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PHYLIS WHEATLEY SUB-DIVISION DESIGNATED AS INDUSTRIAL AREA

by T. J. Peterson, Sr.
If things continue as they are now, and the money doesn't run out in the future, the Phylis Wheatley sub-division will become an industrial area, according to James B. Storey, assistant executive director for planning and operations of the Urban Renewal Agency.
The geographical description of the Phylis Wheatley sub-division is: the railroad tracks as north boundary; East 37th Street as south boundary; Quava Avenue on east boundary; and East 34th Street and the railroad tracks as the west boundary.
"Everything is on schedule and there have been no problems," according to Storey. "Rev. A. L. Davis, pastor of the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church, is one of the people who has been instrumental in seeing that something be done about this area," continued Storey.
"When this project began several months ago (June 1, 1979), there were approximately 90 families living in these dwellings and three churches," he said. According to Storey, the agency (Urban Renewal) wanted to begin the project by relocating persons in the better dwellings (beginning at East 34th Street and

Railroad Avenue), but "we had to change," Storey said. "Residents of the area wanted something done about the worst dwellings in the area, therefore, we began the project on Aspen Avenue (in the alley)."
The fifth year of Community Development (CD) funds were used to begin the project on June 1, 1979 and will conclude this phase May 31, 1980. Sixth year CD funds will be used to begin the second phase of the project, beginning at the alley, between Zenith and Aspen, through the alley of Walnut. The seventh year CD monies will begin June 1, 1981 through May 31, 1982, including the alley of Walnut through the alley of Yanda. The eighth and ninth year of CD monies will be used, if available, to complete the project by 1984. "We will reach this goal if the money doesn't run out," says Storey.
After everyone has been relocated from the area, the land from Quava Avenue to Walnut Avenue is scheduled for light manufacturing (M-1 and M-2). "This could mean several areas of industry," according to Storey.
The remaining one-fourth of the land is expected to be used by the Lubbock Cemetery. "It's real hard to say what will happen with this land

Here are three photos of some of the dwellings in the Phylis Wheatley Sub-Division. The Lubbock Urban Renewal Agency has begun a four year program to remove this living area in order to make way for light industry. "We will complete this project if the money doesn't run out," says James B. Storey, assistant executive director for planning and operations. "No more residents will live in this area after the completion of this project," said Storey. Some residents have already moved to other areas. (Photos by Bidel Aguerro)



because of the Quirt Avenue situation," said Storey.
Persons who have and will be relocated are compensated for their properties. "At first, it was a job in explaining how this compensation works for all homeowners as well as absentee landlords," said

Storey. For those homeowners having to move, they are provided with relocation payments and other relocation assistance. This program of payment, according to Storey, is implemented under the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act

of 1970 (called the "Uniform Act"), under the Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In most cases, persons who were living in this area will receive or have received a fair market value of the property in question. "Before we get involved with paymen-



Ron Miller
State College Republicans

Black Tech Student Elected Vice Chairman

Ron Miller, Texas Tech University junior, became the first Black ever to be elected to the executive vice, chairman position of the College Republicans of Texas last Saturday at Fort Worth. He defeated the Student Association president of Texas Christian University for the position by more than a 2-to-1 margin.
A political science major, Miller defeated Gary Teal, TCU candidate by capturing 60 of the 84 delegate votes.
Twelve Texas colleges and universities sent delegates to the convention.
The Lake Charles, La. native carried a majority of the vote in eight of the 12 schools, but it was a near-unanimous Miller vote from the mammoth University of Texas delegation that clinched his nomination.

Although Miller is the campus chairman for the Texas Tech George Bush campaign, he would not use his Bush affiliation in handling his new job.
In his campaign speech, he noted one of his objectives as being party unity despite differences.
He said: "I want to encourage greater involvement of all people in the Republican Party." The philosophy that we uphold should transcend all distinctions of race, ethnicity, age, religion and sex.
Miller told the Lubbock Digest that Blacks have many advantages of becoming a Republican, including many economic gains. "The Democrats have been taking the Black vote for granted. We should look at a person's record and prior experience," he concluded.

