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Named First Black Woman Prexy

Ms. Thelma Walker of Fort Worth, Texas was elected the first woman to serve as president of the Texas Association of Tonsorial Artists last week. Her historical election was made during the State Meeting of the organization held in Longview, Texas last week. Several Lubbockites were attendance at the

state meet. They included Virgil Curry, Joe Deverport and D. C. Kinner. They were serving as concerned barbers from West Texas. According to Kinner, the state meet was well attended.

The State organization's theme is: "Free to Love, Free to Give, Free to Live."



Ms. Thelma Walker

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Proudly displaying the two First Place plaques for the Estacado High School Drama Team are from left to right first row: Tammy McCarty and Regina Lewis. Second row: Latrice King, Mrs. Nancy Krebs, drama instructor, Sharon Simmons, and Patricia Walton.

The Estacado drama department has won First Place at Zone Competition at Monterey High School and has won First Place at District competition at Wayland University at Plainview. This week the drama department takes their winning play, "THIS PIECE OF LAND" to Brownwood to compete in the Regional contest.

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LPD Cracks Down!!

Closer patrolling of city parks has been started by city police to cut down on drinking, littering and traffic violations, according to Police Chief Tom Nichols.

Increased enforcement began last weekend in Maxey Park, where 24 people were ticketed for drinking or possessing alcoholic beverages. Another 74 were cited for various traffic violations.

"This move by the Police Department and the Parks Department is in response to several letters and telephone calls from citizens complaining about problems in our parks," Chief Nichols said.

"I want the people using our parks to enjoy themselves, but be considerate of others in and around the park," the chief added.

After hearing complaints, police toured several city parks to verify the complaints and to consider appropriate steps that could be taken.

"We observed considerable drinking and littering. Quite a few people had dogs without the required leash, and traffic made it difficult for others to get near the park," Nichols said.

"We decided to use a combination of officers on foot in the parks and motorcycle officers on the streets around the parks to enforce the ordinance we observed being broken."

It has worked so far. Following the first weekend of beefed up park enforcement at Maxey Park, officers spent the first four issues verbal warnings since there had been no advance word of the crackdown. But after two days, 31 people had been warned; 36 had been cited for drinking, violation of the leash law, parking on the grass or illegal wading.

Concerned Citizens Set May 16th Meet

The next meeting of the Concerned Citizens of Lubbock will be held Monday evening, May 16th, at the Second Baptist Church, 5300 Elgin Avenue, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

According to a spokesperson of the Concerned Citizens, the public is invited to attend. Anyone who has something to offer this effort are asked to please be in attendance.

The Concerned Citizens became involved over the appeal of the City Council after the ruling by U. S. District Judge Halbert O. Woodward for Lubbock to have a six-member district.

Esquire Ball On Tap

The Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will host its Fourth Biennial Esquire Ball Saturday night, May 7, 1983, at The Place II, beginning at 9:00 p. m.

With a theme, "Young Gifted and Black," young black fellows of Lubbock will be presented to the community.

Sora Stephanie Hill, president of the local chapter, will give the greetings. A presentation of Sorors of Lubbock and Eta Lambda Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will be presented also.



Muddy Waters

Opens Office

The Southwest Digest learned this week that former attorney A. Gene Gaines will open up a satellite office in Lubbock this week.

According to Rev. Roy Jones, the office will be here to assist those persons who need legal assistance.

The office will be located at 1002 Quirt Avenue, and will be open from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m., Monday through Friday.

For those who would like to call, they may do so by calling (806) 763-0811.

Faith Radio Mission Scholarship Fund

Rev. P. B. Phenix, pastor of the Church of God in Christ No. 1 in Slaton, Texas, speaks out on the education. He told the Southwest Digest that four young people will receive a scholarship from the Faith Radio Mission.



David Phenix



Brenda Griffin

The young people receiving scholarships are: David Phenix, 1982 graduate from Estacado High School now a freshman at Texas Tech University; Brenda Griffin, 1982 graduate of Estacado High School now a freshman at South Plains College at Levelland; Bridgett Scott, a member of the 1983 graduating class at Slaton High School who plans to enroll in Texas Tech next fall; and Harlon Morrison, another member of the 1983 Slaton High School graduating class who plans to attend Texas Tech this fall.



Bridgett Scott



Harlon Morrison



Rev. P. B. Phenix

National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced this week that Felicia Carol Phenix has been named a 1983 United States National Award winner in band, choir and student council participation.



Felicia Phenix

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact the Academy recognizes less than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Phenix who attends Alton Junior High School was nominated for this National Award by Mrs. Thomas who serves as counselor.

Phenix's name will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, published nationally.

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors or other school sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the

citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. P. B. Phenix. Her grandfather is Mr. Leon Phenix of Slaton, Texas.

McKinley Morganfield, known to many as "Muddy Waters" died last week in his home in the Chicago, Ill. area.

He was born in Rolling Fork, Mississippi on April 4, 1915.

He had made several appearances in Lubbock recently through the efforts of C. B. Stubblefield, owner and operator of Stub's Bar-B-Que.

Denounce HRC's Move

Several leaders of the Concerned Citizens of Lubbock called a press conference Monday afternoon and denounced the efforts of the Human Relations to accept any plan by the City of Lubbock which would provide less equity in representation than the six-member districting plan drawn up by U. S. District Judge Halbert O. Woodward.



Cassandra Taylor, producer-coordinator (center) surrounded by 12 participants of Miss Black Teen U.S.A. Scholarship, Honor, and Awards Pageant. They will be hostesses at the 1983 crowning on July 9, 1983 at the Hotel Continental in Chicago, Illinois.



Social Security Tips

Your Social Security And You

by
Jewel M. Love
Service Representative



Cost of Living Adjustment Delayed:

The automatic Social Security benefit increase based on the cost of living, previously effective each July, will be delayed six months, in January 1984 under a new law designed to strengthen the Social Security system.

The purpose of the delay is to save the system money and to help it regain its financial strength. Largely because of economic conditions in recent years, Social Security has had an increasingly severe financial problem.

