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My exciting  
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COMPLIMENTARY

Why  
my first  
marriage  
failed

May Ellen Ezekiel

# "MISS QUOTED"

By Ake Didi

WHEY YOU DE COME FROM,  
WHEY YOU DE GO?..  
I CHARGE YOU FOR WANDERING!



BUT I'M NOT WANDERING...  
JUST COMING BACK FROM  
WORK!

NA LIE!.. I NO SATISFY-O...  
WHICH KIN JOB BE THAT, ENH?  
...THIS TIME OF NIGHT?



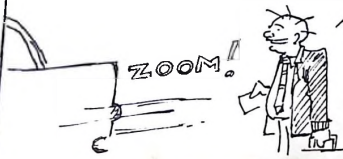
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PATROL

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT,  
THAT'S ALL ... LOOK, SEE I.D.  
- THAT'S MY PLACE OF WORK!



C.I.D.P. AH! OGA SIR!  
I SORRY-O... JOO MAKE YOU DE  
GO-O. I NO MEAN TO EMBARRASS YOU!

SHOO!.. I SAID HE SHOULD  
SEE MY I.D. I DIDN'T TELL  
THE IDIOT I WORK AT C.I.D!



ZOOM!

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NOW MY LOVELY GIRL, IT'S  
UNFAIR TO LEAVE INYANG JUST  
LIKE THAT!.. NOT NOW!



I'VE MADE UP MY MIND,  
AUNTIE - NO GOING BACK!

AFTER ALL THESE YEARS  
TOGETHER!.. BUT WHY?



HE'S A FAILURE, AUNTIE. WHILE  
HIS MATES ASPIRE TO BUY THEIR  
OWN CARS, THE IDIOT IS CONTENT  
WITH DRIVING A GOVERNMENT  
MOTOR!

AH-AH-AH!.. SO THEY PROVIDED  
HIM WITH ONE OF THOSE GOVERNMENT  
CARS THEN?.. AH-AH BUT  
THAT'S SOMETHING KE?



AUNTIE!.. YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND.

OF COURSE I DO!.. CONSIDERING  
HE HAS JUST GRADUATED, THE  
YOUNG MAN IS NOT DOING BADLY.  
GIVE HIM A BREAK.



YES, AUNTIE, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT  
I'M GOING TO DO! BREAK IT UP!..  
THE POINT IS I DON'T SEE  
MYSELF MARRYING A GRADUATE  
DRIVER WHO'S CONTENT WITH  
DRIVING GOVERNMENT BUSES!



HMM, MY DEAR,  
NOW I UNDERSTAND YOU-O!

AKE  
DIDI  
1971  
ONU



## PITY, THIS CROSS CANNOT YEILD MONEY

IT is no more news to hear that the bigtime millionaires of our society are having their own share of the economic crunch. Many have declared openly that they are adjusting their philanthropic coat to suit their current economic clothes.

Well, that is not the reason why the Red Cross Society is currently reeling in financial pains.

Donations to the society were forthcoming but there is a clog in the wheel of that body's financial progress — The Cross Symbol.

Philanthropists, especially from the Islamic faith camp who misunderstand the cross for Christian ideals, are reluctant to help the body.

Hear what a spokesman of the world wide organisation disclosed to a reporter: "Many of those who donate to us have stopped doing so because they feel that our cross symbol which is actually a reversal of the Swiss national flag is a christian church's cross".

Hence the world-wide body's purse grow leaner and leaner. Pity you would say?

Can somebody advise the organisation to embark on a large scale television campaign on the ideals and composition of the body?

Maybe NTA will help in this direction to refresh people's memory. Oh! lest I forget, a plan is now on to change the symbol so that it can reflect the two major religions in the country.

Wish them best of luck.

### SPEAK UP, SYLVER: SYLVER

Ofoyo, the amiable P.R.O. and ex-resident DJ with the baritone voice of Lords Club who also presents the immensely popular musical programme, "Pop round the world" on Radio Nigeria 2, is no more of the Lords Club. No one knows the cause of Sylver's exit from the club where he contributed so much to its growth.

Sylver, please we are waiting for you to talk. Did you leave Lords on your own volition or were you shown the way out as the manage-



**THIS I BELIEVE** ↑  
A counter argument? Sonny Ok-son speaks to Mrs. Patricia Umunna at the Sheraton Hotel, Lagos.



### SUNSET NEVER

Ever sunny Sonny Irabor on the stage or as master of ceremony at parties.

### SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Dramatist and columnist in Vanguard Newspaper, Leri Williams, in search of another source of inspiration.

ment of Lords club would want the public to believe? Please, speak up and quickly, too!

**MAJEK AGAIN:** Will somebody advise reggae sensation of the moment, Majek Fashek, to stop calling everyone in sight "Prisoner of Conscience" and "elewons". At a recent function on Lagos Island, Majek was called by the MC to come and say hello to the gathering. In his now familiar gymnastic flourish, he sauntered onto the stage and belted out: "All of you are prisoners of conscience - elewons." Probably, he was expecting to be cheered, but that did not happen. The audience sat numb feeling embarrassed. He went back to his seat obviously feeling sorry. Majek the Fashek can do with a little bit of courtesy.

**WHO'S THAT GIRL?: ON, OFF, ON, OFF:** Here she goes again. Madonna and Sean Penn are selling friends they're "officially separated." Sean is in Los Angeles and was seen carousing from club to club with Emilio Estevez. Back in New York, Madonna is still inseparable from her pal, comic Sandra

Benhard. Madonna and Sandra were last seen at the Milk Bar, where the Material Girl declared: "I'm a free woman now and I can date anyone I want! I'm going to find a man tonight!" She and Sandra then took off on a club-hopping manhunt.

**MIKE YAMPE IS NO MORE.** He is more popular across the Niger. He was adored and worshipped by many listeners of Radio Rivers 2 FM stereo as one of the most colourful DJs and newscaster in that station.

His name is Mike Yampe, the debonnaire and velvet voiced late presenter with the Radio Rivers 2 FM Stereo.

CLIMAX PEOPLE was informed that Mike died on August 7, this year.

He was said to have been on night duty on Saturday - August 6 1988 and had presented the last





**LOST IN THOUGHT** →  
Being at the head of the nation's oldest newspaper can draw one into deep contemplations at unexpected times, Onyema Ugochukwu, editor of the DAILY TIMES, at a public function recently.



**↑ A SMILE OF CONFIDENCE**

Whatever brings confidence brings smiles too. And so, Chief Ralph Ihewo, the general manager of the Vanguard newspaper in his traditional outfit, could not help forgetting the constant tension of work and smiling at life for a moment.

**→ PRETTIER THAN EVER**

They say she gets more beautiful by the day, and we don't have any reason to disagree, especially after seeing the picture of singer, Funmi Davies.



**→ BETWEEN YOU AND ME**

One-on-one, Clarion Chukwura and Sonala Olumhense, two people of class, share their feelings.



programme for the day, a musical programme called 'Pop tracking and left for home. He never woke up again. He died in his sleep. Mike, aged 38, was married and had two kids - all female.

To his grief stricken colleagues at the Radio Station, especially Adokie Amasiemeka, Bright Nsookwe, and Florence Ekeiya who late Mike Yampe used to read the news with, CLIMAX PEOPLE prays that Almighty God gives you all the fortitude to bear the loss. Mike, rest in peace. You have left your footprint on the sand of time.

Road, ikeja the suave publisher of the moment, Muyiwa Adetiba of PRIME PEOPLE.

He was so carried away by the soft music from the Jutebox that he couldn't help but smile indulgently; at his companion who enjoyed everything he did to her while the session lasted. Few metres away, Patrick Oke, the NTA new-line co-presenter, was dancing away the cabbage' (is it fading or still in vogue?) and getting really serious with the hard beat from the DJ.

Hey, Patrick is a damn good dancer. Nduka Irabor, the dandy African Guardian editor was also around.

A supremely beautiful and intelligent woman [she is a lawyer by profession] she found the gathering quite interesting and chatted to Sunny Okosuns for the most part of the night (see photograph above).

Among those who attended the dinner were Onyema Ugochukwu, the free spirited editor of DAILY TIMES, Mr. Ikenna Ndaguba, a seasoned broadcaster with Radio Nigeria 2 FM Stereo and singers Majek Majek and Funmi Davies. I was quite a rollicking time for all who attended.

**WHEN SENIOR BOYS MEET**

Not many people will ever imagine that some of our celebrities can put the likes of Michael Jackson, Millie Jackson, Prince, The Boss, Bruce Springsteen to shame when it comes to dancing pop, blues, rock, etc. Caught recently in Nite Shift - a new concept in Nite Clubbing in Nigeria on Opebi

**UMUNNA'S NISSUS: BEN OSI**

UMUNNA's English wife - Patricia - was a cynosure of all eyes recently at a dinner her husband gave as a prelude to the press conference he addressed early this month on the African Network for the Prevention and Protection against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN).

I had a problem with the radio station. The disc Jockeys couldn't pronounce my name. My name was never mentioned on radio and I thought I ought to change the name - Patti Boulaya on why she changed her name from Ebigue to Boulaye.

# TREBOR LUCKIES



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# Marriage? Count me out for now!

Not many people would hold on to marriage because of a pet project. May Ellen Ezekiel, the woman with the toothy smile, did. She immediately reminds you of Bridget Rowe, Editor of Woman's Own Magazine based in London. Ms Ezekiel embarking on a second marriage. Uwem Anka reports.

MAY Ellen Ezekiel, the charismatic, fun loving 31-year-old editor of *QUALITY* magazine, though a single mother, is not against being married.

She was in it once and wouldn't mind getting involved again.

But if you think you are an eligible suitor, and she fits your fancy, then give her another five years to put her baby, *QUALITY* magazine, on the path of glory before you can think of approaching her for marriage.

Hear her: "I would want to marry again but surely not in the next five years. I have more pressing things to do. I mean concentrating in my writings and putting *QUALITY* magazine in the form I dream of it to be. This must be accomplished before I think of marrying again."

But before you can get close to May, you have to consider yourself an utterly sincere and straight forward person. She cannot compromise or tolerate dishonesty, pretenders and people who want to be seen or heard on what they are not.

No mistake, she had all she wanted in her previous marriage but it failed because of what she describes as "irreconcilable differences" though she volunteers an explanation. "Yes, the fact that the marriage was not blessed with an issue was one of the factors that led to the dissolution of the marriage. I still love my husband (Mr. Dumzor) and we are still friends".

## Some women don't know how to love their husbands

You may have a chance with her as a Nigerian man because unlike others, who claim men in Nigeria are imbeciles and do not know the art of loving, she sees our men as not being stereotypical. "Nigeria men are not different from other men all over the world. Some men are loving and some are not. I wouldn't say there are exceptions from others. The whole thing depends on how one thinks and behaves."

