



Tony Brown's COMMENTS

No Law And Order In Africa

It is at least debatable that divestiture by United States corporations will bring down apartheid in South Africa, but it is not debatable that 19 blacks were shot to death near Port Elizabeth by black and white policemen defending white supremacy.

And white supremacy is the bottom line. Do you believe in it? Do you defend it?

President Ronald Reagan views those questions through the prism of foreign policy. How can he "constructively" engage white supremacy to stem a red foothold in southern Africa?

That policy concern draws him to the erroneous conclusion that we are dealing with the forces of law and order and "those who do not want a peaceful settlement there."

The blacks in South Africa are not dying from foreign policy; they are being murdered by a hateful and immoral system. And if the apartheid system denies blacks the right to vote, including one who won the Nobel Prize, how can it represent democracy at work on that continent?

The 23 million black majority cannot go anywhere without a pass or own property in the 87 percent of the country designated as "white." Some eight million blacks are confined to so-called "homelands" and stripped of their citizenship.

A watershed event in oppression occurred at Sharpeville 25 years ago when 69 blacks were slaughtered; 52 of them were shot in the back. On the 25th

anniversary of that event, 17 more were killed at Uitenhage in a black township near Johannesburg.

Does that sound like democracy? Or even a system worth defending—for any foreign policy objective?

Secretary of State George Schultz made that point when he said that violence under apartheid "is only underlining how evil and unacceptable that system is." The killings, he said, utilized "a deplorable tactic" and he is "not prepared in any way to try to defend it."

President Reagan, on the other hand, rested his case on the fact that "some of those enforcing the law and using the guns were also black" and that "there is a black element in South Africa that does not want a peaceful settlement..."

Evil has always been integrated. He could also have pointed to white South Africans who oppose apartheid. The President also misses when he fails to recognize a fight against an evil system. If the contras are "freedom fighters," as President Reagan refers to them, why are not the opponents of apartheid?

Mr. Reagan has a great opportunity to save thousands of lives and to present untold misery in South Africa—if only he would listen to his Secretary of State.

"Tony's Brown's Journal" TV series can be seen on public television Sundays on Channel 42 at 5 p.m. It can also be seen on Channel 58, Sundays at 6:30 p.m.

WPEG's Gospel Sing '85 Will Be Held Sunday

There are some individuals who have been granted a special gift. Their voices have been anointed to bless, soften hearts and deliver special messages concerning the Bible.

One such person is Stanley Alexander. His November release, "Just Trust Him," has been played on several local stations and is the most requested contemporary Christian song on WPEG FM 98.

Alexander will be one of the featured guests during WPEG's Gospel Sing '85 to be held at the Freedom Park Bandshell from 1 until 5 p.m., Sunday, April 7.

In addition to Alexander singing his most recent release, "So Glad He Changed My Life," the Napper Singers of Winston-Salem and the Chancellor filled with singing and joy.

Choir of Catawba will also



Bob Harris
.....Gospel Sing host



Stanley Alexander
.....Featured artist

render spiritual selections.

The Voices Unlimited Gospel Singers of Greensboro and the Dynamic Echoes of Salisbury are on the program, as well as the

Gospel Harmonettes of Morganton.

The Davis Singers of Newton and the Keys of Harmony of Shelby will also be at the park to de-

liver special selections.

"We hope the community will come out and make the Gospel Sing an all-day affair," stated Bob Harris, WPEG gospel announcer and host of the Gospel Sing. "Families can bring picnics out...it will be a time for fellowship...a day WPEG is providing for the community that will be



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