City of Rochester News

James Eason's Paintings And African Textiles

The vividly colorful paintings of renowned Rochester artist James Eason and textiles from Africa will be on display in a new show entitled, 'James Eason's Paintings and African Textiles,' opening December 8, in The Link Gallery at City Hall. James Eason has gained a formidable reputation for his brightly colored paint- ings of cityscapes. Although familiar Rochester landmarks are discernible on many of the canvases, the paintings do not depict Rochester but rather describe a fantasy city which exist in the artist's imagination.

The 73-year-old painter, who owns a small construction company in the city, has had little formal art training beyond high school. Included in many local private and institutional collections, Eason's paintings have also been exhibited at the University of Rochester, Birthday College and Rutgers University. Eason has contacted many of his friends to request shows of his work.

Complementing Eason's paintings in this show will be a variety of textiles from Zaire and the Ivory Coast. Grasses woven into Kuba mats, hemp, and the mud paintings of the Senoufo tribe of the Ivory Coast will be displayed in The Link Gallery. This exhibit will continue through February 26. The Link Gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, and is located outside the City Hall, 30 Church Street. There is no admission charge.

For more information call Paula Bataille, gallery coordinator, at 464-6066.

Cross Country Ski Lessons

The City of Rochester's Department of Parks and Recreation is sponsoring beginner cross country ski lessons for people 13 years of age and older at Cobles Hill Recreation Center. Registration is by mail only, and will be on a first come, first served basis. There is a $15.00 fee for the lessons.

A convenient schedule includes afternoons and evenings. Registration forms may be obtained by calling the Employee Relations Office at 464-0060, or from Patricia Whitehead, supervisor of Recreation Programming. For more information call 464-0060.

Mail-In Dog Licenses

Current New York State dog owners for the first time will be receiving preprinted dog license renewal applications by mail. Dog owners will next few weeks and months, the State Department of Agriculture and Markets will be mailing the preprinted license renewal applications to owners at least 30 days before they are due. Dog licenses, in much the same manner as driver's licenses and auto registrations in years past, will move to a staggered system of renewal dates in 1981, spreading the paperwork and mailing costs over a longer licensing cycle. The first group of owners will receive their renewal notices in November, and all dog licenses, at the state (outside New York City) had been due for renewal on January 1.

The all the owner need do is verify the information regarding the dog's age, sex, color, breed, and telephone number, answer some simple questions and send in a zero dollar check or money order to the City Clerk, Dog Licensing, Room 306A, City Hall, 30 Church Street, Rochester, New York 14614.

If the dog has been spayed or neutered and this information has been filed with the clerk, appropriate supporting documents should be presented to the City Clerk to receive the lower license fee.

Free Evening Parking

Shoppers will again be treated to free evening parking in downtown Rochester this season, and two free hours of parking on Saturdays plus free Sunday parking at the city-owned ramp garages during the holiday season. Another holiday gift will be free Sunday bus service at least from Thanksgiving until Christmas.

Parking will be free from November 28 through December 24 on weekday evenings, from 5:30 p.m. until 1 a.m., and for any two consecutive hours on Saturday evenings between 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., at the Mortimer Street, Clinton Avenue and Midtown Market Avenue ramp garages. In addition, free parking is offered at the garages on Sundays as well.

Shoppers can also park free at two of the Midtown Market Avenue garage spots downtown after 6 p.m. (until 8 p.m.) and in designated areas of the City of Rochester Center, Downtown District streets during posted evening and Sunday hours.

The Midtown Market Avenue Garage is provided as a courtesy by the Midtown Market Association.

Free Sunday bus service will be extended.
Black Median Family Income $11,650 in 1979

Median family income for Black families in 1978 was $11,650, according to a report from the U.S. Department of Commerce’s Census Bureau. The 1979 median for Blacks was 6.7 percent higher than the 1978 median of $10,890, but when adjusted for inflation the 1979 figure showed some evidence of a 4-percent decline in real dollars even though the year-to-year change was not statistically significant. The 1978-79 changes in real dollars for Whites and Hispanics were also not statistically significant. The 1979 median for Whites was $18,000 and for Hispanics, $14,320.

In 1979, Black median family income was 97 percent of that for White families. This was not significantly different from the 1978 ratio of 59 percent. According to the report, the income figures do not reflect the influence of the recession which began in the spring of 1979.

