

Joyce Knapper guides youth

On April 8th, 1973, at King Grade School, the very first Junior Miss Black Oregon Pageant was held. The beauty pageant called for the contestants to be between the ages of 10 and 13, an Oregon resident and a member of the Black race.

The usual tasks were required of the contestants to determine a winner: a courtesy and a speech. However, this beauty pageant held much more significance and importance than the average American Beauty Pageant.

Joyce Knapper, a full time student at PSU and who also works full time as a stenographer for the Human Relations Commission, took time out, with the help of Corrine Hammick and Barbara Patrick, to found this first Junior Miss Black Oregon Pageant.

Miss Knapper, a contestant in the Miss Tan Pageant and Miss Oregon World Pageant, explained, "I was the only Black in the Miss Oregon World Pageant, and while talking with the other girls, I found that most of them had been in beauty pageants since they were little. I began to feel that the reasons that we (Blacks) only get 1st runner-up is because we don't have the experience that others have."

So, the Junior Miss Black Oregon Pageant became one of the solutions to the "inexperience" problem. Young Black girls who might become interested in beauty pageants in later years could now gain that needed experience.



DEBORAH ROPER AND JOYCE KNAPPER

The first winner is Deborah Roper, a tall slender 10 year old with beautiful, expressive eyes. Deborah is in the fourth grade at Sabin Grade School in Northeast Portland.

She was picked by all-Black judges, 3 men and 3 women, from a field of 18 other contestants. The four runner-ups were Wendy Babblos, 4th runner-up; Dana Easley, 3rd runner-up; Yolanda Crumble, 2nd runner-up; and Carmen Stevens, 1st runner-up.

When asked the usual question, "Did you think you

would win?", Deborah replied shyly, "I thought the other girl was going to win. I was very surprised."

Deborah Roper, as her prize for winning the pageant, will receive a free trip to Disneyland sometime in July.

The Junior Miss Black Oregon Pageant will become an annual event. The results seem to have been satisfactory to all involved. Miss Knapper gave a very sincere answer when asked what she gained out of the whole experience. She said, with an amusing smile, "A headache and 18 new friends."

Black expo scheduled

Dr. Claud Young, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (Michigan Chapter) proudly announces the 1973 "BLACK EXPO" to be held at Cobo Hall from June 15 through June 17, 1973. This year the Exposition will feature the famous Sesame Street Players and Spectacular Entertainment.

"BLACK EXPO" will feature Black Businessmen of the City of Detroit and the fine Corporations which have been helping these citizens of the Black Community. Dr. Young has stated this year as being the best.

Annual Exposition will be bigger and better than ever affording the young and oldest businessmen in Detroit an opportunity to tell Detroiters of their services, manufacturing abilities and products.

The entire community is endeavoring to show progress that is being made daily for Blacks in the city. The important theme this year, "BLACK EXPO", now means People, Pride and Progress.

Mr. Darwin Davis, prominent civic, cultural insurance executive, has accepted the challenge of being the 1973 General Chairman.

For additional information of how you may participate, call SCLC Headquarters at (313) 873-0335. There is a twenty-four hour phone service available.

Southern University at the National Conference on the Role of Minorities in Management and Related Fields. This conference, sponsored by the "Big 7" national public interest groups, is designed to increase the opportunities for and support of minority groups for administrative position in state and local government.

Rowan

(Continued from pg. 1, col. 8) may be a slowing down of Nixon's "New Federalism" philosophy of government, which has resulted in crippling budget cuts for social service programs and lessening of federal programs for the poor.

"Congress, I think, will attempt to halt White House arrogance. Watergate has given a little more backbone to Congress and they'll begin standing up to the president."

"The cities have discovered that the 'New Federalism' is the biggest Trojan Horse ever foisted on them. The government gives the cities \$2 and takes away \$4."

Law and Order nowhere.

"I regard the 'New Federalism' as a propaganda gambit, just as phony as law and order," Rowan continued. "And as everybody knows, the biggest law and order ment turned out to be the biggest phonies who ever breathed."

"They were nowhere on the law and now they turn out to be a little short on order."

"Eighteen resignations so far from the White House staff and other high levels of government of 'the right wing ideologues who wanted victory for President Nixon and to turn the clock back to the twenties'."

Rowan said "the workings of the U.S. Government are close to paralysis, because the full story of political intrigue and corruption seems to have a new chapter filled in every day."

"The cities are going to hell; we've got a tremendous problem in the energy crisis; the dollar is in increasing trouble; there's trouble every place and nothing is going to be done about any of it until we resolve this question of Watergate, whether or not it

reaches to the presidency of the United States."

Others did it?

What of the charges that previous administrations are probably guilty of similar, but undisclosed hanky panky?

"The massive, illegal actions of presidential advisors and cabinet officers, the financial abuses, corruption, sickness and shady deals of this administration - we've never had anything like it in this country," Rowan replied.

The irony here is, the Nixon Administration is asking for compassion which it has not been willing to give anyone except James Hoffa, Lockheed, General Thieu and a few others.

