

## Blacks

### Praise Jimmy Carter

NEW YORK — Four representatives of the Black and Latino communities of the United States praised Democratic Presidential candidate Jimmy Carter and attacked President Ford and Governor Ronald Reagan, on a special program on Blacks and Latinos at this week's Democratic National Convention broadcast by WNET/Channel 13.

"We will be well served by President Carter," New York Democratic Congressman Herman Badillo said on the special, "Convention '76: Black and Latino." He was joined in the panel discussion by C. Delores Tucker, Pennsylvania's Secretary of State; Miriam Cruz, advisor to Chicago Mayor Richard Daley for Spanish-speaking affairs; and Bunky Clark, director of personnel for the Carter campaign.

C. Delores Tucker said, "We are convinced that Governor Carter is committed to full representation of minorities at all levels of the Democratic Party."

All four of the participants in the discussion stressed the importance of voter registration of minorities for the November election. "For us to get power, we have to be registered," Miriam Cruz said. According to Mrs. Tucker, Carter has "stated very emphatically that he would do everything possible to support us in voter registration drive."

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The sober men of the Federal Reserve Board have noticed something about this economy. It is so slow, it's almost standing still. The big beneficiaries of the "steady" growth are the big corporations who will enjoy a predicted 30 percent profit increase over last year. Prices have simply not come down as fast as cost have for major American industry.

In the process of cutting cost, many companies eliminate their marginal and minority work force. The marginal and minority workers are unlikely to be called back unless the economy is running full blast. Only when industry feels it can get additional profits is it going to put on the last hired and first fired worker.



DURING HIS ORIENTATION, Michael Lampton learned about health education audiovisuals and literature distributed by the March of Dimes. As background for his summer internship, Lampton studied objectives of the voluntary health agency to help develop service project guidelines for college students.

## New Post for Miles

Jan Miles of Carson City has been named Nevada's Court Planning and Coordinating Officer by the Nevada Supreme Court, Chief Justice E. M. "Al" Gunderson has announced.

Ms. Miles has worked with the office as an administrative aide since it began in January, 1975. The office is funded under a federal grant administered by the Nevada Crime Commission.

"We expect the Court Planning and Coordinating Office to continue its current programs and help implement other valuable programs supporting Nevada's judiciary," Chief Justice Gunderson said.

"With the assistance of this office and Ms. Miles, I believe Nevada's judiciary will continue to be a national leader in judicial education," Gunderson said. "Nevada's judges have enthusiastically supported this office and its programs." "Nevada's judges have enthusiastically supported this office and its programs."

In addition to the judicial education related functions, the Court Planning and Coordinating Office helps direct law student interns in court work. It also notifies the media of court statistics, educational programs, and other related data.

## NEA Convention Delegates Make Commitment to Endorse a Presidential Nominee

MIAMI BEACH — The 1976 annual meeting of the National Education Association will go down in history as the year teachers stepped up to first-class citizenship — the year delegates to the NEA Representative Assembly here paved the way for endorsement of the U.S. Presidential nominee.

Acutely aware of the problems that continue to face education, determined to alter the course of anti-education Presidential vetoes, and reacting to recent anti-public employee Supreme Court decisions, an overwhelming majority of delegates voted to rescind an item of business passed last year which mandated the inclusion of a "no endorsement" choice on the ballot for NEA endorsement of a Presidential nominee. As a result, all certified delegates to the 1976 NEA convention will vote on an endorsement choice by mail later this summer.

Said President John Ryor to the 7,866 teacher delegates attending NEA's 114th annual meeting: "For the first time, we are going to enter the Presidential political race. We are doing so not on the basis of partisan politics. Instead we have waited for the two major political parties to decide upon their candidates and upon their platforms and policies. And you, the Representative Assembly, have chosen to evaluate the candidates and platforms and then make our choice. And because of that choice, the wrongs that have been committed against education in this administration for the past eight years will be undone."

Speakers included Sen. Walter F. Mondale (D-Minn.) and Rep. John Anderson (R-Ill.), representing the Democratic and Republican National Committees. Both congratulated teacher delegates for exercising their rights as citizens and participating in the political process. Mondale received tumultuous applause when he exclaimed, "It was here in this convention hall in Miami that Nixon asked for four more years — we gave it to him and he gave it to us."

In addition to teacher power and politics, weighing heavily on the minds of the 12,318 delegates and guests was an overwhelming concern for human dignity and for the right of every child for equal educational opportunities. President Ryor, in a news conference here, told newsmen that the state of Florida is shirking its responsibility to its numerous bilingual and migrant students and should make more of a commitment to these students by enacting meaningful bilingual/multicultural and migrant education programs.

"While some 15 other states — most of which have less of a bilingual problem than does Florida — have bilingual/multicultural legislation, Florida has none," Ryor said. "A state commitment is needed to provide for bilingual teachers and teacher aides, pre-service and inservice courses for teachers, and

## Voting Power Theme For Caucus Dinner

Congresswoman Yvonne B. Burke (D-Calif.), chairperson of the Congressional Black Caucus, has announced that the Caucus's Sixth Annual Dinner will focus on "Expanding Black Voting Power."

To be held on Sat., Sept., 25, at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C. this year's dinner is chaired by Con. Charles B. Rangel (D-N.Y.), past chairperson of the Caucus, which is made up of the 17 Black members of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Con. Burke said that "the annual dinner this year, in addition to providing financial support for the Caucus' legislative operation, will be a focal point for mobilizing the Black community to register and to go to the polls in November. Having worked to pass voting rights legislation, we understand that voting power is the power to bring about social change."

"The Black vote," Con. Burke commented, "has been crucial in deciding many elections from the presidency to congressional, state and local offices. Yet there are over 7 million Black citizens qualified to vote who are not yet registered. Every institution in the Black community must make special efforts to see that everyone eligible registers to vote."

appropriate teaching materials and resources to meet the needs of Florida's bilingual students."

Ryor urged action to right historical wrongs to bilingual and migrant people. "It is time we stop being so insensitive," said the Michigan teacher.

NEA Executive Director Terry Herndon told the delegates of NEA victories over the past year and of major problems that lie ahead.

On political action, Herndon noted that in 1976 nearly every significant political reporter, commentator, labor leader, and voice of reaction has noted NEA's arrival. "I'm extremely proud that there will be more than 200 NEA members at the Democratic Convention as delegates or alternates and more than 35 at the Republican Convention. Further, I am confident that this count will exceed that of any other single organization in the U.S."

Discussing problems that lie ahead, Herndon pointed out that 61,000 teachers lost their jobs this year. "Fully 25 percent of the substantial districts in the country pink-slipped dedicated teachers, and 40 percent of these for no reason whatsoever except insufficient funds," he said.

Herndon criticized the recent Supreme Court decision which set aside an earlier ruling by the "Warren Court." "The Supreme Court — the great protector of the people — ruled that we, the employees of state and local governments, may not expect federal protection from such harsh treatment by the agents of state government," he said.

At a news conference earlier, Herndon predicted continued teacher unrest — and strikes — in the coming school year. Noting that there were a record 203 teacher strikes in the 1975-76 school year, he said: "So long as there is no alternative to strikes, there will be increasing numbers of strikes."

In keeping with the NEA's Bicentennial theme "Education for a Global Community," a selection of peace studies curriculum materials were assembled for display here and will be displayed again at the meeting of the World Confederation of Organizations of the Teaching Profession in Washington, D.C., in August.

NEA's efforts to promote awareness of a global community brought nine foreign teachers to the annual meeting here as honored guests. The teachers came from Africa, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Japan, Holland, the Philippines, Spain, and Venezuela.

Under NEA's new constitution, the offices of president and vice-president are two-year terms. President Ryor's and Vice-President Willard McGuire's terms in office will expire in 1977.

Next year's NEA annual meeting will be held in the Tri-City (Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington) area of Minnesota.