

Oregon's Sen. Mark O. Hatfield To Be Honored With National Award

On May 31, 1990, U.S. Senator Mark O. Hatfield is to be honored by the American Lung Association of Oregon with their national award, the Gold Medallion for Humanitarianism.

Standard Insurance Company, which provided a generous grant to underwrite the event, joins the Lung Association in recognizing Senator Hatfield for a lifetime of achievements and contributions to both Oregon and the nation. The Gold Medallion, never before presented in the Northwest and only awarded seven times since 1984, will be given to Senator Hatfield as part of the Lung Association's annual spring gala, The Portland Affair. Proceeds from the event held at

the Portland Hilton Hotel, benefit pulmonary research and children's programs.

Ticket prices are \$175 per person for dinner, the award ceremony and admission to a private reception hosted by Standard Insurance in the Senator's honor, or \$150 per person for dinner and the award ceremony. Tables of ten are available. Personal congratulatory messages can be purchased in the evening's commemorative program.

Tickets are available from the American Lung Association of Oregon. For more information, contact Rosalie Karp at the Lung Association, (503) 224-5145 or 1 (800) 545-5864.



BUSINESS CLASS!--Elizabeth Butson, (center), Vice President, New Products, Philip Morris U.S.A., discusses plans for construction of a company-sponsored Model Office Classroom at Mabel Dean Bacon High School in Manhattan. With her are Louis Santiago, (left), Principal of the school and Reese Stone, Manager, Corporate Media Relations, Philip Morris Companies, Inc. The classroom will simulate a corporate office environment for the purpose of acquainting predominantly African-American and Hispanic students with the business community. Students will be able to familiarize themselves with the latest in business office technologies, interview techniques, appropriate business attire and will interact with business volunteers. Spokespersons for the Board of Education and the Mayor's Voluntary Action Center welcomed the Model Office Classroom, stating that some of the city's top high school graduates had been apprehensive about applying for jobs at major corporations because of a lack of familiarity with business operations.

Black Man With 11 College Degrees Says Young Must Be Encouraged To Learn

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NEW YORK, NY--The 100-year-old son of a former slave, who has earned 11 college degrees, including five in law, believes that Blacks are finally making progress and said the young must be encouraged to take advantage of it.

"There is less prejudice today," John Morton-Finney told Parade Contributing Editor Wallace Terry, who interviewed him for this Sunday's issue of the magazine.

"Educated Black people are getting along fairly well," he said, "although I worry about those with no skills. Jesse Jackson did something no one imagined when I was a boy--run for President. When Doug Wilder was elected governor of Virginia, it was the biggest surprise to me since a Black man was elected mayor of Chicago. And you don't know how much the appointment of Colin Powell, a Black



John Morton-Finney (Photo by Robert Stalcup)

man, to be chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff means to me, an old soldier. It turned the world upside down."

Asked how he could fight for a country that discriminated against him, Morton-Finney, who served in World War I, said, "It was still my country. There was no country in Africa that I belonged to. This is where I lived. I believed I should fight for this, my country. And I would do the same today."

Born in Uniontown, Kentucky, after his father had been freed by President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, Morton-Finney developed a penchant for learning early on that has never stopped.

"A cultivated man would never say, 'I finished my education' because he graduated from college," he declared. Fluent in six foreign languages, Morton-Finney holds bachelor's degrees in mathematics, French and history and master's degrees in French and education. He taught school until he was 81 and still practices law. In his 60s, he started college all over again, earning his fourth bachelor's degree at 75.

of me in light of my lifestyle (both parents were deceased), I felt ashamed because they went to their graves with a terrible perception of me and it was then that I question my life direction. Sure, coaches, teachers, and police had told me the same thing she did. However, I was not in love with them. Love will make you change in a minute. She taught me to love without making love. It was not a sexual relationship, but a truly spiritual and mental encounter. Wise beyond her high school years, she taught me to cross the ocean of life and stood by the shore. God only knows. Once I entered college, she drifted away and to this day I will never know why. In this relationship, I learned to share pain, hurt, and more importantly, I learned to trust someone with my emotional baggage and feelings. She also helped me to build self-esteem.

Loving, indeed, is very difficult. We all desire to be loved and supported emotionally by mates or family members. Some people never learn to love. In many cases, a person can look as far as their family, childhood experiences to check one's capacity for love or foundation for love. People get abuse psychologically, emotionally, sexually, mentally, and in a host of other ways. These experiences can kill a person's ability to trust, bond with others, and create a dysfunctional personality. Furthermore, take a look at the modern day gang structure and see that it has replaced the traditional family for many youngsters. The "gang family" offers love, support, bonding spiritually, protection, emotional support, and several ways to build esteem, all the things family used to--and still does in many cases--

provide. I've always asked who is taking care of the children and loving them when most single mothers are out working (60%+ head households, Black families that is...) and the father is absentee, dead, or in jail. Forty-three percent of the total prison population consist of Black males. Who is teaching future generations to love?

