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United Black Coalition Elects New Officers



These ladies are members of the Eta Delta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, sponsor of the Debutante Ball of 1970 scheduled for Monday night, December 28th, at the Palm Room here in Lubbock.

The Debutante Ball is only one of many projects sponsored by the local chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha.

Post Office Hours Extended for Holidays

Special Saturday hours are in effect at the Main Post Office, along with the Elwood, Murreyhill and College Avenue Stations.

These offices will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and later, if necessary, to care for the expected extra Christmas mailing, Saturday, December 19.

Contract stations will observe

hours of the businesses in which they are located. These stations are in Hemphill-Wells, downtown and Monterey Center; Furr's Family Center, Furr's Market, Redbud Square; Stumbaugh Drug, 4218 Boston Avenue; Day Drug Store, 1902 Parkway Drive; Dunlap's Caprock Center; Piggly Wiggle Store, 3101 East 4th Street; and L & H Drug Store, 5100 34th.



Little Sharonda Pytrese Bradford celebrated her first birthday November 11th. She is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bradford, Jr., of 1923 East Baylor. She is a very special child to the family, because at birth she weighed only two pounds and 12 ounces and her chances of survival were slim.

Today she is a healthy, happy little girl and developing normally. Her father is employed by the U.S. Postal System and her mother, Lola, is employed at Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

Sharonda is the grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Castilow of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bradford of Fort Worth, Texas.

Christmas Group Making Appeal

An appeal for sponsors for Christmas dinners for needy families was issued last Friday by the Christmas Clearance Bureau of the United Fund's Planning Council.

According to Floyd Honey, chairman, the purpose of the bureau is to provide an up-to-date record of the 1,400 needy families in Lubbock.

He also suggested that individuals, families, home-rooms, church groups, Sunday School classes, or any organization wishing to help supply a holiday dinner to the less fortunate contact the bureau at 747-2711.

"A small family can be sponsored for as little as \$12 with the top expense for a large family running about \$20," he said.

The bureau coordinates the work of the Marine Reserve Toys for Tots, and the Salvation Army's Christmas Cheer programs.

Toys And Workers Urgently Needed

A request was made last week by spokesmen for the Marine Corps Reserve, sponsors of the annual Toys for Tots Program, for more toys and extra volunteers for repair and paint work.

Anyone desiring to help in the repair jobs is asked to come to the Marine Corps Reserve Training Center at 710 University Avenue, anytime from 7:30 a.m. until 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Persons donating toys can do so by taking them to 7-11 Stores or city fire stations. Persons unable to deliver the toys may have them picked up by calling 765-8541, extension 448 or 449 from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 765-8950 on Saturday and Sunday.

Election of officers and committee appointments were the main points of interest last Thursday evening at Mae Simmons Multi-Service Center when members met at the 8 p.m. meeting.

Eddie P. Richardson was elected president; Mr. J. E. Knighten, vice-president; Mrs. Ida Mae Cheek, secretary; Mrs. Ruby Johns Donaldson, assistant secretary; Alfred Caviel, treasurer and James Burrell, parliamentarian.

Special reports were heard from the nominating committee as they put the names of Richardson, Cheek, Donaldson, Caviel and Burrell in nomination for the 1971 positions. Mrs. Knighten, however, was elected from the floor.

Appearing before the Coalition were Officer Fulton Berry, Rev. Adolphus Cleveland, and Father Evans Reddenbow.

Berry came to the organization for support in regard to better communications with the Lubbock Police Department. He asked those members present to put into writing some of the things they would like to see the local police department do. Officer James Price was also present at the meeting.

The Reverend Adolphus Cleveland, past president of the Coalition, presented the proposal of the newly formed Minority Corporation which is seeking 100 members who will contribute \$100 each.

Father Reddenbow explained the program LEARN to the members of the Coalition and asked for

support of the black community. He made it clear that LEARN is most concerned about motivating and helping minority youth to go to college to further their education. Every member present received a detailed program of LEARN.

Committees appointed at the monthly meeting included: an information committee to report to George E. Scott, Jr., chairman of the Eastside Advisory Committee of the Citizens Advisory Commission. Scott had made a plea earlier to the Coalition for input to his committee in regard to the building of the newly proposed civic center; also a police committee was appointed in reply with the request made by Officer Berry; and a committee was appointed to meet with the officers of the newly organized minority corporation to let them explain their program. This committee is also charged with asking the ministers of the community if they are going to become members of the United Black Coalition.

Committee chairmen appointed were Dr. F. L. Loving, Charles E. Brown and T. J. Patterson.

