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Boys and Girls Club of Dane County CEO Michael Johnson **recalled a searing racial incident** 20 years ago in the Cap Times this week, which National Public Radio **wrote**

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Michael Johnson, CEO of the Boys and Girls Club of Dane County

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about Thursday on its Code Switch blog.

Post author Gene Demby discusses Johnson’s essay along with the **story this week** of a mixed martial arts fighter who lost a contract after an awful, racially-charged Instagram photo he posted two years ago came to light.

Demby concludes:

“This set of incidents — (Tyler) Manawaroa's Instagram post and the subsequent revocation of his contract, Michael Johnson's recall of this horrible prank — sit alongside all these other smaller and larger stories. Both of those cases started as jokes, but they resulted in greater and lesser consequences for the people involved. And at the same time that those consequences are playing out, folks are punditizing about things like whether an anchor confused Samuel L. Jackson with Laurence Fishburne and what that says about Race In America. We bring vastly different sensitivities to these incidents because we bring vastly different experiences to them. And we collapse all these things — tweets and traumas — into one rolling conversation, stripped of its nuance, set to the same volume.”

Code Switch is an NPR blog devoted to “overlapping themes of race, ethnicity and culture, how they play out in our lives and communities, and how all of this is shifting.”

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