"Governments err and Presidents make mistakes, but divine justice, it is said, will judge the cold-hearted more harshly than the compassionate."

"There should be no rejoicing at the crisis or downfall of any person. There should be no laughter at anyone's crisis. But this should be an eternal reminder the Presidents, prophets, judges, lawmakers, paupers, the famous and the unknown will stand in need of prayer and compassion. The best way to deserve compassion is to grant it daily."

"The tragedy of the Nixon Administration is not the Watergate in particular, but arrogance in general."

"What Sophocles said centuries ago is still relevant: 'All men make mistakes, but a good man yields when he knows his cause is wrong and repairs the evil. The only sin is pride.'"

The syndicated columnist says he hopes that the scandal and related resignations from the White House may clear the way for government officials of "more compassion and integrity in handling the nation's affairs."

SUMMER CLASSES

Director Ron Thurston announced that Vocational Village will hold summer classes from June 18th to July 27th. Classes include Social Studies, Math and Science, English, Human Relations and career-oriented courses: Food Preparation, Electricity, Health Occupations, Basic Marketing, Sheet Metal Welding and Industrial Mechanics. Classes are held from 8:15 to 11:50 a.m. Two Physical Education classes are available in the afternoon.

Approximately 300 stu-

dents are expected to attend classes, which may be taken for credit. All Portland students who have completed the eighth grade are eligible to attend. Fees are \$30. Students who attended Vocational Village spring semester will not be required to pay the fee. Fees can be waived for students with verified financial hardship.

Students who are interested in taking classes at Vocational Village should call Tom Vickers, 234-6604 for reservations. Registration is June 18th at 8:00 a.m. at the school, 5040 SE Milwaukie.

Courses ranging from Karate to Black Studies and History will be offered this summer at Portland State University's Educational Center, 2611 NE Union.

Registration for the summer session is Monday, June 18 at the center and classes begin Tuesday, June 19.

Director Harold Williams said the center primarily services individuals who are financially unable to pay regular fees but are anxious to prepare for high school equivalency exams or obtain the qualifications needed for apprentice programs and better jobs.

Summer classes offered at the "storefront campus" include: Human Development,

a Survey of Black Education between 1865 and 1973, Analysis of Problems Involving Minority Groups, Introduction to Literature, Karate, Study of the Black Man in the United States during the Period from the Reconstruction to the First World War, and Fundamentals of Math.

Students may enroll in two classes for credit each term and as many non-credit classes as the individual desires. Minimal fees are charged for classes taken with or without credit.

For further information about summer class offerings or fees, contact the center at 229-3864.

Students planning to attend Portland State University's 1973 Summer Session either as incoming freshmen, transfer students or summer session-only students are encouraged to attend one of two special orientation programs to be offered Friday, June 15.

The two orientation programs, one from 9-11 a.m. and the other from 7-9 p.m., will be held in 338 Smith Memorial Center. They will be conducted by the student orientation board.

Planning the first term

will be the major topic discussed along with student services and registration procedures.

Registration for the eight-week session is Monday, June 18 in the health and physical education building. Registration for special programs continues everyday through August 26 in the Summer Session office.

For further information, contact either the Dean for Students office at 229-4422 or the Summer Session office at 229-4081.

Students planning to enter Portland Community College this fall may be eligible for full-time summer employment with public non-profit agencies which have work-study contracts with Portland Com-

munity College. Students who are interested in this program should contact the Financial Aid offices at PCC Cascade, 283-2541; or PCC, Sylvania, 244-6111.

Portland Community College and the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry are again cooperating to bring summer happenings in earth science, physical science, math and astronomy to youngsters in grades one through nine in the Portland area.

Earth Science, which includes a study of rocks, fossils, planetary movement, astronomy, rocketry, mineralogy, a fossil hunting expedition to Vernonia, and rock tumbling will meet July 9 through 20 at PCC Sylvania, 12000 SW 49th Avenue at 12 noon. Sections will be held for grades two through four and for grades five through eight. Cost is just \$14.00.

Physical Science will begin June 18th and continue through the 29th, offering experiments with light, optics, radiation, laser and music, mechanics of flight (with kites, gliders and wind-up model), pendulums, and mobiles. Separate sections are offered for grades three

through five and six through eight. The session, which costs \$14.00, begins at 12 noon at Sylvania.

Puzzles, games and creative design will be included in Math for Fun, July 30 through August 10, and the OMSI Math Lab equipment will be available to all students. Computer terminology and topology investigation with wire forms and detergent solutions are included in the sections for grades one through three and four through eight. The class begins at 12 noon at Sylvania. Cost is \$14.00.

A two and one-half hour Astronomy Event, coupled with a later evening viewing session with telescopes will be offered July 6. The Astronomy Event, also at Sylvania, is for grades four through nine at 4 p.m., with the night viewing from 10 to 11 p.m. Cost is just \$4.00.

For more information contact Portland Community College or OMSI. Enrollment by mail is recommended.

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