Reverend Raymond Campbell, minister of Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church, added concern to the meeting when he stated that the ministers hadn't done their job, but also made it clear that members of the churches are not doing their job either. He encouraged each member present to personally invited their minister to become a member of the United Black Coalition.

The newly elected president, Eddie Richardson, asked that all members go home looking forward to a hard working year in 1971. "We all must work together if we are going to move forward in 1971, and we all have a job to do," said Richardson.

The nominating committee, headed by Mrs. Willie Mae Washington and turned over to Harold Chatman because of illness in her family, also reported on new by-laws for the membership approval. After reading the newly proposed by-laws by Chatman, the membership advised the committee to go back and bring in a new draft, as noted by the membership, at the next meeting in January, 1971.

Another appointment at the meeting was that of Mrs. Luella Scott to serve as board member of the new "Meals on Wheels" program.

Play Scheduled at Dunbar Tonight

It will happen tonight at Dunbar High School, a play that is "The Lion Who Lost His Roar," a one-act play by Betty Langdon, will be presented at 7:30 tonight as the first dramatic production of the school year for the Plays Production Classes at that institution.

Admission for the play in the auditorium, will be 25 cents for students and 50 cents for adults. Something new will be added at 4 p.m. today when the class does a special matinee for elementary school students.

Youngsters of elementary schools in the Dunbar attendance area are encouraged to attend.

Double cast in the title role are Billy Pride and Mike Wilson, and others in the cast are Laurreta Adams, Lee Bagley, Pondora Bell, Gary Bunton, Linda Henderson, Patricia Johns, Pauletta Mayse, Nollie McGuire, Daphene Newton, Neldia Quigley, Vickey Reed, Mike Shoemake, Keith Smith, Charlie Waites and Ray Williams.

Mrs. Ruth Sullivan is drama coach at Dunbar and assisting her as student director of the play is Sandra Garcia. Crew members include Carl Bedwell, Ronnie Evans, Brenda Flowers, Robert Montgomery, Edeard Rainwater, Debra Rivers, Earl Smith, Sue Sneed and Ronnie Westbrook.

The play, in short, is about a lion who wants to go to school, but discovers his lair, in a zoo, is best for him.



EDITORIALS

Something Said Last Thursday

by T. J. Patterson

There's no doubt about it, there was a great deal said last Thursday evening at the Mae Simmons Multi-Service Center when the members of the United Black Coalition met. Three important committees were appointed and with hard work, something should come of their efforts.

The committees were charged with: making recommendations to the Eastside Advisory Committee, headed by George Scott, Jr., concerning suggestions for the city civic center project; making suggestions to the Lubbock Police Department and an evaluation of the newly formed Minority Corporation.

This type of involvement can surely continue to put the efforts of this organization over the top for the black community. The way it is now looking, something will be done in 1971. This is the way it should be when the welfare of the community is at stake.

Let's hope this organization, under the leadership of Eddie P. Richardson, will continue to grow and gain support, for the betterment of the community. It will be up to the entire community to get behind this effort if we are to do great things together.

We can't help but take heed of the comment made by the Reverend Raymond Campbell, minister of the Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church, when he urged all of the members of this organization to urge their own minister to support the effort of the Black Coalition, for the benefit of the whole black community. He also made it clear that not only have the ministers been lacking in their in-

volvement, but the members of the churches have also fallen down on their jobs.

As we have said, the United Black Coalition has a future, but if it is to continue to move forward doing things for the black community, we all must get involved.

The meeting of the coalition last week was a good one. The newly elected officers should add to the building of this effort. Most of all, we all must stand behind the organization so we will have many more good meetings. It's about time that this type of meeting becomes a habit of ours.

Citizens Need "Meals on Wheels"

by T. J. Patterson

The Senior Citizens of Lubbock need some type of program which can make it possible for them to have at least one good meal each day. Thank goodness, this type of program will be available for the forgotten people, our senior citizens, in the very near future. It is definitely needed in our community.

Age is something we all will experience, God grant the opportunity. One day, we too, will be senior citizens and this type of program will be more important then than now to us. But now, this type of program, which is sponsored by the West Texas Home Health Agency, needs our support.

The non-profit agency is looking for volunteers and money to help make this program successful. Out of all the help you can contribute to various programs, "Meals on Wheels" will certainly be worth your effort.

The West Texas Times will certainly endorse this type of effort for the senior citizens of our community. They made a lot of things possible for us younger people, why not support this special effort and make it possible for them?

my views

We All Must Become Informed

by Eddie P. Richardson

From an early age the blacks in both the country and city have continually been assaulted with the idea that they were inferior beings in contrast to their superiors, the whites—any whites. Regardless of personal attributes, blacks—any black—was held to be inherently inferior because he belonged to an inferior race. And his color was his everlasting badge of inferiority for all to see and abide by, (of course, if he "happened to be white", any other discernible Negroid feature would substitute for the missing color badge).

