

Bogle Implements New Procedures

Portland City Commissioner Dick Bogle today implemented new procedures within his bureau in an attempt to correct the City's poor record for Minority Business Enterprise/Female Business Enterprise (MBE/FBE) utilization in Professional, Technical and Expert Service contracts let by the City.

The procedures are outlined in a letter sent from Commissioner Bogle to his Bureau managers.

Approximately \$9.2 million dollars were budgeted by the City for Professional Technical and Expert services in Fiscal Year 1984/85. Of this amount, only .29% accrued to MBEs and 1.16% accrued to FBEs.

"The City's MBE/FBE utilization in this area dropped to nearly nothing last fiscal year," Bogle said. Its goals are nine-percent each for MBEs and FBEs.

"Out of more than a million dollars worth of PTE Service contracts," he said, "only a few thousand dollars worth were awarded to MBEs last year."

"This clearly is not what Council had in mind when it adopted these goals several years ago. It's certainly not what I have in mind when I read them."

"The fact is that the City has never come close to meeting its goals in this area... and now its record is getting worse."

"For the past three months, my staff and I have been developing and refining procedures which we expect will reverse this trend. Now, they have been implemented."

"We have initial indications of support from the minority business community."

"This is a strong message I'm sending here... one I hope is heard by my colleagues on the Council. Some have already indicated they plan to or may follow suit with similar procedures."

"I hope they do."



Dick Bogle

Crusade for Justice

Crusade for Justice, the autobiography of Ida B. Wells-Barnett, leader of a campaign that internationally exposed and condemned the U.S. practice of lynching, will be discussed at the February Radical Women meeting. Join us in honoring this important Black feminist on Thursday, February 20, 6:30 p.m. at the Multnomah County Central Library, 801 S.W. 10th Avenue. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 249-8097. Wheelchair accessible.

Jacob Comments on State of the Union Message and Budget

The President's State of the Union Message was disappointing, especially in its failure to address the needs of the poor.

The National Urban League views with deep misgivings the President's order for the Domestic Policy Council to make recommendations for action "to meet the financial, educational, social and safety concerns of poor families."

We urge instead, formation of an independent commission of citizens with experience in dealing with the concerns of the poor.

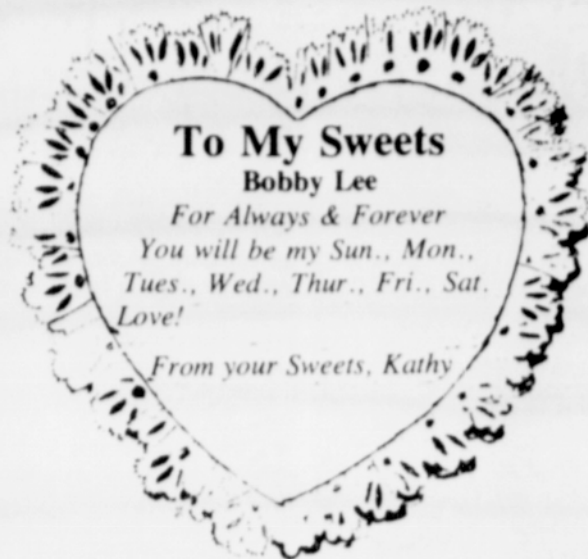
There is widespread fear that the Council's evaluation of social programs will be used as a hunting license to destroy them. And there can be little confidence that the authors of a Budget that continues to slash away at social programs and proposes a further cuts in programs that help feed poor children will come up with strategies that assist poor people to survive and to have equal opportunities.

Ending welfare dependency is best accomplished by creating jobs. With eight million unemployed Americans today, even in the midst of an economic boom, it is clear those jobs do not exist and will have to be created as part of a national full employment policy.

The alarming rise in the numbers of poor children is due to the lack of jobs for their parents and the lack of day care facilities and training programs that would allow single mothers to work.

In that regard, a Budget that gives a Star Wars program higher priority than feeding and educating disadvantaged children is inadequate to national needs and undermines the true foundations of national security — an educated citizenry with a strong stake in our society.

We call on the Congress to reorder national priorities to meet the nation's human needs and to save the future of the growing millions of children who are growing up impoverished and alienated.



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30 Cities Mobilizing for National March Against Racism in Philadelphia on February 15

Buses from more than 30 cities will converge in Philadelphia on Feb. 15 for a national march and rally against racism. The march will begin at 12 noon at JFK Plaza (15 St. and Arch) in Philadelphia's City Center.

