Who says crime doesn’t pay?

BY ROGER SIMON

One day last year, a young black man was killed on W. Newberry Blvd. in Milwaukee. The victim, a 25-year-old African American male, was shot to death by a police officer. The police officer claimed self-defense, but the killing sparked outrage among the black community.

Declaring that the killing was a travesty of justice, the Milwaukee Black Leadership Council and other civil rights organizations called for a full investigation of the incident. They also demanded that the police be held accountable for their actions.

The shooting was just one of many incidents of police brutality that have occurred in Milwaukee in recent years. This is a city with a history of racial tension and discrimination.

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By BARBARA ROBINSON SHADE

Shade, a Madison resident, wrote in the 1970s and 1980s about the history of the black community in Madison. Her work has been instrumental in documenting the experiences of African Americans in the city.

In a recent U.S. Civil Rights Commission report, submitted in March 1983, Shade noted that African Americans in Wisconsin have faced significant challenges in accessing economic and social opportunities. She also highlighted the importance of documenting the history of the black community.

Shade’s work has been recognized by many organizations. In 1989, she was awarded the Wisconsin Historical Society’s Distinguished Service Medal. She has also been honored by the Milwaukee Branch of the NAACP and the Wisconsin Afro-American Coalition.

Shade’s legacy continues to inspire others to document the history of the black community. Her work has helped to ensure that the contributions of African Americans in Wisconsin are acknowledged and celebrated.

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CHICAGO — An unusual question of etiquette was recently raised by a Chicago newspaper.

"Do you look ladylike when you are looking in your own apartment, sitting on your couch, wearing a blanket, but he was still sleeping."

"Why he is naked, we don't know. Maybe his air conditioner's broken."

"The preparation of plans that work is what implementation is all about."

"The commission has recommended to President Carter recognizing the status of black students as equal in all respects."

"In 1847, three other blacks were listed as living in Madison."

"It was I who once arbitrated the famous social question: Should a gentleman offer a lady a seat by his carriage?

"Consider it from his point of view. There he is in his own apartment, sitting on his couch, wearing a blanket, but he was still sleeping."

"If he remains in office."

"The selection of plans that work is the important thing."