Sidney Poitier's Autobiography Is Good Gift!

By Jesse H. Walker Special To The Post

Once again WBLS-FM is the most listened-to radio station in the New York metropolitan area, according to the latest results, for May, from the Mediastat rating service. WBLS, with a 9.1 percent share of the 13 million persons in the market, holds a 2.4 percent lead over second place, most impressive, since their lead was but .9 percent in April. WBLS-FM is the flagship station for black-owned Inner City Broadcasting, a group of seven stations serving metropolitan areas across the country.

. For the third straight year, Kentucky Fried Chicken is sponsoring the Harlem YMCA All Stars Contest, to be held July 19-20 in neighborhood parks and on Ran-dall's Island. Competition will include a basketball "Shoot-Out," pushups, an obstacle course run, the standing broad jump and the mile run. Grand prize to top male and female will be \$500 cash plus an all-expense paid week in the Bahamas for two.

++++ Betye Saar, whose highly suc-cessful exhibit "Rituals" continues at the Studio Museum in Harlem through June 30, was in the city from the West Coast on June 9 and 10 giving interviews.

The World Invitational Double Dutch Championship has been rescheduled for June 28 at Lincoln Center Fountain Plaza. The ropejumping sport had to be curtailed on May 31 when torrential rains cut things short although two-thirds of the competition had been completed. Teams from as far as Boulder, Colorado were present. Double Dutch is sponsored by Harlem's 32nd Police Precinct with a grant from Mobil Oil Corporation and directed by Detective David Walker.

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The Federal Communications Commission last week voted to drop the special class of "clear channel" radio stations, making way for up to 125 new AM stations. many of which will be earmarked for ownership by minority groups.

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Composer-writer-actress Micki Grant is represented in two Broadway shows, one a hit and the other not quite so. The return of "Your Arms Too Short To Box With God. again received top praise from the critics. The musical, "conceived" from the book of St. Matthew by Vinnette Carroll, has music and lyrics by Alex Bradford, supplemented by Micki Grant. But "It's So Nice To Be Civilized," is a musical with book, lyrics and music by Micki Grant. And while Vivian Reed and Mabel King and Obba Babatunde received high honors, and the music faint praise. all the critics condemned the book as dull and without dramatic

When talking of Atlantic City these days, everyone is mentioning Resorts International and the gambling casinos open there now, Blacks shouldn't forget that the Club Harlem remains open on Kentucky Avenue. The top 46-yearold club, where once Sammy Davis Jr., Aretha Franklin, Lola Falana and others once held sway is now featuring the likes of The Stylistics (June 27-29), Harold Melvin and the Blue Notes (July 11-13), and the Manhattans and Dance Dimensions (July 3-6). Harlem's own Dayton Selby Trio will be appearing there in the Lounge, opening June 27 through September 1.

St. Albans mortician Neil Phillips was pleasantly surprised when the captain on Eastern flight from Miami to Freeport, Grand Bahamas announced it was his birthday during the Memorial Day Weekend Trip of the Fellas and the whole plane seranaded him. Some 170 enjoyed this annual trip this year to the Xandu Beach Hotel where they enjoyed the nightly music of the Explorers (Frank Munnings on drums, Forcey on guitar and Vernon on bass). Joe Dargan of Teaneck, NJ won the golf tournament. Lionel McMurren and Amanda Webb of NYC won the tennis doubles finals.

8th Annual Harlem Bicycle Championship, in cooperation with Con Edison, set Father's Day, Sunday, June 15, in Marcus Gar-

vey (Mt. Morris) Park, 120th-124th Streets, between Madison and Fifth Avenues.

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A good gift for anyone is Sidney
Poitier's "This Life," his autobiography (Knopf, \$12.95). It's enter-taining and throughout Poitier underplays his achievements and reveals the genuine responsibility he feels for his race.

++++ The Black Theatre Alliance Newsletter has appealed to its more than 10,000 readers for a little financial help (\$2) due to increased production costs and steadily growing mailing list. It's tax deductible. Send contributions to 410 West 42nd Street, NYC 10036.

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The St. Thomas Community School, 201 W. 122nd Street, is sponsoring a Jazz Concert at the Five Club, 12th Avenue and 57th Street, on June 22, from 3 p.m. to midnight. Top jazz artists will be appearing throughout the evening.

"Incredible Hulk"

David Banner tries to thwart a robbery by joining the thieves, on "The Incredible Hulk," to be rebroadcast Friday, June 13 at 8 p.m. on WBTV, Channel 3.

Banner is under suspicion at the department store in which he is working because of inventory discrepancies. The suspicions seem to be confirmed after the store is invaded by thieves while he is working overtime and he has to throw in with the would-be robbers to protect co-workers who are being held as hostages.

The Jeffersons

The Jeffersons and Willises are shocked when the "expectant father" Lionel storms out of the apartment to pursue a boyhood dream, on "The Jeffersons," to be rebroadcast Sunday, June 15 at 9:30 p.m. on WBTV, Channel 3.

Lionel's mysterious actions make sense to no one except George, who has been through a similar crisis himself.

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CCNY's Mini Institute, now in the midst of its annual fund raising drive, is host to benefit jazz concert on June 27 at the new Smalls' Paradise Queen of Sheba Room. Featured will be the Vitti-Gory Quintet and singer "Makeda."

Lonne Elder has been signed to write the teleplay for "This Is

Charlie Smith," based on the life of the nation's reputed oldest citizen when he died earlier this year at age 137. The three-hour telefilm will be aired by NBC-TV

The paintings of Romare Bearden will be used in the title sequence of John Cassavettes' "Gloria," to be released in October by Columbia Pictures.

Duo-Piano Team Will Perform Here

The Duo-Piano team of Quidley and Possinger will perform at the West Park Mall on Saturday, June 14 in honor of Flag Day. The 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. performances will be free and open to the public.

Lanny Quidley and Jim Possinger's careers began with a piano recital for Southern Bell Telephone Company in January.

Since then they have played their easy-listening style of music for the Jewish Community Center for the Elderly, A Talent Bank Performance for the Handicapped and

at the Atlanta Dunfey Hotel for the Baldwin Piano and Organ Company's Southeastern Dealers Con-

"Dukes Of Hazzard"

National champion stock car racer Cale Yarborough guest stars on "The Dukes of Hazzard," to be rebroadcast Friday, June 13 at 9 p.m. on WBTV, Channel 3.

Luke and Bo are delighted to be able to help their idol, Yarborough, test some new equipment in Hazzard County.



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