

EAST OF BAYSHORE SECTION

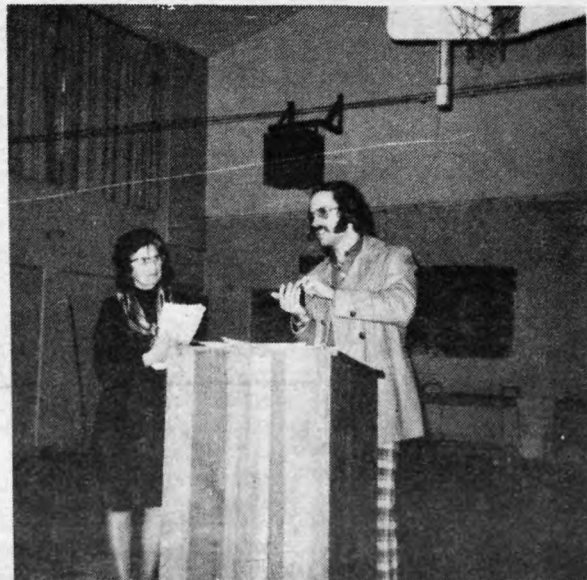
East Palo Alto

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Second Teacher Corps Project Plan Reviewed at Meeting

At a meeting of the Ravenswood Teachers Association, January 21, the director of Teacher Corps Project, Cycle 7, San Francisco State University, reviewed plans for a second teacher corps project in the Ravenswood City School District, to be known as Cycle 9. After the presentation, the teachers questioned the director on several aspects of the plans. Some key questions were "What does the term, 'Community-Based' mean? Can you give us more details on the financial planning of the program and the credential requirements? A skepticism prevailed the questioning period because the teachers had experienced some strong dissatisfaction with the implementation of the first teacher corps project.

The director explained that "community-based" meant that there would be a close relationship with community organizations which are interested in the educational problems of the district. Also, some of the interns would be chosen from the community. There will be 36 corpsmen -- 15 district teachers who will receive in-service training, and 21 pre-service interns. Approximately 14 of the 21 will be chosen from the local bay area; 7 pre-service interns would be non-local. Also, there were plans to do some interviews with some of the local cultural and community agencies that are especially interested in educational problems in East Palo Alto/East Menlo Park, for example the Nairobi Community College. The teachers noted the absence of plans to include the school district community teachers in the project, and reminded the director that RTA had supported the first teacher corps project because it had been led to believe the school district's community teachers could get their degrees. This part of the plan did not materialize in the first project, and is missing from the second project plans.



Ms. Florence Neal, Chairperson of RTA Proposal Committee and Mr. Joe Persico, Director of Teacher Corps Project, Cycle 7, San Francisco State University.

In answering the question on details of finances and credential requirements, the director stated this particular information was not firm at that time, but would be forthcoming. One teacher commented that the plan was not ready to be presented to either the teachers or to the Board of Trustees.

The meeting closed with the making of plans to hear the director again, and plans to get copies of the tentative design and the working draft into the hands of teachers for further study. The chairperson reminded teachers of the recent directive from State Superintendent Wilson Riles "that teachers must be involved in the planning of programs funded by the state. She pointed out that for good teaching, there must be involvement by teachers in the planning of all programs which they must implement or which affect the programs in the schools. Finally, the chairperson reminded the teachers of the timetable for study. The first

copy of the tentative plan was received on January 8. The deadline for crystallizing thought was set for January 20, at first; then the date was changed to February 1. (Since this meeting of the 21, the deadline has been changed to February 18.)

Council Meeting

There will be a meeting on February 13th, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. in the East Palo Alto Municipal Council Chambers, 2560 Pulgas, Ave. The meeting is open to the Black leaders and residents of the east of the "Bayshore" communities. The topic to be discussed: "The Electronic Media's Affirmative Action Program and Blacks." The speaker is John Pugh.

Checkers or Chess Anyone??

All community members regardless of age or level of skill are invited to join the Chess and Checkers Club at the East Palo Alto Library, 1659 Bay Road, East Palo Alto. Prospective members are asked to bring their own chess and checkers sets.

Open registration and matches will be held on all Mondays [Feb. 4, 11, 18, 25] throughout the month of February from 3 to 8 p.m. Please come and bring a friend, relative, or classmate, and make this a real community club.

If you have any questions, please visit the library or telephone 321-7712.

Scholarship Banquet to Honor Area's Blacks

The Tulip L. Jones Women's Club, 1302 Bay Road (at Oakwood Avenue), East Palo Alto, will hold its Annual Scholarship Banquet on February 9, 1974. Its new name is Achievement, an Award and Scholarship Banquet. The Club wants to recognize all Negro business and professional men and women who are and have contributed to Negro History in the area. They expect to give at least 6 awards each year. This year they plan to award some of the "Firsts" in business or professions.

There will be a plaque given to Mrs. Addie Davis, the First President and organizer of the Club. Mrs. Davis is 87 years old and participates in most Club affairs. There will be a vocal selection from a Girl Scout Troop that the Club sponsors. Mrs. Sledge, the Leader, will present



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them in uniform.

The food will be prepared by members of the Club. A donation of \$4.00 is requested.

The public is invited to attend the 7:30 gathering.

Charles Drew - Pioneer in Plasma Research

One night in North Carolina a tired man fell asleep at the wheel, wrecked his car and was badly injured. For a time he lay bleeding and in a little while he died without ever regaining consciousness. The man had been a star athlete, scholar, scientist and surgeon who had already made his mark in his profession. The dead man was Dr. Charles Drew, head of Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Drew was not yet fifty years old, but already his contribution to medicine had saved hundreds of thousands of lives during World War II. Dr. Charles Drew was a pioneer in blood plasma preservation. Before his time there was no efficient way to store large quantities of blood plasma for use during emergencies or for use in wartime where thousands of lives depended on the availability of blood for blood transfusions. After Dr. Drew this was no longer a problem, for he discovered ways and means of preserving blood plasma in what are commonly known as blood banks.

A native of Washington, D.C., Dr. Drew had been a letter man

in track, a Mossman trophy winner in general scholarship and a Spingarn Medalist in his contributions to human welfare. Dr. Drew's entire life was spent in the pursuit of excellence whether it was on the track cinders or in the operating room or in the research laboratory. As an Amherst undergraduate, he was captain of the track team and an outstanding halfback on the football team. He received the Mossman trophy for having brought the most honor to the school over a four-year period. At Magill University in Canada, he won first prize in physiological anatomy and set track records which stood for several years.

Beginning his research into the properties of blood plasma, at Columbia University, Dr. Drew became an authority on the subject and was asked by the British to set up a plasma program for them. He later did the same thing for the United States in 1942 and won the Spingarn medal in recognition of his contributions to Negro progress. At the time of his death in 1950, Dr. Drew was chief surgeon and chief of staff at Freedmen's Hospital.

Sister Russell Awards



LAVANCE NORTHINGTON - Art Winner for January. Room 8, Mr. Whitfield, Teacher.



RICKY DUFFY -- Art Winner for January. Room 6, Miss Walker, Teacher.



VICKI WILLIAMS -- Art Winner for January. Room 21, Mrs. Driscoll, Teacher.