She thinks that the women who are blaming our men for not showing much love on them may, of course, be the cause of their predicament after all. Women who are blaming our menfolk for not being

caring and loving may be the cause of the men behaving the way they are doing.

"Some of them do not know how to love or ensure that their husbands or the men in their lives love them."

Yes, you may say Ms Ezekiel is an introvert. Take her column 'MEE' for example. She approaches the problems of the society, using herself as a focal point, with an unimaginable frankness. At a point, you may begin to imagine if she is a Nigerian, who would rather prefer the good side of him/her to be heard. But why is she so? "I love to look at the problems of our society from my own point of view. I feel that things that happened to me are likely to happen to any other person so I like to appraise a problem from my own angle."

If there are people who will forget late Dele Giwa easily, May is not likely to be one. She has a large painted portrait of Dele in her tastefully furnished office and it is kept in a place which is so vulnerable for her to look at anytime she raises her head from her sitting position in the office.

"Late Dele Giwa was my brother. He adopted me. He gave me the first major break in journalism when he was with *CONCORD* newspapers. I would have been lost if I had started with somebody else."

"I keep remembering him in anything I do. He left a legacy in my life and, of course, the life of others. I would not forget his jokes his interference in our private lives. He would allow you to interfere in his, if you care, and his general outspokenness and playful manner. I remember when he wanted to marry his present wife. He came to us and said 'hey! I have a lady I want to marry'. We said okay, and he went ahead and married the lady."

"I will not forget Dele because he was the one who encouraged me to go to Wisconsin University, United States of America and study for my degree programme. He encouraged me to write features in addition to the society page I was handling in *CONCORD*. If I achieve anything today in journalism, I owe it all to him."



May Ellen Ezekiel—Quality magazine comes first

Like any other aspiring journalist, she would want to publish her own "I am still experimenting with *QUALITY* and would want to establish my own magazine when I am fully prepared for it."

May, an epitome of somebody who is not affected by her busy schedule, is still very humorous. A toast: "Madam, sorry for taking your time," the reporter told her as the interview came to an end. And she replied "Oh, don't mention. I wish your magazine good luck."



Three passions, simple but overwhelmingly strong, have governed my life; the longing for love, the search for knowledge and unbearable pity for the suffering of mankind. - Bertrand Russell

# I'm enjoying every bit of my marriage

It takes two to tango. And that was exactly what happened when Emeka Maduegbuna and his wife, Augusta, met and fell in love under the same roof — the NTA. In this interview with Moji Danisa, the cheery looking Newsline reporter reflects on her marriage to Emeka.

A very well known face, always walking with head held high, and forever with the inevitable headgear, is Augusta Maduegbuna, the newswoman.

Augusta, whose marriage to Emeka Maduegbuna last year sent gossip columns full of juicy puzzles and unanswered questions, is really a very cheerful and amusing young woman.

I always come across her at the premises of the NTA and one striking thing about her is her hair which is always in braids or, if you prefer, the Bob Marley 'human hair' style.

When I told her I liked her gold coloured braids and started asking questions about it, she was charming and a little bit flattered. But when she learnt she was talking to a reporter, like any other NTA news person, she expressed the understandable phobia of being misquoted. Exhibiting polite self-confidence she, much to my relief, went on with the interview.

"I have my hair this way because I cannot stand perms. Permed hair has the tendency of being easily untidy, so I started braiding three years ago," she explained.

Her braids cost her about ₦50. She pays 10k a strand and she keeps about 450 strands of Bob Marley.

When the question of marriage was mentioned, Mrs. Maduegbuna reacted with such exuberance and without any hesitation.

"I'm coping very well with my marriage. I couldn't have had it any better and I recommend it (marriage) everybody.

On how her husband copes with all the travelling she had to do as a newswoman, she responded without inhibition: "My husband is very understanding and supportive. He has done the job before, and he understands I need a career."

Are we expecting some patter of little feet in the Maduegbuna's home soon? "Not yet, we hope to have some, at least two, by the Grace of God."

Why two? Extremely pretty and generously built Mrs. Maduegbuna replies: "You have what you can cope with."

Reacting to question on the temptation and the allure to have a fleet of cars, or drive at least a Mercedes 200, most media women have come across, Augusta, for



Mrs. Maduegbuna - "My husband understand I need a career".

a moment, lost her angelic, cheerful face and spoke strongly in parables.

Here her: "What you do not learn to do when you are young, you don't learn at an older age. Our people say that you don't learn how to use your left hand in a dream."

Mrs. Maduegbuna, who says her being a TV girl is more of an accident, joined the NTA in 1983 to do her youth service after her studies in England. Meeting Emeka Maduegbuna just happened.

"We are from the same town, our love only blossomed during my youth service."

Realising that she had given an interview, the former Augusta Ndive was quite apprehensive if Mr. Maduegbuna would like the idea.

May I have your photograph? She was asked.

"Please come back tomorrow, I'll have to see my husband first."

Would Mrs. Maduegbuna ever be caught wearing a mini dress? "No," she answered firmly.

But she advises young women to flaunt their looks if they have got it.

## NEW MASQUERADE IS MY CREATION -GRINGORI

TO the viewers of NTA's hilarious sitcom, the "New Masquerade," he is the horrible and scrawny houseboy of Chief Zebrudaiya Okorigwe-Nwogbo, alias 4.30.

But this bubbling and healthy looking man looks different and rather too polished for the part he plays in the comedy series.

And as James Iroha, alias Gringori Ngbojkwé, talks about the "New Masquerade" the programme he created, one cannot fail to notice his deep seated annoyance about the programme.

"When I was the producer," he says, "I had no protection. Participating in the 'New Masquerade' has denied me a lot of official benefits, even recognition in my office and I am not happy about it. But the nation wants you and there is nothing you can do but to continue with the programme despite the deprivations.

"I created and registered the programme in my name and it will always remain my personal pro-



James Iroha — "I've not received a kobo from the NTA"

perty until NTA decides to pay me royalties. And by the authority's decision to change the programme from Masquerade to 'New Masquerade,' they have committed plagiarism. To me nothing has changed in the programme except the name

"And if NTA fails to pay me royalties and refuse to come to terms me, I will have no choice but to seek legal redress even though I am not planning to stop the programme. NTA makes huge amount of money out of the programme and for that they should pay me my royalties.

As he shifts his bulk once too often in his seat, he goes back memory lane to tell the story of the creation of Masquerade.

"After my graduation from the University of Ibadan, I wanted to start something that would keep viewers in the lighter mood to help them relax and forget about all the woes, hues and crises occasioned by the civil War. Thus Masquerade came into being.

The story is woven around my father who gave me the inspiration and saw himself as a perfect person, a symbol of peace who settles disputes for the people. With the East Central Broadcasting Service (ECBS), radio programme, 'In the lighter mood,' which was my creation, I represented my father in

Chief Zebrudaiya Okorigwe-Nwogbo, the honourable palm-wine powerless, alias 4.30, my mother as Ovieria Nwurediyia Nwogbo, their children (real names depicted) as Benji, Gilbert and Philomena, his friends as Nati, Jegede, and Ikenga and his house boys, Clarus and Gringori. I fabricated these names to suit the kind of people being depicted.

"The programme is a kind of malpropism, because my father was a malpropist and wanted to be felt wherever he was and I developed the language he talks to suit that purpose. He was even called a self-styled chief.

Why the title 'Masquerade'? "In Africa, masquerade has an unchallengeable authority, and my intention was to hide under the authority of the masquerade to criticise the ills of the society.

"Masquerade" is a subtle vehicle for conveying serious ills of the society with a view to correcting them by the powers that be and for our own safety.

# I thank God I'm still alive

**Two accidents in ten years ought to have been enough for one man. But for Mr. Fasonsin, 53, a third was on its way. He was involved in an air crash in 1980. The most perplexing aspect of these accidents is that they occur every five years as if the man is jinxed. Muyiwa Owogbade reports**

ANOTHER  
GREAT CLIMAX  
INTERVIEW

It was like a badly-plotted fiction by an unimaginative writer — only it is entirely true.

The third in a series of accidents each with a five-year interval — saw a 53-year-old spare-parts manager with Bewac Motors, Apapa, in a tragical aviation disaster — and one of the most miraculous escapes of our time.

Mr. Christopher Fasonsin and five others were travelling over the Delta region of Bendel State on October 1, 1980 when their plane crashed into a river.

All the occupants of the plane died except Mr Fasonsin who was saved hanging upon a tree in the middle of the river.

Mr. Fasonsin had his first accident travelling alone in a Peugeot 504 car in Kaduna. He had no premonition of an accident in which his car would be written off and he escaped unscathed.

He again had no foreboding of what was coming in 1975, five years after, when he was involved in another motor accident, the motor was again a write off but once again, Mr. Fasonsin had managed to escape without sustaining any injury.

The management of Bewac Motors had lost one of its executive members in an accident and a delegation of five men had been set up to represent the company at the burial ceremony at Usselle-Uku, Bendel State, home of the deceased.

The high-powered delegation was headed by Mr. F.I.R.E. Wills, the managing director of the company.

"In the middle, I was at the Country Club, Ikeja — for some drink. Thereafter, I left for the Murtala Muhammed Airport where I was to meet with others to travel out.

"You see," says Mr. Fasonsin, as if to apologize for not having a foreboding of what would prove to be an ill-fated trip, "I am the kind that doesn't put things to mind."

By 1.00 p.m., the delegation for Usselle-Uku had gathered. The sky was cloudy, but if anybody thought anything about it, or about the Aero Contractor private plane that was to take them to Bendel, he did not speak about it. Mr. Fasonsin could not remember anyone voicing any suspicion about the fate that awaited them. Their minds was set on the ceremony at Usselle-Uku a ceremony none of them was to



Mr Fasonsin — "1985 passed away peacefully for me. I'm waiting for 1990"

witness

By 1.15 p.m., they were airborne, six of them, including the pilot. Mr. Fasonsin was in the middle row, with most others beside him.

"Not long afterwards," he remembers, "the aeroplane started giving a strange sound. We asked the pilot if everything was alright. He answered that the situation was under control. We suspected however, that we would have trouble if things continued that way.

"Suddenly, there was an explosion. The time must be 2.15 p.m. or about one hour after take-off. We were blasted out of the skies. I didn't see myself or the aircraft falling; I must have fainted. Others must have fainted too, one can only conjecture now."

Mr. Fasonsin continues: "The next thing I knew was that I woke

up to find myself on a freshly-broken branch of a tree in the middle of a large river. It was at Gbalebu-Siloko Village in the Delta region of Bendel State.

"I was so deep in the sea that I could not see the land. Half of my body was inside the water while the remaining half, my head and shoulders, were upon the tree I was lying upon.

"Beside me the tail end of our plane pointed out of the river and in the waters which has now settled, I could see my former travellers in the cabin — dead.

