

The Choir of Bethel A.M.E. Church, now under the direction of Tim Stafford and pastor A.L. Henderson, performs on Harold Williams' program "The People Show" on KGW-TV. The program was seen on Sunday, June 3rd, and will be rebroadcast on Thursday night at 1:00 a.m., June 8th.

## PSU holds graduation at park

Portland State University will confer approximately 900 degrees at the formal spring commencement ceremonies at 3 p.m., Saturday, June 9 in the Washington Park amphitheater.

In case of inclement weather, the ceremonies will be held in the Civic Auditorium. If this change is necessary, announcements will be made through the broadcast media early Saturday morning.

Thomas Lowe Hughes, president and trustee of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace with offices in Washington, New York and Geneva, Switzerland, will deliver the com-

mencement address "Good-bye Liberalism Forever".

In addition to awarding over 700 bachelor's degrees and 175 master's degrees, the University will award PSU's first Ph.D. in environmental sciences and resources. The University is one of the few institutions in the country to offer this interdisciplinary degree program.

Music for the 90 minute ceremonies will be provided by the PSU Wind Ensemble, conducted by John Ellis.

Graduates, their family and friends are invited to join President and Mrs. Wolfe, Mr. Hughes, the platform party, faculty and staff for a

picnic at 12:15 p.m. in the Smith Center Ballroom. Picnic tickets, priced at \$2.25 each, should be obtained from the PSU box office by Thursday, June 7.

Shuttle buses running from PSU to Washington Park will be available for those preferring to park on campus. Arrangements also have been made for people to park at the zoo, purchase a round-trip ticket for 80 cents and ride the Zoo Liner to Washington Park.

Admission to commencement is by ticket only. A limited number may be available on request to the Office of All-University Events after June 1.

## Sewer users save

The first of 115,000 letters from the Portland Department of Public Works to all Portland property owners was sent today. Contrary to most government mass mailings, this one is designed to save money for the property owner. The letters encourage property owners to connect to the City's sewer system before February 1, 1974, when a Major Facilities Equalization Charge (MFEC) of \$375 per connection will be imposed. Property now connected will not be affected by the charge.

Concerning the letter, City Commissioner Lloyd Anderson said, "We estimate there are 15,000 homes that could be easily connected to City sewers, but, for various reasons, are not. If property owners wait until next year, it will cost them \$375 extra per unit for the MFEC. If

they do it now, they won't be charged for this. We want people to take advantage of this grace period while it is available.

Anderson explained that the Major Facilities Equalization Charge was adopted in 1971 to help pay for secondary sewage treatment. A three year grace period was established for buildings constructed prior to February 1, 1971. Buildings constructed since that time are now required to pay the charge. Anderson likened the MFEC charge to buying a share in the City's sewage treatment facilities.

Letters will be sent to all property owners over the next three months in staggered loads of 2,000 letters per day. Questions concerning the charge should be directed to the Department of Public Works, 248-4175.

## School bands perform

Student bands from Portland Public Schools return to this year's Rose Festival Parade after missing the 1972 march because of a drastically shortened school year.

Some 460 musicians and 70 auxiliary personnel will march in six bands on June 9, compared to 830 musicians and 248 auxiliary personnel in 13 bands during the 1971 parade.

Spokesmen for the Portland School District pointed to two reasons for the fewer number of students involved this year: First, the school year just

ended also was shortened slightly because of the lack of sufficient operating funds. This cut into the ranks of available musicians.

Second, the five high schools in Area I - including Wilson, Jackson, Lincoln, Roosevelt and Jefferson - decided to combine strength in one large honor band comprising their best musicians.

High schools fielding their own bands are Benson Polytechnic, Cleveland, Franklin, Madison and Washington. Unable to return with even partial representation are Grant, Marshall, Monroe and Adams High Schools.

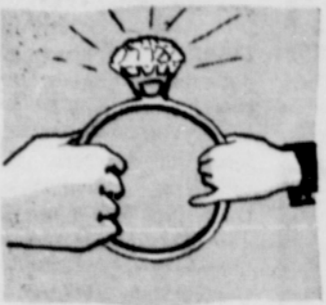


## When Engagement is Broken

Getting engaged came easy for Gwen and Andy. But getting married seemed so scary that they finally decided to call the whole thing off.

At that point, however, a new problem arose: which one was entitled to keep the engagement ring? When Gwen refused to give it back, Andy hauled her into court.

After due deliberation, the court ruled in Andy's favor. "An engagement ring is a symbol of the coming marriage," said the court. "If the engagement is broken off, the ring should be returned. The gift was conditional and the condition was not fulfilled."



Most courts agree that the engagement ring is returnable - at least, unless the man was solely to blame for the breakup. Returnable also are other gifts exchanged between the two parties in contemplation of marriage.

But this does not extend to gifts given prior to the engagement - that is, gifts given during the period of courting.

Thus, a court rejected the effort of an elderly suitor to reclaim some jewelry he had given to a younger woman. The court said the gifts had been made at his own risk, on the chance this his courtship would succeed.

What about gifts from friends and relatives, when the marriage plans fall through? Consider this case:

A dotting father was so delighted when his daughter became engaged that he set up a \$5,000 joint bank account for the betrothed couple. Soon afterward, the romance cooled. But the young man retained his affection for the \$5,000.

"That was an outright gift," he argued in a court test. "Her father didn't say we had to get married."

But the court decided that even if the father didn't say it, he clearly meant it. The court said he would scarcely have set up a joint bank account except on the assumption that the two would soon be husband and wife.

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Sharman Parker, a fourth grader at Oregon Episcopal Schools (St. Helen's Hall, Bishop Dagwell Hall), concentrates hard on a math less while looking forward to summer vacation. Sharman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Parker, Jr.