The new law is designed to meet the problem both in the near-term and into the years after 2000. Other changes made by the new law provide additional income to the system. They include:

1. The Social Security tax rate increase scheduled under previous law for 1985 will go into effect in 1984. The new 1984 rate will be 7.0 percent each for employees and employers, up from the previous rate of 6.7 percent. But, employees will receive a tax credit against 1984 taxes of 0.3 percent which will be given when taxes are deducted from wages. In effect, 1984 employee taxes will remain at the level set under previous law.

Also, part of the tax rate increase scheduled for 1990 will go into effect in 1988.

2. Starting in 1984, Social Security self-employment tax rate will be equal to the combined employee-employer tax on wages. This will be 14.0 percent for 1984. Previously the rate for self-employed people was about 1 1/4 times the employee rate.

Under the new law, self-employment income for 1984, 2.3 percent for 1985, and 2.0 percent for 1986-89. After 1989, these credits will be replaced with deductions designed to treat the self-employed in much the same manner as employees and employers are treated for Social Security and income tax purposes.

Future Retirement Age Raised

To help ensure the long-range stability of the Social Security system, one provision of the recent Social Security amendments gradually raises the age at which unreduced retirement benefits are payable from the present level of 65 to 67 by the year 2027.

The retirement age will be increased in steps for people reaching 62 in 2000-2005, reaching 65 for people reaching age 62 in the period 2005 through 2016. Then, starting 2017, the retirement age will again be increased in steps for people reaching 62 in 2017-2022, reaching 67 for people attaining age 62

Lubbock Pastor Preaches In Plainview

Rev. Tony Williams, pastor of the Community Baptist Church, is guest speaker at the Happy Union Baptist Church in Plainview, Texas this week.



Rev. Tony Williams the deaf, dumb, blind, and let this man of God pray for them," says Rev. Harris.

According to Rev. J. V. Harris, pastor, says the public is invited to attend the revival which began Monday, May 2, through Friday, May 6, 1983.

Each service will begin at 7:30 p. m. nightly.

"We want everyone to bring the sick, the lame,

in 2022 and after.

When the new law is fully phased in, a person could receive benefits at 62, as now, but the benefit rate will be lower than the rate payable at 62 under present law. Now a person retiring at 62 gets 80 percent of the amount payable at 65. When the increase in the retirement age becomes fully effective, a worker retiring at age 62 will get a benefit equal to 70 percent of the age of 62 benefit.

The increases will affect workers born after 1937. Medicare will continue to be available to workers at 65 as it is now.

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Services at the New Hope Baptist Church began last Sunday morning with Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Supt. R. B. Thompson was at her post of duty.

The Deacons were in charge of the morning devotion. During the morning services, the pastor, Rev. S. C. Nash, delivered a splendid sermon. His subject was "Wilt Thou Be Made Whole." His scripture was St. John 5:9.

Rev. Nash's message was one in which we all should think about.

During the evening worship hour, Rev. Nash cut the services short because of the Pastors Fellowship program at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church. It was a program for the Transit people who come to Lubbock who need help. It was a combined service with choirs from all churches participating. Rev. Bruce Engc, pastor of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church, brought a wholesome message. His subject was "A New Community." His scripture was found in Ephesians. If you were absent, you missed a great service.

Mr. Hardie Barrow's sister, who lives in Plainview, Texas, was visiting them last Sunday. She attended morning worship at New Hope.

The Women's Missionary Society will have its fifth Sunday program at New Hope this month. President Ruby Jay is asking all members for \$10.

Dr. and Mrs. Damon Hill, Jr. spent the

weekend in Dallas, Texas for a brief rest. They returned home Sunday afternoon.

Let's continue to pray for our bereaved families and those who are on the sick and shut in list.

May Ruth Dotsey is expected to have surgery this week. Pray for her success and remember her mother in our prayers.

Rev. Sheldon Sedberry will preach in Plainview, Texas on May 15th at the Rev. S. T. Can't on Page 10

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The Southwest Digest is a black-owned newspaper that brings you the news of our community and that reinterprets, from a black perspective, the national and international events of the day. We hope that our readers of all ages will keep a dictionary handy when reading the Southwest Digest. Our publisher and staff want to see black Americans in this community and in every community across the land build word power.

Why is this necessary? This is crucial because if we are to reach our goals that we desire for Black America, we must be able to communicate clearly and concisely with one another in Black America; and we must also be able to not only understand what White America is saying to us but to be able to communicate our goals, aspirations, needs, etc. to white Americans at every level.

TRAVEL ROYALLY
with
JANE PRINCE-JONES

Jane Prince Jones

It's time to get away from it all! And as mentioned before, a cruise is the perfect vacation. Carnival Cruise Lines offers through Prince-Jones travel the "Festival", a week's cruise of the Caribbean.

What can you do on a cruise? Lots of people! On board, there's swimming, shuffleboard, mid-morning to late night snacks plus three meals a day, a bar and grill, a nightclub, a discotheque, a cinema, a hairdresser and barber shop, a relax room and sauna, and for your added safety, a hospital with doctor and nurse. A cruise can be a delightful experience encompassing the comforts of home in your twin or queen cabin and the luxury of a fantastic vacation spot.

Southwest Digest plans the Festival cruise for this fall, specifically October 15, 1983, which you might want to consider in your vacation plans. The fares, based on your specific requirements, include airfare, ocean transportation, accommodations reserved and paid for and services and meals on board. It's a concise, neat package for a week's vacation taken care of or you in one cost. Of course, short excursions and items of personal nature are excluded from the fares.

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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

Still A Day Late And A Dollar Short!

by
Eddie P. Richardson

Really funny how politics and politicians work. After twenty years of urging the council to amend the City Charter and expand it, after the judge's decision that the present City Charter was discriminating and racist, the mayor and a former mayor -- my friend Jim Granbery -- want to make a deal! Why now! Why not twenty years ago when they would have won. The most important thing is why now when they will lose anyway. The issue now is we are wasting taxpayers money appealing the case. Now the mayor wants to make a deal. Really, that's a day late and a dollar short. This should have been done long ago. The mayor has found himself with encouragement from the local dailies and a few die hards on the wrong side of a legal, moral, just and right issue.