"My first reaction was, 'God! This is the end.' Our plane had crashed into a river and I have been miraculously saved. Apparently the plane had crashed into the tree I was lying upon on its way down and from a part of its broken fuselage

un to ejected one of its tree's branches.

"I wrapped my hand around the stem of the tree. Later, at the hospital, it was discovered that I had broken six ribs, my legs, a wrist and sustained slight injuries on the face.

"In the time being, my mind was on finding the way out — if there was a way out. There didn't appear to be any. I was inside a bush in the middle of a large river, if I would ever leave this place alive only God would do it. I started shouting.

"I would shout, 'Lord Jesus, you made me, come and save me from this place — of My life is in your hands, come and save me!

"I recounted every psalm I knew and sang songs of worship. I interjected these from time to time for shouts of delivery. The whole place was quiet. Then from nowhere a woman shouted back, 'Your Jesus is on the way to deliver you!'

"A few minutes later, a convoy of ten boats reached me. They had to cut through the bush to get to me. It was my cries that brought them.

"I was carried to the police station from where I was taken to the University of Benin Teaching Hospital. I arrived at the hospital at 2.30 a.m. or about twelve hours after the accident happened. I was still conscious but I was to fall into coma in the days that followed.

"I was at the U.B.T.H. for three months before being flown out to St. Margaret's Hospital in the United Kingdom where I had to be treated for another six months."

When it was all over, he just felt like being with his family again. Parties were thrown at Ibeju-Jesha, his hometown, celebrations at Country Club, his favourite spot at Ikeja, Lagos, and above all, thanksgiving services everywhere.

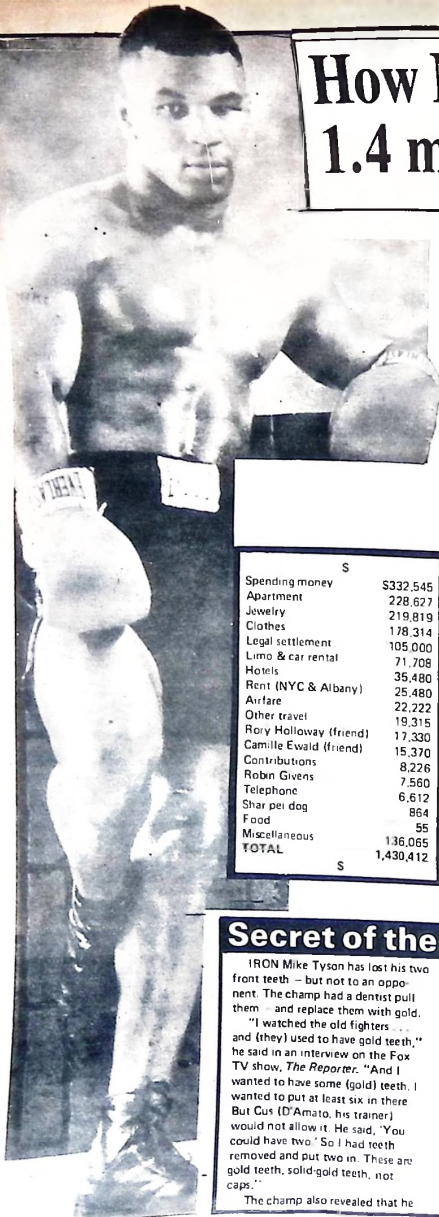
He reflects: "It's an odd world — we were out to bury one person and lost live in the process."

The periodical jinx has been broken: 1985 passed away peacefully for Mr. Fasonsin. "1990," he says, "will come and go happily too. God will always be with His children."

With those words, the chief protagonist of this non-fiction tragic drama which also featured one of the most miraculous saves of our time concludes his story.

# How Mike Tyson spends 1.4 million dollars a year

By George Carpozzi



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Spending money	\$332,545
Apartment	228,627
Jewelry	219,819
Clothes	178,314
Legal settlement	105,000
Limo & car rental	71,708
Hotels	35,480
Rent (NYC & Albany)	25,480
Airfare	22,222
Other travel	19,315
Rory Holloway (friend)	17,330
Camille Ewald (friend)	15,370
Contributions	8,226
Robin Givens	7,560
Telephone	6,612
Shar pei dog	864
Food	55
Miscellaneous	136,065
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,430,412</b>
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MIKE Tyson is raking in more money than any athlete in sports history — but he's spending it faster than any professional jock ever did, too.

Of the \$1,430,412 he shelled out last year for such things as clothes, jewelry and furniture, there's one thing from Mike doesn't reach into his pocket for — food money.

The brawny boxer spent only \$55 for food during 1987 — a year when he earned \$7,056,082 as undefeated world heavyweight champ.

The figures come from a financial statement prepared by the 22-year-old ring king's lawyers in a dispute with his manager, Bill Cayton. Tyson claimed that Cayton wasn't entitled to one-third of the \$19.5-million purse he won for his fight against Michael Spinks. The two sides reached a partial out-of-court settlement.

The financial statement shows Mike's net worth as of Dec. 31 amounted to \$5,187,097.

But it doesn't explain how a 5-ft. 11-in., 220-pounder with a reputedly ravenous appetite can survive a year on a mere \$55 worth of grub. A recent visit by Tyson, his wife, Robin Givens, and her mother, Ruth Roper, to the fancy Water's Edge restaurant in New York sheds some light on this gastronomic enigma.

The champ attacked a plate of sushi for six before Robin and Ruth realized it was on the table. He gobbled down all 40 pieces.

Before he could burp, he grabbed a slice of blackberry cheesecake from a passing waiter's tray.

After he shoveled the cake down his gullet, Mike went to work on

two-dozen raw clams.

He then played a reprise of the disappearing mollusks with a vanishing act featuring two-dozen steamed clams — followed by two plates of pasta with lobster and shrimp.

For dessert, Mike turned down seconds on the blackberry cheesecake for an overflowing bowl of strawberries and fresh cream which he washed down with five glasses of freshly-squeezed orange juice.

What did this banquet cost Tyson?

Nothing. Someone else picked up the tab.

During 1987, Tyson spent the most on furniture and furnishings for his New York City apartment — a whopping \$228,627.

This year, according to wife Robin, he spent an additional \$50,000 on antique carpets and \$70,000 on a chandelier for their \$4-million mansion in New Jersey.

The financial statement also shows he gave Robin \$7,560 and spent \$219,819 on jewelry. (He bought his wife a five-carat engagement ring).

He shelled out \$71,708 for limousine and car rentals. (He also drives a \$100,000 Rolls-Royce).

Iron Mike invested \$864 in the care and feeding of his Shar pei dog, paid \$2,863 for phone service and \$563 for electricity in his apartment — for which he paid a total annual rent of \$18,150.

Some of the smallest outlays were for bank charges (\$88) and moving expenses (\$103). Only one expenditure was less than the \$55 food bill: \$49 for messenger service.

## Secret of the man with the midas touch

IRON Mike Tyson has lost his two front teeth — but not to an opponent. The champ had a dentist pull them — and replace them with gold.

"I watched the old fighters ... and (they) used to have gold teeth," he said in an interview on the Fox TV show, *The Reporter*. "And I wanted to have some [gold] teeth. I wanted to put at least six in there. But Gus (D'Amato, his trainer) would not allow it. He said, 'You could have two.' So I had teeth removed and put two in. These are gold teeth, solid-gold teeth, not caps."

The champ also revealed that he

hasn't always terrorized opponents:

"Kids would come over and smack my glasses off my head for no reason — right off my face and smash them on the cement." To this day, "even though I need them now, I will never wear glasses."

Tyson also told of his fears for his wife, Robin Givens, safety:

"There's been things like smoke bombs in the front door [of The Tyson's mansion in New Jersey]. She opens a box and a smoke bomb goes off. . . Or people threaten her over the phone. It's very absurd. Why attack women? I'm the

problem. Attack me."

What would Tyson do if he found who was terrorizing Robin? "My first reaction would be to do something very irrational," he said. "But that wouldn't be the right thing to do, so I couldn't do it."

Tyson also talked about stories of his wild love life before his marriage. The fighter, who just turned 22, said that he was only "a kid of 19" then.

"Regardless of what I've done then, I had a lot of fun. But it came a time for the fun to cease, and that's why I married. I was never in love (before Robin)."

# CLIMAX

## Woman

• We aim at making you look great and adorable

Edited by MOJI DANISA



# Abortion Blues... give the women a chance

ABORTIONS have become a necessary evil in our society today. As unpleasant as it sounds, it still remains true that we cannot do without those "human abattoirs."

It's so bad that out of every ten girls you meet in the streets today, eight have been through the butcher scalpel. Abortions are fast becoming generally accepted, though our government still regards it as being illegal. Bills have been put forward to legalise this widely practised act, but the churches have been kicking against it. There is so much hypocrisy with even those who practise it openly denouncing it.

Abortion is still a great taboo to the average girl. But the fact remains that at one time or the other we have found ourselves in this situation, and end up hating ourselves or those responsible for our predicament.

The Nigerian man hardly wants to know what happens after sex. Sixty per cent of them will never ask a girl if she is using any form of contraceptive before satisfying their lust. Some girls are naive enough to believe that if a man has no interest in how they take care of themselves, he invariably won't mind if a baby happens to come along.

But, alas! they find out the truth when it happens and what happens next is that they are either left alone to solve the problem or are threatened or coaxed into having an abortion.

Eki, 24, a mother of a baby whose father denied paternity before her birth, exclaimed: "Nigerian men are cowards! See, I'll never forgive Efofa for what he did. He got me pregnant and insisted I had an abortion. Initially I told him I had taken off the baby, thinking he would change his mind if he found out the truth in the later months of pregnancy. But he insisted I wanted to trap him into marriage when he found out, and stopped seeing me. And I haven't seen him since the baby was born two years ago!"

Looking at her baby today, Eki insists she has no regrets.

Still, most girls would rather opt for an abortion. But having an abortion is not as simple as it sounds. What happens after the abortion is more painful than facing up to the fact that you are pregnant or facing the doctors' sharp instruments.

According to Bola, who's just had her fifth abortion, most Nigerian men are never present when their girlfriends are having an abortion and very few actually provide the money. She sums up her situation this way: "When I got pregnant, he just said, 'get rid of it.' And when I told him I had, he only sighed and said, 'good girl!'"

It was awful, because Bola had to face up to the guilt of killing her foetus, taking a life alone. Bola, who is a Catholic, could not even sum up the courage to go for confession in her church. "I did not receive holy communion for one whole year," she recalls.

Some other girls have perforated wombs after some D & C (Dilation and Curettage) and keep it to themselves without seeking for help.

Some have bled performed operations which still leave some parasites in them, and have their parents treat them for malaria. This has led to the death of many young girls.

Parents are hardly co-operative. Fathers like to see themselves as disciplinarians and have forgotten that the today girl gets married much later than in the olden days because of education and have refused to accept the fact that young men refuse to be rushed into marriage, with the way things are going now in the country.

