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### 'Around the Hub City'

"AROUND THE HUB CITY" had the opportunity of attending a general assembly of the school, in as much as Norman Williamson, publisher of the 'Times', and T. J. Patterson, a reporter, delivered an address to the student body last Monday in the auditorium of the Dunbar High School.

It is the hope of the message, which was centered around the life of a student in high school, that something was gotten out of it.

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Mrs. Elnora Hutchinson, one of the many captains in Bethel's Women's Day Rally, and her group will be selling Bar-B-Que chicken dinners this Saturday at the church.

Why not contact Sister Hutchinson, and give her your family's order?

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Mrs. Minnie Jackson left last Monday afternoon for Houston, Texas in order to attend the final rites of her nephew, Mr. Ollie Jefferson, who succumbed last Saturday.

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Mrs. C. E. Fair would like to take this method to express sincere 'THANKS' and gratitude to her many friends and loved ones who were so thoughtful during her extended illness. Flowers, gifts, cheer cards, visits, prayers, and every deed of kindness will ever be remembered. May God bless each of you is my daily prayer.

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The Dunbar Panther track team is doing a good job this year as they compete in meet after meet each Saturday.

Of course, it is hard to distinguish a valuable member of this squad, but a 'salute' is in order to Robert (Rocket) Medlock for the fine ability he showed last week at Amarillo.

GOOD LUCK PANTHERS, as you continue to bring home the 'bacon' for your school.

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The steering committee of the newly organized Multi-Purpose Center, to be located at the Mae Simmons Party House soon, met last Monday evening at the center to discuss some important business.

One important item last Monday evening was the election of committee members for the organization. Also, a committee was elected to set up by-laws for this organization.

Sometimes in the very near future, perhaps this week, a director will be chosen to direct the affairs of this center.

This will be, of course, a new program in the community, but it is the hope of all concerned that this type of program, which will include many of the city and county agencies—such as welfare, health, and the like—will help the people in order that they may be able to HELP THEMSELVES.

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At one time it was only one; then two, and now there are three of them. That's right, there are three Negro policemen in the "Hub City".

William Britt, the veteran of the trio; James Price joined the team next, and now, starting last week, Louis Fury—a graduate of Dunbar High School—commanded attention in the community when he joined the force.

It is the hope of the Lubbock Police Department that more Negroes will become a part of this city team. With young men, like Britt, Price, and Fury, paving the way—it should be easy sailing for those coming in the future....

Keep up the good work, men, the eyes of the "Hub City" is upon you.

### Son Burns Mother's House Down (She Wouldn't Loan Him Money)

A 37-year-old man was held in connection to arson of property of his kin. Last Friday afternoon he allegedly set fire to his mother's house, "because she would not loan him some money."

Clarence Johnson, named in the complaint, who resides with his mother, Mrs. Ola Lee Johnson at 3424 East 14th Street.

Mrs. Johnson called firemen and police to the residence about 11 p.m. last Friday morning. According to investigators, the suspect was being held by another man when firemen arrived.

The woman told police and fire marshal A.C. Black that Johnson apparently had been drinking and became furious when she refused to lend him money.

She said she was on the way to another son's house when the suspect caught up with her and forced her back toward her home.

"About a block away, I could see the flames shooting out of my house," she exclaimed.

She quoted the suspect as saying: "I want you to see what pretty flames your house makes!"

Firemen said a hallway of the house was gutted by the fire. The suspect was treated at Methodist Hospital for smoke inhalation, then released to patrolmen.

### Boys Clubs Hit Jackpot

The three branches of Boys Clubs in Lubbock hit the jackpot last week by exceeding their goal of 520 members by 61.

The South Plains Branch, Theodore Phea, Jr., director, had a goal of 100 new members, yet came up with 197 new faces for the worthy organization. With the special effort on the part of the South Plains Branch, the quota was easy to overcome.

Julius C. Graves, III, was a big winner in the age group 14-17 by bringing in 50 new members. In the 11-13 age group, Johnny Henderson, Jr., brought in two members; and Charles Cooke brought in 14 members for the 8-10 age group.

### April 30 Deadline For Homestead Exemption Tax Filing

April 30th will be the last day for property owners to render their property for taxation and apply for a residence homestead exemption for 1967 at the county tax office.

Under provisions of the Texas Constitution, a property owner may claim up to \$3,000 of the valuation for tax purposes of a residence homestead as an exemption from state and ad valorem taxes. The exemption does not apply to county or special water district taxes, according to Russell S. Hardin, county tax assessor-collector.

The rendition for taxation and the application for the homestead exemption must be made each year by the property owner himself.

This applies to persons who pay their taxes as part of their monthly payments to a loan agency or bank on a mortgage as well as to persons whose property is clear of debt.

