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SPOTLIGHT

Maze



[L to R] Top Row: Ron Smith, Frankie Beverly, McKinley Williams. Bottom: Sam Porter, Roame Lowry, Billy [Shoes] Johnson, Robin Duhé.

"We are a people's band," explains Frankie Beverly of Maze. "A very self-contained one at that. People realized that at the start when they felt our music, our personality, our presence come rolling out from concert stage speakers. We create all our music from within and therefore it's very distinctive. Maze doesn't share it's sound with anyone else."

Proof of Beverly's statement lies in the group's last three albums: MAZE FEATURING FRANKIE BEVERLY, the band's debut, Gold within seven months of release; GOLDEN TIME OF DAY, Gold after two months; and INSPIRATION, Gold inside of six weeks. Now the fourth and latest installment of this success story opens with

the release of JOY AND PAIN, the Soul and Pop charted group's latest Capitol album (July 1980). "Some people think that all of this just happened overnight," smiles Beverly. "It may seem that way, but that's not the way the band sees it. Most people don't realize that this band has been together and working hard for a lot of years."

And the hard work begins with Frankie Beverly. The band's lead singer and rhythm guitarist, he also writes, arranges and produces all of Maze's material. Born and raised in Philadelphia, Beverly formed his own band, The Blenders, while still in high school, then began singing with The Butlers, a group that recorded several

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LUTHER By Brumic Brandon, Jr.



Among The Stars with Lee Ivory



Dateline Houston—The entertainment world is beginning to take a good, long, hard look at the predicament being faced by young Black people living in America's inner cities now that the Presidential fiasco has been completed. Most aware performers are of the mind that no matter who won the election, Black children in this nation continue to be the most pressured since the days of overt slavery. The development of the Johnny Nash Youth Communications Award by Black Heritage Publishing Company, with the cooperation and support of Comer Cottrell and Pro-Line Corporation, uncovered a wealth of undiscovered talent. Thousands of entries were received by the Award Committee in this bustling Texas town where Nash conducts his operations. "I've already received calls from several of the top entertainers who, along with other music industry executives, feel that now is the time to do something to give these young people a little hope," said Nash, who just returned from a two-week sojourn to the West Coast to coordinate award activities there. "Many of the people who sent contributions to the committee join me in thanking the national Black press for giving them a brand new dream," said Nash, after conferring with several journalism teacher/advisors working for the Los Angeles Unified School District.

community leader, the Buffalo (N.Y.) Challenger, the Milwaukee (Wisc.) Courier, the Charleston (S.C.) Chronicle, the Shreveport (La.) Sun, the San Bernardino (Ca.) Precedent-Reporter, the New Orleans (La.) Weekly, the Los Angeles (Ca.) Herald-Dispatch, the Orlando (Fla.) Times, The Gary (Ind.) Info, the Greensboro (N.C.) Peacemaker, the Winston-Salem (N.C.) Chronicle, the Dayton (Ohio) Jet Stone News, and the Oklahoma Eagle, in Tulsa. Also the Houston (Tex.) Foward Times, the Kansas City (Kan.) Globe, the Durham (N.C.) Times, the Fort Pierce (Fla.) Chronicle, the Charlotte (N.C.) Post, the Chicago (Ill.) Metro News, the Sarasota (Fla.) Bulletin, the Chicago (Ill.) Independent Bulletin, the Augusta (Ga.) New-Review, the Wilmington (N.C.) Journal, the Indianapolis Indiana Herald, the Jacksonville (Fla.) Star, the Bakersfield (Ca.) News Observer, the Albany (Ga.) Times, the Portland (Ore.) Skanner, the Fort Lauderdale (Fla.) Westside Gazette, and the Black Dispatch, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Black Heritage Publishing Company, a non-profit organization which will publish a four-color process newspaper on the life and career of Los Angeles City Councilman Lindsay, also received support and cooperation from many of the nation's Black radio stations. Several teacher's groups in the U.S. participated in the talent search. Other groups and people who benefitted from the KNS promotion included Pro-Line Corporation,

Derrick Fisher, administrative assistant for Karen's News Syndicate, a youth-motivation project dating back to the early 1970s, has been swamped with clippings of articles published in Black newspapers throughout the nation, and entries were received from more than 100 U.S. cities in 32 states.

