

PLATFORM

JOB: Support legislation to train people for jobs, so that they can have a productive role in our automated economy; raising of minimum wage to \$2.00; more day care centers for working mothers.

HOUSING: Federal legislation to provide for construction of no less than one million subsidized housing units a year to replace slums in the ghetto; strengthening laws that prohibit racial discrimination in mortgage loans and all forms of insurance.

EDUCATION: Special Federal aid to communities whose problems are multi-fold; supervised after-school programs; scholarships and incentive programs; loans to needy young people with potential.

VIETNAM WAR: The war is sapping the financial and manpower resources of the country and it should be brought to an expeditious end. Monies being utilized in this war should then be used for the rehabilitation and retraining of people for jobs and avoid the "crisis in our cities." Action is demanded now.

Negro Legislator Makes Her Mark

Fresh men legislators, like children, are supposed to be seen and not heard.

But an articulate Assemblywoman from Brooklyn is proving an exception to the rule and winning the admiration of her fellow legislators, on both sides of the aisle.

She is Mrs. Shirley Chisholm, Brooklyn's first and only woman Democratic Negro legislator in Albany, elected to her initial term last November.

"I was taught to speak up, even if I stood alone," Mrs. Chisholm said.

Attesting to the fact that she has spoken up for the constituents she represents from the 17th A.D. are the eight bills she has sponsored and which were passed by both houses. They only await the Governor's signature or veto.

Mrs. Chisholm viewed her first encounters on the floor of the Assembly with some trepidation.

She was a woman — there are three others in the assembly — and she was a Negro.

"I had no time to be super-sensitive on both counts she says forthrightly. "I had a job to do. I found no bias; my fellow legislators quickly warmed up to me. Many have come to me seeking my advice."

The advice they seek is mainly on bills dealing with educational matters.

This is the area to which Mrs. Chisholm, 40, has devoted 16 years of her life.

"I recall where children I taught in nursery school ranging in age from 3 to 5, didn't even know what a telephone was," she said. "I felt very keenly about this and was determined to do something about it."

For almost 12 years she worked behind the political scene adding her eloquence to the cry for better educational opportunities for all.

Her oratorical skill and logic which brought her many debating awards at Brooklyn College, where she won a B.A. Degree made veteran political leaders sit up and take notice.

"There's a greater need today for women to enter politics," she says, "There's social legislation which only a woman can discuss both with intelligence and feeling."

"Take the need for State aid to day care centers. Men wouldn't be particularly interested in this type of legislation. But a woman would know what such help means to working mothers, their children and for keeping families together."

Let's Make History With SHIRLEY CHISHOLM and WALDABA STEWART



CHISHOLM for Congress

STEWART for Senate

DEMOCRATS! VOTE THE CHISHOLM-STEWART TEAM

They belong to YOU and only YOU!

and for DELEGATES

to the DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

ENOCK H. WILLIAMS • ARTHUR E. BRENT • WESLEY McD. HOLDER

PRIMARY DAY - TUES., JUNE 18th - 3-10 P.M.

EVERY VOTE COUNTS!

THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE

A vote for SHIRLEY CHISHOLM is a vote for an "unbossed" Congressman of the people and for the people!



"A reputation for political courage and Independence"

"A brilliant and articulate woman"

NEWSDAY



VOTE CHISHOLM FOR CONGRESS 12TH C. D.

PRIMARY DAY - JUNE 18, 1968 / POLLS OPEN 3 TO 10 P.M.

SELECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR A NEGRO CONGRESSMAN FROM BROOKLYN, A GROUP OF CONCERNED CITIZENS OF CROWN HEIGHTS-BEDFORD STUYVESANT.

CNC Chooses Chisholm Congressional Choice

By DAPHNE HORTON
AMSTERDAM NEWS

"Regardless of the final shape of district lines in Brooklyn, the Bedford-Stuyvesant community is resolved to see to it that the white machine bosses no longer call the tune for black people."

In this politically revolutionary atmosphere, the Committee for a Negro Congressman from Brooklyn drafted America's first Negro woman, the Congressional candidate for and from Brooklyn.

The draftee, Shirley Chisholm, State Assemblywoman and co-leader of the 55th Assembly District was hurled into the congressional ring at the conclusion of Thursday night's meeting where enthusiastic endorsement was thrown the lady legislator on the basis that "Mrs. Shirley Chisholm has already established a reputation for political independence."

"She has," CNC further declared, "successfully challenged the machine at the polls."

CNC decided on the petite, ready-to-battle solon, only after interviewing "other leading civic and political figures of Brooklyn."

Shirley, as she is familiarly called by all, landed in the Assembly after a 12 year career in Early Childhood Education. The Assembly's only Negro woman legislator claims Bedford-Stuyvesant from birth, attended Girls High School, and was a cum laude graduate of Brooklyn College. She earned a master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Columbia University.

Three Wins

Diving into the sea of politics in 1964, Mrs. Chisholm has defended her seat three times in three years. She served as a member of the Education, Health, Housing and Social Welfare Committees. Six bills have been passed as a result of her effort, and at the next session of the legislature, she intends to lead the fight for extension of day care centers in New York State, and to extend SEEK (Search for Elevation, Education and Knowledge), a program which will enable Negroes and Puerto Ricans without academic requirements to attend college.