The report also shows that an estimated 25.2 million persons of all races were below the poverty level in 1979, of whom 7.8 million were Black. The number of Black married-couple families below the poverty level increased from 370,000 in 1978 to 440,000 in 1979, reversing a decrease for this group between 1977 and 1978. However, the apparent increase of 200,000 between 1978 and 1979 in the total number of Blacks below the poverty level was not statistically significant.

At the beginning of the decade, 56 percent of all poor Black families were maintained by women; by 1979 the proportion had grown to 72 percent. Although the report notes no significant change in the overall number or properties of persons below the poverty level since the 1978-79 period, certain population subgroups showed changes between 1978 and 1979. For example, the number of poor persons 65 and older increased from 3.2 million in 1978 to 3.6 million last year.

As in all sample surveys, the data in the report are subject to sampling variability and errors of response, including underreporting and non-reporting.
Urban League of Rochester News

Private Landlords can reap important benefits by participating in the Section 8 Program, under which eligible low-income tenants can receive rent subsidies. A Section 8 Workshop for landlords will be held on Wednesday, December 3 at 7:00 p.m. at the Urban League of Rochester, 50 West Main Street.

To sign up for the workshop or to obtain information, rental property owners should call the Urban League at 325-6530, Extension 234. Landlords participating in the Section 8 Program are assured fair market rents.

SBA Funds Resource Centers to Encourage Inventors

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 1 — Three strategically located companies funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration will serve as innovation resource centers for the "forgotten" potential entrepreneur — the independent innovator.

Black innovators who are experiencing difficulties in marketing their ideas can benefit from the centers' efforts to increase the output of new products and technology in all sectors.

The companies and their funding levels are: the Center for Innovation, Butte, Montana ($260,000); the Golden Gate Energy Company, Sausalito, California ($263,000), and the Commercial Credit Management Corporation, a subsidiary of the Control Data Corporation, Baltimore, Maryland ($264,000).

SBA Administrator A. Vernon Weaver said that the centers "will play an important role in an area where our economic system has become increasingly discouraging and prohibitive to inventors who are trying to bring their new ideas into the marketplace."

William A. Clement, Jr., SBA associate administrator for Minority Small Business, pointed out that in the past Black inventors have "contributed substantially to the Nation's progress through inventions ranging from simple household conveniences to more complex mechanical devices."

"In the future, these centers could make a significant difference in the contributions brought to fruition by Black inventors," Clement said.

Weaver said that a review of the 500 leading technological innovations in the United States between 1953 and 1973 showed that small firms (those with under 1,000 employees) produced four times as many innovations per research and development dollar as larger firms.

Individuals interested in obtaining help from one of the innovation centers should contact their nearest SBA office, listed in the telephone directories of most major cities under "U.S. Government."

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"The question being debated is whether availability of power reserves is everyone's concern. To find out more about this important issue, write for RG&E's free booklet, "Electric Energy For New York State In The 1980's And 90's.""

"Right now, the power pool has enough reserve electricity to protect our customers against brown outs and major service interruptions if we have a problem in our own system."

The question being debated is whether there will be enough through the 1980's. The reserve is shrinking. And New York State officials have made the decision to build fewer new power plants than utilities throughout the state had asked for."

"I have to wonder about what's going to happen five or ten years from now. Is there going to be enough electricity for peak demand periods? Is the state taking too much of a risk? I'm concerned. I think it's something everyone should think about."

FREDERICK DOUGLASS VOICE

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The week of April 13 the Rochester Rotary Club honored Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Founder and Director of the Virginia Wilson Interfaith and Helping Hand Center, 297 Joseph Avenue, by presenting her with the 1971 Rotary Award, with President Harry Siebert presiding.

Mrs. Johnson founded the Virginia Wilson Center in memory of her mother who for many years served Rochester's underprivileged community. Prior to its present Joseph Avenue location, in which was opened in 1966, Mrs. Johnson ran the center from her home. Operating largely without public funds, the Center has often been called a "crisis social agency" and provides emergency food, shelter, advice and friendship to those in need.

