



## Voice gives awards to Durisi Reporters

Audrey May from Clark High School and Sheila Carpenter from Western High School have been chosen as Durisi Reporters of the Year.

Durisi Reporters are students selected by the principal of their schools to write specifically about minority students and the progress that is being made by the students of their individual schools.

Working in cooperation with the VOICE, these students occasionally write articles for the VOICE as well as for their own school newspapers.

Hence, the VOICE presents this award of \$25.00 bonds for accomplishment to these students and applaud them on a job well done.

Besides receiving a bond from the VOICE, Sheila (left) and Audrey will be awarded a trophy from the Clark County School District on Human Relation's Office.

## Employment Agencies Can 'Do a Job' on You

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Looking for a job? Calling employment agencies? You could be out more than just a job if you don't know how to judge an employment agency and how to deal with it.

Unfortunately, there are some unscrupulous employment agencies that take advantage of the jobless instead of helping them.

Many agencies are ethical and legitimate companies. But my column today is about the agencies that "do a job" on you instead of getting a job for you.

Unless you select an employment agency carefully, you may end up with a lot of aggravation and the loss of your time and money. To learn the differences between a good employment agency and a bad one, follow these two words of advice: COMPARISON SHOP.

- Compare fees. All employment agencies (except those operated by state governments) charge a fee for placing you in a job. Agencies charge anywhere from 5 percent to 20 percent of a year's wages. Be careful about paying more than 9 percent, which would be about one month's wages.

- Compare payment plans. Obviously, if you've been out of work, you probably can't afford to pay all of your first month's wages to an employment agency. That's why ethical agencies will arrange for you to pay the fee over a period of several months. Don't do business with an agency that wants its fee in two months or less.

- Compare interest rates. Even if you can pay the agency's fee in, say, nine months, you should examine the contract for the annual per-

centage rate (APR) of interest you'll have to pay. Depending on the fee, the difference between an APR of 12 percent and one of 18 percent could be several hundred dollars in interest.

Here are three other points to keep in mind:

- Never sign an exclusive contract with one employment agency. Sign up with several agencies as well as with your state's employment office, where the placement service is free. Never agree to pay a fee unless you get a job through an agency.

- Never let an agency pressure you to take a job that you realize you are not suited for—even if you're desperate for work. If you do, you not only will have to pay the fee, but may also be looking for a better job within a few months. Besides, ethical companies will not hire you if you are not qualified for the particular job.

- Never interview for a job without asking if the company will pay the employment agency's fee. Many companies are willing to pay the fee for top-notch workers.

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## Black girl wins \$1000 scholarship

KANSAS CITY, MO. Rhonda B. West, 18, valedictorian of the 318 member senior class at Southern High School here, has won the first \$1000 scholarship awarded to a Black student for academic achievement by the Foundation for a Greater Kansas City.

Miss West, a drum majorette, musician and Girl Scout troop leader, earned a grade point average of 4.74 out of a possible 5 during her senior year. She has applied for admission to Stanford, Yale and the University of Missouri to study mathematics and computer sciences.

She was selected finalist among 13 high school seniors nominated by principals of the 11 Greater Kansas City high schools with Black enrollment.

The scholarship was established in cooperation of the Kansas City Chamber and the local chamber of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Miss West was the winner of three trophies for outstanding musicianship. She was secretary of the school's symphonic and jazz

bands and president of the Spanish Club. She is a member of St. James Gregory United Methodist Church, sings in its choir and is presi-

dent of its Youth Fellowship Organization.

Funding was provided by the H&R Block Foundation of Kansas City.

Selection was by a committee of eight representing the SCLC, the chamber and educational-technical institutions in the area.

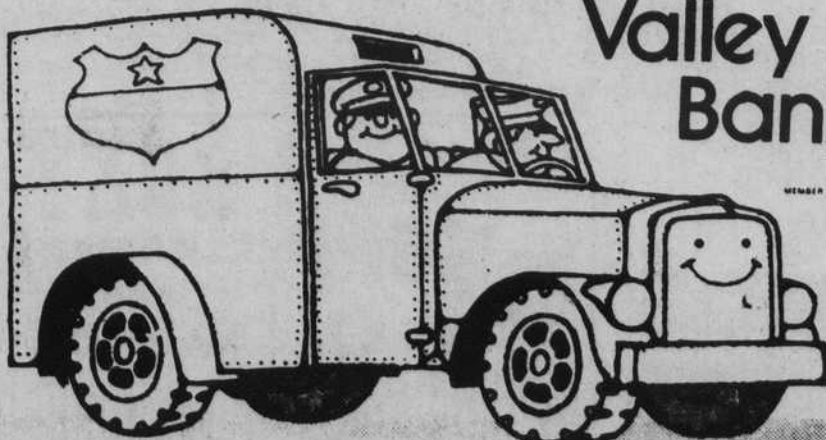
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