"Although we have been studying some of the Black newspapers for more than five years," Fisher added, "we have never seen such concern for a project as that shown by Black publishers in America for young Black writers. We are especially grateful to John Bankston, of the Grand Rapids (Mich.) Times; Les and Paluline Kimber, of the Fresno (Ca.) Advocate; Randolph L. White, of the Charlottesville-Albemarle (Va.) Tribune; and, Mrs. Majorie B. Parham, publisher of the Cincinnati (Ohio) Herald." Other publications displaying an earnest concern for the opening of outlets for young Blacks included: the Los Angeles (Ca.) Sentinel, the Roanoke (Va.) Tribune, the Savannah (Ga.) Tribune, the Omaha (Neb.) Star, the Cordele (Ga.) Southeastern news, the San Antonio (Tex.) Register, the Chicago (Ill.) Crusader, the Akron (Ohio) Reporter, the Cleveland (Ohio) Call and Post, and the Philadelphia (Pa.) New Observer. Also, the Dallas (Tex.) Post Tribune, the Jackson (Miss.) Advocate, the Baton Rouge (La.) com-

STARSCOPE

by Clare Annswell

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20, 1980

AQUARIUS—January 21-February 19
Put charisma to work and make major career strides. Warmhearted friends can embarrass you with generosity. Dealings with older relatives and advisers highly favored.

PISCES—February 20-March 20
See projects through from start to finish. It's rather easy to delegate tasks. Edgy friends may need time alone. Canceled plans may prove blessing in disguise.

ARIES—March 21-April 20
Catch up on paperwork and organizational tasks. Promotion is delayed, but don't give up hope. Ideas you shape now will pay off handsomely by year's end.

TAURUS—April 21-May 22
Clear up disagreements—completely—if you're to get on with the job...any job. Older people may need extra attention. Creativity is at high from Sunday on.

GEMINI—May 23-June 21
Week is spent among sophisticated company, but don't get carried away with dress or hairdo. Platonic relationship remains platonic. Avoid detours through weekend.

CANCER—June 22-July 22
A week of artistic accomplishment—and no time for modesty. Issue reminders promptly, especially where funds are involved. Check priorities daily.

LEO—July 23-August 22
You see now that plans were unrealistic—but that's not to say they can't be realized on more modest scale. Chance encounters are scattered through weekend.

VIRGO—August 23-September 22
Watch out for friends trying to coax you into volunteering for heavy-duty assignments. Modest speculation pays off. You do especially well in group activities.

LIBRA—September 23-October 22
May win accolade or be appointed to executive post. Weekdays are unexpectedly glamorous, especially if reunions are featured.

SCORPIO—October 23-November 21
An activity-packed week, yet there's still time to rediscover favorite old hobby. Family member goes out on limb for you. Watch out for get-rich-quick schemers.

SAGITTARIUS—November 22-December 22
Lots of temptations—but guard against people trying to manipulate you. Romantic weekend featured, with surprises scattered everywhere. Accident prone, so don't work too fast now.

CAPRICORN—December 23-January 20
Thursday's news contains mix of positive and negative information. Be ready to change plans—minor or major—through weekend. Family member shows unexpected affection.

BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK
Lucky, idealistic, versatile, curious—you're very independent, but sometimes too casual about serious affairs. Year ahead finds you at crossroads; with increased effort and dedicated approach, you can expand and improve yourself.

