

MURDER IN AMERICA: A SPECIAL REPORT ON THE NEXT "JESSE JACKSON"

"Jesse Jackson", looks at a frightening reality: despite gun control laws and the war on drugs, the number of young homicide victims continues to rise. On MURDER IN AMERICA: A SPECIAL REPORT which aired Saturday, October 27, and Sunday, October 28 on the nationally syndicated "Jesse Jackson" television series the question was asked-what can we do to stop the killings and can we get rid of drugs?

"All this talk on a war on drugs is hogwash because we've never really approached the problem," said defense attorney William Kunstler, who recently defended a man charged with killing six police officers in New York City. Kunstler said the drug problem is here to stay, so his suggestion-legalize drugs in America.

"If drugs were legalized and the profit motive taken away," asked Jackson, "wouldn't the competition and the killing be reduced?" Isaac Fulwood, Chief of Police in Washington, D.C., said no, stating that by legalization "you will transfer the profit from the bandit on the street to the bandit on Wall Street, so there's no difference."

Activist Dick Gregory agreed that drug legalization will not stop the killing, and that perhaps the country needs to be more realistic about why kids are

dying. "Those guns...the Israeli Army would like to get their hands on some of (those) guns; how are these guns getting in 13-year-old children's hands...?"

Marian Jamison, whose nine-month-old grandson was killed by several stray bullets at her home in the Bronx, offered an unsettling reply: "You can buy a gun in New York City as easily as you can buy a loaf of bread."

Congressman Robert Dornan (R-Calif.), a supporter of the NRA, member of the House Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control and a participant in the panel discussion, called it a "conscious problem", "to be liberal about drug use, about easy, quick divorce...easy abortion...and to be looking for reason why a kid would blow another kid apart and not say that there's something wrong with the consciousness in our country...that's a throwing away of our traditional roots."

"Please stop the fighting and do what you can to make us safe..." reads eight-year-old Stephon Muse. In a unique pre-taped series of segments which focused on the thoughts of the youngest victims, children express their concerns and fears. "One day someone shot a gun into our house and made holes in the walls." "It made me feel scared and uncomfortable in my own house."

RACISM IN AMERICA PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Louisiana state Rep. David Duke, former grand wizard of the Knights of the Klu Klux Klan, who received 44% of the vote in a losing bid for the U.S. Senate earlier this month, discusses racism in America with Jesse Jackson this Saturday, November 3, and Sunday, November 4 on the nationally syndicated "Jesse Jackson" television series.

Does discrimination in this country get the Presidential seal of approval? President Bush vetoed the Civil Rights Act of 1990. "Jesse Jackson" scrutinizes the impact of the veto, the escalation of racism crimes on today's college campuses and looks at the television and film industry's depiction of minorities.

David Duke and Jackson will be joined by others in a panel discussion to analyze these and other areas where racism is often excused or ignored by a growing number of Americans.

BPN Helps Unite Community with "First Friday"

Black Professional Network is proud to bring to Portland First Friday, an opportunity for Portland's Black Community to come together after work and network with each other. This Friday, November second, first Friday will be held at Lyon's Restaurant, 1215 N.E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Come on down and meet your peers and bring plenty of business cards. Further, there will be special donation collection to benefit the Black United Fund of Oregon.

Remember, starting with the first Friday in November, every first Friday of the Month, will be Networking Night afterwork at Lyon's Restaurants.

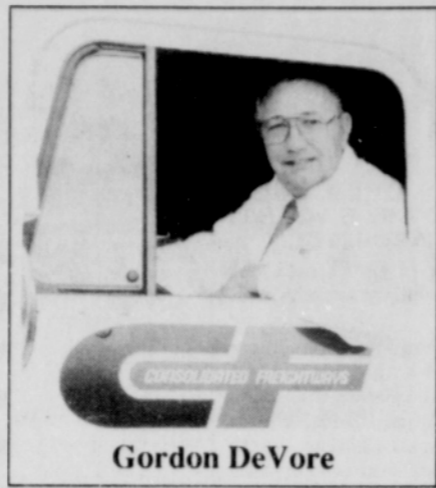
URBAN LEAGUE OFFERS CLASSES

Starting on November 7th, Career Exploration and Job Skills classes will be held weekly, on Wednesdays from 6:30 until 8:00 P.M. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Urban League of Portland, 10 North Russell Street. These classes will focus on various aspects of employment including: Careers of the Future, Job Searching and Interviewing, Dressing for Success, Resumes, Motivation and others. The course runs for 5 weeks, ending December 5th.

All youth who finish the course will be awarded certificates of completion and will receive ongoing assistance throughout their job search. The course is targeted at youth between the ages of 14 and 17 who live in NE Portland. To register for the course, parents and/or youth need to call 280-2600. The deadline for registration is Friday, November 2nd. The course is free. Businesses in the N/NE community who have information for ideas to share are invited to participate. Individuals who are interested may contact John Rumler, Employment Coordinator for the Urban League's Northeast Youth Service Center.

Two Portland-Area Drivers Named for Award

B.B. King's guitar carries the moniker "Lucille". Planes, ships, parks and even building often bear the names



Gordon DeVore

of the noteworthy or the accomplished. Trucking firm CF Motor Freight is taking this idea one step further by imprinting company trucks with the names of two Portland-area truck drivers who have traveled more than 3 million accident-free miles during their careers.

The drivers, Gordon DeVore and Charles Turenne, were on hand for the dedication of "their own" trucks, Thursday, October 25, at one of CF's Portland facilities, 2050 Northwest Quimby St.

DeVore, a 67-year-old resident of Portland, and Turenne, 66, who lives in Oregon City, OR, are among a handful of CF employees who have reached the 3 million-mile mark. This safe-driving achievement--the equivalent of 120 trips around the world--generally takes a full-time professional about 30 years to accomplish.

"These trucks will be a traveling recognition of Gordon DeVore's and Charles Turenne's outstanding accomplishments as the most skilled professionals ever to drive for this company," said Thomas A. Paulsen, Western Area vice president of CF Motor Freight. "Driving 3 million miles without an accident is an impressive safety milestone that few professional truck drivers attain in their careers."

Special decals bearing the veteran drivers' names will be affixed to both sides of the tractor portion of individual CF line-haul units. The newly dedicated trucks will be used for intermediate and long-haul transport of freight shipments throughout the United States. In the coming months, CF's other Three Million Milers around the country will be honored in a similar fashion.

DeVore's 38-year career with CF began in 1950 when he was hired as a transport operator at the company's Pendleton, OR terminal. In 1954, he transferred to LeGrande, OR and in 1963 to Portland where he remained until retirement in 1988.

DeVore drove a total of 33 years without a preventable accident during his career. He was named Driver of the Year in 1969 by the Oregon Trucking

Association and became a Three Million Miler in 1986. A father of eight, DeVore and his wife Mary Ann live in



Charles Turenne

Portland.

What started out as a summer job for Charles Turenne in 1950 turned into a 40-year career as a professional driver. Originally hired as a Portland-based relief driver, Turenne soon found full-time work at CF transporting produce throughout the western United States. From 1962 to 1971, Turenne drove a regular route from Portland to Chicago. He now spends most of his time making runs between Portland and Coos Bay, OR.

Turenne has been honored for driving accident-free for 35 years and, in 1953, was named the Oregon Trucking Association's Driver of the Month. He surpassed the 3 million-mile mark earlier this year, making him one of the newest CF Three Million Milers.

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