Black parents have, as a force of habit, helped to implant this feeling of personal worthlessness

deep in the mind of each and everyone of their children. And parents felt obligated to do this not only to avoid the vengeful wrath of an insulted master but also to try to assure the safety and welfare of their children.

Around whites, it was not enough for a black to degrade himself by his servile attitude and words. He had to constantly guard the tone of his voice. He had to watch his every gesture. He always had to make sure that his posture was pleasing to any white observer. He could neither stand nor sit proudly. In walking, both his gait and his bearing had to indicate his low position.

In brief, his whole being had at all times to plainly radiate a perfectly contented sense of subordination.

America's earliest brainwashing came from the slaveholders, who brainwashed themselves along with their slaves. And the nation is still making heavy payments on the penalty.

But they were by no means able to brainwash all of their slaves. Many perceptive slaves, by necessity, became practical psychologists. Ideally, the slave for his own personal welfare and safety, sought to read his master's mind as he concealed his own thoughts from his master. It appears that many slaves actually approached this idea rather closely.

Our educational system has been the second brainwasher, portraying the black in the stereotype role of Uncle Tom's Cabin, Uncle Remus, Aunt Jemima, Little Black Sambo, etc. It is left up to our modern day educational system to eliminate the stereotype, and reproduce true history to all students in realistic text books while truly integrating all phases of education, beginning at the administration building and moving all the way down to the last element in our schools.

The text book selection committee has a tremendous responsibility of selecting books that are truly representative of American life. Prejudice leading to anti-Negro discrimination has always been based in a large part on fear, and fear is often due to mis-understanding or just plain not knowing the true picture. This is the reason for the need of a true picture of the American scene in educational presentation.

With this, a lot of the fears, mis-understandings and stereotypes will vanish and all Americans will have some basis for respect for all other Americans. The omitted greats of the past, and the left-outs of the present will develop a sense of pride in themselves, and maybe their neighbors will also have more respect for them.

STATE CAPITAL
Highlights
AND
Sidelights
by Vern Sanford
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

Austin, Texas—Secretary of State Martin Dies, Jr., as Texas' chief election officer, has urged complete overhaul of the state's primary election machinery and voter registration system.

Dies told the House committee studying election reform that Texas faces a crisis in election operations and must, with counties, assume financing and conduct of primaries.

Election fees, although already too high, said Dies, no longer adequately finance elections.

Texas' chief election officer said he personally favors September and October primaries to concentrate the election period, ease the strain on candidates and increase waning voter interest.

Dies also strongly recommends the junking of annual voter registration and substituting the system of re-registration-by-voting used by most states.

Both early primaries (and January 31 voter registration cutoff) and annual registration are under court attack.

If Federal judges declare both unconstitutional, Dies told the committee, Texas will be unable to hold primaries or register voters until the Legislature orders changes.

Land-Bond Sale—Veterans Land Program, in limbo for a year, got a new lease on life with the sale of \$25 million worth of bonds at a weighted average interest rate of 4.06 per cent.

Low bid was submitted by Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York and Saloman Brothers. Others ranged from 4.09 to 4.14 per cent.

Veterans Land Board apparently made low bids possible by offering the sale with eight to 18-year payoffs instead of the usual 25-year and longer-term bonds. Even though veterans have 40 years to pay off land purchases under the program, surpluses accumulated since 1949 make short-term bonds feasible, according to a land office spokesman.

Although the Board was authorized to sell some \$140 million more, bonds could not be marketed earlier because they were subject to the constitutional interest rate limit of 4.5 per cent.

Latest bond offering, to the surprise of nearly everybody, brought five bids below the rate ceiling.

Land Commissioner Jerry Sadler, Board chairman, said guidelines for applications by veterans under the revived program for purchase of land on

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,
I have a correction for "Ye Ed" (whoever he may be) who gave an immediate reply to my letter in last week's paper.

I did not say your paper was stagnant. I said some of the stuff published in the paper was stagnant. And I did refer to one specific item. Remember?

Please tell "Ye" thanks for the backlash. But lets try to understand what we read. O.K.

Mrs. L.A.C. Bradley

Dear Editor:
I would like to express my appreciation to the wonderful people in the Ruel Martin Community. All the contacts that I have made have been very receptive and cooperative.

Also, I would like to commend these people for having their premises so well kept. The most of them (with the exception of a few small areas) are on the move constantly doing something to improve the appearance of their surroundings.

