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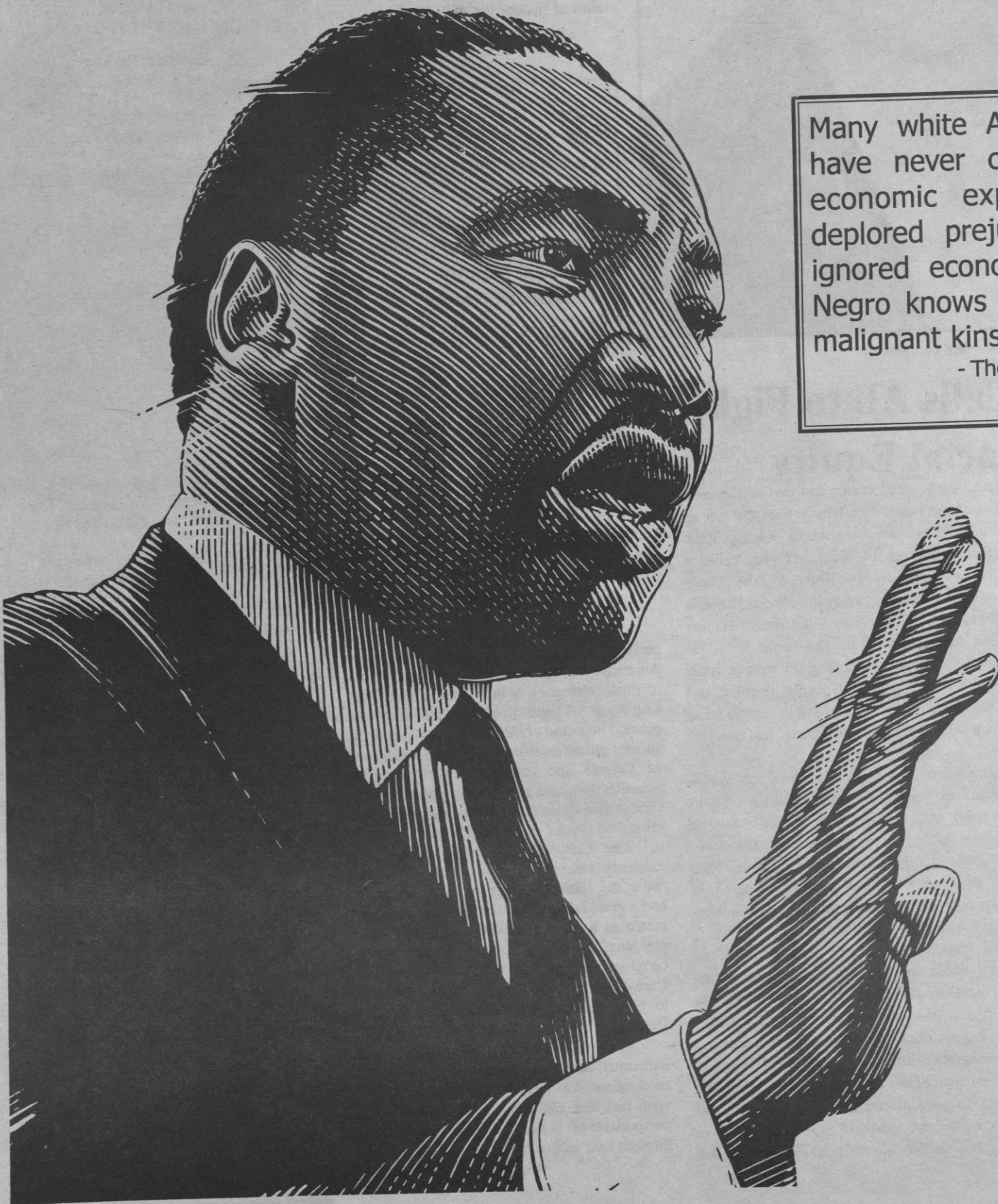
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## Regis Observes MLK Day



Many white Americans of good will have never connected bigotry with economic exploitation. They have deplored prejudice but tolerated or ignored economic injustice. But the Negro knows these two evils have a malignant kinship.

- The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.  
- *Why We Can't Wait*



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Social critic Tim Wise will address MLK banquet.

