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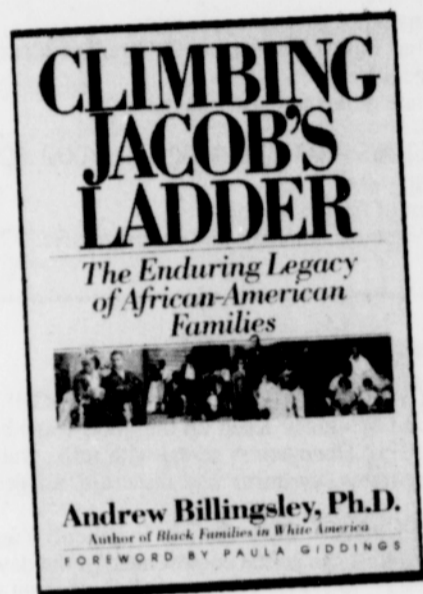
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Legal Aid Plans Office Move

Multnomah County Legal Aid Service will be moving its downtown office location to new quarters in the United Carriage Building at 700 SW Taylor, Suite 300, Portland, Oregon 97205. The office will be closed Thursday, January 6th, through Wednesday, January 12th. We will reopen Thursday, January 13th. Effective January 13th, all clients, including Family Law Center clients, may reach Multnomah County Legal Aid Service by telephoning 224-4086.

The move should increase Legal Aid's accessibility to clients from all over Multnomah County. The location, at Taylor and Broadway, is close to the bus mall and to MAX. The offices are also fully accessible to the disabled.

Multnomah County Legal Aid Service provides free legal services in civil cases to low-income people in Multnomah County. We serve over 6,000 clients per year in housing, government benefits, family law, senior law, and civil rights.

OCOC Seeks People

The One Church, One Child (OCOC) of Oregon is seeking applicants to serve on the newly created Minority Advisory Board.

This nine-member board will serve in an advisory capacity to the Friends of OCOC on matters relating to adoption recruitment activities and events and will serve as a clearing house for information and will raise family awareness about events in the area. It will examine pertinent issues and make recommendations to Friends of OCOC for consideration. The main goal of the Minority Advisory Board is to encourage and support minority recruitment activities in the Portland Metropolitan Area (Multnomah, Clackamas, Washington, and Clark counties) and communities to expand adoption education by encouraging minority (Asian, African American, Hispanics and Native American) family participation.

Interested applicants should contact: Harvey Rice, MST, Family Services Coordinator for OCOC at: 285-7634 for information and application. A completed application or resume must be submitted to: OCOC, PO Box 11611, Portland, OR 97211, by Tuesday February 1, 1994.

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Tri-Met Pursues Money For New Buses

The Tri-Met Board of Directors yesterday gave the green light to seek nearly \$10 million in federal funding to purchase 11 to 12 new minibuses and 20 new standard buses. The vehicles would give Tri-Met the capacity to add service.

"Tri-Met is committed to meeting the growing needs of our expanding region," said Tom Walsh, Tri-Met's General Manager. "To add service you need two things, a bus and a driver. This grant would address the first half of that equation."

The minibuses would allow Tri-Met to serve the Columbia South Shore employment centers and expand service in unserved or

Coors To Sponsor NAACP Image Awards

Coors Brewing Company will serve as an official sponsor of the NAACP's 26th Annual Image Awards scheduled for Jan. 5, 1994, at the Civic Auditorium in Pasadena, Calif.

The NAACP Image Awards recognize individuals and organizations who have contributed to the positive portrayal of African Americans in entertainment.

"Coors has long been a concerned corporate citizen," said Leo Kiely, Coors president and chief operating officer and co-chair of this year's Image Awards. "We've considered the NAACP a viable partner for many years and we are delighted to serve in partnership with the NAACP Image Awards to celebrate the unparalleled achievements of African Americans in many endeavors."

According to NAACP spokesperson Regina Jones, a record 765 submissions were received this year for awards in 40 categories representing motion pictures, television, recording and literature.

This year's show will be televised nationally Jan. 22, on NBC.

Curtis Salgado And Lloyd Jones

What a way to usher in the New Year - and a new era at the all new Northwest Music Millennium! Portland's brightest star, Curtis Salgado, and the rose city's pre-eminent blues guitarist/singer/bandleader, Lloyd Jones, will be reuniting to help us kick off our grand opening weekend. Listing the credits of these local musical giants would take up far too much space and be redundant to boot. Suffice it to say that Curtis and Lloyd are in large part responsible for putting Portland on the musical map.