Some are painting their houses, repairing fences, cleaning yards and alleys, and doing other things to improve their living conditions.

I have observed this is not being done for a season or only a Christmas time, but it is a year round project.

Under our new administration with Mr. Fred Buchanan as Executive Director we have started an initial project known as, Organizing neighborhood councils for each tract. This has been quite a success. However, this is not a new project with community workers. Because of the big turnover in the Community Action Program, there has been considerable lagging in the program progress and development.

Our Ruel Martin Center is still operating in the New Jerusalem Baptist Church at 3524 E. Broadway.

At the present, Mrs. L. A. Bradley is the only one working at the center. She works in three capacities, as director, organizer and outreach.

Activities comprise five expanded nutrition classes, tutoring, personal services and other responsibilities that go to make up the above mentioned categories.

In the near future it is expected that the center be moved to a new location. Announcement to that affect will be made later.

Hopefully with more space, and better facilities we can do a bigger, better and more effective job.

Lastly, Our Slogan is War On Poverty, and our motto is "Help you Help Yourselves."

If you need help feel free to come in or call 765-9971. We will do our best to either help, or refer you to someone who can.

L. A. Bradley

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Police Beat

Assault With Intent to Murder

James Ogden, of 2019 East Colgate, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that a man just came up to him and being cutting on him. He was cut on the left side of the face and neck.

He told police that he had no idea why he was cut three times.

Around the hub city

Mrs. Faye Simmons and son, Shon, of Fort Worth, Texas, spent the week-end here. They are former residents of Lubbock and were members of Bethel A.M.E. Church. They accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith of Dallas here to witness the South Oak Cliff-Odessa Permian Football game last Saturday. They left early Sunday morning for their home.

Little Darrell Edward Barry is beginning to walk again to the delight of his family and friends. He was the victim of an accident November 23 and was confined in a cast several weeks. He is making big plans for Santa Claus.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Smith of Dallas were guests of his mother, Mrs. Ruby Smith, over the week-end here.

Mrs. Eula Joiner returned last Saturday from Dallas where she had been at the bedside of her daughter until she passed away. She brought the two sons home to live with her. Their father, Spencer Austin, returned to Dallas last Saturday. His cousin, Fred, accompanied them here and also returned to Dallas.

The Booker T. Washington Post 808 of the American Legion is sponsoring a Christmas party for the boys and girls of the community Monday evening, December 21st, at 7 p.m.

The party will be held at the American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.

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Vandalism

A Lubbock man reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone broke out a window of his residence located at 2712 East Colgate. The approximate cost to repair the window was \$20.00.

Theft Over \$5.00

Freddy Nelton, of 1724 East 29th Street, reported to Lubbock police that he had parked his car in his driveway during the night. He discovered the next morning that a 12-volt battery was taken from his car. The battery was valued at \$30.00.

Theft Over \$50.00

S. T. Denton, 1501 Avenue C, reported to the police that he had a problem. He told police a man did him wrong one night last week.

The man took \$50.00 from him while he was not looking. The money was on the bed in a pillow case, tied in a bag. The thief did go to the bathroom, but stopped off in the bedroom long enough to make a \$50.00 profit.

Highlights & Sidelights . . .

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long-term, low-interest loans soon will be released.

Applications, according to Sadler, must be filed by the middle of January.

Last bonds were marketed two years ago before interest rates took off on a long, steep climb upward.

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Was It Murder?

SCLC Field Worker Reports Death of East Texas Man

(Editor's note: In an attempt to inform the resident of West Texas of some of the unsolved crimes in our state, here is a report from B. T. Bonner, III, field representative of the Southern Christian Leadership Congress).

The following report of an incident has been sent to the Honorable Preston Smith and two state legislatures, namely; Sen. Barbara Jordan and State Representative Curtis Graves.

On the night of July 12, 1970 Conrad Rogers, 32-year-old black man, was killed in the town of Pittsburg in Camp County, Texas.

It was the understanding of Mr. Bonner that Rogers' body was left on a road in or near the town and that the body has been run over and discovered and reported to the police. In the weeks that have passed since the discovery, virtually nothing has been done to investigate the cause of Conrad Rogers' death. A local ruling of accidental death by auto has gone unchallenged, but it is well-known in the Negro community of Pittsburg that Mr. Rogers was murdered by someone or some group bent on a malicious and primitive sort of violence.

It also appears, according to Bonner, that Rogers was the victim of a lynch party. His body did not display the marks of an auto-pedestrian accident. Rather, his left eye was dug out, his tongue neatly severed (as with a knife), his legs were hacked and broken as with an axe. Each finger was neatly broken and his face was skinned similar to skinned beef, and he had been sexually mutilated.

