

**DID YOU KNOW?**



...that according to scientists, gold exists on Mars, Mercury and Venus?



...that about 10 billion times more than man has managed to mine from the earth) are estimated to be suspended in the oceans of the world, but in concentrations so small it is not economically feasible to attempt to recover the gold?

Manx are different from other breeds of cats because they are born tailless.

**TRIBUTE TO M.L. KING, SR. PLANNED**

The Morehouse School of Religion, an interdenominational school, has invited some 300 ministers to Washington, D.C., on October 21, to help pay tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr.

This gathering of distinguished ministers in fellowship, will include briefings with the White House, Congressional Black Caucus and officials of the District of Columbia government; covering such areas as changes and direction of the White House, future goals of the Black Caucus, and the unique problems and solutions of Washington, D.C.'s urban and rural lifestyles.

Topping off these two days of events will be the presentation of the Distinguished Ministers Fellowship Award to Dr. King, on Tuesday, October 23, at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

The dinner, which is held bi-annually, is the major fund raising event for Morehouse School of Religion. The proceeds from the dinner will go into the perpetual endowment fund and are used for aspiring seminarians, worthy lay programs, and to keep the Black Church part of its community.

Other notables invited to participate in this long overdue tribute are: Andrew Young, Mrs. Coretta Scott King, Dr. Benjamin Mays, Benjamin Hooks, Carl Rowan, Mayors Richard Hatcher, Maynard Jackson, and Ernest N. Morial, and many, more.

Dr. Bobby Joe Saucer, Dean of Morehouse School of Religion, in implementing the tribute to Dr. King, anticipates the entire nation's participation in this national tribute.

**CIVIL RIGHTS UP-DATE**

**LITERACY TEST:** Florida's functional literacy test cannot be used as a requirement for a high school diploma until all vestiges of school segregation are gone, says U.S. District Court Judge George Carr.

While upholding the validity of the exam, the decision said that it could not be used for four years, until all Florida children had equal educational opportunity in a desegregated system.

The ruling could affect 36 other states that have similar tests.

**CENSUS STUDY:** A new Census Bureau report, "Persons of Spanish Origin in the United States," indicates that higher unemployment rates, lower income and relative youth characterize the nation's Hispanic population.

Using March, 1978 statistics, it shows that 42 per cent of the nation's twelve million Hispanics are under eighteen years old. The median family income of \$11,400 is nearly \$5,000 under the national average, and their unemployment rate is ten per cent, compared to a seven per cent national average.

The bureau adds that 59 per cent of the national Hispanic population is Mexican, fifteen per cent is Puerto Rican, seven per cent is Central and South American, six per cent is Cuban, and the rest is divided among other Hispanic groups.

**SBA PROGRAM:** Certain groups of Asian-Pacific Americans have been found to be socially disadvantaged and eligible to take part in a subcontracting program that requires major Federal contractors to use small and minority business contractors.

The groups designated are U.S. citizens whose origins are: Japan, Cuba, the Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territories of the Pacific, Northern Marianas, Laos, Cambodia and Taiwan.

**BLACK ENGLISH:** A Federal Judge in Ann Arbor, Mich., has ordered the school district board to give him a plan defining the "exact" steps it will take to train a specific group of teachers on how to identify children who speak "black" English.

Judge Charles Joiner said that in teaching standard English, a public school must recognize the existence of a child's "home language" and develop teaching methods that take it into consideration.

In 1977, eleven black children filed suit against the Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School in Ann Arbor, alleging it had failed to provide them with an equal learning opportunity because it would not recognize their language barrier. The court order applied specifically to that school.

**KLAN SHIPS:** The Navy is conducting investigations aboard two ships of the Atlantic Fleet where alleged Ku Klux Klan activities are taking place. It declined to name the vessels.

Klan membership does not violate Federal and military law, but is viewed as "morally reprehensible" in the sea service.

**UNWED MOTHERS:** The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled 5-4 that unwed mothers are not constitutionally entitled to Social Security survivors' benefits when the family wage earner dies.

The decision upheld a law that restricted insurance benefits to widows and divorced wives of wage earners to replace lost support, so the surviving parent can choose between working or staying home to care for a child.

**FISHING RIGHTS:** Indians in the State of Washington are now entitled to at least half of the salmon caught in tribal fishing areas or that have passed through those areas before being caught, says the U.S. Supreme Court.

In a 6-3 decision, the ruling resolved a Federal lawsuit on behalf of the Indians to enforce their fishing rights under treaties of 1854 and 1855.

