



They wonder if there will be a Boise next year.

School Board rejects pairing

(Continued from Page 1 Column 6) as in the case of the Early Childhood Centers and Jefferson Performing Arts Program, they are not expected to remain outside of their neighborhood for the duration of their school years. In the case of the Jefferson program, they may attend the school to which they are bused only part of the day. In all cases, White students have the option to return to their neighborhood school if they so choose.

3. The Black community is the only place in the District where no middle school has been established to receive a large number of students who face grade elimination.

4. The Portland School District continues to place more resources and energy into recruiting Black students to transfer out than it does on encouraging White students to transfer to other schools.

5. In order for the District's current desegregation program to be successful, a large number of resident Black students will not be able to attend their neighborhood school for the remaining grade levels that are left.

Again, I repeat, the principles of integration and integration achieved in an equitable manner are the paramount objectives of the Coalition. Methods, approaches, strategies to achieve this may be various and need mutual and continuing work. When the School Board makes a commitment to equity in integration policies which it supports by concrete programs which demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to equity, the Coalition will feel proud not only of its own work but of the School Board as well.

Public Response

Vesia Loving accused the Board of ramrodding a dissatisfactory program down the Black community's throat. "You are supposed to be here to represent all the people. When it comes to Blacks you have a different stan-

ard . . . Why do you want to be elected when you know you're not doing a good job?"

Mrs. Sarah Cogan explained that one-way busing "sends out a negative message about Blacks and the schools in Albina." She suggested that as a start, the Board redraw boundaries within the Sabin/Alameda/Beaumont cluster and the Woodlawn/Vernon/Columbia - Whitaker cluster to desegregate the Black schools in the clusters.

Bill Scott, candidate for the School Board, called the Newman proposal a "basis for constructive dialogue."

Jim McConnell, executive director of PACT, the community veteran program for Southeast Portland said, "PACT recognizes that busing out of the local neighborhoods is not desirable for any community."

"However, PACT, in consideration of the quality of the study and recommendations of the School Coalition, supports the pairing recommendation as the most viable and workable solution to the inequities in the present system and recommends adoption by the School Board."

Steve Buel asked the Board to say what it means. He ridiculed the language of Newman's proposal — "redress substantially," "appropriate latitude," "appropriate priorities," "increase attendance," "include in his considerations," "expeditiously as possible," etc.

Paul Milius said, "I think you have sold the white community short in insisting that your actions in response to citizen's demands for equity should be governed by a nameless few and limited to what is acceptable to the bigoted lunatic fringe."

Following remarks by the audience, the Board passed Newman's resolution. Board members Crowell, McNamara, Newman and Rieke voted Yes. Board member Priestley voted No. Mrs. Wiener was absent.

To a certain part of the community

The following are the comments of Herb Cawthorne to the Portland School Board Monday evening.

I would like to address my comments to a certain part of the community. I don't think we should address our remarks only to the Board of Education. We have attempted to do that, to this point. We have found in the process a concern for politics -- a concern that the white community will not tolerate a fair system of desegregation; that the white community somehow does not like bussing. And the implication is that the Black community does. Because the white community does not like bussing, would not tolerate bussing, somehow those of us in the Coalition who are to be reasonable (the reasonable leaders) must understand that now is just simply not our time; that our time will come if we will be reasonable.

I submit to you that the Board of Education, as it has expressed to us in various other forms, in spite of your opening comments, Mr. McNamara, suggests that Black children must be treated differently if they are to gain integration and that integration does them significantly more good far beyond the good it would do other children.

I, of course, do not believe in that premise. I don't believe that politics should guide your choices as to integration. If you are looking for the kind of harmonious community that you say you are, and if it is a fact that the greatest crime we can do the next generation is to leave them in a segregated situation -- if that is in fact true, then your political ambitions should be set aside and I would hope that you would do that.

I have been discouraged in the process somewhat, but I have also been heartened. I've been discouraged when you said that our concern was excessive or that it was an over reaction. We certainly don't feel that it is.

I say to myself, "Don't get so discouraged that you get uninvolved."

And I would say to the Black parents who know, that in Dr. Blanchard's comments some time ago he said the problem was an over reaction and that white children do share the burden. And Mr. Newman said something similar, that our concern was excessive. To those Black parents who know, that we signed forms when we left the King area or the Humboldt area -- a form that said we could not come back. No white children did that and we know that is

discriminatory.

To the Black mother who is alone and who has children in two different schools, who barely has enough money to make ends meet -- much less the gas to try to be a participant in those schools.

We know that the disciplinary problems are three times as high in terms of suspensions for Black children.

For those of us who know that I ask that we not measure the school district by the response of the School Board in that we still get involved with those well-meaning principals, teachers, parents, students and that we work with them to get out of the system the very best education that we can get -- while we use other methods to attempt to make you understand, whether the white community understands or not. I've talked to many of these people and they understand the inequity. You can sit down and talk to them man to man about the inequity. They don't try to tell you that it doesn't exist and that you are somehow deluded.

They must be a part of the solution. If you try to give us a solution that does not involve white people -- actively, whole heartedly -- it is not a solution. It is still one-way bussing. It says to the Black child, "You are inferior. You must bus. Your schools when you learn together are inferior schools. They cannot be good schools, no matter what we do."

This is a false premise. They can be good schools. I don't believe you can have it both ways, where you can continue to get the support of the Black community by saying to it, "This is good for you", when the testimony that has come before you should convince you that Black people no longer believe that.

Many Black people are saying, "Well, if your response is going to be the way that it has been, why not just give us back our schools? Restore them to K-8; our children can come back; we can get involved in those schools. We will take the responsibility for the low achievement. We'll use the resources we've gotten. In the past ten years we've gotten a lot of people through college, who are educated and who can help. Let them come back. Let us know where they are and we'll deal with them that way."

