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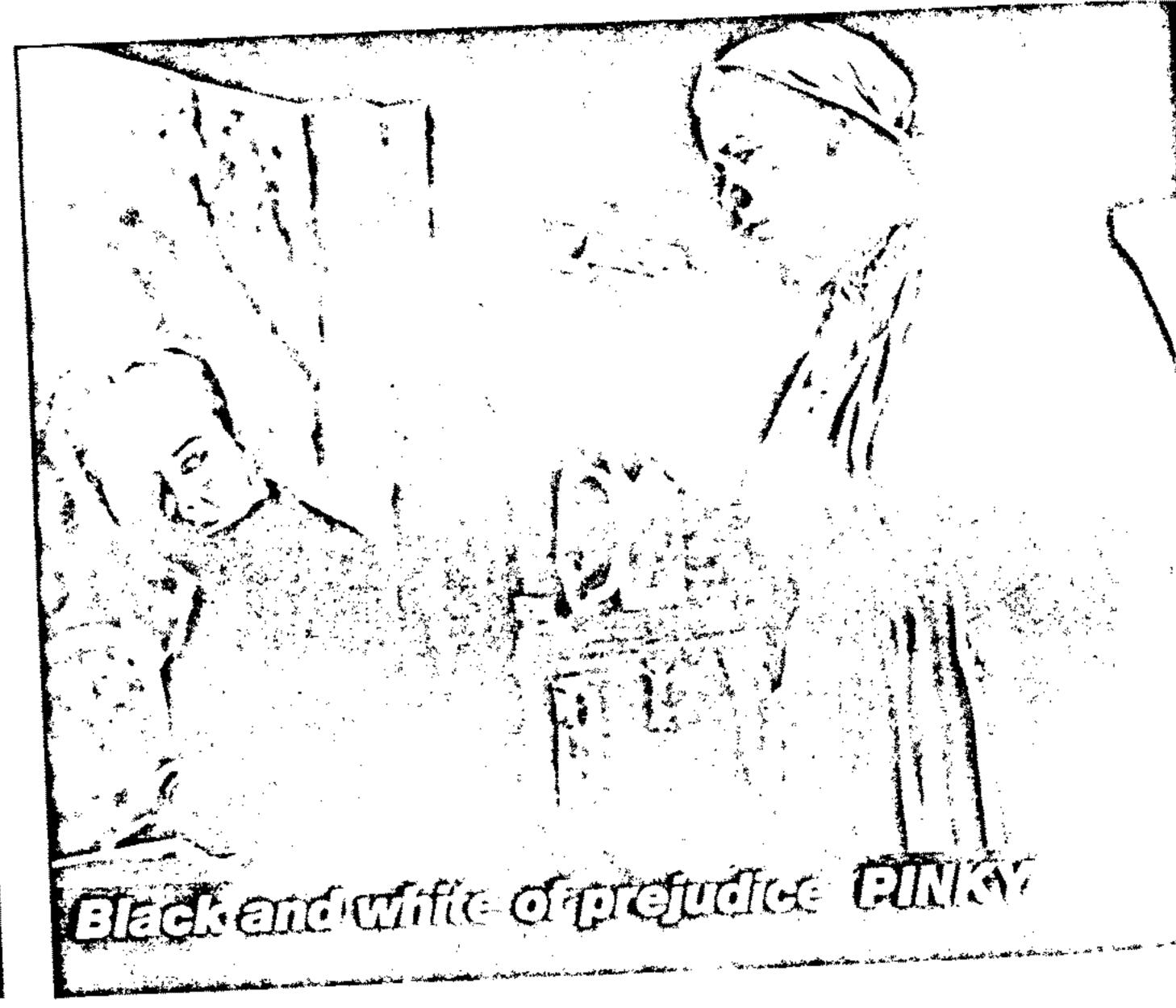
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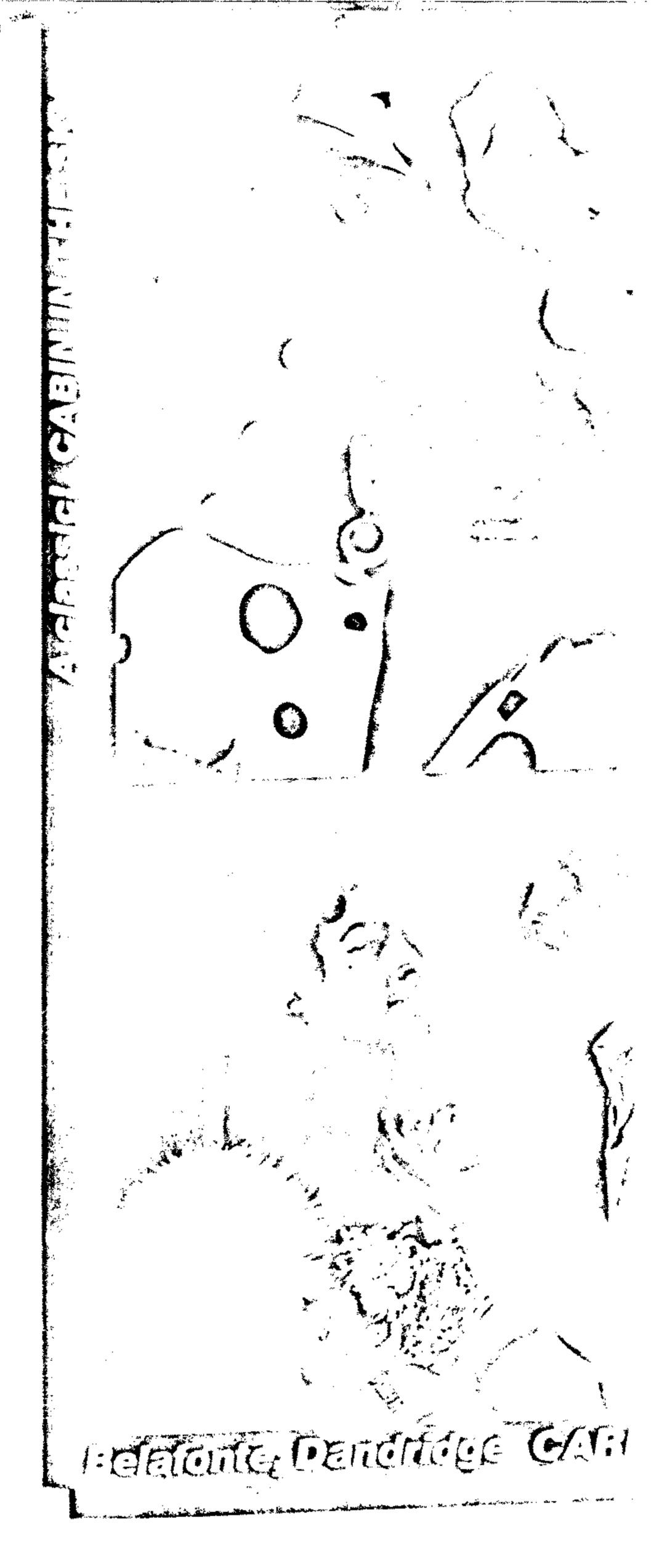
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Director: John Berry
Cast: James Earl Jones,
Diahann Carroll,
Lawrence-Hilton Jacobs
92 minutes
1974 Rated PG
(C) \$175

