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Local Woman Receives Promotion



The promotion of Mrs. Lucille Benns Galbreath, to the position of Staff Manager for the Midland-Odessa area, has been announced by Mr. C. F. Cooke, Jr., District Manager of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company. With the expansion of the Lubbock District, Mrs. Galbreath is the second woman to be promoted to Staff Manager on the Lubbock District within the past year.

Mrs. Galbreath, a native of Waco, Texas is a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church, where she serves as Director and Pianist for the Gospel Choir. She resides at 3313 East Colgate with her husband, Sgt. James Galbreath.

Sgt. and Mrs. Galbreath plan to make their home in Midland, Texas in the near future.

Park & Recreation Department Sponsoring Summer Program

The Park and Recreation Department of the City of Lubbock is sponsoring a recreation program this summer which began July 15 and will end sometime in August.

This program consists of variois bus trips to places of interest for childred between the ages of 6 and 13 years.

All children must register in order to participate in this program. Locations for registration are at 1020 East 29th Street, Apartment B of Coronado Apartments; 2902 East Auburn and at the Northeast Community Center on Zenith.

All trips will be supervised. For further information concerning these trips, you may call Mrs. Doris Bunton at SH 4-6802.

Also sponsored this summer will be two weeks of art lessons from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. All interested children may call PO 2-6411, ext. 308 or 309 for further informa-

Call Meeting Set by United Black Coalition for Thursday, July 30th

A call meeting of the United Black Coalition will be held Thursday, July 30th, at the Mae Simmons Multi-Service Center at 8:00

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss current issues concerning the community.

The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Charges Filed Against Lubbock Woman

Charges were filed Monday a gainst Erma Sims McCuen, 28, of 610 Beech Avenue, for carrying a prohibited weapon and attempted murder.

The charges were filed after Arthur McCuen, 28, was shot in the chest early Monday morning at the Lubbock residence. McCuen was listed in critical condition at this report in Methodist Hospital.

According to Officers, the bullet which struck the Lubbock man was apparently fired from a small caliber pistol. At the time of her arrest, Mrs. McCuen had a .22 caliber pistol in her possession.

Final Rites Read Here For Mrs. Cindy Thomas

Final rites were read last week for Mrs. Cindy Thomas, 75, of 1509 Avenue E, in Jamison Funeral Chapel. Burial was held in City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mrs. Thomas was a resident of Lubbock for 22 years and died in Methodist Hospital after a short illness.

Survivors include three daughters; Mrs. Louise McKinney of 1509 Avenue E; Mrs. Bessie Samuel also of Lubbock; and Mrs. Arlene Grayson of Compton, California; four sons, Howard, L. V. and Rayfield Thomas, all of Lubbock; and Billy R. Thomas of Fort Worth; three grand-children and a great grand-child.

Subscription Drive Launched

NEA Annual Convention Recommends That Federal Aid Be Limited to Public Schools

San Francisco-The National Education Association, in a significant switch of its position, has recommended that federal aid to nonpublic elementary and secondary schools be cut off and that the aid, "either direct or indirect,... be expended solely for the support of public schools." The limitation is not intended to apply to federal school lunch and milk programs, the resolution explained.

Last year the Representative Assembly, in the convention's only roll-call vote, rejected by a slim margin an attempt to insert the "public school" limitation. But this year's reversal came on a voice vote so decisive that a head count was not required.

At present, many children in parochial and other nonpublic schools are aided through various federal programs earmarked for specific purposes, including parts of the massive Elementary and Secondary Education Act. This

Book Sale Scheduled Friday Here by Friends of Library

A variety of books, from children's books to religious works, fiction, science books and textbooks will be featured at the used booksale opening at 9 a.m. Friday, July 24th at the City-County Library, 2001 19th Street. The sale will extend through Saturday, July 25th.

Sponsored by Friends of the Library, the event will mark the 4th annual sale, and proceeds will be used to improve library facilities. The Friends assist the library through a gift fund, special gifts to the library, a display case to spotlight community organizations and happenings, book reviews, a speakers bureau, and a scholarship fund.

Under the direction of Mrs. J. J Willingham, a large assortment of books, magazines and records will be sold at bargain prices. Books featured will include biographies, stamp and coin-collecting, gardening, cookbooks, histories, child development and many other categories. Books donated especially for the sale and books no longer of use to the library comprise the thousands of volumes for sale.

Two Wounded In Shooting Incident

Two Lubbock residents were listed in satisfactory condition Monday in Methodist Hospital after a double shooting incident at an apartment complex in the 1500 block of Avenue C.

Willie Jones, 30, of 1501 Avenue C, and Francis Taylor, 44, of 1501 Avenue C, Apartment 18, were treated for gunshot wounds and admitted to Methodist Hospital for additional treatment and observation.

Residents in the area called police and reported hearing the shots of a small pistol.

