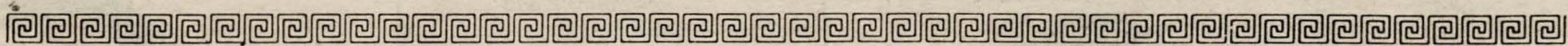


A Tribute to Black Americans



Three hundred and sixty-six years ago, William Tucker was born in Virginia, the first black child born in Colonial America. In 1968, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., died after devoting his life to the advancement of his people. Both events helped shape the history of black Americans. Many others contributed to the present and the future of our great land.

- Benjamin Banneker** — helped plan and define the boundaries of Washington, D.C.
- Crispus Attucks** — first colonial to die in the Boston Massacre.
- Harriet Tubman** — gained fame and stature as a noted abolitionist.
- Oliver Lewis** — winning jockey in first running of Kentucky Derby.
- Matthew Henson** — co-discoverer of the North Pole.
- Dr. Percy Jubian** — invented the process for creating cortisone.
- William Bush** — first representative from Thurston county to the State Legislature, 1889.

Thus, in varied paths of life, these Americans added to the quality of life in America. In the same manner, members of our black communities today are contributing to better neighborhoods and better cities. In the Washington State Employment Security Department, people from many minorities work diligently to build a better future for all of us. We are proud of our department and its staff. Here are a few of our own leaders ———



Norward Brooks
Commissioner



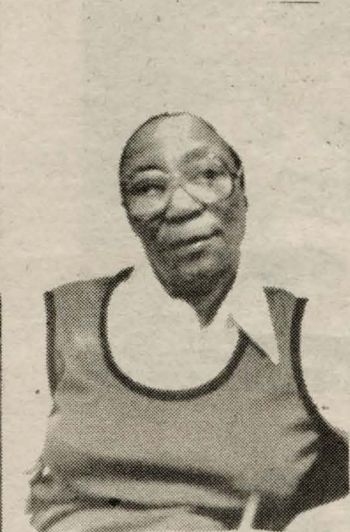
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