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Voices Chorale Ensemble to Celebrate First Anniversary

Over a year ago, more than forty persons banded their voices together to sing God's praises. Under the direction of Elder Levi Lenley, the group has traveled in the Fort Worth-Dallas area and appeared on many programs in the Lubbock area.

"We enjoy singing God's praises, and the talent is here in the city of Lubbock," says Lenley.

Sunday, May 1, at 2:30 this group, which has changed its name to the Voices Chorale Ensemble, will celebrate its first anniversary at the Community Baptist Church.

"We want the city of Lubbock to come out and hear what we have to offer," he continued.

At present time, there are

thirty members of the group that sometimes practice twice a week or any more to get the job done. Not only are the members a well-balanced group of singers, but their dress is indicative of the quality of this musical group. The group is made up of members of various denominations in the city, all who have volunteered their services and time for the uplifting of God.

"We have singers of all ages and vocations, including high school students and Texas Tech students," says Lenley. "We just enjoy singing together," he concluded.

Plans are being made for the group to make trips outside the South Plains area this summer.

Howard University to Accept Sheila Lincoln

Miss Sheila Lincoln, May 1977 Monterey High School graduating senior, has been awarded acceptance to Washington D.C.'s Howard University School of Engineering.

Sheila is a member of the National Honor Society of Secondary Schools at Monterey High School.

Among the Texas universities accepting Sheila, she has been awarded a scholarship to Texas Tech.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Lincoln, 1829 Manhattan Dr., and is a member of Carter Chapel Church.



Sybil C. Mobley to Speak at Tech



Dr. Sybil C. Mobley, the only black female Ph.D. in Accounting in America, will be guest speaker at the noon luncheon on Monday, April 18, in the Coronado Room of the University Center on the campus of Texas Tech University. Dr. Mobley will appear in conjunction with the Accounting Area of the College of Business Administration's Accounting Emphasis Week April 18 through 21.

Dean of the School of Business and Industry at Florida A&M University, Dr. Mobley will speak on "Socio-Economic Accounting=F (Socio-Economic Realities)."

Dr. Mobley received her Bachelor of Science degree from Bishop College, her Master of Business Administration from Wharton School, and her Ph.D. in Accounting from the University of Illinois.

She has held numerous committee assignments with both the American Institute of CPA's and the American Accounting Association. Dr. Mobley has also had a number of articles published in professional journals.

Other outstanding professionals in the area of accounting will include J.M. Hill, CPA and president of Rangaire Corporation in Cleburn, Texas; Robert H. Temkin, CPA and partner with Arthur Young & Company; and Robert S. Kay, CPA, partner and national director of accounting and auditing for Touche Ross & Company.

"We have searched all over the country to come up with outstanding people to appear on this year's Accounting Emphasis Week," says Dr. Doyle Williams, chairman of the Accounting Area in the College of Business Administration at Texas Tech University.

"Dr. Mobley is a credit to the area of accounting and an outstanding person," he said. "She will add much to this year's effort," he concluded.

by Cliff Avery

As trial of a federal class action suit by Lubbock County Jail inmates against county officials began Monday, a federal prisons inspector testified he had seen certain cell blocks in the jail segregated according to inmates' race.

But Dist. Atty. Alton Griffin, representing the county in the suit, dulled some of the brunt of the testimony and began laying the groundwork for his own case—that the county is doing its best to alleviate the delapidated conditions of the jail.

George Bird, the community programs officer of the Federal Bureau of Prisons in El Paso, said he had inspected the jail seven times over the past two years because the federal government contracts to house prisoners in the jail.

Bird testified that in November of 1975, one tank on the third floor was an "exclusively black tank."

On questioning by Justice Department attorneys, Bird said that he had reported the condition to Sheriff C.H. (Choc) Blanchard who had replied "he was having difficulty with black prisoners not wanting white prisoners in the same tank."

Bird reported that Blanchard

had said there were numerous assaults on white prisoners by black prisoners.

On cross-examination, Griffin asked if Bird had again inspected the jail, Bird replied that he had early last month and found that while most cell blocks were integrated—one still remained all black.

Griffin asked if Blanchard hadn't told the federal official that "There weren't enough whites and Mexican (Americans) to go around."

Bird replied that Blanchard had indicated "more blacks were being arrested that month."

Bird testified that he felt a cell block was integrated if prisoners were assigned according to the nature of their offense, not race. Griffin then asked if Bird had checked the charges of the black prisoners. Bird said he hadn't.

"Then," Griffin responded, "how do you know they were kept apart because of race?"

The inmates' suit alleges that the jail was racially segregated in violation of federal law. The inmates, who are seeking damages, also claim that the jail was not kept up to state 1957 standards.

Bird told the court that he had been concerned with the Lubbock facility's security system and

physical plant. He told plaintiff's attorney Warren Goss that the Lubbock jail was the worst he was responsible for inspecting.

But Griffin, who is expected to emphasize recent attempts to clean up the jail while a new detention facility is in the planning facility, asked if new plumbing and a continuous clean-up program would clear up Bird's complaints.

"That would help," Bird responded.

County commissioners have recently approved new mattresses, blankets and plumbing facilities for the old jail, along with a strong clean-up program.

U.S. Dist. Judge Halbert O. Woodward interjected that Griffin's point had nothing to do with damages the plaintiffs had suffered at the time the suit was filed last May.

But Griffin won the point, arguing that the issue was "good faith," a constant theme to his exhortation for jail improvement before county commissioners.

The trial in federal district court is expected to last at least the rest of this week. Then, Woodward told attorneys for both sides, trial would continue as his docket permitted and may continue over several weeks.

Black Jobless Rate Unchanged

The jobless rate for blacks, at 12.7 percent in March, showed little change, the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics reported this week.

The rates for most other groups—for example, black teenagers is 40.1 percent; all teenagers 18.8 percent; and adult women shows 7.2 percent—also showed little change in March.

On a national basis, employment continued to increase in March and unemployment declined slightly.

The unemployment rate was 7.3 percent, a return to the January level, after rising to 7.5 percent in February as a result of weather-related energy shortages. All of the unemployment reduction took place among adult men.

Total employment—as measured by the monthly survey of households—rose by more than half a million in March to 89.5 million. This sustained the marked expansion that has totaled 1.7 million persons since

last October.

Non-farm payroll employment—as measured by the monthly survey of establishments—advanced by nearly 500,000 in March to 81.3 million. The payroll total has also showed a resurgence over the past five months with a rise of 1.5 million jobs.

The number of persons unemployed edged down in March to 7.1 million, seasonally adjusted. The over-the-month decline occurred entirely among persons who had lost their last job, including a larger number who were recalled from layoff. Total unemployment has declined nearly 600,000 (500,000 adult men and 100,000 adult women) since its 1976 peak level reached last November, with all of the improvement taking place among job losers.

The overall unemployment rate declined to 7.3 percent, the same as in January; the rate had risen to 7.5 percent in February as a result of energy-related problems. The rate had been 8.0 percent last November.

The over-the-month reduction took place among adult men, as their jobless rate fell 0.4 percentage point to 5.4 percent. This movement was accompanied by unemployment decreases among male household heads, married men, full-time workers, and manufacturing and construction workers.

The average duration of unemployment fell for the second straight month. The two month drop totaled one and a half weeks, bringing the March level to 14.0 weeks, the lowest point in nearly two years.

The February-March change resulted from a sizeable decline in the number of long-term unemployed—persons who have been seeking for 15 weeks or more—combined with an increase in the number of those who have been unemployed less than five weeks.