At this report, police were continuing their investigation of the shooting indicent.

approach has been called the "child benefit theory" or "helping children where they are." NEA had in recent years broadened its traditional philosophy of federal aid to public schools to encompass the child benefit appraoch when applied with adequate safeguards, and the Association's legislative arm in Washington has been active in implementing this expanded philosophy.

Prominent among the reasons delegates advanced this year for limiting the federal aid resolution was the fear that funds may help subsidize the many white private schools that have sprung up in the South in the wake of desegregation.

Concerning federal aid that benefits private and parochial school children, Congressman Roman C. Pucinski, D-Ill., had told a group earlier in the convention that "we can't sweep under the rug" the fact that seven million pupils are enrolled in these traditional schools, and that many communities could not shoulder the burden if these schools should be closed. He emphasized, however, that he opposes the private schools, enrolling an estimated 400,000 children, that have been started in the South "to circumvent desegrega-

The NEA federal aid proposal was one of some 80 resolutions adopted by the 7,000 delegates to the 108th annual convention. One | amember of Bethel A.M.E. Church.

Midland-St. Paul C.M.E. Church, 409 S. Lee Street in Midland, is seeking two thousand new subscribers to the West Texas Times, according to its pastor, Rev. Bob Tieuel, Jr.

"We will make a door to door campaign if necessary to obtain this goal," Pastor Tieuel told the Times. He added that the mission fund of the church would benefit measurably if this goal is reached and that many former subscribers would renew their subscription to the West Texas Times if contacted. "We mean to do just that", Tieuel stated.

"As long as the daily press refuses to tell it like it is in our struggle to obtain first class citizenship in all avenues of our vaunted democracy, there remains a great need for such newspapers as the West Texas Times," one reader told Rev. Tieuel recently, "And I agree," he concluded.

of these endorsed bussing of "some students" in order to implement a "variety" of segregation arrangements including geographic realignment, pairing of schools, and grade pairing.

Funeral Services Pending For Horace Williams

Funeral services are pending at South Plains Funeral Home for Horace Williams, who passed away early Monday morning at West Texas Hospital. He had been in failing health for sometime. He was



Congressman George Bush presents the "Most Outstanding Athlete Award" to Ken Burroughs at the annual Texas Southern University awards banquet. Heisman Trophy winner O. J. Simpson, who now plays for the Buffalo Bills, was guest speaker at the banquet. Burroughs, a split end for TSU, was the first-round draft choice of the New Orleans Saints and one of the Top 10 NFL draftees.

EDITORIALS 2

More Attention Is Needed

The black community, as well as all interested citizens, should pay more attention to the local school situation if our young people are going to receive a good education, and if we are to keep our local, or "neighborhood schools" concept, of education. Within the past few weeks, an appeal has been filed regarding the Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) decision. This will lead to further action by the local board of trustees.

However, trustee action does not mean that the local citizens, especially the black citizens in regard to their schools, should not speak out on how their schools are run. Blacks should speak out loudly for a better quality of education for their youngsters.

For those who wish to see Dunbar High School, and all other area schools, remain open, action now is absolutely necessary. Black citizens should not continue to sit back and wait for someone to make the next move, but, rather add something constructive to the problem now, in an effort to solve our local problems, while at the same time keeping the schools open in East Lubbock.

Efforts should begin immediately to show the board of trustees that there are those who care about the educational welfare of their children. No decision can be made by the board, fairly and representing all people, unless the board knows the wishes of the people it represents. The schools belong to the people, and therefore the people should voice their opinions as to how they operate.

Time is growing short, and there needs to be a plan of action in order for the citizens of Lubbock to have the type of school system they really want. This will require that all citizens, including the ministers, teachers, P-TA members and others, to contribute, in a unified manner, to the thinking and building of a school system in Lubbock for the good of all of the children.

Whatever your position on Lubbock's schools, we should all be a part of contributing something to our schools, and not be guilty of sitting back and merely letting things happen. We all have a voice. Will you stand up and be counted in order that our little black boys and girls will have something to be proud of tomorrow.

Don't let the complete responsibility of keeping our schools fall on the shoulders of one person—the one black school trustee. She didn't get elected by herself, and most assuradly, she can't represent the entire black community without the help of the black community. If you wish to have a school system patterned after what we have today, get behind your school board and show them that is what you want! Don't be misled into thinking that the fight is over—unfortunately it is not!

Get busy, now, citizens, tomorrow is not too far away, and the forces that would close the local schools have not stopped their fight. Let's put together a plan of action today and be as proud tomorrow of what we have as we are now.

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Austin—Eighteen-year-olds will be registered to vote in Texas this year unless the U.S. Supreme Court, in the meantime, invalidates the new federal voting rights act.

State officials plan to give federal authorities this assurance in reply to an inquiry of U.S. Atty. Gen. John N. Mitchell asking all governors to report on steps they will take to comply with the new provision and other sections of the federal bill effective January 1.

