

OBSERVATIONS

from the sidelines

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The exhibit of the work of Jacob Lawrence in the Art Museum's Wentz Gallery drew many talented personalities from the art community so spend a pleasant hour or two gazing at the unusual display of one Black man's art.



HOSEA OWENS

from the Mexican side to the United States? And those 34 million crossed over through the San Ysidro port? And that San Ysidro is the largest "land border port" in the world.

If you didn't have your calculator hand, Owens says that figures boil down to between 88,000 to 95,000 people a day coming through 24 vehicle lanes and 6 pedestrian lanes.

There are four Black Inspectors in the department, two men and two women.

In his church life, Hosea is the moderator of the Presbytery of San Diego, the head of the Presbyterian Church in San Diego and the Imperial County.

He has attained the rank of National Master in bridge.

St. Philip Episcopal Church Choir, augmented by a few extra voices out of the congregation is singing "loud and hearty" to praise the day when St. Philip will be acclaimed as a parish in the diocese.

Father "Bill" Wetzel is inviting well wishers of the church to join in with members of the church when the legislative session of the "Committee on New Parishes and Mission" shall admit St. Philip "into union with the convention as a parish". This all is expected to be finalized on Saturday, October 20, at 9:45 a.m. in the morning. The setting for this historic moment will be the

Holiday Airport Inn where there is sufficient seating available for 400 persons.

Preparation for the event has taken many years of faithful attendance, service and contributions by the congregation of St. Philip but the tempo was heightened through the encouragement and enthusiasm of Father "Bill" who is fond of saying, "I still believe in the Son, though I cannot see the Light".

Father Wetzel refuses to take credit for the accomplishment so nearly achieved, saying only that, "I think it is a tribute to the members of the church who have worked so hard and diligently to make this occasion happen. I feel that St. Philip people were enabled to exercise their own leadership; a lot of people pulled together to bring the organization to this point. The people have done the work."

St. Rita's Catholic Church in Park Rose will open its doors Thursday evening for the beginning of the 91st meeting of the Oregon Episcopal Diocesan Convention.

At 7:00 a.m. mass of Friday, October 19, prior to that day's legislative session, Rev. Father Wetzel will be the celebrant at St. Matthews Episcopal Church.

St. Matthews Church is also asking for parish status and is acting as co-host, along with the people of St. Philip, for the three day convention.

Leaving her world of academia, Portland family and friends, Florice Walker packed her bag, her furniture and her spotless Mercedes-Benz and put them all in one of those nice big moving vans and moved to Philadelphia, Pa. last week.

For several years Ms. Walker was Research Assistant to the president of Portland State University. She had many responsible duties centering around personnel policies and procedures of faculty hiring, promotion and tenure in this position. Curriculum considerations also went over her desk and she played an important role when new want to be policemen and firemen, whom also the youngsters see coming to the aid of people in everyday life."

Florice Walker wanted to try a new field, and her new employing



FLORICE WALKER

agency gives her a fresh and new path to cut.

Her new job is with MOBIL Oil in its Eastern Regional Office that takes care of seven eastern states. Her new title is Employee Relations Advisor and she will be involved in Career Development, principally. In her domain, however, will also be Labor Relations, Safety, and other concerns of the Personnel department as her part of the Corporation's operations.

Her parents, Wilson and Carmen Walker, now have an empty nest with all three of their off-spring living East, West and South.

Florice was Recording Secretary of her sorority Alpha Kappa Alpha and will, no doubt affiliate with sorors in Pennsylvania. She intends to continue with her activities with the National office of the NAACP as a Security worker who directed security for the VIPs visiting conventions, engaging motorcycle escorts working with local police in any given city. Provisions already have been made with Mobil for Florice to be in New Orleans with the NAACP in April of 1980.

Portland's loss is Philadelphia's gain. Florice is an accomplished cook, likes to sew and to swim, and she makes a zesty bottle of wine out of rose hips that's like mellow brandy. Come home again soon Florice!

Next show for Goldsby is slated for the "Sandpiper Gallery" down on the coast at Cannon Beach from November 10 thru November 19. The artist himself will be on hand each day for the afternoon visitors. Might add that to the list of "things to do at the beach."

Conrad Peter (Pete) McConnell is now a political reporter for the Oregon Journal. Pete has moved to Salem to be near the hub of Oregon politics but he commutes every week end to visit his family and friends in Portland.

Pete's Mother, Ms. Geri Christian, is entertaining her cousin, Hosea Owens of San Diego. Owens is a Supervisory Immigration Inspector for the federal government at San Ysidro, California at the U.S. border between San Diego and Tijuana, Mexico.

Owens, not involved in inspection of agriculture products, or customs demands, works primarily with people. He has a staff of from eight to thirty inspectors working on a regular shift who interrogate people seeking to enter the United States.

Owens used to be a statistician for his department for seven years of the fourteen years he has been in the department, and he was handy with a few statistics to toss out.

For instance, did you know that in 1978, in one year, there were 34 Million people who crossed over

Youth shift goals from singer to professional

A mini-survey conducted by the world's foremost choir robe designer may hold implications for every Black church in America.

For his findings, renowned religious garment manufacturer Henri O'Bryant of Hollywood went to the lowest common denominator of Los Angeles' powerful 3,000-member Mt. Moriah Baptist Church — its children.

O'Bryant interviewed 100 young people in the church's children's choir, aged four to fourteen, asking them simple questions about their ambitions. Median age of the youthful respondents was ten years. Two-thirds were girls.

The findings:

Twenty of the children wanted to be nurses, sixteen wanted to be teachers, eight each wanted to be policemen and lawyers, four aspired to be secretaries, six each chose doctor and fireman, four each selected fashion model, actress, beautician, pilot and preacher. One each said he or she wanted to be a pharmacist, dentist, stenographer or "boss".

Only one ambioned to be a gospel singer. Eleven did not know.

Interestingly, one eleven-year-old said he wanted to be "President of the U.S.A." And another boy, thirteen, said he plans to become a spray painter.

O'Bryant says the fact that only one child, a boy, said he wanted to be a gospel singer is significant — in view of the church's impressive record of spawning well-known gospel singers, including the founding pastor, the late Dr. Earl Pleasant, and the present pastor, Reverend M.V. Wade, Sr. The late Thurston Frazer also came from Mt. Moriah.

Beatrice Hamilton, director of the children's choir, inspired most of these stars as youngsters.

"The shift away from ambitions to be singers or actors towards the professions and service occupations may merely reflect what the children see in and around the church,"

O'Bryant says.

"For instance, Mt. Moriah has one of the strongest nurse's corps in the country. Reverend Wade points out that these nurses are highly visible when coming to the aid of church members during the Sunday service. There may be a correlation between this and the children who want to be policemen and firemen, whom the youngsters see coming to the aid of people in everyday life."

O'Bryant says that since the Black church remains the strongest force in the Black community, it is incumbent on Black churchgoers to realize that they are the main models — the "superstars" — after which Black children pattern their lives.

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 - 3) Ms. Barbara T., Inglewood, CA., had a man who left home for another woman. She called Rev. Hoskins with tears in her voice. She wanted him back! Now he is back and eating out of her hand.
 - 4) Mr. Paul, Los Angeles, CA., was in a fix and rooted by this woman. As a result he lost his nature for other women, but through Rev. Hoskins' work, Paul regained his nature and became luckier than ever with women, money and his business.
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