

OBSERVATIONS

FROM THE SIDELINES
by Kathryn Hall Bogle



Galvin Irby, vice president of Alpha Phi Alpha Chapter and Chair of Seminar; George Hendrix, President of Epsilon Zeta Lambda Chapter, and Willis Harris, Secretary and M.C. of seminar, compare notes.

MORE THAN 150 prospective college students, many with their parents, crowded into the cafeteria of the Cascade Campus of Portland Community College last Friday evening to learn *where* to get money to go to college and *how* to get it. All of them were guests of the members of the Epsilon Zeta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., who were hosts and guides for the evening.

The local chapter of the 76-year-old national fraternity had also invited financial aid specialists from 11 colleges and universities as well as experts from the U.S. Army, the U.S. Navy, and the U.S. Air Force, to help students learn the "financial aid game" and how to make it work for them.

Students sat with their parents a long table while the experts at finance ringed the room at small tables accessible for later question-and-answer periods. Football games and other Friday night entertainment took second place to student interest in how to obtain jobs, loans and grants to defray college expenses.

Willis Williams, acting as moderator, opened the program sympathetically, recognizing the stress families may feel in planning financial assistance for young adults wanting to go to college. Galvin Irby, vice-president and chair of the

seminar, introduced Dr. William Rieke, president of Pacific Lutheran University, the keynote speaker of the evening.

Joseph Bowman introduced the four members of a panel of speakers who told the students: "If you have the will, we will help you find the way." Panelists were: Ollie M. Johnson of Portland Community College, who urged prospective students to fill out their scholarship applications *early* in January; Barbara Ward, a high school counsellor, who urged the students to use the services of the school counsellors; Tony Hopkins, also a high school counsellor, explained "how to survive" in college (positive attitudes, participation in campus life, how to handle pressure from peers); and Ramel Moore of Portland State University, who told the hopeful students to work hard for grades in high school and then plan to "work even harder in college."

Students and their parents later swarmed around a dozen resource representatives from the University of Portland, Reed College, Lewis and Clark College, Cascade Community College, Portland State University, Pacific University, Concordia College, Oregon State University, University of Oregon, the Oregon Scholarship Commission, and the Army, the Navy and the Air Force.

Shelby Golden, Judge Belton Hamilton, Jr., Earl Johnson, Dr. Clarence Pruitt, Edward Waddy, Dr. Walter Reynolds, Harry Ward, Dr. Edward Ward, Senator William McCoy, and Wilson Walker, with Carl Deiz, treasurer, and Willis Williams, secretary. George Hendrix is chapter president.



Oregon State University representatives discuss finances with inquiring students at seminar.

Other members of Alpha Phi Alpha were listed as Dr. T. A. Dennis,

OVER 500 happy people were invited to be guests of Zeta Nu Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., at the Omega "Appreciation Dance" last Saturday evening at the Marriott Hotel.

The party was a relaxed one with dressy casual the order of the evening. The Omegas were saying "thank you" to their supporting friends who had contributed to funds building three separate \$500 scholarships which Omega awarded to three separate students earlier this year.

Kenneth Adair "em-ceed" the affair. Cornett Ferrell is Keeper of Finances for the local organization; Fred Jackson, Keeper of Records; the Rev. Wayne Reynolds is pastor; Dr. Patrick Grant is vice basileus. Alert Mouton heads the local chapter as basileus.

IF YOU DIDN'T see *Say Amen Somebody*, do see it at the Clinton Theatre on Clinton Street in

S.E. Portland. It begins a run there about the time you read this. There are lots of laughs in *Say Amen*, and a lot of good gospel sung by Thomas Dorsey who wrote a lot of the songs out of the Black experience during the '30s. Dorsey is called the "Father of Gospel Music." Willie May Smith does her share of singing this real soul music while you pat your foot and maybe dab at your eyes once in a while. There is so much harmony there and a beat that is strong and right on.

The Sunday, October 16, afternoon shows will halt for a three-o'clock intermission long enough for you to hear the popular local Joyful Sounds Gospel Choir of Margaret Carter deliver its joyful sounds. The whole show is for your whole family on a Sunday afternoon—or any evening. But, see it Sunday at 3:00 p.m. You won't ever forget it. It's an experience!

THE BLACK WOMEN'S Network is planning to sponsor a "Family Community Leadership Conference" set for October 22 under the team leadership of Cal Williams of the Oregon State University Extension Service. Other members of the network will teach the workshop, along with invited speakers.

Topics to be taught include: Managing Conflict Creatively; One Step Away (How to get involved, etc.); Leadership Styles; Effective Meetings; and Verbal Communication (explores the power of communicating).

"How to Communicate with Elected Officials" will be taught by friends of the Black Women's Network. Among lecturers will be: Nellie Fox, AFL-CIO; Calvin Henry, Oregon State Secretary's Office; Jim Hill, State Representative; Kay Toran, Governor's Office, and Gladys McCoy, Multnomah County Commissioner. Ron Wyden will explain communication techniques.

Stephanie Michael chairs Black Women's Network, and Gloria Fluker is vice-president.

Community Calendar

Jesse Jackson For President? Ron Herndon, Black United Front co-chair, will speak at the Portland Citizens Party discussion of this question, at the Citizens Party's general meeting, Sunday, Oct. 16th, 4-6 p.m., at the PACT Senior Center, 3588 S.E. Division. Also discussed will be the recent Citizens Party national convention. The public is invited.

Open House to welcome Nicaraguan Jurists, Saturday, Oct. 15th, 6-8:30 p.m., 2748 N.E. 9th. Wine and cheese provided. The jurists will speak at the University of Portland at 3:00 p.m.—call 635-3942 or 281-1500 for more information.