Better Business Bureau Approves New Committee

The Better Business Bureau Board of Directors at their regular meeting held this past Wednesday approved plans for the creation of an Insurance Advisory Committee. Chairman of the Board, C. B. Carter stated that the creation of this committee would have positive, far-reaching effects both for the Bureau and the insurance industry. The Board of Directors appointed Jim A. Miller of James A. Miller & Associates a chairman of the new committee.
Miller also served as a member of the Board of Directors of the Bureau.
Prospective members of the committee were also discussed at the meeting. The composition of the committee will be made up of various insurance providers and insurance consumers with special emphasis on the elderly. Representatives from all communities will be solicited.
The committee was created due to the realization by the Bureau of the increasing problems consumers are having with the insurance industry. Many stories of misrepresentation along with the lack of

knowledge of most consumers on insurance have led to this situation. The committee has received the backing of the various South Plains insurance associations.
The committee plans to organize programs to better inform the general public on insurance. A speaker's bureau will be formulated and also a panel of advisors that will be made available to the general public. The committee will also monitor the Bureau's research on insurance selling practices and will be working with the State Board of Insurance.
It is universally accepted among the insurance industry, the

Digest Profile

(Editor's Note: Our guest this week is Mr. Phillip Gant, a resident of Lubbock, off and on, since 1942. A veteran of World War II, he is a Lubbock businessman. He owns and operates Phillips' Apartments, 1514 East 15th Street. He also owns juke boxes, pool tables and other recreational games. A father of seventeen children, he resides at 1832 East 1st Place.)

Mr. Gant, what are some of the problems facing young Blacks today?
"Many young people have difficulty because they want to keep up with the gang. For example, a kid will take a chance on burglarizing a home and stealing a \$300 television set and selling it for \$25. What the kid doesn't know is that \$25 he made by stealing could get him from two to five years in the penitentiary."



What advice can you tell young Blacks today?
"Young Blacks who get involved in these kinds of a situation are messing up their citizenship. They need to live a good life, because its hard when you mess up your citizenship. You see, I'm speaking with experience."
As a prior convicted felon and serving time in Huntsville, what was your problem?
"Well, I served time for attempted murder. I paid my time and have been out for twenty years. That's why I know it's hard to get your citizenship back. I have lost a lot of money by being a businessman, because I don't have my citizenship. It's a no no for a convict to get any kind of a state license. Of course, one can get their driver's licenses. Because of what I did, I'm still paying for it. That's why I'm concerned about young Blacks staying out of trouble."
Mr. Gant, in your opinion, what causes young Blacks to get into trouble?
"Well, it's something we call peer pressure. For example, there are two boys who are friends. One of the boys may have a car his parents have given him to get to and from school or from work, if he has a job. The other boy may pull a job, like robbery or burglary, and ask the kid with the car to help him fence it. In some cases, even as the kid with the car to help him pull the job. Now, there is pressure on the kid with the car

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McAlister For Mayor

Taking a stand and endorsing someone for the position of mayor for the City of Lubbock is a decision in which this newspaper has made. We've looked carefully at all candidates and have come up with the conclusion that Bill McAlister, without and doubt, is the only one who could move ahead with the city's business.
This man, McAlister, in our opinion, would be more sensitive to the needs of the minority communities, Blacks and browns. He's been involved in the total community for more than a decade. Aside from his city council experience, he has shown sincerity in working with all groups of citizens. This is the type of a man the City of Lubbock needs at present time.
The owners of this newspaper didn't just come in contact with Brother McAlister a few days ago here. We've either worked with him on many, many projects or disagreed with some of his decisions. In all our dealings, we've found him to be genuine. A Christian man, he's concerned about the welfare of all citizens.
By electing this man McAlister as mayor won't mean that he will wave a magic wand and cure all ills. It will, however, guarantee to the citizens of the minority and majority communities there is someone at the helm of the ship who will listen, and, hopefully, come up with a decision which we all can live with. Too, he will bring good public relations to this city government and add continue the positive image of the entire council.
We hope you will join us on Saturday, April 5th, and vote for the only candidate who will get the job done for all citizens, BILL McALISTER.

Black Ministers Comment On Phylis Wheatley Situation

Two Black ministers of the community commented on the recent situation of the Phylis Wheatley sub-division which has been designated as an industrial area, according to the Urban Renewal Agency.
One of the ministers, Rev. Kado Lang, pastor of the S. James Baptist Church, said he had contacted Urban Renewal two weeks ago. "They did not have any answers about what was going to be done." According to Rev. Lang, "Our church is paid for and we're established, and to

uproot us wouldn't better our condition."
He continued: "When you leave a place and go to another, you don't have the same strength and cooperation. You lose in so many ways."
Lang feels that many of the residents want to sell their property. Some would like to move because of the neighborhood, while others are property owners and are selling for financial gains.
Rev. Lang says: "Our little say wouldn't mean very much. We don't have too much of a choice of whether we want to

Establishing A "National Task Force"