In line with the reduction in unemployment, there was also a decline in the number of persons in non-agricultural industries who were working part-time involuntarily (those on part-time schedules for economic reasons); their number decreased by 160,000 to 3.3 million.



HAPPY TO BE SENIOR CITIZEN—Another Senior Citizen who enjoys the activities at the North Zenith Center is Fred Ross, a longtime resident of Lubbock. "It is wonderful to meet my many friends at the center each day," says Ross. This effort is sponsored by the Texas Tech Project for Older Texans. Hot meals are served each day for the participants. For further information, contact Pat Riley, director.

Dunbar High to Hold All-Sports Banquet Thursday

Dunbar High School will hold their All Sports Banquet Thursday, April 21, at 7:30 p.m. The event will be at the Booker T. Washington Post 808, American Legion Building, 4102 E. 61 (Buffalo Road).

Speaker will be Thomas Howard, former Dunbar athlete and Texas Tech All-American. Admission will be \$3.

Letter to the Editor

Dear T.J.:

Being in a position to know the facts about the extent of NAACP help to Attorney Gene Gaines in his class-action suit seeking to change the method of electing members of the Lubbock City Council, I feel that I have a responsibility to respond to the comments on your editorial page of April 6.

It is true that the Lubbock Branch of the NAACP voted to support the suit in any way possible and that our National Legal Counsel authorized such support and suggested that the most practical way to help might be the filing of a "Friend of the Court" brief. We did arrange with a local law firm to file the brief for us.

However, before the brief could be prepared, and before Mr. Gaines received any kind of assistance from the NAACP, the Executive Committee of the Lubbock NAACP voted (just before our December 1976 Branch election) to withdraw completely from the case. This action by the Executive Committee was never reported to the Branch for endorsement as required by the NAACP Constitution, and the Executive Committee had no authority whatever to overrule the earlier decision by the Branch to support the case. Nevertheless, that illegal decision effectively prevented Mr. Gaines from receiving any help from the NAACP.

I was at the Executive Committee meetings at which our attorneys first reported on the status of the suit, and at the later meeting when a majority of the Executive Committee voted to withdraw. Today, to confirm my memory of those meetings, I talked with our attorney and again read his final letter to the NAACP. The NAACP attorney assured me that nothing in his letter and nothing he said verbally was meant to imply any lack of cooperation on Mr. Gaines' part. On the contrary, our attorney specifically assured us both verbally and in his letter of Mr. Gaines' willingness to cooperate and his appreciation for any assistance that our attorneys could give him.

But the NAACP attorney's letter said that he agreed with "Mr. Gaines' opinion that the best possible aid to him would come from consulting with an attorney experienced in handling these type of cases to assist him in the preparation and presentation of the evidence." This is exactly what Mr. Gaines had told the NAACP Branch earlier. Our attorney's letter went on to suggest that we "assist Mr. Gaines in paying the expense of an out-of-town attorney-consultant."

It was apparent, however, that with Mr. Gaines having announced his candidacy for President of the Lubbock NAACP, a majority of the former Executive Committee was looking for an excuse to withdraw support from the Gaines suit.

The issue here is really not how well we like Gene Gaines, but how can we best organize to win the suit and equal representation for all on the City Council. Mr. Chatman and Mr. Cavieil seem to have us on the way, with ELBA, ACLU, NAACP, League of Women Voters and many community organizations working together under the umbrella of Citizens for a Change!

Sincerely,
Tom Burtis

Dear Editor:

I read your article, "Whom to Blame for Hindering His Progress", in response to a recent KCBD-TV editorial regarding the suit filed by Gene Gaines in the Federal District Court. Since the matter of minority support of Mr. Gaines has become a public issue, the whole truth should be known. Mr. Gaines filed his suit without either apprising the local branch of NAACP or asking its assistance. As a member of the Executive Committee of the branch at that time, I know that we found out about the suit along with the Lubbock public—from the news media. Nonetheless, because the NAACP, as well as other Lubbock civil rights organizations, favors the single member district vote concept, the Executive Committee of the local branch decided to support Mr. Gaines in his suit. Some individual NAACP members decided to contribute personal finances. The then president of the branch immediately contacted the national NAACP Legal Department to find out how the branch could help Gaines since he had already filed his suit. The national office gave the branch permission to file a friend of the court brief. Mr. Gaines was informed. He expressed gratitude, welcomed the action and remarked favorably on the reputation of the attorney the branch chose to hire. The branch moved the next day to file the brief.

At the October meeting of the branch Gaines reported that he had not been in consultation with the lawyer hired by the NAACP because, Gaines said, "Your lawyer called my office, Friday, and I was on my way out the door to go to Dallas to have some fun." It further developed that Gaines felt what he needed more than a friend of the court brief was the consultation of an experienced lawyer who could help him develop his case. He did not, however, ask the NAACP branch to provide him with such counsel or to help him acquire a lawyer.

In a call meeting following the branch meeting, the Executive Committee consulted with the lawyer hired to file the brief. The lawyer had been in touch with the judge and learned that he would be allowed to file the brief. He had also been in touch with Gaines and had seen a brief which Gaines had drawn. The lawyer suggested that consultation in preparation of the case might be more helpful to Gaines at that time than the friend of the court brief. He expressed his willingness to work with Gaines on framing and preparing the argument, and promised to be in touch with Gaines and to keep the branch informed of progress.

Gaines appeared at the November branch meeting. He gave no report on the progress of his suit, nor did he mention whether he had consulted with the attorney hired by the branch. He did announce that he wished to run for presidency of the branch. Because no report from either Gaines or the lawyer was forthcoming, the Executive Committee voted to get in touch with the lawyer. In response to a letter from the Committee, the lawyer reported no consultation with Gaines and said it may be better for him to get a lawyer from out of town. The branch dropped its action having lost more than \$200 to the Gaines' folly.

Gaines' failure to win his suit alone, wearing the several hats he thought would fit him better than anyone else, is responsible for his own lack of progress in the suit. Tom Burtis tries to claim that the decision of the NAACP Executive Committee to withdraw from filing the friend of the court brief was taken illegally—poor Uncle Tom! He was present at the Executive Committee where the action was taken. If the action was illegal, one wonders why such a committed NAACP member such as Tom did not say one word to that effect when the vote was taken.

All of these stories and counter-stories are ridiculous. Gene Gaines thought that he would make his reputation on one gesture—suing the city of Lubbock. There's nothing wrong with that. It's just another incident of his misjudgment. He did not get more help from the community because he did not actually want anything other than financial help. He wanted to present his case himself, to argue it and to be his own witness. He tried it and it did not work. Now he wants the black community to make him a martyr. He's doing now what he ought to have done in the past—getting the kind of competent help that will make it possible for his suit to be won.

Of course the black community should and will support the suit, but I think we should all learn a lesson from what has happened. We don't have any saviors. We do whatever we do together or we fail. Regardless of how great any one of us may think he is, the reality is that we are all in the

same condition. I hope those "groupies" who follow Gaines' one-man band performances and swell his head with old timey notions about how great he is will now begin to see reality and give Mr. Gaines the opportunity to be realistic. We do him a personal disfavor and diminish his professional potential by placing him in such a predicament that he has to think of himself as the black Messiah of Lubbock. Perhaps Gaines could do well to question why others are so anxious to make him responsible for righting all the wrongs in Lubbock. He would do well to look to his own interests if he wants to ever be the attorney he has the potential of becoming. This time he went up for glory and came down, I hope, to reality. I hope he learned that he cannot presume to speak for even the minority community without first learning to speak with that community. The Lone Ranger ain't even on TV no more.