Texas, reportedly, already is in compliance with the act, except for the lowered voting age. This state has no literacy test and "good character" requirements for election participation such as those outlawed by a bill signed into law by President Nixon on June 22.

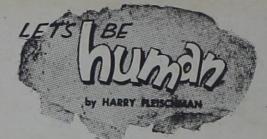
When the Texas voter-registration period opens on October 1, 18-year-olds will be signed up if the expected court test is not settled by then. Local registration officials will be advised by state election authorities to register them pending a court decision.

According to election division director Randall Wood, the Secretary of State's office proposes to suggest that teen-age registrations be kept separately from those of voters 21 and above. This would simplify subsequent invalidation in the event the Supreme Court should rule the federal act unconstitutional after state registration already is under way

Test case probably will be in Washington State. There the 18-year-old vote-referendum already is set for the November ballot. Washington officials are in a better political position to state that they will not comply with the federal law until their voters voice approval of the lowered age proposition.

Secretary of State Martin Dies, Jr. figures the federal act would add about 395,000 under-21 voters to Texas' registration rolls—if it survives the court test.

Oil Production Raised—Oil production for August will be boosted 335,263 barrels a day, due Continued On Page Three



Playing Junkie—Is playing junkie your idea of nice clean fun? Apparently it is to Hasbro Industries of Pawtucket, R.I., the manufacturer of Hypo Squirt, a water pistol that looks just like a hypodermic needle. When Gloria Rosenthal. coordinator of health education programs for the Plainedge School District in Long Island, N.Y., asked Hasbro to withdraw Hypo Squirt from the market, Hasbro refused. "When we put out a gun everybody complains," said a Hasbro spokesman. "So we get away from the idea of a gun and someone finds something else to complain about." We sympathize with poor Hasbro. After all, if popularizing drug addition is good business, why should anybody interfere with free enterprise?

Nine Irish Convicts—As an aftermath of the Irish uprising of 1848, reports the Butcher Workman, nine men were tried and convicted of treason against Her Majesty, Queen Victoria of Great Britain. All were sentenced to death. The condemned men were Patrick Donahue, Charles Duffy, Michael Ireland, Morris Lyene, Thomas McGee, Terence McManus, Thomas Meagher, John Mitchell and Richard O'Gorman.

Passionate protests from all over the world persuaded Queen Victoria to commute the death sentences. The men were banished to Australia, then as remote and full of prisoners as the Czar's Siberia. The protests saved their lives, but there were some unexpected by-products.

Decades passed. In 1874, Queen Victoria learned that a Sir Charles Duffy, who had been elected Continued On Page Seven



Which of the Following is Spelled Correctly?

dignitaries dignataries dignetaries

(Definition: persons holding a high office.)

See Classified Page for Correct Answer.

Down To Earth

My Country, Right The Wrong! By Jimmy R. Allen

A great patriot of yesterday said, "My country.

May she always be right, but right or wrong, my country."



This July Fourth Americans were summoned to patriotic rallys throughout the land to support America. The theme of that statement has been the theme song of rallys. Yet the Christian realizes that the highest demands of patriotism and of Christian conscience

reach beyond such blind loyalty. There is a restlessness of spirit which says that this kind of unquestioning loyalty may be a subtle betrayal. The true patriot should be saying, "My country, right the wrong! My country."

To the question of what is wrong with old fashioned patriotism, the answer should be, "Nothing, if you make it old fashioned enough." Let us reach back to the ideals and idealism which really founded our country. The ideals of freedom of religious conscience, equality of opportunity for all, the rights of individuals to protection against oppressive political powers, and the responsibility of individuals to support an ordered society in seeking justice constitute the greatest political dream mankind ever dared dream.

Patriotism which keeps its eyes open and is alert to every effort to make the systems sensitive to its own goals and ideals is the need of our day. Some in our midst have given up hope that the system will work. They feel that the disinheirted will always be ignored or exploited. They seek simply to tear the structure down. Those of us who believe in America and its ideals cannot confront these simply with rallys and speeches. We must face their accusations with honesty and

candor. We must then prove that our nation has the moral fibre to produce the changes which opens doors for all.

For instance, our state of Texas has a problem of gigantic proportions in the thousands of persons who are functionally illiterate. One city in our state (San Antonio) has 180,000 citizens who cannot read and write well enough to get jobs.

The front line soldiers defending patriotism in this confused era are not necessarily the bearded sign carriers with peace slogans, or the hard hat construction workers fighting to raise flags over public buildings, or the crowds listening to patriotic songs and speeches. They are the persons who are patiently and willingly giving their time and energies to help illiterate Americans become equipped to seize opportunities in their society.