Mrs. Johnson also assists the members of the inner city ghetto in their legal difficulties. She frequently accompanies people to the Police Station and the Courts and assists them in obtaining legal counsel. She visits people in the City Jail and the County Penitentiary and takes inmates various items they need while confined. She helps people who need assistance from the Department of Social Services to make proper applications. She counsels young people who come to her with alcohol and drug problems and is a member of the recently established County Narcotics Division. She organized the Big Brother movement in Rochester.

A member of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, Mrs. Johnson is a Republican County Committee woman, and is active in many Social Service Organizations. Although three women have previously been recipients of the Rotary Award, two were co-recipients with their husbands. Mrs. Harper Slley received the Award with her husband in 1941, and Mr. and Mrs. Ritter Shumway were co-recipients in 1967. The 1938 Award was presented to the late Mary L. T. Gannett, noted liberal, who with Sarah B. Anthony developed a plan for the admission of women to the University of Rochester.

Participants in the Award Presentation Program this Tuesday include former member Art Whitaker of Boston, former Minister of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church here; The Honorable Caroline W. Branch, Judge of Family Court; and Mrs. Johnson's close friend, The Reverend Elizabeth Green Doles of Detroit.

The 1971 Rotary Award Committee, which selected Mrs. Johnson as this year's Award recipient, is as follows: Rolfe Scottfield, Jr., Chairman, Meade Wright, Vice Chairman, and Merce Brugler, Jack Cockeletter, Ralph Collins, Jack Costello, Roll Fairchild, Jim Foley, Jack Potech, Doug Harvey, Fritz Haupt, Ben Holder, John Jack, Ralph Leidy, Fletch McAmmon, Alex Otto, Charlie Urlaub, Allen Wallis, and Bill Woods. Fred Schieber and Fred Belluscio are vice president and director in charge, respectively.

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THE HONORABLE CAROLINE W. BRANCH
The Reverend Arthur J. Whitaker
RESPONSE
Mildred Johnson
ADJOURNMENT
Past Recipients of the ROCHESTER ROTARY AWARD


SLAVERY ABOLISHED IN ALL UNITED STATES PROCESSIONS, 1862
UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT OUTLINED SEGREGATION OF NEGROES IN DINING CARS IN INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION, 1890
DR. CHARLES E. DREW, "FATHER OF BLOOD PLASMA," DIRECTOR OF FIRST AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD BANK, BORN (1904-1950)
THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN AMERICA WAS FOUNDED IN 1638
ROBERT HAYES, WORLD FAMOUS TENOR, BORN IN GEORGIA, 1887
FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION "PEOPLE OF COLOR," HELD IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA, 1887
U.S. NAVY ANNOUNCED POLICY OF EQUALITY, TREATMENT AND OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL IN THE NAVY OR MARINE CORPS WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE AND COLOR, 1949
BISHOP A. P. SHAW, FIRST NEGRO TO PREACH OVER CALIFORNIA ATLANTA METHODIST CONFERENCE, 1956
CARNEGIE CORP. OF NEW YORK PROVIDED LIBRARIES TO MANY SCHOOLS, CHATTANOOGA, 1891
DR. E. G. CARTER, PASTOR, FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST, ATLANTA, GEORGIA FOR 65 YEARS. DIED 1964
PENNSYLVANIA PASSED FIRST CIVIL RIGHTS BILL, 1875
AMERICAN NAZIS ASSOCIATION ELECTED A NEGRO TO ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, 1948
THE BLACK REGIMENT (REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIERS) DISBANDED AT SARATOGA, N.Y. 1783
HARRIET BEECHER STOWE, AUTHOR OF "UNCLE TOM'S CABIN," BORN LITCHFIELD, CONN. 1811
BOYER T. WASHINGTON, ARRIVED AT TULSA, OKLAHOMA TO BUILD A SCHOOL, 1915
14TH AMENDMENT GIVING SLAVE THE RIGHT TO CITIZENSHIP, PROPOSED IN CONGRESS, 1866
JAMES WENSON JOHNSON, EDITOR, POET, LAWYER, FIRST NEGRO TO BE APPOINTED U.S. CONSUL TO NAGURIO NA. (1871-1954)
GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER, AWARD WINNER FOR DOCTOR OF SCIENCE DEGREEュ UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER 1941
JOSEPH PEACE, NEGRO SEAMAN WHO WERE REWARDED WITH THE U.S.S. KENEDY RECEIVED MEDAL OF HONOR, 1894
CHARLES WADDILL CHESNUTT, NOVELIST. BORN (1856-1912)
JOSEPH R. RAINIER, CONGRESSMAN. BORN (1838-1907)
JAY L. LEWIS DESTROYED JAMES BRADDOCK, EIGHT MOUTH, CHICAGO, FOR HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING TITLE, 1927
GEORGE W. CARVER RECEIVED DEGREES AT IOWA STATE COLLEGE. 1896
BOSOKE T. WASHINGTON, AWARDED HONORARY M.A. DEGREE BY HARVARD, 1896
TEN BETWEEN U.S. & LIBERIA DURING CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF 1847
JAMES WELDON JOHNSON, AUTHOR, SPEAKER, JUDGE, N.A.A.C.P. SPINNING MEDAL AT DENVER, COLORADO 1929
PAUL LAUREL DENTON, FAMOUS NEGRO POET BORN IN DENTON, OHIO. 1822
FUGITIVE SLAVE LAWS ABOLISHED BY CONGRESS 1864
WILLIAM J. SIMMONS AUTHOR, ORGANIZER OF NATIONAL CONVENTION 1868, BORN (1840-1906)
SLAVERY ABOLISHED IN BRITISH ISLES, ABOLISHED BY COURT OF KING'S BENCH, 1772

