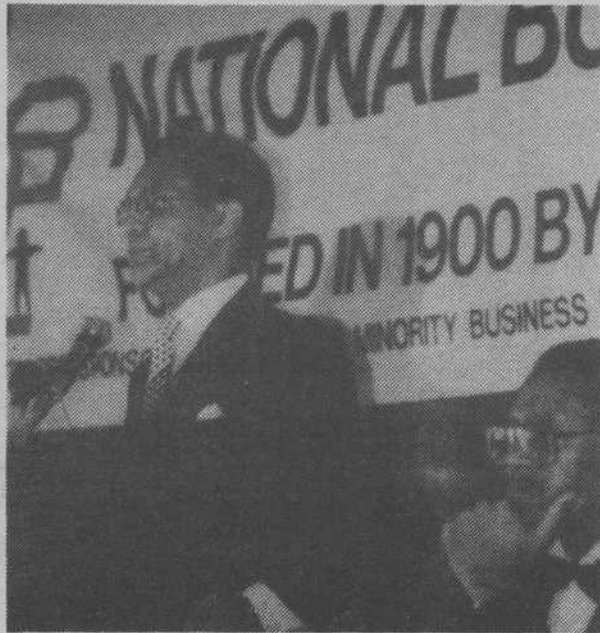


**Business and Political Leaders Showcased At NBL**



Arthur E. Teele, Jr., president and CEO of the National Business League (Right) looks on as television producer and journalist Tony Brown, (Left) delivers the keynote address at the NBL Founder's Day Dinner. The dinner was just one of the activities that took place during the NBL "Pilot Buy Freedom Weekend" held in New Orleans, LA June 6-8.

WASHINGTON — Nationally known television host and journalist, Tony Brown, Congressional Black Caucus Chairman, Representative Mickey Leland, New Orleans Mayor, Sidney Barthelemy and MBDA Director, James H. Richardson Gonzales were just a few of the many political and business leaders that participated in The National Business League's Founder's Day Dinner and "Pilot Buy Freedom Weekend."

The weekend agenda which included the NBL Founder's Day Dinner held at the Fairmont Hotel in New Orleans, A Leadership Breakfast and a rally kicking off "Pilot Buy Freedom Program," was the first joint effort between the NBL and the Council for the Economic Development of Black Americans.

According to Arthur E. Teele, Jr., president and CEO of the NBL, "This is just the first phase of our five-year plan which is designed to make economic self-sufficiency the main thrust of our membership and constituency."

Teele further stated that the plan stresses economic self help and self development, harnessing black spending power and building a stronger economic infrastructure in the black community.

Brown, who was the keynote speaker at the Founder's Day Dinner and the Leadership Breakfast, outlined the goals of the Buy Freedom program, "Buy Freedom's goal is for blacks to make half their purchases

from black-owned businesses by the year 2000," he said. The project urges blacks to make the other half of their purchases  
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**Minister's Alliance Backs Paul Fisher For Congress**

LAS VEGAS, NEV — Rev. S.P. Parks, President of the Minister's Alliance, announced their organization's support of Paul Fisher, candidate for U.S. Congress District One.

Rev. Ted Cuveston, a spokesman for the alliance said, "The biggest concern facing the black community is the ever-increasing unemployment and under-employment rate. We believe Fisher's tax reform plan

makes common sense and can give our young people the opportunity they deserve to succeed."

Cuveston went on to say that Fisher has a vision for the future that the black community can support. "Fisher believes in preparing for generations to come. He is more concerned with human beings than with the powerful corporations that currently dictate national policy."

Fisher's campaign platform includes a plan to balance the federal budget through an across the board tax reform act. Fisher sees this as a way to stimulate the economy by placing more money into the hands of the working people, creating more job and securing a positive future for our nation's youth.



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