

# The Portland Observer 25¢

## THE WEEK IN REVIEW

### Income Enhancement Guide Offered

A guide of income enhancement opportunities for African Americans is the latest project from the national black self-help group known as the Better Life Club. According to spokesman James Nathan, "Our latest guide is our most extensive ever. We show how to double your current income through home-based businesses, acquiring 900-Number lines, sponsoring moneymaking events, through investing and in 21 host of other ways." Interested persons can get the guide from the non-profit organization by sending \$3 to cover postage costs to the Better Life Club, P.O. Box 28422, Washington, D.C. 20038.

### Anti-Welfare Program Unveiled

While blaming the nation's welfare system for everything from the increase in crime to out-of-wedlock birth, a group of mostly Republican conservatives last week announced a plan that would dismantle the system. Under the proposal, unwed mothers and non-citizens would be disqualified from receiving welfare. And if the mothers are unable to take care of their children without public assistance they would have to put them up for adoption or in government run orphanages. The group is led by former Reagan administration drug czar William Bennett. One critic of the proposal said, "First the welfare system weakened the family by driving the man out of the home since mothers often could not get aid if a man was present. Now, these white conservatives want to totally destroy the family by driving the mother out of the home and putting the children in institutions."

### 'Magic' Johnson To Open Theatre

Former basketball superstar Earvin "Magic" Johnson and the Sony Corporation last week announced plans to build a 12-screen multiplex theatre in the Balwin Hills-Crenshaw section of Los Angeles. Johnson and representatives from Sony promised the complex would be just the first they plan to build in minority areas. The complex is expected to cost between \$11 and \$15 million.

### Reggie Jackson's Father Dies

The father of baseball great Reggie Jackson died last week in Philadelphia. Martinez Jackson was 89. During his youth he had been a second baseman for the Newark Eagles of the old Negro Baseball League.

## Nelson Mandela, "The Star Of Africa"

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT  
**T**HIS TIME THE EYES OF A GREEDY WORLD WERE NOT RIVETED UPON THAT FABULOUS WHITE DIAMOND TORN FROM THE BLOODY GRASP OF THE BLUE CLAYS OF SOUTH AFRICA'S KIMBERLEY MINES.

Instead, "They were fastened on the mahogany countenance of the stalwart son of a Thembu chief -- about to be declared the "first black president" of a land his people had always owned. Sitting Bull never experienced this irony.

And guess who came to dinner? Leaders and representatives of 145 nations and 16 international organizations: the Secretary of the United Nations; Vice President Al Gore; TransAfrica head, Randall Robinson; Commerce Secretary, Ron Brown; Fidel Castro; Palestine Liberation Chairman, Yasser Arafat; a dozen jet loads of African American leaders and just plain blacks (many from Portland); thousands of reporters -- and, quite naturally, the indefatigable Mr. Jesse Jackson.

Before a global gala began and the huge throng would begin to dance the "toy toy" in a huge natural amphitheater ringed by sandstone columns, jacananda trees -- and farther away, gleaming office towers and the hazy outline of hills -- the dignified and unflappable Nelson Mandela began his inaugural speech.

"Your Majesties, Your Royal Highnesses, distinguished guests, comrades and friends: Today, all of us do, by our presence here and by our celebrations in other parts of our country and the world, confer glory and hope to new born liberty."

"Out of the experience of an extraordinary human disaster that lasted too long must be born a society of which all humanity will be proud."

God grant that avacious Europeans will permit this, here, many trillions of dollars later -- that finally they will be willing to share the bountiful riches of the land with the original man. Many will be looking to see just how much power Nelson Mandela will actually wield. Will the new government really down-size the huge military forces equipped with hundreds of jet fighters and bombers as well as nuclear bombs?

It is to be remembered that South Africa is an integral part of a huge Western War machine. That embargo was a force because the ten most critical minerals to the manufacture of nuclear bombs and military alloys were excluded from the beginning. The entire south quarter of Africa is rich beyond belief in natural resources. The intelligence services (and taxpayers) of America, Europe and Israel spend billions to aid South Africa to contain its black population and to destabilize its neighbors, Mozambique, Angola and Zimbabwe. Did you think the tribal slaughters just happen?