Perhaps the only solution for today's modern girl is to form a club and share those post-abortion feelings. Find help amongst their kind and stop this psychological, mental and physical death for once!

Having an abortion is by far better than breeding miserable creatures into the world. When women become organized, there will be less torture and less quacks!

## THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL BABY



'Dare Junior (DJ) Otukoya who is four and a half months old was born at R. Jolad Hospital in Lagos.

You won't believe this, but Dare laughs a lot and usually keeps his cool any time music is being played.

He doesn't play with food at all. The varieties include Tea, S.M.A. milk, Baby Custard, and Quaker Oats as well as eggs. 'Dare eats eight times a day and twice over night.

His parents are from Ogun State.

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## Baby of the Month Contest

EVERY week, Climax magazine will select a baby from a collection of photographs sent in to our editor as our Baby of the Week. There is an in-house panel of judges, headed by our Woman Editor in selecting the Baby of the Week.

Readers are, however, judges of the baby of the month, or what we call Climax Baby.

From the pictures published in a month, readers should write in to tell us who they think should take home the prize. The baby with the highest votes is the winner.

We have various prizes for our babies of the week, but there is a very special prize for every Climax baby.

Interested parents should send in a black and white photograph of their babies, who must be between one and twelve months old, with details of the baby's personality on age, place of birth, weight at birth, present weight, feeding habits (type of food and frequency in feeding), first words uttered, state of origin, special attributes and likes and dislikes.

## Time to make a baby

A "bleep for a baby" alarm has been devised to tell couples who want a child when the perfect moment to make love has arrived.

The bleep will sound the love call at exactly the right time of the month for the woman to conceive.

Would - be mums will swallow a mini battery-operated ther-

mometer, the size of a finger nail. It will give out rapid signals for three days, constantly recording her temperature.

A small receiver strapped to her waist will beep when the temperature change shows she is ovulating.

Culled from the Sunday Mirror.

## HOW TO PREPARE

Wash snails with alum and steam for three minutes. Wash and slice goat meat and cook until tender. Fry snails and goat meat with red oil to your taste. Set aside. Put stock from goat meat on the fire. Add your smoked fish, bitter leaf, dry pepper, cray fish and lru. Leave to boil.

On another plate, mix grinded Ogbono with about 10 table-spoonful red oil. When the meat stock on the fire has boiled for five minutes, add the Ogbono mixed with red oil. Then add snails, meat and one cube of Maggi. Leave to boil for another five minutes.

Can be served with eba, pounded yam, amala or fufu. More appetising when bush meat is added.

This meal is eaten by the southern people of Nigeria on any occasion.



## RECIPE FOR OGBONO SOUP

- 1 - 1mlk cup of Ogbono
- 2 Dry pepper
- 3 Cray fish
- 4 Snails (optional)
- 5 Goat meat
- 6 Smoked fish
- 7 Bitter leaf (washed)

8 Palm oil

9 Salt to taste

10 lru

11 Maggi

# What People Are Wearing

•The page that keeps you in touch with the latest in fashion



Clockwise: Cute and trendy, our young man in his 'force' outfit, pretty girls in a way-out Aso-Oke, Tosin, we must admit, has it flabby in the right places in her off - the - shoulder attire; the kid says you should admire his Aso-Oke (decorated) and, of course, the duo of Bintas Sabeh (right) and Marlene Onyeocha make the mark in their daytime dresses.

Who cares if your marriage is happy? CLIMAX does!



**YOUR**

\* The column that shoots straight at your marital and love problems

**Marriage Counsellor**

\*For the first time, Dr. [not of medicine] SA-OJO Jr. — who has

for many years been helping those close to him to solve their marriage and love problems as one of his pastimes — will be extending the service that has earned him the reputation of "Dr. of Marriage Problems" among relations, friends and business associates exclusively to CLIMAX readers. If you have any problems related to marriage and romance, ready to listen to you with compassion and understanding and will keep your problems a closely guarded secret.

Sorry, the counsellor cannot reply personally to readers' letters and for now, his clinic is not open to the general public yet. Write to: Marriage Counsellor, CLIMAX Magazine, P.O. Box 51404, Ikoyi, Lagos.

## Long lasting marriages: the way out (1)

Dear Reader,

I have for you this week an interesting feature on marriage. It was taken from an old issue of Reader's Digest and I'm sure you will find it educative. The second and final part will be carried in the next issue.

"How have you managed to stay married for so long?" a woman in her late 20s asked me, referring to my marriage of almost 30 years.

Her question puzzled me. I had thought that marriage was fashionable again, and "commitment" a favoured word. But as I pursued the matter further, I realized that while getting married has made a come-back, staying married is still suspect. I have heard long-married couples accused not only of cowardice — fear of striking out on their own — but of complacency, inertia and lack of imagination.

I suppose our high divorce rate has made a lasting marriage seem an almost impossible dream to some. Yet, if one of every two marriages now ends in divorce, more than one of every two still remains intact. While some of these marriages may be

troubled, most would not have lasted unless they were working. Don't we have more to learn from focusing on the positives, on why marriages succeed rather than why they fail?

It was from this perspective that I set out to interview couples whose marriages had lasted 15 years or more. (Fifteen seemed a logical base line because most marital splits take place earlier. A marriage that has lasted 15 years is more likely to continue.) After screening, I interviewed 87 couples intensively. Some spoke about struggles and problems that I wondered how I could have handled. But most had found emotional riches as well as difficulties. In general, these were ordinary people who chose to stay married not because they felt they had to, but because the marriage was important to them.

It would be nice to say I found the secret of lasting marriages, but marriage is too complex a matter to be reduced to one secret. Rather, I found, there are certain abilities and outlooks that couples in strong marriages share a good part of the time. They fall, it seems to me, into eight categories.

**1** Employment of each other. Wives and husbands in satisfying marriages enjoy being together and talking to each other. Though they may spend some evenings in comfortable silence, mostly they do talk. And they listen. I watched the faces of people I interviewed, and while they might argue or interrupt, they were engaged. They laughed at each other's jokes. They

held hands, they touched.

I could sense a sexual electricity between some partners. The couples I met all considered sex a major part of marriage, but nobody regarded it as the core of marriage, its reason for being. As one husband put it, "Sex isn't everything in our marriage — but it's a lot."

The couples also find each other interesting. But they do not necessarily have the same interests, and that was a surprise to me. Typical was this comment made by a wife: "Tony likes to relax on vacations and I like to be on the run. So one summer we travel a lot, and the next summer we rent a house and look at the view."

But if sharing interests is not important, sharing values is. Those who valued religion, for example, considered it the strongest bond in their lives. One couple said their biggest arguments were about money. He loved to spend; she watched every cent. Yet they had an instant meeting of minds when it came to buying a cello for their musically gifted daughter. They brought the best they could afford, because they both valued education above anything else money could buy.

**2** An ability to change. Change is inevitable in marriage — children are born, leave home; spouses grow old, get sick — and it can bring anxieties. Even good changes can upset equilibria. "As he went up to the corporate ladder," said one woman, "I don't like the person he became."

Yet, in the strongest marriages, each partner is able to make "strategic" midcourse corrections, "as one psychiatrist put it. Couples who stay together in spite of changes are, in effect, making constant decisions to be remarried.

One man married 29 years talked about a middle crisis — his wife's: "I had a very simple view of marriage when we began. I worked as many hours as I wanted to, then relaxed playing golf and tennis. Pamela took care of me and the children. Nine years ago, my world toppled. Pamela had an affair. She told me she hated my selfishness and disinterest in her and the kids, and she was ready to leave me.

"My family was the most important thing in life to me, so I decided to win back my wife by changing myself. I put Pamela first, and my work last. I soon came to enjoy the thing we did together and to regret the wasted years. No I have my family back, and that change is the thing I feel proudest of in my life."

Today, couples whose marriages have lasted 15 years or more have lived through some of the most rapid social change in history. New emphases on a woman's rights outside her home, and on a man's responsibilities inside his, have brought tension to many marriages. Other couples, however, have had the flexibility to pick up what was useful to them and incorporate new ideals in their marriage.

People who stay happily married see themselves not as victims of fate, but as free agents who make choices. They willingly choose to change themselves when necessary to keep their marriages alive and vital.

**3** An ability to live with the unchangeable. Many happily married people said they didn't expect perfection. They accepted qualities in their partners that they didn't necessarily like. As one woman said, "We've been so bombarded with advice about 'improving' marriage that we forget it is also possible to just let things be."

A number of long-married couples acknowledge that they have unresolved conflicts — about personality differences, say, or styles of dealing with things. But they stop fighting about those issues and go about their lives. They focus on the strengths of the marriage, on compatibilities rather than dissonances. As a shopkeeper, married 38 years, put it, "You have to know when to holler and when to look away."

Dr. SA-OJO Jr. says:

"Remember, when your marriage goes sour, divorce should be the last item on your solutions list to be considered — and even then reluctantly."

## Happiness in Marriage is...



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**Story that blows the mind**

By the master of romantic prose



## TINA THE VAMP [5]

HOW I wish Mohammed was a bit more matured in his ways. How I he was far more sensitive to my feelings. Only if Mohammed didn't allow pettiness to becloud his emotional sense, I would not have given a thought to taking the painful but relieving decision to leave him. Yes, it was painful - very painful. Mohammed meant a lot of things to me when he was in my life. He was like a brother, a lover; teacher, a source of inspiration and strength. A day without him by my side was not complete, I really loved him and he too, was in love with me.

Since I was a greenhorn romantically even though I had lost my virginity, Mohammed, was the one who really exposed me to the things that make sex such an exciting pastime and I must confess here that what I learnt from him at the initial stage of my romantic development have gone a long way in making me what I am today - a tigress in bed and one who cannot compromise incompetence on the part of my male lovers. A lady who insists on getting sexual satisfaction from whoever I have agreed to open my legs for.

It was due to these indiscriminate sexual bastardization that I got pregnant at the third month of my affair with Mohammed.

When I confronted him with the news, I had expected him to tell me to beat it; that the issue was no big deal. But I was in for a shocker when Mohammed accused me of being careless and that I wanted to scandalise him and thereby elongating his service year as a form of punishment by the NYSC. He told me matter-of-factly that he had no money to abort the unwanted pregnancy and called me all sorts of names.

Calmly as I could be, I gathered myself together and left his apartment feeling sorry for myself. That night, I cried myself to sleep. The next day, I went back to him thinking that he might have realised the absolute folly of his thoughts the previous night and had come to terms with the issue at hand. But no luck.

Mohammed was as adamant and hateful as he was the previous night. It was then I realised that I had to salvage the situation myself. Consequently, I went to my parents and

told them a convincing lie to get some money from them. Since my parents are very wealthy and also love me dearly, they didn't ask questions before they gave me the money. I was later to abort the baby with the money I got from my parents. The experience was, well, simply indescribable. It was quite an ordeal.