The Negroes of Camp County are fearful that the murder of Conrad Rogers signals the return of a type of lawlessness which they had believed was a thing of the past. They

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are concerned, also, that the state administration and white officialdom in Camp County are not pressing for further inquiries into the case.

In a special request to Governor Smith, Mr. Bonner has asked that the governor's office look closely into the Rogers' case and that he call upon the three black legislators, Rep. Zan Holmes, Rep. Curtis Graves and Senator Barbara Jordan, to conduct a full inquiry on behalf of the state.

"Only with their (state legislatures) intervention can black people in Camp County be assured at this point of an impartial and thorough investigation free from political and racial pressure," Mr. Bonner concluded.

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by Berta Lee Dixon

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Our Father up in Heaven; hear this prayer; may the people of all nations be united in Thy care. For the earth's peace and man's salvation, can come only by thy grace. Amen

Lewis - Daniels Vows Pledged Here Saturday, December 5

Miss Mary Ann Lewis became the bride of Milvin Luis Daniels at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 5th, in ceremonies at Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ. The ceremony was performed by Bishop J. E. Alexander.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Daniels.

Presented in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white bridal lace, fashioned with a high scollop neckline and empire waistline.

Maid of honor was Miss Mozelle Wilson and bridesmaid was Miss Sherri Lewis.

The attendants wore floor length gowns of green crepe fashioned in empire lines and featuring long fitted sleeves.

Oscar D. Jones attended the bridegroom as best man. Groomsman was Rae Dade.

Debbie Lewis was flower girl and Curtis Lewis was ring bearer.

Mrs. Edna Raye Walker was pianist for the ceremony.

The couple was honored with a reception following the ceremony in the fellowship hall at St. John Baptist Church.

They will be at home in Lubbock at 2103 Date.

Lubbock Receives State Grant of \$30,551

Governor Preston Smith last Friday approved a grant of \$30,551 to the City of Lubbock for "Project New Directions." Approval of the award was recommended by Texas Criminal Justice Council at its regular monthly meeting.

Judge Joe Frazier Brown, executive director of the Criminal Justice Council, said the project funded is a day-care program for pre-delinquent and delinquent girls who are pregnant and not permitted to attend school. The girls, who will be referred by courts, probation departments, schools, and other social agencies, will receive pre-natal and post-natal education in addition to academic instruction.

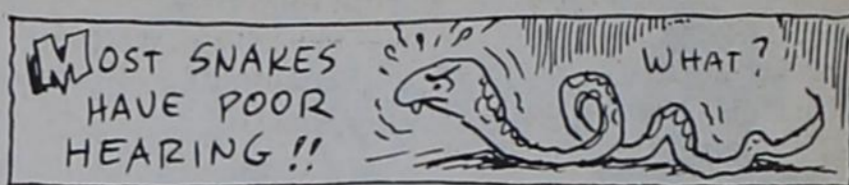
An in-kind match of \$34,545

will be provided by the grantee for the program.

The Criminal Justice Council, responsible for statewide planning, advises the Governor on the administration of grants to units of

state and local government to assist them in carrying out projects for improving the criminal justice system.

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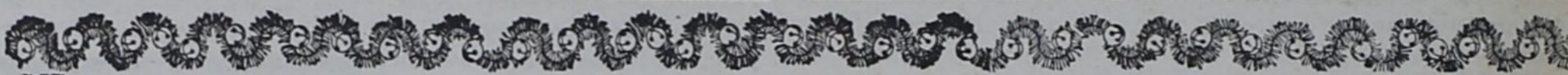
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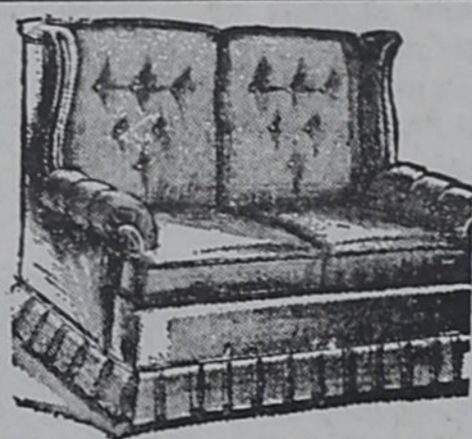
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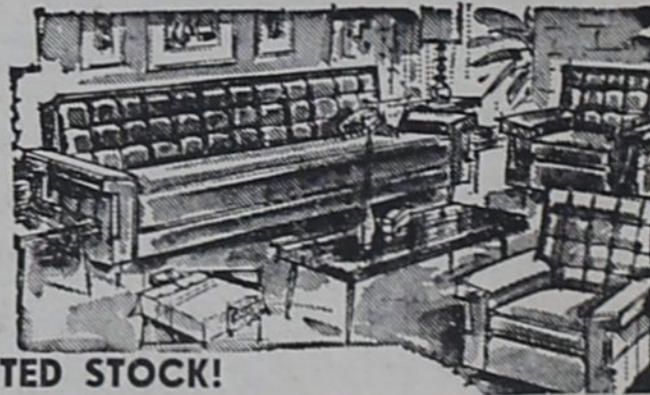
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Alderson Junior High News
by Durrell Dew

