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Kids Talk

Do you know this person?

He was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, in 1932. He received his B.S. at Howard University in 1951; B.D. at Hartford Theological Seminary in 1955; he became an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ in 1955; and in 1961 he was invited by Martin Luther King to join staff of Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He was a member of the Congress, Fifth Congressional District, Georgia.

He helped in the drafting of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Voting Rights Act of 1965 and he was a member of the Atlanta Community Relations Commission in 1970-72.

He is now the mayor of Atlanta, Georgia.

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ON THE SOAP BOX

By Jasper Witherspoon

We have a Washington Nightmare because it is LIKE a nightmare. In 1983 they were getting into drugs. Now in 1988 it is ALL OF THESE. 1984 too many young girls were getting pregnant. In 1985 it was too many robberies. In 1986 there were too many young babies getting killed. In 1987 too many young people were gettig into drugs. Now in 1988 it is ALL OF THESE.

Why is this happening? Because it is a crisis in getting jobs. People have to scratch and sniff just to make a good living. Some people were born to be wealthy and rich. Some people were born to be poor. The people who are so poor will sometimes end up selling drugs to make a good living. Sometimes families split apart and some kids grow up selling drugs. Thats the sad end.

If you were mayor for a day, what would you do?

Elli Cook: I would put policemen on every street. I would have at least 700 patrol cars out. I would make speeches and I would close down all the bars. I would make speeches in homes for the parents. I would do everything I could to help the homeless. I would not let any drug abuser or alcoholic into Washington D.C.

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Famous blacks in History

• Mifflin W. Gibbs, a shoeshiner was the first person to own a shoe-store in San Francisco. He studied law in Victoria, British Columbia. Afterwards, he returned to Little Rock, Ark., practiced law and was elected as a judge in 1873. President Rutherford Hayes appointed him registrar of U.S.lands in the Eastern District of Arkansas, in 1897. Later he became the U.S. consul to Madagascar, East Africa where he served 4 years.

• Massachusetts was the first state with black members in its legislature. In 1866 Edward G. Walker and Charles L. Mitchell was elected to serve as members.

• P. B. S. Pinchback was the first black to hold a political position. In 1873 he became the governor of Louisiana. At the time he was already a U.S. senator and congressman. He was one of the leading figures during the Reconstruction Era and aided in the passing of many laws.

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CORRECTION

Ooops!' We forgot to mention that the poem, "To Catch a Fish," by Eloise Greenfield (noted children's author) which was published on July 26 was from her soon-to-be-released book, "Under the Sunday Tree" published by Harper & Row. Sorry!

Puzzling???

Scrabble

By Collette Fisher

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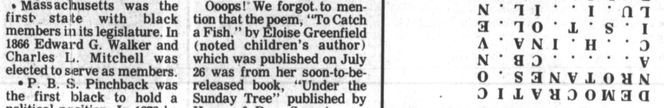

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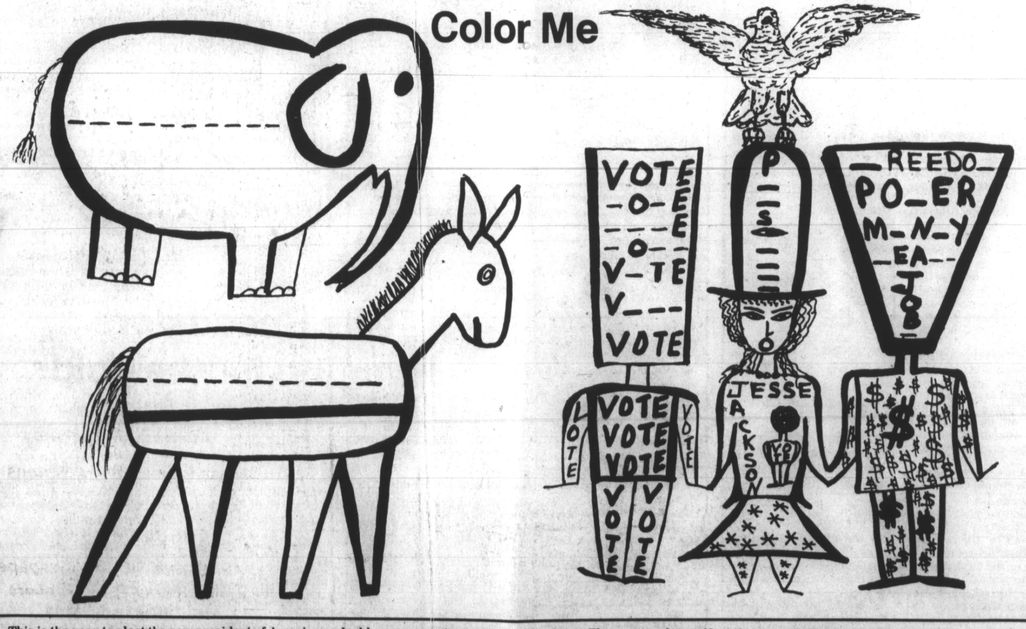
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