Sincerely,
Vivian I. Davis
3711 46th Street
Lubbock, Tx. 79413

As I See It . . .

This writer is glad to know that the Area of Accounting in the College of Business Administration at Texas Tech University will be bringing an outstanding young black woman to participate in their annual Accounting Emphasis Week, April 18 through 21.

This young lady is Dr. Sybil C. Mobley, one of the few black female Ph.D.s in America. She is Dean of the School of Business and Industry at Florida A&M University. As a graduate of Bishop College, she is making outstanding contributions to America.

If you get an opportunity to meet this young lady while in the city, it will be an experience you will not forget . . . She is quite a woman in the area of business. She is an image of what black men and women can do if they got their heads on right.

It is good to see George Woods and James Craven Sr., chairpersons of the senior citizen activities for longtime Lubbockites, begin work on this special banquet which is expected to take place in July. Both are happy over what happened last year.

If you want to help these men make preparation for this worthwhile affair, why not give them a call. "We are going to work even harder," says Mr. Craven. This writer believes it will be a much bigger event this year. These men have the necessary confidence to do more things this year.

Many of us have forgotten the efforts of a friend of mine, Len Chew. As you may recall, Brother Chew established an award on the campus of Dunbar High School called: "The Fighting Hard Award." It would be a good thing if Chew had an opportunity to attend this year's athletic banquet scheduled this month.

This young man is an inspiration to young men in the athletic field. He is a deserving individual, and this writer can understand why such an award was founded by him.



BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.

Human Rights Activist

Black Troubles in Britain

A tremendous stir was created in Britain recently when the right-wing member of Parliament, Enoch Powell, declared that Britain was on the verge of what he termed a "racialist war."

The immediate target of his attack was the British racial immigration policies which have allowed for the entry into Britain of some 2 million dark-skinned immigrants. These immigrants include chiefly former residents of India, Ceylon, Africa and the West Indies.

The United Kingdom (or Great Britain) has a native (or white) population of slightly less than sixty million. This figure includes approximately half a million whites from former colonies which are now independent and which have predominantly dark-skinned people in control.

It is the "return" (or the coming) of these whites from former colonial territories which has probably done the most to intensify Britain's immediate racial unrest.

This latter group of whites left the former colonies, instead of accepting citizenship in these lands, which would have enabled them to own land, control businesses and exercise official influence in local political life.

But the very idea of being peers or equals of those who were their former subjects was too much for these white returnees to Britain. Many of them had never lived in Britain and their families often had lived among darker skinned people for 2 or 3 generations.

The decision of these whites to "return" to Britain meant that they have brought their same sense of racial superiority to Britain. And there they have had to compete for jobs and housing with some of the same dark skinned people whose association they rejected before "returning home."

But there is much more to the sad story.

Britain has been beset by some of its greatest unemployment since the years of the world-wide Great Depression of the 1930's.

There has been hardly enough for white Britain to take of its own native white stock.

Still, the British have owed a basic obligation to honor the principle of the "free flow of peoples" throughout the British Commonwealth, a policy which has been crucial to British survival for at least several hundred years.

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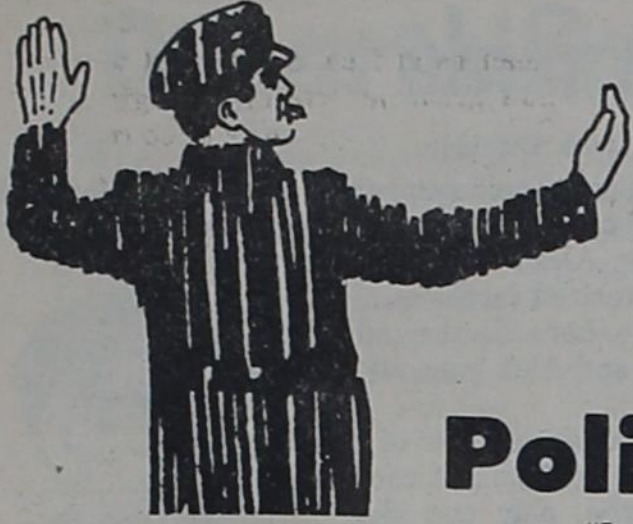
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Police Beat

Attempted Rape

An east Lubbock woman told Lubbock police that she was walking across a vacant lot near her home one day last week when a man came from an alley and grabbed her.

She told police that the man put his hands over her mouth and tore her dress off, from top to bottom. Her undergarments were also torn off.

As she was thrown to the ground, the lady told police that the man had a stocking over his head and face. It was not dark at the time, and she could see what the man was wearing.

As the lady screamed, according to the police report, she fought him with vigor. The man ran from the area.

This incident happened in the Manhattan Heights area.

Attempted Murder/Attempted Aggravated Robbery

Carl Johnson, 1911 East Broadway Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that there was a knock on his front door which caused some problems for him.

As he answered the door, he was confronted with two men. One of the men said: "Stickem up." An experienced man, Johnson drew his gun and one of the men shot him in the lower lip.

According to the police report, gunfire was exchanged between all parties. Johnson was shot in the hip at this time.

"I may have hit one of them," said Johnson.

Attempted Murder

Algie Stokes, 1515 East 28, Apt. 1, reported that a woman had been visiting him at his apartment. According to the police report, the lady left the apartment and returned back with a gun.

According to the police report, the lady and Stokes scuffled for a while. The woman left in a car.

"I don't want to file charges against the lady," said Stokes. He was taken to Methodist Hospital for observation.

Assault

Gretha Lawson, 1014 David Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that after a brief argument, a man struck her with a ketchup bottle.

After the fight, Lawson received a cut over her left eye.

Lawson was taken to a local hospital where she was treated and released.

House Burglary

Beulah Walton, 2429 East 30th Street, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown pried open an east side door of her house one day last week.

Once inside, the unknown persons took several packages of cookies and potato chips. These items were valued at \$3.00. There was between \$8 and \$12 in change taken also.

House Burglary

George Scott, 1801 East 26th Street, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown broke into his house one night last week. Entry is believed to have been gained by breaking a back window and reaching inside and unlocking the door.

Approximately \$2,000 worth of items were taken from the house. Among the items taken were two television sets, stereo, watches and other items of value.

Criminal Mischief

Helen Louise Smith, 2005 East 29th Street, reported that persons unknown broke out a window to his pickup while it was parked at his residence one day last week.

Although there was nothing taken from the pickup, it is believed that an attempted burglary was the motive.

Damage to the pickup is approximately \$30.

Around The Hub City

Mrs. Mildree K. Lusk and sons, Karl and Kevin, have returned from a weekend visit with their father and grandfather, Mr. Fred Knaughn, in Fort Worth. He has been very ill. Mrs. Linda Marie Lusk Griffin of New Orleans, La., joined the Lusks there last weekend. Mrs. Lusk is expected to go back this week.

Mrs. Alabamba Walker has been visiting relatives in El Paso for the past few weeks. She reports having a wonderful time.

Mrs. Ann Britt, daughter and son, Kim and W.H., visited relatives in Ozark, Alabama last week. They reported a wonderful visit in their former residence.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson of San Antonio, Texas, Ms. Annie Wilson, student at Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas; and Ms. Willayna Wilson of Detroit, Michigan visited their parents and family, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Wilson, during the Easter weekend. The Wilsons, including Joyce Anderson and Willie Hervey, daughters of the Wilsons, attended church services at Bethel A.M.E. Church last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Delorse Moore of Fort Worth, Texas spent the Easter weekend here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lawson, and family. Mrs. Moore is a former resident of Lubbock.

