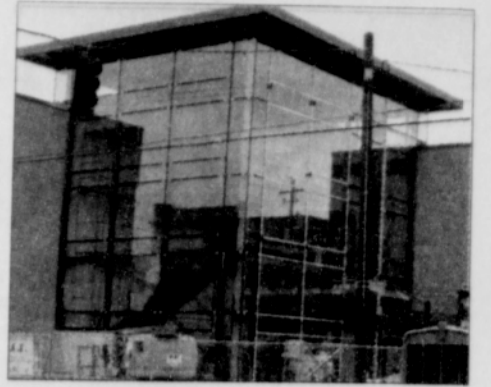


Campus Expansion Near Complete

Latest new building for Portland Community College transforms North Albina and Killingsworth

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Gaza Settlers Defy Deadline

Hundreds of Jewish settlers defied a midnight Tuesday deadline to leave Gaza, attacking Israeli troops and dancing around the Torah in celebration of their resistance to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's historic plan to disengage from the Palestinians.

Crash Leaves 160 Dead

A chartered jet filled with tourists returning home to the French Caribbean island of Martinique crashed Tuesday in western Venezuela, killing all 160 people on board. The pilot had been attempting an emergency landing after both engines failed, officials said.

Plane Lost Pressure in '04

Investigators trying to determine why a Cyprus airliner carrying 121 people crashed in the Greek mountains focused on reports of past technical problems, with a former mechanic for the airline saying Tuesday the jet lost cabin pressure during a flight last year.

Coretta Scott King in Hospital

Civil rights matriarch Coretta Scott King was in fair condition Tuesday after being hospitalized for an unspecified condition, a hospital official said. See story, page A2.

Madonna Breaks Leg

Madonna's 47th birthday celebration was marred Tuesday when she suffered several broken bones in a horse riding accident at her country home outside London, her publicist told The Associated Press.

Parents Make Anti-War Plea

The day after burying their son, the Ohio parents of a fallen Marine urged President Bush to either send more reinforcements to Iraq or withdraw U.S. troops altogether. "We feel you either have to fight this war right or get out," Rosemary Palmer, mother of Lance Cpl. Edward Schroeder II, said Tuesday. Schroeder, 23, died two weeks ago in a roadside explosion.

Bush Ranch Restrictions Wanted

Some of President Bush's neighbors asked county leaders Tuesday to prevent large gatherings near his Texas ranch like the ongoing anti-war protest led by Cindy Sheehan, the mother of a soldier who died in Iraq. Dozens of people have joined Sheehan's protest by pitching tents off the winding, two-lane road leading to Bush's ranch.