Mayor, why didn't you come out sooner? After the statement, as such, it would be ridiculous to appeal. In Mary Alice Robbins' story -- a credible reporter for the local daily -- you made one statement but in another you made a complete turnaround. Now, that takes a lot of explaining. This newspaper and columnist recommend highly that the Concerned Citizens -- i. e. Black, Brown communities and others -- will hold firm to "drop the appeal" and make no deals or compromises unless the appeal is dropped!! No more -- no less!!

Food for thought! for the mayor and city council -- you should no longer hold out, because the deeper you drive the wedge in splitting the city is bad. Get off your personal pride, egos or what have you. It is time to bend to the will of the majority of the citizens of Lubbock. Stop wasting good taxpayers' money for bad morality and a course that is destined to fail!

This writer read a letter to the editor in Sunday morning, May 1st, **Avlanche-Journal**, entitled "No One Forced To Stay In City. They Don't Like It." He says: "I am a concerned citizen of Lubbock, America and Texas. I am concerned that the minorities wish to completely control every aspect of the governments of America. With the powerful help of the Supreme Court and Federal judges, they soon will have complete control."

He went on to add: "This is evident in the decisions the Supreme Court and Federal courts have made in the last few years. I do not agree with a lot of the decisions the federal, state, county or the City of Lubbock make. But, living in a city is like having a job. If for some reason you do not like it or cannot live with the problems you can leave. No one will stop you from leaving." Signed Sam H. Scroggins, 2319 35th Street.

In May, 1983, it is shocking to know the naivety and ignorance of people to the true issues. Mr. Scroggins should read the Bill of Rights. Check out the Boston Tea Party, and study the reason for the formation of this country. We only want the same things, for the same reasons -- **taxation with representation!** We presently have the **taxation!** We want to make contributions. We want an equitable share of the political, economic, as well as social aspects of the American Dream -- no more or no less -- not even an equal portion, but an equitable share of America's Dreams as well as resources.

The main reason for the call of attention to the **University Daily's** cartoon last week was to let that University know our feelings. We got numerous complaints about that kind of thing daily. For example certain store in our town circulates nigger joke material. A major hospital in town, according to our sources, a nurse posted a "No nigger, allowed in the emergency room" as a joke. We learned the Black nurse who objected to the act and was offended by it, lost her job. The white nurse who posted the negative

People don't value things until they have to work for a living!

The young bird doesn't know Hungry Time.

-Jamaican Proverb

poster still has her job at the health institution.

But that **UD** cartoon was the last straw and widely circulated. We still contend -- no matter the message -- it was conveying a bad taste and the time was bad as well as the sensitivity of it.

We have no quarrel with the legality, right to do it, and freedom of press -- but just taste and timing. The cartoonist was not asked for an apology. Hard to figure out his noise. The **UD** and University were asked for an apology.

To all the Mr. Scroggins out there, we do not want complete control and run America, Texas or Lubbock. We want only our share -- our equitable share. That is what we deserve and earned through our participating in wars and conflicts, taxes, hard work and dedication; and yes even free slave labor building this country got from us. This is not asking too much for the price paid. Just walk one block in our shoes and then re-think your position!! Nuf Sed!! Why Not??

A closing thought, what we want from our city government equitable representation, better city services, a commitment to open government and equality, retiring the good ole boy syndrome with its power brokers and patronage and closed "right" club membership traditions, and of course, single member districts for city council members.

Open Letter

(Editor's Note: The following letter is one sent to President Lauro G. Cavazos, Texas Tech University, about the recent cartoon which appeared in the **University Daily**, Monday, April 25, 1983. Its writer, Miss Marilyn K. Mooney, asked that the **Southwest Digest** publish it.)

Dear Mr. Cavazos:

I sir, am absolutely astounded by the lack of tact and sensitivity of our State-supported University -- to allow rubbish such as the cartoon appearing in the **University Daily** newspaper, concerning blacks and their place on the City Council.

If in fact this depicts a realistic view of our city's feelings, the cartoon is still in bad taste. This type of thing sets our city back to days before June 19th ever was conceived.

Being a taxpayer, I resent the fact that your students are allowed to use our money to insult our intelligence. Lubbock is known to have a friendly reputation -- but incidents like this, foster warranted hostilities. Minorities are having enough of a struggle as is, without the added insult your paper has dealt us. How are we expected to deal with and overcome such bigotry that exists in our country, when even in our hometown, we are still the butt of racial humor (if such a thing exists)?

Blacks as well as Browns, have more than a say in our political process. We will not and cannot be expected to sit idly by while an insensitive person (to put it lightly), ridicules efforts being made to progress, when merit is the criteria by which to judge a person.

My anger, though primarily centered on the racists who published this cartoon, it is also focused on "Our" University for allowing such a thing to happen!

Maybe "Roots" needs to be re-telvised, I am not sure the point was well taken.

Minorities are proud of their heritage. It will take more than the insensitivity of others to put a cork in it, so to speak. If ignorance is bliss, you should try and make your students less blissful!!!

An Angry Citizen,
Miss Marilyn K. Mooney

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A Cooperative Effort For Retouching The Aims And Actions Of Black Americans For The Greater Benefit Of All Americans

Business in the Black

By Charles E. Belle



Education is the Key The High Tech Job Trick

Barring an immediate war it is worth discussing the direction of the economy. Every yard stick you can see says the U. S. economy is slipping out the 1983 season. Since some unemployed would like to get a jump on the job market it is worthwhile to stop wishing and start looking. Education is mandatory.

Making the right decision as to job direction is a key determinant for making dollars. Recognizing that unemployment normally, continues to rise even after a recovery begins means time for education is on your side. Since college graduates earn from two to four times as much money as high school graduates over a lifetime it pays to go to college. The catch is picking a profession.

