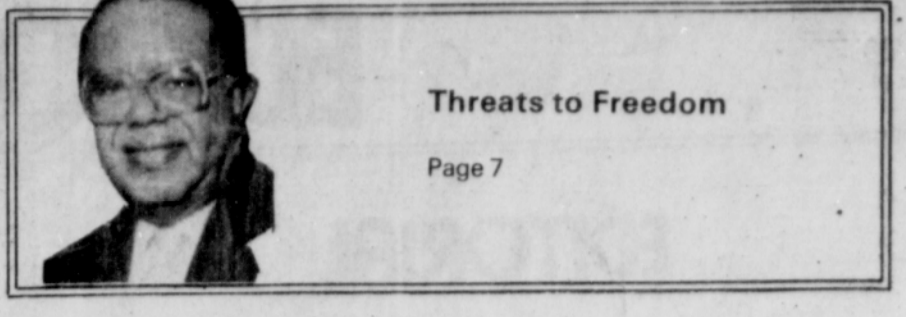


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Citizens tell Clark:

War on Crime Losing

Last Tuesday morning, November 24, 1987, the most talked about subject on Portland television was the meeting that took place at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 3610 North Maryland, the night before. Organized by the Portland Organizing Project, an alliance of 13 churches from North Portland, Northeast Portland, Northwest Portland and Southeast Portland, the meeting featured Mayor Bud Clark in one corner and citizens from several communities throughout the greater Portland Metropolitan area in the other.

Saying that it was disappointed with the city's war on crime effort, the Portland Organizing Project urged Mayor Clark to immediately adopt the following proposals:

- **Closure of drug houses/ places of prostitution under the ordinance:** (The "ordinance" refers to the new Drug House law that gives the city the power to shut down suspected drug houses.) It was proposed that the Police Bureau send out warning letters to a minimum of 50 different specified crime properties (places where illegal drugs are sold/prostitution is occurring) each month and/or assign at least 2 full-time sworn staff people and 2 full-time non-sworn staff people (clerical/administrative) to speed up the Bureau's preparation of investigative case packages under the Specified Crime Pro-

perty Ordinance. Mayor Clark disagreed. "The issue is still there. That's where the criminals have lost respect for the Criminal Justice System. We're out there arresting people, and they are right out of jail immediately. To say that enforcement is lacking isn't true. Our number-one priority is the eradication of crime," he explained.

Several citizens gave personal testimonies that described the effects of drug/prostitution-related crimes upon their persons and their neighborhoods: death threats, harassment, drug trafficking, johns, prostitutes, violence and murder. A chilling hush fell over the crowd as a Black woman described how she has been threatened by drug dealers because of her efforts to close down a well-known drug house. Addressing the Mayor, she said, "No disrespect to you, Mr. Mayor, but the Ordinance is not doing the job; it's not enough."

The Portland Organizing Project's meeting with the Mayor left no doubt that many citizens feel that crime in Portland is the biggest threat to their well-being. It is also clear that these same citizens are now willing to make crime the number-one issues at election time. Remembering that election time is right around the corner, it will be interesting to see how Mayor Clark responds.

Churches Say City Not Doing Enough

More police resources for neighborhood crime zones: It was proposed that the city/police will, by January 31, 1988, initiate proactive police patrols in two North Precinct neighborhoods. These zones are 1) Union east to 15th, Killingsworth to Alberta, and 2) on Interstate Avenue from Going to Lombard. The goal of these proactive patrols will be to reduce crime, particularly visible drug dealing and prostitution in these neigh-

borhoods. It was proposed that the Captain of North Precinct will present the highlights of this proactive plan to representatives of the Portland Organizing Project by January 15, and will meet with the Project representatives on a regular basis to discuss the progress of these efforts.

Publicity: It was proposed that the City/Mayor's office mount a publicity campaign to publicize the phone number and what informa-

tion should be given to report a drug house. The campaign will be initiated when the computer is on-line and repeated at intervals.

Flyer to landlords: It was proposed that the City will develop and distribute a flyer about the Specified Crimes Property Ordinance to landlords informing them of their rights and responsibilities.

During the presentation of the Project's proposals, Mayor Clark appeared shaken when it was sug-

gested that Portland's rising crime rates were largely due to the City's lack of effective law-enforcement.