MILDRED JOHNSON
HIGH-LIGHTS IN NEGRO HISTORY

Slavery abolished in all United States processes, 1862
United States Supreme Court outlawed segregation of Negroes in dining cars in inter-state transportation, 1890
Dr. Charles E. Drew, "Father of Blood Plasma," Director of First American Red Cross Blood Bank, Born (1894-1950)
The first Baptist Church in America was founded in 1638
Rolfe Hayes, world famed tenor, Born in Georgia, 1887
First Annual Convention "People of Color," held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1887
U.S. Navy announced policy of equality, treatment and opportunity for all in the Navy or Marine Corps without regard to race and color, 1949
Bishop A.P. Shaw, first Negro to preach over California Atlanta Methodist Conference, 1956
Carnegie Corp. of New York provided libraries to many schools, Chattanooga, 1891
Dr. E.G. Carter, Pastor, Friendship Baptist, Atlanta, Georgia for 65 years. Died 1964
Pennsylvania passed first Civil Rights Bill, 1875
American Nazis Association elected a Negro to its Board of Directors, 1948
The Black Regiment (Revolutionary War Soldiers) disbanded at Saratoga, N.Y. 1783
Harriet Beecher Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," born Litchfield, Conn. 1811
Boyer T. Washington, arrived at Tulsa, Oklahoma to build a school, 1915
14th Amendment giving former slaves the right to citizenship, proposed in Congress, 1866
James Weldon Johnson, editor, poet, lawyer, first Negro to be appointed U.S. Consul to Nagurio, Born (1871-1954)
George Washington Carver, awarded Doctor of Science Degree by University of Rochester, 1941
Joseph Peace, Negro seaman who were rewarded with the U.S.S. Kenedy received Medal of Honor, 1894
Charles Waddell Chesnutt, novelist. Born (1856-1912)
Joseph R. Rainey, Congressman. Born (1838-1907)
Joe Louis destroyed James Braddock, eight mouth, Chicago, for heavyweight boxing title, 1927
George W. Carver received degrees at Iowa State College. 1896
Bosoke T. Washington, awarded honorary M.A. Degree by Harvard, 1896
Tien between U.S. & Liberia during Constitutional Convention of 1847
James Weldon Johnson, author, diplomat, awarded Naacp Spinning medal at Denver, Colorado 1929
Paul Laurel Denton, famous Negro poet born in Denton, Ohio, 1822
Fugitive Slave laws repealed by Congress 1864
William J. Simmons author, preacher, organizer of National Convention 1868, Born (1840-1906)
Slavery abolished in British Isles, abolished by Court of King's Bench, 1772
PARKING  
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be offered system-wide by the Regional Transit Service from 11:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on each of the next four Sundays (Nov. 30 and Dec. 7, 14 and 21) as a cooperative venture of Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority, the Rochester Merchants Council and the City of Rochester.