Take science and mathematics courses leading into a career in high technology. The incredible increase in high technology jobs is just not being fulfilled by U. S. students. Since men can expect to earn upwards of \$2.75 million during their lifetime with a college degree, doing it with a technological degree will be easier, faster and would bring a higher income.

The "scarier" things are, the more their value, according to old Benjamin Franklin. Ben was a bit of a high tech man in his day. High-tech industries will generate ten times the number of jobs expected from the rest of industry, amounting to a million jobs.

While the number of high-tech jobs will be less than half of the ten million jobs lost in manufacturing in the past three years it is still at least a growth area. Black Americans are especially better off entering a new and expanding job area.

Less seniority and built-in bias problems for all people. Professional engineers elevate themselves out of the industry at a rate of 50,000 per year, creating automatic openings for new engineers. Engineers had a 2.4 percent unemployment rate for 1982, twenty-five percent of the national average and only ten percent of the Black American unemployment figure.

Earning figures for starting engineers are \$24,800, according to Engineering Manpower Commission of the American Association of Engineering Societies. System analysts trainees at CBS who bring you "60 Minutes" earn \$14,000 to \$18,000 a year to start and goes to six figures for those at the top level in the computer field. Finding a job in high technology industries is easy if you have the training.

The United States Department of Labor projects that in only seven years there will be a need for more than a million new professionals trained in computer skills. There are 24 different bills before the Congress that would assist both the field of technology and schools training students for tech jobs. But don't wait for the government if you want a job, get an education for yourself.

This N That

DIDJAKNOW! AFL-CIO ... gave some last minute help to **HAAROLD WASHINGTON** ... as **LABOR** ... finally saw the handwriting on the wall ... as he became the **FIRST BLACK MAYOR** ... in the history of Chicago! **BAD TASTE!!**

JERRY FALWELL ... is now trying to ... **INFLUENCE** ... what the children should read ... The last **GUY** ... who tried that was a fellow by the name of ... **HITLER!!** **ACROSS THE OCEAN!!** Something new has happened in ... **JAPAN** **NICKEY MOUSE**

Ringling The Bell



by
Bob Tieuel

Mexican-Americans File Suit: Frank Perea and Olga Ornelas have filed a suit against Pecos (Texas) and the local school district challenging those at-large election systems. The suit was filed in Federal district court. Jose Garza, attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, said the suit may be dropped should the city charter provide for single-member district elections, those advocated by Perea and his associates.

Perea was elected to the Pecos School Board in 1973 and defeated in 1976, is currently president of the local United Mexican American Legal Council, and said he does not have immediate plans of seeking any political office but added "I will not stay out of politics -- it's in my blood."

Perea said he and MALDEF oppose at-large elections because their very structure discourages the Mexican-American vote and therefore makes the election of Hispanics unlikely and ultimately results in unequal representation of Mexican-Americans. One pollster reported that Pecos has a population of some twelve thousand with only about four hundred black citizens and about half of them young persons below 18 years of age.

In Lubbock, a federal judge has ruled that the at-large system discriminates against blacks and browns in city elections, however, Lubbock has appealed the decision. No black has ever been elected to the city council in Lubbock, it was reported and the black population is considerable. And in Hobbs, New Mexico, NAACP officials and black leaders are watching the results of these suits in Texas and may follow with similar ones in Southern New Mexico.

Historically, in at-large systems, Anglos vote 15 to 20 percent more than Hispanics stated Perea and that Hispanics would feel less helpless if they knew they had a chance to elect their candidate in their own precinct.

MALDEF attorneys have been particularly busy challenging the at-large systems since an amendment last summer to the federal voting rights act. Formerly, the act required proof of purposeful discrimination to prohibit at-large systems; it now only calls for proof that the election resulted in discrimination.

Although the Pecos-Berwick-Toyahvale district does not have a breakdown among voters, Hispanics comprised almost 74 percent of its total students and Anglos numbered 23 percent in most recent census figures. In Reeves County that same year, 55 percent of the 8,082 registered voters had Hispanic surnames. Pecos City Hall records of 1982 show about 53 percent of their 5,571 voters to have had similar last names.

According to press reports, children around the globe are starving. In the Third World, three out of every ten children die before they are five years old for lack of food. Five out of ten suffer from malnutrition. And the problem is growing worse. In the 1950's between 100 and 200 million people, most of them children-lived in chronic hunger worldwide. Today, that figure has reached 500 million, and is expected to reach 750 million by the turn of the century. In many regions of Latin America, Africa and Asia, overpopulation and extreme poverty rob children of energy, joy, and life itself. Have you given lately? Write Care, care of Postmaster, Dallas, Texas for details.

Word received is that the largest delegation in the history of Boley, Oklahoma will meet in Memorial Day for the annual Black Festivities that will draw people from over the U. S. and some foreign countries. Boley is the largest all-black town in the U. S. it is reported.

... has gone there with **DISNEY WORLD!** **D. C. KINNER THE BARBER SAYS:** "If ... YOU ... can stand on your ... **HEAD** ... in a hammock ... or swing ... then you can ... **BALANCE** ... your family budget!" **NO WHERE BUT LUBBOCK!!** It is a ... **RARE** ... situation when a state supported university like ... **TEXAS TECH** ... would not give an apology to the ... **BLACK COMMUNITY** ... for such an ... **UNTIMELY CARTOON** ... It could happen in no place but in Lubbock ... This is not a ... **POSITIVE** ... thing to do when the school has problems ... **CRUISING ... BLACKS** ... and ... **OTHER MINORITIES!** A real problem exists on that campus ... when the small percentage of ... **BLACKS** ... don't say a mumbly word about what has happened!! As you may know ... the ...