It has been especially gratifying to sense the dimension of response to such challenges on the part of churches and church men. An eve of awakening from the lethargy of self absorption may have come. Christian citizens are hearing a battle cry, "My country, right the wrong!"

What is true of the illiteracy problem is also true of every other barricade in American society. The highest patriotism is not to be silent nor to stifle critiques of the decisions of national leaders. It is to speak and act out of a basic posture of loyalty. The highest loyalty of every Christian is toward God. Out of that sense of loyalty his patriotic spirit flows. It is not blind or deaf or silent. It seeks to act responsibly. It is determined to make our nation what our slogans say it is.

Underlying this patriotic concern is a deeper sense of awareness that what makes any nation great is the caliber of its moral leadership. Christians should pray for spiritual awakening which will create the atmosphere the Bible speaks of when it says: "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people."

In other words, "My country! Right the wrong!"



Police Beat

Burglary

Joe Hicks, of 2015 48th Street, an owner of a local washateria at 918 Avenue B, reported that someone broke into his business this week.

It was learned that entry was gained by pulling off a screen and a board in the rear of the build-

Taken from the business was an undetermined amount of pennies from a peanut and gum machine.

Theft

Willie McGee, 2809 Teak Avenue, reported that an unknown person, without his knowledge or consent, removed a matched set of wire spoke hub caps from his car while it was parked at his residence.

The hub caps were valued at about \$105.00.

Using Bad Language

A Lubbock woman who resides

Highlights and Sidelights . . .

Continued From Page Two largely to the high cost of shipping petroleum from foreign sources.

Railroad Commission Chairman Ben Ramsey said the increase was brought about by high tanker rates as well as a demand for more cheap domestic oil. He noted that the Commission had disregarded recommendations of some to shut stripper or marginal wells, therefore the state has additional capacity.

Statewide allowable was pegged at 62.9 per cent of potential for August after a three months' decline. July allowable was 55.5 per cent. Maximum estimated production for August is 3,602,296 barrels a day, up from 3,267,033 in

Courts Speak-Federal court suit has been filed against the City of Tyler by the U.S. government seeking to end school segregation by this fall.

Court of Criminal Appeals held that a driving while intoxicated conviction is invalid if the defendand was on private property at the time of arrest.

State Supreme Court refused to upset a lower court denial of damages to the widow of a man killed in an auto-train crash near Edna. Jury found negligency on the part of both the man and Southern Pacific Railroad employ-

High Court also held that a

on East 28th Street reported to the Lubbock Police Department that a 50-year-old man did use obscene words and he also took the Lord's name in vain several times over the telephone.

She stated that the man did call her in reference to an argument that her brother and the man were having. The man, however, accused the lady of allowing the brother to use the phone to call him and give him a bad time.

The lady told police she would file charges.

Theft of License Plate

Robert Bird, of 1001 East 28th

Street, Apt. 3, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone removed the rear license plate from his 1961 model car which was parked at his residence,

The number of the plate is CHG 873. The plate is valued at \$1.00. If any of you readers find his plate, please contact him, he'll

Potter County couple was not entitled to damages from a doctor because the woman could no longer have children after an operation.

Harris County district court granted an injunction against Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, prohibiting it from discharging industrial wastes into Sims Bayou in greater amounts than that permitted by the Water Quality Board. Court ordered a \$20,000 fine, the largest civil penalty in Texas pollution case history.

Draft Quota Drops-August draft call for Texas is 560. That's 257 less than the 817 in July. No man will be inducted with random sequence number higher than 195.

State quota for pre-induction physical and mental examinations in August is 1,490, down from 1,601 in July. Those called for these examinations will have random sequence numbers one to



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appreciate it.

Police Beat Prayer

Dear Lord, please help us to treat each other the right way. Help us to realize how bad it is for one to hurt another.

Final Rites Read in Stamford for Mrs. Mollie Bell Wright Marsh

Stamford-Funeral services were held last Thursday, July 16th, at 2:00 p.m. at Sims Chapel A.M.E. Church for Mrs. Mollie Bell Marsh. Mrs. Marsh passed away Tuesday morning at a local hospital in Abilene, Texas while awaiting surgery and treatment.

She had been in failing health the past three years.

Mrs. Marsh was the fourth child born to the late Mr. and Mrs. Key W. Wright on January 5, 1914. She moved with her family to Stamford, Texas in 1925 and immediately became a member of Sim Chapel A.M.E. Church, where she remained a loyal member even through her long illness.

November 13, 1927, she was married to Charlie Marsh, and was a devoted wife and mother of their two children.

Rev. W. L. Brown, her former pastor, gave the eulogy; Rev. C. C. Campbell gave the prayer, and the Reverends A. Green and A. Clay read the scripture. A special number, "Have Thine Own Way," was sung by Mrs. Maunita Terrell.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie Marsh; a son, Bobbie Gene Marsh of Midland, Texas; a daughter, Mrs. Tommye Elizabeth Daniels of Denton, Texas; six grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Idell Smith; a brother, Gould W. Wright of Stamford and many other relatives and friends.

