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egazine, 626 M. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md. 21201. All questions are welcome, but while Jason cannot provide individual answers, questions of general interest will be used in this column.

Q. — Please settle a bet. Where and when was Fats Domino born? What is his real name and is he still around?

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A. — Fats Domino, real name, Antoine Domino, was born Feb. 26, 1928 in New Orleans, La. You can catch him in late, late TV in his film "Let the Good Times Roll," from 1973. He is featured in Rock and Roll revivals. He's 57, has 21 gold records and many remember his compositions "I'm Walking" and "Blueberry Hill."

Q. — We are confused. Please separate Clarence Williams III, Dick Anthony Williams and Hal Williams.

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A. - CLARENCE WILLIAMS III, 46, born Aug. 21, 1939, New York recently played a witch doctor on a "Miami Vice" episode purchased? and Prince's father in "Purple Rain." He gained fame as Linc on "The Mod Squad" Lena Horne Show, a spin-off from "The Cosby Show" due next fall. DICK AN-THONY WILLIAMS, 47, was born in Chicago and was co-founder of The New Federal Theatre. You saw him in such films as "The Mack" and "Five on the Black Hand Side." On TV you saw him on "tronside," "Trapper John, M.D." and "Starsky and Hutch." HAL WILLIAMS is about the same age and you have seen him as Smitty on "Sanford and Son," "Police Woman," "S.W.A.T.," "The Jeffersons" and Sgt. Ross on "Private Benjamin."

Q. — I admire Madge Sinclair who plays nurse Ernestine Shoop on "Trapper John, M.D." CBS treats her character with dignity; she is welldressed; speaks well and is shown performing operations as well as being a confident of Trapper John. How old is she and what else has she done?

MITCHELL LEOD Washington, D.C.

A. — Madge Sinclair, 45, a native of Kingston, Jamaica, is a very talented lady who won an NAACP Image Award for her role in the movie "Conrack." She had key roles in such 1970s movies as "Cornbread, Earl and Me" and "Leadbelly." On TV she has had roles on "Doctor's Hospital" and "The Waltons."

Q. — In reading Dawn Magazine you often refer to a "Book of Stars." Where can this be

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series. He has agreed to co-star on the "A. — Dawn Magazine does not know of any single book on black stars which is really up-to-date on 1980s ever-changing cast of black stars. We have been able to gather a lot of information from personal interviews. Your best sources would be "Toms, Coons, Mulattoes, Mammies and Bucks — An Interpretive History of Blacks in American Films, Donald Bogle, New York, Viking Press. Also, "The Encyclopedia of Jazz," Leonard Feather, Horizon Press; "Blacks in American Films, Today and Yesterday," Edward Mapp. Scarecrow Press, Metuchen, N.J.; "Direc-

tory of Blacks in the Performing Arts," Edward Mapp, Scarecrow Press, Metuchen,

Q. — We have had quite a discussion about black college Greek organizations. We say they were all founded within a 16-year period. Who is oldest; AKA or A Phi A?

Baltimore, Md.

A. — Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity founded Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y., Dec. 4, 1906, is oldest Greek group. Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority was established Howard University, Jan. 15, 1908. Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Jan. 5, 1911, Indiana University, Bloomington; Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Howard University, Nov. 17, 1911; Delta Sigma Theta Scrority, Howard University, Jan. 13, 1913; Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Howard University, January, 1914; Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Howard University, Jan. 16, 1920; Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 12, 1922. you are correct in that the major Greek organizations were all founded within a few years of each other in a 16-year period.

Q. — Where can I write to Carl Weathers who is remaking that 1950s classic "The Defiant Ones" next fall for TV. As Apollo Creed in the "Rocky" series, I don't think he received enough attention in comparison to Mr. T and Sylvester Stallone. I think he's a great

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A. — Write Carl Weathers at 9255 Sunset Blvd. No.616, Los Angeles, Calif.

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Clarence Williams III



Dick Anthony Williams



Hal Williams



NATIONAL ROUNDUP

elaborate, successful plans for observing Dr. delegates presenting their credentials to UN Martin Luther King's birthday (January 15) as Secretary General Javier Perez deCuellar, dura national holiday were hardly out of the ing the current session. mouth of his widow, Mrs. Coretta Scott King, before major firms, including some who opposed the civil rights martyr, were outlining methods of commercializing the anniversary.

