

## Sweepstakes winner



SUSIE PAPE

Susie Pape of Eugene, receiving keys to a new 1983 Audi 5000S from William Wentzek, Vice President, Service, Porsche Audi Northwest, Inc. Mrs. Pape won the Audi 5000S in Volkswagen of America's Spring Service and Parts Sweepstakes. The sweepstakes are part of Volkswagen of America Corporate Service and Parts Division's direct mail program, After-market Target Merchandising (ATM). There were over 42,000 entrants in the drawing. The vehicle was the Grand Prize in the nationwide contest which was presented at Centennial Porsche Audi on Centennial Loop.

## Les Femmes scholarship tea



THE LATE MRS. TRESSIE DIXON

The Les Femmes held its annual scholarship tea Sunday, August 15, 1982, at the home of Mrs. Charles Black. In special tribute to the late Mrs. Tressie Dixon, long-time club member and civic activist, the tea featured a memorial scholarship to be given during 1982 to a community youth. Mrs. Dixon was past commandress, Mina Court #142, Daughters of Isis, past worthy matron, Order of Eastern Star, Imperial Directress of the Isiserettes, a youth group of the Daughters of Isis, member of the Literary Research Club, the Portland Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Oregon Association of Colored Women's Clubs; was active in the PTA, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and was an active member of the Mount Olivet Baptist Church of Portland.

Les Femmes was organized in 1951 at St. Phillip's Episcopal Church Parish House by a group of women who recognized the need for a program to encourage social growth and development of black youth of the community. Leadership training, community service, personal guidance and development are the major thrusts emphasized in working with the youth.

Les Femmes annually presents youth who graduated from high school the previous June as debutantes and cavaliers at a ball which is held in December of each year. This debutante and cavalier ball serves as the climatic event of the training for the young women and men. A scholarship is awarded each debutante and cavalier.

Mrs. Betty Stephens is president of Les Femmes and Mrs. Betty Thompson is chairman of the Scholarship Committee. The public is invited to attend the Scholarship Tea

# Black voting-age population rises to 17 million

The number of voting-age blacks rose 44 per cent from 12 million in 1970 to 17 million in 1980, with four states reporting a black electorate of one million or more, according to a new report from the Commerce Department's Census Bureau.

New York in 1980 had the largest number of voting age blacks (1.6 million) followed by California, Texas, and Illinois. The increase reflects the lowered voting eligibility to 18 years in all states, and growth of the black population, up 17.5 per cent from 1970.

Two-thirds of the District of Columbia's electorate is black. States with the highest proportion of voting-age blacks are Mississippi (31 per cent), South Carolina and Louisiana (27 per cent), Georgia (24 per cent), Alabama (23 per cent), Maryland (21 per cent), North Carolina (20 per cent) and Virginia (17 per cent).

In 1980, blacks comprised 10.5 per cent of the total voting-age population nationally, with 53 per cent living in the South. In 1980 9.8 million blacks reported being registered

while 8.3 million reported voting in the 1980 election.

The black outmigration from the South that began in World War I and which spread settlement of blacks throughout the United States until the mid-'70s considerably equalized the regional distribution of blacks. Nevertheless, one in every six persons of voting age in the South was black in 1980.

The Spanish-origin voting age population comprised about 5.5 per cent of the total electorate in 1980.

California and Texas together contained half of the Spanish-origin electorate (2.8 million and 1.8 million), followed by New York (1.1 million) and Florida (629,000). Nearly 70 per cent of the Hispanic voting-age population resided in these four states.

The report notes that women are the majority of the voting-age population in all states except Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada, and Wyoming. It projects that the nation's voting age population will reach 170 million in

November 1982, a 5 million increase over the total for the 1980 election and 29 million more than in November, 1972.

Copies of the report, *Projections of the Population of Voting Age for States: November 1982, Series P-23, No. 916*, (GPO Stock No. 003-001-91411-5), are available for \$2.25 each prepaid from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C., 20402, or from Commerce district offices in major cities.

# WILL YOU BE EQUIPPED FOR TRI-MET'S NEW SPEED EQUIPMENT?

Right now, this very minute, Tri-Met mechanics are working quite feverishly to finish installing some very important equipment on all 650 Tri-Met buses. By September 5.

Equipment like you'll find on no other buses in America. Only in Europe.