SOUTHWEST DIGEST ... brought this negative fact to the public ... with a press conference ... last week ... We asked for an ... **APOLOGY** ... but it appears as though none will be forthcoming. The statement that ... **"ONLY A FEW BLACKS ARE UPSET"** ... is not true ... Many ... **BLACKS** ... have seen and heard ... and are not happy with it!! **CONGRATS!!** Come this Saturday night **MAY 7TH** ... **SEVEN YOUNG BLACK FELLOWS** ... will be presented in the ... Fourth Biennial ... **ESQUIRE BALL** ... at the ... **THE PLACE II** ... beginning at 9 p. m. Those persons to be presented are **CLARENCE GRAY** ... **MARVIN MITCHELL** ... **JOHN MCCORMICK** ... **KELVIN JOHNSON** ... **LOWELL DEO DERRICK** ... **AUSTIN** ... and ...

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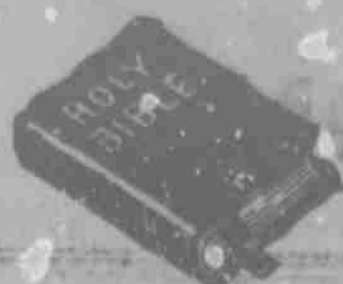
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OBSEQUIES

Rev. Steward S. Scott



Final rites were read for a longtime resident, Rev. Steward S. Scott, Friday afternoon at the New Hope Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. S. C. Nash officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the directions of Jamison & Son Funeral Home.

Rev. Scott was one of nine brothers and one sister born to Reverend James and Mrs. Mandy Moxley Scott. He was born in Weimer, Texas, Colorado County in 1875.

He attended public school in Weimer, Texas and later enrolled in Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama during the time period when it was an Industrial School offering certificates in trades. Rev. Scott studied the shoe making trade at Tuskegee under Dr. Rufus Johnson. He also studied the wheelwright trade there -- learning to make wagon wheels as alternate vocation. Upon his

completion of study, he earned two certificates, and returned to Weimer, Texas to run a shoe and boot shop.

Converted to Christ at about age 12, he gained much inspiration and satisfaction from serving and worshipping the Creator God. When approaching 40 years, he was called to preach the gospel and preached his first sermon at Mount Pisgah Baptist Church about 10 miles outside his hometown. Afterwards, he moved to Rosenberg, Texas where he was pastor of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church.

Later, he attended Houston College, Houston, Texas, with a major in Theology. Here he grew in knowledge of the Holy Bible, and in Christian leadership. Upon leaving Houston College, he traveled extensively in the USA preaching, holding revival meetings, sharing Good News of Christ's Kingdom, and organizing churches.

Twenty-Second Service of Appreciation

The members of Triumph Baptist Church invite you to join us in worship and fellowship in their Twenty-Second Appreciation Service for our Pastor, Rev. M.A. Brown and family on May 15, 18, 19, 20, and 22, 1983.

Many churches from Lubbock and surrounding areas have been invited to attend this service.

In December, 1923, he was married to Viola Jackson of Rosenberg, Texas. She is affectionately known in Lubbock as "Ola" Scott. Within this marriage union are eight children -- five daughters, 5 son-in-laws, three sons, 1 daughter-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Rev. and Mrs. Scott moved to Lubbock in the year of 1928.

His love for Christ, and the gospel led him to work zealously for the Lord here in Lubbock, while at the same time, engaging in hard manual labor in cotton fields in West Texas. He loved to work and to pick cotton.

Again he sought to increase his knowledge and Wisdom of God's Word by studying with Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Extension Department, Fort Worth, Texas earning a diploma in Theology, May 10, 1956. Rev. Scott was Associate Pastor at New Hope Baptist Church for approximately 50 years. He continued preaching, teaching, witnessing for Christ, and sharing until he deceased on Saturday, April 23, 1983.

He leaves to mourn a devoted wife, Ola Scott, his children and their families, and many relatives and friends.

Katherine L. Ross

Funeral services were conducted for little Miss



Rev. M.A. Brown

Faith First Baptist Church News

A beautiful Sunday began at 9:30 a. m. with Sunday School. The text was "Breakthrough In Macedonia." Acts 16:9-18.

Morning services started at 11:00 a. m. with devotion being led by Brothers Portee, Jackson and Edwards.

The Intermediate Choir sang wonderfully. Rev. F. B. Bell, pastor, brought the message "The Chariot Is Coming." His scripture was taken from the Book of Peter.

We had many visitors and would like to extend our invitation to come and worship again with us.

On our sick and shut in list, we have Mrs. Gladys Henderson who is a pa-

Mr. John Hamilton

Funeral services for Mr. John Hamilton were held Saturday morning, April 29, 1983 at Jamison & Son Funeral Chapel with Rev. James Cavanaugh, pastor of New Light Baptist Church, officiating.

Jamison & Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Johnson was born

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the home of Mrs. Juanita Sowell, Mrs. Mary Ward, president, presided over the breakfast. This was a good meeting!

Opening devotion was led by Mrs. C. Burleson and Mrs. Ward.

The morning scripture

lesson was taught by Mrs. C. C. Peoples. Her scripture was Mark 11:12-14. Her subject was "Devine King."

Mark 11:12-14
"And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany, he was hungry; And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves, he come, if hoply he might find anything thereon: and when he come to it, he found nothing but leaves; for the time of figs was not yet, And Jesus answered and said unto it, No man eat fruit of thee hereafter forever, and his disciples heard it."

This speaker said the Devine King knows everything. He knows about the pretender. He knew this rear wasn't going to bear fruit ever before time. So he cursed it, so just maybe there are some in our churches today who have been holding offices for years.

In the way of some that might bring fruit. She said this Kingdom knows your thoughts; go all week and nothing but leaves. You see, there's nothing attractive about a fruit tree with no fruit. Likewise, you don't impress this King with how long your name has been on the membership roll. This proves that you are fruitless. "We need to start pruning your life today so you may bring forth fruit today," said Mrs. Peoples.

This speaker presented a demonstration that was so plain a fool could understand. You will have to come to know what we are talking about. This lady spoke the written word of God and we sure do love her for this. (How about you out there?)

Thought for the week: **"Keep us from turning little problems into three act productions."**

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Lord!"
Breakfast was served with that heavenly goodness. Are you hungry? Okay, come and eat with friends.

