

Last Rites Held For C. E. Newman, Publisher of Minneapolis Spokesman

MINNEAPOLIS - Funeral services were held here last Tuesday at St. Peters AME Church for Cecil E. Newman, editor and publisher of the Minneapolis Spokesman and St. Paul Recorder Newman, 72, died Saturday following a heart attack. He had lived here since 1922, working mostly with newspapers and magazines. He founded the Spokesman in 1934 and developed it into the largest black newspaper in the state.

Publisher Newman was a former member of the board of the National Urban, and was a

past-president of the Minneapolis Press Club. Currently, he was a member of the board of the Midwest Federal Savings and Loan Association, and was a longtime member of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, among the many groups to which he belonged.

The newspaperman was born in Kansas City, Mo., July 25, 1903, but left that city as a young man and made his way here where he was a dining car waiter, Pullman porter, and a bellman before getting into journalism.

The eulogy was delivered by the Reverend E. Alexander Hawkins, pastor of St. Peters who officiated at the rites. Remarks were made by Curtis C. Chivers, advertising director of the Spokesman and Recorder.

Newman is survived by his widow, Laura J., a son, Oscar H.; three sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Evans, Mrs. Margaret Chandler, and Mrs. Virginia Rollins; a step-daughter, Mrs. Norma J. Williams, and a step-son, Wallace O. Jackson. Burial was in Lakewood cemetery.



CECIL E. NEWMAN

Dyslexia, the mysterious reading disability that turns words around, actually affects one child in every seven.

Registration In Community Educ. Program Open Until Mar. 2

Registration for spring classes in the Durham County Community Education Program will run from now until March 2. Class starting dates are staggered but most classes are scheduled to begin the week of March 8. All classes will be over by June 10.

Registration will be handled by mail. Registration forms are being mailed this week to those residents who've already indicated an interest in the program. In addition, a registration form and complete listing of courses, times and fees appeared in THE DURHAM MORNING HERALD on February 17. Registration applications may also be obtained at the community education centers at Githens, Neal and Carrington Junior High Schools or from Mrs. Barbara Foster, Community Education Director, Durham County Schools, 102 East Seminary Ave., Durham, 27701. All completed forms plus registration fees should be mailed to the above address by March 2.

Registration also can be handled in person at the individual centers from 5 pm to 9 pm on the following dates: Githens, March 1; Neal, March 2; Carrington, February 26.

Fees for most course range from \$2 to \$15. Several courses are free. Durham County residents over 60 years of age pay only half tuition.

The community Education Program is adding new centers at Neal Junior High School and Githens Junior High this spring. The Carrington Junior High center will also be in operation. Tailoring, photography, business law, care of house plants, karate, real estate, and gymnastics are among the sixty-five course offerings to begin in March.

The Community Education Program began as a grass-roots community effort in early 1974 and soon grew into a cooperative endeavor of Durham Technical Institute and the Durham County Schools. Courses last fall and winter enrolled 400 to 500 participants. The program currently is financed both with local funds from the Durham County Commissioners and with a grant from the Mary Duke Biddle Foundation.

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of the FBI which is a microcosm of the racism that abounds in white America U. S. A. Kelley's plea of innocent of all racial discrimination, which petitioners can prove, led Rev. Jackson to inform him that the federal courts now demand that government agencies with few blacks in the higher grades prove that the accused departments does not discriminate. The FBI has no affirmative action program and to all appearances believes that it stands above the fair employment statutes. The opinion of PUSH and the Black Press is that only a federal court order will open opportunities for the nation's racial minorities in the FBI.

Because of the regulations making 55 years of age with 20 years of service the requirement for full retirement in the Bureau, some 2,000 of the present agents will have to retire by January 1, 1978. Kelley refuses to accept recent federal district court's directives to local police departments to hire racial minorities one to one or three to two ratio over the next five years so as to reduce racial discrimination in local law enforcement agencies. The FBI refused to cooperate with PUSH in the ascertainment of the exact number of black agents, under the old conundrum that to identify the agents would subject them to harassment and possibly acts of terrorism. It never occurred to Kelley that PUSH wanted only the number and not the names, addresses, pictures and phone numbers of the agents.

The FBI has 59 offices throughout the nation. The NNPA's 144 newspapers are published in 92 cities. This is a challenging opportunity for the Black Church and the Black Press to jointly demonstrate that they are the nation's most powerful black organizations dealing with local relevance. The NNPA welcomes this opportunity to join PUSH, the initiator of this effort, to end racism in law enforcement. Moreover, PUSH has joined NNPA by adopting the official policy of stock acquisitions in America's corporate enterprise, and both NNPA and PUSH continue their drive for black economic parity in the fourth house of government - corporate America. The organized Black Press will soon be involved in further undertakings with PUSH and we are pleased to announce that NNPA newspapers will publish articles weekly or bi-weekly from Fev. Jesse Jackson and PUSH's public affairs department.

Professor Herbert O. Reid of the Howard University Law School has associated himself with efforts to bring action against the FBI in the Federal District Court of Washington, D. C., and students at the Howard University School of Communications will be involved in arranging press conferences and press releases and future confrontations between PUSH, the Black Press and the federal establishments in the nation's capital. (NNPA)

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