Establishment of a "National Task Force" of Civil Rights, political leaders, and community representatives to stimulate cooperative economic development among the elderly, the poor and inner-city residents as part of the overall economic development of the 80s for blacks was one of the resolutions adopted by the National Conference on a Black Agenda held in Richmond, Va. February 28 thru March 2. The Task Force will also monitor the operations of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank. The Community Cooperative Development Plan of the Poor Peoples Development Foundation, Inc., was among model demonstration projects endorsed by the Business and Economic Development Workshop of Conference.
Ben Brown, Deputy National Coordinator of the Carter/Mondale Re-election Committee, said, "the Task Force is certainly a good means of involving the black community in this little know program created by the Carter Administration

stay or go. Officials did not inform us of any specific time table."
Lang concludes: "We're at a standstill; we don't know what to plan."
Another minister, Rev. Herman Phillips, pastor of the Rising Star Baptist Church, said he contacted the local Urban Renewal Agency officials. Rev. Phillips said that officials told him

that because of budget cuts by the Carter Administration for fiscal year 1981, they will not be immediately affected by the Urban Renewal project.
Rev. Phillips couldn't say what affect it would have on the church.
Another minister in the Phylis Wheatley sub-division, Bishop James Judie, was unable to be contacted.

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Monies received, by law, will be used to see that the person or persons being relocated will find another standard housing dwelling to reside. A typical situation would be a property owner receiving \$15,000 for relocation and \$7,000 for the cost of the property. In some cases, however, this property value could be

higher. The differential, in seeing that a person is justly treated, figures should make up the difference in seeing that a person is given the fair market value, according to Storey.

George Woods, negotiator for real estate for the Urban Renewal Agency, according to Storey, has been making many sells recently. "This

could be because of those persons from the Phyllis Wheatley sub-division who want to relocate in the Coronado sub-division."

"Since the relocation shocks from those persons who will have to wait a few years before relocating and receiving payment, there have been no problems. Everything is alright. We just hope the money from HUD will be there. Even if we get only half way through this four year project, we will have cleaned up some of the worst living conditions in Lubbock," elaborated Storey.

"There will be no residents living in the Phyllis Wheatley sub-division after the project has been completed," said Storey.

One resident of the Phyllis Wheatley sub-division, who has been living in the area for many years told the Lubbock Digest: "We hope it doesn't end up like the first Urban Renewal Project in east Lubbock. If it does, Black people will be pushed back again."

Profile

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because he wants to identify with the crowd. Therefore, he wastes his life for nothing. Peer pressure is something else.

Is there any honor among thieves? "No! They don't trust each other and will squeal on each other."

In your opinion, why doesn't a parent discipline their child or children as it was done one time in the Black family?

"It's because of abuse charges which may be filed against a parent. Kids will go to school and tell teachers or authorities their parents have beat him or her. Here is something else which I haven't understood all these years. A kid can go out into the community and steal a \$100 worth of equipment. If the kid is under seventeen years of age, he is usually kept in jail overnight, but the next day he is released in the custody of the parents. The next day, regardless of how much he or she has stolen, this kid can go to school. But, get this, a kid might not pay a book fine and because of not paying the fine, he is kicked out of school. This doesn't make any sense to me. Sure the parent should pay the fine. It's a mighty sorry parent who will not pay the fine for the child. If the fine isn't paid, the kid should be allowed to go to school, but some sort of discipline should be given the child. But, for God's sake, don't keep the kid out of school."

Mr. Gant, have you heard of cases where the child takes advantage of being kicked out of school?

"Sure, I have! The system is so set up that if a kid doesn't want to go to school, all this kid has to do is go to school and break some rule or regulation. This child knows what he or she must do to be kicked out of school. In other words, the kid will go to school and make them kick him or her out of school. It shouldn't be like that! I know of a case where a kid shot a teacher with a rubber band. There were five kids sitting in the area and all five were suspended for two weeks. Now, you tell me, does this make good sense?"

Do you love kids?

"I sure do. As you know, I am the father of seventeen kids. I have helped many young people and will continue to do so. I never attended school in my life. I learned all I could on the streets and by talking to others. If you ask me, I'd say education is mighty important for all kids."

Do you think teachers really care and are fair about the young people?

"As I've said I've never been to school. Teachers can't help but to be interested in kids or they wouldn't be teaching school. Although, there may be some who don't care. I am interested in what's going on at the schools. Maybe I haven't attended PTA like I should, but I still care. Of course, this doesn't excuse me from not attending these important meetings. I would like to say this, however. At Estacado High School, they are not paying close attention to what the kids are doing on the parking lots. Just last week, I was on that campus and I saw many kids sitting and smoking marijuana. It looked like kids were on the beach having a good time. You can tell when a kid is smoking marijuana, because it shows in their eyes. These kids can leave the campus at will. For example, I was looking for a particular kid last week. I went to Estacado to see him. It was 1:39 p. m. when he finally came back. This shouldn't be the case at any school."