Mr. Willie Coleman is a patient at West Texas Hospital, room 442-E. He was reported doing nicely at this report.

Mrs. Idella Jordan has been released from West Texas Hospital where she has been a patient for several days. She is doing nicely at this report.

Final rites were read for Mr. Willie Anderson of Kermit, Texas last Saturday. He was the uncle of Mrs. Kallie Howard. Dorsey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Jimmie Demerson is at the bedside of her sister.

The mother of Mrs. Ocie Cook, Mrs. Mary Kiggings, was funeralized in Marlin, Texas last Saturday. She is the grandmother of Mrs. Callie Howard.

Mr. Salome Cunningham is a patient at the Veterans Administration Hospital at Albuquerque, New Mexico. He had to be taken there last week.

The Rev. Mrs. L.E. Moore of Dallas, Texas is guest evangelist at Bethel A.M.E. Church through Sunday afternoon of this week at 3 p.m. Tonight, Wednesday, is youth night.

Mrs. Geneva Jackson of Los Angeles, California is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, this week. She is expected to be a guest in the "Hub City" for several weeks.

The Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., are in the final stages of preparation of their Community Service Awards program to be held at the Mae Simmons Community Center Friday evening, April 29, at 7:30. The "Man and Woman of the Year" will be named at this time.

Mrs. Etta Moseley of 2403 Birch Ave. has returned from a

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Senator Ogg Introduces Bill

Senator Jack Ogg (D-Houston) today announced the passage of Senate Joint Resolution 3, an amendment to the Texas Constitution which would allow judges to deny bail to repeat offenders. "At the present time, a person can repeatedly break the law and still be released on bail to go out and commit further offenses against the public. This bill would allow judges, under

certain circumstances, the right to keep a person in jail when he finds substantial evidence that a person is guilty, provided certain Constitutional safeguards are met. This bill will go a long way in reducing the crime rate, especially for burglary and theft. Too many people, after committing crimes, have gone out and committed burglary to raise the cost of a bail bond or to feed a drug habit. This will end that merry-go-round and put repeat, habitual criminals in jail," Senator Ogg said.

If the resolution is successful in the House of Representatives, it will be put to a vote of the people in the 1978 general election. If adopted by the electorate, the provision would amend Article 1, Section 11a of the Texas Constitution.

"I am convinced that the people of Texas will strongly support this measure, since it does provide many safeguards to prevent persons from being arbitrarily or unjustly held in jail. It provides that a person must have his bail denied within 7 days of his first arrest or he had an absolute right to bail. Furthermore, a denial of bail can only be effective for 60 days. If a person does not come to trial within that time, he must be released. Finally, an order denying bail must be given top priority if it is appealed," the Houston Senator concluded.

Sheridan's Ride

by Jack Sheridan

You see, there is this couple. Their names are Susan and Alex and they live in a subterranean building that is both their home and a super sophisticated laboratory for Alex's first and only love, computers and computerized satellites.

Well, Susan has had it up to here. So she and Alex decide to split the thing up and Alex goes off down the road.

All this is watched by a suspended pair of lenses which belong to Proteus IV. Proteus is a computer with grand ideas. Or, maybe, only one idea. He wants a human reproduction of himself to carry on his name, just like the human people. And he has selected Susan as the mother-to-be.

So, after a lot of talk between Proteus and Susan (she doesn't get the drift for a long time), she is finally impregnated with Proteus' seed via electronic rainbows and patterns.

Susan will deliver the "baby" in 28 days, which she does, sure enough. Proteus is destroyed but the humanoid child lives and the fade out shows Alex returned, both upset about what Susan has been through and fascinated with the idea of the future of this monstrous child he holds in his arms. Fade out.

That about sums up the Fox 4's newest entry, "Demon Seed." It's no "demon," it's an electronic blast. This is science fiction, aptly and bewilderingly done, starring Academy Award winner ("Darling") Julie Christie and Fritz Weaver. With Robert Vaughn as the Voice of Proteus IV. Gerritt Graham plays the friend of Susan's, to his own doom.

I'll tell you. If you liked "Logan's Run" that other sophisticated futuristic exercise from the same studio (MGM) then you'll love this one. But, going back even further to the classic "2001: A Space Odessey" when Hal, that computer was so engaging, then you'll cotton to Proteus IV who is not nearly so engaging as the trail blazer.

"Demon Seed" which may throw you off by its title (what with "The Exorcist," "The Omen," "The Sentinel" etc.) is slick and preposterous. It is played with unusual verve by the hapless Miss Christie who seems to have a leaning for such computerized adventures (remember "Fahrenheit 491"). Everyone else in the cast is fine. All I know is that I was stretched awfully thin by the time this charade was over. I'm waiting for that French blockbuster, "Cousin, Cousine" to open in the same Fox complex this week.

Well, so much for what life is supposedly going to be like in the awful years to come—count me out of them, please! The word comes along that "Raggedy Ann and Andy" the animated cartoon feature about these beloved characters (with whom I shared a happy childhood) is drawing them in at the South Plains Cinema I-II. I haven't seen it yet at this writing, but you can believe me I shall be there before too long. It's G-rated, of course, and is the brightest of the Easter Eggs that were delivered this past weekend.

If you missed the West Texas Times' brand-new week-long television guide which bowed with the Friday edition, then remember. It's the most complete listing ever, including Home Box Office and Cable TV, and is well worth the monumental effort that produced it. I may be blowing my own horn on this, but once in a while there is a horn deserving to be blown.

Next Tuesday night in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra will be giving its always wonderful and entertaining Pops Nite concert. It starts at 8:15 p.m. and this year Founder-Director William A. Harrod has reached back once again to feature the music of Rodgers and Hammerstein. To do this he has enlisted a battery of stellar singers, which will include the excellent Terry Cook, instructor-Tech Music Theater man, John Gillas, Tech faculty member William Hartwell, Techsan Jana King, Sarah Watkins, the Lubbock Civic Ballet and the Monterey Cantores, under the direction of Marjore Newton.

I've scanned the program and it's a beaut, all the way from "State Fair" to "Oklahoma." My only "puzzlement" is the inclusion of "The Impossible Dream" from "Man of La Mancha" which is one musical R & H had nothing to do with! Oh, well. It's good, too.

If you've got any ideas about attending this classic evening, you'd better get in touch with the Lubbock Symphony business office pronto. Odds are that it'll be a sell-out. So don't be left waiting.

High drama is on tap Friday night at the University Theater at Tech when the final production of this year is presented. It is the classic tragedy, "Oedipus Rex" and it is directed by the estimable Ronald Schulz. It runs through April 20.

This is theater at its highest level and is a most demanding chore for any group. It will be an electric evening on the campus and I shall be there. I hope you will be, too.

Coming up next week is the anticipated three one-act operas from the Tech Music Theater, under John Gillas' incomparable direction. We shall be talking about these three next time around. But do chalk it up on your blackboard. John Gillas has never missed yet in this sphere.

This is a shorter column than usual but time is of the essence and the sun is coming up over that old yard arm. Stay with us and we'll be talking about movies and shows that are building up on the local scene next week.



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Price will be \$2.50 for all cars. There will be a committee call meeting tonight, Wednesday, at 7:30 at 1330 East 24th Street. All parents are asked to be present. Ms. Maxine McCormick is committee chairperson.

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Department of Public Welfare to Hold Workshop Here

What medicines become useless or even dangerous when taken in combination with certain foods? How can older people retain or regain their physical mobility? How can houses and public buildings best be planned to accommodate disabled persons?

