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view. A few waded through the Reflecting Pool, one wearing few if any clothes.

"It's a healing feeling to see so many black men come together, and not a whole bunch of violence or drugs or all that stuff," said Donald Simms of the Brooklyn borough of New York City. "This whole thing is about self-respect."

People lined up 10-deep around the food vendors, and the mixed aromas of barbecue and vegetarian curries filled the air. Scores of Nation of Islam members, standing erect in suits and their trademark bow ties, lent an air of solemnity.

Civil rights veterans Jesse Jackson, Rosa Parks and Dick Gregory were among dozens of back-to-back speakers who spoke from behind bulletproof glass. Stevie Wonder sang

briefly and Maya Angelou read a poem urging the crowd to do right by itself and "save your race."

Giant speakers and video screens were set up around the Mall, but most men couldn't get near enough to them to benefit. "We can't hear," said Harold Johnson of Reading, Pa., "but we can feel the important feel of it."

The event often had the feeling of a revival meeting, with men clapping and singing along with church choirs, then bowing their heads in prayer.

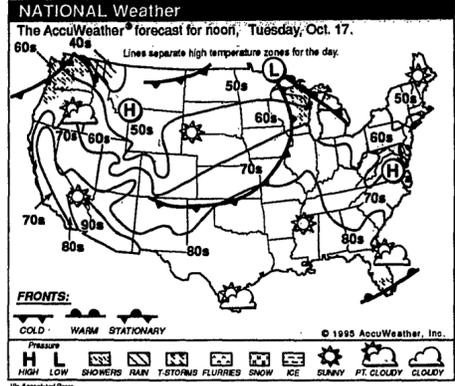
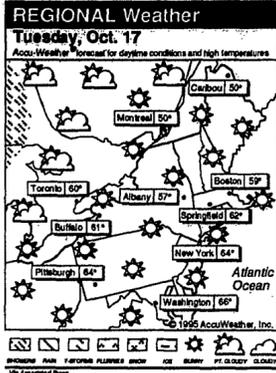
At one point, like collection plates in a church, cardboard boxes and plastic bags were passed through the crowd for contributions to defray the cost of the event and began a black economic development fund. Each time a bag was filled, organizers hoisted it into the air

to the cheers of the crowd that waved dollar bills in the air.

By mid-morning, co-organizer Benjamin Chavis Jr. said the crowd had passed the 1 million mark. The National Park Service said it would provide its own estimate in the afternoon, using pictures taken from helicopters.

Several women spoke on stage, but few were scattered through the crowd. Farrakhan had asked them to stay home to pray, fast and teach the children. He also asked all black Americans to stay home from work or school and avoid spending money.

Phillippa Braxton of suburban Laurel, Md., came to the Mall to lend support to the men, saying, "This will show America that the black man isn't some gun-toting, drug-selling stereotype that's portrayed in the media."



FORECAST

Partly sunny and cool

Northern Franklin: Today: Partly sunny. High 50 to 55. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Tonight: Mostly cloudy and windy. Low 40 to 45. Wednesday: Mostly cloudy. Windy and milder with a chance of showers. High in the mid 60s. Chance of rain 40 percent.

Northeastern Clinton, Eastern Essex: Today: Partly sunny. High 50 to 55. West wind 10 to 15 mph becoming light south. Tonight: Increasing clouds and breezy. Low near 40. Wednesday: Mostly cloudy. Windy and milder with a chance of showers. High 60 to 65. Chance of rain 30 percent.

Southern Franklin, Southwestern

Clinton, Western Essex: Today: Partly sunny. High near 50. Southwest wind 10 mph. Tonight: Increasing clouds. Low in the 30s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Windy and milder with a chance of showers. High near 60. Chance of rain 40 percent.

Extended: Thursday: Partly cloudy. Lows 35 to 45. Highs in the 60s. Friday: Chance of rain. Lows in the 40s. Highs 55 to 65. Saturday: Fair. Lows in the 30s. Highs 50 to 55.

New York state: Clouds are expected early across northern and western New York today, according to the National Weather Service in Albany.