According to Johnny Stevens, coordinator of the Feb. 15 National Mobilization Against Racism, the protest was called in response to arson and other attacks on Black families, the torching of a Jewish community center and police brutality in the Puerto Rican community. These incidents, following the police bombing of the MOVE collective that destroyed a whole Black community, have made Philadelphia the national focus for racist violence.

Said Stevens, "We are appealing to justice-loving people everywhere to join us. Our protest is national in scope because the entire country needs a giant protest against racism as much as Philly does. Over the past 5 years the Reagan administration has waged a war on the hard won gains in the struggles for equality and civil rights. Racist terror is on the rise everywhere."

Over 300 Endorsers

In response to this call, more than 300 endorsements have poured in from as far away as California. There are 80 endorsing organizations in Philadelphia alone. Endorsers range from the Afri-

can National Congress of South Africa to Detroit's City Council, to 75 trade union officials and locals including District 65 UAW, NJ (which has made its office a mobilizing center). Representatives John Conyers and George Crockett, the Alabama Black Belt Defense Committee, the All-Peoples Congress, Mel King from Boston, National CISPES, the Phil. Committee for Dignity and Fairness for the Homeless, the National Congress for Puerto Rican Rights and the Puerto Rican Socialist Party. Campuses from Boston to Detroit are mobilizing. Ministers in Washington, D.C., are announcing the march from their pulpits.

"On Feb. 15," said Stevens, "we will send a message to all those who have become a party to racist actions, from Reagan to the Ku Klux Klan-like thugs and arsonists, to all who would condone racism or remain silent about racism. That message is 'We will not be stopped!' This march will resound throughout Philadelphia, in Washington, around the country. It will bring encouragement to all who live and cherish freedom, and put on notice those who would stomp it out."

For information on buses leaving from your area contact the National Mobilization Against Racism, 4206 Baltimore Ave., Phila. PA 19104, (215) 387-7522.

Black Women Form Political Action Committee

Washington, D.C. — Former Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm (D-New York) today announced the formation of a new Political Action Committee aimed at strengthening Black women's electoral clout. The National Political Congress of Black Women Political Action Committee will be chaired by California State Assemblywoman Maxine Waters.

The Political Action Committee will have a particular focus on Black women running for key political races on both the national and local level. The PAC will not confine itself to the endorsement of Black women only. However, the first races of the PAC will include five congressional districts where Black women are seeking office.

"It's time to increase our voting strength in targeted races where Black women hold the balance of power," noted California State Assemblywoman Maxine Waters. "The five Black women congressional candidates will have an organization to turn to for advice, consultation and much needed money to win their respective races."

The NPCBW-PAC will give priority support for the re-election of Congresswoman Cardiss Collins (D-IL), the sole Black woman in the Congress.

"We will work vigorously to keep her in office. Cardiss Collins' presence represents an important statement on our need to preserve and expand our ranks in key elected leadership positions," stressed NPCBW Chair Shirley Chisholm.

Collins is among the five congressional candidates. The others include Jan Douglass (D-GA), Faye Williams

(D-LA), Sandra Stewart, (D-MD), and former Congresswoman Katie Hall (D-IN).

In other business, the NPCBW with 8,000 members, certified its first eight local chapters of the Black Women's Congress. They include: Austin and Dallas, TX; Chicago, ILL; Nashville, TN; Montgomery, Calvert, and Columbia Counties, MD; and Detroit, MI.

Joining other major civil rights organizations, the NPCBW passed resolutions in support of passage of the Civil Rights Restoration Act and opposition to any U.S. aid to Angola rebel leader Jonas Savimbi. Other resolutions are attached.

The National Political Congress of Black Women, founded in August 1984, was established as a nonpartisan, independent political organization seeking to organize Black women for political participation at all levels.

The Political Action Committee will meet during NPCBW's Second Congress, scheduled for June 19-22, 1986 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

OAC to Commission on Civil Rights to Meet

The Oregon Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will meet on Friday, February 12, 1985 in Room "A" of the Portland Building, 1120 S.W. Fifth Avenue, Portland, at 1:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is program planning.

Lewis & Clark to Hold

Open House

Lewis & Clark College invites minority students to explore their alternatives in higher education by attending an open house at the college.

The annual Minority Student Visitation Day will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, February 24.

Students will have the opportunity to become acquainted with the academic and social environments of Lewis & Clark College by visiting classes and meeting with faculty members and students.

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