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The Portland Observer
wishes to thank all of
those who submitted
their inquiries on the
HIS/HERS column.
We recently made a se-
lection: C.M. Brooks.
The HIS/HERS col-
umn may be found on
page 5, and this week's
topic is losing a mate.

JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL BAND INVITED TO AUSTRIA

The Jefferson High School Band has received an invitation to participate in the 20th International Youth and Music Festival in Vienna, Austria, next summer.

Selected in a nationwide screening process, the band will travel to Austria in July 1991 and will perform and compete with 50 to 60 ensembles from 15 to 20 different countries participating in the festival. The 45 member band is the only group from Oregon invited to the festival. The band will have to raise about \$100,000 in the next year in order to make the trip.

On Sunday September 30, 1990 (3-5pm), the Portland Chapter of Links will sponsor "A Musical Explosion", to help raise money for the trip. The show will feature Ron Steen, Thara Memory, Goldie Irby, Garland Thompson, Leslie Williams, Brenda Phillips, Danny Osborn, Georgene Rice and Friends, and Sharon Mitchell of KGW-TV 8 will host the show. Tickets can be purchased at Mrs. C's Wigs, Jefferson High, and from Portland Links members. For more information, call 280-5180.



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City Appoints Lockett to D.B.E.

Harold Lasley discusses
Lockett's D.B.E. appointment

I am pleased to announce the recent appointment of Harvey Lockett as manager of the Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program.



Harvey Lockett

Harvey has extensive experience in the City of Portland's municipal government, having served as an assistant to former Commissioner Charles Jordan in the Department of Public Safety and Public Affairs, and to Dick Bogle in the Department of Public Works. During his employment with Portland, he developed and implemented affirmative action procurement programs for the City's capital improvement projects and professional, technical and expert services.

Harvey has a law degree from Willamette University, been self-employed, and has run for political office. His work has demonstrated a strong commitment to the socio-economic development of minorities and women.

I also want to take this opportunity to recognize Vernell West for his service as Acting DBE Program Manager for the past several month. Vernell has made some outstanding contributions to the administration and operation of the DBE program during his career with the Department. He will continue to play a vital role as a Contract Compliance Specialist in the DBE Program.

Back to Square One

by Professor McKinley Burt

That was a gratifying response to last week's article detailing several youth activities that could be sponsored by parents--programs capable of being institutionalized by successive generations. As I said even earlier, these are the kind of grassroots experiences and traditions that kept our group intact for well over a hundred years.

Before going on let me take care of a matter I've put off for several weeks. There is a most useful FREE BOOKLET that should be sent for by every parent/household in the community. This "Consumer's Guide" lists hundreds of publications covering valuable information on every aspect of living, work and play--many of the publications are free and many others priced as low as fifty cents or a dollar.

Subjects cover a vast range of information: day care, education, health care, safety at home or on the job, consumer products, auto care and repair, home repairs and maintenance, careers, community organizations, vacation choices, travel tips, youth activities, interesting books or magazines, self-improvement, new business ideas, moving tips, recipes, job selection, toys, sports, you name it!

For this free government publication and placement on a continuing mailing list, write to St. James, Consumer Publications, Pueblo, Colorado 81002. Also, in light of the increasing number of children being injured in the home while trying to prepare meals with electronic devices, I would suggest a copy of "Come Cook With Me: Microwave Cooking For Children." Try B. Dalton bookstore, downtown or Lloyd

Center or Clackamas Town Center.

Another point I'd like to make is that I am still encountering a number of parents who are just devastated after one short look at news accounts of the financial burdens which must be assumed in order to get their children through college--this, taking into account the availability of grants (decreasing). Some are further depressed when, after earlier enthusiasm over the glowing ads extolling the virtues of "attending a Southern Black College", closer investigation reveal new, seemingly insurmountable obstacles. Here, African American parents quickly find they have the very same financial constraints as white parents within the same income; the latter, many of them, have long since discovered that they cannot support one or more of their children at an out-of-state institution--that is why so many of them are found at the University of Oregon, Oregon State University, and Portland State University.