Christmas spirit is in the air at Alderson Junior High School. The Student Council has purchased a Christmas tree which has been placed in the main corridor. Each homeroom has made two decorations to go on the tree. When school is dismissed on December 22nd, the Student Council will take the tree to the Lubbock State School for others to enjoy. Homerooms have been busy decorating their doors for Christmas. The doors will be judged on December 21st. An award will be presented to the winning homeroom.

Teens of the Month for November were seventh grader Jane McDaniel and eighth grader Lemuel Judie. Both of these students are an asset to our school.

The P.E. girls for November were Velma Smith from the eighth grade and Beverly Hereford from the seventh grade. When Beverly heard that she had won the honor, she said, "I just feel...georgeous!" The librarian of the month for November was Rose Marie Styles. Rose is an excellent worker, and we are lucky to have her as a librarian.

The Alderson tennis team had their last pre-season tournament. Durrell Dew, Gerald Keele, Pam Roberson, Ralynn Redman, Jane McDaniel, and Diane Parsons reached the semi-finals. Coach Tom Roach was pleased with the team's performance.

May I Take This Opportunity to Extend Christmas Greetings & Best Wishes for the New Year to all My Friends
Mrs. Estelle Pierce

Final Rites Read For Mrs. Lillie B. Wortham

Final rites for Mrs. Lillie Belle Wortham, 69, of 2509 East 29th Street, were held Tuesday morning in the Mount Vernon United Methodist Church. Officiating were Rev. C. B. Owens of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Reverend M. T. Reed, pastor.



Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of South Plains Funereal Home.

Mrs. Wortham was dead on arrival last Friday at Methodist Hospital following an extended illness.

She had been manager of the Dunbar High School cafeteria for 18 years. She was also a charter member of the Mount Vernon United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Edna Walker of 2602 Globe Avenue; a stepson, Lawrence of Pampa; four sisters, Mrs. Mary

Gore and Mrs. Madge Miller, both of Lubbock; Mrs. Ruth Johnson of Denver, Colorado; and Mrs. Martha Conley of Wichita, Kansas; three brothers, Allison Gore of Bay City, Texas, Ray Gore of Valley Mills, Texas and Elmer Gore of Amarillo, and four grandchildren.

Daughter of Lubbock Resident Dies in Dallas

Final rites were conducted at Dallas, Texas, last Friday, December 11th, for Mrs. Myrtle Joiner Austin, who passed away at a local hospital after an extended illness. She was the only child of Jeff Joiner of Lubbock, who was unable to attend the services due to an illness that has lasted nine years.

Mrs. Eula Joiner has spent several weeks in Dallas, at the bedside of Mrs. Austin, and was there when the end came.

Beside her father and step-mother, other survivors include her husband, Spencer Austin; two sons, Jeffry and Dals Spencer Austin of the home; a mother-in-

WORDS TO LIVE BY...

A good conscience is a continual Christmas.
Benjamin Franklin

It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas time, when its mighty founder was a child, Himself.
Charles Dickens

Heap on more wood! The wind is chill. But let it whistle as it will, we'll keep our Christmas merry still.
Sir Walter Scott


Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these My Brethren, you have done it unto me.
Matthew 25: 40

law of Clarksville, Texas; an uncle, aunts, several nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Rev. D.S. Goodspeed, pastor of Jenkins Chapel A.M.E. Church, officiated and Lott Funeral Directors were in charge of arrangements and burial.

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Down To Earth

Drop-Out Culture Christians

by Jimmy R. Allen

One of the exciting and unusual developments in American Christianity is the response of young people within the so-called "drop out" or "anti-establishment" culture to the claims of Jesus Christ on their lives.



Often "turned off" by the established religious organizations they encounter, they are not "turned off" by the message of Jesus Christ. In fact, the idealism of Christ, plus the experience of responding to the Spirit of God, is meeting their deepest needs and turning some of them into courageous advocates of Christ.

Berkeley campus has become the symbol of student revolution and the seedbed for dissent. But here too the response to Christ has come in such force that communities of Christians have been formed.