"Banks or loan agencies can pay the taxes on a piece of property on which they hold a mortgage and add the taxes to the monthly payments, but they cannot render the property for taxation or make an application for

a homestead exemption. Only the owner can do that," Hardin said.

Hardin also pointed out that, if the state maintains its present property tax rate of 47 cents on each \$100 of valuation for 1967, a property owner, by applying for the homestead exemption, can save up to \$14.10 in state taxes on the \$3,000 exemption.

### STRUGGS STUDENT IN TOP FIVE

Leo Bagley, a seventh grader at the E.C. Struggs Junior High School, was in fifth position in the 15th Annual Avalanche--Journal spelling bee contest held here last week.

Lee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bagley, 2432 East 29th Street, and is a member of the New Light Baptist Church.

A total of 41 champion spellers participated in the Bee held at Matthews Junior High School. Matthews' principal, Mickey Andress, directed the contest.

### California's Only Negro Dept. Head Wants Rumford Act Repealed

Sacramento, Calif.—NPI—The first Negro department head in California's history has come out against the embattled Rumford Fair Housing act.

James E. Johnson, the state's Veterans Affairs director, said he would "prefer to get rid of the whole concept of the (Rumford) act and work out a new, effective workable open housing law."

That law, he said, "would not infringe on the minority's right to have a home, and, at the same time, would not infringe on the rights of the majority."

Just passing a bill means little, he said. "We have to have a law that limits both parties to the same degree. But the whole thing is a matter of attitude, and we must solve the attitude problem."

In taking issue with the Rumford act, Johnson was following the line of the man who appointed him, Gov. Ronald Reagan. Johnson worked as one of Reagan's finance chairmen during the gubernatorial campaign.

The fair housing act, being appealed in the U. S. Supreme Court by the state's realtors, faces the possibility of being repealed by the state legislature.



CAST IN A starring role in the world premiere of a new translation of Strindberg's "A Dream Play," is Miss Gloria Foster, native Chicagoan who is remembered for her award winning performance in "In White America." Miss Foster portrays the role of Indra's daughter in this production which plays the Goodman theatre, Chicago, from March 31 through April 23. Other credits include an off-Broadway role in "Medea," a featured part in the MGM film, "The Comedians," starring Richard Burton and Elizabeth Taylor; and a touring assignment as Ruth in "A Raisin In The Sun." (NPI Photo)

### RECEIVES MEDAL OF HONOR FROM PRESIDENT JOHNSON

Spc/6 Lawrence Joel of Winston Salem, N. C., a quiet 39 year old father of two, became the first medic and the second Negro to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty" in Viet Nam. It was almost a year after the Medal of Honor was awarded Milton Lee Oliver, III, but this time the mood of the White House was different. There was a breath of spring in the air and there was pride and happiness in the eyes of relatives and friends—no tears—because unlike many other medal winners and unlike Pfc Olive, Specialist Joel lived to share this moment with his family. He listened to the 21-gun salute, he inspected the troops with the President, and he said a soft "thank you, Mr. President" after he received the light blue ribbon with the gold finished cross around his neck.

Specialist Joel's decoration was recommended by those members of his company of the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry, who because of Joel's 'indomitable courage, determination and professional skill' survived a 24-hour battle with a numerically superior VC force on November 8, 1965.

### UNRUFFLED

Fort Myer, Fla. --Former Los Angeles Dodgers captain and shortstop Maury Wills has reacted calmly and diplomatically to a charge of spotlight hogging by one of his ex-teammates. Informed that Willie Davis had also said the team would get along well without him. Maury, who was traded to the Pittsburgh Pirates after abruptly leaving the Dodgers tour of Japan last fall, declared: "I'm not concerned about it. Please give my regards to all the guys at Vero Beach. And Willie, too."

The first VC attack wounded or killed nearly every man in the lead squad of the company, and while moving among the wounded, Joel was struck in the leg by machine gun fire. He bandaged his own wound and self-administered morphine to deaden the pain and continued to search for wounded and help them. He was struck a second time but dragged himself over the battlefield and succeeded in treating 13 more men before his medical supplies ran out. Later one of the platoons in pursuit of the VC was ambushed and many soldiers were wounded. With a new stock of supplies, Joel again shouted words of encouragement as he crawled through an intense hail of gunfire to the wounded. He was finally evacuated after 24 hours and spent about three months recuperating from his wounds.

"His meticulous attention to duty saved a large number of lives and his unselfish daring example under most adverse conditions was an inspiration to all," said the citation, and President Johnson called Lawrence Joel a symbol of America's willingness "to sacrifice, to stand and to persist in freedom's cause."

Present at the ceremony at the White House were Joel's wife, Dorothy, his son Tremaine, 17, and daughter, Deborah, 14, and many relatives, among them his foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Samuel of Winston, N.C., who raised him from his eight year till he joined the Army in 1946. Since then he has served in the Army continually except for a four-year interruption in the early fifties.

