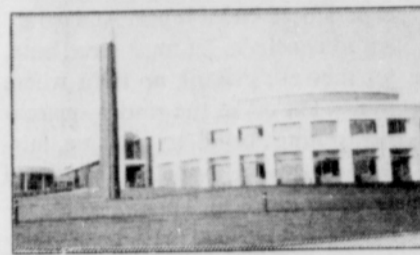


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### THE WEEK IN REVIEW

#### Waco The Final Curtain

According to nine Branch Davidians survivors the FBI tanker started the fire. Their account differs from the FBI's version which stated the cult members started the fire. The surviving cult members says the tanker hit a propane barrelle and spilled the contents, and also turned over lit camping lanterns as it went. In 40 to 45 minutes 86 lives, including 17 children were taken and nothing but the residue remained.

#### Cesar Chavez Passes On

Cesar Chavez, a former migrant worker who organized the first Farm Workers Union back in the 60s is gone. He fought for over 30 years to help Hispanic migrants have better working and living conditions.

#### School Budget Gets Approval

The budget received approval from the State Senate Subcommittee. The budget contains more money for the next school year, but still won't provide forecasted cuts.

#### The Navy "Tailhook" Scandal Documented

A 10 month investigation documents sexual assault involving 140 officers at the 1991 Tailhook Convention. The 300 page document includes reports of pictures and graphic details of assaults on more than 83 women and 7 men.

#### Thousands Demonstrate For Gay Rights

Hundreds of thousands of gays and lesbians and friends marched on Washington, D.C. for their rights and for increased funds for Aids.

#### Tulsa, Oklahoma Aftermath

Rescuers found at least seven persons in the rubbish as survivors collected their strewn belongings after the twister hit them on Sunday, April 25th.

#### Blazers Start Playoffs

Blazers start National Basketball Association playoffs. Their star guard Clyde Drexler, at this printing, is still on the injured list. Drexler may or not start depending on the decision of Dr. Robert Cook.

#### Clinton Potpourri

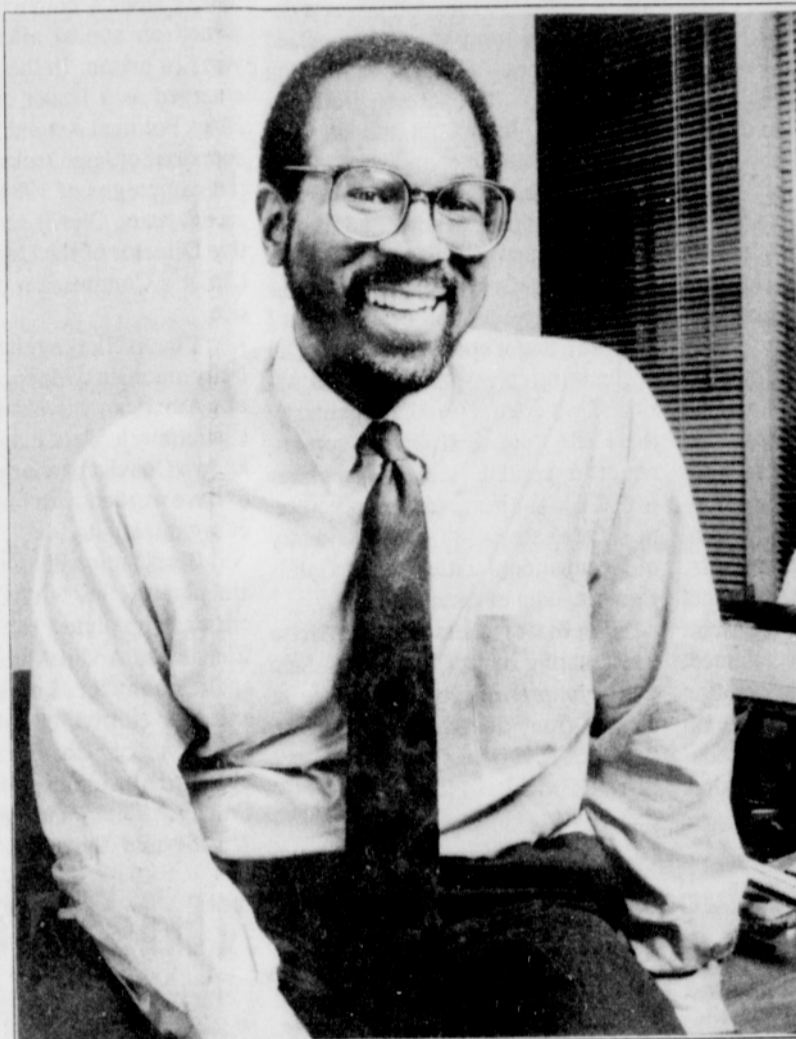
Health & Human Services Secretary, Donna Shala speaks up for free vaccine plan for children; Accused of irresponsibility in Waco affair; To improve trade sanctions on European Community; Economic stimulus program slaughtered by Senate Republicans.

## Business Week Magazine Executive To Highlight Conference, Trade Show

James Ellis, senior writer and bureau chief of Business Week magazine, will be featured luncheon speaker at the 1993 Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs (OAME) Entrepreneurship Conference and Trade Show. More than 700 small business owners, community leaders and government officials are expected to take part in the event on May 7 at the Oregon Convention Center.

This year's theme of "Empowerment Through Partnerships" is well-timed, considering the many new challenges facing minority and women-owned businesses in Oregon.

"To call 1993 a pivotal year for small business in America is almost an understatement," said Brooks. "A new federal administration; economic fluctuations and changing social trends are just a few of the trends impacting entrepreneurs today. The OAME Conference and Trade Show offers businesses from across the state an opportunity to stay



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was named Bureau Chief in 1984. Ellis' coverage of the business scene earned him the 1992 McGraw-Hill Editorial Excellence Award.

