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## Student appointed to Governor's Committee

Steve Lehman, newest member of the Governor's Committee on Youth, is not sure what his committee responsibilities will entail, but he believes he can offer information on some of the problems faced by young people.

Lehman, 20, who lives with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lehman at 9905 S.W. 56th Avenue, Portland, received word of his appointment to the state-wide advisory committee last week. He is a Jackson High School graduate and a second-year student in Automotive Mechanics at Portland Community College.

The Governor's Committee on Youth, chaired by Oregon Secretary of State Clay Myers, meets monthly to discuss issues concerning youth. Of the 21 committee members, six are high school and college students. Other members in-

clude teachers, State senators and representatives, State administrators, housewives, and businessmen.

Lehman hopes to represent the views of the vocational/career student on the Committee. He tried a liberal arts program after high school but left to work in a local bank. He entered PCC for training as an auto mechanic in September, 1970. Lehman says, "PCC is great for people like me who didn't feel like making it in school. Here I have an opportunity to prepare for a job and develop in many areas...like this committee."

The highest achiever in the PCC automotive department's elimination for the National Plymouth Troubleshooting Contest, Lehman will receive his associate degree from PCC in June.

## City Club calls for marijuana legalization

This week the Portland City Club released its report on Legal Sanctions of Marijuana. The committee studied the legal sanctions imposed upon the possession, use and sale of marijuana in Oregon. The committee unanimously recommended that there be no criminal or legal sanctions for personal use or possession of marijuana.

The majority recommended the avoidance of the black market sale of marijuana through legalizing its sale with appropriate controls. The minority recommended that the sale or possession for sale, or cultivation of marijuana be treated either as a felony or a misdemeanor, within the discretion of the court.

Prior to January 1, 1972, under Oregon Law conviction of use or possession or sale of marijuana could be treated with the discretion of the court as either a felony punishable by a maximum of ten years in prison, or a misdemeanor. Its possession was also subject to a fine of not more than \$5,000.

Under the new Oregon Criminal Code, which went into effect on January 1, 1972, conviction for possession or sale carries a prison term of up to one year or a fine of \$1,000, in case it is considered by the court as a misdemeanor, or if a felony a prison term of no more than ten years or a fine of no more than \$2,500. Courts no longer have complete discretion as to whether a felony or misdemeanor is involved. For example, use of the drug

is classified as a misdemeanor. If the conviction is a first offense and less than one ounce of marijuana is involved, the penalty must be for a misdemeanor. But if a person over 18 furnishes marijuana to a person under 18 and there is a three year difference in their ages, it is a felony.

The new federal law also relaxes penalties. All mandatory maximum sentences are eliminated except for the engaging in "a continuing enterprise". In the case of a first offense for possession, the offender can be put on probation and if there are no further offenses during probation, the proceedings may be dismissed without a determination of guilt. For those under 21, the court can order expunging of all official records relating to the crime. The transfer of small amounts of marijuana for no remuneration or only enough to cover cost, is considered simple possession. For the first time, marijuana is not included as a narcotic drug. The new Oregon law, on the other hand, still defines marijuana as a narcotic.

In its research the City Club found the following arguments against the legalizing of marijuana. 1) Until the full extent of psychological and physiological effects are known, we should not make legal a substance that might prove to be dangerous. 2) Society already has a large-scale problem from alcohol and we should not legalize another drug and create an-

# Harlem remembers Powell

More than 2,000 mourners packed the Abyssinian Baptist Church in Harlem for the funeral of Adam Clayton Powell, while many thousands more filled the streets outside.

The Baptist preacher and former Congressman, who died in Miami, was praised by black and white civic, religious and political leaders.

They described the church's former pastor for 34 years as a black leader without peer. They recalled mostly his reputation for the use of political power in a way that no other black American had been able to match.

"Never before have so many people owed so much to one man," said Dr. Samuel Proctor, a professor of education at Rutgers University.

"Like Amos and like Micah, Adam Clayton Powell was a man of justice," said Dr. Proctor, who delivered the eulogy. Recalling Mr. Powell's first political victory, a City Council seat in 1941, Dr. Proctor said:

"He gave us our first evidence that American institutions were capable of any change at all. He gave us a new basis for hope when our churches, colleges, unions, hotels -- all were segregated. When my great country, America screamed at me, telling me I'm a nobody, he gave us all hope."

Dr. Proctor, who had served as the Northeast regional director of the Office of Economic Opportunity, brought loud shouts of agreement from the mourners when he listed social legislation that Mr. Powell has pushed through Congress as chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee.

He said that Mr. Powell had done this with "a committee that had not let any social legislation come through in 100 years--he roared like a lion and snapped like a cobra."

"Yes, he did," many mourners shouted back. "Yes, Lord."

The massive church with mourners filling its 2,000 seats and a number of auxiliary rooms, echoed with the frequent sobbing of women. The coffin, placed at the foot of the church's circular,

marble pulpit, was flanked by red, white and yellow wreaths of flowers and by American flags.

A United States naval platoon formed an honor guard in front of the coffin. Young black and white men, their hair closely cropped, contrasted with Charles Kenyatta, Harlem nationalist, who, with a wife Afro hair style, stood at attention near them.

"There was nothing wrong with Adam but America," said the Rev. Gardner C. Taylor, minister of the Concord Baptist Church in Brooklyn. "He was born to walk a royal road. When Adam was born, nature played a trick on America. He was born among the oppressed but with a kingly presence, a humble mind, courage and audacity -- what the old people used to call 'a sassiness.'"

Mayor Lindsay was an unscheduled speaker. The church's associate minister, the Rev. David N. Licorish, called him to the pulpit, and the Mayor was applauded as he moved along the crowded aisle.

