a privilege like this?

None have deserved salvation. No man is more fit for it than another. God was not bound to save any. God might have saved all. Yet He has only saved some. Is He then, unjust in only saving some when He could have saved all? Objectors say, "Oh, those who are lost, are lost because they rejected Christ." But did not all equally reject Him at first? What made the unbelief of some give way? Was it because they willed it, or because God put forth His power in them? Surely the latter. Might He not, then, have put forth His power in all and prevented any from rejecting the Savior? Yet, He did not. Why? Because it seemed good in His sight.

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