Come hear some deep down gritty blues with two of the best. Curtis and Lloyd will take the stage at 3:00 on Friday, January 14th. Northwest Music Millennium is located at 801 NW 23rd and Johnson.

If You Can't Trust Your Government, Who Can You Trust?

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT

In the old days of grade B western movies, the hero was often heard to exclaim, "if you can't trust your banker, who can you trust?" In more recent times, this attitude has seemed quite appropriate for the Savings and Loan Community as their executives robbed the depositors, investors and taxpayers with equal gusto. The cowboys usually ran the naughty banker out of town, but what do we do with feds who 'radiate' us without our permission.

There is a great wailing and wringing of hands as the Clinton Administration expands an inquiry into the "propriety and safety" of human radiation experimentation conducted by the government in the decades after World War II. The media and opportunistic politicians are having a field day of lamentation and fingerpointing, each group seeking to excel in a ritual of sudden discovery and indictment. This hysterical posture of "surprise, surprise", its as shocking to us as you" renders both the government and media extremely suspect. There's a familiar ring.

The very suggestion that the 'holler-than-thou' American establishment has been engaged in the very some type of human experimentation that brought universal condemnation upon Hitler's Nazis may shock many, but not all. In the past week

I've had a dozen calls from both black and white readers who say they see a frightening parallel to the "Tuskegee Syphilis Experiments" I've written about. The reference is to the detailed account of how the U.S. Health Service and Veterans Administration engaged in a decades-long experiment to see how, untreated, syphilis would ravage the bodies of uninformed African Americans.

While some will immediately recall the statement of Malcom X, "Chickens come home to roost", others are more deeply disturbed by the realization that once again our highly revered and respected medical fraternity has failed us. As in the case of the gruesome Tuskegee caper hundreds of those who previously took the Hippocrates Oath must have been aware of what was going on. No, correct that! Thousands of 'professionals' must have known. The AMA?

Already, the records of five major federal agencies have been requested for review: Departments of Energy and Defense and Veterans Affairs -- National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Pentagon and, once again, that conscienceless U.S. Public Health Service. Now we must expand our query, "If you trust your doctor...?"

The toll-free lines set up for use by a frightened public have simply been overwhelmed, and not by just

those who realize they were given no early alarm on such debacles as asbestos, breast implants, tainted blood, whatever." Many of the callers were reporting instances of experimentation that were conducted or sponsored by other federal agencies, especially the Department of Defense" (N.Y. Times News Service). Now, the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force have been directed to conduct comprehensive reviews (who is going to take the participating Universities to task-- or a knowing media that didn't inform).

We note that southwestern Washington State (Hanford) may become the litigation capital of the nation because so many of the human guinea pigs are found here in our backyard. And across the nation there may be a million who have unknowingly been forced to virtually swim in seas of radiation -- infants, children, the sick, blind and disabled, the aged and the soldiers. Energy Secretary O'leary is speaking of compensation for the many victims of these cruel nuclear experiments where the air and the bodies were poisoned "for science".

Careful lady, the administration already is trying to figure out how to pay for one badly needed health program. If the Clinton administration is pushing this investigation for political gain alone, the process could backfire. It is all rather disturbing, isn't it?

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Garlington Employee Honored For Helping Minorities

Garlington Center employee Ray Shellmire recently received the Marge Lee Anderson award.

The award is presented each year by the Oregon Mental Health Association, and recognizes a volunteer or professional who demonstrates a strong commitment in working with minorities who have severe mental illness.

Shellmire is supervisor at The

Connection, a pre-vocational program, that helps those with mental illness become job ready. The program trains consumers in office, catering and landscaping activities. The Connection is part of the Garlington Center's Rehabilitation Service.

"I get a little embarrassed at public appreciation of my accomplishments," said Shellmire. "But getting the award, was a rather

emotional and pleasing moment for me."

The award is sponsored by Garlington Center Community Mental HealthCare in recognition of the late Marge Anderson who was an employee of Garlington. Anderson made a significant contribution in providing quality mental health services to minorities and those with severe mental illness.

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