Our guest were Mrs. C. C. Peoples, Tony Deon Sowell, and Craig Sowell.

The following members have been absent: Mrs. Dyer Mrs. C. E. Brown and Rev. Tony Williams and wife. Remember, each of you light up our lives. Come again!

Our sick list include: Rev. A. W. Wilson, Mrs. Minters who is at home, Mrs. Sarah Crawford, Mrs. Ollie Crawford, Mr. Mureen Brown, a patient at Lubbock General Hospital, room 434A, Mrs. Artie Mae Washington, Mrs. Lucille Drone and Mr. Andrew Williams.

"Let's Pray"
"Lord, help your children to be strong, we pray, healthy in body. Yes, I know this is your will, but more than this, may we exercise ourselves daily in such a way as to develop a strength of character that will enable us always to do what is right and pure and good in your spirit. We ask these things in

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Personal

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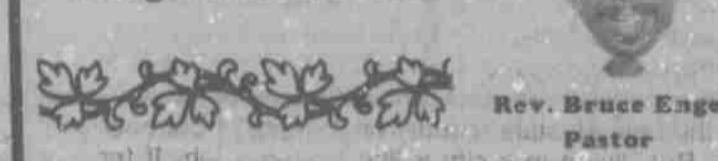
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And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is: But exhort one another, and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Hebrews 10:24,25
Come, Help Us Worship Christ Jesus, Our Lord and Savior
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Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Baptist Training Union (BTU) 9:30 a. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.

— Week Activities —
Mission Monday 7:00 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wed. day 8:00 p. m.
Brotherhood Breakfast Saturday 7-10
Youth Program Second Sunday 3:00 p. m.

"Come Let Us Reason Together With The Lord"

"I Thank God For Jesus"

Happy Mother's Day!

Lord, Blessed Is That Mother

Luke 1:28 -- The Angel came in unto her, and said, hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou among women.

Lord, the Mothers have been blessed From the beginning of time. Her womb carries our most precious minds!

Some carries Presidents, Kings and Queens
Some carries Killers, Robbers and Dupephenes.

But all she carries, God sent from above; Its up to her to teach it Hate or Love!

Proverbs 31:10-12 -- Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life.

Matthew 24:45 -- Jesus said, who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

"Lord Blessed is that Mother! She raises her children in the eyes of God"

That makes their lives easy, with the help of the Lord. She works all day, on a low paying job!

But he big pay comes from Trusting in God

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Written by Billy "B. J." Harrison III
Your Brother In Christ Jesus.

"God is not through with us yet, let's pray for one another always. Amen"

They don't save the best Food, Clothes and Shoes for their feet. But they have the love of Jesus. And that's all they need!

Proverbs 31:14-15 -- She is like merchants ships; she bringeth her food from afar. She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household!

Lord Blessed is That Mother! She prays that all her children, And her husband be saved.

We know that all God's children, At one time straddled! We walked with Satan, he showed us a good time!

All the while, he was trying to kill our minds!

She prays for the world, and shares her goods with others. Her blessings come back 100 times over. Lord Blessed is That Mother!

Proverbs 22:6 -- Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 31:20, 23, 28 -- She stretcheth out her hand to the poor, Yea she reacheth forth her hands to the needy. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land. Her children arise up, and called her blessed.

Her husband also, and he praiseeth her.

Katherine Latrice Ross last Wednesday afternoon at the Hope Deliverance Church of God in Christ with the pastor, Rev. Charles Tanner, officiating.

Jamison & Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. She was born February 20, 1983 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert James Ross in Lubbock, Texas.

She passed away Saturday, April 23, 1983.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her father, Albert James Ross; mother, Margaret Ann Ross; three sisters -- Katherine Ann, Laioya Ann and Tinka Treshone, all of Lubbock; three brothers -- Albert James, Jr., Bobby Ray and Adnan Jerome, all of Lubbock; maternal grandparents -- Mr. John H. Childress, Mr. Jessie Ross and Mrs. Annie Mae Ross, all of Lubbock; a host of aunts, uncles, and cousins.

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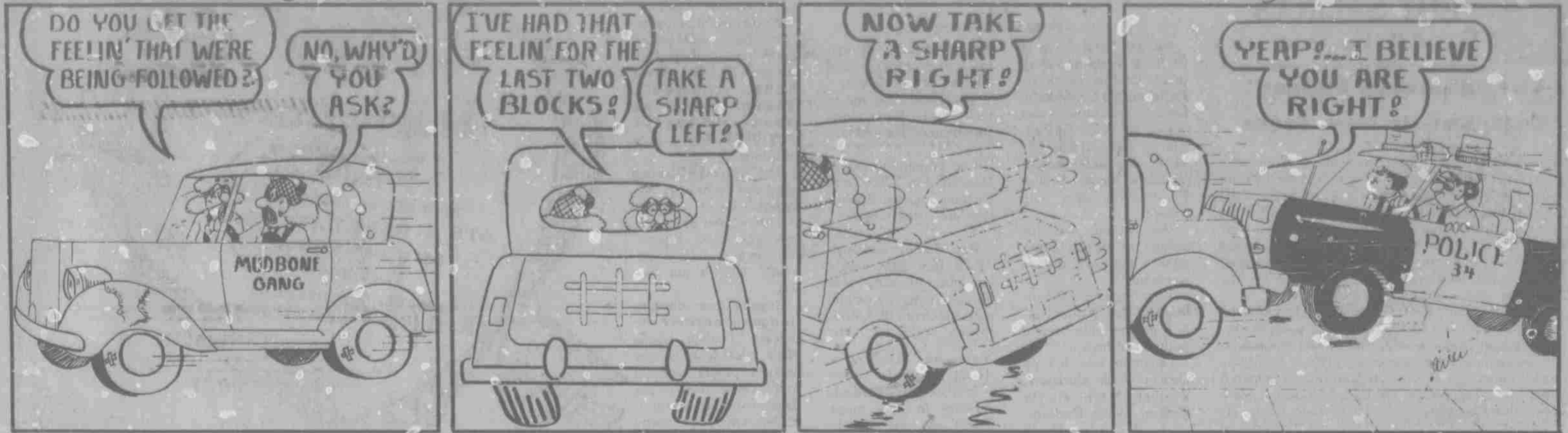
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Mudbone Gang



by Jerris Carter

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BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
 Human Rights Activist

Thinking Prosperity

Booker T. Washington tells a number of marvelous stories about black people and black life in the period immediately following Emancipation. His classic autobiography, *Up From Slavery*, deserves to be read not simply as an exquisitely precious historical document but perhaps more so as providing insight into, and back ground understanding of some of our black racial traits or peculiarities today.