Active pall bearers were Elvis Giddings, Rueben Horne, Henry McGee, Ernest Mays, James W. Standifer, and Alphonso Johnson with Kinney Funeral Home Directors in charge of arrangements. Interment was in the City of Stamford Cemetery

ringing the bell

With Bob Tieuel, Jr.

Afro-American History for busy newspaper readers-John VI, 1767-1826. A dark mulatto, the King of Portugal-The Maker of Modern Brazil! He moved his throne to Rio De Janeior in

1808, ruling Portugal from Brazil. Carter G. Woodson, organized the Association for the Study of Negro Life & History in 1915. For nearly a helf century this association has done wide-spread research and published many books and such periodicals as The Journal of Negro History and the Negro History Bulletin.

On December 17, 1957, Alabama voters approved a state constitutional amendment authorizing the state legislature to abolish Macon County-where blacks outnumbered whites 7 to 1. The county is the home of the famous Tuskegee Institute. In 1960 the U.S. Supreme Court ruled the gerrymandering as unconstitutional if black voters had been eliminated by the change and that "the impairment of voting rights cloaked in the garb of the realignment of political subdivisions" was a violation of the 15th Amendment.

This column has written a number of black educators, teachers, clergymen and business people in the Permian Basin inquiring as to some of the greatest needs for racial progress in the area and West Texas. If we have not contacted you, please write your opinion to me in care of this newspaper or my box, 3302, Odessa, Texas. Some replies follow; "Why don't the stores that have a big percentage of black customers employ more of our people?" replied T.E. Another; "What we need is a strong NAACP organization as it seems that the Negro ministers for the most part are not too concerned." Others later.

To Miss N. E.: Yes, James Brown, the "Soul Man", was in the Permian Basin (Big O) last year. His career record sales are over 50 million and he was named "Humanitarian of the Year" in 1969 by the B'nial B'rith because of his strong actions in promoting peaceful coexistence between blacks and whites.

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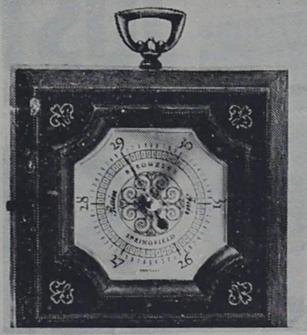
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Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Peppers and their son, Raymond Peppers, Jr., of the Yellowhouse Canyon community, traveled to Locke Mountain and Lake-O-Pines in Mims, Texas this month for a family reunion.

In attendance at the reunion were five generations of the family. They consisted of Marlynne Louise Peppers, 5th generation, Raymond Peppers, Jr., 4th, both of 2428 East 30th Street here in Lubbock; Mozelle Peppers, a grandmother and member of the 3rd generation of 4306 East 61st Street here in Lubbock; Letha White, a great-grandmother, and 2nd generation member of Avenger, Texas, and Mary Jones, a great great-grandmother, and 1st generation member of Mims, Texas. The ages of this group ranged from 15 to 96.

About 25 different families were represented at the reunion with over one hundred people present.

CAP 4-H News

Haskell-The members are getting ready for the dress revue to be held at the Haskell Elementary Center, Thursday, July 23rd at 3:00 p.m.

The Juniors and Seniors have been working hard to complete their project before the deadline. Parents are invited to come to the meetings and to especially attend the revue.

CAP News

Mr. Filipe Arrendonde is announcing that the drivers education class began yesterday, July 22nd, at the center. For the convenience of those who are working late, the time has been set for 8:30 each evening Monday through Friday. All are invited to attend these classes.

Tentative plans are now in the making for a trip to six flags in the near future. All interested parents and children can contact the center or phone 864-3458. Plans can be made for children 10 years and up. Children under 10 can be taken if the parent will go along. If and when the decision is made for the trip, the young people will sponsor their own way by working projects, personal finance or other means of parent and and child working together. The center will not sponsor the trip. All interested persons are invited.

Anyone interested, male or female, from age 16 and up, in an opportunity to train in a beauty-course? Contact the center. More information can be given to you by referral to an outside agency. We would like to have this information in the office by August 15th if possible. This is an opportunity you may not wish to miss. If you have a talent for this type of vocation, this is the chance you have been waiting for.

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Local Youngsters Ready For Abilene Track Meet

There is a big TAAF state track meet Friday and Saturday in Abilene, and the local youths coached by Pat Blessing came out in good shape after the meet last Saturday.

In the pee-wee division, Eddie Parker, unbeaten in his specialities this year, won the 50 and 100-yard dashes.

In the junior division, the 440 yeard relay team, composed o Estacado track stars won, and Eddie Cleaver won the 100 yard dash.