"We are pleased and honored to have a business journalist of James Ellis' caliber coming to Oregon," Brooks said. "He's a noted expert in his field, and will offer a unique perspective on small and minority businesses. The worldwide reputation of Business Week magazine speaks for itself. To have one of its senior executives joining us should make our conference appealing to the entire business community."

In addition to the luncheon session with Ellis, the OAME conference will feature a wide range of informational workshops for business owners. The trade show component will be an exhibition of goods and services available from minority entrepreneurs across Oregon.

OAME is a non-profit organization formed to promote and develop minority entrepreneurship and economic development in the state of Oregon. It functions as a partnership between ethnic minorities, entrepreneurs, education, government and established businesses. Approximately 460 minority-owned firms access the technical assistance, financial resources and business opportunities directed by OAME.

Trade show and conference registrations are still available, according to Brooks. Booth space can be reserved for small companies with 25 employees or less, public and non-profit agencies and large businesses/corporations. For more information please call Sam Brooks, OAME, at (503) 249-7744.

### Alternative Programs Earn Recognition

Two Portland School District alternative programs, Portland Night School at Grant and Metropolitan Learning Center, are among some 20 programs across the country featured in Phi Delta Kappa's Exemplary Practice Series.

The programs, selected as examples of "Restructuring Through Curriculum Innovation," result from 20 years of development in Portland Public Schools of the "school-within-a-school" structure for delivering education.

The Exemplary Practice Series is published by the Center for Evaluation, Development and Research (CEDR). Each volume in the series offers educators information about successful techniques, and programs concerning a particular aspect of the educational process.

For more information, contact David Mesirov, director, Portland Night School at Grant, 280-6486 or Pat Burk, principal, Metropolitan Learning Center, 280-5737.

### Investigators Conclude Koresh Followers Started Fire

UPI - A team of arson investigators said Monday the fire that destroyed the Branch Davidian compound a week ago, apparently killing David Koresh and 85 of his followers was set by persons inside the building.

Paul Gray, assistant chief investigator for the Houston Fire Department, said experts from around the country found that the inferno started inside the building in at least two separate locations and at about the same time.

"Further evidence indicates a presence of flammable liquids inside the building which contributed to an unnaturally rapid fire spread. The team believes this fire was intentionally set by persons inside the compound," he said.

The fire broke out as the FBI was using an armored vehicle to spread tear gas inside the wood-frame building to force a surrender of the Koresh and his followers. One of the survivors had claimed the tank knocked over a can of fuel.

During the news briefing, Gray said the experts investigated that possibility and found it was impossible because the last assault by the tank appeared on videotape to be at least four minutes before the fire actually broke out.

Gray also said the investigators found the building, called "Rancho Apocalypse" by Koresh, to be full of flammable items including baled hay, various fuels, large amounts of paper and a "remarkable" number of firearms.

Earlier Monday at Houston, one of Koresh's advisers surrendered to federal authorities as investigators pressed on with ef-

orts of identify bodies recovered from the burned out ruins of the cult leader's fortified compound.

Paul G. Fatta, who was attending a gun show Feb. 28 when federal agents raided Koresh's Branch Davidian compound, surrendered to U.S. Marshals at Houston to face a charge of conspiracy to possess illegal firearms.

Fatta, 35, had been sought in a nationwide manhunt since March 6 when he was charged by federal officials at Waco.

Although he was not inside the fortified compound during the 51-day siege, Fatta said he did not believe Koresh and his 85 followers wanted to die as they did in the furious inferno that burned their camp to the ground April 19.

"I believe the people there wanted to live, especially David. He had a burden to give a message to the world: the Seven Seals. And that was his No. 1 goal in life," he said.

Fatta said he did not believe the FBI had given the public a true account of the events and he said Koresh would never have set the fire that consumed his "Rancho Apocalypse" as the FBI alleges.

Fatta said the sect collected guns because they often received threats and feared a possible attack because of their beliefs. He said they also sold guns to raise funds. He denied women and children were trained to fire weapons.

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### PageNet Names New Vice President In Oregon



Brad Terry

Paging Network, Inc. announced that it has named Brad Terry as vice president and general manager of Paging Network of Oregon, Inc.

Prior to joining PageNet, Mr. Terry served as vice president of operations for Windsor Court Capital, Inc., a furniture retailer in Mill Valley, Calif.

PageNet, the largest and fastest growing provider of paging services in the United States, opened its newest sales and service office in Oregon March 22. The company provides full service local, regional and nationwide paging coverage.

"PageNet has achieved its leadership position in the paging industry by competitively pricing its services while providing excellent customer service and state-of-the-art transmission facilities," noted Mr. Terry. "Our technical superiority allows us to offer reliable coverage at a low cost to the consumer. The Oregon market will certainly benefit from this strategy."

### Housing

#### "PDC Offers 0% Interest Sewer Hook-up"

Each applicant receives expert assistance by being paired with a PDC finance advisor and housing specialist who help the home-owner through every step of the loan process.

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### MetroLife

#### "ASB's Commitment To Help Improve MLK Jr. Blvd."

...big banks don't have a commitment to, or a stake in inner cities or the normal business borrowers who live here or earn his living here.

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### Arts & Entertainment

#### "Oregon Shakespeare Festival Announces 1993-94 Portland Season"

The fifth and final production is "Jar The Floor," a new comedy about four generations of African American women confronting their shared history.

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### Sports

#### "Trail Blazer's Terry Porter Receives Honor For Community Work"

Porter along with Kersey and the Trail Blazers, provided more than 1,000 tickets to disadvantaged youth...

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