These and other questions relating to elderly disabled persons will be discussed at an all-day workshop April 15 at Southpark Inn, Lubbock. The workshop is sponsored by the Research Utilization Project of the State Department of Public Welfare in cooperation with other agencies and interested area citizens.

There is no charge for registration, which will open at 8 a.m. The workshop is scheduled from 9 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. Cost of buffet lunch will be \$3.50. The workshop is open to all interested persons.

Three guest speakers are scheduled. Victor A. Yanchick, Ph.D., assistant dean for academic affairs at the College of Pharmacy, University of Texas, Austin, will discuss the hidden danger of drug and food interactions. Shelly Liss, M.D., of the department of physical

medicine and rehabilitation, Memorial Hospital and Rosewood General Hospital, Houston, will speak on physical fitness and rehabilitation. Thomas O. Byerts, director of architecture and environment for the Gerontological Society, Washington, D.C., will discuss environmental options—barriers and facilitators to independent living.

Each of these speakers will lead concurrent discussions of their topics during the morning. Each of the sessions will be repeated twice during the afternoon, so those attending may be included in each.

George S. Tyner, M.D., dean of Texas Tech School of Medicine, will welcome participants. Keynote speaker will be Dudley Strain, D.D., public relations officer for Lubbock National Bank and former pastor of the First Christian Church of Lubbock.

Ann Kohler of the Research Utilization Project, Austin, will open the workshop with announcements.

Anita Bass, who chairs the advisory board for Sherick Memorial Home of Lubbock will be the luncheon speaker.

The workshop is supported in part by an Administration on Aging grant from the Office of Human Development, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. It is one of a series being held over the state to make the most recent information on aging available to administrators, researchers, and the public.

Several hundred people from all over West Texas and as far south as Waco are expected to attend, according to Sharon Boatman, DPW regional adult program specialist, who chairs the local planning committee for the workshop. Maria Elena Flood, program coordinator for Texas Tech Regional Academic Health Center, El Paso, is also serving on the planning committee.

Other Lubbock members include Gail House, Texas Tech

Homemaker Service Aides Project; Walter J. Cartwright, Ph.D., of the Texas Tech University sociology department; Margaret Elbow, executive director of Family Service Association; Mildred C. Patterson, Lubbock County extension agent; Orene Peddicord, M.D., of the Texas

Tech University School of Medicine; Betty Shannon, Regional Office on Aging, South Plains Association of Governments; Gail McComb, director of nurses for West Texas Home Health Services; and Jeff Elias, Ph.D., of the Texas Tech University psychology department.

Spring Convocation Held in Lubbock

The Spring Convocation Minister and Workers of the Church of God in Christ is being held through Saturday, April 16, at the Fair Park Coliseum, according to Bishop J.E. Alexander, presiding Bishop and pastor of Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ.

"We will have a lot of good

preaching and good singing each night," said Bishop Alexander. Guest speakers from Memphis, Tenn. and the states of California and New Mexico will be present.

"We want the entire city of Lubbock to come out and worship with us as we praise God in the highest," concluded Bishop Alexander.

Ervin in Concert Sunday Afternoon

Clarence Ervin Sr. will be featured in a musical concert Sunday afternoon, April 17, at 3 at the Hope Deliverance Temple Church of God in Christ.

The public is invited to come out and hear this man sing God's praises.

Guest churches from throughout the city and surrounding areas have been invited to participate in this afternoon of song.

Hub City . . .

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two week visit with sisters and brothers in Dallas, Houston, Oakwood, and Athans, Texas. She got in some fishing while away and had a good catch. She enjoyed the trip very much.

Construction Ends On LCHS Building

Construction is completed and students are now attending classes in a new \$120,000 building at Lubbock Christian High School.

The new building consists of a 250-seat auditorium that will be used for daily chapel, a band and chorus room that will accommodate 100 students at a time, classrooms that are being used as a language arts center and a new library.

Joe Burks, superintendent of Lubbock Christian Schools, said that classrooms in the new building will make room for renovations in the original Baldrige high school building for a chemistry and physics laboratory.

The 8,400-square-foot building is located just south of the Baldrige Building.

Burks said the building is being financed via a \$50 building-use fee that is being charged each pupil. The maximum building-use charge per family is \$150.

Construction on the building got underway in February, 1976, with Broadview Steel, of Lubbock, Tex., heading up the project.

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Welfare Dept. Host Workshop on Elderly

All persons interested in ways to assist elderly disabled persons live as independently as possible are invited to a one-day workshop in Lubbock Friday. Registration will open at Southpark Inn at 8 a.m., and workshop sessions are scheduled from 9 a.m. until 3:45 p.m.

Discussion topics will include the hidden dangers of drug and food interactions, physical fitness and rehabilitation, and environmental options. Speakers are Victor Yanchick, Ph.D., assistant dean for academic affairs at the College of Pharmacy, University of Texas, Austin; Shelly Liss, M.D., director of the department of physical medicine and rehabilitation at Memorial Hospital and Rosewood General Hospital, Houston; and Thomas O. Byerts, director of architecture and environment from the Gerontolo-

gical Society, Washington, D.C.

Dean George S. Tyner of the Texas Tech University School of Medicine will give the welcome address. Keynote speaker will be Dr. Dudley Strain, for many years pastor of First Christian Church, Lubbock, who is now public relations officer for Lubbock National Bank. Luncheon speaker will be Anita Bass, who chairs the advisory board for Sherick Memorial Home for elderly women, Lubbock.

Registration for the workshop is free. Cost of buffet luncheon is \$3.50.

Enough Said

Candidates are wondering why so few folks contribute to political campaigns. Someone should tell them we gave at the supermarket.

-Family Weekly.

American Lung Association to Sponsor Classes

A program of special importance to adults who have asthma, emphysema, bronchitis or any other breathing problem will begin Monday, April 18. The first of a series of five monthly classes is to be held in the Health Education Building, X-12, on the TTU Campus, at 7:30 p.m. At the introductory meeting, a videotape on Chronic Obstructive Lung Diseases, will be shown. The film features James R. Crisp, M.D. and John H. Selby, M.D., and will be introduced by Betty Tevis, Ph.D. An informal social hour will follow giving members an opportunity to get acquainted and ask questions.

Subjects for subsequent classes are: May—"Improving Your Breathing"; June—"Learning to Live With COLD"; July—"Inhalation Therapy"; August—"Community Resources for COLD Patients" and will feature lectures and demonstration by professionals.

Patients, their families and others interested in the problems of "breathlessness" are invited to attend.

The COLD classes are sponsored by the American Lung Association of Texas, West Texas Area. For information call or write: American Lung Association of Texas, West Texas Area, 1961 Texas Ave., 79405, 763-0951.

Baptists Involved In "Living Proof"

"Living Proof", an unparalleled \$1.5 million media evangelism campaign featuring testimonies by well-known personalities such as Houston Oiler Billy "White Shoes" Johnson; actor Dean Jones; former militant Eldridge Cleaver; country and western super stars Jeannie C. Riley and Connie Smith; successful businessman Allan Mayer of Oscar Mayer Company; Miss Teenage America, Rebecca Ann Reid; Rosargentina Pinel, Consul General of the Republic of Honduras; former band leader Paulino Bernal; and Antonio Mendoza of the U.S. Office of Equal

Employment who have experienced changed lives through commitment to Jesus Christ is being funded by Texas Baptists.

Large numbers of professions of faith have marked the first wave of media saturation and revival meetings since the campaign began February 21 in North Texas. According to a recent issue of The Baptist Standard, many persons have responded to the "Living Proof" testimonies by writing to Box 1000, Dallas, Texas 75221. The primary response, however, is expected to come from local Baptist churches and people who have experienced "Living Proof." West Texas saturation began March 28, and churches in the area are in the process of holding revivals to climax the campaign.