But the situation we have at these schools is a frightening drop in Black enrollment compared with the 1970s; and at the same time and increase in the dropout rate among the same group. I had perceived this trend in process as I took early retirement at Portland State University in 1982. This is why I have written on the subject several times, advocating a structured, well-informed parent group with a commitment to greatly increasing African American enrollment in OREGON SCHOOLS--a more affordable path to higher education, especially considering the current economic turn down which it appears will be with us for some time.

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BUSINESS PROFILE



Photo by Ulysses Tucker, Jr.

James Berry, Owner, One Stop Records

BY ULYSSES TUCKER, JR.

James Berry is a civic-minded businessman not just interested in making money, he is also interested in providing jobs for the black community, being a role model, and boosting the image of the Northeast area.

A native of Chicago, Illinois and a 1974 graduate of Portland State University in Elementary Education (1974), Berry left the midwest because of the harsh weather. Before opening up One Stop Records five years ago, Berry worked with FOIC, the State of Oregon Employment Division, and as a motorman for the Chicago Transit Authority. He attended Parker High School in Chicago. One Stop Records is not just a record store, it serves as a place where young people can come by to talk with someone they respect. Often times, young people make one stop for records, advice, opinions, and Berry is the man for it all. Truly One Stop.

Berry has some definite ideas for how black businesses/black businessmen can help the black community. He also has a vision for North/Northeast Portland in the areas of economic development and youth services.

A member of Morningstar Baptist Church, Berry and his wife Valerie are the proud parents of four (Robin, 20; Dominica, 18; who is attending Gram-

bling; Trent, 13; and Yulius, 9) children. He is forty-seven years old. The Business Profile caught up with Berry at the record store.

Portland Observer--How does a person go from driving as a motor man for the Chicago Transit Authority to owning a record store in Northeast Portland?

Berry--"I left Chicago because of the weather. It's cold back there. While I was stationed at Fort Lewis (U.S. Army), Washington, I visited Portland a few times and I decided to come back here for school. I ended up at PSU majoring in elementary education, but I ultimately decided that I was a business man instead of a school teacher. Before owning the record store, I owned the NE Business Center and a distributing company. I still own the Business Center.

Portland Observer--You own one of the few record stores that caters to the taste of black consumers, do you feel like you have an obligation to them?

Berry--"Yes. Most of our motto is to make sure that we get the kind of music that you can't get at Fred Meyers, K-Mart, or G.I. Joe's, that's our niche."

Portland Observer--Is this truly a place where a person can make One Stop and find everything they need?

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Quayle's Visit Results in Riot

by Angelique Sanders

Vice President Danforth Quayle's Rose City visit on Monday mirrored Bush's May visit, drawing hundreds of rioters downtown and blocking traffic.

The \$100-a-plate--\$2500 to meet Quayle--luncheon resulted in protesters lining Broadway and Sixth Avenue by the Hilton Hotel. Officers carted off 43 rioters. One hundred police were called in, and mobbed the downtown area to re-route the ever-slowing traffic, and were stationed at Pioneer Place as late as 10:30 p.m. that night, ten hours after Quayle arrived. Buses ran generally 10-15 minutes late, and cars were brought to a near standstill as late as 6 p.m. that evening.

Protesters were inducing vomiting, and pushing and shoving.

Quayle flew down from Seattle (where he spoke the previous day) for a Republican fundraiser with Oregon State Representative Danny Smith. The luncheon is expected to bring in \$40,000 towards Smith's campaign fund.

LLOYD CENTER DMV OFFICE SCHEDULED TO BE CLOSED

The Lloyd Center DMV office will be closed beginning September 29, 1990, due to extensive remodeling of the Lloyd Center Mall. The office will not reopen until remodeling of the mall is completed.

Customers are asked to visit other Portland area offices during this closure, and to take advantage of DMV's mail-in service.

The office is expected to remain closed for four or five months, until remodeling of the Multnomah level of the Lloyd Center Mall is finished. When the office reopens, it will be located inside the mall on the Multnomah level, rather than outside, where it currently exists.

"The new office will be larger and provide more workstations than the cur-

rent office, to help provide quicker service to customers," Ward said.

Other local DMV offices are the Northeast Portland office at 1836 NE 82nd Ave., the West Portland office at 1502 SW Sixth Ave., the North Portland office at 8260 N. Interstate Ave., and the Mall 205 office at 9904 SE Washington St. is: