

Black Voting Age Population Rises To 17 Million

The number of voting age Blacks rose 44 percent from 12 million in 1970 to 17 million in 1980, with four states reporting a Black electorate of one million or more, according to a new report from the Commerce Department's Census Bureau.

New York in 1980 had the largest number of voting age Blacks (1.6 million) followed by

California, Texas and Illinois. The increase reflects the lowered voting eligibility to 18 years in all states, and growth of the Black population, up 17.5 percent from 1970.

Two-thirds of the District of Columbia's electorate is Black. States with the highest population of voting age Blacks are Mississippi, South Carolina, Louisiana,

Georgia, Alabama, Maryland, North Carolina, and Virginia.

In 1980, Blacks comprised 10.5 percent of the total voting age population nationally, with 53 percent living in the South. In 1980 9.8 million Blacks reported being registered while 8.3 million reported voting in the 1980 election.

The Black outmigration from the South that began

in World War I and which spread settlement of Blacks throughout the United States until the mid-70s considerably equalized the regional distribution of Blacks. Nevertheless, one in every six persons of voting age in the South was Black in 1980.

The Spanish-origin voting age population comprised about 5.5 percent of the total electorate

in 1980. California and Texas together contained half of the Spanish-origin electorate, followed by New York and Florida. Nearly 70 percent of the Hispanic voting age population resided in these four states.

The report notes that women are the majority of the voting age population in all states except Alaska, Hawaii, Nevada, and Wyoming.

Community Garden Expanding

The first year at the Madrona Community Garden at 820-30th Avenue has been a big success with abundant harvests of greens, peas, squash, beans, corn, tomatoes and more.

Now, thanks to the hard work of Black and Southeast Asian youth on the Madrona Community Center's Summer Youth

Employment Crew, there are beautiful new terraces ready for gardening at the Madrona Community Garden.

Late summer is the time to put in fall greens and other winter crops. And it's never too early to begin building your soil for next spring's planting.

If you'd like to garden with other Madrona neighbors either now or

next spring, call 325-6906 to ask about community garden space. Priority will be given to individuals or households with limited or no garden space of their own.

The Madrona Community Garden is run by the Neighborhood Greenhouse and Gardening Project, sponsored by the Madrona Community Center.

Free Gardening Workshop

Mild Seattle summers can frustrate the best gardener's dreams of delicious fruiting crops like eggplant, peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers and melon. To learn some tricks for maximizing production of these favorite vegetables, come to a free workshop on "Cultivating Heat-Loving Crops," on Thursday, August 19.

The workshop will be given by Carl Woestendieck of the Seattle Tilth Association. It begins at 7 p.m. at the Madrona Community Greenhouse at 1132-34th Avenue and then moves to the Madrona Community Center at 832-32nd Avenue at 7:45 p.m. for a detailed slide show and discussion.

The workshop is a service of the Neighborhood Greenhouse and Gardening Project, sponsored by the Madrona Community Center. For more information, call Clare at 325-6900 or 328-1088.

Summer Jobs For County Youth

King County has announced the availability of 150 summer jobs for disadvantaged youth through the King County Work Training Program.

The Work Training Program currently serves 800 young people in King County. With the addition of \$91,030 in federal funding, the program will expand to employ 14 and 15 year old youth who previously had been excluded from Work Training employment. The new funding was made possible through a special \$45 million supplemental appropriation recently enacted by the United States Congress.

The young people will be employed at public and private sector job sites. Employment opportunities will include job placements as carpentry helpers, electrician's helpers, office assistants, maintenance aides, and painter's helpers.

Youth accepted into the Work Training Program will be given training in how to find unsubsidized employment after completing their jobs. Some will be placed directly into private sector unsubsidized jobs, thereby enabling King County to serve 25 percent more youth than through traditional means.

Interested persons can apply directly to the King County Work Training Program, 1918 Smith Tower Building, 506 2nd Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104, or call Jim Holm, Manager, at 344-2633.

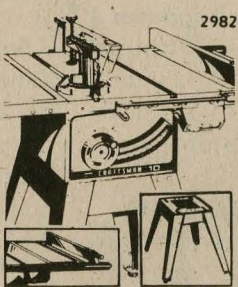
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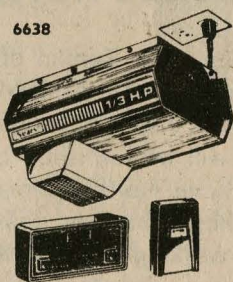
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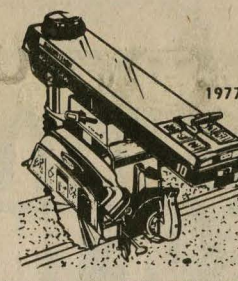
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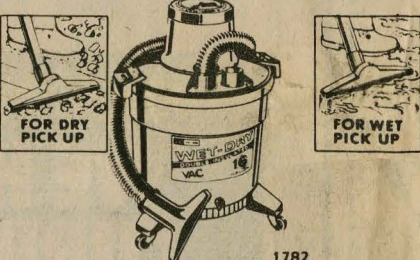
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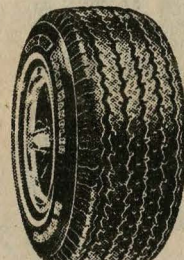
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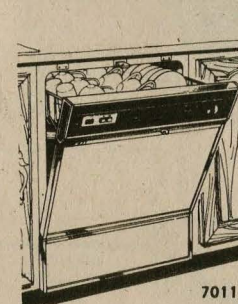


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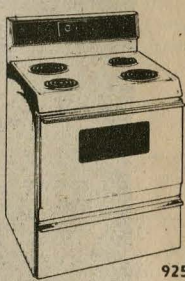
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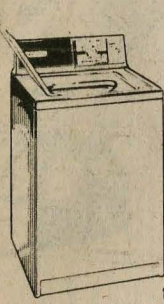
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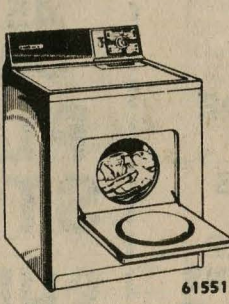
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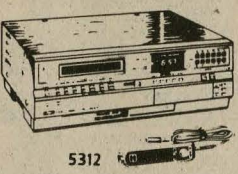
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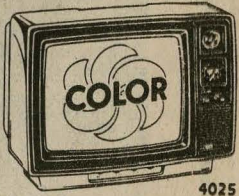
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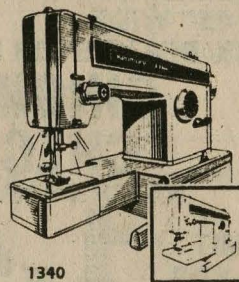
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