

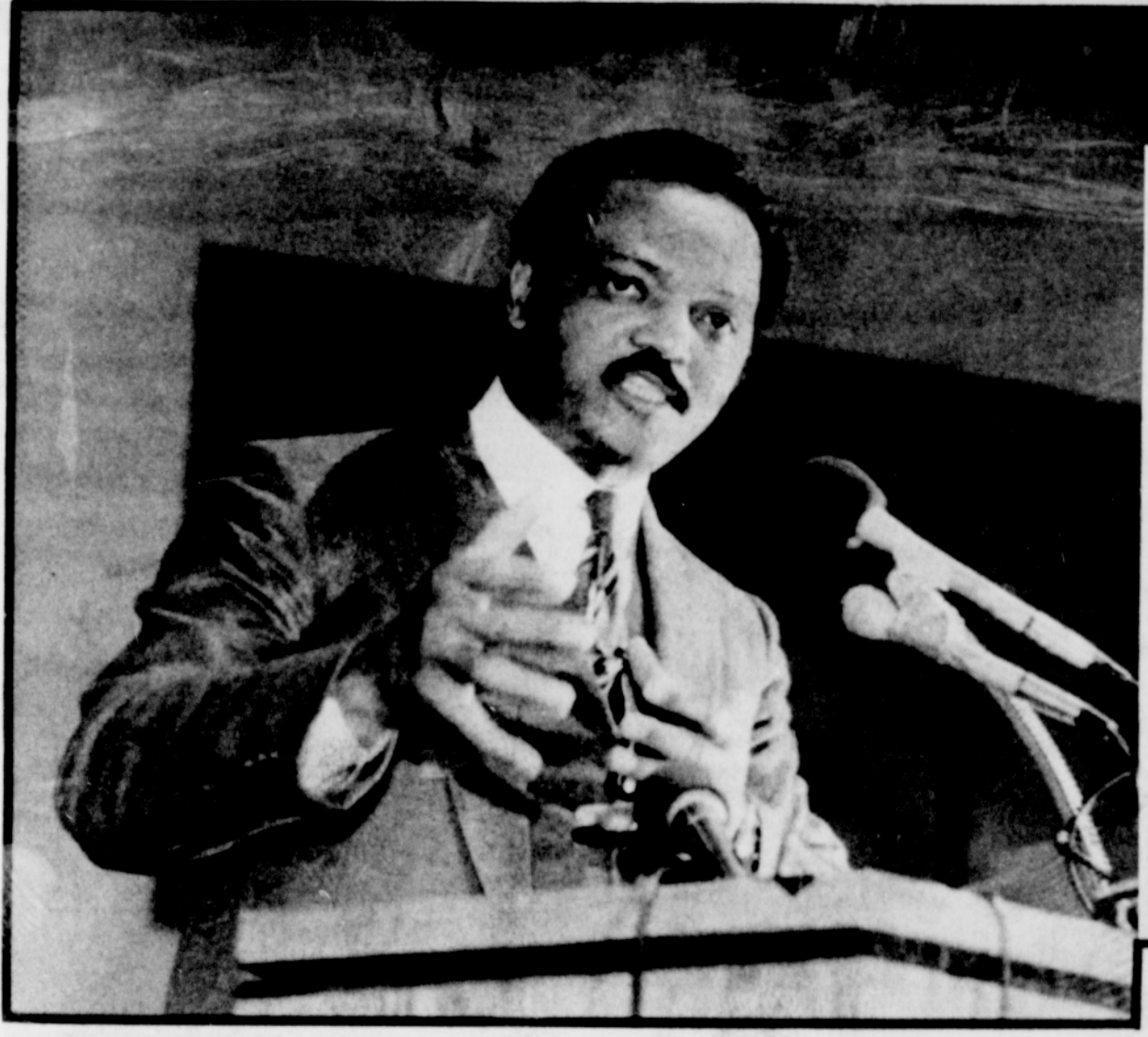
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Jesse Jackson To Speak

Keynote speaker for the 70th Annual Meeting of the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon will be Jesse Jackson, human rights activist and founder of the National Rainbow Coalition. Jackson will speak at the meeting's awards dinner Sunday, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m. in the Portland State University Ballroom in Smith Memorial Center. Also at the meeting, U.S. Senator Mark Hatfield will receive the ministries' 1986 Vollum Ecumenical Humanitarian Award and Bishop Calvin McConnell, of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, will be installed as president of the organization.

Following the awards dinner, at 8:00 p.m., Jackson will address the public at the P.S.U. gym. A donation is requested with the proceeds going to Oregon's distressed farm families. Jackson will also meet with local and state-wide Rainbow Coalition representatives.

Photo By Richard J. Brown



Observer Attends Securities Conference in Washington, D.C.

by Jerry Garner

The National Association of Securities Professionals (NASP) held its first annual legislative conference last week during a three-day gathering held at the Vista International Hotel in Washington, D.C. More than 100 minority securities professionals from around the country attended the conference.