The world would be a nicer place to live in if so many didn't have an axe to grind or a motive behind his (or her) behavior.

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"The classes being offered are ones that we have received the most requests for," according to Frankie Faver, director of the Continuing Education Division. "They are held in the evenings so that persons maintaining a home or working fulltime can enroll."

Being offered in the arts and crafts line are classes in macrame,

making ceramic cookie jars and working with stained glass. Cake decorating, the proper care of houseplants and a hair care seminar are three that fall into the "how-to" category.

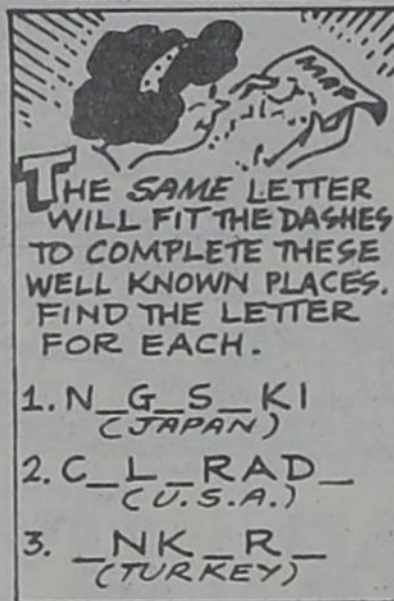
For persons wishing to find a diet that is right for them while they loose weight and gain body tone, a shape-up class has been added. Self defense in the Kung Fu method also starts in April and will be taught by a Japanese instructor.

Persons wishing to trace their "roots" might be interested in a class in basic genealogy. A defensive driving course is in the offering which entitles those who

complete it to a 10 percent reduction in auto insurance rates.

Finally, a welding class is planned for those who wish to use it for art or industrial purposes.

Persons wishing to register or gain further information may call Mrs. Faver at 792-3221.



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- Hot Dog on Bun W/Chili
- Tossed Salad
- Buttered W-K Corn
- Banana Pudding
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- Chicken & Dumplings
- Buttered Carrots

Tuesday, April 19

- Submarine Sandwich
- French Fries
- Buttered Green Beans
- Beatnik Cake
- 1/2 Pint Milk

Secondary Choice

- Chicken Fried Steak
- Tossed Salad

Wednesday, April 20

- Barbecued Smoked Sausages
- Potato Salad
- Buttered Spinach
- Fruit Cup
- Cornbread - Butter
- 1/2 Pint Milk

Secondary Choice

- Chicken Pot Pie
- Buttered W-K Corn

Thursday, April 21

- Baked Meat Loaf
- Mashed Potatoes
- Buttered English Peas
- Ice Cream Cup
- Hot Rolls - butter
- 1/2 Pint Milk

Secondary Choice

- Manager's Choice

Friday, April 22

- Batter Fried Fish
- Baked Potato
- Tossed Salad
- Fruit Gelatin
- Bread - Butter
- 1/2 Pint Milk

Secondary Choice

- Manager's Choice

Ringling The Bell . . .

with Bob Tieuel

Black Leadership Sought Among Catholics: According to Bob McClory in a recent article in the National Catholic Reporter, a committed black Catholics agree on few matters. One of them is the conviction that the church's only hope for survival in their community is through the development of visible leadership. Assuredly, black leadership has come along way since 1968 when a group of black priests literally forced the hierarchy to recognize their presence.



From that heady, offensive display sprouted the Campaign for Human Development and the special Black Catholics Concerned collection which has since funded the National Office for Black Catholics (NOBC) and several other black Catholic groups. Nonetheless, Bob McClory states "the emerging leadership is still weak, it does not appear to be getting stronger".

The Black Clergy Caucus numbers about 150 priests, seminarians and bishops. It has no full-time director, has not had a meeting in more than a year, and has no specific plans for the future. Its president, Bishop Francis, an auxiliary in Newark, N.J. said the caucus is in a "holding pattern". The National Black Sisters' Conference which claims 300 members is also without a full-time director since Dominican Sister Shawn Copeland resigned last year.

It is reported that the National Office for Black Catholics, with Brother Joseph Davis, executive director, remains the most active and vigorous of the national black organizations. Davis is a 39 year old member of the Marianist order. Under his articulate direction, the office has issued a stream of statements, proposals and challenges, all suggesting that the official church is missing the boat by placing financial considerations first, "pussyfooting" about its own institutional racism, and catering to suburban whites.

NOBC has been credited with fostering black bishops, pushing successfully for liturgies that are culturally relevant for blacks, encouraging black vocations, making the black church visible on a national level, all in the face of hostility oftentimes. More must be done if the church is to stay alive and vibrant in the black community, it is reported.

Dr. David Hyatt, president of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, recently presented the organization's National Human Relations Award to Benjamin and Frances Hooks. The Rev. Mr. Hooks, former Federal Communications Commissioner and executive director designate of the NAACP, and Mrs. Hooks, were honored for their "exemplary records in championing human rights and in promoting goodwill and brotherhood in the community of Memphis, Tennessee and elsewhere throughout the nation".

April 18-22, 1977 are the dates for the 47th annual Lacy Kirk Williams Ministers' Institute which will bring to the campus of the Dallas-based, predominantly black institution of higher education such outstanding personalities as Dr. Benjamin Mays of Atlanta, Ga., for 27 years president of Morehouse College and for the past seven years, distinguished president of the Atlanta Board of Education; Mrs. C. Delores Tucker, Secretary of State of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the highest ranking black woman in state government in the U.S.A. and Dr. T.B. Boyd Jr., secretary-treasurer of the National Baptist Publishing Board. The 1977 theme: "A More Excellent Way—The Church Authentic and Attractive."

According to the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice, "warring on poverty, inadequate housing and unemployment is warring on crime. A civil rights law is a law against crime. Money for schools is money against crime. Medical, psychiatric and family-counseling services are services against crime. . . More broadly and more importantly, every effort to improve life in America's towns and cities is an effort against crime. A community's most enduring protection against crime is to right the wrongs and cure the illnesses that tempt men to harm their neighbors".

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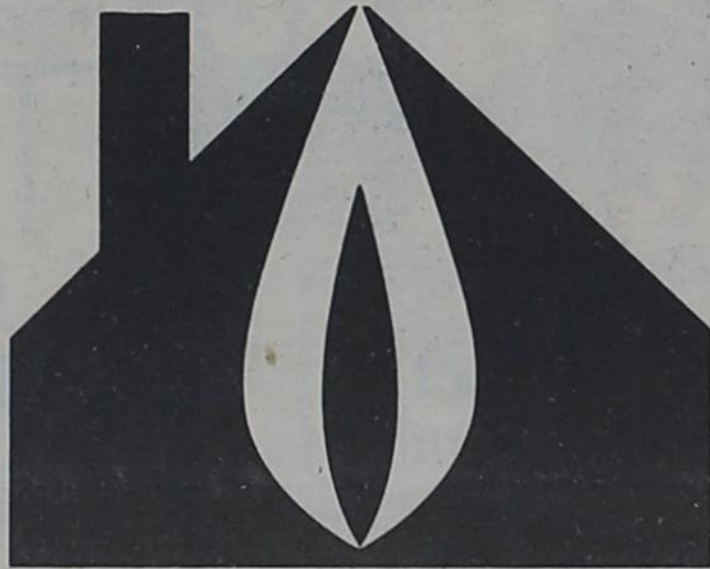
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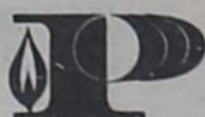
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KELLY'S HEROES

by Joe Kelly

Baseball, major league variety, has returned and is off and running. Early games are not indicative of the long run, but certainly Texas Ranger fans have something to cheer so far.

