



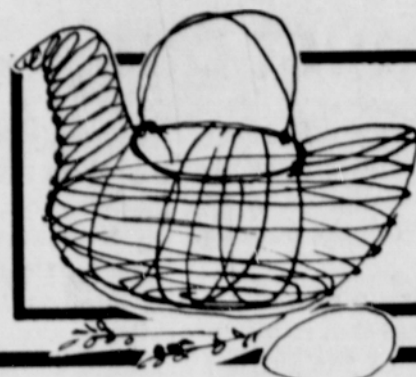
Energy Awareness

November has been proclaimed National Blacks in Energy Awareness Month. It is being sponsored locally by the Portland Chapter of the American Association of Blacks in Energy.

Over the next four weeks, articles on energy conservation, safety, career opportunities and workshops will appear here. The Portland Observer in cooperation with the Portland Chapter of AABE want you to "Be Aware of Energy and Be Prepared For the Many Ways It Affects Your Life."

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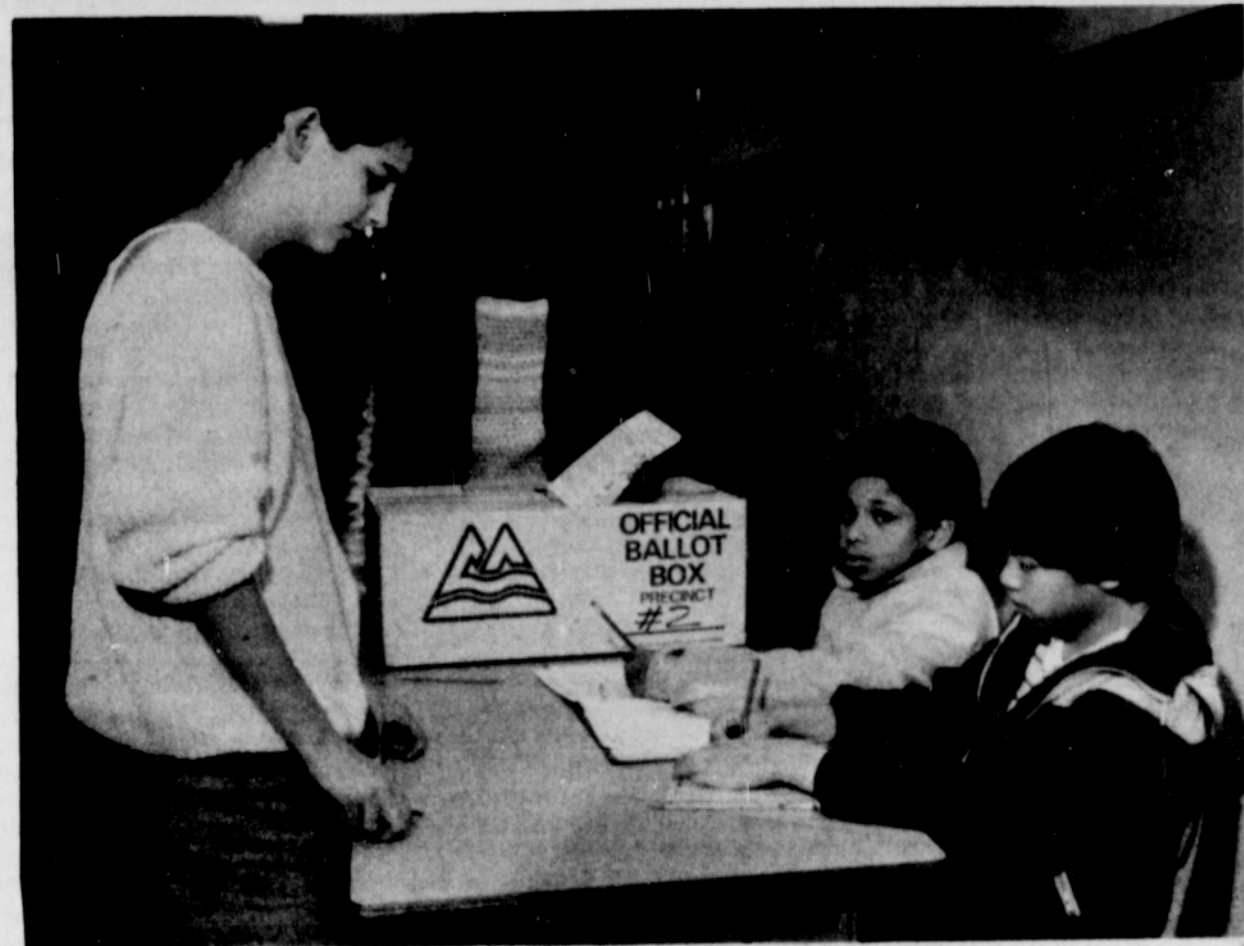
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The students and staff of Harriet Tubman Middle School held a mock election this week. 483 people participated in the lesson in government "electing" Walter Mondale, Lee AuCoin, Ron Wyden, Barbara Roberts, Linda Johnson and Herb