A rather unlikely combination of a high school basketball coach and a professor of statistics at a midwestern university became the initial force for setting up the Christian Liberation Front. The group now numbers scores of young people and has several houses in which they live.

They support each other in every way. Time magazine reported their futile efforts to be heard at the S.D.S. convention when the microphones were cut off as they tried to give a witness to Jesus Christ. Boldness marks their efforts to counter the revolutionaries with the message of love and commitment to Christ.

The relationship of this group to the local churches also points up the question of whether the spirit of Christian unity can penetrate the varying life styles and generation gaps of our society. Accepting Christ has not meant an automatic trip to the barber for these young people. They feel their best witness lies in identifying with the group to which their mission guides them and from which they came.

A deeply concerned minister who has opened his home to 20 young persons of that type (though not identified with the CLF himself) told of a young Christian who was treated rudely for coming to a church barefooted.

It turned out that he had only one pair of shoes. He had loaned them to another who had no shoes and was not a Christian. He wanted to make his friend less conspicuous in the worship experience.

On the other hand some congregations are looking with acceptance and understanding on young people who have gotten "straight" with Christ and his values, but not with the patterns of the "straight" society. One affluently dressed young matron told me that the Sunday School class of college students came alive after some members of the Christian Liberation Front joined.

"They shame me with the degree of their dedication and make me want to be a better Christian," she said.

The "thing" now is not primarily drugs. It is revolution. The militants are moving to blow up American society. On this point Christians from both the straight and the drop out culture agree.

The desperate urgency to these Christians is in sharing the message of Christ with boldness and sensitizing the system to the injustices before despair causes the unmoved and uncommitted majority to join those determined to wreck the system.

America is at a cross roads far more significant than she has ever faced. Spiritual renewal is her only hope. And it begins in each individual life.

CHURCH SERVICES

Pleasant Home Baptist Church

Post-Sunday School opened at 10:00 with Sister Johnson at her post. The lesson was very inspiring.

Morning worship began with the deacons in charge.

Mt. Gilead Baptist Church

The Angelic Choir of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church is sponsoring the Mt. Zion Baptist Church Choir of Crane, Texas, in a musical program January 3, 1971, at 3 p.m. Reverend H.A. Brown is pastor and Brother Ernest Hollins is choir president.

This is one of the best singing choirs on the south plains. We are inviting the entire city to come and hear this great choir in an evening of gospel singing.

Sister Berta Dixon is still in need of volunteer workers for the Nurse's Guild. She would like to have two young girls and two adults. Any member interested, please contact her.

Members on the sick list include Sister Tommie Turner and

The most hopeful note is the evidence that the Spirit of God is moving "as it listeth" (John 3:8). He is not restricted to the structures of man, and He turns up in the most surprising places.

Sister Tennon's daughter.

Rising Star Baptist Church

Services for the day began at 9:45 a.m. with school for all ages. The lesson was reviewed by Brother Garrett and Superintendent Morris and the school was well attended.

In the 11 a.m. service the deacons were in charge of the devotion, and inspirational music presented by the choir, with Mrs. N. Edwards at the piano. The morning message was brought by Rev. R. J. Dixon, entitled "Sin Not Skin." His text was found in the book of 1st Cor. 2:4.

In the evening services the study course continued in the Old Testament with study focused on the Book of Deuteronomy.

The 7:30 services concluded the day with a message from the pastor entitled, "The Promise of the Last Days," as recorded in the Book of St. Matt. 24:4 and John 7:37.

May we remember our sick and shut-ins in prayer and constant visitation.

Mount Olive Baptist Church
Snyder—The youth rendered a
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Church News . . .

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 very nice program Sunday, with their singing presentation of Silent Night and Hallelujah Chorus, led by Paula White. Other presentations included A.M. and P.M. and Away in A Manger, by Retha Davis; Come by Here and Swing Low by Regina Lewis. Miss Lewis was also speaker for the group. Soloists for the group included Anthony Lewis, Debra Davis, Retha Davis, and Vanessa White. The Crusaders were also on a program in Lubbock Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at Jerusalem Temple.

Jerusalem Temple Church

The Mighty Tones of Joy of Odessa, Texas, will appear at our church, 3508 Teak Avenue, Sunday evening, the 20th, at 3:00 p.m. For additional information call 763-7558.

Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church

Our annual Christmas program and Santa Claus visit will be held Sunday evening, December 20th, at 7:00 p.m. Impress upon the children that we are celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior. It is not merely a time of giving and receiving presents.

The Bible Band meets at the church on Thursday evenings at 4.