His family is happy to have him back at Fort Bragg, but Specialist Joel is willing to go back to Viet Nam if needed. His son, Tremaine, wants to be an Army man, too. He used the opportunity at the White House to tell his congressman that he would like to attend West Point.



# Church News



## NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Our church served in the first anniversary of the Reverend and Mrs. George Flemings, pastor of Reiks Chapel, last Sunday afternoon.

Church conference was held Monday night, April 3, in the church auditorium.

The B.M. & E. State Executive Board is being held this week in the city of Marshall, Texas.

The Installation Service of the First Baptist Church of Littlefield, Texas, will be held April 9-16th. Our church will participate in the week of ceremony.

An Afternoon With Christ will be sponsored by the Senior Usher Board Sunday afternoon, April 16, at 3:00 p.m.

The Fifth Sunday, April 30th, is under the auspices of the W.M. S. Let us all come out and support this organization.

The Deacones of our church will sponsor a musical Sunday, April 23, at 3:00 p.m.

The L. K. Williams Institute, a

nationally known meeting, will convene on the campus of Bishop College, at Dallas, April 25-28.

Our church is to serve in the anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. J. V. Harris Wednesday, April 26.

## GREATER SAINT LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH

The 45th anniversary of the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church is underway this week and will convene through Sunday, April 9th. The theme this year is: The Relation of the Church to Other Churches in Cooperative Work. The goal for this week is \$2,800.

Anniversary Hour will be held Sunday, April 9th, with the following churches appearing on the program: Southland Baptist Church, Rev. M. Brown; Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. A. W. Wilson, and Triumph Baptist Church, Rev. M. Brown.

Let us pray for and visit our sick. Bro. Hubert Alexander is ill in the Highland Hospital. Sister Clara Lenard is ill in the Methodist Hospital. Brother Horace Newsome is also ill in the Methodist Hospital. Little Gloria Ward remains on the sick list. Bro. John D. Jaushlin also remains on the sick list.

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## The Sports Parade

By Negro Press International

**EYES 3rd TITLE**  
Addis Ababa--Abebe Bikila, a member of Emperor Haile Selassie's palace guard, is dividing his time these days between guarding the emperor and preparing to capture his third straight marathon title in the coming 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City. Bikila, who won the marathon in Rome in 1960 and in Tokyo in 1964 and is favored to win in 1968, runs at least 10 miles each morning in preparation for the Olympics.

## SIGNS NEGRO GRID STAR

Dallas---Southern Methodist University, heartened by the championship help given them by Jerry Levias, has signed another Negro star, Mike Williams of El Paso, Texas, to a college football contract. With the aid of Levias, SMU enjoyed a championship football season in the Southwest Conference last season for the first time in many years.

## IN TOURNEY

New York---American Davis Cup star Arthur Ashe of Richmond, Va., was among the top stars competing in the first Long Island Indoor tennis tournament at C. W. Post College. Ashe, the nation's No. 1 ranked amateur netter, competed with such other top stars as former Wimbledon champion Chuck McKinley, Frank Froehling and Gene Scott.

and a captain of the Women's Day Rally which will convene through May, sponsored a Pew Sunday last Sunday afternoon in the auditorium of the church.

This is one of the many efforts being sponsored by the women during this rally.

Several of Bethel's captains for the mammoth rally are sponsoring a 'Benefit Tea' at the Mae Simmons Community Center Sunday afternoon, April 18.

Watch for your invitation.... soon.

## MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

The Nurses' Guild will be responsible for the kitchen this Saturday afternoon, April 8th.

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## Celebrates First Anniversary Here



The first anniversary for the Reverend and Mrs. George Flemings, pastor of the Riek's Chapel Baptist Church, located North-east of the city was held last Sunday afternoon, April 2, at 3:00.

The members of the church set this time apart to show their appreciation for the tender care shown toward the sheep. Rev. and Mrs. G. Flemings have worked hard in trying to develop the young people of this part of the country.

Rev. A. L. Dunn, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, delivered a splendid sermon last Sunday evening and a host of friends were present to do their part to make this a most successful anniversary for the pastor and his wife.

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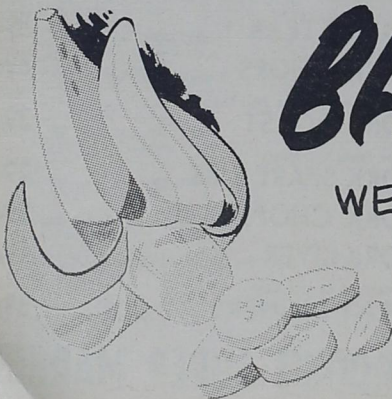
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