Flu Clinics scheduled by Multnomah County—Oct. 14: Rose City Park Presbyterian Church, NE 44th and Sandy Blvd., 1-3 p.m.; Oct. 17, Urban League Senior Center, 4128 N.E. Union, 1-2:30 p.m.; Oct. 18, Schunk Towers, 8832 N. Syracuse, 12:30-3:30 p.m.; Oct. 21, Peninsula Senior Center, 7508 N. Hereford, 1-3 p.m.

Ballet Nacional Espanol premiers at Portland Civic Auditorium, 8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 20th. Tickets are now on sale at Celebrity Attractions, 1010 SW Morrison St., or phone 226-4371.

Free classes for Portland's Indian youth: Oct. 18, at Mt. Scott Community Center, 5530 SE 72nd, *Beading with Marie Brown*, Tuesdays 3:30-6:00 p.m.; Oct. 19, at Washington High School, 531 S.E. 14th Ave., *Total Caring Seminar for young men and young women*, Wednesdays 4:00-6:00 p.m. For further information contact Rose Chasing Hawk, 225-1280.

29th Annual Pacific Coast Council On Latin American Studies Conference: Oct. 13, 14, 15, at Portland State University. The Conference features an interesting group of symposia and panel discussions representing a wide variety of academic disciplines. For more information, call 229-3197/229-3423.

Gray Panthers conference on health, housing and peace, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 15, Northwest Service Center, NW 18th and Everett. For more information call Jo Aughinbaugh, 223-1545.

District 15 Democrats Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, Oct. 19th, 7 p.m., at Neil Kelly Designers (use rear entrance), corner of N. Alberta at Albina.

"The Crisis, The Church, The People," lecture on the Church in Central America by William L. Wipfler, 11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 13, Vollum College Center Lecture Hall, Reed College, 3203 SE Woodstock Boulevard, Portland, OR 97202.

El Salvador: Another Vietnam and Seeds of Revolution, two films on Central America, 7 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 18th, in Eliot 314, Reed College, 3203 S.E. Woodstock. Tickets \$1.

The Sky's The Limit Auction, St. Andrew Parish 10th Annual Auction, Saturday, Oct. 22, 7:00 p.m., St. Andrew Community Center, 806 N.E. Alberta. For more information call 281-4430.

Black United Front Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 13th, King Neighborhood Facility, NE 7th & Alberta

Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods Meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 18th, 7 p.m., King Neighborhood Facility, N.E. 7th & Alberta.

Woodlawn Improvement Association Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 19th, Oddfellows Hall, 700 N.E. Dekum.

Portland Branch NAACP monthly meeting slated

The Portland Branch NAACP will meet at its usual time, the third Sunday of the month, October 16th at 4:00 p.m., at the Hughes Memorial Church, 111 N.E. Failing, Reverend Wayne Reynolds, host pastor.

The newly appointed Labor and Industry Chairman, Linda Torrence, will be introduced at this meeting and will give a report of her Committee's findings in regard to the 10% set-aside required for minorities on contracts using federal funds. The Committee's first investigation is into the Banfield widening being done by Tri-Met. According to Hazel G. Hays, Branch President, she has asked the committee on Labor and Industry to make

monitoring of this 10 percent set-aside their first item of business. Other Labor Committee members are James Posey and "Skip" Collier.

The Branch will also hear a report from Gail Washington, the Chairman of ACTSO.

President Hays wishes the community to take not again that the Portland Branch NAACP office is now at the King Neighborhood Facility. The Branch has no meeting rooms of its own, and relies on the hospitality of the churches in the Northeast area to host the branch for its meetings on the third Sunday of the month. The November 20 meeting will be at St. Paul Church of God in Christ, 2859 N.E. Rodney, Bishop J.C. Foster, host.

Portland Gray Panthers meet

Ruth Haefner, co-founder, with Rep. Ron Wyden, of the Portland Gray Panthers, will be on hand to greet members and friends attending the organization's Fall Conference, October 15th.

Dr. Donald Wheeler, a progres-

sive economist, will speak on "Economic Depression: Causes and Cures." Wheeler's experience includes teaching and economic research in the U.S. and Canada, employment with the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) during World War II, and operating a dairy farm

in Washington.

The conference, which will begin at 9:10 a.m. at the Northwest Service Center, 1819 S.W. Everett, will include workshops on Peace, Housing, Health, and Nursing Homes. The public is invited.

Reagan South Arica policy condemned

A conference on apartheid held in Washington, D.C., October 4th, opened a drive to force all presidential candidates to support mandatory sanctions against the Pretoria regime.

Speakers denounced Ronald Reagan's "constructive engagement" with the South African government and then overwhelmingly approved a resolution outlining a program to make reversal of that policy a top

priority in the 1984 elections. Hosting the meeting were Congressional Black Caucus members Julian Dixon (D-California), Ron Dellums (D-California), John Conyers (D-Michigan), George Crockett (D-Michigan), William Gray (D-Pa.), and Charles Hayes (D-Ill.)

Rep. Gray charged that Reagan's "Constructive engagement" policy has been "nothing but a policy of rapprochement with apartheid" which has strengthened apartheid.

The policy, he said, has encouraged South Africa's open military aggression against Mozambique, Lesotha, Zimbabwe, Zambia and Angola.

Gray said his bill, which prohibits new corporate investment in South Africa, will be offered as an amendment to Title III of the Export Administration Act.

Rep. Crockett denounced Reagan for supporting South Africa in its sabotage of Namibian independence using the demand for withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola as a pretext. "In my view, South Africa must be made to face certain penalties for its intransigence on these issues."

The CBC favors sanctions including a ban on Import-Export Bank and International Monetary Fund credit and loans, corporate and bank disinvestments from South Africa, terminating export of U.S. computers and other high tech, and an end to U.S. support of South Africa's nuclear industry.

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