Emmett Rice, former governor of the Federal Reserve Board and Paul Volcker, Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, were among the host of elected officials at the Conference. Others present included John Brown, President of Brofam Oil, Portland, Oregon; Congressman Walter E. Fauntroy, D., Dis-

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A reception at Kaiser Permanente Health Center East was held honoring Isaac Shamsud-Din and the publishing of the Black history coloring book "Kwazulu: The Story of Jama and Bibi". The book was published by Kaiser Permanente in cooperation with Oregon Arts Foundation and Metropolitan Arts Commission. Among those

who participated in the ceremony were (L-R) Doug Davis, Oregon Business Committee For the Arts; Ted Carpenter, Kaiser Permanente; Selena Ottum, Metro Arts Commission; Harvey Klevit, Kaiser Permanente; Isaac Shamsud-Din, artist. To the right is a wood carving that was done by Shamsud-Din that hands in the Center.

Photo by Richard J. Brown

Local Cocaine Hotline Initiated

A 24-hour confidential cocaine hotline has been established by CareUnit Hospital of Portland, according to Joann L. Beardslee, Administrator. The hotline, which is operated as a free public service, can be reached by dialing 225-0031. CareUnit Hospital of Portland is a 160-bed hospital specializing in the treatment of chemically dependent patients.

"Cocaine is a growing problem in the Portland area, and yet we still see widespread ignorance about it," says Beardslee. "We hope people will call the CareUnit Cocaine Hotline for information and help, regardless of whether they're cocaine users themselves, or are concerned about someone else, or if they're just curious about the drug," Beardslee explains. "There are just too many dangerous myths circulating about cocaine. The Hotline is a local number the public can call for reliable, accurate information."

Beardslee cites the grim statistics about cocaine in America: two million cocaine addicts, the possibility of death by overdose even for first-time users, and the easy availability of crack—a cheap and very potent new form of freebase cocaine.

"Yet, even with all we've learned, the notion persists that cocaine is harmless and non-addicting. The truth is that freebase cocaine is perhaps the most addictive and devastating drug on the street today," Beardslee says.

In addition to operating the Hotline, CareUnit Hospital of Portland also provides speakers on a variety of drug topics. Community organizations, schools, and parents' groups can call Irma Dawn Brownlow, Community Services Coordinator, to arrange for a free presentation.

The public is encouraged to call 225-0031 for answers to their questions about cocaine and other drugs. This includes parents who suspect their children are experimenting with drugs, users who want the facts about how cocaine affects the body, and concerned citizens who may know someone in trouble with drugs. All calls will be completely confidential and no one will be asked to identify themselves by name.

Trained staff operate the CareUnit Cocaine Hotline 365 days a year, 24 hours a day. The hotline can be reached by dialing 225-0031.

- The hotline will help—
- Parents who suspect their children are harmfully involved with cocaine or other drugs.
 - Cocaine users who want accurate information about cocaine, instead of relying on their dealers or other users for the facts.
 - Teachers, law enforcement officers, clergy, therapists, and others who are in a position to counsel cocaine users and those who love them.
 - Journalists seeking the latest information on the changing drug scene.

Sexual Child Abuse Prevention Program for Adults

A class in sexual child abuse prevention is being offered at Emanuel Hospital & Health Center. This class has been designed by Officer G. Strudler of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office to educate adults to teach children how to handle potentially abusive situations.

Officer Strudler has given his presentation to school aged children throughout the greater Portland area and has held workshops for parents, educators, and law enforcement personnel.

This class for adults is from 7 to 9 p.m. February 12 at Emanuel in Room 1075. Course fee is \$6 single and \$10 couple. Register early by calling 280-4284.

Webb-Petett To Head AFSD

by Jerry Garner

Freddye J. Webb-Petett, president of Freddye Petett & Associates, Inc., a Portland management consultant firm, has been chosen by Oregon's Governor Goldschmidt to direct the State Adult and Family Services Division. As administrator of AFSD, Webb-Petett will earn a yearly salary of \$57,084 and be responsible for a \$400 million dollar budget.

Webb-Petett said she is excited about the opportunity to serve the Governor and the state. "My first priorities are to examine the Human Service Department to see what we have and what should be done." She said during the last eight years, funding for Human Services has been decreasing, both at the state and federal level.

Webb-Petett believes more must be done in the area of training and employment, if the state is to reduce its welfare rolls. Saying that people on welfare who are able-bodied should be provided with jobs or training or both. "Providing people with jobs and training will make them self-sufficient and less dependent on welfare," Webb-Petett said.

Webb-Petett has worked for Goldschmidt in the past. She served as his administrative assistant for three years when he was Mayor of Portland.

Webb-Petett is the former director of the Urban League of Portland, former Project Director of Nero & Associates Consulting, and former Systems Coordinator for Portland Model Cities Programs. Since 1985, she has been operating her own management consulting firm.

What Do We Do With the Kids?

The Oregon Council on Crime and Delinquency presents its February "Crime Talks" on street kids at noon on February 4, 1987 in Room C of the Portland Building, 1120 S.W. Fifth Avenue.

Panel participants are: Lisa Burk, Tri-County Youth Services Consortium and Project LUCK; Jerry Fest, Yellow Brick Road, Inc and Willamette Bridge; Barb Sussex, Outside In; and Jaci Williams, Outer East Youth Service Center. They will be discussing street youth in Portland and what services are available to these runaways and throwaway children.

The panel is open to the public. There is no admission charge. People are encouraged to bring brown bag lunches. The panel is from noon to 1:00 p.m. Coffee and tea provided.