

ARTS IN ACTION

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At her recent sellout Madison Square Garden concert, Aretha Franklin paid tribute to her father, the Reverend C. L. Franklin. Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Dr. Ralph Abernathy came onstage to speak about the contributions made by the Rev. Franklin to the cause of Black Liberation, and then presented him with a plaque which Aretha proudly held high for all to see. In addition, Aretha's sisters, Erma and Carolyn Franklin joined her in singing a medley of songs to their father, who sat in the orchestra looking proud.



Soul Slices

NORMAN WHITFIELD of Whitfield Records has already bought a home in the Hollywood Hills of Los Angeles, with Smokey Robinson and the rest of Motown's creative department soon to follow, joining SUZANNE de PASSE, who is busy building MoWest into the pride of Motown. She was responsible for Michael Jackson's "Got To Be There" L.P. Detroit's MARVIN GAYE is finishing up his Afro-sound album (his first since "What's Going On" in ear-

ly '71), and EDWIN STARR checks in with his latest, "Take Me Clear Out of Here"...Breaking from AL GREEN's chart topping "Let's Stay Together" L.P. "How Do You Mend A Broken Heart." Meanwhile Stax has the DRAMATICS, IKE HAYES, EMOTIONS, SOUL CHILDREN, to keep things cooking till FREDERICK KNIGHT's "Been Lonely For So Long" finally catches on and the new RUFUS THOMAS and BAR-KAYS are ready to go.



SLY

WHAT'S GOING ON?



JACKSON FIVE

Beware!

By EVERNA GWYNN

bourgeoisie niggers rapping down hard on fucked-up moralities taking your use-to-be consciousness below subservient existence putting you through all kinds of bull-shit changes and you not being aware, letting it all flow in they, by portraying silhouetted

Black attitudes, got you leaning toward the wrong side of idealism, cause the catatonic state that your mind has reached cannot be dealt with in its truest form and you not knowing which way is direction can easily be lead from the norm, cause you are a dying-out-type nigger!!!

Concern

For

All

Blacks

By EVERNA GWYNN

They're so in love with each other till they can't see nobody else All these people walking past 'em but they're so involved with self They're blinded by Black love at the expense of being Black

I know this thing is beautiful, but you must face the facts Two Blacks alone got to do more than just love each other They got to think about the 11% more of our sisters and brothers!!!