

Bride Wears Chapel train



MRS. BOOKER T. WELLS JR. photo by Baltzegar's

In a double ring ceremony at the Selwood Church of God in Christ, Thea Thomas became the bride of Booker Thurston Wells, Jr. August 7.

Thea selected a floor length satin gown fashioned with lace sleeves and bodice top. She wore a chapel length train with an illusion, elbow length veil. She carried a white Bible with an orchid attached that was tied with flower-tied satin ribbons.

Bridal attendants were Peggy Thomas, Mary Lockridge, Vanessa Wells, Jeanette Simmons and Denise Adams.

Anthony Sherman served as best man. Seating guests were Anthony Boyd, Bobby Cason, Mark Wells, Clyde DeBois, and Robear Johnson.

The bride is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Roosevelt Thomas. She was given in marriage by her father.

Wells is the son of Rev. and Mrs. B.T. Wells. Rev. Wells officiated at the ceremony. The groom will be a senior in college this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Wells visited the beach for their wedding trip and are at home in Portland.

Semper Fidelis Carnival

The Semper Fidelis Club will present a carnival on September 18 (Saturday), at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall 116 NE Russell St.

The club, a Black women's social club that is affiliated with the Oregon Federation of Club Women, is sponsoring the event to raise money to assist underprivileged children of the Albina area.

Fun and activities for the entire family are planned. A door prize, a portable dishwasher, and activities for the entire family are planned. A door prize, a portable dishwasher, will be awarded to the holder of the lucky ticket. Tickets may be purchased at the carnival.

Six years ago, she and her husband moved to West Linn. He had always wanted to live in the country and, although she prefers city living, she says it is beautiful there.

"I love to drive a car and I love to cook", so said Geraldine Irvin, who in a field of over 300 entries, won a third prize for Pound Cake at the Multnomah County Fair.

Geraldine spent 17 years with the Santa Monica school system. The last 12 years as manager of the cafeteria facility. She was promoted to the capacity and although she was the only Black lady in such a position, she had no problems and speaks highly of the cooperation and friendships made during those years.

She has won first prizes on many of her projects in various fairs and always attends not only to enter, but to learn from other entrants. She has just finished a beautiful, round, hooked rug, which she will enter at the Oregon State Fair in Salem.

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are white with green edging. She presently is employed at the Child Care Center and is anxious for fall to come when there will be greater activity. It is easy to see that this delightful lady wants to be busy every minute doing an excellent job for her employer, using those capable hands and keen minds to create beautiful fancy-work and delicious foods.

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Black Women's Opportunity

by K. P. Chandler

Through the efforts of civil rights organizers and activists, the black people during the past fifteen years have found better jobs and positions at the top of their field. In just recent years the women's liberation movement through its total effort has had a similar result for women. It would seem only right to assume that a black woman today has the best chance of anyone to find a good position. She will still have to have an education to strengthen her chances to hold a good job, but she no longer has to be satisfied training strictly for teaching or secretarial positions.

Women are to be found as doctors, lawyers, and at management levels. Certainly there have been women working in these areas before, but it is no longer a surprise to encounter the skilled female. Here is an example of the woman to be found successfully working in a supervisory job.

She has a disarming smile that helps in most all situations when dealing with the public and those under her supervision. She is the only black woman working as a United Air Lines stewardess supervisor at New York's John F. Kennedy Airport. As one of the stewardess supervisors on the staff, she observes and assists the flight activities of stewardesses flying in and out of Kennedy Airport.

Lola Dover is her name. She started in Seattle with United Air Lines as a ticket agent seven years ago. During those seven years she has made three transcontinental moves. First, it was the New York's World's Fair of 1964 where she worked with others at United Air Lines

ticket office. Lola decided she liked New York but wanted to see more of the U.S. and changed from ticket agent to stewardess. Los Angeles became her base for two years, but New York called her back with its theaters, clubs and old friends.

Assured that New York was the place to stay, she continued to fly as a stewardess. A job opportunity was posted for stewardess supervisor and she applied with good results. She earned the job.