One of the things that he discusses at length is the post-emancipation attitude of some blacks in the South toward work. He notes that all through the period of enslavement

many blacks came to loathe work. After all, they were working simply to perpetuate a system that would continue to demean and exploit black people for generations.

Hence, there grew up a whole culture of fold heroes who knew best how to malingering. (Blacks have not alone in this kind of activity, incidentally, the public employer unions in New York City and elsewhere are said to be notorious and only short of criminal in this regard.) Additionally, there were preachers who taught and preached the glories of a heaven where there was no work but only rest.

(Here again, blacks are

not alone, since perhaps the majority of Christian preachers caught in the trap of preaching eternal "rest" as a lack of serving activity, when theological rest essentially denotes a relief from inefficient service by shaling in a "more perfect service." "Day and night they serve before the throne.")

Dr. Washington noted that some preachers taught, in those early days, that Christians was the most perfect and holy season of the year, since customarily those on the plantations were "freed from all manner of labor" for eight days.

In such a manner as described or suggested

here, labor came to be demeaned or looked down upon by many in the black community and eventually grew into a kind of sub-cultural tradition.

In this latter respect, social thinkers have noted for years that — throughout the pre-Civil War South — labor was downgraded. Some social theorists point out that this was the primary reason, along with unionization (to exclude others systematically) that the European im-

migrants took over the American labor market in the late 1800's.

Whites in the South were largely made lazy by the plantation system. Booker T. Washington advocated using one's hands and skills as strongly as any person in the nation's history. He held that if blacks used their skills and their capacity for work they could have owned, and then controlled, the South!

Beyond this, there are

major implications for black Americans today which grow out of what we have alluded to thus far.

1. No one owes anyone else a living. We need to get out of the welfare syndrome and possibly even demand that our people be given some kind of reasonable work for every dollar that we receive. Welfare, as we now practice it, is demeaning, inverting and parasitizing. We need to stop it in its present form, and we can

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Rev. E. J. Rhodes, Pastor - 2,400.00	Mt. Olive Church, Slaton - 100.00
Path Eden Baptist Church Ft. Worth, Texas	Ticket Sales - 625.00
Rev. B. R. Daniels, Pastor 1,000.00	Public Offering - 204.00
Mt. Rose Baptist Church Houston, Texas	At The Door Sales - 266.00
Rev. N. Burleson, Pastor 405.00	Other Money - 237.00
Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Lubbock, Texas	TOTAL \$3,132.00
Rev. L. L. Polk, Pastor 200.00	Expenses
Unionville Baptist Church Douglasville, Texas	Building Rental (Am. Legion) 300.00
Rev. J. Gipson, Pastor 300.00	Posters and Tickets 80.00
Morning Chapel Baptist Sulphur Springs, Texas	Motel for Rev. J. L. Ervin 125.00
Rev. D. L. Winkley, Pastor 200.00	Honorarium for Rev. Ervin 100.00
Bethel Baptist Church Longview, Texas	Equipment Rental 185.00
Rev. J. W. Scott, Pastor 100.00	Plane Fare for Group 585.00
Greater St. John Baptist Odessa, Texas	Honorarium for Bass, Lead Guitar, and Drummer 75.00
Rev. L. H. Hall, Pastor 300.00	TOTAL \$1,450.00
Rising Star Baptist Church Lubbock, Texas	Rev. Nash's Report at Institute
Rev. H. Phillips 40.00	From Churches and Pastors \$6,671.00
Bethel A. M. E. Church Lubbock, Texas	Balance From Concert 1,682.00
Rev. S. Pierson, Pastor 25.00	TOTAL \$8,353.00
West Texas Bapt. Assoc. Lubbock, Texas	
Rev. A. L. Dunn, Moderator 500.00	

A special word of thanks to all of the pastors and churches of East Lubbock, Mr. T. J. Patterson and Mr. Eddie Richardson and the Southwest Digest, to my friends of other cities who contributed, the Black Businesses of East Lubbock, Mt. Olive Baptist Church of Slaton, to the Lubbock Community Radio Choir, to the James Cleveland Workshop Choir, and especially to the New Hope Baptist Church of Lubbock, Texas. Without your help, I couldn't have done it.

Another word of thanks to Rev. J. C. Peoples and Rev. J. Williams. I am... Grateful,
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Representative FROY SALINAS Capitol Update

The "Balanced Budget" Cuts, But No New Taxes

Even though the Texas Legislature will consider more than 5,000 pieces of legislation during the 68th Session, only one bill must pass before September.

During the past two months, a group of 29 state lawmakers have been working long hours on our House Appropriations bill. Last week, the budget was balanced -- without any increases for a tax increase. But the final bill hasn't been approved by the Legislature, so we're not out of the woods yet.

Without becoming too technical, I'll explain how the committee trimmed a \$2.4 billion deficit down to size.

At the start of the session, the House Appropriations Committee was presented with House Bill 409 -- the state budget bill. Preliminary figures were prepared by the Legislative Budget Board, based on the State Comptroller's estimates of available state funds. As you know, the Comptroller has cut his original estimate three times since January. According to the most recent figures, however, we'll still have \$2.3 billion more to spend in 1984-85 than we had in this biennium. Yet the Budget Board's proposed budget is almost \$2.4 billion in the red, and the state constitution won't allow that to happen. So the Appropriations Committee has been looking for ways to either save costs, generate new revenues, or cut proposed expenditures. Fortunately for Texas taxpayers, they found them.