The members of the Martha and Dorcas Circles met in the homes of Sister Merle Terry and Sister Clara Scott this week.

Let us pray for and visit the sick. Brother Americus Smith is ill in Methodist Hospital. Brother Wilmar Wilson is shut-in in his home. Let us not forget Sister Mary Brown.

It is our duty as Christians to visit the sick and shut-in people of the city wherever they may be.

Mount Vernon United Methodist Church

This coming Saturday, December 19th, one of our fine young ladies, Miss Mattie Rutherford, will be married at our church.

Watch for the date of the Mammoth Tea to be held here at Mount Vernon soon.

We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Gamble for the Poinsettia they gave to the church in memory of their son, J. W. If you would like to give a Poinsettia as a memorial of a loved one, see Mrs. Jelma Walker, chairman of flowers, or the pastor.

Thought of the Week

When as a child I laughed and wept, time crept; When as a youth I dreamed and talked, time walked; When I became a full grown man, time ran; and Later, as I grew older, time flew; soon I shall find while traveling, time gone; Will Christ have saved my soul by then?"

New Hope Baptist Church

Federation of Choirs will be held Sunday, December 20, at 2:30 p.m. Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church is host.

Union Christmas Services will be sponsored by the Interdenominational Alliance on Tuesday, December 22, at 8 p.m. at New Hope Baptist Church. The public is invited to attend this service.

Ushers meetings will not be held December 25th and January 1st, due to the Christmas and New Year Holidays. All members are

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asked to look forward and make plans to meet with President Cork on Friday evening, January 8th.

Deaconess meeting will be held Monday evening, January 25th, at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. General Mission will meet Monday evening, January 25th, at 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. All women are urged to attend this meeting.

Whisper a prayer for the sick and shut-ins of the church and in the community. Brother Sylvester Hereford is home from the hospital.

Twentieth & Birch Street Church of Christ

Brother and Sister Miller would like to say thanks to all the members who gave to their baby shower.

The ladies from Broadway Church of Christ will be here next Sunday to give away the fruit and stockings to the children. If you have a small child or some children that you would like to have a stocking, please bring them down next Sunday. It will get started about 2:30 p.m.

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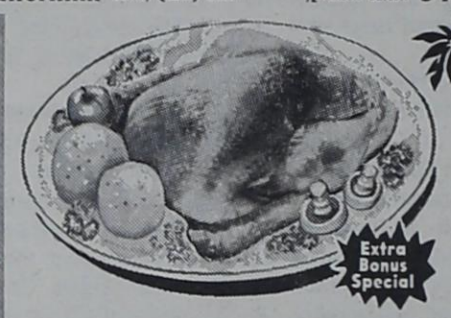
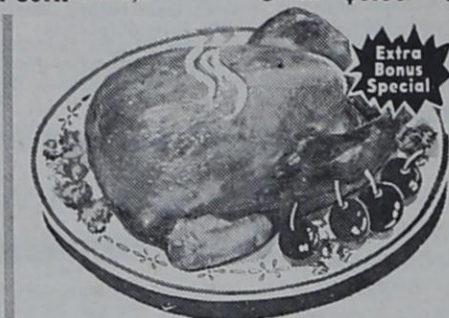
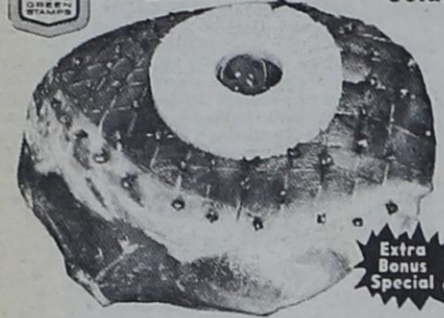
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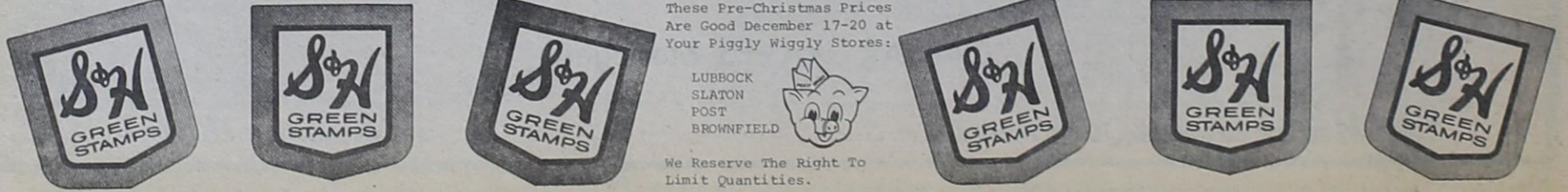
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