The Estacado 440 relay team also won the intermediate 440-yard relay, with Larry Isaac wining the 100-yard dash.

Craig Brooks placed fourth in the 100 event in the senior division and copped second in the 330yard event. Mark Smith won the

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880 and Scott Rayburn finished second in the mile run.

School Board Reception Scheduled Sunday, July 26th

The Board of Trustees of the Lubbock Independent School District is holding a reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Nat Williams and Dr. and Mrs. Ishmael Hill, Sunday, July 26th, 1970, from 3 until 5 p. m. in the Garden and Arts Center, 4215 University Avenue. The public is invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Wadley and son, Gary, visited relatives in Dallas, Fort Worth and Waco, last week.

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MY VIEWS

By Eddie P. Richardson

"We are doing fine," is the most sung song in Lubbock's Black community. Why not think about this?



The following information was taken from 1966 research material; Black owned banking institutions in America: American National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama, assets in 1963 were \$3,208,066.00; Carver State Bank of Savannah, Georgia, assets \$1,643,904.00; Citizens Trust Company of Atlanta, Georgia, assets \$12,443,533.00; Consolidated Bank and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia, assets \$6,319,428.00;

Crown Savings Bank, New Port News, Virginia, assets \$6,221,454.00; First State Bank of Denville, Virginia, assets \$3,016,630; Lincoln National Bank of Miami, Florida, assets \$3,610,008.00; Mechanics and Farmers Bank of Durham, North Carolina, assets \$13,112,958.00; Riverside National Bank of Houston, Texas, assets \$1,502,007.00; Tri State Bank of Memphis, Tennessee, assets \$4,717,471.00; United Community National Bank of Washington, D. C. assets, \$5,278,217.00; and Victory Savings Bank of Columbus, South Carolina, assets \$1,421,368.00.

These are only deep South organizations. All assets are of the year 1963. Now let's look at Savings and Loan Associations, deep South only, again; Advanced Savings and Loan Association of Baltimore, Maryland, \$1,689,794.00; Berkley Citizens Mutual of Norfolk, Virginia. \$2,601,182.00; Citizens Federal Savings and Loan of Birmingham, Alabama, \$7,047,400.00; Community Federal Savings and Loan Association of Scotlandville, La., \$1,713,473.00; Franklin Federal Savings and Loan Association of Miami, Florida, \$2,267,619.00; Imperial Building and Loan Association of Martinville, Virginia, \$184,736.00 Magic City Building and Loan Association of Roanoake, Virginia; \$101,795.00; Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association of Durham, North Carolina, \$10,157,112.00; Mutual Savings and Loan Association of Memphis, Tennessee, \$2,071,802.00; Peoples Building and Loan Association of Hampton, Virginia, \$3,172,115; Standard Savings and Loan Association of Houston, Texas, \$2,316,623.00; State Mutual Federal Savings and Loan Association of Jackson, Mississippi, \$500,000 Tuskegee Federal Savings and Loan Association of Tuskegee, Alabama, \$2,213,724.00; Washington Shares Federal Savings and Loan Association, of Orlando, Florida, \$605,365.00.

Black owned insurance companies, with billions in assets, have home offices in hundreds of deep South cities. Black enterprises are all over the country and the reason I am stressing the deep South so much is because we are always saying we are doing fine here (Lubbock) and in a lot of cases we laugh at the people of the deep South. What do black people here in Lubbock own????

Every little bit of progress we have had here, those people of the deep South we laugh at, made possible. Everytime one of our brothers or sisters was kicked, beaten, water hosed, or dog bitten and even jailed—it made it a little bit better here.

We need to get together here. Learn to trust, love, respect, help and cooperate with each other. Let's begin to do for oursevles—what others have done.

In Atlanta, Georgia, young black people own a shopping center mall. These young people did not have that much money, but they had unity and togetherness. If young children can do this, why can't we? Because we are doing fine?

How many farms do we own? How many jobs do we provide for ourselves? How many people do we feed, clothe? How many plants or factories do we control? Yet, we are doing fine, huh?! I know our city fathers and officials and leaders have good intentions, but good intentions are not enough. With all the federal aid and other funds coming into our area, let's start thinking about the future.

I can't help but bring up the following facts: It is a must that minority groups be on policy making positions—from city hall, county court house, school office and everyplace that policy making is done. Honorary positions are fine, but we also need paying positions and policy making positions. The proposed charter change is only expand-

ing the council (something we now have). We need area representation, but not as recommended. It should be area residenceship, with residential requirements and at-large voting. As it has been suggested; Southwest Lubbock can elect a handpicked, "show-case nigger" and that still will not help the majority of the people, actually only making matters worse. Let each area represent itself. All areas can cooperate for a better total city, with each representative looking out for his area or district.