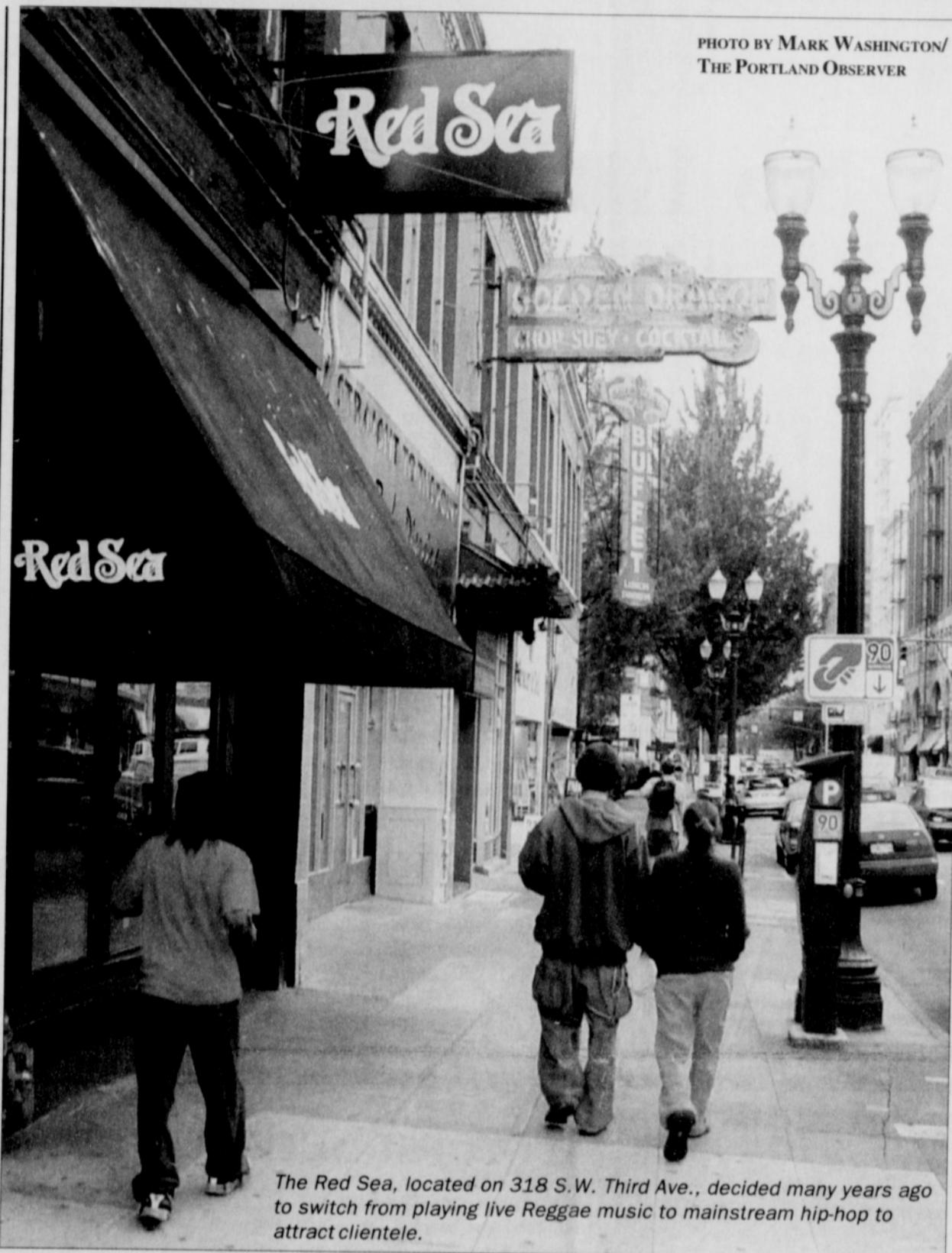


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The Red Sea, located on 318 S.W. Third Ave., decided many years ago to switch from playing live Reggae music to mainstream hip-hop to attract clientele.

Nightlife Shaken Up

Clubs, police address street shootings

BY NICOLE HOOPER
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Portland police and nightclub owners in the downtown entertainment district are questioning and revising public policies in the aftermath of several recent street shootings.

Police have boosted patrols downtown and at least one nightclub announced that it was changing its music, eliminating hip-hop to deter violent customers.

There have been three shooting incidents on the streets around the clubs this month. The violence mostly occurred around club closing times in the vicinity of Southwest Second, Third and Fourth Avenues.

A 28-year-old man was killed on Aug 8 after 40 gunshots were fired. The bullets broke windows at Metro Pizza, a late night restaurant that stays open until 4 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights attracting hungry and tipsy club patrons. The destruction could cost owner Diana Koelling more than \$5,000 in repairs.

Down the street is the Vue Nightclub. In an effort to stop the violence, it will be one of the first nightclubs to test the correlation between violence and hip-hop music.

The Vue has decided to no longer will play hip-hop music because of fear that the music attracts the wrong clientele. But with hip-hop being a mainstream musical genre, some believe that this will lead to the club's economic downfall.

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In the Neighborhood

What do you think of suggestions to close dance clubs early and not play hip-hop as a response to the downtown shootings?



It has more to do with the ownership of the business and having the security to verify identification and for weapons.

Younger people are the ones more apt to make more trouble. I don't think the music has anything to do with the maturity level of the clientele.

--Clarice Banks



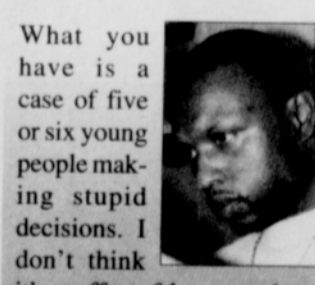
It's really rude to imply that hip-hop is the problem. Hip-hop is a form of music and everyone listens to it regardless of age and color, it's not the fault of the music.

--Reggie Brown



Violence is always going to be there no matter what. It doesn't matter what type of music you play.

--Javier Chavez



What you have is a case of five or six young people making stupid decisions. I don't think it's an effect of the atmosphere or the music. The young kids today need guidance. Now is the time to talk to them so we can prevent instances like this in the future.

--Arthur Williams



Dance clubs should be closed all together because there is too much violence. I am not from Portland but ever since I have been here I have heard nothing but bad things about the clubs.

--Marsha Pittman



Although I don't attend clubs, I don't think that the music is a direct result of the violence. Music is a good thing and can be positive. I think a lot of fighting downtown is a result of people being misplaced.

--Michelle Harris

First African American Officer Honored

Charles Duke achieved despite hurdles

Portland Police Chief Derrick Foxworth posthumously honored former officer Charles Duke with the police department's Achievement Medal.

On Dec. 4, 1946, Officer Duke became the first African-American officer to join the Portland Police Bureau. At the time of his appointment, Duke scored first out of the 203 individuals taking the entrance exam. In his original application, he wrote that he wanted to become a police officer, "because I believe that I can do my community some good in this capacity."



Charles Duke

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Safety Issue for Incoming Woodlawn Kids

Children must cross major highways

BY KATHERINE BLACKMORE
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With the closure of Applegate Elementary School in north Portland this fall, transferring students to Woodlawn Elementary might not be easy - literally.

Children from pre-kindergarten to fifth grade will have to venture through the crowded highways of Lombard Street (U.S. 30 bypass) and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (U.S. 99) to get to school and back.

Parents, community members and their children are concerned about the safety of this area, which is why about 50 people rallied last Thursday at the busy intersection to protest.

Picket signs shouted "Kids and trucks don't mix" and "One lousy bus stop is all we ask." Chants of "Hey hey, ho ho, unsafe crossings have to go!" were met with supporting honks from drivers.

"The bottom line is that it's safety first. If one child crosses that street and gets



PHOTO BY KATHERINE BLACKMORE/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Frustration spills over at a Thursday protest over the lack of student bus services for kids entering Woodlawn Elementary after neighboring Applegate School was closed last spring due to budget cuts.

hurt, it's one too many," said Sheila Warren, chairperson of the Woodlawn Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN).

"What if a child is running late for school,

decides to run across the street against the light, and collides with an oncoming car? The kid is either hurt or killed, and the adult

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