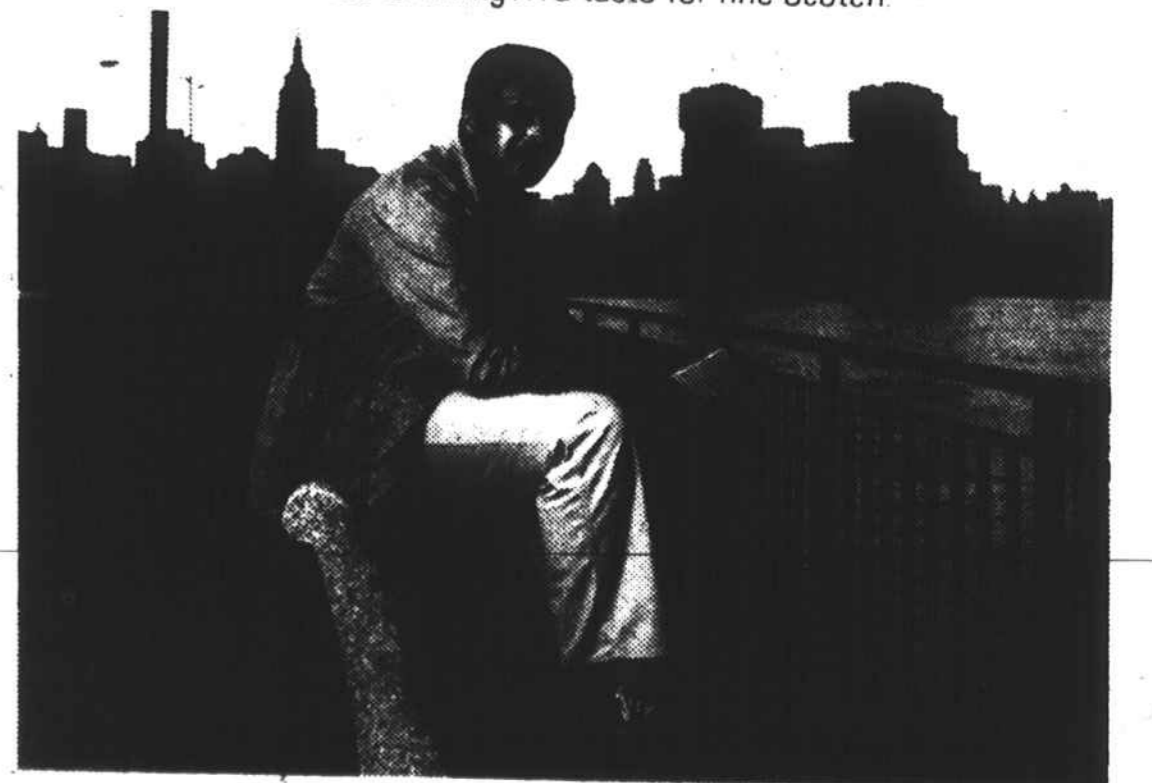
BORN THIS WEEK
November 20th, host Richard Dawson; 21st, actress Goldie Hawn; 22nd, actor Robert Vaughn; 23rd, actress Vera Miles; 24th, actor Howard Duff; 25th, actor Ricardo Montalban; 26th, singer Robert Goulet.



Syndicated comic strips were first produced by a 1920s syndicate and included "Moon Mullins" and "Orphan Annie."

DEWAR'S PROFILE

A thirst for living... a taste for fine Scotch.

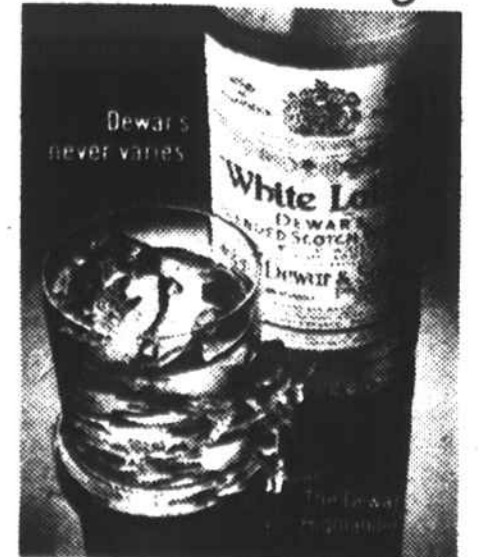


DAVID HARDY

BORN: Plainfield, New Jersey, 1942.
HOME: West New York, New Jersey.
PROFESSION: Investigative/political reporter, *New York Daily News*.
RESPONSIBILITY: "To share reality with others, even though I'm mindful that reality is not always an inspiring spectacle."
STORY: "Be it a homicide, a zoning fight, a political scandal, or simply a tale of a compassionate Jersey City hot dog vendor, my job is sometimes thrilling, often onerous, occasionally perilous, but always interesting."
QUOTE: "Every human being should possess a sense of morality about society and accept personal responsibility for his or her role."

SCOTCH: Dewar's "White Label."
"On the rocks with a splash, when relaxing with my chess computer."

David Hardy



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FINDIT!

Find 14 American Indian tribes. Words run across, down, or diagonally in any direction. Word list below.

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D H U R O N P A
A O E N D E R M
K P E R I E O O
O I R W O M T J
T U C N A K O A
A T E H U T E V
E E A P A C H E

Word list: Cree, Cherokee, Dakota, Erie, Apache, Huron, Hopi, Mojave, Navajo, Omaha, Otoe, Piute, Red, Ute, Zuni. Leftover letters give you one more tribe.

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WORDS & MEANINGS

Unmix the letters in the boxes to form a word. Then circle A, B or C for the correct meaning (or definition). Score yourself as follows:
4 Correct-Excellent 2 Correct-Fair 3 Correct-Good 1-0 Correct-Poor

- M A Y**
A POTATO B WEDGE C NAPKIN
- S T A F E**
A BANQUET B STARVE C SLENS
- V A R S T E H**
A SNOW B CROP C HOME
- B L E R G O B**
A HORSE B CORN C TURKEY