That's really not a good solution and you know it. But we need to get some leadership from those of you on the Board in expressing to the white community the necessity of doing this, even if they don't like it.



Integration

The Black community has to do it. You find it very easy to express to the Black community its necessity for doing it. It doesn't like it. And I say, why can't that same message be carried by you to the white community.

I say this not in a sense of confrontation with you. I say it in trying to share with you and the public my general feelings regarding the matter.

To the degree that I can speak to Mr. Newman's resolutions, they do not create the atmosphere for two-way movement. Therefore they do not respond to the equity issue.

They do not create an acknowledgment on your part that Black children have been forced, that the schools in their community have been all changed -- whereas the schools in the other communities are only changed when there is a middle school cluster created and there is a

middle school to which those children can go.

But you changed every school in the Black community. Mr. Newman's resolution does not speak to that.

I might conclude my comments by saying that I have a special regard for education and for all the children involved in it. I have a special regard and respect for the efforts Mr. Newman has made up to this point. I speak directly to him because he has been the architect of these programs and I think he has done so with elements of support from the Black community. I do ask that the members of the Board recognize that things do change. Sentiments have changed. The sense that a one-way bussing system is tolerable has changed.

Those of you who may act to this issue politically will do your city a disservice.

BID NO. 98 INVITING PROPOSALS FOR: ANACROBIC DIGESTERS

Sealed proposals will be received in Room 113, City Hall, Portland, Oregon, 97204 until 2:00 P.M. March 22, 1979 for furnishing all materials, equipment and labor for construction of Columbia Blvd. Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Facility, Phase I, Anaerobic Digesters for the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering.

Plans and specifications may be obtained at the above address. For additional information, call Carlton Chayer, Buyer, Purchasing Division, 248-4002.

No proposal or bid will be considered unless accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check or a bid bond, payable to the City of Portland for an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the aggregate amount of the bid as guaranty that the bid shall be irrevocable for the period specified in the proposal. Said bond to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damages should the bidder seek to revoke his offer for any reason not authorized by law and not consented to by City within the irrevocable period, or neglect or refuse to enter into contract and provide a suitable bond for the faithful performance of the contract, in the event the said contract is awarded to him.

NON-DISCRIMINATION: No proposal or bid will be considered unless the bidder is certified as an EEO Affirmative Action Employer as prescribed by Chapter 3.100 of the Code of the City of Portland. All bidders not currently certified should file the required documentation with the Contract Compliance Division, Room 209, City Hall, 1220 S.W. Fifth Avenue, Portland, Oregon, 97204, 248-4696, at least five (5) days prior to the Bid Opening. Failure to achieve certification by the Bid Opening Date and Time shall result in the return of your Bid Unopened.

The City of Portland reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids in whole or in part, and to waive irregularities not affecting substantial rights.

The successful bidder shall be required to certify that he is in compliance with ORS 279.350 relative to prevailing wage rates.

Prequalification of bidders will be required for this project.

Federal Funds will be used in this project and federal provisions relating to Equal Employment Opportunity and the Davis-Bacon Act apply.

There is a \$100 deposit on plans and specifications which is refundable.

Harold F. Vaughan
Purchasing Manager
City of Portland

BID NO. 99 INVITING PROPOSALS FOR: SLUDGE LAGOON REHABILITATION

Sealed proposals will be received in Room 113, City Hall, Portland, Oregon 97204 until 2:00 P.M. March 22, 1979 for furnishing all materials, equipment and labor for construction of Sludge Lagoon Rehabilitation at Columbia Blvd. Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Facilities for the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the City Recorder, 10722 S.E. Main Street, Milwaukie, Oregon, until 2:00 p.m., on Monday, February 26, 1979, for construction of Ardenwald Storm Drainage Improvements in the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, at which time they will be publically opened and read at the City Council Chambers. Bids will be accepted or rejected within thirty (30) days after the date of opening.

The City of Milwaukie is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Each proposal for bid shall be completely sealed in a separate envelope, properly addressed as specified, with the name and address of the bidder and the name of the project plainly written on the outside of the envelope.

The principle items of work are as follows:

1. Installation of approximately 2800 linear feet of 15-inch to 30-inch diameter storm sewer pipe.
2. Installation of 12 manholes.
3. Installation of 21 catch basins.
4. Installation of approximately 400 linear feet of 8-inch and 10-inch diameter storm sewer inlet piping.
5. Restoration of approximately 1376 square yards of asphalt concrete paving.
6. Approximately 2265 square yards of asphalt concrete overlay.
7. Approximately 30 cubic yards of crushed rock surfacing.
8. Approximately 76 cubic yards of select backfill.

The contractors for this work shall furnish labor, materials, equipment, and services of all kinds and complete the work in accordance with the plans and specifications therofore.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the Public Works Department, City Hall, 10722 S.E. Main Street, Milwaukie, Oregon. Plans and specifications may be obtained by application to the Public Works Department. A ten dollar (\$10) non-refundable deposit is required with each application.

Funding for the project is provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Act of 1974, Grant #B-77-DS-41-004, and local contribution.

Bidders on this work must comply with all applicable government requirements including, but not limited to, affirmative action programs and other Equal Opportunity actions as explained in the specifications.

A pre-item bid conference will be held on February 20, 1979 at 1:00 p.m., in the Milwaukie City Council Chambers.

A certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid shall accompany each proposal.

The City of Milwaukie reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive informalities, or to accept any bid which appears to serve the best interests of the City.

The work is divided into sections and it is the intent of the City of Milwaukie to award as many sections of the work as it has funds available.

By order of
the City Council
of Milwaukie, Oregon

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James W. Kerfoot
Recorder-Treasurer