Closing thought for this week:
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Mrs. Sarah Bough of Lane City, Texas and Mrs. Ethel Sanders of Angleton, Texas are visiting their brother, Cornell Scody, and his family. He is home from the hospital after spending several days there due to an attack of asthma and the accompanying complications.

Mrs. Pinkey Reed of Christman, Texas is visiting her children and grand-children here in the Hub City.

Mrs. Lillian Metters, who is at the bedside of her father at Yoakum, Texas, is interested in receiving the West Texas Times to keep abreast of her hometown news.

Miss Janice Orams of Denver, Colorado is spending the summer with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Phillips of Morgan, Texas, their daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Hardin Furlow and their children, Gay and Stevie, of Abbott, Texas were week-end guests of their sisters and aunts, Maunita Terrell and Juanita Simmons. They worshipped at Bethel A.M.E. Church last Sunday morning.

The Phillips will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary July 23rd. They left for home last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Emma Conner of Brenham, Texas, her daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Coleman, and grand-son, Michael, who have been visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. Elurd Davenport and son, left for their home Monday. They were visitors at Bethel A.M.E. Church last Sunday.

Mrs. Conner is a sister of Mr. Bill Goldstein. They reported a lovely visit here.

Mrs. Alma Thomas, Mrs. Irma Cellestine and Mrs. Hazel Temple of New Orleans, La., left Saturday morning for their home after spending several days visiting in the city. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester C. Brown. Mrs. Temple is the mother of Mrs. Bobbie Brown.

Mrs. Leaner Goldstein and son,

from my scratch pad

By George Parrish

Mrs. Elnora Woolbright of 1107 N.W. 21st Street here in Amarillo entered North West Texas Hospital last Friday and will undergo surgery some time this week. At the time of this writing

she was reported resting well.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson of North Adams left today, Sunday, for a vacation in Albuquerque, New Mexico. I am sure that Mr. Jackson will get in some fishing if anyway possible.

Speaking of fishing, we had a chance to go while in East Texas. My luck wasn't so good, but Mrs. Parrish really did make a haul on her very first fishing trip. She landed a 4 lb. channel catfish, well, I say she did, I helped a little. We were fishing in the lake of Mr. and Mrs. B.B. Clark, sister and brother-in-law of Mrs. Parrish. Mrs. Clark caught a nice fish also. They (the fish) were sure good eating.

Mrs. Robert Mannings gave her mother, Mrs. Ellen Henderson, a big surprise birthday party (no age disclosed) on her lawn Saturday evening. Those in attendance included: Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Moore; Mr. and Mrs. Will Knapp; Mrs. Minnie Rose; Mrs. S. C. Patten; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hickman; Rev. A. J. Davis, Sr.; Mrs. Maggie Young and Miss Rubye Johns of Lubbock. Miss Johns is the daughter of Mrs. Henderson. Also attending was Mrs. H. M. Moore and Mrs. Robbie Johnson. All reported having a very nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilson have returned from California where they attended a family reunion. Haven't talked to them about the trip but I am sure they enjoyed it.

Well, as all good things must come to a close, so did my vacation. So tomorrow it is back to the drawing board for me, but it was wonderful long as it lasted.

Cedric, and also Mrs. Nellie Fuller, visited their sisters in Hobbs, New Mexico last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pettis and children, Samuel and Latonya, left Sunday morning for Forth Worth for a week's vacation with her sister, Celestine Walker.

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Mr. Ira Sterling is home from the hospital and is in satisfactory condition.

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The committee for the church anniversary met last Sunday morning after the regular morning worship.

Our recent visitors included: Mrs. Eileen Franklin, of Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Willie L. Straws of Boston, Mass.; Mrs. Sandra Walker, little Clarence Walker, Jr.; Miss Casandra Jackson and Mr. Curtis D. Belcher of Lubbock.

Twentieth & Birch Streets Church of Christ

All members are asked to please remember the meeting planned for August. We should start now telling our friends about it and have them to be with us in our meet-

Sister J. Harris would like to thank everyone who gave her such nice gifts at her shower held in Fellowship Hall last week. She reports the gifts were nice and she really did enjoy the affair.

Sister Nixon and Sister Holmes would also like to thank all of you for the wonderful gifts they received at a shower held last Monday evening in the home of Sister Nan Carroll.

Mount Gilead Baptist Church

The Original West Texas District Association will hold its 69th annual session with the Mount Zion Baptist Church of Brownwood, Texas, starting August 4th, through

Members on the sick list are Sisters Jessie Hicks, Ella Wallace, Evelyn Anderson and H. Harrison.

New Hope Baptist Church

Annual session of the West Texas Baptist District Association will be held with the First Baptist Church of Eastland, Texas, August 3 through 7.

Deaconess meeting will be held Monday, July 27th, at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. General mission will also be held Monday evening, at 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Annual Ushers Day will be ob-

Let's Be Human . . .