Love involves taking risk and not holding on to past pain. The worst thing in the world is to let what was prevent you from living or loving today. Love is growing through pain and dark moments. Love is Top Ramen noodles and cheese toast. Taking back those empty bottles to buy milk and bread for the kids. Love is accepting a person's shortcomings without using them as a means to hurt, crush their esteem, or as a means to humiliate. Love is not having expectations. Love is letting go and getting on with your life. Love is being sensitive to the needs of others as well as your mate. Love is freedom of self, expression, thoughts, feelings, insecurities, and sharing the dreams that mean the most to you. Love is learning to love yourself before attempting to love another person. Love is peace, happiness, joy, and raising your children with values, self-esteem, and morals. Love is dignity, regardless of what you do and don't think you deserve. I can go on and on about love. Love is life.

To know the thrill of love--and I have--is the ultimate feeling. One is truly deprived if the joy of love is never experienced. If we all can learn to love, our families, neighborhoods communities, and nation might be a better place.

The door to the human heart can be opened only from the inside...

Questions and Answers about your SOCIAL SECURITY ...



[For Social Security or Supplemental Security Income assistance telephone 1(800)234-5772, speech and hearing impaired assistance, call 1(800)325-0778.]

QUESTION: Are the requirements for disability benefits under the supplemental security income (SSI) program the same as those under Social Security? If a person is denied under one program, might he or she be eligible under the other?

ANSWER: The medical requirements for determining "disability" are the same for SSI as for Social Security. However, there are certain differences in other aspects of the two programs. A certain number of work credits is required to be insured for disability under Social Security. The SSI program has no such work requirement. On the other hand, since it is a program based on need, the SSI program has limits on assets and income which determine eligibility. For example, a person who is determined to be disabled, but who has not earned enough work credits for Social Security disability benefits, may be eligible for SSI if his or her income and resources do not exceed the SSI limits. Contact Social Security for further details.

QUESTION: How does a person with AIDS qualify for disability?

ANSWER: People with AIDS or AIDS Related Complex (ARC) may qualify for disability under Social Security or supplemental security income (SSI) or both. The condition must be expected to keep the person from working for a year or more, or to result in death.

In addition, certain rules apply to each program. For Social Security, these include having sufficient Social Security quarters of coverage and a 5-month waiting period. SSI payments may be made if the person has limited income and resources. Not only is there no SSI waiting period, but temporary payments may be made for up to 3 months while the claim is being processed.

People with the AIDS virus who do not have fully-developed AIDS, and are unable to work because of illness caused by the virus, may also qualify. Claims for persons with ARC (AIDS Related Complex) are evaluated on a case-by-case basis. To apply for benefits, telephone 1 (800) 234-5772.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

High school students who are interested in applying for \$1,000 college scholarships should request applications by March 16, 1990 for Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, 721 N. McKinley Road, Lake Forest, Illinois 60045. To receive an application, students should send a note stating their name, address, city, state and zip code, approximate grade point average and year of graduation. Sixty-five winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extra-curricular activities and need for financial aid.

Burrell Public Relations Names Senior Vice President



Michelle Flowers, Senior Vice President Burrell Public Relations

CHICAGO--D. Michelle Flowers, Vice President of Burrell Public Relations Inc., has been named Senior Vice President. James H. Hill, President and Chief Executive officer of the three-year-old, Chicago-based company, recently announced.

"Michelle's outstanding contributions to the agency have greatly enhanced its overall growth and development efforts and has had management responsibility for many of the agency's major accounts."

According to Hill, in her new position, Flowers will continue to be responsible for new business development, agency administration and account management.

Flowers joined Burrell Public Relations in 1986 as assistant Vice President. In August 1987 she was named Vice President. She supervises the Kraft General Foods, Brown-Forman, Black Child Development Institute, Procter & Gamble, Leadership for Quality Education (a coalition of businesses and community organizations), Illinois Department of Public Aid, Citicorp Savings of Illinois, Citicorp/Citibank and Burrell Advertising Inc. accounts.

BIDS/SUB-BIDS

CITY OF PORTLAND INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSALS DUE 2:00 P.M. ON VARIOUS DATES

Sealed Proposals will be received at the Bureau of Purchases and Stores, Room 1313, Portland Building, 1120 SW Fifth Ave., Portland, OR 97204 for the projects detailed below until 2:00 P.M. on the dates indicated.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained at the above address. For additional information, telephone Buyer at number listed.

Unless otherwise stated in the individual proposals listed herein, no proposal or bid will be considered unless accompanied by a bid surety for an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the aggregate of the proposal.

The City encourages bidding by MBEs and FBEs and will assist such firms to understand and participate in formal bidding process.

NON-DISCRIMINATION: No proposal or bid will be considered unless the bidder is certified as an EOE/Affirmative Action Employer as prescribed by Chapter 3.100 of the Code of the City of Portland.

