



Students of Monroe High School present Black Culture program for classmates.

Monroe students demonstrate culture

by Rosemary Allen

Under the theme 'Kuumba', the Swahili word for creativity, Monroe High School presented a provocative hour of educational entertainment. On Friday, February 15th, in conjunction with Black Cultural Month, approximately 40 young ladies produced a program of dance, poetry, music and fashion.

Pride and Black culture

was emphasized to the predominantly white student body. "We would like their response to be that they understand our point of view, as we would want to understand theirs," explained one Black student before the program.

Highlights of the program included a speech by San Diego artist Eddie Edwards, a pop hit by four students, and poetry written by the students themselves. Marcia

Jackson, a Monroe student, released some hidden talents with a poem, "And yet..." The program was brought to a close with the singing of the Black National Anthem by the entire student body.

Many events portraying Black culture take place during February, which is now recognized by many as Black Cultural Month, yet not many reflect the sincerity of a group of 40 students at Monroe High.

AYOS graduates students

Recently two students graduated from the Albina Youth Opportunity School in North Portland. Mae Hatcher and Gregory Clay, both 18 years old, completed all credits necessary to graduate from high school. The students will actually graduate through a local high school.

Albina Youth Opportunity School (AYOS), which enrolls a maximum of 70 students, operates under a team teaching policy where a ratio of 10 students to 1 teacher is maintained. Students unable to find interest or motivation in a public school situation often find that they are able to learn more at AYOS where rules are more flexible, yet a high standard curriculum is maintained.

Although there is always a waiting list for enrollment into AYOS, Director Rance Spruill does not think expansion is their biggest need right now. "More services to deal with students is what we really need," Spruill said.



Mayor Neil Goldschmidt recently proclaimed the week of February 10-17, 1974 as NAACP Birthday Week, in commemoration of the 65th anniversary of their founding.

In proclaiming of the week, Goldschmidt commended the work of those involved in the NAACP for "their efforts to eliminate racial injustice and to secure equality and freedom for all Americans."

Attending the ceremony were: Ellis Casson, Portland Branch President; C.A. White, membership chairman; Betty White, secretary; Marie Smith, past-president; and Lorne Marple, past-president.

Blacks in Northwest subject of class

The Black Studies Center, in conjunction with the Division of Continuing Education and the History Department at Portland State University, will offer a new Spring Term night course, "History of Blacks in the Pacific Northwest, 1788-1974."

This course will treat the social, political and economic development of Blacks in the Pacific Northwest. Emphasis will be placed on the early Black settlers, pioneers and explorers that came to the Pacific Northwest Coast. Special emphasis will be given to Blacks in Oregon and Washington history from 1788 to 1974. The course also will look at contemporary problems that face Blacks in the Pacific Northwest.

The three credit hour

graduate course will meet on Tuesday nights from 6:45 to 9:30 p.m. at PSU in the Division of Continuing Education Building. There are no requirements for admission to the course.

The course will be taught by Lenwood G. Davis, who is an instructor in the History Department at Portland State. Mr. Davis is the author of "Blacks in Oregon" and has written several articles on Blacks in the State of Oregon and is considered an authority on the History of Blacks in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest. It will be an upper division History 507 course. Interested persons should contact Dale S. Walwood at the DCE Building at 229-5832.

THE FAMILY LAWYER

"Activist" Shareholder

Suppose a political activist buys one share of stock in a corporation that makes guns. His purpose is to gain access to a list of shareholders, so he can arouse their opposition to the company's products.

Would the company have to let him see the books?

Most courts faced with this question have said no. True, every stockholder is a co-owner of the corporation. However, say these courts, the relationship is strictly economic, not political. To see the books he must have an economic motive. He must be acting, at least in part, to protect his investment.

"Considering the huge size of many modern corporations and the complicated nature of their bookkeeping, to permit their thousands of stockholders to roam at will through their records would render impossible not only any attempt to keep their records efficiently but the proper carrying on of their businesses."

On the other hand, a stockholder with a legitimate economic motive generally cannot be prevented from seeing the books merely because the management doesn't happen to like him.

