

# LAW & JUSTICE

## Civil Rights Icon Dead at 80

*Shirley Chisholm was champion of women, minorities*

(AP)—Shirley Chisholm, an advocate for minority rights who became the first black woman elected to Congress and later the first black person to seek a major party's nomination for the U.S. presidency, has died. The Rev. Jesse Jackson called her a "woman of great courage."

Chisholm, who took her seat in the U.S. House in 1969, was a riveting speaker who often criticized Congress as being too clubby and unresponsive. An outspoken champion of women and minorities during seven terms in the House, she also was a staunch critic of the Vietnam War.

She had been in declining health since suffering a series of small strokes last summer and died Saturday at age 80.

Chisholm ran for the Democratic presidential nomination in 1972, a campaign that was viewed as more symbolic than practical. She won 152 delegates before withdrawing from the race.

"I ran for the presidency, despite hope-

less odds, to demonstrate the sheer will and refusal to accept the status quo," Chisholm said in her book "The Good Fight." "The next time a woman runs, or a black, a Jew or anyone from a group that the country is 'not ready' to elect to its highest office, I believe that he or she will be taken seriously from the start."

Chisholm represented New York's Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn and served until retiring in 1983. She also was a founding member of the Congressional Black Caucus.

"She was an activist and she never stopped fighting," Jackson told The Associated Press from Ohio. "She refused to accept the ordinary, and she had high expectations for herself and all people around her."

In her book, "Unbought and Unbossed," she recounted the campaign that brought her to Congress and wrote of her concerns about that body:

"Our representative democracy is not working because the Congress that is supposed to represent the voters does not respond to their needs. I believe the chief reason for this is that it is ruled by a small group of old men."

Once discussing what her legacy might be, Shirley Chisholm commented, "I'd like them to say that Shirley Chisholm had guts. That's how I'd like to be remembered."

Democrat Shirley Chisholm of New York takes her oath of office on Jan. 3, 1969 in Washington, D.C. She was the first black woman to serve in the House of Representatives. (AP photo)



## CRIME STOPPERS

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### Shooting Suspect Sought



A police drawing depicts a suspect in a recent shooting.

The Portland Police, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, would like your help identifying and capturing a suspect in a recent shooting.

On Nov. 19, at about 8 p.m., a man knocked on the front door of a house in the 3900 block North Kerby Avenue. When a 15-year-old male answered the door the suspect fired multiple shots from a handgun striking him in the upper chest. The suspect ran off. The victim survived.

The suspect is described as a black male between 19 and 25 years old, 5 feet 8 inches to 6 feet 1 inch, weighing approxi-

mately 200 pounds. He has a short Afro which is described as unkempt with patches of scalp showing. He had patchy facial hair extending from the side of his face, and on his upper lip and chin. The suspect has crooked bottom teeth with spaces between them. He may have a pierced left ear. At the time of the shooting he was wearing a baby blue hooded sweatshirt with a zipper front and black pants.

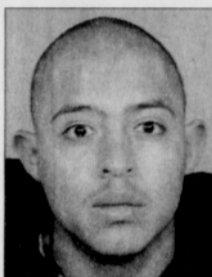
Police said the suspect in this case should be considered armed and dangerous and should not be approached.

### Max Station Robber At Large

The Portland Police, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, would like your help finding Navarro Rodriguez-Lopez, 22, a man wanted for robbery in connection with an October robbery at the 60<sup>th</sup>

The accomplice has already been arrested. Police now want to find Rodriguez-Lopez, a Hispanic man who once lived in the area of Southeast 162 Avenue and Burnside. He

is 5 feet 6 inches tall, 150 pounds with brown hair and brown eyes. He has a tattoo on his back. He should be considered armed and dangerous.



Navarro Rodriguez-Lopez

Avenue Max transit station.

It was about 8 p.m. when Rodriguez-Lopez and an accomplice followed their victim as he exited the Max train. They approached the victim from behind and took money and property at gunpoint. They fled and were long gone by the time the victim was able to call police.

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### County Commission Opposes Patriot Act

*Concerned about law's sweeping powers*

(AP) — Multnomah County commissioners have voted to support a resolution urging lawmakers to fight reauthorization of the USA Patriot Act.

Passage of the resolution adds Multnomah County to the list of more than 360 jurisdictions nationwide, including Portland and Eugene, that have weighed in against the federal law.

The Patriot act, signed into law within weeks of the carnage of Sept. 11, 2001, grants broad powers to local and federal law enforcement officers to fight potential terrorism.

Supporters of the county's resolution have focused on a provision of the Patriot Act which lets federal agents have complete access to the records of library cardholders, including books checked out and Web sites visited.

Those opposed to the sweeping powers of the act include Kayse



Rev. Leroy Haynes

Jama, founder of the Community Language and Culture Bank, a group headquartered in northeast Portland.

Jama compared U.S. policies with

the persecution by government agents in his native Somalia.

Rev. Leroy Haynes of the Allen Temple CME Church and Albina Ministerial Alliance compared the federal powers to America in 1960s when covert FBI investigations looked into the leaders of the civil rights movement.

The Patriot Act today has a "chilling effect" on religious expression in the local Muslim community, said Emily Simon of the Jewish Arab Muslim Dialog group.

Commissioner Lonnie Roberts, the lone board member to vote against the resolution, agreed that parts of the Patriot Act may impinge on civil rights.

Still, Roberts said he didn't want to second-guess the federal government's attempts to prevent further acts of terrorism on U.S. soil.

### New Probe Wanted in 1951 Bombing

*Civil rights activists died in suspicious blast*

(AP)—The NAACP is asking Florida officials to reopen an investigation into the deaths of two civil rights activists who were killed by an explosion beneath their Melbourne, Fla. home on Christmas Day 1951.

Harry and Harriette Moore were African Americans who registered

black voters, opposed school segregation and sought higher salaries for teachers. No one was ever charged in their deaths.

Bill Gary, president of the North Brevard branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said technological advances, such as DNA evidence, may aid a new investigation.

"We believe that the FBI had evidence at that time, but decided to quash the investigation for the sake of the South's tranquility,"

Gary said. He said the couple's daughter, Evangeline Moore, has decided to pursue justice more aggressively.

Moore "is in her 70s and has pretty much been a recluse in the past, but she has become a little more vocal," Gary said

Authorities have revived the case periodically over the years with no success.

Five Ku Klux Klan leaders were suspected but never charged in the slayings.



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