PROPOSAL NO.	DESCRIPTION	OPENING DATE
82	S.E. Flavel 6" & 8" & 6" Water Mains. Call Michele Ackerman, 796-6854. Prequalification in Class 11-Water Lines Required	3/20/90
84	SW 1st & Taylor Sewer Replacement Project. Call Michele Ackerman, 796-6854. Prequalification in Class 8-Sewer Lines Required	3/27/89
C-9688	SE Long, Liebe, 58 HCD Street Improvement Project & Sanitary Sewer Extension. Call Michele Ackerman, 796-6854. Prequalification in Class 2-Street Improvement Required.	3/27/90

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

BROKER OF RECORD FOR EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The Metropolitan Service District, Portland, Oregon is soliciting proposals from qualified firms to serve as Metro's Broker of Record for Employee Benefits. Interested firms should contact Sarah Keele at (503) 221-1646 to obtain detailed proposal information. Written proposals must be received in the Metro Offices, 2000 S.W. First Avenue, Portland, OR 97201, no later than 5:00 p.m., PST on March 28, 1990.

Metro reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities.

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY PHYSICAL PLANT DEPARTMENT ADAMS HALL * CORVALLIS, OREGON

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS WEST HALL CAFETERIA REROOFING

Sealed bids for the West Hall Cafeteria Reroofing project will be received by the Oregon State Board of Higher Education until 2:00 P.M., local time, April 3, 1990.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the OSU Physical Plant, Adams Hall, Corvallis, Oregon 97331-2001 or telephone (503) 737-4921.

REQUEST FOR SUBCONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER BIDS

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IRS Harrassment of Black Leaders Exposed

[Permission granted for the reprinting of this article from Freedom News Journal]

Internal Revenue Service documents recently released from the National Coalition of IRS Whistleblowers have revealed an intelligence operation conducted against Black leaders in the 1970s through harassment by selective tax audits and other means.

According to the documents, IRS agents conducted extensive surveillance of fans attending the 1970 Muhammad Ali and Jerry Quarry fight, aimed at gathering a list of influential Blacks from around the country.

A memo to the director of the Intelligence Division of the IRS' national office in Washington, written on November 5, 1970, indicates that boxing enthusiasts from all over the country later became targets of the IRS.

One document notes, "Attached are lists by states (other than Southeast Region) of the more expensive automobiles, with their respective license numbers, that were in Atlanta for this occasion. The list was compiled from automobiles observed at the better hotels and motels where fight fans were lodging in and around the Municipal Auditorium, the site of the fight."

According to Paul DesFosses, president of the National Coalition of IRS Whistleblowers and a former senior IRS agent, IRS surveillance at the fight was aimed at gathering a list of influential Blacks from around the country who could then be harassed through illegal tax audits and other forms of IRS assault.

A separate list shows a number of organizations targeted by the tax agency. The list includes the Congress of Racial Equality, the Black Panther Party, and the Nation of Islam - Black or predominantly Black organizations noted for their activism in the 1960s and 1970s.

DesFosses, a 20-year veteran of the IRS, noted that the IRS has conducted numerous campaigns against selected targets that have included accountants, small-business men, churches and political figures.

"In Operation Bird dog, IRS Intelligence officials weren't taking these actions because they were concerned about collecting taxes," he said. "They were targeting people because the IRS was intent on wiping out key leaders of Black groups around the country and attacking the individuals who supported those groups and leaders."

"The Nation of Islam, the church to which Ali belonged and of which he was an outspoken supporter, was on an IRS 'hit list'. The IRS no doubt figured that Black leaders would be the ones most likely to come to see the Ali-Quarry fight and targeted them for harassment. They weren't trying to isolate only nationally known Black leaders; they were also trying to identify key people all the way down to the community level," he explained.

Owners of the vehicles, according to DesFosses, were identified by sending license numbers to state and local law enforcement officials, asking them to provide

individual names for each license number. Once individuals were identified, DesFosses said, they were singled out for harassment.

A November 8, 1971 memo from the chief of the IRS Intelligence Division indicates that Operation Bird Dog continued for at least a year. A report, headed Operation Bird Dog, refers to "five Missouri license numbers noted on expensive automobiles at the Ali-Quarry fight in Atlanta, Georgia, on Oct. 26, 1970," and went on to state, "Inquiry regarding the identity of the individuals... resulted in the requisition of their 1968 and 1969 income tax returns." The memo notes, "The returns of these individuals, with the exception of [name deleted] have been returned to the Midwest Service Center. It is believed that the recent returns of Mr. [name deleted]... warrant forwarding to the Audit Division for possible examination..."

According to DesFosses, Operation Bird Dog was just one part of a larger IRS plan aimed at attacking influential leaders in churches and political groups throughout the country.

The National Coalition of IRS Whistleblowers wants to help anyone who has been abused by the IRS. If you have been abused or know of someone else who has been abused please call or write your local chapter of IRS Whistleblowers, sponsored by the Church of Scientology Office of Special Affairs as a part of its campaign of improving life in a troubled world.