## Activist Calls All to Fight for Racial Equity

One of America's leading young social critics and one of the most popular speakers on the lecture circuit today, Tim Wise proves that not all white guys from the South think like Newt Gingrich or worship Rush Limbaugh. An anti-racist activist since age 14, Wise had been called a "dangerous leftist extremist" by ex-Klansman David Duke, and the "Uncle Tom of the white race" by best-selling conservative author Dinesh D'Souza due to his unflinching commitment to fighting racism — a commitment that has also earned him numerous death threats from neo-Nazis. Wise has spoken to over 25,000 people in forty states: defending affirmative action; responding to right-wing assaults on the poor and people of color; and explaining why whites have a moral and practical obligation to support racial equality. His speeches have been called "dynamic, passionate, and thought-provoking."

Wise is the author of *Little White Lie: The Truth About Affirmative Action* and "Reverse Discrimination," a highly-praised defense of anti-discrimination efforts which is being taught in dozens of college classrooms across the country. His writings have also appeared in *Z Magazine*, *Crossroads*, *The Louisiana Weekly*, and *The New Orleans Tribune*. His expose of Newt Gingrich's days as a college radical appeared in *Counterpunch*, and again in the book *Washington Babylon*, by nationally-acclaimed journalists Alexander Cockburn and Ken Silverstein.

Wise had been a featured speaker at dozens of local, regional and national conferences as well as over one hundred campuses in recent years. In addition, he has appeared on hundreds of radio and television programs to debate today's most pressing issues. Wise has squared off against Nazis, representatives of the so-called "religious right," and conservative luminaries including former Reagan Administration officials, members of Congress, and the producer of the Rush Limbaugh Show. As a student, Wise, who has a B.A. in Political Science from Tulane University, received international media attention for his efforts in the anti-apartheid movement and also received the thanks and praise of Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

## Justice for All?

The final phrase in the Pledge of Allegiance "... and justice for all," rings false in the experiences of many Americans. In his presentation titled "And Justice for All," Cleveland Holmes, probation officer with Arapahoe County, discusses the United States justice system and the unequal treatment of minorities.

Holmes' panel, scheduled at 1:00 p.m. on January 21st in the Student Center Faculty Lounge, addresses a range of subtopics pertaining to the failure of the justice system including the overrepresentation of minority defendants in the justice system, the federal court records of stiffer penalties for crack cocaine than sentences for powdered cocaine, and the relationship between conviction and chronic unemployment for minority individuals with limited education.

These and other issues surrounding the topic of the United States justice system and minorities will be examined and debated questioning the validity of the claims of "justice for all."

"I am expert in recognition of a simple eloquent truth. That truth is that it is sinful to brutalize any of God's other children, no matter from what side the brutalization comes."

-The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## History of the Cure d Ars Adult Gospel Choir

The Cure d Ars Adult Gospel Choir performs songs that reflect both the African American Culture and Heritage along with a spiritual celebration of the Catholic faith. They sing songs of hope, freedom, faith, love, and peace. The music of Cure d Ars Choir serves as an evangelization resource in the Archdiocese of Denver and throughout Colorado. On occasion they have been known to travel out of state to spread the Good News with music that brings the Gospel of the Lord to life.

The Cure d Ars Choir has been in existence since 1979. During the '70's and '80's, the National Office of Black Catholics had a great influence on the selection of gospel music as a way of making the liturgy more meaningful to a predominantly black congregation. From that time to the present, the Cure d Ars Catholic community has continued to bring relevance to the liturgy throughout Denver.

They have joined their voices with numerous choirs to create many ecumenical celebrations for special occasions. It is their wish that they can continue to bring a viable perspective of praise and joy to Christians through their unique music.

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# Schedule for January 21, 1998

## 9:00 Keynote Speaker

Patricia Raybon, author of *My First White Friend, The Story of Racial Integration in the Denver Public Schools*.  
Student Center, Dining Room

## 11:00 "Living Out the Dream: Voices from the Regis Alumni"

A panel discussion featuring Regis Alumni sharing their personal accounts and creating conversation around the Jesuit mission of education and its role in living the dream.

St. John Francis Regis Chapel

## 12:10 Prayer Service

St. John Francis Regis Chapel

## 1:00 Workshops

Hollis Booker, Executive Director of Inroads

"Partnership in Education," the role of mentoring between corporations and students to prepare for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Carroll Hall, Regis Room

Cleveland Holmes, Probation Officer with Arapahoe County

"And Justice for All," a look at the justice department, court systems, and the unequal treatment of minorities.

Student Center, Faculty Lounge

Candace Berardinelli, Regis School for Health Care Professions

"Health Care and Native American Issues"

Carroll Hall, Evergreen Room

Dr. Alice Reich, Dr. Sharon Nepstad and Dr. Jamie Roth, Regis Sociology Department

"The Radical Martin Luther King," a look at the more provocative side of his work.