Wilson School

Will Hold Homecoming

Roscoe Wilson Elementary School has slated a homecoming and dedication celebration for Sunday, March 30, 2 p.m. All students and friends of Roscoe Wilson School are invited. The festivities will feature the dedication of the school's newly-begun outdoor learning center.

The outdoor learning center was designed by architectural students at Texas Tech University, and many of those same students are participating in its construction. The project is being funded by the Wilson School PTA.

Roscoe Wilson principal is Larry Mullican.

Task Force

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urgency to inform the elderly, the poor and the inner-city residents of the need for cooperative economic development. The National Consumer Cooperative Bank, a new mixed governmental institution with a \$3 billion capital base will begin taking loan applications March 21, 1980," Givens added.

Others expressing interest in the Task Force included Vernon Jordan, Director, National Urban League; Dick Gregory; Congressman Charles B. Rangel; other members of the Congressional Black Caucus and many elected officials attending the weekend Conference. After the Conference, Mayor Marion S. Barry, expressed his continuing interest by proclaiming April 1 - May 1, 1980 as "Consumer's Cooperative Enterprise Month" in Washington, D. C.

Lubbock School Volunteer Named Top Ten National Winner

The Lubbock School Volunteers Program has been named one of ten national winners in the parent involvement category of the National School Volunteer Program Awards competition. The award was presented in Houston, where the organization held its ninth annual conference. Linda

Kinman, Lubbock volunteers chairman, accepted the award.

The Lubbock School Volunteers program is located in 17 schools. Approximately 425 volunteers are involved. Areas of concentration include puppetry, clinic work, music, P.E., tutoring, art, and living historians. Retired

Senior Volunteer programs (RSVP) also participate in this organization.

Chairperson Linda Kinman offices at Bayless Elementary School, telephone 747-3531. Her home telephone is 745-4765.



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Association Is Planning Meeting

The Dunbar Instrumental Alumni Association is planning an honorium for Mr. Roy Roberts, Principal of Dunbar High School. We are seeking out band and orchestra students from the classes of 1953-1973. We greatly need the participation of our local axes to help in contacting other axes who aren't in our area. During the month of April, we plan to have all meetings from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Dunbar Band Room on Wednesday nights.



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Know Your City Government

by Eddie P. Richardson



Tom Witt
Personnel Director

The City of Lubbock, the fourth largest employer in Lubbock, offers a wide variety of job opportunities ranging from those which require a minimum of education, to those that require special training or college degrees.

For example, a young man who never finished high school can start as a Construction and Maintenance Worker I in the Street Department, the Water Department or other city departments. The beginning salary is \$558.13 a month, with the chance for a merit raise after six months. There is also the chance for a promotion to Construction and Maintenance II, when his supervisor feels he is ready for the advancement.

Someone who took typing in high school could qualify as a clerk-typist at a starting salary of \$548.47 monthly. Merit raises would be possible every year.

In other fields, a high school graduate with a year's experience as helper to a craftsman can apply for a groundsman position with Lubbock Power and Light, starting at \$835.47 a month.

Two years of college involving engineering-related coursework and knowledge of the principles and practices involved in drafting and surveying will qualify an applicant for intermediate engineering technician, at a starting salary of \$771.33 monthly.

A BA in landscape architecture or related field would qualify one for the job as assistant planner in the Parks and Recreation Department, starting at \$1,079.87.

The City personnel department conducts a continuous program of recruiting in order to keep the 1,700 positions filled. As they occur, job vacancies are posted on the Job Opportunity Board located outside the Personnel Office, room 211 in the Municipal Building.

A list of job opportunities is printed weekly and distributed to all directors and department heads. It is posted in parks recreation and community centers and other public places. In some cases, newspaper advertising is used in recruiting.

As the need arises, the department conducts intensive recruiting campaigns for applicants for the police and fire departments. Generally, each of these departments conducts two training schools annually, with 15-20 people in each class.

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Better Business Bureau

Bureau and consumers, that the greatest problem is with supplemental medicare policies for the elderly. This particular problem will receive top priority of this committee. Other types of insurance, such as general health insurance and life insurance will also be considered. Those desiring further information on the committee are encouraged to contact Chairman Jim Miller at 763-5753.

Other matters covered at the monthly BBB

Board meeting included: The creation and appointment of members of an Arbitration Advisory Committee to the Bureau. This committee chaired by A. L. Mangum, will investigate the possibilities of the Bureau increasing its activities in the arbitration field. This is the result of increased interest in arbitration both locally and nationally.