Cawthorne and defeating Ballot Measure 2. Here Rachael Zlady has her "voter's card" cooked against the "precinct list" by Chuong Doan. Ramona Edwards puts her "ballot" in the box while Glenn Harper looks on.

(Photo by Richard J. Brown)

Black educators meet in Ohio

The National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE) will hold its Twelfth Annual Conference November 14-18, 1984 in Cleveland, Ohio at the Bond Court Hotel. NABSE's task force report on black academic and cultural excellence, the most significant document concerning the education of black people in America since Carter G. Woodson's *Miseducation of the Negro* published in 1933, will be presented at this conference.

Nationally acclaimed educators Dr. Asa G. Hilliard III, Fuller Callaway, Professor of Education at Georgia State University and Dr. Barbara A. Sizemore, Associate

Professor at the University of Pittsburgh, will unveil their findings on black academic and cultural excellence.

Dr. Donald H. Smith, NABSE President and Professor of Education at Baruch College, City University of New York, commissioned these renowned educators to undertake this historic study to further enhance the monumental significance of the research.

Representatives of major Black organizations including the NAACP Urban League, PUSH, NAFEO, Black Psychologists and Black Social Workers will respond to the task force report during the first plenary

session on Nov. 15. In addition, a teleconference with the President-elect of the United States will be solicited during that first session.

NABSE, formerly the National Alliance of Black School Superintendents (NABSS) was founded in 1970 by Dr. Charles D. Moody Sr. In 1973 membership was expanded to include all educators as well as students. Invaluable services are provided to these educators who desire to promote and facilitate the education of all children, but Black children in particular. Black educators from most of the 50 states are expected to be in attendance.

Bogle, Cawthorne runoff

by Lanita Duke

GRASSROOT NEWS, N.W. — Dick Bogle and Herb Cawthorne emerged victorious from a field of 19 candidates to face each other in a runoff election on December 18th. This runoff is the final step necessary to fill the City Council seat vacated by Charles Jordan.

In early and incomplete returns Bogle, a former police officer, television anchor and aide to City Commissioner Mildred Schwab, had 28 percent of the vote.

Cawthorne, a Portland State University Administrator and School Board member received 16 percent.

Bogle said he incorporated issues in the campaign that gave him an extra margin of victory. Cawthorne said his grassroots campaign effort pushed him ahead.

Cawthorne attributed his second-place victory to the influence and hard work of the Rainbow Coalition.

"They made a difference. We had a core of people ready to put 100 percent in the campaign," he reflected.

Bogle said his experience and exposure built-up a strong element of trust among voters. He is viewed by many as the candidate for the Police Association.

Bogle said he had not conversed with the Police Association, yet. "I don't know what their position would be. It could be significant if it were to happen. But the overall community will be the bulk of my funding."

