

China, The Sleeping Giant - World's Fastest Growing Market

The fastest growing market in the world is in China. The population of the People's Republic of China is approximately a billion or more people.

In 1997, Hong Kong and other islands will be taken over by the Chinese Government. Under an agreement entitled the Sino-British Treaty, the British established their form of government in Hong Kong many years ago. For sometime, they have lived, worked and have had total control of Hong Kong and some 250 surrounding islands.

The British have been treated like kings and queens, but they have had total disregard for the Chinese people and their culture. They have operated the third largest financial center in the world, next to New York and London, but the party will be over in 1997 because China will take over this thriving financial

center. There are some 70 million wealthy and middle-class Chinese in Hong Kong, and the other 250 surrounding islands. This is what one would term real buying and investment power. There are another billion or more people in China who will need products, goods and services.



By Omari Kenyatta, J.D.

Hong Kong in 1997, is going to become the administrative special zone for all of China. The business people of this city will teach others all over China how to become more like they are. Unlike some of the other countries that are going through political change, Russia in particular, the Chinese have strong links and strong family ties. The affluent and the not so wealthy Chinese living in America and other countries will always see to it that there is a steady flow of cash going back to China to their relatives. This is going to be one of the things that will assist China in making the transformation into the twenty-first Cen-

ture, along with their tremendous education and work ethics.

You have probably heard some of your friends and relatives complaining about the balance of trade and how the Japanese have been investing in this country. It is ridiculous to blame the Japanese people for your government's mistakes. These business people are doing what any good investor would do.

What people have to understand now is that we are living in a Global Community. If you think you have seen huge sums invested in this country by the Japanese, just wait until the latter part of 1996 and the middle part of 1997 when the Chinese government starts taking over Hong Kong and the other 250 surrounding islands. You are going to see huge investments made by the Chinese and other business people. I am talking about billions of dollars which will be invested in all kinds of stocks, commodities, bonds, corporations and real estate and these investments will be made in this country. Someone is going to get very rich when China enters into the World Market. There will be more millionaires

made as a result of this than ever in the history of mankind.

The ideology that is taking place in China now is semi-capitalism. That is making money. One should understand that communism has almost died out in Southern China, especially in the economic zone. However, economic reforms probably will not lead to the American style government, and there will be some political struggle. Nevertheless, the people of China will never go back to the old economic system because they have been exposed to a new one that is prosperous.

The population of China is growing at a rate of 1.25 million every month. This is hard to comprehend by some people, but these are the statistics on how fast China is growing. The government does not have but two choices. One is to make it mandatory that no one has any children, and the other is to open up its borders to the outside world, because it could not survive this kind of growth without assistance from other countries. This is why you are going to see so much importing and exporting, plus investment taking place in China in 1997.

Urban League Held Awards Banquet

The Urban League of Portland held an awards banquet Friday for the participants of the 1994 Youth Summer Employment Program.

For the third successful year, the Urban League of Portland, in conjunction with Key Bank of Oregon and 35 other companies was able to provide this unique work program. The program provides work experience and job skills at a decent wage for at-risk young men during the summer. The young men provide landscaping service for low-income senior citizens in North/Northeast, Southeast and Southwest Portland who could not otherwise afford it. Thus proving that we are indeed "Building Bridges In The Community"; the motto of this year's program.

Kwesi Wright was awarded paid tuition to a Portland Community College. Kwesi is a 1994 graduate of Grant High School. He has been involved in the apprenticeship program at Key Bank of Oregon.

Contributors for the 1994 program include Key Bank of Oregon, Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt, Gunderson Inc., Chubb & Son Inc., Pacific/Hoe, Willamette Industries Inc., Act III Theatres, Management Compensation Group NW, Paragon Cable, Emanuel Hospital, Cellular One, and Carr Chevrolet.

Scouts Need Minority Volunteers

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barriers which seem to keep low-income youth from joining. It has found some of these problems are related to a lack of knowledge about scouting, transportation, and costs.

Holly said the council is addressing these issues. It has an outstanding reputation for quality of programs, executive board strength, degree of volunteer commitment and membership growth.

The council has plans to build a fund to provide financial assistance to youth and leaders.

The scouting organization is responsible for delivering scouting program to 18 counties in northwest Oregon and southwest Washington. It operates two service centers in Oregon, at 2145 S.W. Front Ave. in Portland and at 4395 Liberty Road, S. in Salem.

Oregon Repertory Singer Children's Choir

Auditions for a new children's choir, ages 9-13, to premiere with Oregon Repertory Singers, 12/94. Rehearsals begin 9/94. Call Linda Noah 242-3857 for audition information.

Science And Technology: Conclusion

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT

The interest you demonstrated in this series was very rewarding -- especially your comments on that "Learning On The Job" segment. I have always insisted that, daily, there is an entire university around you, no matter what your job is.

This is terribly important because common wisdom has it that most successful small business is launched by those whose skills were acquired on a job. Like I said in respect to those jobs involving technology, pay attention to what and who is around you; operating manuals, training guides, programmed instructions, manufacturers' catalogs -- and a constant flow of knowledgeable people, manufacturers' representatives, equipment repair persons, city state and federal inspectors monitors and licenser.

Now, you know you like to talk -- ask questions, read up on the product at the library, even buy a relevant book (many cost less than a fifth of (Old-Rack-Em-Back). Then there is the ultimate pursuit of a good thing -- take evening courses at Community College. 'Mail Order' courses are not out of the question. Ask around about the better schools.