One stockholder was refused access to his company's books because he was considered a "troublemaker." He was indeed a troublemaker. But the trouble he wanted to make was getting rid of the management, which he thought was doing a bad job of running the business.

In these circumstances, a court ordered the company to open the books for his inspection. The court said that for a disgruntled investor, throwing the management out was a natural and proper objective.



The activist shareholder is new but the problem is old: how open should a corporation's books be? Clearly, there has to be some sort of limitation on access. As one judge explained, in barring a stockholder who was "just curious":

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Ground meat

Grinding meat -- any meat -- makes even tough cuts tender, but it also multiplies the surfaces where bacteria can grow. Meat -- like everything we come in contact with -- contains some bacteria. Mishandling gives them the chance to grow.

Hamburger needs plain old "tender loving care". Without it, even the best recipe for hamburger can be wasted because you risk a foodborne illness -- so take the time to handle hamburger properly, advises Cal Robertson, Multnomah County Extension Home Economist.

The best place to start is at the beginning -- at the store where you buy the hamburger or ground beef. The package should be sealed to protect the meat inside. Avoid torn packages. Check to see that the meat feels cold. The temperature in the refrigerator case should be 40 degrees F. or lower.

Don't bury your meat purchases in the bottom of your shopping cart, where the packages can get punctured -- make meat one of your last purchases in the store. Have the clerk bag your hamburger with your other perishable purchases, such as milk, eggs and frozen foods. Then, get it all home quickly and get that hamburger into the refrigerator or freezer right away.

The next step in caring for hamburger is proper storage. If you're going to use the meat within one or two days, put it in the coldest part of your refrigerator -- usually near the ice cube compart-

ment or in a special meat keeper section.

You can refrigerate hamburger "as is" if it comes in transparent wrap. Hamburger in butcher paper should be unwrapped, put on a plate or in a container and covered.

If you plan to use hamburger within the next week or two, you can leave it right in the transparent plastic store wrap. For longer storage, divide meat into portions for easy use. Wrap it tightly in a moisture resistant material. If aluminum foil or freezer paper is used, label and date it. You can freeze hamburger at 0 degrees F. for two to three months with little loss of quality.

Rummage sale

A rummage sale will be held at the YMCA Metro-Urban Center (5430 N. Moore) on March 9th from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The sale is being sponsored by a group of volunteers from Xerox corporation, who have been involved in planning and funding various youth activities in Northeast Portland for the past six months. The money from the sale will be used to meet expenses that accompany the sponsorship of any future activities, as well as those accrued in the past. We cordially invite everyone to attend and help us recycle our valuables, for a worthy cause.

PSU offers overseas study

Portland State University is offering three study abroad programs this summer -- in Madrid, Brazil and Russia. Openings are still available in all the programs which offer both graduate and undergraduate credit.

Leroy Pierson, associate dean for continuing education at PSU, says the programs are open to anyone who wishes to apply. There is no requirement that applicants must be admitted students, he added.

Applications for all the programs are available in the Office of Continuing and International Education at PSU. The deadline date for returning applications is May 15, 1974. Inquiries about the programs also may be directed to the PSU Foreign Languages Department.

The Hispanic Studies Program in Madrid, Spain (July 1st-August 17th) features excursions to cities such as Valencia, Cordoba and Seville and walking tours of Literary Madrid, Habsburg Madrid and Bourbon Madrid. Classroom studies are at the

University of Madrid. Subjects range from Spanish language studies to Hispanic culture and civilization.

Students live with Spanish families. The approximate cost of the program is \$400 for undergraduates and \$425 for graduates. Those totals include tuition, incidental fees, health insurance and required excursion trips. Students are responsible for room and board and overseas transportation, though program organizers help with arrangements ahead of time.

The Russian Culture Program (June 17th - August 17th) is oriented toward providing a better understanding of Russian culture through excursions to historical sites in Leningrad, Moscow, Yalta and Kiev. Visits also are planned to galleries, ballets, museums, operas, theater and concerts.

Regular classes and lectures will be given at different sites and individual projects will be required. All students will be required to take courses in the Russian language, Russian cul-

ture and Russian classics.

The cost of the eight-week program is \$1,750, which includes tuition, room and board, overseas flight, in-country travel and excursion fees.

