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singer Murdock. He produced three of her biggest hits -"Husband," "Go On Without You" and "As We Lay."

"That showed me there was another side of me that I wanted to explore," he said.
"Those songs led to 'Computer Love,' a total departure from the dance stuff. I recorded that in 1982 and it was released in 1984. I think it was slightly ahead of its time, that's why it's still popular.

Troutman admits he's been through some "tough and scary times for a while," but working hard has kept him going. He does about 300 dates a year, with his brother as his booking agent. "He never has to worry about whether I'm going to show up or not. He knows he has free reign."

Troutman's been busy on all fronts. He recently scored the Martin Lawrence film "A Thin Line Between Love & Hate." He also produced the theme for H-Town. His own video release of "Living For The City." He'll appear in Johnny Gill's latest video.

If you're going Roger Troutman & Zapp appear 8 p.m. Saturday at the Oasis Temple, 604 Way. Daniel Burnham Tickets are \$17.50 and are available atTicketMaster locations and Willie's Records. B.Y.O.B. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to A Child's

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cross in Christ-like fashion. There is a disclaimer stating its not intended to be disrespectful, but that's like Jeffrey Dahmer giving condolences to one of his victim's family.

There isn't anything of value on this record except its mercifully short. It sounds much like a work in progress, though Death Row said it was finished before the rapper's death. In his new persona, Makaveli, 2Pac talks of trivial matters the East Coast-West Coast thing, sex, drugs and violence. That's generally the standard stuff for a lot of rappers, but 2Pac looked as if he was getting above that on his monumental All Eyez On Me CD.

fondly, skip this mess and buy "All Eyez." This isn't worth the plastic it's stamped on.

> Rating: কককক Classic; ককক Excellent; ☆☆☆ Good; ☆☆ Fair;
> ☆ Why?; No stars Given - A Mess

If folk want to remember him

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Olmsted's unfailing recollections of conversations that capture the essence of southern black and white relations.

While it is evident the book is written from an anthropolgical point of view and is often condescending, it is still an excellent source of informa-

The Unknown Soliders: African American Troops in World War I

De Capo Press \$14.95 1996

Authur E. Barbeau and Florette Henri explore the tenuous relationships between black and white soliders during the first great war.

It examines every aspect of the military from the limited opportunities for advancement afford African American soliders and the inadequate supplies they received to the lynchings and Bloody Summer of 1917 they faced after their

return from war. Henri and Barbeau are the first to link the experiences of WWI veterans to the burgeoning struggle to overcome Jim Crow segregation.

The Making of an Afro-American: Martin Robison Delany

Dorothy Sterling Decap Press \$14.95

Martin R. Delany is not a household name for African Americans he should be.

Before Marcus Garvey, Malcolm X and Tim Drew, Delany declared that he was proud of his African heritage and fought desperately for not only the emancipation but the independence of African America.

Delany, a contemporty of Fredrick Douglass, said Delany, "I thank God for making me a man, but Delany thanks Him for making him a Black man."

Delany, lived an interesting and varied life. One of the first three African Americans admitted to Harvard Medical School, the son of slaves went on to become a death defying orator, surgeon, judge, doctor, Freedman's Bureau official and author of black national-

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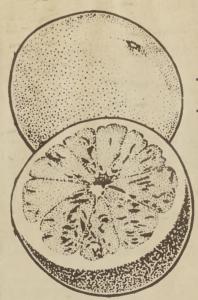


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