Continued From Page Two that a Sir Charles Duffy, who had been elected Prime Minister of Australia, was the same Charles Duffy she had banished 26 years earlier. When she asked what had become of the other eight convicts, she learned that:

Patrick Donahue and Terence McManus both became Brigadier Generals in the United States

Morris Lyene became Attorney General for Australia and was succeeded in that post by Michael Ireland.

Thomas McGee became Minister of Agriculture for Canada and Richard O'Gorman became Governor General of Newfoundland.

Thomas Meagher was elected Governor of Montana.

John Mitchell became a prominent New York politician and his son, John Purroy Mitchell, a famous mayor of New York City.

served Sunday, August 2nd, at 3 p.m. President Cork is asking that the public come out to this fete.

Federation of Choirs will be held Sunday, July 26th, at 2:30 p.m.

National Baptist Convention will be held in the City of New Orleans September 7-13th. All Baptist Churches of the City of New orleans will serve as host churches.

A special musical will be sponsored by the Solace Board Sunday, August 16th, at 3 p.m.

Special women's day will be held Sunday, August 30th, which is the fifth Sunday. Let us be looking forward to this program.

Usher's meeting and rehearsal will be held Friday, July 24th, at 8 p.m. in the church auditorium.

We are to serve in the anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Wilson Sunday, September 6th, at 3

Annual men's day will be observed Sunday, September 20th. Let us all look forward to this date and cooperate with the men of the church and help make this a big day spiritually and financially.

Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church

Youth Day is the fourth Sunday of this month. Plans are being made for this great day for our young people.

August 10th through 14th is the date set for the Lovely Sunset Association. St. John Baptist Church is host. Rev. E. D. Toines is minister. Youth day for this meeting will be August 13th.

The members of Esther Circle are to meet in the home of Sister Irbie Whitefield, at 1503 East 13th Street, tomorrow evening, Friday,

The members of Lydia, Martha and Dorcas Circles met in the homes of Sisters Lucille Cleveland, 512 Zenith Avenue; Laura Jamison, 2316 Fir Avenue; and Clara Scott, 2714 Teak Avenue.

Let us continue to pray for those sick and shut-in. Sister Helen Moore is recuperating nicely in her home; Sister Wilma Horton is also recuperating in her home; Sister Annie Hinton is ill in her home and Brother Wilmar Wilson is shutin at his home.

Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church

The Rising Star Sunday school began promptly at 9:45 a.m. with Supt. Morris at his post, after the school devotion, the classes were set up and teachers assigned to various classes. After class work the lesson was reviewed by Supt. Morris, along with a question and answer period. Sunday school was well attended.

In the 11:00 a.m. services, the Deacons were in charge of the

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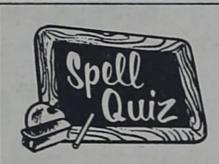
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Devotion. Singing by the choir with Sister Jo Ann Bell at the piano. The measage for the morning was brought by Rev. Lee C. Phillips, assistant minister of the Lily of the Valley Baptist Church, of Los Angeles, California. The sermon was enjoyed by all. Rev. Phillips is the nephew of Sister Opal Phillips of our church.

Sunday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. Rising Star worshiped with the Greater St. James Baptist Church in order to share with them their pastor and wife's 8th year appreication service. Our pastor, Rev. R. J. Dixon was the principal speaker.

B.T.U. was held at 6:30 p.m. and at 7:30 the church began the evening services, with Devotion by the Deacons. The pastor spoke from the Book of Isiaac, 22:23, using as a theme "A Nail in A Sure Place."

Johnson Chapel A.M.E. Church

Amarillo-Church school opened at the regular hour with Brother B. L. Alexander in charge. The attendance continues to be very good. At the 11:00 o'clock worship hour the men of the church had a special men's day program. The guest speaker was Mr. Harvey Bailey, RSVP instructor. Mr. Bailey brought a very inspiring message to all attending the service.

The offering was very good. \$510.00 was reported and it is understood that there are more reports to be made.

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Mrs. Davis, wife of our pastor, Rev. A.J. Davis, Sr. is yet in Florida with her mother who is ill. Let us pray for her and others throughout the world that are sick.

Community News

Haskell-Homecoming at the Independent Baptist Church was an enjoyable occasion. Friends and relatives of several families came. Among the homecomers were Mr. and Mrs. Taft Powell of Floydada.

The Original Spiritual Echoes gave some very inspirational numbers. The Rev. James W. Hanson of Gallup, New Mexico brought the message in the morning and afternoon services. Mrs. Bessie Hanson is the proud mother of Rev. Hanson. Numbers were given by the Junior Choir. "Oh Happy Day" was a special request in both services.

Pianists were Verda Ree and James Wallace of Fort Worth. Gracie Pear Brandon was guest soloist. Mrs. Brandon live in Waco, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Lewis.

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