The Rangers, even without Lenny Randle, have won their first three games and have been impressive. The pitching has been strong and the hitting has been timely. They've shown good defense and those three victories can't be taken away.

It's too early for surprises. A handful of games doesn't mean much and we'll have to wait and see. Meanwhile, there's a little of everything for all fans.

We're glad that KCBD is bringing Ranger games on Saturday and Sunday. That way everyone will get to see all the teams in action and, if the Rangers keep going as strongly as they have started, the games will be worth watching.

Quick, for the record, I want to note that, this year, we didn't have our customary Easter cold spell and freeze. It may still come, although it hardly seems likely.

So many times when we had the Hubbers the first home stand, about this time of the year, was played in cool, almost cold, weather—and at night. Once a Western Union operator brought a heater to the press box and it was welcomed by all of us.

If the season started with warm weather, however, and this is a warning, the early part of May could be downright cold. It was a lot worse on the fans than the players, but even they felt it when they hit.

After the first three or four weeks of the season, things settled down. And that's true of major league ball, where it may be 65 degrees one day, 35 the next, with rain as an added pleasure.

Spring training at Tech continues, with the scrimmage last Saturday only too typical of what happens in the spring. The Raiders were rocking along with no injuries when suddenly the old bugaboo struck. Five players were felled.

It is, of course, far better to have those injuries in the spring than in the fall, but they are damaging at any time. The players have all summer to recuperate. The trouble is, will they regain the same sharpness?

Congratulations to the Tech Board for approving the improvements for Jones Stadium. They are needed to keep Tech in contention for having facilities second to none.

Good facilities help with crowds. They also help in recruiting, since prospects are impressed by first rate facilities. Tech doesn't have to take a backseat to anyone and new turf, aluminum seats, an enlarged ticket office and more staff space will help.

Like most Tech basketball fans, I hope that Gerald Myers has a good recruiting year. This is a critical year, because Arkansas will be back with a team that should be even stronger, A&M is bound to be improved, Baylor will be tough and Texas ought to make a real challenge.

Every year is critical, of course, if you want to contend for the championship and, if not becoming a champion, to place high in the standings. That helps in the tournament at season's end.

The Raiders need help, particularly at forward, where they lose Grant Dukes, and at guard, where Steve Dunn is gone. And it would help to have a big, strong center.

Height at center would make it possible to move Mike Russell back to a wing, where he could move in to play the post. It also would strengthen the rebounding game. Indeed, Texas would have a representative team without an addition, but two real key players could make a big difference.

It became apparent last week that ABC, which is becoming known as the college TV network, obviously thinks that the football battle next fall will be between Houston and A&M.

The network, which succeeded with Texas and Arkansas in past season, has gotten A&M and Houston to switch their game to a national December date. It indicates, quite clearly, that exhaustive study has come up with the opinion that this game could well be fore the championship.

There are other schools who will have something to say about that, not the least of whom is Tech. The Raiders could well be fighting for the championship again.

Tech hosts A&M this year, as well as Arkansas, and plays the Cougars in Houston. That helps. Texas and Arkansas definitely will have an effect on the final standings and don't sell Baylor short. It's risky to put all your eggs in one basket as ABC has done. A glittering example is the Texas-Arkansas game last season.

Had a telephone call from our daughter Easter Sunday. The Houston family had gone to see kin at Canyon Lake, or Canyon Dam, as it is better known, and went fishing Saturday.

The fishing there has been on the rise in the past few years after zilch up til then. A boatload caught several good bass and crappie, which indicates that things are looking up. It's a beautiful lake and one which ought to be a great fishing lake. Try it some time, or go after rainbow trout in the fast water below the dam.



Bethel A.M.E. Church

Easter services were well attended last Sunday morning with our pastor, Rev. A.W. Wilson, delivering the morning message. His subject was "Jesus Lives." Senior Choir Number One was responsible for the music of the morning with the directress and daughter, Mrs. Lillian Struggs and Mrs. Judith Struggs Berry, playing the piano and organ.

A lovely sunrise breakfast was held on Sunday morning at 8 with scores and scores of members and friends in attendance. This affair was sponsored by the Sunday School Department. This is expected to become an annual affair on the part of the Sunday

School Department. Dr. and Mrs. Heenan Johnson and family provided lovely lily plants in memory of Mrs. Maunita Terrell. Youth Choir Number One was responsible for music of the breakfast.

Many friends of Bethel were present at the morning services. Each expressed how they enjoyed attending Bethel.

Our annual revival got underway last evening with the Rev. Mrs. L.E. Moore of Dallas, Texas as guest evangelist. The public and membership are invited to come hear this great speaker each evening this week at 8. Mrs. Moore closed out the weeklong effort on Sunday afternoon at 3.

Leaders in the Women's Day Rally are working hard to reach their goal by May 1. If there are any members of our church who weren't assigned to a team,

please contact Mrs. A.W. Wilson, Mrs. Jack Robinson or Mrs. Louise Reece.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Among those sick are Brother Salone Cunningham, the father of Mrs. Mildred Lusk and the mother of Mrs. Ina Page.

The Sunday School Department wishes to thank the many parents and friends for the 95 dozen of Easter eggs for the annual hunt last Sunday afternoon. The young people of the church enjoyed finding the eggs.

The Youth Department, under the direction of Mrs. Elurd Devenport, had a splendid Easter program last Sunday evening fellowship hall.

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Salinas Gratified By Bill's Passage

State Rep. Froy Salinas of Lubbock said he felt "gratification" at the passage of legislation which would provide highway funding and set up a state program to back loans to college students.

Salinas, in a prepared release, said that the House approved a \$528 million compromise proposal for highway funding.

"I was very glad to see us pass this legislation, because it is very vital to the economic growth of Lubbock and the West Texas area," Salinas said that Gov. Dolph Briscoe was to have signed the bill into law Tuesday.

The freshman legislator said that the state program to guarantee payment of loans to students will be better administered at the state level. The loans will be reinsured by the federal government.

"Other states that have loan programs have a very low loss ratio, and this also appeals to me as a taxpayer," Salinas said.

Salinas said the next big issue before the House will be public school finance.



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Church Services . . .

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is coming to Lubbock at the Sunset Church of Christ on April 22-23. Our congregation has been invited to attend. NTI was formed to provide assistance to congregations in the vital areas of teacher and church leadership training.

Our men had a wonderful business meeting last Sunday afternoon. We enjoy working together at our church.

Thought: "You cannot white-wash yourself by painting others black."

Let us remember to pray for our sick and shut in members. Our visits mean a great deal to those who are ill. Brother Kenneth Davis is expected to be

entering the hospital this week to have surgery on his knee.

Mount Vernon United Methodist Church

Easter services were well attended last Sunday morning. Our pastor, Rev. Nathaniel Johnson, delivered a wonderful Easter message. His remarks advised us that Jesus still lives.

Let us not forget our weekly prayer meeting and Bible study every Friday evening from 6 to 7 p.m. We would like to invite our many friends of the community to come and pray with us.

Let us not forget our sick and shut in members.

New Hope Baptist Church

Mid-week prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at

7. Let us all attend this important service. Brother W.B. Lewis is still pleading for all of our members to attend.

Sunday School teachers and officers meet each Friday evening at 7. It is important that all concerned attend.