**NURSES AIDES:** The U.S. District Court in Owensboro, Ky., has ordered the Owensboro-Davies County Hospital to pay 700 present and former female nurses aides \$336,000 in back wages and \$138,700 in interest for violating the Equal Pay Act.

In 1976, the Court initially ruled for the defendant but the Labor Department appealed the ruling.

The equal pay provisions of the Fair Labor Standard Act prohibited pay discrimination based on sex when employees are performing equal work on essentially the same job in the same establishment.

**RAPE VICTIM:** A 22-year old woman cab driver in San Francisco who was raped a gun point in her cab has been fired by her boss. "I'm lucky the cab wasn't hurt," he said.

He added that her dismissal was for her own good because she was "so young" and didn't screen fare carefully.

**DISCO BARS:** The Department of Justice has filed its first civil suit against a Houston discotheque for allegedly seeking to limit the number of black patrons admitted by asking that they have reservations while no requiring reservations from others.

**GRAND JURIES:** Federal judges may strike down a state court conviction if the indicting grand jury was selected in a racially biased way, says the U.S. Supreme Court.

The 5-3 vote resulted from appeals by two black Tennessee prisoners who said that Tipton County had practiced racial bias when it excluded blacks from serving a jury foremen.

However, because the justices were not convinced that the two prisoners had in any way proved that grand jury racial bias affected their indictment, it was voted 7-2 that they remain in prison.

**FAIR HOUSING:** The Fair Housing Act can be used to sue insurance companies for allegedly denying homeowners insurance on the basis of neighborhood racial composition, a U.S. District judge has ruled in Cincinnati.

Judge Carl Rubin's ruling, setting a major precedent involved a black Dayton couple living in a black neighborhood. When their insurance was cancelled they sued five insurance companies and an insurance agent for \$4.42 million.

**JEWISH HOME:** The State of California says that the Jewish Home for the Aged in Reseda discriminates against non-Jews, but adds that the Federal government will have to decide whether Federal regulations have been violated.

At issue is whether the non-profit home, which received a \$320,000 Federal construction grant in 1972, should allow non-Jews to share in \$32,000 of annual free services it obligated itself to provide when accepting the money.

**JOBLESS PARENTS:** Needy children of unemployed mothers are entitled to the same welfare payments given unemployed fathers in the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program (AFDC) says the U.S. Supreme Court.

The unanimous decision affects programs in 24 states.

The Court also voted 5-4 that benefits should be paid to families when either the mother or father is unemployed, even though the other parent holds a job



**SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK** - This group of black women combine their talents as singers, songwriters, and collectors to make a dynamic musical statement on the black American experience. Their repertoire runs an exciting span from children's game songs and prison songs of the rural South, through Gospel and blues, to black women love-songs and socio-political statements of today. The distinctive texture and intensity of each voice allows the members to carry out solo responsibility; when joined in a group statement, the result is unique, powerful, harmonic lines that make for refreshing black music. The name of the group, "Sweet Honey in the Rock", is based on the choral refrains of a traditional black song. As used by this group, it symbolizes the unique characteristics of black womanhood: strength, consistency, warmth and gentleness.

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The word "biscuit" comes from the French and originally meant something twice cooked. The process helped it keep longer.

The Great Wall of China has enough stone to build an eight foot-wall around the earth at the equator.

**NEWS For Motorists**

Get The Most Out Of Your CB; Avoid Fuel Crunch

Spot fuel shortages and service station closings will complicate highway travel this summer, so Motorola Inc., a major U.S. maker of citizen's band radios, offers some tips on using CBs to help motorists steer clear of problems.

- Listen more and talk less. CBers can learn where to buy gas locally just by listening to channel 19 which is popular with long distance travelers.



- "Pull in Your Ears" (listen only to local signals) by turning down the squelch until the radio is quiet. Then, slowly turn it up until the first signal is heard. You've cut out interfering signals and noise.

- Reduce the reception range by turning down the RF gain control and flip and local/distance switch to "local."

- To increase reception range on radios with IF and RF gain controls, leave the squelch and RF gain wide open. Then, adjust the IF to reduce interference, letting only the strongest signals in.

There are effective ways for transmitting, says Motorola. Ask oncoming rather than parallel traffic for gas and road information. Start on channel 19, then move to channels above 23.

New features on CB radios, including those from Motorola, make CB talking easier. Pre-amplified mikes that don't need batteries amplify the user's voice for maximum talk power without picking up background noise, too.

Radios with noise reduction features like the Vari-Com system make reception and transmission more clear, too, even in crowded areas, says Motorola.

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