I made several points that need serious consideration where, on the one hand we are having great diffi-

culty projecting that our children will actually be the match of any in the world by year 2000 (science and mathematics) -- any in the other hand, we know from monitoring their experience in the public school system most (black and white) will fail to satisfy the technical requirements of even 'American' industry. As local firms will be quite happy to attest.

So, do not be surprised that I go back and ask you to reread what I had to say about "Kid's Science Clubs". You are going to have to provide your children with this type of input and support. It cannot be taken for granted that the system is willing or 'able' to guide and motivate our youth in a manner that will equate to a facility with technology.

I am at this very moment staring at a table loaded with long-abandoned remnants of the school districts 1982 excursions into technological curriculums: blue books, brown books, tan manuals -- "Curriculum Continuums", "Scope And Sequences", Etc. I had preached to these people for 12 years prior that, even at an early level, the development of suitable technical lesson plans requires the input and guidance from the people who practice the related arts. Remember Buicks old advertising ploy, "Ask the man who owns one" (industry).

Now, in respect to those "sci-

ence clubs", you are going to find excellent material at the downtown public library, and however limited your child's school is in facilities or related personnel you should 'demand' direction and orientation in the field -- if you have to go up to the Superintendent of Schools. Also, 'Omsi' has some excellent books and materials. There are technical people on your job who will be happy (and surprised) if you make inquiry of them. And you can always call or fax me; I'm in the book.

Last week I had an interesting conversation with two parents in the neighborhood who were startled to find out what black kids in my childhood neighborhood were doing sixty years ago (and the generation before that). Reading Jules Verne, "20,000 Leagues Beneath The Sea" and "Journey To The Center Of The Earth"; Science fiction magazines like "Amazing Stories", "Astounding Stories", "Wonder Stories". No so much about monsters, but 'hard science', "escape velocity, planetary atmospheres, lost cities beneath the desert in Africa". Then of course there were the 'Comic' books; "Buck Rogers", "Flash Gordon" Etc. (and Naughty, Naughty, "Spicy Adventure and Spicy Western").

Then, too, we built model airplanes and boats, and crystal radios. That's just some of it and we've got to do it all over again; Massa ain't! Why not give me a ring. 284-7080

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NAACP Firing Of Chavis Is About Cowardly Colored People

BY JAMES POSEY

The title, "the oldest civil rights organization in the country," doesn't mean a thing when you look around and see the catastrophic assault on the African-American quality of life.

Sadly, the historical efforts of the NAACP to gain equality in America will be for nothing unless there is a radical change of course in the way Black people address the problems of the 90's. There is no question that Ben Chavis emphatically understands the size and scope of the problem. More importantly, on the strength of his own experiences and courage, he was willing to exercise 'new age' leadership as a definitive Black man rather than a "colored" or negro.

That's why Ben Chavis is no longer the executive director of the NAACP. Failing to escape the legacy of slavery, the notion of a Black male being a "man" still scares the hell out of a lot of people both Black and white. The related controversy surrounding Farrakhan is about the same issue but, when it comes to Farrakhan, the Jew issue not withstanding, even more so.

It would be hard to convince most practical thinking African-Americans that most of this issue is nothing more than about whites exercising economic power and control over uppity coloreds. On one hand, this issue makes it clear that Black folks can not deny that there is an ongoing crisis in Black leadership -- far more serious than any crisis in white leadership. In that context and in contrast to white male leaders, there are different standards for Black male leaders.

Everybody knows that for the Black male leader, the first and cardinal rule is that you can't ever make the mistake of even appearing to mess with the money or the women. This is especially true of "masta's" money or women. These are fatal, un-redeeming irreconcilable errors for Black male leaders. It should not be surprising that the sexual harassment thing is becoming a commonplace weapon of choice in career assassination for them.

Who knows whether or not Ben Chavis was messing around? But one thing is certain, regardless of the woman thing (and even if Chavis was as clean as the driven snow), there was enough ill sentiments against him in the "negro" ranks on

the Board to have him terminated. The negroes just didn't like the way Chavis' ideas and approaches disrupted their traditional "yessa, masta" relationship with powerful and influential white people.

It's no secret that for their own personal benefit, many of the negroes at the national level used the NAACP to develop contacts and relationships with powerful and influential whites. It's the age old story of Blacks selling out with a more sophisticated twist. And the result are the same: A few will gain while the masses suffer.

The local community has some microcosmic similarities to the national issue. The Portland NAACP chapter, for all intents and purposes, was a dead fish. The relatively-new leader tried to garner the new spirit generated by Chavis' leadership to move things forward. The decision to fire Chavis rather than reprimand him for mistakes and praise him for his successes can only make her job harder. Because, she has to sell an NAACP that has slipped back into an age of "cowardly coloreds."

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Get Ready For School



"So I tell him, you gotta watch for the power lines when you're on the roof...Daaaad!"

Melissa, Age 12

Community Group Hotlines Offer Support To Family Violence Victims

The Urban League of Portland and other community-based groups want victims of family violence to know there is a place to go for help. The League's Youth and Family Services Department provides individual and family counseling and specialized support groups to assist victims of family violence. The "circle of violence" hurts our whole community. Contact these groups for help;

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