Inflation indicators played a key role in the trimming process. The most recent inflation rate has been estimated at 4.5 percent, which is somewhat less than the estimate used earlier by the Budget Board when figuring the original budget. This fact allowed the Appropriations Committee to adjust the highway cost index downward. In other words, increases in highway construction costs were originally based on an inflation rate that was too high -- actual costs from year to year won't increase as drastically as first predicted. Adjusting the index downward puts it more in line with current inflation indicators, and will save Texans almost \$130 million dollars.

The Appropriations Committee also discovered a way to generate an astonishing \$500 million in additional revenues. Currently, certain state monies such as insurance payments and sales tax collections are turned in at the end of each month. If the due date is moved forward, this one-time accelerated collection will generate as much as \$500 million additional interest because of the earlier deposit date.

Another proposal you've been hearing about is to increase fees paid by Texans for certain privileges, such as driving and hunting licenses. Many of these haven't been increased in more than a decade, and doing so would generate an additional \$75 million in revenues if approved by the Legislature.

The Appropriations Committee has made other adjustments as well, proposing minimal salary increases for state employees and only the pay increases established by current law for teachers, with the exception of an additional 1.5 percent increase in 1984 if the money becomes available. I'm also supportive of a plan to put any additional money salvaged from the budget in a special "education excellence" fund for larger teacher pay increases, as well as to supplement operational expenses in local school districts.

I should point out that the committee did not cut any state agency below the current spending program, although spending for new programs and construction was severely restricted. If the people of Texas have to tighten their belts, so should state government. As a result, a \$2.4 billion deficit has been trimmed down to size. Hopefully, I can bring you more good news about the budget bill soon -- like approval of a spending plan that doesn't include a tax increase.

Meanwhile, feel free to write to me about issues that interest you. Write to Rep. Froy Salinas, P. O. Box 2910, Austin, Texas 78769.

This N That

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fellows...!!
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!
 Sunday ... all day is **MOTHER'S DAY**
 May 8th... **THIS N THAT** ... wishes all **MOTHERS** the very best ... let's make it her day **EVERYDAY!!**
APPEARS AT BISHOP!! **IMAM W. DEEN MUHAMMAD** ... leader of the American Muslim Mission ... will appear at **BISHOP COLLEGE** ... Saturday ... May 7th ... His topic will be **CULTURAL and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** ... Should be an interesting effort...
TOO MUCH!! The recent march by the **KLU KLUX KLAN** ... in San Antonio was quite expensive... Would quite expensive ... Would you believe that ... nearly **\$40,000** ... was spent for just a few minutes of marching ... and no one could hear or see them... Boy ... what a waste of time and money!

Post, Texas Pleasant Home Baptist Church

by **Annie Gilbert**

Sunday School was at its usual hour and very great. Brother Mack A. Porter taught a wonderful lesson. The subject was "Good News For All People". Acts 15:4-14:19-21. He really taught. Welcome back, Brother Porter; you were truly missed!

We would like for visitors to please come again. You are always welcome.

Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Arthur Kelly, pastor. He really poured out his soul.

Devotion was led by Deacon Willie Burleson, Brother Mack Austin, Deacon Willie Burleson and Brother Mack

Austin. Brother Porter read the entire 22nd Chapter of Revelation.

The choir sang out of their soul. Sister Lois Smith sang "He's Able."

Our prayers go out to Deacon Jim Osby and Deacon Joe Roy Roberts who are in the hospital.

Rev. James read Isaiah 42:10. Rev. Kelly was at his post of duty. He brought a mighty helpful message from II Corinthians 4:16-18. His theme was "Looking to Things Above."

God was truly here and moving in the midst. There was one who let Christ be a light in her life. The angles in heaven rejoiced.

Let's remember to pray for and visit the sick and shut-ins. Among our sick include Sisters Clarice Jackson, Elizabeth Iles, Emma Griffin, Rosie Collins and Emma Hyder, who are all at home. Also, Deacon Jim Henry Osby is a resident at South Park Hospital, room 227, in Lubbock.

Black

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do it! Giving money away is one of the means that social systems use to demean people.

2. *Work is an investment.* Jesus was a carpenter. God is a Creator. We are called to be continuous co-creators and co-workers with and in God. A creator does not work for immediate wages. He or she sees first to serve and incidentally to get a return.

Blacks come, at best, from a wage-earning culture. Those who get rich and enjoy prosperity do not ask, "How much will I get paid?" Rather, they inquire, "How much of a service can I render?" The issue of a lasting, although perhaps delayed, return is implicit. Those who invest may get rich. We must learn to serve and invest ourselves for long-range rewards, if prosperity is to be ours.

Ruby Jay

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Sneed's church. He was scheduled to preach last month, but due to the death of an aunt in Mexico, Texas he was unable to do so. He is also scheduled to preach at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church on that evening.

Director A. M. Thompson is making a plea for youngsters to attending the Training Union for Bible Drill. The Congress will be held next month in Dallas, Texas. Rev. B. J. Brandford, Sr. is host pastor. It will be held at the Mt. Horeb Baptist Church.

Outreach

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Christ's name. AMEN
 If you have a prayer request, call or write to Cay. Let's pray together. Write: P. O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408 or phone: 763-3347 or 747-7328. Life can be beautiful.

The Project Blessing went out to Rev. A. W. Wilson. He is a very deserving minister. We love you, Rev. Wilson; not because it is a demand, but it's our free will.

Results are coming through; answers to prayers, healing taking place, because we believe and your prayers directed to this cause make all the difference in the world.

Can any good come out of Nazareth??

On Saturday, there will be a Pre-Mother's Day Brunch, beginning at 10 a. m. in the home of Mrs. Pearl Baker, 914 East Rice. Come and share this beautiful occasion with us.

Closing prayer was offered by Rev. Tony Williams; closing scripture by Mrs. M. Bogus - II Chronicles 7:12; and Mrs. C. E. Brown.

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