There is much concern among Africans of the Diaspora as to exactly how the new regime will deal with one very special group of black South Africans who numbered several million when, at the age of 14 or 15, they went to the street in 1976 and "virtually destroyed South Africa." Black Washington Post columnist, William Raspberry, quotes a close friend of Nelson Mandela, Dr. Motlana.

"Apartheid was really over the 16th of June, 1976, about 10 o'clock in the morning... The first violence occurred diagonally across the street from the Mandela residence at the Rand West High School. I was there when the police turned dogs against unarmed school girls and young school boys, and I saw those boys take hold of those vicious Alsatian dogs, throttle them with their bare hands and burn them. I saw it all."



Nelson Mandela, South African President

"And then the kids throughout South Africa -- as if on a signal -- stared burning government buildings, bottle stores, schools throughout the country... in Cape Town the colored children responded to those of Soweto in a 'critical fashion', again burning shops and government buildings. The whole country was i turmoil for six months.. there were trials after trials and lots of our children left South Africa to go into exile to form MK guerilla units that came back in and blew up power stations." CIA had a nervous break-

down. The concern mentioned is that these young, heroic freedom fighters are new adult mothers and fathers with little or no education, but must be employed, fed and housed -- along with their own children. The price of freedom is very, very high.

There is not, of course, enough room here for any in-depth recitation of the European Conquest of Southern Africa with the slaugh-

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## Dave Frohnmayer Named Interim President Of The University Of Oregon

**T**HE OREGON STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION TODAY ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAS NAMED DAVE FROHNMAYER AS INTERIM PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1994. HE WILL REPLACE MYLES BRAND, WHO HAS BEEN NAMED PRESIDENT OF INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

"Dave Frohnmayer has a broad range of experience in serving Oregon," said Board President Janice Wilson. "As an experienced CEO and educator, he will bring the leadership necessary to sustain the momentum of the campus and advance it to the next level. His skills as an academician, a political leader, and a fund-raiser will benefit not only the University of Oregon, but the entire Oregon State System of Higher Education."

"Dave Frohnmayer is a seasoned leader, exceptionally capable of continuing to build on the University of Oregon's tremendous successes," said Chancellor Thomas Bartlett. "His extraordinarily strong academic credentials, combined with his experience as both



Dave Frohnmayer

dean of the UO School of Law since 1992 and as a UO professor for nine years, have given him valuable insight into the institution. His deep roots in Oregon and his commitment to Oregon, state and university, give his appointment special strength. The support for

his appointment from UO faculty, staff and students is a most promising beginning."

Frohnmayer is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Harvard College, attended Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, and holds a law degree from the University of California.

He served as consultant to the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, from 1973-74, and was assistant to the U.S. Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare from 1969-70.

He was a professor of law at the University of Oregon from 1971-80 and served as special assistant to the president from 1971-79.

Frohnmayer represented South Eugene and Goshen in the Oregon House of Representatives for three, two-year terms beginning in 1975. From 1981-1992, he served as Oregon's Attorney General, and assumed the post of dean of the UO's School of law in 1992.

He is director of the National Marrow Donor Program and founded the Fanconi Anemia Research Fund.

## ESSENCE Magazine Publisher, Edward T. Lewis Attends The Inauguration Of Nelson Mandela

Edward T. Lewis, Publisher of ESSENCE Magazine and CEO of Essence Communications, Inc., was invited by the White House, to be a member of the United States delegation attending Nelson Mandela's historic inauguration in South Africa. Lewis represented both Essence Communications, Inc., and TransAfrica, Inc., a lobbying organization

for Africa and the Caribbean, where he serves as chairman of the board of TransAfrica Forum, the research and education affiliate of TransAfrica, Inc.

"The election of Nelson Mandela marks a historic milestone not only for the Black community living in South Africa but for all of us who are committed to justice, equal

representation, and improvement in the quality of life for Black communities everywhere," said Lewis. "It is an honor and a privilege to be present at the inauguration of Mr. Mandela who fought unrelentlessly to make the dream of freedom and equality a reality in his homeland. I had tears in my eyes as I witnessed Nelson Mandela becoming the President of

South Africa." With 5.1 million readers, ESSENCE is the preeminent magazine for African-American women. Published by Essence Communications, Inc., ESSENCE magazine is the leading source of cutting-edge information relating to every area of African-American women's lives.

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