Records show that the City lost approximately $36,000 in revenues during the holiday season alone last year by fumbling for your keys.

11:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings throughout the year, combined with the extended holiday season, totaled more than $321,000 for the entire 1979-80 fiscal year. These losses are absorbed by the City in the interest of making shopping more convenient for consumers and stimulating retail business for downtown merchants.

Suggestions For Safe Holiday

Police Chief Thomas Hastings announced today that the Rochester Police Department has added 18 officers and plainclothes personnel into the downtown shopping area over and above the regular detail as the official holiday season shopping period begins.

The Chief notes that even during the past few weeks downtown has had more than the usual number of shoppers on hand. The additional personnel assigned to police vehicles, foot patrol, and the Mounted Unit should add to the pleasures of downtown shopping.

The Police personnel assigned to the business and shopping district along with the Chief would like to remind everyone that during the month of December usually is an increase in thefts from automobiles and an increase in purse snatchings. Also, because shoppers carry more money and gifts at the time of the year, more opportunities are offered to the thieves who make shoppers victims.

Here are some wise suggestions to help citizens to better protect themselves and their property during the coming holiday season:

1. To avoid car theft always lock your ignition and remove the key.
2. Remove packages and valuables from your car's passenger compartment and lock them in the trunk.
3. Park your car in a well-lighted parking lot where there is an attendant.
4. If you must leave your key, leave only the ignition key, not your residence keys.
5. Don't carry too many packages. Periodically place packages in your car's trunk and resume shopping.
6. Check the interior of your car before you enter; you may have an unwanted passenger inside waiting for you.
7. Have your car keys ready when you approach your car or home, don't be forced to fumble for your keys.
8. When driving, keep your doors locked to prevent a thief from opening the door and grabbing you or your purse.
9. When driving at night, know your route and avoid extremely dark areas.
10. Know your auto license number and carry your registration card along with your operator's license on your person.
11. Have a companion with you to help the opportunistic mugger or purse snatcher.
12. Don't carry large amounts of money or valuables.
13. Carry your purse with the latch facing you, and hold the purse securely under your arm away from the car.
14. Carry money and credit cards in separate pockets.
15. Don't struggle with a purse snatcher, you may be injured.
16. Keep a complete list of credit cards and numbers. If you lose one, notify the issuer immediately.

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Carryover Rule Can Save Cash

By: Gil Strother
Field Representative

Medicare's special "carryover rule" could help some people with Medicare medical insurance (Part B) save money. The rule is in effect during the last three months of each calendar year. When you are enrolled in Medicare Medical Insurance (Part B), you are responsible for paying the first $60 in covered medical expenses in any given calendar year. (This is sort of like a $60 automobile insurance deductible.) After the $60 deductible is paid, Medicare pays 80 percent of the reasonable charges for those covered expenses.

Under the "carryover rule," covered medical expenses incurred in one year will not be counted until the following year, but only those expenses in the last three months of the year.

This rule should have particular significance to those people who have small amounts of medical bills and do not reach the $60 deductible in a given calendar year. This is true for those who become eligible for Medicare late in the year.

By carrying expenses of less than $60 incurred in the last quarter of 1980 over into 1981, those expenses will count toward your 1981 deductible, and that will make it easier to reach the $60 deductible in 1981. Of special concern are those who might consider delaying needed medical treatment until 1981 for fear of the deductible when, in fact, they would be affected by the carryover rule and should receive treatment when needed.

End of the Year Reminder Items

By: Madelon Browne
Field Representative

This month we have many beneficiaries move from Rochester for the winter. The Social Security Office is trying to remember regarding Social Security and Medicare. A beneficiary who needs to change his address must notify Social Security by the 10th of the month to affect the next month's check. You can notify us by telephone or in writing. It is not necessary to visit in person unless you have other questions or problems.

Direct deposit of benefits into a checking or savings account is helpful to many people. Direct deposit eliminates the problem of lost or stolen checks, allows for people who travel or move often. You can fill out the authorization to have direct deposit at the bank. You will have to show your Medicare card, social security card, and student become eligible for benefits, though, they have some common ones:

1. Workers who are insured under Social Security and who have retired, become disabled or passed away. The retirement benefit would be paid, Medicare pays 80 percent of those medical expenses that are treated by a doctor there, after you file your annual report, but if you underestimate Social Security and it is overpaid, Social Security will adjust the payments.

