

METROPOLITAN

Youthful pals reunited

by Lanita Duke

GRASSROOT NEWS, N.W.—A chance meeting between three men who frolicked and studied together as boys occurred Thursday afternoon at Big Al's Bar B.Q. on North Williams Avenue.

It started when trucker Raymond Cobb drove up Union Avenue in search of the Jubitz Truck Stop. "I've been coming through Portland for 12 years. I never knew Blacks lived here in any numbers. When I started driving up Union Ave., I said 'Wow, I'm going through the 'hood' (neighborhood)."

He parked his rig and was noticed by Robert E. Bailey and James L. Washington, Sr., who invited Cobb into Winchell's Donut House for coffee. They sat there for an hour, talking generally, until Bailey mentioned a small town in Ohio and their collective memory shifted into high gear.

"I came to find out that my mother knew his mother," Cobb said. It was that revelation which led all three back to a campground in West Middlesex, Pennsylvania. A campground built by Blacks in the early 1900's for nationwide members of the Church of God religious denomination to fellowship together.

Washington and Cobb are from Toledo, Ohio, and Bailey is from Washington Courthouse, Ohio. As children, they gathered once a year at the campground.

Bailey said, "The white arm of the Church of God wants to claim the campground, but we want to put the campground in its rightful place in Black society."

Washington said his grandfather was the finance chairman and that Blacks would save money in their

socks to pay for and build upon the land.

"Although life has put a lot of pressures on us, we can look back on a good upbringing. This legacy needs to be passed on," Bailey added.

Washington, Cobb and Bailey grew up, left Ohio and careers and families led them in different directions. They rejoiced when they met and together remembered their childhood.

Expressing a cautious outlook for the future, Bailey said, "I don't see

today's youth having respect for themselves." Washington and Cobb nodded in agreement.

"I blame the parents for children not knowing or learning. Our children have to learn that this world owes them nothing, will give them nothing and we must demand something more from them."

"The young ones coming up are going to have greater problems because they have not had the discipline we had as kids. It is up to us to train our children and teach them what the world is like."



Raymond Cobb, Robert A. Bailey and James L. Washington, Sr., share memories at Big Al's Bar B.Q. (Photo: Richard J. Brown)

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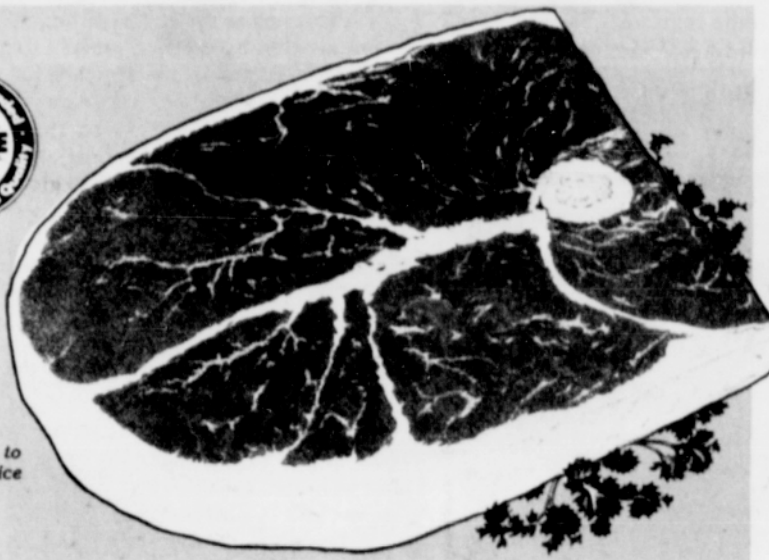
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There are ten elected officials in Oregon who are Black. In support of the purpose of the Oregon Black Political Convention, they are:
The Honorable William (Bill) McCoy, State Senator, D-Portland
The Honorable Jim Hill, State Representative, D-Salem
The Honorable Mercedes Deiz, Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge
The Honorable Aaron Brown, Jr., Multnomah County District Court Judge
The Honorable Gladys McCoy, Multnomah County Commissioner
The Honorable Charles Jordan, Portland City Commissioner
The Honorable Jewel Hines, Gladstone City Councilman
The Honorable Herb Cawthorne, Portland School Board Member
The Honorable James Harris, Beaverton School Board Member
The Honorable Daisy Hayes, Mt. Scott Water District Commissioner

The fee is \$15.00 per person. That includes registration, luncheon, and refreshments for the breaks.

Prostitution meeting

The Council for Prostitution Alternatives is having a community gathering at the King Neighborhood Facility on April 10, 1984 at 7:30 p.m. in the King School Cafeteria. The three council members who will be there to facilitate the presentation will explain a proposed project to impact prostitution in the community. All interested persons are welcome.



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