Lola's background in Seattle, her hometown, has helped her reach the management level in United Air Lines. Throughout high school and college she was active in many school activities such as being a cheerleader, and Husky Honey at the University of Washington, and a member of the cast in the drama department's productions of "Guys and Dolls", and "South Pacific."

Her enjoyment of dancing and acting earned her featured roles in community productions of "Raisin in the Sun" and "Purlie Victorious" at the Seattle Cirque Playhouse. Her degree from the U. W. was for her history major and drama minor.

The West Coast still has ties for Lola. Her parents are in Seattle. Also, her grandfather was a pioneer black businessman in Portland sixty years ago.

The black girl who has a dream job can see it come true. Today and during the 1970's being black and a woman are two of the best qualifications when applying for a job. With these two things going for her, she needs only aid and education to make her the right person for the job at a management level, or as a doctor, or even as a lawyer.



MRS. GERALDINE IRVIN

She is A Winner



Lola Dover at Work

Miss Tan Portland Pageant



Nine of the 15 lovely finalists in the Miss Tan Portland 1971 contest are: (l to r), Carlean Johnson, Shirley Taylor, Debra Walker, Margaret Greene, Tina Lathan, Marva Stroud, Gloria Ross, Brenda Williams, and Bernita Porter.

Saturday night, August 14, one of fifteen finalists will be crowned Miss Tan Portland at ceremonies at the Sheraton Hotel ballroom.

Kne Berry, chairman of the entertainment committee, advises that the contest will be complemented with a stage revue and reminds us that

these lovelies are Portland's prettiest and talented girls.

The fortunate Miss Tan Portland will represent the city in the Miss Black America pageant.

It has been a battle since 1965 to get the Black Oregon Pageant stabilized as an annual event. The pageant is effective

training for these gracious young ladies.

In addition to the stage revue, music for dancing will be provided by Muther Juice and Ebony will sing. The entertainment begins at 7:30 p.m. and tickets may be purchased at the door.

Portland Shakespeare to present "Woyzeck"

The Portland Shakespeare Company will present two performances of George Buchner's unfinished masterpiece, "Woyzeck" Friday and Saturday, August 14 and 15 in 75 Old Main at Portland State University.

The production is the final event of the German Arts Festival on the Pacific. Director Peter Fornara plays Woyzeck, a victim of

massive social forces, which force him to his own destruction.

Other cast members include: Jeff Brooks, Judith Clover, Marilyn Jolly, Janet Martin, Victoria Smith, Daniel Becker, John See, David Clover and Suzanne Lindberg. Tickets will be sold at the door. Admission is \$1.50 for everyone.

To Visit parents



PHYLLIS TAYLOR CROSBY

Phyllis Taylor Crosby will arrive in Portland August 31 to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Taylor, and sister, Brenda.

Phyllis was born in Portland October 15, 1952 and graduated from Peninsula Elementary School. She attended Roosevelt High School for three years and was graduated from John Dorsey High School in Los Angeles, Calif. She is attending Los Angeles City College for her sophomore college year, as a student of English, data processing and sociology.

She is employed by the City of Los Angeles and works in

the Los Angeles City Hall where she is in the Method Maintenance Department. She was the first Black lady to be hired in that department, where she is a Secretary-typist.

She is a member of Bethel AME Church in Portland. She was active in her church when living here. She was president of the Youth Choir, she worked with the Usher Board and was secretary of the Sunday school.

Inspiration to reach her goal has been aided by the friendship of Ted Johnson, Los Angeles, and Rev. Henderson.

Time to Buy home

The government's top mortgage money man claims that now is the time to buy a home, since interest rates have bottomed out from their previous record highs.

Preston Martin, chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank, says, "Rates don't look like they will fall much further."

The agency, which supervises some 4,500 savings and loan institutions which supply much of the home mortgage money for consumers, reports a nationwide survey which shows mortgage rates of about 7 1/4%.

Martin stated that "interest rates should remain at the present level due to the tremendous inflow of money into savings institutions between January and March. During that period, a record \$7.4 billion was received in accounts."