High, low listed for Plattsburgh

PLATTSBURGH - Plattsburgh Weather report for the 24-hour period ended 4 p.m. Monday. High temperature: 56. Daily average high: 55. Daily average low: 38. Precipitation: Trace. Month record high: 86. Month record low: 17. Today's sunrise: 7:11. Today's sunset: 6:06. Degree days: 15. Degree days last year Oct. 16: 15. Degree days to date 1995: 289. Degree days to date 1994: 340. Degree days represent the difference between 65 degrees Fahrenheit and the mean temperature for the day, providing an estimate for calculating heating costs.

Quebec ...

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"We're one of the white races that has fewest children, that's really something," he added. "That suggests we haven't solved our family problems."

Quebec's birthrate has been stagnant for several years, and immigrants have accounted for virtually all the population growth in the province of 7 million people.

Bouchard "has no idea of the reality of Quebec in 1995," said Labor Minister Lucienne Robillard, the federal government's top coordinator of referendum strategy.

"Does that mean a white woman who is married to an immigrant from Chile or somewhere else shouldn't have children? What on earth is he talking about?"

Chantale Corriveau, spokeswoman for a federalist women's group called Impacte, said, "Linking the personal choice of women to bear children or not to the question of Quebec's sovereignty is to marginalize women and strip them of their personal choices."

Not all separatists appeared ready to share Bouchard's concerns over the low birthrate.

PRO-LIFERS...

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President Clinton was shown a fetus during the 1992 Democratic National Convention.

The court in 1992 ruled that states cannot ban most abortions, reaffirming the constitutional right of abortion it first announced in 1973.

In other action Monday, the court:

- Let Coral Gables, Fla., impose stringent regulations on the appearance of newspaper ven-

ding machines on the city's public sidewalks. The regulations had been challenged as free-speech violations.

- Let stand a Clay County, Fla., ban on the sale of alcoholic beverages on Christmas, attacked as a violation of the required separation of church and state.

- Agreed to decide in a case from Missouri whether labor

unions, in behalf of their members, may sue companies that fail to give the legally required notice of plant closings or mass layoffs.

- Threw out an appeal in which South Carolina argued that The Citadel should remain all-male even without a separate, state-run program for women.

Dr. Harmon T. LaMar. A message to Dr. LaMar's patients. Dr. LaMar's phone # was not published in this year's phone book due to an error by the phone company. Please be advised he is in practice at: 79 Hill St. in Keeseville at 834-7060 & has not retired!

The family of Helen LaFountain wish to thank the staff at CVPH Medical Center, Plattsburgh Fire Dept. Ambulance Personnel, the Aide who assisted her, Fr. Demaris, Fr. Derk and Msgr. Dwyer at CVPH. Friends, family and co-workers who gave flowers, food, cards, donations, mass cards or just called to let us know you care. And a special thank you to her grandsons and also John Walker and the staff at R.W. Walker Funeral Home for being so patient and helping us get through a very difficult time. God bless one and all.

Nelson's Flower Shop. 317 Cornelia St. Plattsburgh, NY 561-2200. Your Personal Florist. The Stuffed Pumpkin. A pumpkin filled with fall foliage and a mixture of fresh flowers. \$13.95 & up. Don't forget Bosses' Week Oct. 16-21st. The Bosses' Day Mixed Bouquet \$15.00 & up. FTD Bosses' Day Mug \$19.95.

VIKING ALERT! The House of Sewing and Vacuums has acquired 20 NEW Viking #1+ sewing/embroidering customizing systems and 1001LN 5 thread sergers from the Boston Sewfest. These machines were used only ONCE and will be offered at prices up to \$700.00 off the retail! This offer is good for 10 days ONLY. After that they're gone! We are also offering closeout pricing on 95 models of Viking sewing machines starting as low as \$199!! In house financing is available, 90 days same as cash. (Ask for details at the store) House of Sewing & Vacuums. Corner of Cornelia & Montcalm, Plattsburgh. MON. - SAT. 9-5 = 561-7995.

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