In announcing Congressional endorsement of Assemblywoman Chisholm, CNC re-stated dedication to the establishment of jobs with adequate pay for

the thousands of unemployed, decent low-cost housing, quality education for our children, increasing the personal tax exemptions from \$600 to \$1,000, federal support for day care centers, adequate hospital and nursing home facilities, strengthening and honest enforcement of anti-discrimination laws and elimination of the gerrymander as a barrier to fair representation for Negro and Puerto Rican people.

Also, CNC condemned the war in Vietnam in these words: "no adequate social program can be realized for our people, if the wasteful, destructive war is allowed to continue."

Mrs. Chisholm capsuled her reaction, thusly: "When CNC informed me by telephone 11:45, Thursday night that I was drafted, I was excited, somewhat overwhelmed and very ecstatic. I realized very quickly that ever since I had entered the political arena, the Bedford-Stuyvesant community has made me a winner. I, now, suddenly realize that the

greatest fight in my life is about to take place, and once again the people in this community will determine my political destiny on the basis of my record, my independence and my courage."

SHIRLEY CHISHOLM IN ACTION



Senator Kennedy greets Assemblywoman Chisholm while her leader, the Hon. Thomas R. Fortune addresses a gathering at Hotel St. George.



Working together with Assemblyman Gilbert Ramirez, first Puerto Rican to be elected to the legislature from Brooklyn, is shown Assemblywoman Shirley Chisholm.



Guest speaker at dinner by Women of the Democratic Party.



Listening intently as Assemblywoman Shirley Chisholm drives home a point is Boro President Percy Sutton and the Rev. V. Simpson Turner, pastor of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church.

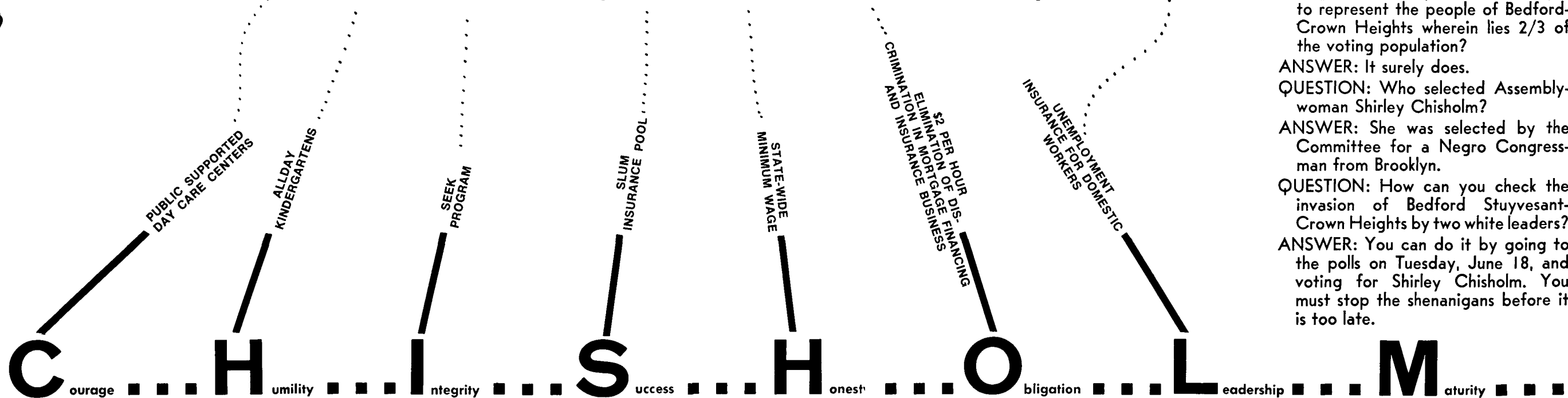


Assemblywoman Chisholm with some of her constituents in Albany.



Foster Care Week found Miss Marian Anderson, honorary chairman, and Assemblywoman Shirley Chisholm, honorary guest contributing their bit.

Legislatively speaking, Assemblywoman Chisholm Sponsored



EXPOSE OF WILLIE THOMPSON

QUESTION: In what A.D. does William Thompson reside?

ANSWER: He resides in the 56th A.D.

QUESTION: Who is the leader of the 56th A.D.?

ANSWER: Assemblyman Bertram L. Baker.

QUESTION: Since Thompson resides in the 56th, did Mr. Baker and his organization select him to run for Congress?

ANSWER: They did not.

QUESTION: Then who selected William Thompson to run for Congress?

ANSWER: Here is the secret. He was selected and is being sponsored by white district leaders.

QUESTION: Is William Thompson's district leader, Assemblyman Baker supporting him?

ANSWER: No, Mr. Baker is not supporting him.

QUESTION: Is the other leader, Mr. Thomas R. Fortune supporting William Thompson for Congress?

ANSWER: No. Mr. Fortune is supporting Assemblywoman Shirley Chisholm as the candidate best qualified to represent the new 12th Congressional district.

QUESTION: Does it not look suspicious for two white leaders who are on the fringe of the district to come into the Negro community to name a Negro to represent the people of Bedford-Crown Heights wherein lies 2/3 of the voting population?

ANSWER: It surely does.

QUESTION: Who selected Assemblywoman Shirley Chisholm?

ANSWER: She was selected by the Committee for a Negro Congressman from Brooklyn.

QUESTION: How can you check the invasion of Bedford Stuyvesant-Crown Heights by two white leaders?

ANSWER: You can do it by going to the polls on Tuesday, June 18, and voting for Shirley Chisholm. You must stop the shenanigans before it is too late.