Now that the pregnancy had been aborted, I thought I would be able to forget Mohammed in my life, but I couldn't. The more I tried to obliterate his image from my mind, the more the flood of the good times that we have had in the past resurfaced. Mohammed, too, had realised how stupid he was by attempting to abandon me to fate I was impregnated by him and had apologised to me for what he did.

Considering the degree of love that I had for him, I forgave him and once again, we started from where

we had stopped. Only if I knew what was in Mohammed's mind, I wouldn't have given him a second chance in my life. I didn't. Not quite long after we

started our love again than I got pregnant for the second time by Mohammed. Again, Mohammed didn't show signs of concern.

Mohammed, did not even come to see me regularly at the hospital though what he did for me which I valued very much was his covering me up at school and keeping the news of my pregnancy and consequent abortions closely to his chest.

It was after I left the hospital that I took the final decision to leave Mohammed and stay alive and sane. Imagine me, a seventeen-year-old form three girl, getting pregnant and aborting twice in a short space of six months. It was something I could not understand.

One day, I summoned courage and went to Mohammed's apartment and told him it was all over between the two of us.

I wanted to give myself a breather, to forget about sex and all that it entails. I wanted to lead a saner life where my studies would occupy my mind more instead of sex. That was what resolved to do. But was I able to lead a saner life as I had promised myself? Next week, I will tell you if I did.

Cheers.



# YOUR TV

By MOJI DANISA

## Give me 'ruthless' Ruth

YOU tune in your TV, expecting to watch the news, it becomes a rip off when you see all sorts of distracting objects instead.

We've had so many glamorous girls on TV in the past. They came in many names, shapes and style. From the dark complexioned chubby faced Bimbo Roberts to the light skinned, shy, apple-fresh looks of Ronke Ayuba. While their beauty shine on Television, these ladies still had enough charm to hold viewers interest. News then, though not interesting, was not altogether boring.

However, today, thirty million viewers have cause to complain. Some newscasters dress to kill with such dresses taking the better part of the screen.

Stette All Well Brown is most guilty at this time. But the most annoying newscaster on the network news now is Tokunbo Aja.

This lady's eyes can never be seen, her too bold glasses are so distracting that they make a mess of the eye contact idea.

For viewers to understand what a news reader is saying and to be part of the forty five minute bore the NTA calls 'network News' newscasters must be able to establish that eye contact. However, not Tokunbo Aja on the network news with those bold goggles should have his head examined. I wonder if Ms Aja has ever heard of contact lenses. If, on the other hand, 'contact' is not good for the studio lights, then Ms Aja must stop reading the news.

As if she does not have enough problems, Tokunbo, who is second newest newscaster (of course, our lady wrapped in the shawl has already been voted for the first position), makes nonsense of her cleavage. Most times her necklines plunge right down, exposing the better part of her boobs, causing more distractions, and worse still, the lady never smiles. Even when Patrick Oke threw what he thought was a joke at her, sometime ago on *Newsline*, unlike the other ladies, Ms Aja did not even pretend to be amused.

Until Tokunbo is ready to throw those highly unglamorous objects she calls reading glasses into her trash basket, and put life into her being while reading the news, I can't see her going places.

I still say, give me "Ruthless" Ruth Benemesia, anyday.

As for Stette, I think she has received too many praises, it has gone into her head and she has become an exaggeration.

Tokunbo's face makes my set gloomy and makes me sad!

### SOUNDING OFF

"We (South Africans) love to share every thing we have except our husbands and wives."  
- Letta Mbulu

## TOP TWENTY CHART

1. Sunny Ade
  2. Yvonne Chaka Chaka
  3. The Mandators
  4. Luck Dube
  5. Sonny Okosun
  6. Majak Fashak
  7. Sikiru Ayinde Barrister
  8. Pat Bjo
  9. Levert
  10. Ray Parker Jr
  11. Salawa Abeni
  12. Madonna
  13. Evi-Edna Ogholi
  14. Gerry Sean McLean
  15. Oliver De Coque
  16. Bright Chimezie
  17. Atlantic Star
  18. Boy George
  19. Whispers
  20. Michael Jackson
- The Child
  - I cry for Freedom
  - Rat Race
  - Slave
  - Happy Days
  - Prisoner of Conscience
  - Fuji Garbage
  - A Night in Africa
  - Castanova
  - Alter Dark
  - Abode America
  - Who's That Girl
  - On The Move
  - Passion and Pain
  - Olufer
  - Oyibo Mentality
  - All in the Name of Love
  - Everything I own
  - Rock Steady
  - Bad

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(Please see page 34)

## HOLLYWOOD SECRETS

TINA Turner is shelling singing for acting and she says she'll give Grace Jones a run for her money. "Grace Jones is doing what I want to be doing," says TT, "but Grace isn't nearly as physical as me. I want to ride the horses, drive the cars and fall off the cliffs."

BRIGITTE Nilsson is back in Los Angeles and she and her ex, Sylvester Stallone, seem to be trying to outdate each other. All heads turned when Sly showed up for dinner at Nicky Blain's with 12 gorgeous girls. Not to be outdone, Brigitte spent her birthday with Mark Gamsand but three nights later, she rode up to a rock club on a motorcycle with Sly's brother, Frank.



## Record Review

SHE quirks when charged, yet a cloud of shyness envelopes her smart frame. She has come in as one of the latest to make news in Nigerian showbusiness.

Nancy Schlesing's debut elpee *Living in a Wonderful World* was launched recently at Aba where she resides but Nancy appears determined to conquer Nigeria musically. She came to Lagos to create an impression.

The 20 year old native of Umukpara, Ugu-Mlano in Imo State who wears a punky look, seems to exude musical versatility. Side one of her six-tracker opens with *Feel Alright* - a straight funk followed by *Too Chukwu*, a traditional afro funk which gives praise to God. A blues *Just for You*, concludes the drama.

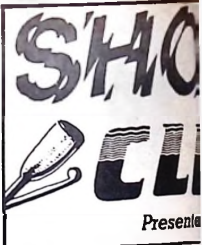
*Olu Nwa* - a reggae funk-signs the flip side on and paves way for the title track, *Wonderful World* which is reggae and concludes with *Keep it on* - a calypso number.

All songs in the elpee are written and composed by this mother of a nine-month old baby girl.

Nancy prefers to be called simply by her first name. Eventhough she owes much gratitude to her German husband for encouragement, Nancy says the short name will give her an advantage. "I want to reach out to Europe, the whole world."

She insists that nobody inspired her. "I create my own thing. I don't imitate anybody."

As a kid, Nancy liked dancing and singing. She even used to compete in dancing competitions. In 1984, she developed interest in music and was a backup singer for the *Cloud 7* of Aba. According to her contract, next year holds a new album for her. She's new and we will watch her do it but for now, Nancy, keep it up!



Chief Kollington Ayinla



ANOTHER musical youngster may soon join the likes of Yvonne

# W BIZ MAX

erson Gobert



## NEWS! Nigerians should be proud of Majek — Sax Man

PEOPLE should be proud of Majek Fashek and give him chance because he is a big achievement for the country.

A seasoned session man and Majek's saxophonist, Mike Appoh, told SHOWBIZ CLIMAX while reacting to criticisms heaped on the "Prisoner of Conscience" that people have to draw inspiration from others.

He was asked to assess Majek in two perspectives: as a musician, a person. As a musician, he said Majek is very talented. "I believe that we haven't seen the best of him. He's the sort of artiste who will turn out albums and hit songs for many years to come.

"He's got a natural talent and wonderful voice and that is his asset. Old music comes back in another form. You can take someone's song and put something new, he's made the song beautiful and he has his own compositions, too. It's like building a house. You take someone's designs even if you have a totally new style, you still use the same law."

On Majek as a person, he quipped: "He's very religious. A kind person. He doesn't think for himself alone; he thinks about others that are around him unlike most musicians in the country. If they give him a chance, He'll play an important role in making the Nigerian music scene better. He's got the qualities."

What has his experience been like backing Majek? "It's a nice experience. It shows that Nigeria has the potential to produce musicians of very high standard who can stand on a stage anywhere in the world. I get vibes from him and he gets vibes from me. It was God's wish that we met and we met again, then he said why not come and play?"



# LYRICS

## RAT RACE as recorded by The Mandators

Here we come again  
in another style  
Adis one is the Rat Race Style  
Here we come again  
It's not just another song but the  
Rat Race style is a crucial style  
We're coming Live and direct  
Just to make you feel live  
Adis a Christ I man style  
Come make we listen to the lyric

They say I'm talking politics  
but I am singing reality about  
the suffering of the masses  
So my brothers I'm feeling so right  
See the situation getting worse  
and only the poor feels the pain  
All the fury fall on them  
So don't close your eyes to reality

Adis a rat race style yeah  
There have to make we suffer  
in them a rat race style yeah  
Dem have fe make things tougher  
Adis a rat race style yeah  
There's no hope for survival  
in dem a rat race style yeah  
Dem have fe make we shiver.

Oh what a bad situation (they want)  
Only the rich and the strongest nation  
to survive, so if life was a thing that money  
could buy  
Only the rich nation would live  
They don't feel any guilty  
You see the other people  
They keep getting their hand for no reason  
To make the world a shameless Race  
every season where they are really heading  
Jah knows where they are really heading  
to.

(CHORUS 4)  
Many people in the world  
are struggling for survival  
Trying to earn a living just  
The oppressor's hands are just too strong  
So the rich keep getting richer  
and the poor get living poorer  
Life is getting harder, the  
Tension keep rising so high

(SOLO)  
O what a great world and fight!  
We must get up and fight!  
This sun will be and making we foots  
backing our backs to live and  
They really have no strength, (you better  
see that we)

So that we  
We know there are privilege people but Jah  
We know there are people that we free from this great  
chaining us, the wicked are proved  
Jah will surely set us free  
tribulation will still hit all will die.  
too strong but still they will die.

In this a rat race and 3rd class citizen  
they have 1st class and 2nd class and round  
in them a rat race a rat race a hopeless man.  
Dem see the rat race a rat race a hopeless man.  
Ooh rat race a rat race a rat race a hopeless man.

The answer to our  
Stop Press quiz in  
Issue No. 3 was  
PRINCE.

## Musical aid concert soon

AN open air musical aid concert in seven states of the federation with top artistes performing is soon to be organised.

The National Patron of the African Network for the Prevention and Protection Against Child abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN), Nigerian chanter, Mr. Ben Osi Umuna,

told newsmen at a world press conference at the Sheraton Hotel, Ikeja recently.

According to him, after the musical aid concert will come the sports aid.

Some of the artistes who attended the briefing were Christy Essien-Igbokwe, Sonny Okorosun, Funmi Davies and Majek Fashek.



## Jottings from my beat

JONES Usen, celebrated broadcaster of Radio Nigeria 2, Lagos resurfaced at the launching of Mandators' "Rat Race" at Eko Holiday Inn as emcee after a long absence.