Dayton Memorial Library, Fr. Woody Room

## 3:00 Reception

Sponsored by the Alpha Sigma Nu and the Regis Business Club to honor workshop presenters and event guests.  
Student Center, Regis Pub

## 6:30 Banquet Dinner

Tickets must be reserved through the office of Student Activities in the Student Center ext. 3505

Interpretive Drama

The Rev. Dr. Marjorie Williams-Cooper

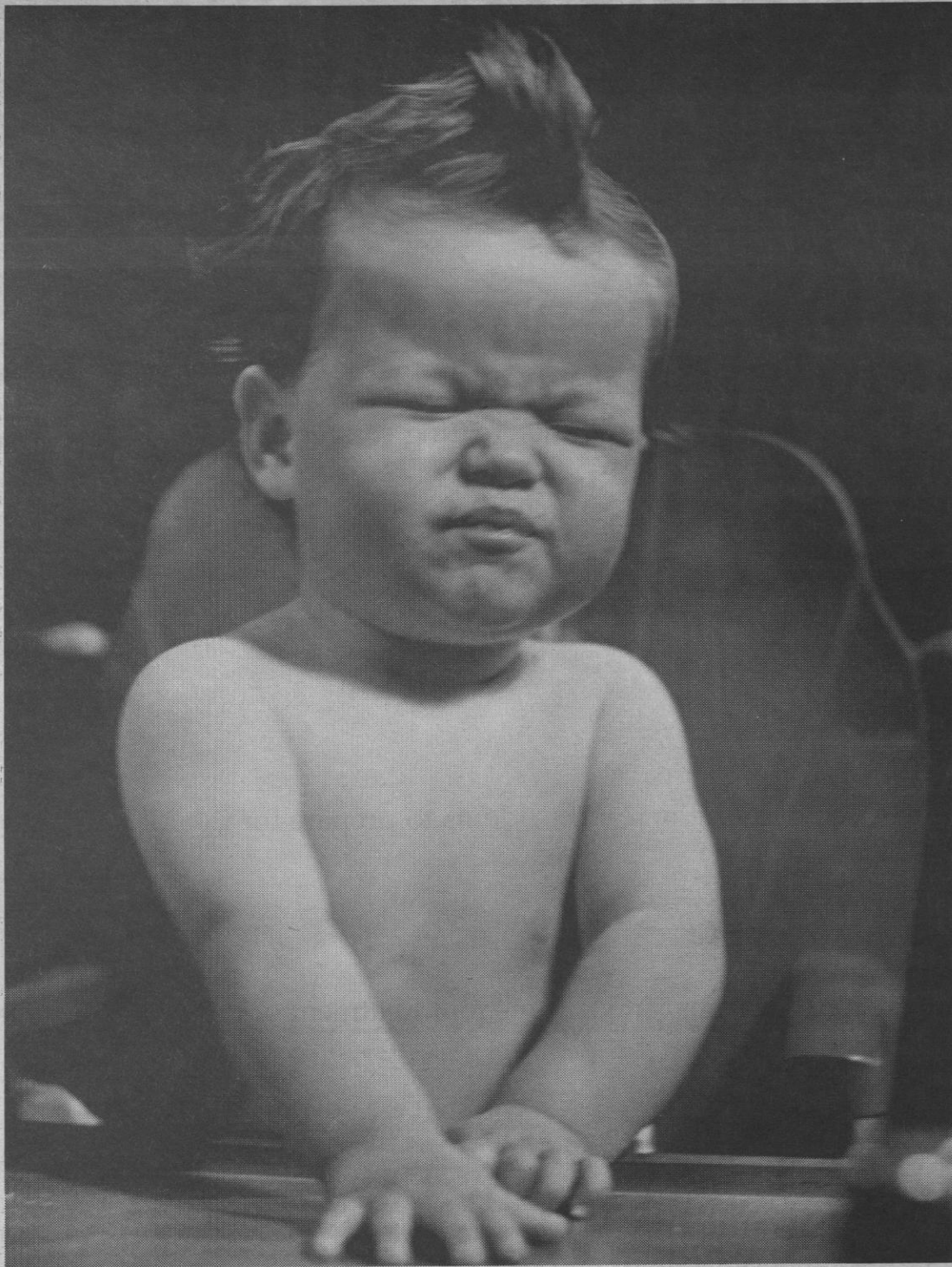
Entertainment

Cure d Ars Church Gospel Choir

Evening Keynote Speaker

Tim Wise, one of America's leading young social critics and author of *Little White Lies: the Truth About Affirmative Action and "Reverse Racism"* will address "Breaking Ranks: Why Whites Must Join in the Struggle for Racial Equality."





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