

METROPOLITAN

Portlanders get appointments

Representative Ed Leek (D-Portland) was appointed last week to serve on the Joint Interim Committee on Sunset Review and the House Task Force on Hazardous Substances in the Workplace.

In making the appointments Speaker Kerans said, "Rep. Leek deserves these committee assignments. Throughout the regular and special sessions, he expressed his concern about toxic substances and fought for the working man and woman in this state. In addition, he is keenly aware of the limits of government and will be an asset to the diligent efforts of the Sunset Review committee."

"I am delighted to serve on two such diverse committees," said Rep. Leek.



JANE CEASE

and productivity in state government. And the Hazardous Substances Task Force allows me the opportunity to once again try to improve the health and quality of life in the workplace for Oregon's workforce."

The Interim Committee on Sunset Review was created during the regular session by HB 2940. The committee will review criteria determining whether a state agency should be continued or terminated, and review agencies proposed to come into existence. It will hear testimony and make recommendations to the 1985 Legislature.

Toxic substances was a major issue in the regular session, although legislative efforts to protect workers from exposure to dangerous chemicals were stymied. The House Task Force on Hazardous Substances in the Workplace will work to develop

compromise legislation concerning the labeling and use of toxic substances, for consideration by the 1985 Legislative Assembly.

Jane Cease

Representative Jane Cease (D-Portland) was appointed Tuesday by House Speaker Grattan Kerans to co-chair the Joint Interim Committee on Motor Vehicle Code, and to serve on the Joint Interim Committee on Revenue and School Finance.

The Interim Committee on Motor Vehicle Code, mandated by the passage of HB 2031 during the regular session, will be co-chaired by Senator Dell Isham. The committee, comprised of members with a transportation and/or legal background, will study revisions made to the Oregon Motor Vehicle Code to insure that no substantive changes were inadvertently created. It will also recommend new changes which were not in the scope of the 1983 revision, provide a process for public input,

and report its findings and recommendations to the 1985 Legislative Assembly.

The Joint Interim Committee on Revenue and School Finance will study issues related to taxation such as "Son of Measure 3," and ways to finance public education. The Committee will meet in the next couple of weeks to formally develop a workplan.

Charles Jordan

KANSAS CITY, MO—Portland City Commissioner Charles R. Jordan, commissioner of public affairs, was elected last week to the 65-member Board of Trustees of the National Recreation and Park Association.

A private, non-profit organization, the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is a leading national advocate for enhanced park and recreation opportunities in America.

Headquartered in metropolitan Washington, D.C., NRPA speaks on park and recreational issues.



ED LEEK

"The Sunset Review Committee is dedicated to something which I have long advocated—efficiency

Portland schools report card

Dr. Matthew Prophet, Superintendent of the Portland Public Schools, will report to the School Board Thursday night that the district's elementary students' achievement grew substantially in reading, mathematics and language use at every grade level. Achievement is above the national level in each grade and subject and the relative levels of achievement are greater the higher the grade level.

The achievement of Black students has been, on the average, two grade levels lower than that of white students. Since the Board adopted the recommendation of Dr. Asa Hilliard, its chief consultant on the Desegregation Plan, that student achievement be the main goal, Black student achievement has risen faster than that of white students.

The rate of gain of average Black student achievement scores in the last two years for the three basic skills has been 67 percent higher than that of white students. In mathematics and reading the gain has been over 100 percent, or twice that of white students.

One of Dr. Prophet's main goals has been to upgrade the Early Childhood Education Centers in inner Northeast Portland.

Eliot exceeded the district average in all subjects and grades, except third grade mathematics, in the Spring 1983 tests. Eliot and Irvington historically have scored at the district average. Over the past three years Sabin has showed consistent growth and by Spring of 1983 was about average.

The remaining ECECs—Humboldt, King, Woodlawn, and Boise—are growing at about the same rate

as the district average but have at least one or more grade level groupings functioning well below the district average.

The meeting will be held Thursday evening, October 27, 7:30 p.m., at the Educational Center on N. Dixon.

Additional topics to be covered in the report on the Comprehensive Desegregation Plan include: student discipline (suspension and expulsion rates); dropouts; curriculum; staff training; minority hiring; multi-cultural education.

Black mayoral fund raiser set

A reception and fund-raiser for Wilson Goode, Democratic candidate for Mayor of Philadelphia, will be held on November 4th in Portland. The affair, hosted by Fred Milton, is an attempt to show support and solidarity for Goode, who faces the voters on November 8th.

Goode's opponents, both white, are former Philadelphia Stock Exchange President John Eagan, an ex-Democrat who switched parties to become the Republican candidate; and City Controller Thomas Leonard, a Democrat running as an independent. Goode won the Democratic primary, defeating former mayor Frank Rizzo, a symbol of oppression against Black citizens.

The event will be held at the Flower King Florist, 3024 N.E. Union (at the Union Square shopping center), from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information call Dave Moffit at 224-1129 (afternoons). Suggested donation is \$5.

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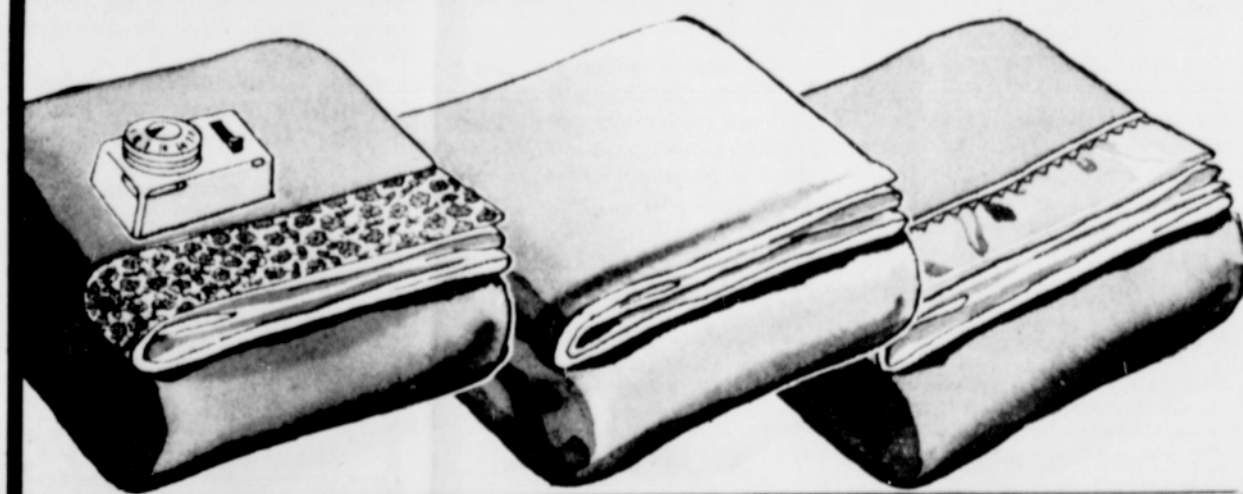
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