The approval of production of weekly radio programs to be aired on 15 area radio

Business in the Black

By Charles E. Belle



Best bet to pay higher petroleum bill Technology is the Investment for 1980's

It will take U. S. technology in more ways than one to get the economy out of its energy inertia. "The energy evolution can be expected to give birth to a whole new generation of 'Silicone Valley's' developing alternative sources of energy and energy efficient devices for business, for our industries and our homes, and pioneering concepts that are not yet even envisioned."

The speaker is no less than Charles W. Duncan, Jr., Secretary of Energy, the country's latest energy czar, talking about the existing developments of the area south of San Francisco with its thriving advanced technology center that barely existed two decades ago.

In short, the Secretary senses the saving of America will be her scientific superiority shot of war in the 1980's. She would be swapping superior electronic advances for oil and other natural resource assets around the world. "Wonderful for those able to invest in this area for the future."

Secretary Duncan, stated to a standing room only luncheon meeting of the Commonwealth Club of California that "the trade opportunities for non-oil alternatives from the United States ... coal and technology" are important.

As the world shifts gradually away from oil (because of its ever increasing price and

unreliability of source) there will be an enormous need in this country and in developing regions like the Pacific Basin for new ways to meet energy requirements.

It will represent an opportunity for American exports for energy and technology to make energy resources useful and efficient for industry and consumers all over the world.

With a whopping oil bill expected to be \$83 billion paid to foreign countries this year, White House cabinet member Duncan wants super sales of U. S. electronic scientific products to reduce the balance of payment.

Pointing his finger at "the transition from an oil-department economy to an energy-diversified economy" as the present economic sickness, Duncan denies it cannot be solved. Since this is clearly a change going on in the economy to "an energy-diversified economy based soundly on our own petroleum and gas, our own coal, and oil shale, solar energy, synthetic fuels and nuclear energy" there is money to be made. Change equals opportunity in a capitalist society.

Some safe bets for your bucks will be in common stock membership of companies in the computer, electronic, nuclear and scientific fields. Such companies will eventually be selling U. S. technology to compensate for our oil bill and benefit other countries in cutting down their oil bills.



BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

DEATH AND POVERTY FROM A BLACK PERSPECTIVE

There has been a growing criticism over the past 20 or more years of the practices of American undertakers in apparently helping to project an exceedingly costly and evidently fictitious view of death.

Black undertakers have come in for special scorn, in that they help to make black deaths of dying as disproportionately higher for blacks as is black living. Indeed, black undertakers have been encouraged in this endeavor by most blacks themselves, with many among the very poor "saving assiduously for death" while almost starving themselves in life.

A strangely refreshing new book, "The Harlem Book of the Dead," sheds some new and revealing light upon the subject of death from a black perspective—which has tragically been the perspective, in part, of poverty. The book is also a view of America, as it approaches the subject of death, seen through the life experiences of black men and women.

The principal author of the book is 92-year-old James Van Der Zee, who has been devoted to the art of picture-taking for nearly 80 years. The book on the surface is a reflection on an American ethnic view of death through the medium of photography. But it is also infinitely more. It is a sophisticated and remarkably sensitive artistic accomplishment, which places in a historical and philosophical (or religious) framework a perhaps uniquely American appreciation of the meaning of death.

Those who read the book may discover that the preser-

vation of the pictures of death are not quite so thoroughly morbid as they might otherwise have thought, at least when touched with the alchemy of James Van Der Zee's exceedingly sensitive skills and highly discerning spirit.

When one recognizes that Van Der Zee's collaborators in "The Harlem Book of the Dead" are Owen Dodson, a professor emeritus at Howard University in Washington, D.C., a man celebrated for his published and award-winning work in poetry and drama, and Camille Billops, the re-

nown young Harlem-based sculptor and photographer, one's taste is whetted for a most remarkable and unforgettable experience.

As I read the book, my own mind was taken back to an experience in my years as a youthful pastor. A relatively young woman had wasted away with cancer, due largely to the peculiar and dubious American medical practice of using life-sustaining drugs, thereby preventing death in a somewhat natural state.

The woman's only daughter (and only near relative) was literally shaken at seeing her mother survive away so that her physical image was

greatly distorted. I took the daughter to the undertaker's parlor several days after the mother's death. The experience was unforgettable. Tears of joy streamed from the daughter's eyes, as she saw the physical form of her mother restored nearly to the way in which she was accustomed to having seen her mother. "Mommy!" she cried out, with a seeming sense that a resurrection of a kind had taken place.

Although during the years since I have often chafed and fumed at the apparently callous concern for profits on the part of some American undertakers, both black and white, I have always felt that we all too often judge our American undertakers from a skewed or not altogether objective stance. When we compare American undertakers' practices with European or other undertakers' practices, we must also be aware of the accompanying and perhaps pre-determinative practices in the medical arts.