Social Security Earnings Test

By: Madelon Browne
Field Representative

Some people are entitled to retirement benefits during the last months of the year, although they are working full time. This sometimes surprises and confuses people who do not understand Social Security rules. A beneficiary who is 65 years or older in 1980 is allowed to earn up to $3,720.00 without affecting his social security benefits. A beneficiary who is age 65 or under, during 1980 is allowed to earn up to $3,720.00 without affecting his benefits. These are called the annual exempt amounts. If a beneficiary earns over the annual exempt amount, $1.00 will be deducted from benefits for every $2.00 in earnings over the exempt amount.

A person who works all year can sometimes get some social security check, depending on how high his/her earnings are and how much of his/her social security benefit will be. For example, Mr. Jones became 63 years old on January 1, 1980. He went to the Social Security Office and found out his retirement is $960.00 per month. He was told $480.00 as of January 1980 and $480.70 as of June 1980. Based on the earnings test, $5,600.00 should be subject to the earnings test beginning with the 4th quarter of 1980, he would have $1,120.00 out of $5,600.00 he can be paid some social security benefits. If Mr. Jones earned more than $1,120.00 he would receive his wife's benefits even more in Social Security could be paid.

Total amount and monthly salary: $5,600.00

$1,120.00 - $2 = $5,480.00

$5,480.00 x 4 = $21,800.00

$21,800.00 + 0.16 = $21,832.00

$21,832.00 + 0.06 = $22,064.00

$22,064.00 x 5 = $110,320.00

$110,320.00 + 0.06 = $110,440.00

$110,440.00 - $22,400.00 = $88,040.00

$88,040.00 - $5,500.00 = $82,540.00

$82,540.00 - $4,200.00 = $78,340.00

$78,340.00 - $6,240.00 = $72,090.00

$72,090.00 - $0.90 = $61,189.10

Social Security checks you receive will also be wrong.

By: John W. Lee
Field Representative

Higher education, whether in a college or a trade school, has been good for financial success. Statistics abound of people with Medicare medical insurance who servicesthe area in which the Social Security checks are deposited.

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Church. We look forward to the coming year of 1981 for another annual affair by the League of Rochester.

We pause to congratulate Snuffy Smith, owner of Smitty's Birdland. He has now engaged in operating his businesses under the name of Smitty's Enterprises, a franchise owned and operated by its founder. This is a great step in the right direction for such a thriving business which is over forty years old in the Rochester community. Snuffy happens to be a native Rochesterian who has tried hard to further the Black business in the City of Rochester. He has done much to encourage people in our community to go into business and struggle to keep their business progressing. We wish for him the best in his new endeavor.

Many Rochesterians will remember Lloyd Bruce, who was one of the first people hired by the Department of Sanitation before they had trucks and the only means of trash pickup was by the horse drawn wagons. Lloyd then was a young man who wanted something better for himself and family, so he left and went to New York City and got a job in the Brooklyn Navy Yard where he worked until retirement age. He was one of the few people who purchased a home in Harlem over forty years ago on 161st Street, where he resided until his death last week. He was a member of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church while here. He was one of my friends who if I called him and said a person was stranded in New York City and had no place to go he would welcome them in his home and let them stay until they were able to find employment or housing. He leaves two sons and one daughter and his wife Eleanor Armstrong Bruce. We of the Voice staff offer our sympathy to the bereaved members of his family.

Another newspaper is now published in Rochester by E.R. Walker. The name of the newspaper is ‘The Message.’ Most of us here in the Black community, fail to do much reading but I do hope this paper will be a success and has material in it that the public will be eager to read and support. Congratulations Mr. Walker in seeing your dream realized in the publishing of ‘The Message.’

When are we going to stop killing one another? Crime in our community continues to grow. Will we ever cease to take our brothers life? I would like to meet with just people who are concerned about our community and the crime cycle. If you are concerned about crime in the Black community, please call me and let’s do something about it. We are our own worst enemies. Let’s meet and discuss this very serious problem, probably we can come up with some constructive ideas to help us all and attempt to change things for the better. Call me at 544-7787, if you are interested.
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