

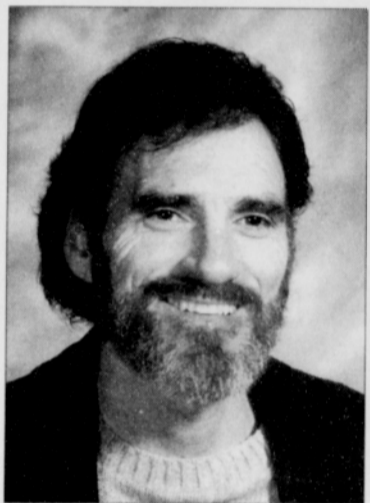
BLACK HISTORY MONTH



After violence breaks out for the first time in a 1968 march led by Martin Luther King Jr., sanitation workers in Memphis, Tenn. maintain a picket line along National Guard armored vehicles.

Martin Luther King's Last Campaign

Author sheds light on race and class



Michael Honey

Professor Michael Honey will discuss his new book, "Going Down Jericho Road: The Memphis Strike, Martin Luther King's Last Campaign," Saturday, Feb. 17 at 1 p.m. at Powell's City of Books.

The San Francisco Chronicle said Honey's book "makes a crucial contribution to our understanding of our past - and helps us understand the racial and class landscape of America today."

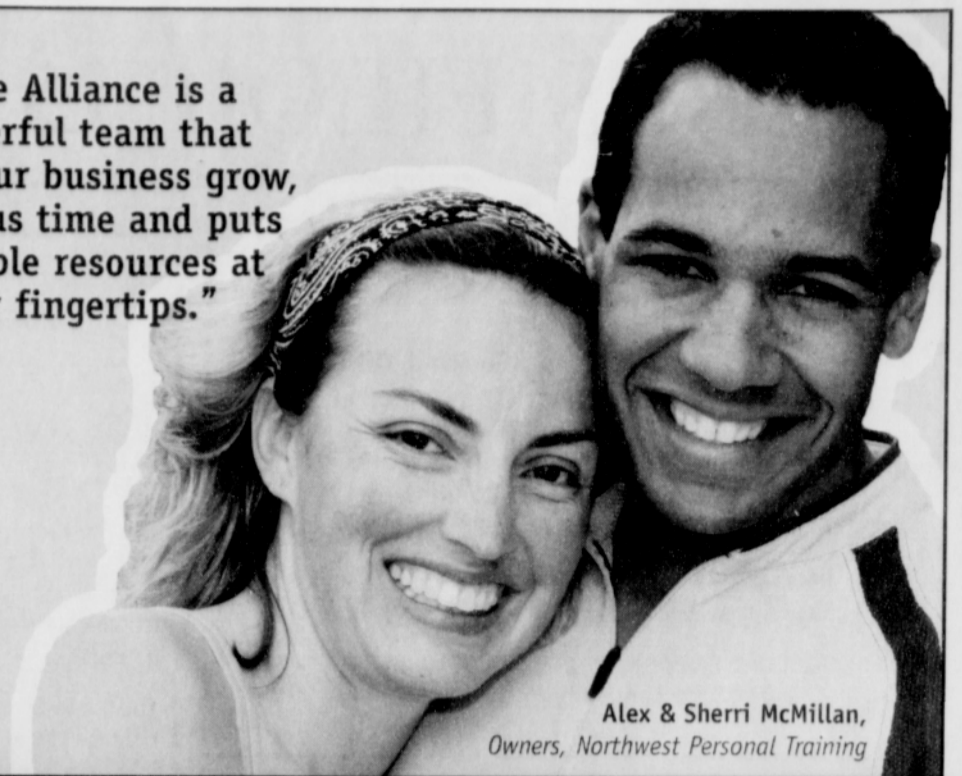
"Going Down Jericho Road" is the first in-depth story of the 1968 Memphis sanitation workers'

ers died in their truck due to outdated equipment and the indifference of their white supervisors. Their deaths touched off one of the most significant labor strikes in the history of the nation, one that before its end would rock the plantation mentality of Memphis' government to its core and, on April 4, 1968, see the tragic death of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Honey masterfully untangles the complex relations and events of 1968 with a scholar's eye and the passion of one who himself participated in the movement.

Honey is professor of African-American and labor studies and American history at the University of Washington Tacoma. He is a nationally-recognized expert on civil rights and labor issues.

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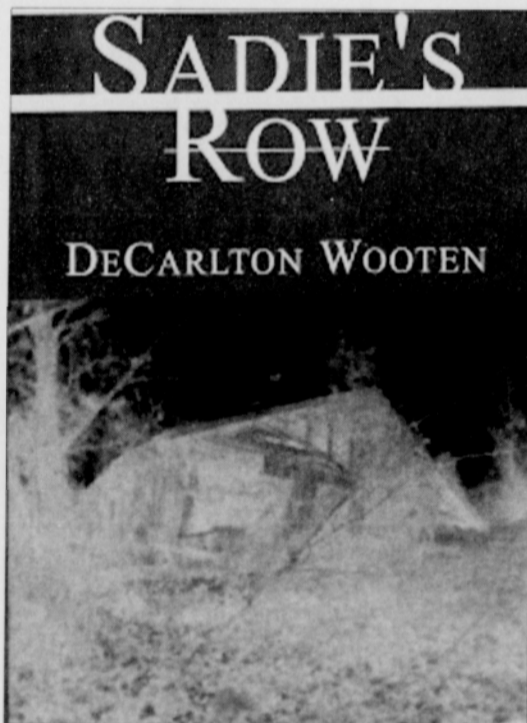
Religion, Rape and Racism

Drama on the Mississippi Delta

Black soil and cotton, blue skies and the muddy Mississippi River weave themselves into a tale to stir the soul and bring a tear to the eye. DeCarlton Wooten's "Sadie's Row" is a dramatic novel about one girl coming of age under oppressive social conditions of the Deep South.

The principal character of the story is young Sadie, born in a struggling family scratching a living out of the Black Belt plantations along the Mississippi River. Life for Sadie was simple until she goes to work for a mysterious family. While befriending the daughter, Sadie uncovers a horrifying secret. Conflicted by the laws of the land and the vast gulf of racism, she flees together with her new friend into the vast wilderness of the Deep South as they are being pursued by a man with dark intentions.

"Sadie's Row" is a heartwarming, soul-lifting novel detailing the hard times and joys of life in the Mississippi Delta. Author DeCarlton Wooten



tackles the issues of abuse on women, racism and incest in this enthralling drama. Her experiences of being an African American growing up in the South greatly influenced her writing.



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