



Lincoln High School senior Robin Luryne Marks became the first Black Queen of Portland's Rose Festival. Queen Robin is the daughter of Maggie and Richard Marks.

(Photo by: Richard J. Brown)



Princess Chalaunda Parker of District No. 2 participates in the Rose planting ceremony (Right).

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## What do you think?

By Paul McCoy

### A. What do you think of a Draft? (Armed Forces)

A. Sunny Joens - Student PCC, from Liberia.

This country should be able to defend itself. There should be a draft. Look at Iran. I would not like to see America go to war because any war the U.S. is in will lead to a world war.

A. Betty Lund, Co-owner of the Trophy Room Tavern.

I have a son who is in the draftable age. Of course I would not like to see him go, but, we must have people ready to defend our country. The draft is the only way we can be sure we have enough people to defend ourselves. I do not like the idea of a draft but agree that it is necessary.

A. Dale Lamb - store clerk Plaid Pantry.

The draft should be started up again. I'm in the Navy. With things the way they are, volunteers just don't work out. Most volunteers are not good for the service. They come in, find out they don't like it, then try and get out. With a draft they would get more variety of people with different backgrounds. With the draft you get much better people.

A. Vernon Ambus - unemployed veteran.

I've been in the Army and Navy and hated both. I'm against the draft, but, unless a brother can find a legal way to avoid it, he should go. Canada will probably be involved in any war the U.S. gets into, so Canada is out. The service does have some advantages. It offers a brother the chance to learn, travel and see the world. If you're not into something positive, you should go in. Brothers always are talking about revolution. How are you going to fight a revolution if you

don't learn how to use weapons? I'm totally against a draft because of its implications involving Black people. But if you have to go you can get a lot out of it.

A. Maxine Riehl, Co-owner, Toot and Tell.

I have a son who volunteered in the Navy. I don't feel it is fair to make anybody do something they don't want to do. If they volunteer it would seem they would want to go in. I'm against the draft of men or women, but if they want to go they can. It's not a woman's place.

A. Ronald Allen, Census Bureau worker.

I definitely disapprove of it. I think we need somebody to be ready to fight, but, I don't feel I should have to go. I don't get treated fair in this country now, why should I go fight? When the war is over, I will still be treated unfairly. It would be doing more than my share to go fight for this country. The people who get drafted are usually those who have not got jobs. If you are Black, unemployed, your chance of going are high, if you die there, you will not get recognition. If you do something outstanding maybe in fifty years someone will look it up and see you had great contributions then forget about you. No draft.

A. Gary Riehl - sheetmetal worker - Swan Island.

I feel we should start the paper work as far as registration goes, so we don't get caught with our pants down. In case of a national alert the government should have some type of estimate as to how many men we have ready to go. I'm not talking about a Vietnam or Iran, but if something should happen in Mexico or Cuba, America should be in position to move. If a draft is what we need we should do it. As far as women are concerned, what can I say? If they want to go, those that do should be allowed. Is that fair?

## Popular minister preaches at Allen Temple

By popular demand the Reverend Dr. Jesse L. Douglas of Kansas City, Missouri returns to Portland to conduct Revival Services at Allen Temple C.M.E. Church June 16th through June 20th. The services will begin each night at 7:30.

Reverend Douglas is the noted Gospel singer and preacher who has been coming each year to Portland for the past five years. He is pastor of the Jamison Memorial Temple of the Christian Methodist Episcopal church in Kansas City, Missouri. He has travelled throughout the nation since he last appeared in Portland. He was invited to Birmingham,

Alabama to appear as guest at the inauguration of the newly elected Mayor of Birmingham.

The revival service is open to all people of the city. Several churches and choirs of churches in the city will be participating in the service each night. Monday, June 16th, Mount Olivet Baptist Church and Faith Tabernacle Church choirs; Tuesday, June 17th, Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church and Mt. Gillard Missionary Baptist Church choirs; Wednesday, June 18th, Bethel A.M.E. Church and Community A.M.E. Zion Church choirs; Thursday, June 19th is designated

as youth night and New Hope Baptist Church and Morning Star Baptist Church choirs; Friday night, June 20th Maranatha Church and the choir of Allen Temple C.M.E. Church.

These choir and pastors and members and associate ministers, along with Allen Temple choirs and ministers will be engaged in serious services of Revival and salvation for all who will attend and hear the word. The Allen Temple C.M.E. Church is located at 4236 N.E. 8th Avenue, corner of N.E. 8th and Skidmore. Rev. T.L. Strayhand, Pastor.

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