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Claudine considers the hopes and frustrations of blacks in realistic terms. Diahann Carroll plays a 36 year-old husbandless mother of six who falls in love with an earthy garbage man (James Earl Jones) just as wary of permanent relationships as she is. A gutsy comedy-drama.

"Succeeds in being comic without denying the realities of ghetto life."

-Vincent Canby

"A sweet-spirited film,

saddened and rollicking, full of courage."

-New Yorker

Director: Daniel Mann
Cast: Sidney Poitier,
Beau Bridges, Abbey
Lincoln, Carroll
O'Connor, Nan Martin,
Jennifer O'Neill
102 minutes
1968
(C) \$75

A suburban family is unhappy when their treasured black house-keeper, Ivy, says she is leaving to get a secretarial job. The family teenagers decide that male attention will convince her to stay, and recruit handsome Sidney Poitier to woo her. The result is an uproarious romantic comedy.

"A cannily constructed Hollywood movie with something for everyone."

-New York Times

Cast: Jeanne Crain, Ethel Barrymore, Ethel Waters, Nina Mae McKinney 102 minutes 1949 B/W \$75

A sensitive drama noted for its strong performances, Pinky was one of the first Hollywood films to consider the problems of racial identity. A young, light-skinned black nurse passes for white in the North; when she returns to the South she must confront her heritage. Ethel Waters is magnificent as the girl's grandmother.

"Vivid, revealing and emotionally intense. The audience is prompted to think and and feel for (Pinky). Certain bigoted elements in the South are vividly caught."

-New York Times

Director: Vincente
Minnelli
Cast: Eddie Anderson,
Lena Horne, Ethel
Waters, Louis Armstrong,
Rex Ingram, Duke
Ellington, Butterfly
McQueen
100 minutes
1943
B/W \$100

The forces of good and evil battle for possession of a gambler's soul in this superb film based on the all-black Broadway musical hit. Highlights include "Happiness Is a Thing Called Joe," "Life's Full o' Consequence," and John "Bubbles" Sublett's staircase dance to Duke Ellington's soaring rendition of "Shine."

"When (Waters) sang, the fantasy world vanished and the reality of a strong, heartfelt experience entered."

-Charles Bogle

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