Like the other speakers, Mr. Lindsay stood before the gold Coptic Christian cross that had been given to Mr. Powell by Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia in recognition of a relief program that Mr. Powell ran for the church during the Depression.

In measured tones, the Mayor recalled the man who was Harlem's unquestioned political leader for more than two decades as "a man of style, brilliance and compassion -- a skilled politician."

He said, "I knew him and I shared with him his conviction for justice, just simple justice and fair treatment for all people."

Dr. Roger Shinn, a professor at the Union Theological Seminary, noting that Mr. Powell had left the church to go into politics, told the mourners: "He opened its doors, learned its rules and because he did, others did likewise and this nation will never be the same again."

The present senior black member of Congress, Representative Charles E. Diggs of Michigan, brought shouts of "Amen," "Amen," and "Tell it!" when he said that

"envious and mediocre men" in Congress had denied Mr. Powell his Congressional seat and had "made the Congress a smaller place."

Mourners included New York Representatives--Charles Rangel, Edward I. Koch, William Ryan, Mario Biaggi, Shirley Chisholm and Bella S. Abzug--and Borough President Percy E. Sutton.

The body of Mr. Powell, who died late Tuesday night in Miami at 63, was to be cremated and the ashes scattered on the Bahamian island of Bimini. More than 13,000 mourners viewed the body of Mr. Powell on Saturday at the church, the police said.

## Street rally

Close to 4,000 persons gathered on the windswept corner of Harlem's Seventh Avenue and 125th Street for a three-hour outdoor tribute in a "Final People's Memorial Rally" for former Harlem Representative Adam Clayton Powell.

Manhattan Borough President, Percy E. Sutton, called on the gathering to remember the late Mr. Powell as "a giant who was responsible for the most dramatic changes ever made in behalf of the poor in our country."

Former State Senator Basil A. Paterson, who kept the steady stream of black speakers moving as the master of ceremonies, told the hundreds of schoolchildren at the rally:

"For the young people who didn't know him, it was a black man, Adam Clayton Powell, who had control of 25 percent of this country's domestic spending."

And Livingston L. Wingate, former director of the New York Urban League who had been an aide to Mr. Powell, said that "whites had determined that he would not hold that power for long."

Mr. Wingate, who had been the counsel to the House Education and Labor Committee, which Mr. Powell headed, told the enthusiastic crowd that the committee "had passed 60 major bills in five years and the media concealed his (Mr. Powell's) performances with

charges of absenteeism and nonproductivity."

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## State tribute

The New York State Senate eulogized Mr. Powell and adopted a unanimous resolution expressing sorrow at his death. Several lawmakers who spoke of Mr. Powell said that he had been maligned in the public eye in his later years.

The Senate majority leader, Joseph Zaretzki, Democrat of Manhattan, said Mr. Powell was "the first militant" and "took on the whole country single-handedly" in seeking equal rights for blacks.

## Nixon legislation would reopen court cases

Attorney General-designate Richard Kleindienst testified that President Nixon's anti-busing legislation would permit the reopening of every school desegregation case in the country to meet standards in the proposed measure.

His testimony before the House Judiciary Committee conflicted with that of Health, Education and Welfare Secretary Elliot L. Richardson, who told the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee last month that the measure would permit the reopening of relatively few of current desegregation orders.

On reopening cases, the President's proposal contained this section:

"On application of an educational agency, court orders or desegregation plans under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in effect on the date of enactment of this act and intended to end segregation of students on the basis of race, color or national origin shall be reopened and modified to comply with the provisions of this act."

The bill says that, for drawing desegregation plans, the courts and federal agencies cannot increase busing for grades one through six and must use busing only as a last resort in the higher grades.

Asked about the reopening provision, Kleindienst said,

"If you're going to have the national standards, then you've got to have a right to reopen cases."

"All desegregation cases?" asked Robert McClory (Rep.-Ill.).

"Yes, Sir," Kleindienst said.

In his prepared statement, Kleindienst defended the constitutionality of the President's move, saying that it did not constitute interference with the Supreme Court's securing of a constitutional right, only a "particular remedy" -- busing.

## Willner appraises economy

The proliferation of conglomerates is one of the major causes of present economic problems. Our national economic program should be to preserve the free enterprise economy. The spread of conglomerates has meant that an increasingly greater part of the economy is dominated by enterprises which can set prices without the restraint normally imposed by competition.

I would propose the following measures to revitalize the economy:

- 1) Vigorous use of anti-trust laws.
- 2) Specific examination of the conglomerate trend and far more vigorous control of regulated industry.
- 3) Limit the number of separate areas in which a corporate enterprise can function.
- 4) Provide preferential treatment for small businesses in dealing with the federal government and tailor government policies to help small businesses.
- 5) Revise the federal tax structure so that it does not promote the growth of big business, but rather provides an incentive for the small businessman.

Committee members were: Dr. Charles Grossman, Chairman for the Majority; A. Leighton Plant and Donald W. Green, III, Chairmen for the Minority; Ernest Bonyhadi, Fred M. Buchwalter, Philip D. Chadsey, William Gittelsohn, Dr. Frederick A. M. Kingery, George D. Lenard.

## Columbia names Black Chairman

Elliot P. Skinner has been named chairman of Columbia's department of anthropology, becoming the first black department chairman in the university's history. A Columbia faculty member since 1954, Dr. Skinner became an

associate professor in 1963 and a full professor in 1966. From 1966 to 1969 he served as United States Ambassador to Upper Volta. In 1971, he was appointed Franz Boas Professor of Anthropology at Columbia.

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