

"A Discipline Fit For The Times"

Black Celebration

During the month of February Black Americans, for over half a century now, have dusted off their Black history volumes, prepared pageants and orations, and have staged poetry readings and Blacks drama.

February has become the month in which we have "remembered our forefathers" because of the largely single-handed and the single-minded efforts of America's most distinguished pioneer Black historian, the late Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson.

The growing attention given in early March to Crispus Attucks, the first to die in the American Revolution "to secure America's liberties," and the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. in mid-January have enlarged this once month-long observance gradually into something of a three months' celebration -- during January, February and March -- of Black history, pride and hope.

Black History's Prime Mover

The prime mover and somehow silently persistent -- and effective -- guide is still seen as the late Dr. Carter G. Woodson. He claims a continuing hold upon Black minds as the peripatetic and indefatigable scholar who preached from his originally rough hewn, and later Harvard-burnished, lectern his constant theme that we were a people with an honest and worthy past. He hammered away in his many writings, speeches and in his organizational work that Blacks were not mere chattel defined and demeaned upon the auction block where human lives were transmuted into "things" of less than human worth.

Woodson was the first trained Black historian to devote full time to the scholarly re-assessment and re-discovery of Black American history. He gave to this endeavor an unmatched passion, day and night, and year in and year out such that when asked why he -- as an attractive and irresistibly commanding figure -- never married, he could

reply: "Negro history is my wife and family."

The story of Woodson's life and work is almost a legend in and of itself, revealing in autobiographical form, much of the pain and degradation which have formed the stones upon which a growing beauty, brilliance and "readiness" to Black life have been honed.

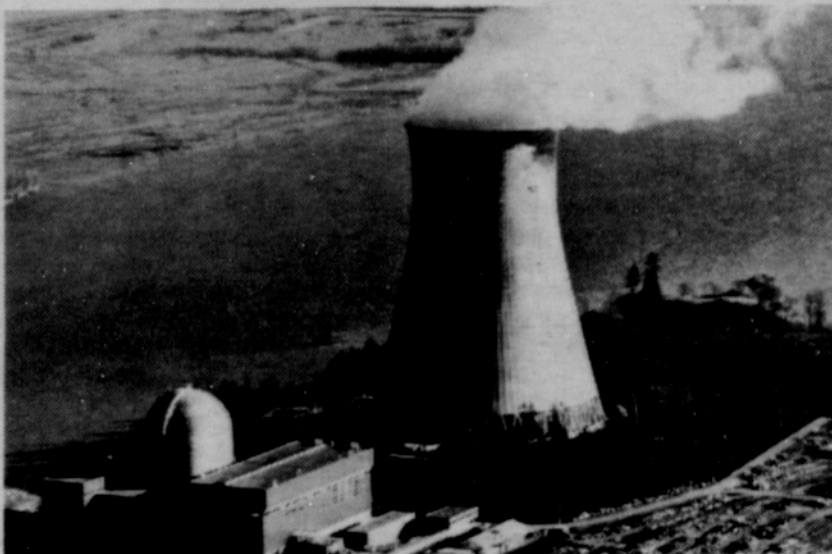
Carter G. Woodson stands out, then, as the shining symbol of Black history, largely because much of his life and spirit pervades the history and ongoing life of the Black community... even to our day.

Dr. Edgar A. Toppin notes: "Woodson devoted his whole career to correcting misconceptions about the Black man's past.

(Emphasis added.) He had a missionary zeal to tell about the achievements of Afro-Americans and their African ancestors so as to overcome the constant refrain dinned by newspapers, magazines, textbooks, and racist politicians on the theme that Blacks were inferior people who had never accomplished anything worthwhile."

You should know:

Trojan is doing a powerfully good job for you.



772,915,000

needed kilowatt hours in January

We get questions everyday from customers who are confused about Trojan's operation because of the scare tactics and "what if" games that a few people are using in order to get attention and create doubt about nuclear power. Good news doesn't create many headlines so we are taking this space to tell you about the

electricity that Trojan provided to help keep business and industry going and meet the residential needs of your family.

- The Trojan plant ran at a 100% service factor in January and at a 96.2% capacity factor. It produced 772,915,000 kilowatt hours.
- Trojan power met 40.6% of the total

power needs of PGE customers in January, and supplied nearly one-fourth of all the electricity used in Oregon.

- The average cost of Trojan power is 16.5 mills; cheaper than almost any other thermal replacement power available.

6,500,000,000

kilowatt hours in 1977 -- second highest output of the 168 commercial nuclear plants in the Free World

The drought dramatically demonstrated the importance of Trojan as a source of power, and the need continues as the region grows.

In 1977 Trojan produced more than 6,500,000,000 kilowatt hours... enough to provide the residential electrical energy requirements of 1.3 million Oregonians for a year.

- PGE's 67.5% of the Trojan plant output provided 34.5% of the total electrical needs of our 440,000 customers in 1977.

- Trojan produced more electricity than any of the other 66 commercial nuclear plants in the United States during four months of the year, and ranked second in four additional months. The plant was down two months for its scheduled annual maintenance.

- Trojan's net total output for 1977 was first in the nation, and second in the Free World -- a pretty good testimonial on its performance.

We thought you should know.

PGE

Black
History
Month

232 3100

THE IRREGULAR
OUTLET STORE

**RUGS &
ROLLS**

Carpet Remnants
and Discontinued
Wallpapers

1010 S. E. POWELL

East end Ross Island Bridge

Hours: 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Fri: 9 A.M. to 9 P.M.