One reactionary, daily Washington newspaper which supports South Africa's all white government, boldly urged advertisers to appeal to Doctor King's supporters by taking out paid birthday greetings and the publisher of another daily Baltimore publication who opposed integrating his own staff, sat proudly with the Federal Holiday Commission panel announcing the worldwide King observance at the National Press Club while representatives of the Black Press, which heralded King's coming, were noticeably

We are not going to mention the name of these hypocritical publications because the tragedy is that some of our "leaders" will rush to trade with their former opponents because of their sudden acceptance. South African Bishop Desmond Tutu has warned his oppressors, "we will remember which side you were on," but Americans are expected to forget 300 years of bondage in less than a generation. Mrs. King has emphasized that she hopes her husband's memory will not be sold like so many other USA holidays, or the Olympics or Miss Stature Liberty . . Much of Doctor King's memorabilia must be licensed by the King Center for Non - Violent Social Change in Atlanta or the King Family estate to carry on the work of the great human rights leader.

The United Nations (headquartered in New York City) is observing the 40th anniversary in the U.S. despite growing opposition to the international body's location here because of the increasing influence of many new countries in Africa and Latin America. However, world opinion has forced President Reagan's administration to think twice about pulling out of the UN and jump back on the bandwagon in observing the celebration as thousands of UN diplomats converge on New York and

In addition to new Prime Minister Walter H. Lini of the latest UN entry of Vanuata in the South Pacific, Permanent UN Representatives Timon Mangwaza of Malawai Sahr Mattuna of

WASHINGTON — The words announcing Sierra Leone, were among the scores of

Margaret Kenyatta, daughter of pioneer African liberator Jomo Kenyatta, was among the honored guests at the African American Institute annual awards dinner at New York's Grand Hyatt. She was cited for serving as dicate that the Capital City is going all out to chairman of the UN Decade of Women observance in Nairobi recently. Other honorees included Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley (who chided the New York guests on their lavish use of water during a restricted conservation period) and Rev. C.F. Beyens Naude, the white Afrikaner minister who was temporarily exiled for supporting Black Liberation in apartheidland. Reverend Naude was introduced by Leah Tutu, who proudly declared Bishop Tutu is my husband . .

Another example of the current UN observance was the Internation Symposium on Drought and Decertification (famine and poverty) co-sponsored by the Office of Emergency Relief in Africa and the Howara University African Studies and Research Program. United Nations conferences are held often in other nations but the American public seldom knows or hears about them, especially her many contributions to the Washington the many discussions about Africa and the Third World.

Senegal President Abdou Diof was welcomed to the Howard U. campus by University Vice-President, Dr. Michael Winston as thousands of students listened to his address delivered in French - English. The political, economic and cultural difficulties in dealing with the problems of famine and development among the 45 countries south of the Sahara Desert became evident in the three day symposium which became involved in U.S. government and campus policy in addressing overall

Howard U. law professor Gola Butcher, former Agency for International Development official, clashed with AID Administrator M. nent support for Africa and non-government Africare Director C. Payne Lucas told praised volunteer efforts to work with existing governments in providing emergency relief.

With California the latest state to legalize gambling via a statewide lottery and the Reagan.

District of Columbia having expanded its lottery operation, it appears that the United States is fast becoming a gambling nation. The District's new game, called 6/36 Lotto, was launched with a full scale press conference at which not only the members of the five-man D.C. Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board were on hand, but a good gathering of the D.C. City Council. All of this seems to inget revenue from the legal gambling operation -- and this in a city which six years ago voted to bar the legal lottery in a city referendum. Politics brings out some strange things!

The statistics reported by the Lottery Board tell the story, however, as during fiscal 1985 over \$112 million was generated by all D.C. Lottery games which include three-digit and four-digit numbers games in addition to the weekly lottery. Of this total \$35 million was transferred to the District's General Fund, and D.C. lottery officials are prediciting gross sales for fiscal 1986 of more than \$130 million. Thus, a lot of government officials all around the country are thinking that "gambling pays."

MRS. DOROTHY M. WILLIAMS, former president of the D.C. chapter of the National Council of Negro Women was recently honored for 20 years of service to the organization and to community. During a ceremony at a local hotel, Mrs. Williams was presented a proclamation naming a day in her honor and a citation from the D.C. Council which was presented by Councilmember Charlene Drew

Incidentally, Mrs. Williams was a charter member of Africare, a volunteer member for Meals on Wheels, and a five-time recipient of the Mary McLeod Bethune Achiever Award. Her son, Milton, is a well known Washington

House Budget Committee Chairman William H. Gray, Dem., Pa., is probably the most sortafter speaker for affairs in Washington as well as the national scene. Recently he keynoted the meeting of the american Associaton for budget and Program Analysis... Judge Barr-Peter McPherson over proposals for perma- ington D. Parker of U.S. District Court, who has presided over some of the nation's most prominent legal cases, completed 16 years on the U.S. Bench as of Dec. 19 and is now on semiretirement. Parker, who turned 70 on Nov. 17, was appointed by President Richard Nixon. He handled the controversial case of John W. Hinckley Jr., the assailant of President Ronald

Larry Still and Art Carter