

Ray Thomas celebrates birthday

Friends and Relatives of Mr. Roy Thomas of 2027 N.W. 1st Avenue joined with his wife, Gladys, in a surprise birthday party for him in his home Sunday, January 28th at 4 p.m. Mr. Thomas celebrated his 68th birthday.

The whole affair was planned by his wife, Mrs. Gladys Thomas, with her close friends Mrs. Arlisha Crawford and Mrs. Martha Jordan. All the guests arrived at the house at the same time and waited for the signal from his wife before entering the house. Everyone entered singing "Happy Birthday." Mr. Thomas was speechless with surprise.

After all guests were assembled around the huge birthday cake, Mrs. Arlisha Crawford recited a poem in glowing tribute to Mr. Thomas, Ham, chicken, salad, Macaroni and cheese, candied yams, punch, cake and ice cream were some of the delicacies served to the guests. Mr. Thomas is an active and faithful member of Allen Temple C.M.E. Church. He is a native of Texas and has lived in Portland since 1943. He is a retired Molder from Argus Steel where he worked most of the time he has lived in Portland. When asked how he felt about the surprise birthday party he stated that he felt like running when he saw all those people surging in his house. He feels like he knows how Redd Foxx, on Sanford and Son program, feels when he holds his chest and



Ray Thomas poses for a birthday picture with his wife, Gladys, and Mr. King.

says he feels like he has a big one coming on.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have no children but have helped to rear many children of their relatives and friends. The only other member of the family with them is Mr. King. He has his own medical chart, shot record, different coats for rainy weather and cold weather, his own private sleeping quarters and just recently they took him to have a tooth extracted. Mr. King is a wise, faithful and lovely dog. He never left his master's side during the birthday celebration.

Guests attending the birthday party included: Mr. Manly Baltzgar, Benny Carson,

PCC opens second Child Care Center

If you're walking along the east walkway of Portland Community College's new Health Technology building, watch out for tricycles and other assorted equipment of children at play. The newest of PCC's two day care centers is located at Sylvania, PCC's southwest Portland campus. Another center was opened last year at the Cascade center in North Portland.

The child development centers are maintained by PCC with the aid of a federal grant for three purposes: To provide a service for young children and their families, to provide a sound educational program for young children, and to provide a training program for college students who wish to work with young children.

Aphra Katzev, coordinator of the child development center, explains that two types of programs are available: A full-day program for 36 three, four, and five year olds emphasizing physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development of each child; and drop-in services for 12 children on a short term and emergency care basis. Thirty children are enrolled in the full-day program at Cascade.

One of the major functions of the child development centers is to provide laboratories for students at PCC who are studying early childhood education. Students begin observing and participating with the children under the supervision of a head teacher in the second quarter of their first year and continue this work-study experience for their entire two years. An observation room located between the two child activity students is used not only by the early childhood students but also by students in nursing, psychology, and from local high schools. The child development program provides children with the opportunity of communicating with many different adults. Information supplied by parents regarding

their child's early growth and development is shared with students who learn to use this information along with their own observations in planning activities which meet the needs of individual children.

Parents of children attending the child development centers are urged to take Home Ec. 7.285, "Parent Participation", a college course which meets for one hour of discussion and two hours of participating at the child development center. Parents have the opportunity to share problems with one another and with the aid of the instructor, arrive at solutions based on sound principles of growth and development. During the participation period, child and parent have an uninterrupted time in which to share the experiences and materials to the center.

Although the PCC child development centers always appear informal, the program and environment are the result of careful and detailed planning in accordance with the best available knowledge of child growth and development. The teacher plans for the groups needs and for the individual child. The program provides a dependable sequence of daily events and a comfortable orderliness in the arrangement of materials and equipment which builds confidence in a young child. Each child progresses at his own rate. A large variety of constructive, dramatic, and creative materials and experiences is available. Children move freely from one center of interest to another, outdoors and indoors. Swinging, sliding, climbing, digging, building, exploring the wonders of plants, pets, wind, mud, water, and sand, dancing and singing, puzzles, stories, games, all these and many more activities are available each day. As Mrs. Katzev says, "The major activity of young children is play, and it is the basic ingredient of all learning."



Geneva Knauls, while vacationing in Oakland, California, was house guest of Beverly Frazier and son Tony.

Notice

The North Portland Citizens Committee will hold a meeting at Beach Elementary School, 1710 N. Humboldt, on February 6, at 7:30 p.m. Topics of discussion will include the recent North Portland Conference, traffic, and the problem involving school children crossing Going Street.

Residents of the area served by N.P.C.C. - from the Vancouver Freeway to the Willamette River and from the Fremont Bridge area north to the Columbia River, are urged to attend.

Speak up and be heard: A public hearing will be held by the Public Utilities Commission on the proposed telephone rate increase. The meeting will be held at the Memorial Coliseum on February 6th at 7:30 p.m.

The Oregon Black Caucus will meet on February 11th at 6:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 6 N. Tillamook. A slate of officers will be elected.

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Dorsey

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president of the Albina Community Council.

Dorsey is the father of six children: Jarret III, Terrell, Robin, Mark, Victoria, Aaron ages 8 to 18. His former wife, Velma, a graduate of Gloria LaVonne's School of Charm, has been very involved in the Albina Art Center, where she taught charm classes.

14th Amendment

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entirely destroy the republican form of government under which we live, and crush American liberty."

The 1868 Legislative Assembly passed a resolution withdrawing the assent of the State of Oregon to the 14th Amendment, saying that no amendment is constitutional until ratified by 3/4 of the states and that until that time any state can withdraw its assent. Also, the legislature said that the legislatures of Southern states adopting the amendment were created through unconstitutional reconstruction and so could not legally ratify. The legislature also demanded the resignation of the state's two United States Senators, George Williams and Henry Corbett, because they had supported

the Reconstruction Acts, Williams being one of the authors. Following these acts by the Democratically controlled legislature, the fifteen Republicans promptly quit.

In his Inaugural Address, Governor Lafayette Grover told the 1870 legislature: "Since your last meeting, by the promulgation of the so-called 15th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, Oregon has been deprived of its constitution, guaranteed by her admission into the Union - the right to regulate suffrage." The legislature voted not to ratify the 15th Amendment.

From 1865 to 1874 the issues that divide the Democratic and Republican parties

were those that grew out of the civil war and legislation following the adoption of the 13th, 14th and 15th amendments. Although a series of anti-Black legislation was passed later, the issue ceased to be vital. The laws restricting the rights of Blacks stayed on the books in Oregon. The people of Oregon repeatedly voted to retain laws restricting the residence of Blacks and not until 1926 was the residence restriction removed from the Oregon Constitution.

Adams

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tortions was so great that the Committee Chairman, Howard Willis (Dem-Portland) appointed a sub-committee to make an analysis of the presentation. Representative Wally Priestley was named sub-committee chairman. Additional members of the sub-committee are Representatives Bill Grannell (Dem.-Coos Bay) and Mike Ragsdale (Rep.-Beaverton).

Representative Priestley said, "Thursday's presentation by John Adams High School students will be the sub-committee's first report to the full committee and will concern itself with the Transportation Department's improper assumptions and the distorted presentation of statistical data by the Transportation Department."

Green

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Other members from Portland are Mayor Neil Goldschmidt; Bud Kramer of Multnomah County; Portland Police Chief Donald McNamara; Attorney Barnes Ellis; and Dr. Brady, state medical examiner.

Mrs. Green, who is Manpower Development and Training coordinator for the State Board of Education, fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. Lee Brown.

Attorney General Lee Johnson is Chairman of the council.

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