## Committee studies health care delivery

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impetus for developing an HMO by the Emanuel Hospital Medical Staff was the desire to provide the general public comprehensive health care on a fixed monthly charge basis without losing the quality of health care provided. It was obvious that such a goal would be reached with the physicians providing the majority of the care, so the medical profession has become extensively involved in the planning stages as well as in the continuing operating activities of the HMO. Thus, the planning was initiated under the medical staff and is continuing under the PMHI

board where physician consultation is continued to be called upon while considering the final HMO organization." Dr. Campbell is chairman of the PMHI board of directors.

PMHI staff members include President and General Manager Paul Vogt, former health and hospitals director of Hennepin County (Minneapolis) Minn.; Assistant General Manager - Membership and Consumer Relations Jerry Dick, formerly in marketing research at Blue Cross; Assistant General Manager - Services and Facilities Roger B. Lyman, a recent graduate of the University of Minnesota in Hospital and Health Care Ad-

ministration, and Administrative Secretary Beth Gillette, formerly at Holladay Park Hospital.

The basic HMO concept is not a new one but has, in recent years, grown in popularity and use. An HMO is a method of providing comprehensive health services with a basic monthly payment. For the annually fixed charge, the organization guarantees to provide an adequate level of services. The level and type of services are determined by the programs and services in the organizational structure of the HMO.

PMHI's tentative plan of health care delivery is currently being developed, studied and refined to provide the best possible services to its future members. The system will be community-wide, utilizing many existing health care services and institutions in the area, while maintaining a separate operating identity. The conventional form of an HMO has been to work from one specific hospital.

In recent months, surveys have been prepared and distributed to area residents, physicians and dentists. Survey results to date show that there seems to be a definite interest in HMO type services. Close to 75 per cent of the community members surveyed showed an interest in a pre-paid group health care concept, citing maternity, dental and eye care as core services. Physician comments ranged from, "It's no way to provide quality health care," to "I hope a comprehensive system is completed by the time I'm through with my residency."

The basic structure PMHI is now operating under was formed with sensitivity to the needs and wants of residents in the Portland-Vancouver area. Over 100 people have become involved in the concepts and development of how PMHI could best deliver health services to its family-oriented members. Advisory committees and work task groups (made up of community

members, representatives from area hospitals, community agencies and women's groups) have spent many hours on the process of health care delivery design. The marketing of the pre-paid health package will begin next fall. Pre-marketing surveys are currently being conducted with major employers and unions in the Portland-Vancouver area.

A slide presentation explaining the basic HMO concept and its function is available to interested groups. For more information, contact the PMHI office, 1219 S.E. Main, Portland 97205, or call 221-1085.

## YWCA walks in city

The YWCA has scheduled a bus and walking tour of the Highlights of Portland on June 16 with Lannie Hurst as guide.

Among features of the five-hour tour will be the famed WPA mural of artist C.S. Price at Beach School, Peninsula Park, the new Kelly Point Park, Cathedral Park and a visit to historic Mock Crest Home, owned by the Louis Alexanders. Mrs. Alexander is a former member of the YWCA board of directors.

After a tour of two mini-parks in Portland Heights, the group will go to the Japanese Garden.

A picnic lunch is planned for noon.

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## Black business

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Six months later they realized that the wigs were in bigger demand than the cosmetics. So they began selling more wigs. They also began to sell out of a house and started to hire employees.

Things began to look good; the wigs were selling and they were accumulating a little money. In June of 1971 they moved to start their own store on 17th and Killingsworth.

They found a good supplier for their merchandise, which is very important in order to establish any type of credit lines. However, at their new location of 17th and Killingsworth there was not much traffic.

But business still moved slowly onward. They accumulated 6,000 dollars and a friend. The friend was a man from California who talked nice, dressed nice and promised nice things. He promised to help Jerome and Larry get their business off the ground. To make their business a sparkling success.

Well this nice man, within a period of 6 months, smoothly conned them out of the 6,000 dollars and left town. So here they were: About to move to a new location on Union, and they were flat broke. Things

started to look hopeless. They decided to drive to California and look up their con man. They found him and made him buy them \$200 worth of wigs. He bought the wigs and Jerome and Larry headed to Portland.

They came back, sold the wigs and bought more wigs and the cycle was again started.

The Fashion Wheel had now moved to its new location on Union Avenue. They were selling wigs like no-bodies business. "First we were selling all Afro wigs. In January of 1972 we sold 500. In February 472. But now the whole trend has changed to straight hair. In May of this year we only sold 189 Afro wigs," explained Larry Jackson.

Whatever the style of wigs, cosmetics or jewelry, the Fashion Wheel is the first to carry it. Larry Jackson said, "If you see it in Ebony, I'll have it."

The owners of the Fashion Wheel relate to me that they have built their prospering business on the low level of their prices and the quick availability of their products. That might be true, but I know it takes a little of something else to really satisfy a customer to the point of making him return again.

That's called courteous service. And speaking from the standpoint of having been a customer at the Fashion Wheel, their's is the top.

You're greeted with a smile, a joke or simply a smiling hello, but it makes you feel like your business is worth something. That's more than I can ever say about the hurry, rush, I don't care if you never come back service you get from their large supershopping center neighbor on Union Avenue.

However the important thing is that two brothers have made a source of income for themselves and several other brothers and sisters. Three weeks ago, right next door to their shop, they opened a beauty salon. They have a woman in their new salon that French Braids and corn rolls hair in all types of designs. She even braids Zodiac signs. The beauty shop has not yet had its grand opening, so watch for it.

It's good to see Black folks make it. And it's beautiful to see two deserving brothers get the chance to work for themselves! I don't know, but there is something truly uplifting about writing a success story. I guess it's because they all have happy endings.

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