Cawthorne said issues were not much of a factor in the campaign because of the large number of candidates.

"Unless people trust you, no matter what you say about issues, they will not believe anything you say."

Cawthorne was the only active opponent in the City Council race of the Reagan/Bush re-election. He said his stand on the Presidential race was insignificant in the City Council race.

"When you have 18 other candidates

and you only need 20-25 percent of the vote, I'm not sure any one position taken will make or break a candidate," he added.

Bogle said he would appeal to liberal, moderate and conservative voters. He called Cawthorne a "liberal" and himself a "moderate."

"There is a difference in appeal, but I can't tell you what it would be. I don't represent any ideology. I represent people. My experience in the City will serve the citizens well," Bogle said.

Cawthorne said Bogle's success was due to name familiarity. "It does not

say anything about his positions on issues or the quality of leadership he provided in the past or will provide in the future."

Beverly Stein, campaign manager of the Cawthorne Committee, said the future strategy would be to expand Cawthorne's campaign by targeting 50 percent of the city.

Bogle said he would engage in more voter contact. He is looking forward to debates and public forums.

"I will miss some of the candidates. I was impressed with Joan Smith, and Fred Milton made a lot of sense," Bogle concluded.

Carter takes Dist. 18

by Lanita Duke

GRASSROOT NEWS, N.W. — With a landslide victory, Margaret Carter rolled over her Republican opponent Chad Debnam to become State Representative in House District 18.

With a majority of the precincts reporting, Carter received 4,622 votes to Debnam's lukewarm showing of 894.

Her victory is a victory for political self-determination in the Black community who fought for the creation of a district that was representative of the concerns in the Albina area.

Carter survived a tough primary (May 15, 1984) by soundly defeating

incumbent Ed Leek, the loser of the District 18 leadership forum, Harold Williams and Debnam's first challenge.

Carter's campaign kicked off after the District 18 leadership forum in November, 1983 where community residents held an open forum to pool their resources behind one candidate.

Her campaign also received the endorsement of Black Oregonians for Business Political Action Committee. Carl Tolton, a member, said his committee was happy and pleased with her victory.

"We knew she was a winner to begin with."

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Election Overviews:

by Lanita Duke

Gretchen Kafoury was the voters' choice for Multnomah County Commissioner Position No. 2. The seat was vacated by Gladys McCoy, who unsuccessfully campaigned for the City Council position.

Kafoury received 4,730 votes while political newcomer Linda Johnson received a respectable third place showing with 1,986 votes.

The Justice Service levy, County Measure No. 28, failed with 34,887 "yes" votes compared to 39,747 "no"

votes. The property tax limitation measure is still undecided while the Citizen Utility Board passed at 52,648, compared with 31,978 against it.

The voters OK'd a state lottery and reinstated the death penalty. The so-called "Victim's Rights" measure failed, radioactive waste restrictions passed.

State Senator Bill McCoy retained his seat, as well as Ron Cease, Caroline Miller and Vicki Ervin.

Reagan/Bush won the state, but lost in Multnomah County.

North/Northeast program gears up to help adults read

The North/Northeast Literacy Project housed at the Portland Community College Cascade Campus kicks off their effort with a two-part tutor orientation November 7 and 14 from 5 - 8 p.m. at the Cascade Hall Drop-In Center.

New director of the project, Barbara Wexler, emphasized that she is seeking to develop a tutoring system for the community based program which is "solid, effective and lasting."

A lasting system, according to Wexler is one where tutors are well trained and remain in the program.

In her role as part time coordinator Wexler reports to the board of the nonprofit agency consisting of representatives from PCC, Ockley Green Community School, OSU and Oregon Department of Education.

Wexler's responsibilities include office management, tutor/student recruitment, tutor training and tutor retention.