What aroused my consternation was not the fact that every ushere had "Essiet" in her name; implying that all of them were Victor's sisters but Jones Aweka-Ibomised the whole thing. Agreeable, it was an

Akwa Ibom affair, but was that sufficient reason for Jones to direct the affairs of the day in Ibibio?

LERE Paimo recently put a final word on whether his play "Ogbiri Elemoso" would ever return to the stage. The answer to the question is no. Fans, would, however, see it in film. "It may not be my first," says the man everyone knows as "Eda," "but it would still be filmed all the same."

## Bimbo on the line

Jagade of Decross Records can finish the production of her album before the end of this year.

Bimbo, 11, plays accordion, cornet, drums and blows the trumpet. The highlife and reggae songs she intends to release are written by her father just like Tosin

Funmi Adams and admits keyboardists told SHOWBIZ CLIMAX she loves music: "If I'm sad, when I hear music, I feel happy. You know what turns the Sagittarian off? Noise making.

Teluwo and Tosin

# W

hile he lived, he was adored and respected by soccer pundits all over the country. He was a hero — a celebrity. He was a hero — a football hero.

Ex-captain of the Nigerian national team and later its chief coach, member of the famous U.K. tourist squad, ex-chief coach of the then East Central State, ex-chief coach of Imo State, e.t.c. His credentials are enormous.

Shortly after heading Nigeria's soccer team to the Olympic Games in Montreal, Canada, in '76, and a tour of China later that year, Nigeria was to mourn the demise of one of her greatest footballing heroes.

One ill-fated day in 1977, Dan Anyiam died.

The news of his death hit the entire nation like a tornado. For those who knew him close enough, the pain of his untimely death still hits them till this day.

For one person, however, the pain has never stopped. Day after day, the memory of years shared together in absolute bliss still permeates the mind and brings a torrential gust of both

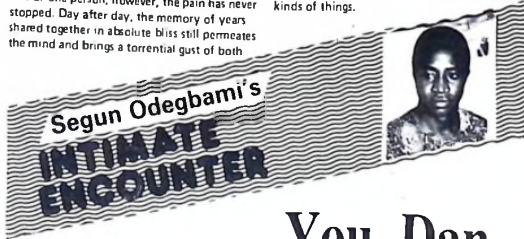
where in Surulere, Lagos.

Meeting her was one of fate's tricky ways of playing games with the lives of people.

Aboard a Nigeria Airways plane from Kano to Lagos, I sat next to this six-foot tall, extremely pretty, light-skinned girl (one of those who are an embodiment of God's glorious handiwork). Never missing a chance to chat-up any interesting — looking person, particularly when they come in a form of a shapely damsel, I struck up a lively conversation.

Apparently she had known who I was all along having seen me just a few days earlier on television as her mummy sat glued to her T.V. Keeping touch with the game (Nations Cup in Morocco) which had become the only other interest in her life apart from taking care of her children. Ironically, her mummy had expressed hopes of meeting me someday, as she shared some of my views on football.

So, we sat through one hour and ten minutes of flying time making lively chatter about all kinds of things.



Segun Odegbami's  
**INTIMATE  
ENCOUNTER**

## You, Dan Anyiam's daughter?

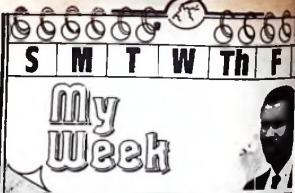
team of sadness and joy to her heart — sadness for his death whilst she was still so young at 36 with seven 'carbon copies' of him to look after, and joy that God gave her the opportunity to have met the man of her dreams, the man who made her life, as long as he was alive, full of happiness, and adventure.

Yes, Mrs. Sunbo Dan Anyiam is alive and truly well, living a quiet life with her seven children some of who were too young at the time of Dan's death to recollect who their father was, in a nice roomy apartment some

As the plane started its descent into Lagos, we exchanged telephone numbers. Above the number she gave me she had written her name. It came like a bombshell. Amaka Dan Anyiam!

"The same Dan Anyiam?" I asked. "Yes," was her reply. Well, I will be damned! Here I was sitting next to the daughter of football's greatest exponents without realising it. I had always wondered what happened to the Dan Anyiam family after his death.

When Amaka told me her mother, sister and brothers were all residing in Lagos, it was hard for me to believe. I had always wanted to meet the Dan Anyiam family and here was my chance. I wanted to tell them about how inspirational he was in the success story of people like me. Christian Chukwu, Emmanuel Okala and so on. I wanted to apologise to them that I hadn't sought them out earlier to lend a helping hand in seeing them through the aches and pains of losing someone dearest to them. I wanted to tell them that for as long as people like me are alive and destiny ever puts us in positions that would enable us lift our hand in help, we shall do so with all humility and sense of duty. I wanted to tell them that they shouldn't feel alone, that there are people out there who cannot easily forget Dan's contribution to his fatherland. I wanted to tell them



By Sunny Odegbami

**S**ORRY, Mike Bamidele, if you are reading this column on a Thursday morning because my comment may spoil your breakfast *TOP* magazine quote you recently as claiming that we Nigerians, don't know your value. "What value?" I asking myself before I turned to page 20 of the magazine where you said: "I'm a light-weight champion. But me today, poor and wretched. See the type of car I have — a smoking panel van! I didn't make money of wrestling and I don't have money today." Come Mike, you were in a wretched spot — pro wrestling which certainly must explain why you are "poor and wretched," — which I don't believe you are!

**M**ADAM Claire Rayner — she's the one who writes columns to soothe the heartbreak reader — the *Sunday Mirror*, a British newspaper — has an interesting piece in a recent edition of *WOMEN* which I find thoroughly enjoyable. Titled "The Seven Deadly Virtues (and the 7 lovely sins)," Claire says of **GLUTTONY**: "This is the most endearing, a one few of us ever escape at some time in our lives. Of all the sins, this is the most delicious, the most personal, the most undamaging, the kindest. There's no more sincere than the love of food..."

**T**HIS Week's 'Top 100 Companies in Nigeria' has left many companies red in the eye — to quote a banker friend of mine, "like unmasking a masquerade." Not quite. But something like it, I'm sure will start some kind of revolution in the business community.

**W**HILE you ever think of pouring kerosene on somebody and then set it on fire? I would like to read the sad story in the *Guardian Express* of a certain Caroline Okpara, a housemaid who was burnt to death Onitsha after someone she picked up quarrel with set ablaze after pouring kerosene on her. As Mrs. Esther Ezunke, the deceased's mistress, says, the whole thing "like a dream." And a very bad one, too.

**T**HANK God for me! Lagos State Governor I. Akhigbe has retired to the barracks ostensibly he surely would have called in my friend, Sammy Sparkle, for the comment he passed after an *Boyce Gberru's* cartoon at the back page of the *Sunday Concord* of August 14. BG's cartoon had Governor I. Rasaki holding his head as he looked into an empty treasury and my friend said — "No, on second thought I've decided not to quote him!"

**F**UNNY things happen in the barracks as anybody who has lived within the high walls will tell you. So, I was not surprised to read in the *Sunday Vanguard* that teenage pregnancy was on the increase in the police barracks. What surprised me though is that junior police officers are demanding of the law forbidding wards who couldn't qualify to play for the Golden Eagles from living in the barracks should be enforced. I think someone upstairs should listen to them. It's a sane demand.

**S**HALL we ever know why the National Council of Women Societies conference in Abuja in Enugu in *fisco* recently? **GA** Fawehinmi's walk from lawyers conference makes a lot more sense to me than an open disagreement amongst the mothers of a future leaders.



Mrs. Dan Anyiam



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# MY PATH TO GLORY

Mr Ben Osi Umunna comes across easily as a football patron of one of the leading clubs in the country. In 1965, he left for England without the knowledge of his parents. Ten years later, he incorporated his first company with only 600 pounds. His success story is reported by Ekerete Udoh.

The name Ben Osi Umunna is well known to football followers in Nigeria. He is an achiever; a magician who has come to revive a declining Rangers International Football Club; a philanthropist of indescribable proportion; a lover of the down-trodden masses and an unrepentant pragmatist.

Ben Umunna's story is a typical rags to riches one - the kind the Americans glorify as being "an American dream". His success story, which he confessed he had refused to talk about until CLIMAX came along, is one that would inspire the less adventurous and those who always find an easy escape route when confronted with problems.

When, in 1965, he left Nigeria for England to study, his trip was not like those by many other Nigerians who were sponsored by their parents. "I sent myself to England," he says, beginning his own story. "My parents never knew that I had gone to England until six months later when I informed them. All along, they thought I was lost.

When I got there, I stayed with some friends and then got my first job as a dish washer. I was also assigned the task of carrying milk crates from the ground floor to the 29th floor. With the stipend that I realised from doing these odd jobs, I enrolled for evening classes and correspondence courses - the type they call sandwich courses.

After that, I also did a part-time course in marketing, thus enabling me to continue my odd jobs which made it possible for me to pay my fees.

"Later, I enrolled in Catford College of Commerce to do a course with the Institute of Credit Management in England.

"I had my first decent job as an assistant credit controller of Albany Tyres Service Limited in 1968. I was still schooling then even though I had my Institute of Credit Management Certificate. From assistant credit controller, I was promoted credit manager. I had 18 Europeans working under me.

"In 1975, I formed Benos International Limited. I started the company with 600 pounds. Today, with hard work and God's guidance, it has expanded and now we have twelve subsidiary companies spread across Europe, Asia and the Far East."



Ben Umunna - Football is very dear to his heart

He remembers the 1975 experience when he formed Benos International Limited.

"I used to buy outdated records in England and sell them in Paris. I would board a train in London at night and get to Paris the next morning. Since I didn't have money to board taxis, I used to carry my luggage on my head.

Things started to pick up when I began to do business in Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. In 1977, I got married to the daughter of now retired Sir Justice Helenus Milmo - then a high court judge of the middle temple. I didn't encounter any problems in convincing my in-laws to give their daughter's hand in marriage to me.

"My in-laws belong to the upper class strata in the British society and I thank God that I was able to achieve something before I went to ask for their daughter's hand in marriage. They were very co-operative."

The marriage today is blessed with two children: Chuka - a boy aged 9, and Chi-chi - a girl aged 8.

Ben Osi Umunna's interest in football - a game that is so dear to his heart - started in the early sixties at the Zixton Grammar School, Ozubulu in Anambra State where he featured regularly in the first eleven. He later had a stint with Ikeazu Redoubtables of Onitsha. His nickname then was "master planner".

When he got to England, his interest in football did not wane. In recognition of his avowed interest in the game of football, he was approached in London by one of the directors of Crystal Palace Football Club, an English division two club, to make some financial contributions. Though he is not a major shareholder

in the club, he loves his association with the club which finished 6th on the English division two table last season.

In 1986, when he came to the country to arrange for friendly matches with some football clubs in Nigeria with Crystal Palace, which didn't click, he was surprisingly made a patron of Rangers International.