LIZ SISCO FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD

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Estacado

Student Voted Outstanding

Rosemary Pina Jimenez, a 1975 graduate of Estacado High School, was recognized as the Outstanding V.O.F. Graduate for the State of Texas at the state V.O.F. conference Friday, March 21.

Rosemary was enrolled in Vocational Office Education as a senior at Estacado. She was employed at IBM during her senior year in their word processing center. She attended Texas Tech for one year and worked for Urban Renewal for one year before returning to work for IBM on a full-time basis.

Rosemary is now administrative assistant for Larry Franklin, administration manager of the local IBM Corporation.

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EDITORIAL

"WHY NOT?"

by
Eddie P. Richardson, Jr.

It's Now Or Never!!

Now is the time for all so called minorities to get a hold of themselves and start reaching for the American Dream. We've got to forget about handouts, social action, relief, welfare, etc. and get in tune with profits.

Profits, not salaries, build communities. We must, if we are to survive, get out of the welfare line and get in the profit line.

It's now or never if we shall overcome. We are losing on all fronts. All the gains in the 50's and 60's are slipping away fast. We must unite now. Love, respect, and helping each other is of more importance than ever before.

Look around and see if everyone you know that's successful if they weren't a maverick or sort. All great people, of all times, became great by doing what average or non aggressive people would not do, because of the fear of failure or everybody else was not doing it.

To be successful, we have to get away from the norm and become a pioneer or maverick. As long as it is moral and law abiding, do it! All heroes and success stories are built around individuals who were not afraid and could care less about the Joneses and dared to be great.

There is always room at the top for industrialist, aggressive, dynamic, motivated and positive people. Only the bottom is crowded. The challenge is out there for anything anyone wants to do or be. It can and will happen if they are willing to work at it and pay the price.

We can be or do anything we want to do, because anything the mind can conceive, man can achieve. It only takes work and confidence, and more work. Let's all get moving to be and do what we are capable of doing.

WHY NOT??

More Issues Than Naming A Street

East Lubbock is in dire need of some kind of economic development projects which will move us up the socio-economic ladder. The renaming of Quiri Avenue after the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. is an emotional issue. We have more issues here than this proposed renaming by a few groups in the community.

There's nobody in the city of Lubbock, or America for that matter, who loved and appreciated the works of this dedicated man as we do. But to just name a street, which needs to be redeveloped in many areas, after him is not what he really stood for. He was greater than that, in our opinion.

There are so many issues to deal with in the Black community. For example, there needs to be more Black and brown firemen and policemen in the City of Lubbock. Even the Board of City Development of the Chamber of Commerce needs representation from the minority communities. More business development programs are needed to upgrade the business communities in the Black and Brown communities.

Housing is another problem which prevents, in our opinion, the growth of east Lubbock as it should be, and recently revealed, the curtailing of organized teenage gangs in the community, and the rat problem.

Of course, there are many others which many of you could name. But to just name a street after a man of the caliber of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. will not overcome the many problems we have in the Black and brown communities.

Take time and think about it, and don't become emotional.

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WHY ARGUE? THE NUMBERS ARE NUMS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I think as Blacks, we should know who we are and where we are going before we come out half cocked with a name of a candidate we are going to endorse for a particular office. We should quit playing games in the political arena as was seen last week here.

In Lubbock, there are more issues than the naming of a street. If we are going to endorse a particular candidate, we should make sure we have the entire Black community support. Most of all, we should not let politicians make fools of us. We should be familiar with the candidates and the issues before we make public statements.

Our ministers need to pay dues before they began to take public stands.

Gene Gatewood

Dear Editor:

As you know I'm a candidate for Mayor, I own Searchers Equipment Co. and Juarez Motors Auto Sales, I am a wholesaler who sales both here and to Mexico, Sudra Arabia Greece and France.

My father was farm laborer with 12 children, I've pulled cotton, hopped cotton and worked hard all my life, after I was married, I worked my way up from the bottom in construction to the top as a Vice President, I've got 20 years in business experience, at the Conference was my first speech, I was nervous and didn't do so well and didn't do so well, and didn't say all of what I wanted to say.

First let me say no one or no organization ask for to run for Mayor, I owe no one for anything such as favors or contributions.

I am running because I'm a honest hard working christian who knows what is like to wonder where You'll get the next meal for your family with the high cost of living and rising taxes even more. The loss of Federal money can be made up mostly in other areas with out taking it all from our tax payers. I want to stop the high crime rate and I will one way or another, I'd like to have better job training Program for our young people so they can enjoy a better future and more active for our Senior Citizens so they can enjoy life more.