"The enforcement is there. But what you need is jail space. Now, we voted for jail space, but we haven't gotten it yet," the Mayor countered.

A woman sitting near the front of the room said she felt that the mention of the need for additional jail space was an old issue.

Bogle Names Two New Staffers



Faye Burch

Faye Burch, a Northeast Portland resident and current interim executive director of the Oregon Commission on Black Affairs, will join the staff of City Commissioner Dick Bogle on December 1 as a commissioner's assistant.

In announcing the appointment, Bogle praised "the solid contributions Faye Burch has made, in both public and private sectors, over the past 12 years."

Bogle cited her service as legislative aide to State Representative Margaret Carter (D-Northeast Portland) during the 1987 session of the Oregon Legislature as an example of the "added depth she will bring to my office."

During the session, Burch monitored committee activity, researched House and Senate bills, assessed the impact of pending legislation on House District 18, and made voting recommendations. Areas of particular concern included economic development and jobs, and human resource issues.

She also assisted in the drafting of legislation introduced by Rep. Carter, including the successful Comprehensive Minority, Women and Business Act of 1987.

Burch started her career in 1976 as administrative assistant for operator services at Pacific Northwest Bell. In 1982, she moved up to PNB's General Services department, where she was responsible for program research and evaluation.

She also served as the phone company's representative on special projects for Junior Achievement, the United Negro College Fund, Tri-Met, Light Rail, the new Convention Center, and the City of Portland's "City Listens/Mayor's Spirit of Portland Awards" program.

Prior to joining the phone company, Burch attended the University of Oregon, majoring in English and minoring in sociology. She continued her studies at Portland State University, in the Department of Public Administration.

She has participated in city government as a member of the Bureau Advisory Committee for Parks and Recreation, a citizen's committee charged with making policy and budget recommendations.

In 1986, Burch co-chaired the Black Women's Gathering Steering Committee, an assignment she will take on again in 1988. She also is a member of the Advisory Council of Portland State University's Black Studies Department.



Marian Carney

The appointment of Marian Carney as communications assistant for the City of Portland's Office of Neighborhood Associations has been announced by City Commissioner Dick Bogle.

As part of her duties, Carney will be responsible for internal and external public information activities related to neighborhoods, including preparation and distribution of the NEIGHBORHOOD Association Meetings Calendar.

She will coordinate special projects such as the "Spirit of Portland" Awards program, and Neighborhood Recognition Week. She will also write and coordinate production of ONA publications.

Bogle, the commissioner-in-charge of the Office of Neighborhood Associations, said Carney's background in employee relations, education and publications, together with her strong organizational and management skills, "fit perfectly with the needs of the neighborhood network."

ONA Director Sarah Newhall agreed, saying, "Marian will be a real asset to our office, and through her work, we hope to expand the information we make available to citizens."

According to the Newhall, one of her top priorities will be to "increase awareness of citizen involvement opportunities, and draw in more volunteers to help in the community."

Carney studied business administration at Fresno (California) City College before joining the Palo Alto Unified School District in 1969 as a receptionist, secretary and teachers aide. While in that job, she studied psychology for two years at Foothill Community College.

From 1972 to 1975, she studied business management at Stanford University. She was then hired by the university as administrator for the vice-provost and dean of undergraduate studies, a position she held for three-and-a-half years.

She served as personnel manager for the Sunbeam Appliance Corporation in Oak Brook, Illinois, for close to three years. Returning to California, she became publications manager for World Vision International, in Monrovia.

She was employed as director of client services for Management Development Associates, in Orange, California, before moving to Portland in May with her husband, the Rev. Glandion Carney, pastor of Maranatha Church.

The Carneys live in Northeast Portland.



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A vacant building that used to house Motorcycle Specialists at 2616 N.E. Alberta was destroyed, the result of a two-alarm fire. Firefighters battled the fire in smoke that at times was so thick it was impossible to see the building.

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Meeting Notice

The Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDAC) for the City of Portland will meet on Monday, November 30, 1987 at 4:00 p.m. in the Portland Building, 1120 S.W. Fifth Ave., Meeting-Room B. The Committee will be discussing issues related to updating the City's economic development policy.