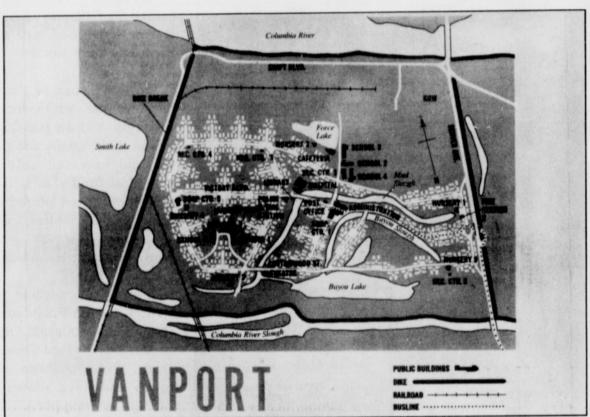


The Fair Housing Law was passed in 1957. Urban League representatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Johnson tested fair housing practices in Portland. Courtesy of the Oregon Historical Society.



Map of Vanport City. There were about 18,500 people, including 5,000 Blacks living in the housing project. The rental cost of an apartment was from \$30 a month for one room and a bath to \$49.50 for four rooms a month.

Courtesy of the Oregon Historical Society.



In 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. led a March on Washington. The people's signs read "For Jobs and Freedom."



Hugh B. Price

urged America to finish the job Dr. King started.

In 1997, Hugh Price

"Economic power is the next civil rights frontier," Hugh Price told delegates at the National Urban League's 1997 conference. "Our struggle remains to give African Americans the opportunity to be developers and owners and establish ourselves as an economically-powerful group."

As president of the National Urban League, Mr. Price is focusing the civil rights organization on economic empowerment and development of our children. In Portland, the Urban League offers assistance to help students and job seekers reach their full potential.

On March 12, 1998, Hugh Price will speak on "Economic Power" at the Urban League of Portland's Equal Opportunity Dinner. For information, call (503) 280-2600.



Quote from the community:

"One of the most segregated periods of time in this nation is still on Sunday morning when everybody says they're going to worship God. God sees no respect of person and yet we still practice the Art of Separatism. If healing is going to take place in America, I think America's church community and institutions of public domain must come to the Table of Brotherhood."

(Margaret Carter, State Representative)



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We proudly honor the rich history of Black Americans and their contributions to our society. We join The Observer in saluting

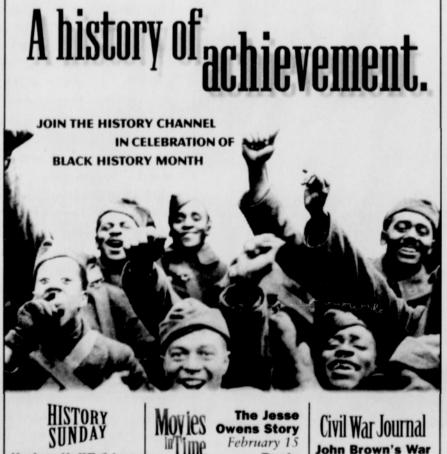


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METRO

The County, City, and Metro are actively working with minority owned businesses to enhance participation on our projects.

- ➤ For recorded information on contracting opportunities with Multnomah County and Metro call the Hotline (503)797-1933. The City of Portland Buyline at (503)823-6855.
- ➤ To contact our respective M/W/ESB Program offices call: Multnomah County (503) 284-5429 City of Portland (503) 823-6855 Metro (503) 797-1714
- ➤ Or visit our web sites: Multnomah County - http://www.multnomah.lib.or.us/purch City of Portland - http://www.ci.portland.or.us/purchase/purchase.htm



Harlem Hellfighters February 23

Roots Begins February 2.

John Brown's War February 6

Harlem Hellfighters premieres Sunday, February 23, at 10PM ET, 9PM CT 8PM MT, 7PM PT The Jessie Owens Story airs Saturday, February 15, at 8PM ET, 7PM CT, 10PM MT, 9PM PT Roots airs Sunday, February 23-Friday, February 28, at 8PM ET, 7PM CT, 10PM MT, 9PM PT. John Brown's War airs Thursday, February 6, at 9PM ET, 8PM CT, 7PM MT,

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