I want a gas-a-hol Plant here to serve owa fuel needs.

I'd like to see the housing development spread out more evenly to help all the People of Lubbock

To support the name change of Quiri Ave., the majority of the people on Quiri want the name changed to honor a great leader who loved them and served the people, I also have great respect for Dr. King.

I believe a Mayor should have compassion for people and their needs and should work to serve the people who elect him.

I do have problems with speeches, but I'm getting better, but I do not have problems with getting the job done.

I NEED ALL THE SUPPORT I CAN GET

Thank You
Henry L. Williams Sr.

questions and answers

by
Booth H. Robbins
Field Representative
Lubbock, Texas

QUESTION:

How disabled must a person be to receive social security disability payments?

ANSWER:

A person must have a condition which prevents him from working and which is expected to last 12 months or end in death to meet the social security definition of disabled.

QUESTION:

Who decides if a social security disability applicant is disabled or not?

ANSWER:

In each state, social security has contracted with the State Rehabilitation Agency to make disability decisions. Generally, a disability decision will be made by the Disability Determination Unit of the State Rehabilitation Agency of the state where the claim was taken.

QUESTION:

I will soon be age 65 and wish to apply for supplemental security income. Although I hear on the radio that I can apply by telephone the people at the social security office have informed me that I must also appear in person for an interview. Please explain.

ANSWER:

A face to face interview is necessary primarily to assure the identity of the person completing the application. This can be the person for whom payments will be made or someone applying on behalf of another. The interview also assists in determining that the applicant who may be applying for someone else is in fact the proper person. Finally, it affords an opportunity to develop issue raised as a result of information obtained and to verify that information.

QUESTION:

What is the SSI program?

ANSWER:

Supplemental Security Income is a federal income maintenance program for the aged, blind and disabled. Effective January, 1974, it replaced the former federal-state assistance program for the aged, blind, and disabled in the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Ringling The Bell

by
Bob Tieuel

Black Community Priorities: One of the major objectives of every group of responsible people is to take their rightful place, by reaching out in mutual interdependency roles with other peoples. Nonetheless, states Black Monitor, we are faced with the costly and devastating fact that 26 years after the historic 1954 U.S. Supreme Court decision on school desegregation, now over 40% of our nation's black youths are "functional illiterates".

These black youths, as such, and along with many others, are forced to be in a dependency role on society as a whole. There must be a re-assessment of our immediate goals and priorities. Our past and present policies of paternalism, largesse and irresponsibility-encouragement that foster dependency into positive policies that call for, and encourage excellence in education, equitable opportunities for achievement and community pride that builds self-reliance or independence. We must cast down our buckets where we are.

Our black schools, community organizations, churches must form new methods of massive training to take over the black community's needs for black brick layers, black carpenters, black electricians, black street sweepers, as well as, black policemen, black teachers, black firemen, black doctors, black lawyers, black merchants etc.

It was on March 16, 1827 that the black-owned media began its substantial and courageous service to the country. It was on that date that samuel Cornish and John B Ruszwurm is the first editor of Freedom Journal, the pioneer black newspaper in America.

Dear Bob-You are quite correct in stating that the Department of Justice, has filed civil suits in several cities in an effort to get representation for minorities on city council, school boards and other governmental entities. At the present time this office is in the process of litigating a similar issue in Farmington, New Mexico. I feel that this experience will be most valuable to us and assist us in filing similar action in other cities where the fact so warrant.

Be assured of the interest of the people in this question raise and of our intention to carefully review the facts as the cities you mention to determine the feasibility of pursuing this matter through legal action.

R. E. Thompson

Sincerely, Robert J. Baca
(U.S. Department of Justice) Box 507
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103

The National Association of Black Social Workers strongly supports the passage of national health insurance legislation which would insure legislation which would insure legislation which would insure universal "no cost" health cover as a right of all citizens along with full employment with government promoting the re-building of the urban centers. Also "Aging programs service delivery and outreach to black seniors, according to their distribution in the national, state or local population. Involvement of black seniors in local aging policy boards, and affirmative action implementation in hiring blacks for aging programs".

National Business League President Theodore Habans, Jr. has announced that the nation's largest minority business organization has been awarded a grant to target business opportunities in growth industries. The award signaled a strengthening of the partnership between the federal government and the black business community as well as help in promoting economic development in the nation's minority communities.

Word comes that the world's largest all-black rodeo is making preparations to receive the largest attendance history in the historic black-owned Boley, Oklahoma on Memorial Day season.

Thousands of blacks from over the nation attend to affair each year since the 1960's.