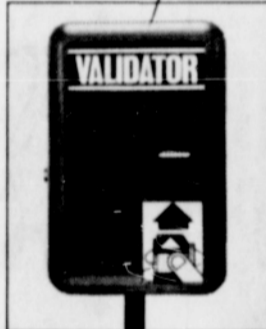
Equipment that treats riders like adults, giving them a little responsibility and considerable benefits.

**SELF-SERVICE MEANS SPEEDIER SERVICE.**

Is this some kind of turbo-charger for the engine or exotic new suspension for flatter cornering?

Uh, not quite. What it is, is self-service fare equipment.

Namely, a ticket Validator and a ticket Dispenser. If this sounds a bit anti-climactic, press on. The good part is yet to come.



**HANDY NEW 10-RIDE SPEEDING TICKETS.**

What these new machines do is let the rider concentrate on ticketing, and the driver concentrate on driving.

For example, instead of a ticket book, you can buy 10-Ride Tickets. Each one is handy to carry and good for ten rides. Just walk on the bus and stick it in the Validator. Whap, bam! It's automatically "punched" and imprinted with date, time and zone.

If you transfer buses, this validated ticket is your transfer. No need to get a special slip and no need to board the front door of the second bus.

**CASH FARES AND PASSES MOVE FASTER TOO.**

But how can you board the rear doors you ask?

Same way you've been boarding the front doors all these years. One step at a time. Because, as of September 5, most (if not all) buses will be equipped with rear opening doors for boarding.

Which means passholders can board back there too. That's right, no need to show the driver your pass!

As for cash-paying customers, they must still board the bus up front, tell the driver their destination (or what zone



they are traveling to), and drop the exact amount into the farebox. He'll punch a button and the ticket Dispenser will issue a single ride ticket complete with date, time and zone. (This, too, doubles as a transfer.)

**ENTER THE FARE INSPECTOR.**

So who's going to check and make sure everyone's keeping honest?

Fare Inspectors. They'll be boarding buses at random, frequently, to check for "Proof of Payment." Those who don't have it



won't be thrown in solitary confinement, but they could be tabbed for a \$20 surcharge fare.

**NEW DIRECT ROUTES MAKE OUR BUSES EVEN FASTER.**

Besides these major improvements in the buses, we've made some equally major improvements in our routes. Especially east of the river and in the north and northwest areas.

More buses, more service, more direct routes. So at last you can travel straight across town without ever going downtown. If you wish.

**TAKE A FREE SPEED RIDING COURSE.**

Does all of this mean riding the bus is going to be difficult? No. Just different. In fact, once everybody gets the hang of it, these really will be the fastest buses in the country. Not only in boarding, but eventually in traveling time; because we'll be able to cut minutes off many routes.

To make it all happen, of course, each rider needs to know his or her own zones, routes, tickets, etc.

So, as you've probably seen, Tri-Met has been holding Bus School aboard big yellow demonstration buses. If you haven't attended yet, call 233-3511 for the location of the one nearest you and spend ten minutes or so walking through.

For now, the best way to get all the nitty gritty information is to send for our free Speed Riding Manual. Just clip the coupon below and mail it in. Fast.

That way, when September 5 and our buses roll around, you'll already be up to speed.

**TRI-MET**

Dear Tri-Met:

I want to learn more about how to ride America's Fastest Buses. Please send me a copy of your Speed Riding Manual which explains in detail the new equipment, zones, and routes.

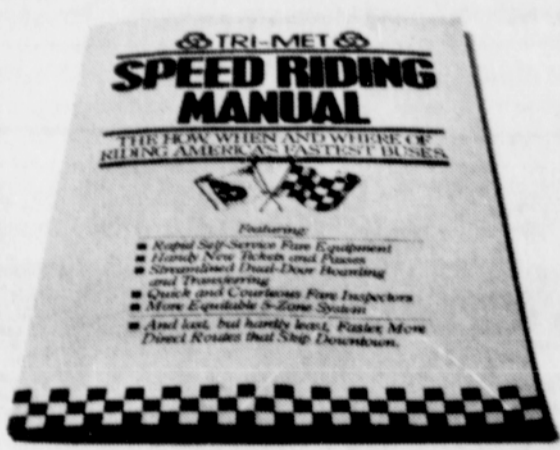
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Mail to: Tri-Met, c/o 925 N.E. Everett, Portland, Oregon 97232



# AMERICA'S FASTEST BUSES ARE COMING TO PORTLAND SEPT. 5