



Byron Kunisawa, nationally recognized lecturer and writer on motivation and drug abuse prevention, visited Portland last week. He spoke at several sessions with students, teachers, parents and community members on motivational and educational experiences. (Photo: Richard J. Brown)

Hearings expose suffering

(Continued from Page 1, Column 3) with the Witness for Peace organization, travelled to a farm cooperative in the embattled northern border area where she worked alongside Nicaraguans. An attack nearby on September 22 destroyed a food storage silo and on September 23 a military vehicle was rocketed, killing three soldiers and five civilians, she said.

"It is not you who are guilty but rather your government," she was told by a woman who lives in the area.

Tom Colgan, a Jesuit priest from Spokane, visited the northern border town of Ocotol the day after a major contra attack. Nicaragua's largest lumber mill, an electric company substation and a radio station were destroyed in the attack, he said, and civilian workers and bystanders were killed. "They killed whoever was there, they do not discriminate. If they have time to torture, they will," he said.

Eugene resident Ana Kimball recently returned after 1 1/2 years as a technical consultant to Nicaragua's Division of Occupational Safety and Health. The division's workforce of 40 has been cut in half by volunteers going to the front to fight contras, said Kimball, and the situation is having an insidious effect on Nicaraguan workers. "Workers throughout Nicaragua have had to work in less safe workplaces due to lack of these inspectors," she said.

Roger Auerbach, former president of the Oregon Federation of Teachers, described the economic warfare being waged against Nicaragua by the U.S. During a recent

tour with U.S. labor leaders, he visited a textile factory where he said 140 machines were idle because U.S. companies would not send the necessary parts. In Nicaragua's main port, Corinto, over half the forklifts are inoperable for the same reason, he said.

City Commissioner Mike Lindberg talked about the damage he saw at Corinto caused by contras attacking from U.S.-supplied boats. Lindberg is promoting a sister city relationship between Corinto and Portland.

Nancy Webster, a Portland social worker who was in Nicaragua for four months earlier this year, suffered a broken shoulder during her stay and was hospitalized in Bluefields. In the hospital, she talked with Nicaraguan women severely wounded by the contras.

"I felt very bad being an American knowing that our tax money was responsible for the severe injuries of these women," said Webster. She said the total cost for her four days in the hospital with surgery came to 30 cents.

A panel of prominent citizens, including Commissioner Margaret Strachon and Rev. John Garlington, listened and then responded to the testimony.

Garlington invoked the memory of Martin Luther King's protests of the Vietnam War, and urged the packed crowd to become informed and work for peace. Describing what he called "an ecology of humanity," Garlington said, "We can not ignore suffering anywhere in the world or sooner or later we will find it in our back yard."

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Rainbow endorsements

by Lanita Duke

GRASSROOT NEWS, N.W. — The Oregon Rainbow Organizing Committee, the political legacy from the Jesse Jackson for President Committee, recently issued their political endorsements for the November 6 election.

In tackling their most difficult decision, when two candidates in the same race reflected the philosophy of the Rainbow Coalition, the Committee voted to co-endorse.

According to Alma Hill, co-chair of the Rainbow Committee, the endorsements are: Herb Cawthorne for City Council, Margaret Cater for State Representative in the 18th District and Gretchen Kafoury and Linda Johnson were co-endorsed for County Commissioner.

Hill said both candidates in the County Commissioner race for District 2 were qualified and supported the philosophy of the Rainbow Coalition. She added that Kafoury had a good voting record in the Legislature and supported the creation of District 18.

"District 18 cut into her district and forced her to run against a former ally, Jane Cease.

"Johnson has a long history of commitment to the Black community. Either one would be representative of the Rainbow committee."

Other candidates who may not fully identify with or express the Rainbow's philosophy received the committee's endorsement because their victories will strengthen the Rainbow Coalition. They are: Mondale/Ferraro for President; Margie Hendricksen for U.S. Senator; Les AuCoin for U.S. Representative; Grattan Karens for State

Treasurer and Barbara Roberts for Secretary of State.

Why is the committee endorsing Mondale/Ferraro for President when the campaign never incorporated the principals of the Rainbow: Jobs, Peace and Justice?

"We have no other choice. We know what Reagan has done in his four years. Our best hope is Mondale," Hill concluded.



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