"Before we start matching students I want to be sure we have

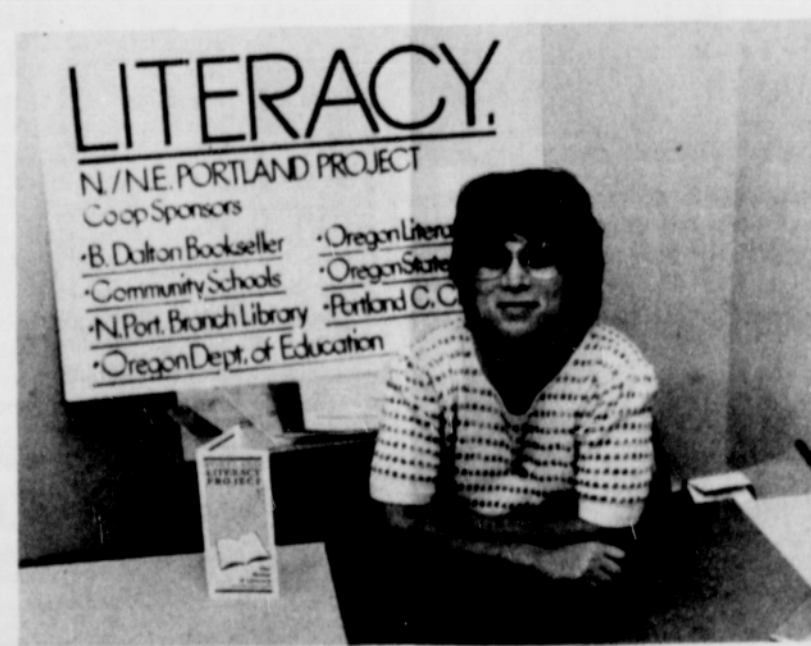
qualified tutors," Wexler explained. No previous background is necessary, according to Wexler, but volunteers must be willing to attend 10 hours of training sessions and commit about three hours a week to working with a student or group of students.

"Our training will also include follow-up support for the tutors," Wexler explained, by introducing more specific reading methods and providing time for tutors to share their experiences.

The purpose of the program is to increase literacy skills. "Many individuals in the community read below the sixth grade level," Wexler said. "Many people struggle with everyday demands of reading labels, directions, food and want-ads. The project focuses at that beginning level."

People will learn at individual rates, Wexler said, and they'll follow a reading plan so they can see what they are working towards.

A new aspect of the North/



Barbara Wexler, new director for the North/Northeast Literacy Project, is ready to match up students and tutors to tackle the problem of adult illiteracy in this community.

(Photo by Richard J. Brown)

Northeast Project is to create resource centers at the neighborhood libraries where students may work individually or with their tutors. Books, films and audio visual equipment will be provided at Hollywood, St. Johns, Albina and North Portland libraries through a grant from the state library system.

Wexler brings special skills to the project. Both her undergraduate and graduate work from San Francisco State is in special education, with special needs learners. She was a reading teacher for a volunteer tutorial program in Atlanta, Georgia aimed at adolescents not able to learn within the school system and community adults.

For the past four years Wexler has been teaching literacy skills through the department of Developmental Education and advising students at Portland Community College. "One of my main roles was to help students with their communication skills so they could succeed at PCC," Wexler said.

Through this opportunity at PCC

Wexler said she became "sensitive to individual needs. This translates very well into my position as coordinator of the Literacy Project," she continued.

A resident of the Brooklyn area, Wexler serves as chairperson of the advisory committee Scouting for The Handicapped for the Columbia Pacific Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

In addition to the literacy project, Wexler continues to teach a basic learning skills class and spends several hours a week as a counselor for Handicapped Student Services dealing with the physically and learning disabled.

Wexler describes the community based literacy project as "another alternative" for the adult learner.

PCC continues to offer their own basic skills programs and GED training. Some of the students who use the one-to-one tutoring offered by the North/Northeast Project may also attend the college's adult basic education classes.