"I was in my hotel room in Enugu that day when a representative of the club and that of the then governor, Air Commodore Emeka Omeruah, handed me a letter to the effect that I had been made a patron of Rangers International. Since I have been associated with football in the past, I accepted the position with all honesty.

In May 1987, Governor Omeruah offered me the chairmanship of Rangers, asking me to restructure and rescue the club from relegation and bring back its lost glory.

"After one week of deliberation over the job, I went to the governor and conveyed my acceptance of the offer on the understanding that I would not be paid any remuneration and that the job must be done with absolute authority.

"My appointment took effect from July 1987. It is worthy of note that I didn't campaign for the job neither did I go soliciting for it. It was a unanimous decision.

"I thank God that I was able to rescue the club from relegation. Before I took over affairs of the club, it was occupying the third position in the relegation zone and it went on to contest in the National Challenge Cup. Immediately I took over, I had to carry out the excruciating task of

restructuring the club for the 1988 soccer season and the results today is there for all to see."

Mr. Ben Osi Umunna, 47, was born on July 16, 1941 at Mbanosi in Imo State and is a native of Ogbunke in Aquata local government area of Anambra State. He had his early education at New Bethel Primary School, Onitsha and New Bethel Grammar School, also in Onitsha, before he left the country for England.

He says he had no political ambition because he does not like the way politics is practised in Nigeria. His philosophy of life is to "always give thanks to the Lord, your Creator, and do to people what you would want them to do for me."

A humanist, Mr. Umunna's greatest contribution is definitely in the area of improving the lots of the Nigerian children, especially the abused and neglected ones, through the African Network for the Prevention and Protection against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPCAN), of which he is a patron.

Speaking at an ANPPCAN world press conference in Lagos recently, Mr. Umunna declared:

"I dream of our children having personal dignity, developing creativity, inventing machines and developing what I would call an orderly self-persevering and self-sustaining culture. It is clear that this dream can be achieved through an original African organization whose objectives are in line with my thinking."

For a man with his background, it is understandable why he is casting his lots with the children - especially those that are deprived.

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# BOY JOE'S WORLD... 'BORN AGAIN' 2

By  
Slim  
Iyke

The story so far ... While in bed with the landlord's wife and watching a religious programme on TV, Boy Joe becomes born again. His very religious co-tenant, Elijah, and Boy Joe is accepted, though with some misgivings. It is this same church whose TV programme converted Boy Joe.

THE OWNER OF THE CHURCH WAS A WOMAN - A VERY BEAUTIFUL FEMALE!

Today, God has saved another soul. Today God has given me another chick!



BEFORE BOY JOE KNEW WHAT WAS HAPPENING, SHE EMBRACED HIM ...

Welcome!



She loves me! From his shy look, he has truly repented!



AT HOME THAT DAY, BOY JOE PICKED UP HIS GUITAR TO CELEBRATE ANOTHER VICTORY, AS WAS HIS CUSTOM ...

God giveth... he never taketh...



THE DOOR SUDDENLY OPENED AND THE LANDLADY ENTERED.

Boy Joe! Where have you been? I've been looking for you!



And what could the wife of my landlord want with an unemployed tenant?

Boy Joe! What has come over you!



What do I want with you. As if you don't know! I have you found someone else who can pay your rent and feed you?



Even so, you won't have a room to pay for. I will eject you!



Madam, you don't understand ... I am now born again!

THE LANDLADY WENT COLD AT BOY JOE'S WORDS.



I have now realized what a great sinner I have been ... I've now decided to live for my Creator...

...and there's still chance for you too to repent ...



Leave me!

I think I should stop giving you rent and pocket money... that should make you change your mind.

The Lord takes care of the birds in the air ... He will take care of me.



OUTSIDE, ELIJAH WHO HAD BEEN EAVESDROPPING HEARD THE LANDLADY COARING AND TURNED AWAY, OVERJOYED.

Boy Joe has really changed ... he no longer cares for the landlady. Great!

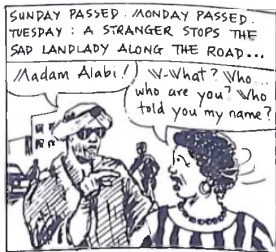
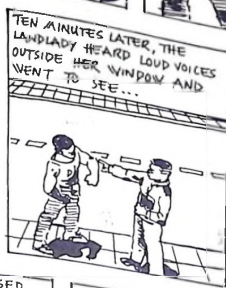
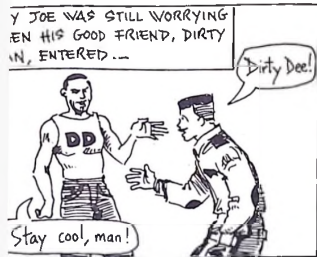


BUT BOY JOE WAS FAR FROM HAPPY.

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## How to get the job

By Julia Watson

### you want (1)

**2 Employment Agencies.** Whatever your occupation, there are agencies that

in what you do. You can usually determine which they are by studying job advertisements in the national and local newspapers. Look in the yellow pages for agencies in your area. It lists agencies throughout the country and gives their specialties.

Avoid the "cowboys"—incompetent agencies that make little or no attempt to match applicant and job. Talk to friends in your business. The concerned agencies are usually known. You can almost "smell" them. Avoid the first time you walk in. Do they treat you with respect? Does the interviewer seem to know your field?

Employment agencies do their charge for placing you in job; their fees are paid by the employer.

Don't ignore the state employment services—they have long since shed their drab and hopeless pre-war image.

**3 How to Get Job Interviews on Your Own.** Many career advisers believe that a well-directed campaign of letter-writing is the best source of leads. Write to officers of companies you believe could use your services, enclosing

your CV. Begin with your own industry and gradually widen your scope if you try and gradually widen your scope if necessary. Address your letter to the personnel officer or to the executive to whom you would report (to a sales manager if you want a sales position). Libraries that list firms, their directories that list firms, their officers and addresses. Check names by telephone if possible; your information may be out of date.

Don't be embarrassed about being out of work. You are not seeking charity. You are the victim of a recession. Expect rejections. Expect to have letters unanswered, telephone calls not returned, prospective employers who had seemed enthusiastic suddenly turn away.

Dear Reader,  
Your lessons on how to get ahead in life; to be successful in everything you do, is being punctuated this week (as it will be punctuated from time to time as we go ahead) by an equally useful information which is designed to make you a successful person.

Don't lose faith in yourself. Don't lose your dignity. You have made a valuable contribution all your working life and must understand that this period will pass and you will survive.

**4 Be Prepared to Change Job Direction.** Mark Jeffery, 38, was assistant works manager at a Kent brickworks. Now he manages production at a timber firm making telegraph poles and railway sleepers. "After 20 years working for one company, with a highly specialized product, I felt lost," he says. Jobs in the brick trade were few and far between. "When I first saw the timber firm advertisement in the PER newspaper *Executive Post*, my reaction was 'That's not for me,' but then I read the requirements more carefully and realized I could do it. Same job, different industry." In Birmingham, jobless businessmen have formed a "think tank" to develop ideas for new enterprises and products. In Liverpool a quantity surveyor used his skills to get a job in market research.

Evaluate yourself. Try to put your ego aside and examine your strengths and weaknesses, likes and dislikes. Study the appointments sections of newspapers to get an idea of trends. Determine what experience and talents are wanted in industries where your interests lie.

Psychological testing may help you set new goals. For some people whose skills are truly redundant, retraining may be the answer. The government's Training Opportunities Scheme offers sponsored programmes.

**5 Don't Rely Too Much on Your Friends.** The wider exposure you have, the more likely you are to find a job. Although it may be the last thing you feel like doing, phone friends, business contacts, former colleagues, and let them know you are looking for a job. "Don't let them how miserable you are, or say 'Can you find me a job?'" says one career counsellor. "As for specific bits of information you know they can supply, and arrange to call back." These initial contacts may lead to the job you want, but don't depend on them.

## SUPREME INTELLIGENCE: Who is He?

"Suppose the earth revolved one hundred miles per hour instead of one thousand. Instead of taking twenty-four hours to make one complete revolution it would take two hundred and forty hours. What would this mean? Days would be ten times longer, so that the continued excessive heat for twelve hours would extend to one hundred and twenty hours, burning everything up, and making life impossible. Also the nights would be one hundred and twenty hours long instead of twelve, and this extended dark and cold would freeze things up, making life impossible. So how did it come that our earth revolves at just the right speed to make human life possible? Did it just happen that way?"

"Our earth not only rotates on its axis but also revolves around the sun. It travels in an orbit at the speed of eighteen miles per second. In order to make a complete circle around the sun it takes three hundred and sixty-five days a year. Here is the explanation of our seasons. Suppose the earth revolved only nine miles a second instead of eighteen in the same orbit. It would take twice as long to circle the sun and our year would be seven hundred and thirty days instead of three hundred and sixty five. Can you imagine what either our conditions for human life or greater or lesser speed would do to it? If the orbit were contracted so the speed slowed down, we would be so near the sun we would burn up. If the orbit were expanded and the speed doubled, we'd be so far from the sun we'd freeze up."

"How does it happen that we are just far enough to keep from either freezing or burning, and that the speed of the earth and that the circumference of its orbit are just right to give us three hundred and sixty-five days a year and suitable seasons for the existence and enjoyment of man? Did it just happen?"

"The moon is two hundred and forty thousand miles from the earth. Its mass and distance affect our tides. If the moon were fifty thousand miles from us instead of two hundred and forty thousand, covered twice a day all land would be covered with water and our mountains would soon erode."

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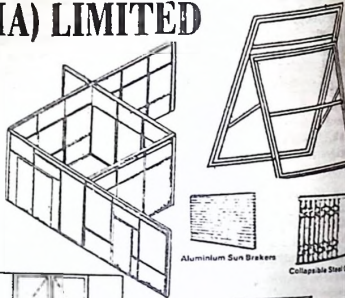
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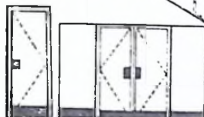


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By Muyiwa Owogbade

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## YOUR STAR THIS WEEK

### GEMINI May 21-Jun 20

Emotion, rather than wisdom, tends to control your thinking. Take time to reflect. Friday is good, you are on the high then.

### CANCER Jun 21-Jul 20

Watch your pieces of advice; they stand the risk of being misconstrued. Never force issues. A surprise visit prepares you for a randy weekend.

### LEO Jul 21-Aug 21

There is a lot to do already and more are still coming. A bit confused, perhaps. Still you must expect a rowdy weekend.

### VIRGO Aug 22-Sep 22

You are on the high, birthday chances seem brighter than ever. Promises from people you have no reason to doubt flow down your way. Thursday provides a shock but Saturday helps to make up.

### LIBRA Sep 23-Oct 22

A crucial decision has to wait. Don't leave your confidante in the dark over developments. Seek romance, it's an especially good time for it.

### SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 22

You feel like going back on some of your decisions. Wednesday afternoon brightens you up. Go for a resort at the weekend and drink too if you do.



For the Week of 25th August

### IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY!"

*Do not allow a good turnout to swell your head. Avoid the temptation to use this important celebration to scintillate a score. You may find yourself surprisingly broke after the occasion. Things will quickly pick up again*

### ARIES Mar 21-Apr 20

You blame yourself for allowing an old cheat to let you down again. A visit to a friend does you good. Saturday afternoon is an especially nice time for romance.

### CAPRICORN Dec 21-Jan 19

It is not the best of times, only 'romance' seems assured. You feel lusty, if only to exhaust the tension within. Your stomach will be made flat good. A pleasant surprise tops it on Friday.

### SAGITTARIUS Nov 23-Dec 20

Hope returns after a disappointment over a failing project. Your energy is bubbling and you are already in a haste to get things over. Tuesday is a nice day to invest.

### TAURUS Apr 21-May 20

Your reluctant lover surprises you with amorous advances. A merry-go-round also helps to cement family ties. You are ready for an over-due trip.

### AQUARIUS Jan 21-Feb 18

You are gradually moving closer to your objective. Financial picture brightens. Your lover is still wary though.

### PISCES Feb 19-Mar 20

Surprised you have allowed an opportunity to lie fallow for so long. Friends crowd around. You concentrate on your goal as the chances of success look brighter.

## WHAT HIS STAR SA



Brigadier Benjamin Adekunle

He is a hero of the civil war in Nigeria, cold and sometimes ruthless is Brig. Benjamin Maja Adekunle (rtd.) of the Third Marine Commando (who else?).

It would at first be difficult placing this combatant alongside the image of his star. He was killed June 26, 1937. A Cancer.

Those under this sign are supposed to be emotional, people who only fight when pushed to the wall; the warrior from Ogbomoso is a soldier through and through.

Don't be deceived though. Adekunle remains a Cancerian in a man governed by principle can remain 'soft' only as long as those principles are being respected. Trouble begins when others try to sell black to him for white; the crab raises its claws!

It's a week of interesting challenges for "the Black Star". A new principle tearfully placed to replace an old one, and there is much anguish in leaving the old fascination in adopting the new. Stick to the old.

# CLIMAX FAMILY HEALTH

## FOOD POISONING

Few people ever believe they've got food poisoning. You're more likely to blame that stomach ache on overeating, overdrinking or a virus. But the Institute of Environmental Health Officers believes that nine out of 10 times, the real culprit is more likely to be that take-away curry you treated yourself to or the chicken portions you hastily defrosted for supper last night.

The bugs that cause food poisoning are present in many of our everyday foods. Most of the time they're destroyed by cooking. But it only takes undercooking, bad handling, or being left in the fridge a little too long and you've got a nasty stomach upset.

Food poisoning can be caused by bacteria themselves, or by the

toxins that bacteria produce. The staphylococcus germ is a common culprit. It particularly likes room temperature cream and processed meat, and often gets into these foods from a cut or boil on the food handler. The symptoms of stomach cramps,

### THE BEST REMEDY IS WATER AND LOTS OF REST

Diarrhoea and vomiting come on two to eight hours after you eat infected food. But usually the unpleasantness goes in six hours.

Another bug, E. Coli, also produces toxins which causes what's often known as "traveller's diarrhoea". While the foods you eat

at home contain this germ, it usually won't affect you because it's something you're used to. But foreign food has unfamiliar strains of the germ to which you won't have built up a resistance.

Salmonella is the most notorious food bug. Many different types of food, especially poultry, contain salmonella, but proper cooking will destroy it. The symptoms take 12 - 48 hours to develop and then you'll feel ill with fever and cramps, as well as diarrhoea and vomiting. It's vital to wash your hands thoroughly every time you visit the toilet as the germ can get into bowel matter - and to wash linen or clothes in hot water. Salmonella usually clears up in a few days with rest and fluids.

Shigella is the most vicious type of food poisoning, and it can be passed on by carriers who don't develop the symptoms themselves.

Another germ which attacks the bowel directly, it takes one to four days to take hold, and then makes the sufferer feverish and droopy, with diarrhoea and ANTIBIOTICS MAY HELP.

Vomiting, and sometimes there even be blood in the bowel matter! Usually rest and plenty of liquids only treatment needed, although in one of the rare occasions when ant treatment may help.

If you think there's a chance of an attack of food poisoning, make sure you see your doctor.

Keep on going and the chances are you will stumble on something, perhaps you are least expecting it. I have not heard of any one stumbling on something stilling down. - Charles F. Ketterling



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Coca-Cola company (Atlanta, USA) has informed FIFA that it will continue working with the world football governing body up to 1999.

## Taiwo, Agbaba stand a medal chance

Tony Urhobo concludes expectations of Seod Olympics

### Triple Jump

SOMETHING tells me that Agbaba and Joseph Tawo will reach the finals and possibly win gold medals. Both jumpers are doing well and with good back-up by medical treatment, could go places.

### 400m Hurdles

HENRY Amike is training hard but I don't think he can get to the finals. Same goes for Ma Usifo. She has been down with but if she recovers on time she could do well... but she needs to train before the games proper.

### Relays

IN the 4 x 100m boys, we're getting to the finals if there's good exchange of the baton, and we get to the finals, we're sure a medal.

If some of the athletes can (Chidi Iremo, Isaq Adeyanju, Olu Adenekan, Oloba Achuko, Abi Teteji and Patrick Nwaniso) can return a time of 10.00, 10.10, 10.2 seconds, then we are sure winning gold medal.

The chances of our girls are very slim, same goes for the boys in the 4 x 400m relays. We may not see any here like in the last Oly when the East Germans did no up. With the Germans coming with their full squad, anything happens.

Nigerian team of Sunday Ut Moses Ugbisen, Tony Etiuka & Innocent Egbunike are quite fit and hopes of winning a medal is lost.

In the girls category, the best Airat Bakare, Mary Onyali, Fat Ogunkoya and either Kehinde Vaughan or Sadiat Sowunmi can make it to the finals.

During the heats to the semi-finals, the team will comprise S Sowunmi, Fatimah Yusuf, Ma Usifo while Onyali and Ogunko will be brought in to run in the top to refurbish the team. Two of them should be exempted from the so as not to burn out their energy.

Just as we did in the last All African Games, the team for us should comprise Airat Bakare, Usifo, Hasy Onyali and Fatat Ogunko.

By Sunday C

# Ashinze is off to Portugal

JOE Ashinze, Rangers International goal-getter is off to Portugal to begin a professional career and that is official.

CLIMAX Sport Souvenir learnt that the former Stationery Stores match-winner left the country for Portugal in company of Sylvanus Okpala's younger brother Thompson. CLIMAX Sports Souvenir also gathered that the plan to go to Portugal was hatched when Sylvanus Okpala was in the country recently.

If things work according to plans, Ashinze, who leads the top scorer race with eight goals, may miss out of Rangers remaining league matches.

### Key players

Apart from Ashinze, CLIMAX Sport Souvenir investigation shows that other key players are just waiting for the end of the season before waving the club bye. Some of the players who spoke to us say Rangers have nothing to offer financially.

"It is what you get today that you eat tomorrow," says one of the players.

The players are also complaining about signing-on fee and the attitude of the club officials dumping players once they are injured. They cited the case of Christian Madu who was recruited from Ghana but was later dumped after sustaining an injury as a good example.

## ... Others to leave soon

From 'Abuchi Anueyiagu, Enugu.

"How can a player continue to play for a club without signing-on fee. I'm here for business and it is either I get money or I opt out.

Rangers are taking us for a ride and we're made to look cheap before our colleagues in other clubs. We can't take that any longer."

"People shouldn't take our performances so far to mean we're satisfied with the club. Rather, it is the spirit to keep Rangers' flag flying that is driving us to perform. Another player who does not want his name in print volunteered.

Only recently, one of the club's reliable defenders, Emeka Nwobodo left for Hawks of Makurdi for what he termed "frustration by the club's officials."

**NEXT WEEK: Why Anshah is my No. 1 choice in goal — Peter Anieke**



\*Joe Ashinze

## Ojo's a blessing to BON — Scribe

COACH Femi Ojo's movement to Bank of the North Football Club has been described as a blessing to the club. Secretary of the second division club, Sani Usman Mohammed told CLIMAX Sports Souvenir how Femi Ojo's coming has boosted players morale.

"Femi Ojo is a fine coach. If you watched these boys before he came in, you would have noticed a great change in the club's pattern of play.

"There is now consistency in the team and the boys are playing with a lot of confidence."

Sani believes that the departure of

Fatai Atere has not affected the club's fortune.

"We have other equally good players and we have been able to survive without him. Kunle Johnson is, by all reckoning, a good player.

"He started scoring very early this season but fizzled out mid-way into the league. I think the injury he sustained in our match against Enyimba has been his undoing so far.

"Our promotion prospect is still bright. Though we're not among the first four teams, but if we're able to win our remaining four home matches we could still have a chance."

— Allen Ogenyi, Kano.



\*Femi Ojo





BY EHI BRAIMAH

## FACE IN THE CROWD

Which of the people in the picture at the bottom is the boy whose name is on the face in the picture above?



## Square deal

Arrange these twelve words to form three word squares in which the words read the same both across and down

AREA  
CUSP  
DARK  
IDEA  
LAND  
MEAL  
NEAR  
PREY  
PRIM  
RIDE  
SERE  
USER

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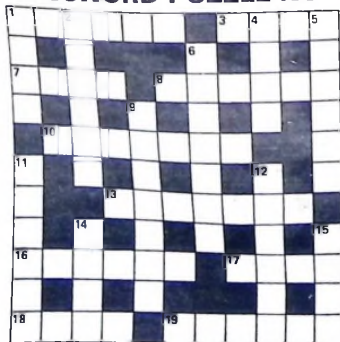
A	10	9	12	8
14	5	17	11	4
6	12	15	4	15
7	10	11	17	19
2	17	3	20	8
4	4	1	13	3
14	21	18	9	11
5	7	16	1	B

## Take tale

Take two consecutive letters from each word to form a famous historical name.

D Z Y E T Z E E  
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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 5



### ACROSS:

1. Precious Stone (6), 3. Musical character (4), 7. Notch (4), 8. Concluding number of an opera (6) 10. picture (7), 13. Declinal (7), 16. Blank edge on the page of a book (6), 17. Cutting tool with arched blade (4), 18. Depression that receives oil in an engine (4), 19. Variety of polcat (6)

### DOWN

1. Group of criminals (4), 2. Calculate (6), 4. Let out of water (4), 5. Weak (6), 8. Frightful (7), 9. Poison (7), 11. London river (6), 14. Food store (6), 14. Staff (4), 15. Undergarment (4).

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