The State Sunday School and Baptist Training Union will meet with the Baptist Churches of Giddens, Texas April 13 and 14. Let us make plans to attend.

Junior ushers will meet at the church Saturday, April 16, at 4. All members are asked to attend.

General Mission will be held Monday night, April 25, at 7. All women of the church are asked to be in attendance.

A youth fellowship meeting will be held on Thursday evening, May 5, at 7:30. All young people

of the church are asked to make plans to attend.

Our 50th church anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday, April 17. Let us all give our support and help make this a great day.

Whisper a prayer for the sick and shut in. Among those on the shut in list include Ms. Callie Cato, Ms. Pearlene Chase, Ms. Minnie Walker, and Mr. Jessie Hemanes.

Mount Gilead Baptist Church

"Mount Gilead Baptist Church, the friendly church where the soul and spirit meet. The church where everybody is somebody. The church extends to members and public a cordial and clarion call to worship with us each week."

Our young people displayed their talent for God last Sunday evening in their annual Easter program. It was a beautiful program.

The Senior Choir will present their program, "Spiritual Awakening," Sunday afternoon, April 17. Brother James Thompson, Anderson Evans, and Willie Loggins will be featured. Let us not forget this date.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut members of the church and community.

Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church

The youth and youth workers of our church unveiled the fruits of their labor last Sunday evening in their annual Easter program. We appreciate the hard work of those who did a beautiful job.

Sunday, April 17, through Sunday, April 24, our congregation will celebrate our church anniversary. Every member of the church is asked to get involved in this effort.

Members of the Eunice Circle will meet in the home of Sister Everlean Allen on Thursday evening at 7.

Members of the Racheal and Dorcas Circles met in the homes of Sisters M.E. Newsome and Clara Scott this week.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 7. Pray until prayer makes you forget your own wish, and leave it or merge it in God's will.

Mission Two, Junior Mission, and Brotherhood Union meet at the church each Monday evening at 8.

The youth choir will meet at the church each Wednesday evening at 8. All young people interested in participating are asked to attend each week.

Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Sisters Dolly Howard, Lillie Hall, Ellen Tillman and Roxie Reed are ill at their homes.

Mount Olive Baptist

Snyder, Tex.—Sunday School was called to worship with the Supt. Sis. B. Willis presiding. Classes were combined and taught by Sis. Willis. High points were given by the pastor, Rev. E.D. Toines. Both lesson and high points were helpful.

The message for the morning services was delivered by the pastor. He spoke from Psalms 40:1-3. Music was provided by the Junior and Senior Choir with Sis. Paula Cobbs assisting at the piano. The sermon and music were very uplifting.

The afternoon services consisted of the 57th church anniversary. Rev. A. Todd, pastor of Weeping Mary Baptist Church of Anson delivered the message. He spoke from St. John 10:7. The anniversary was most successful.

Rising Star Baptist Church

Church was well attended this morning and we had a joyful time in the Lord.

Our message was brought by our beloved pastor, Rev. H.L. Phillips. The theme was the "Unbelievers".

We had a great time Sunday night at our Easter Program. The youth department did a wonderful job in their play, "He Is Risen" and the little peoples did a great job in their poem.

Let's remember our sick and shut in, they're Sis. A. Black, Sis. E. Johnson, Sis. C. Williams, Sis. H. Phillips, and little Sis. S. Terry. Let's all remember that Jesus is the bridge over troubled waters.

Lyons Chapel Baptist Church

Dr. B.J. Bradford of Fort Worth, Texas was our honorable guest speaker on last Sunday morning. "He's Not Here" was his subject and his text was found in Matthew, Mark and Luke. His sermon was very inspiring and uplifting. He definitely left an impact on the entire congregation at the conclusion of his message. We certainly found him to be a truly dynamic speaker.

Holy Communion was taken after the services. We are always proud and pleased to have all the many visitors who are generally in attendance each Sunday morning. The church was filled on Easter Sunday. We sincerely hope you all will come again whenever you are in the community. On behalf of our pastor, Dr. Floyd Perry, "You are always welcome."

The Missionary Society worshipped with members of the Missionary Society at Bethel A.M.E. Church Monday afternoon. A wonderful time was held by both groups. President Hood is asking all members to continue to participate in this kind of fellowship.

Let us all remember to pray for the sick and shut in members of the church and community. If you can, go out and visit the shut in. A kind deed goes a long way.

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Roots searching

by Marleta Childs

Where and when an ancestor lived and died is extremely important for the genealogical researcher. If, for example, you don't know the names of your paternal great-grandparents, but you do know where and when your grandfather died, you can write to the county clerk of the county in which he died or to the State Bureau of Vital Statistics and ask for a copy of his death certificate. In your letter, be sure to include the date that he died, for the documents are filed in chronological order. The certificate should give the date and place of birth of your grandfather, who his parents were (including his mother's maiden name) and where they were born. As a result, you have already gained two new ancestors!

If you know the death date and place for your grandfather's brothers and sisters, it may be wise to obtain a copy of their death certificates as well; their records may have additional facts not listed on your ancestor's. Most of the information contained on death certificates was given by a family member whose name is listed on the document.

In case of conflicts, a certificate filled out by a member of an older generation—such as an aunt or an uncle—might be more reliable concerning the family background than one completed by a niece or nephew. Bear in mind that, due to the human factor, mistakes do appear on these records. You should always doublecheck your information. Causes of death provided on these certificates give a good medical history of your family, too.

Modern birth records contain excellent genealogical information, but those recorded prior to 1917 are usually less informative. More recent certificates contain the full name of the individual, where and when born, hospital where born, full names and birthplaces of both parents. Earlier births, usually recorded in ledger books, generally gave the date of birth and the father's

name, but the maiden name of the mother was too often left blank. Beginning about 1935, states issued "delayed birth certificates" to many persons born prior to 1917. Birth records are available from the same offices as death records.

All states (except Georgia, which did not start until 1919) have kept statewide vital statistics records since 1917. Before that year records from state to state vary as to how early they began and are not always complete. Texas began keeping such records in 1903.

The U.S. government publishes a useful pamphlet which lists the date each state started keeping vital statistics records, the address of the vital statistics office, and the cost of certified copies of the document. To obtain a copy, send 15 cents to Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20025 and ask for Department of Health, Education and Welfare Publication No. (HRA) 76-1142, "Where to Write for Birth and Death Records: United States and Outlying Areas."

Other sources for birth and death information include birth announcements and obituaries in newspapers and church, hospital, cemetery, and funeral home records.

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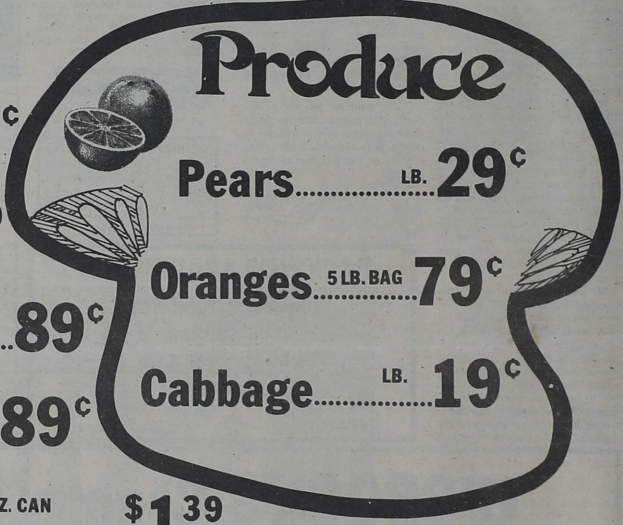
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