

## Demos appoint minority director

The Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Robert S. Strauss, has officially announced the reorganization of the Office of Minority Affairs and the appointment of Frank Cowan as its new director. Cowan is a native of Florida and previously served as a Special Assistant to the President of

the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Union, AFL-CIO. He has also served as a Legislative Assistant to former U.S. Senator Fred R. Harris of Oklahoma, Executive Director of the Oklahoma City Urban League, and as Associate Director of the Miami Urban League.

In addition, Chairman Strauss also announced the appointment of Paul Brock as Assistant Director of the Minority Affairs Office, and to head the communications activities for the office, as well as assisting the Spanish speaking, Women, Young-Demos and Nationalities offices in the area of communications.

Mr. Brock was formerly the News Editor of radio station WHUR in Washington, D.C., and the Executive Producer of a local community access program for public broadcast station WETA, also in Washington. Coordinating the activities of the Office of Minority Affairs of the Democratic National Committee, as well as all other special divisions of the party, will be Mrs. Azie Morton. Mrs. Morton will serve in the dual capacity of Special Assistant to the Chairman, and as Deputy to the Vice-Chairman, Basil A. Patterson. She is a graduate of Houston Tillotson College in Austin, Texas, and served as an assistant on the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity in the Kennedy-Johnson Administration. She was also one of the coordinators of the late President Johnson's White House Conference on Civil Rights.

The Vice-Chairman of the Office of Minority Affairs is Mr. Louis Martin, Vice-President of the Black-owned Sengstack newspaper chain and Editor of the Chicago Defender. Mr. Martin was elected to the post at a meeting of the Democratic National Committee last March 23, 1973.



Robert Ford

## Portland Scout attends Jamboree

Robert Ford will represent Boy Scout Troop 152 at the 1973 National Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge, New York. Robert was chosen by his troop, which is sponsored by the Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church.

Three hundred Portland scouts will travel to the Jamboree on two chartered planes. They will also tour New York City and Washington, D.C. The Jamboree will last seven days.

The Jamboree, which is held every four years, includes sports, arts and science competition, swimming, fish-

ing and many other activities. Robert has been a Scout for four years and is a Life Scout. He is Senior Patrol Leader for his troop. Scoutmaster George Simmons described Robert as a good scout - the logical one to be rewarded with a trip of this kind.

Simmons and the troop appreciate the efforts of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church and its pastor, Dr. O. B. Williams, and Ross Cohen of Civic Parking for making Robert's trip possible.

## Jefferson teacher attends workshop

Mrs. Carmen Walker, a counselor at Jefferson High School, attended a ten-day workshop on "Facilitating Career Development for Girls and Women" at the Center for Continuing Education at Appalachian State University in Boone, North Carolina.

The workshop was sponsored by the National Guidance Association, the State Department of Public Instruction, the North Carolina Commission on the Education and Employment of Women.

The workshop was designed to teach methods, attitudes and information for the counseling of women and

girls. Director of the workshop was a Black woman, Mrs. Thelma Lenson, Director of the Division of Pupil Personnel Services for the Department of Public Instruction of the State of North Carolina.

Mrs. Walker called the workshop "one of the most stimulating professional experiences I have ever had."

Mrs. Walker also visited Atlanta, Georgia and Montgomery and Tuskegee, Alabama and was able to see some of the educational accomplishments of Blacks in the South.

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**TV explores Africa**

Following the Niger River as it flows north to Timbuktu and then turns south to the Atlantic Ocean, the second program of **Black African Heritage - "The Bend of the Niger"** - Sunday, July 29 at 9:00 p.m. on KPTV, explores the grasslands in West Africa south of the Sahara and the people who inhabit the area. Major emphasis is on the Bambara and Dogon tribes, both famous for their dances and sculpture.

Many Dogon sculptures, decorated granary doors, examples of architecture, and figures in metal, terra cotta and rock are seen, and a ceremonial dance of masked men is filmed.

**Navy**

(Continued from pg. 1, col. 6) hard to protect the rights of us all."

In spite of the Navy's new recruiting slogan "You can be Black and Navy too", the Dorie Miller's crew is overwhelmingly white. The highest ranking Black is in the boiler room.

**Farmworkers**

(Continued from pg. 1, col. 9) "for about two years", when he expects more "whites" and fewer "Mexicans" in the California fields. Einar Mohn, head of the Western Conference of Teamsters, said "I don't know what will happen to the Mexicans. After all, you can't expect whites to step aside and let the Mexican-Americans and Negroes have the machine jobs they have had for years."

As the expiring contracts were picked up by the Teamsters union the farm workers went out on strike and called upon the people of the United States and Canada to support them by boycotting grapes and lettuce. Strikers met with violence at the hands of thugs hired by the Teamsters Union. Public opinion caused the thugs to be withdrawn, but court orders prevent effective picketing of the fields.

Calling the court orders that restrict pickets unconstitutional, the farm workers and their supporters called mass rallies that have resulted in thousands of arrests in the last few weeks.

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## CAUCUS TIME

by **Jetie B. Wilds, Jr.**  
Chairman, Oregon Black Caucus

It is encouraging to note the many narrow special interest Black groups forming on the horizon. In another time and place this would be construed as irresponsible organization. There is however another way of viewing the many splinter groups. It connotes an attitude that there is recognition of a need to organize for the achieve-

ment of Black objectives. The Caucus must continue to encourage this kind of organizing for Oregon. What must be avoided as much as possible is the notion of individual efforts geared toward the "big daddy or big mommy" roles. The advantage of the splinter group is that it allows for specialists to pool their collective thoughts and then make recommendations to the larger community in terms of suggested direction and guidance. This position is different from the usual splinter group interpretation in which many small groups deal with a large array of issues in varying fields.

It is extremely encouraging also to see so many good brothers and sisters having the opportunity to experience the feeling of authorship that accompanies organizational efforts. These efforts should serve as background and foundation for the massive task that is before us.

The Caucus welcomes Mr. David Nero back to the community wars and underscores his continued move toward "getting it together". Congratulations to the brothers and sisters with new appointments.



Day care mothers, children and staff of the Albina Ministerial Alliance Family Day and Night Care Program enjoy an afternoon at Alberta Park. The AME program provides care for children of parents who are employed or in school, in licensed family homes.

## Black legislator

(Please turn to pg. 1, col. 6) and the new bottle bill, as well as requirements for state wide environmental planning, to be the major accomplishments of this committee. McCoy carried the bottle bill on the floor of the House.

McCoy favored Governor McCall's tax plan and was disappointed that it was defeated by a vote of the people. He thinks the new tax plan passed by the legislature is a good plan.

McCoy is satisfied with the legislation passed and the state budgets. He blames lack of money and lack of time for any failures in legislation. He thinks the affirmative action program and the Civil Rights Bureau are adequately funded.

McCoy enjoyed his first term at the Oregon Legislature. He was surprised and impressed at the amount of time the legislators and staff members devote

usually 12 to 14 hours a day. He was also impressed by the concern of the legislators for their constituents.

McCoy feels much of the success of the legislative session was due to the involvement of the people of Oregon. Oregonians participated in legislative action through hearings, letters and contacts with the legislators more than ever before. If the citizens continue to be involved and interested in state government, Representative McCoy predicts even more productive sessions in the future.

One of McCoy's personal satisfactions was Oregon's ratification of the 14th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which had been ratified in 1866, and then the ratification revoked. The 14th Amendment gives equal protection to all citizens of the United States.

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