

New Book By Ex-Addict

**Junkie: The Deadliest Cover-up!**



George C. Richardson

George C. Richardson, president of the National Committee To Declare War on Drugs, and a former New Jersey Assemblyman, warned this week that heroin addiction has already reached the saturation point in some cities and was radiating out to suburban, small-city and rural areas, where addiction levels are now rising fastest.

"No city is safe from a heroin epidemic" he warned, "and today, Atlanta, Georgia, and Dallas, Texas, are just as vulnerable as New York City and Newark, New Jersey.

Speaking before the Southern Regional Convention of Black Media Inc., a service cooperation of over 100 black newspapers, and the Georgia Black Publishers Association in Atlanta, Georgia, this week, Richardson explained that the tragedy of the current addiction crisis is deepening because the government is still not dealing with it.

"Last April, President Ford told Congress that record-high drug addiction levels were 'a clear and present threat to the safety and future of the nation'. But despite this admission, nothing is being done, the public is still apathetic, and the same men who were part of the Nixon drug cover-up still lead our most important federal drug

one-half times as much as their entire annual municipal budget. It is a truth we must understand and learn to deal with before we can hope to vitalize our cities and save our society."

Cautioning the black newspaper publishers that addiction was now rising fastest among suburban and small-city youngsters, Richardson warned that small cities in the South and in all parts of the nation, were on the way to being devastated by addiction just as Eastern cities already are.

He urged the black newspapers to become the catalyst in launching a national war on drugs movement. "You, the black newspaper publishers, can begin to move the nation. You can make the people and the mass media wake up to this deadly danger. You can move the nation to make drug addiction a priority issue during the next administration, whoever is elected.

"The goal of the war," he said, "on the drugs movement is to build a broad-based national constituency of concerned citizens who will move the federal government to come to grips with the addiction crisis and seek solutions." He told the publishers that they better than anyone else understood the impact of addiction on their local communities. He said, "You understand the need for action and you can make the people and the white press understand it also."

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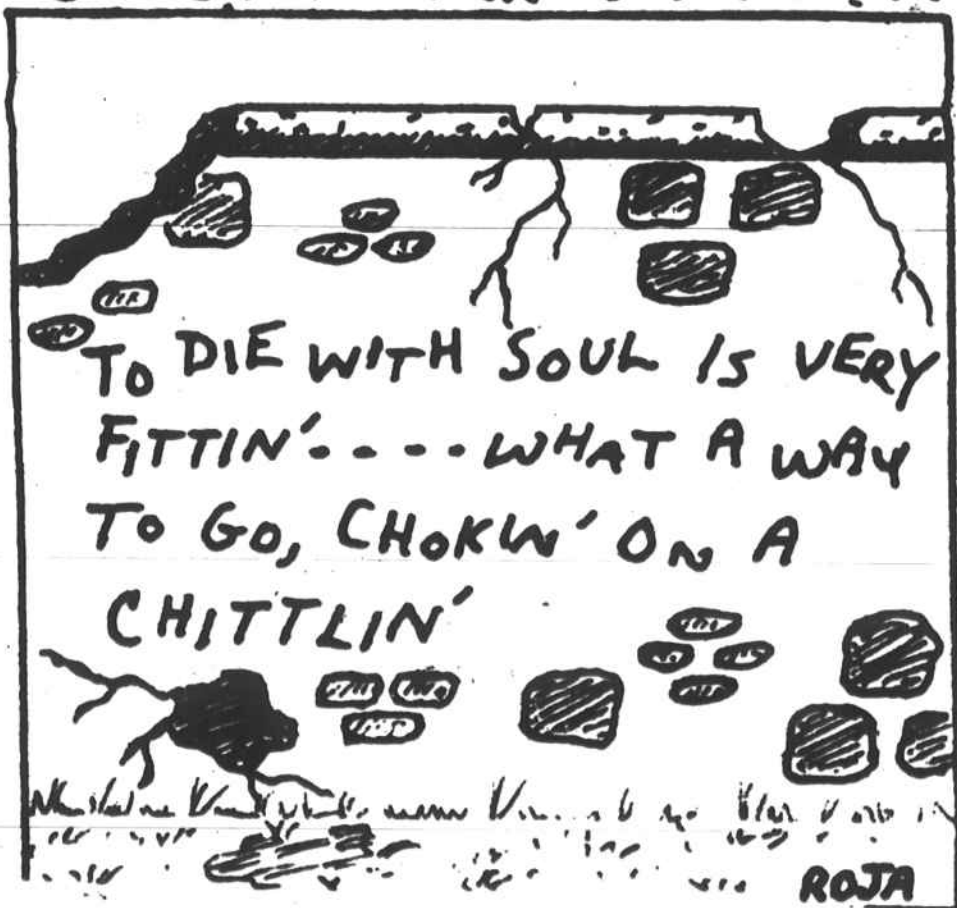
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