

# BLACK INVENTORS MAKE THEIR MARK

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From the world of fashion comes an exciting new idea from Bettye Downs of Boston called "The Sleeve." This invention grew from a constant need to provide versatility and variety to the feminine wardrobe. As Miss Downs says, "Every lover of clothes prizes at least one garment in which she is most comfortable." Since no woman wants to be seen in one dress too often, "The Sleeve," which can be made in different colors, styles, and materials, can give the basic dress varied interest with each change. This invention is designed to be used with a sleeveless dress and can be attached to the garment with ease.

Thomas Overall, of Seattle, Washington, is a retired Chief Petty Officer of the United States Navy. Fully aware of the great loss of life on the highways each and every holiday, Mr. Overall had designed a device which consists of an inner tube to be attached to the front or rear bumper and is then connected to the dashboard.

His invention can be inflated within three seconds, providing instant protection for both car and driver whenever an accident appears imminent. This bumper extension minimizes jarring impact to the driver and passengers of the vehicle.

Have you ever had a problem with your children running up an unnecessarily large telephone bill? Solomon Wesley James, of Brooklyn, has the answer to this problem in his "Home Telephone Box."

In this invention, the dial portion of the phone is disposed of inside a container which can be closed and locked. Incoming calls can always be answered but out-going calls can only be made when the box is open.

Although this invention is called a "Home telephone Box," it is not limited only to the home, but could be of use in some business offices.

Mary Lee Howard, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., has developed a new invention called the "Portable Steam Generating Unit" which is now in the process of being introduced to manufac-

turers.

While cleaning the venetian blinds in her home, the inventor cut her hand on a blind. The injury was uncomfortable enough to cause her to give thought to an easier way of accomplishing this task.

Her patented invention is a portable steam generating unit designed for use in household cleaning chores. The cleaner promises to take its place alongside the vacuum cleaner as a standard appliance. It is superior for cleaning walls, windows, venetian blinds, floors and furnishings. Home decorators can use it to steam off wallpaper and it may also be used as a humidifier or vaporizer.

Experts in the field have agreed there are six types of inventions that are prime for today's consumer market. Six different targets to shoot at--and any one of them could make you successful. They are:

- New games for both adults and children.
- Car improvements and safety devices.
- Home work-savers for the housewife.
- Hand-tool innovations and do-it-yourself items.
- Recreational and hobby ideas.
- Protection devices for the home, car and individuals.

New inventions come from black inventors every day, and The Raymond Lee Organization encourages these men and women to turn their ideas or frustrations into inventions. They may seem off-beat to you at first, but many ideas have a marketable twist, and that's what, hopefully, turns it into a selling idea worth thousands of dollars.

If the imaginative people you have just read about inspire your hidden desire to create, there's no guarantee, but you may end up making more money than ever dreamed possible. It's up to you to take the first step.

For a free folio on "How to Develop and Market Your Inventions" write to: The Raymond Lee Organization, 230 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

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The Veterans Administration pointed out it is authorized to grant money toward the purchase of an automobile for veterans who suffered the loss or loss of use of one or more hands or feet or both eyes in military service. The new law raised the VA auto grant from \$1,600 to \$2,800 and also authorized VA to pay for adaptive devices needed on replacement cars purchased in the past.

VA explained that those who previously received grants--whether the amount was \$1,600 or \$2,800--cannot receive a second purchase grant, but they can receive payment for the cost or installation of adaptive devices purchased since Jan. 1, 1971.

Judging from the number of applications on hand, VA feels that many veterans are not aware they are eligible for the special equipment addition to their cars.

Interested veterans are urged to contact their nearest VA office or veterans service organization representative. VA offices are listed in the phone directory under "United States Government." Phone: (202) 389-2741.

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