The Brazil Program (June 18th-August 23rd) includes study at the Catholic University of Belo Horizonte and at Caxambu, Rio de Janeiro and Brasilia.

All participants will begin with a two-week study of the Portuguese language, then enroll in two classes -- Emerging Brazilian Civilization from 1822-1973 and Brazilian Literature and Arts.

The classes will be followed by a two-week experience in the three major cities -- Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo and Brasilia.

Blanca Lobo Filho, an emeritus professor of Portuguese at PSU, will conduct all the lectures in English. Cost for the entire program -- including overseas flight -- is approximately \$1,850.

Teacher

(Continued from pg. 1, col. 6) rmination against Blacks over a 23 year period. The circuit court agreed with the School District and its decision was upheld by the Court of Appeals.

The case was appealed to the State Supreme Court and on May 4, 1972, five years after the purported act of discrimination occurred, the Supreme Court held that the broader charges were proper and that the School District must submit its personnel records to examination by the Labor Bureau.

This landmark decision said in part, "The scope of inquiry under the specific charges of discrimination is sufficiently broad to inquire into the past conduct of the District generally in relation to Blacks, because proof of past discrimination against Blacks would lend credence to complainants' specific charges of discrimination against her. In addition, if discriminatory conduct against the complainant is found to exist, the Commissioner has the authority to protect the rights of other persons similarly situated."

The Supreme Court decision also found that the determination of whether a suit should be filed could be determined by the Labor Commission without the approval of the Attorney General. The Attorney General had held up the prosecution of the case, figuring in the resignations of Belton Hamilton and Russ Rogers, Director of the Civil Rights Bureau.

Thus the way was opened for a thorough study of the School District's employment practices as they affect Blacks. The School District continued to resist the order that its files be opened until this fall. The Civil Rights Bureau is now in the process of making this investigation and preparing for the next court date.

But to Mrs. Spencer, it has been five years of waiting for justice that might still be a long way off.

Communications use subject at Howard

The Howard University School of Communications is sponsoring a week of activities devoted to the use of communications as a tool of self-help for Black people, Dean Tony Brown has announced.

The School has declared March 10-17 "National Communications for Freedom Week" in an effort to create an awareness of how to develop and use the mass media in Black communities throughout the nation.

"National Communications for Freedom Week" is being held in conjunction with the

School's Third Annual Black Careers in Communications Conference, and Black Press Week, sponsored by the nation's 200 or more Black owned and operated newspapers and magazines.

Four concurrently running conferences at Howard University will deal with the issues of journalism, activism in the media, entrepreneurship in mass communications and communications training and management among Blacks. Highlight of the week will be the career conference, March 13-14-15 on the Howard campus and at the Mayflower Hotel.

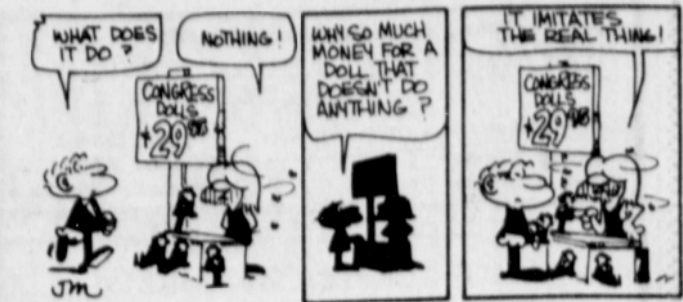
Educational Center

(Please turn to pg. 6, col. 6) luncheon sponsored by the Educational Center which sought to make the community aware of the problem and to seek their support.

The Center's activities paid off. During the Special Session, which was attended by Phyllis Benton, the Educational Center's Acting Director, the recommendation to rescind the previous decision was passed by the legislative committee.

There were many people who helped the Educational Center in their struggle. Special help was rendered by Representative Bill McCoy and Representative Mary Roberts. It was Representative Mary Roberts who made contacts in Salem before the Session started which had a tremendous impact in influencing the final decision.

The Educational Center, which opened its doors in 1969, serves hundreds of students each year and is the only school of its nature in the state. Its purpose is to provide low cost college level courses to the people of the community. Adult Education courses as well as GED preparation are also provided.



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