People have been waiting for money costs to drop before buying a home, but that time has arrived and now's the time to buy.

Secret of education

"The Secret of education," Emerson said, "lies in respecting the pupil."

Stated in our own words, slanted toward Scouting, we can suggest that the secret of effective Scoutmastership lies in respecting the Scout and his potentialities, in respecting him and in expecting a great deal from him.

The effective Scoutmaster often needs to try hard to perceive even a faint glimmer of promise. He helps nurture that tiny promise as it grows haltingly into strong purpose through successful performance.

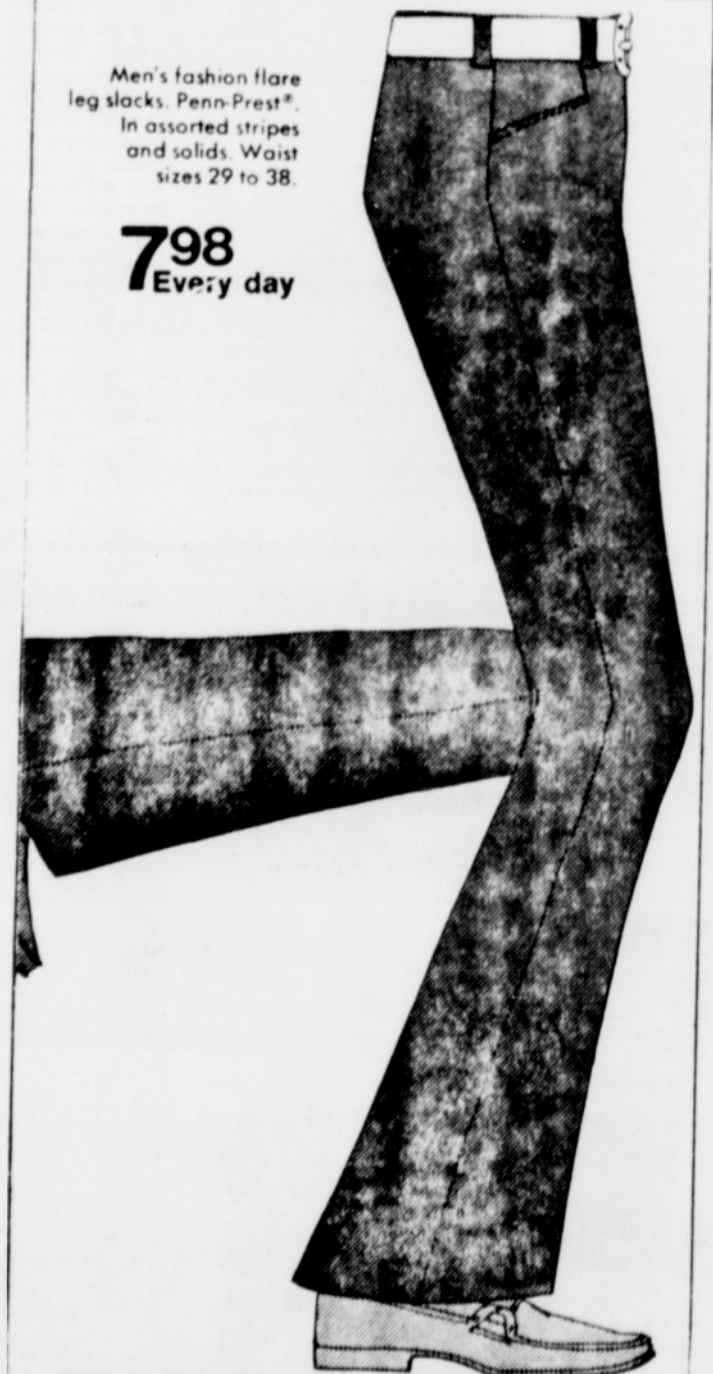
Many times, when a boy has stood at a crossroads where he has had to choose one of many forks in the road, the expectancy of his Scoutmaster, always showing his confidence and belief in the boy, has made the difference.



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