Footnote: During the time this column was carried in the late West Texas Times, a number of bellringers subscribed and read this column regularly. Now that we moved over to the Lubbock Digest, we hope this enthusiasm will carry over of indeed the Digest is a good newspaper and a great staff of writers and reporters too.

In appreciation for their loyalty and devotion to this correspondent, we are paying for a number of trial mail subscriptions for the Digest. We trust that you will like the Lubbock Digest so much that you will want to subscribe permanently and we will get to converse with you here regularly for many moons to come.

Thank you very much and Peace. Be a good neighbor. Remember they come in all colors. Signed Bob T. Jr.

Go To The Polls On Saturday And Vote!!

We would hope that many of you will go to the polls on Saturday and cast your vote for the person whom you will like to see elected in the school board and city elections. It will be up to the citizens, people like you, to determine who will be our next mayor, new city council persons and school board trustees.

By staying home and giving some excuse will not be the answer to such critical elections. If you don't vote and you are registered to do so, your not being present is same as agreeing with what will be the outcome. Regardless of your political beliefs, you should cast a vote on Saturday, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Lubbock needs people like you in helping to decide who will serve in their political positions. As black people, we spend as much unnecessary time in doing things, and then have the audacity to say we are too busy to go to vote. This explains why we are short-changed in many of the progressive advances in our community.

In about four days, you will have this opportunity to cast your precious vote. At the same time, take somebody with you.

VOTE!!! VOTE!!! VOTE!!! SATURDAY, APRIL 5th

Peace to All this Easter in Church

Lubbock Ministers Travel To Midland

Members of the East Lubbock Intdenominational Ministerial Alliance traveled to Midland, Texas last Friday night to be in the installation services of officers of the Midland Alliance.

Rev. Kado Lang, Lubbock president, brought a dynamic message. He also gave the charge to the officers to the Midland officers.

After the services, a meal was provided for the guest.

The event was held at the St. Luke African

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Those accompanying Rev. Lang were Rev. Grimes, Rev. Stanley, Rev. Roberts, Rev. Rachel and Rev. Shepherd.

Some of the ministers' wives attended. They were Sister Lang, Sister Wilson, Sister Stanley, Sister Shepherd, Sister Swisher, Sister Grimes, and Sister Rachel.

All ministers are asked to pray for one of their ministers, Rev. A. L. Patrick, who is a patient at West Texas Hospital.

Rev. Shepherd Will Preach Sunday

The East Lubbock Intdenominational Ministerial Alliance will hold its first annual Easter Services on Sunday, April 6, at the Mount Vernon United Methodist Church. The Mass Choir of the Federation of Choirs will provide the music.

During the services, solos will be sung by Brother Michael Matthews and Rev. Tony Williams, pastor of the Community Baptist Church.

The evening message will be brought by Rev. M. G. Shepherd, pastor of the First Progressive Baptist Church.

Services will begin at 8 p. m. The alliance is asking all Christians to come and help them lift up Jesus. The public is invited.

Order of services will include: Song, Mass Choir; Scripture, Rev.



Rev. M. G. Shepherd Rachel; Prayer, Rev. Polk; Solo, Rev. Williams; Greetings from President of Alliance, Rev. Kado Lang; Song, Mass Choir; Solo, Brother Michael Matthews; Statement of Purpose, Rev. Patrick; Introduction of Speaker, Rev. Stanley; Song, Mrs. Toines and group; Sermon, Rev. M. G. Shepherd; and Song, Mass Choir. The theme for the program is "Help Me Lift Jesus."

RUBY JAY'S CORNER

We would like to take this time and place to extend to each of you a HAPPY EASTER. It is a joyous time of the year, because it depicts so much about the Christian faith.

Cecil and Loretta Houston of Brownwood, Texas attended the Northwest Regional meeting of the Texas Corrections Association here. Cecil is an administrator at the Brownwood State institution and Loretta is a caseworker at the Brownwood Statewide Reception. Loretta is the great niece of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones of Lubbock. Cecil is the brother of Melvin Houston who recently moved here from El Paso. Melvin is a teacher at Monterey High School. The TCA meeting was held March 26 thru 28 at the South Park Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Shawn attended the funeral of his brother in Gilmer, Texas last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses Kelly, her mother, Mrs. Mary McKinney, attended the funeral services of a longtime friend in Spur, Texas last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Ola Blanton. She was the mother of Mr. Arthur Blanton of Lubbock.

Let us whisper a prayer for Rev. A. W. Wilson, pastor emeritus of Bethel A. M. E. Church, who entered Methodist Hospital for surgery this week. His daughter, Mrs. Sue Nathan of Oklahoma and grandsons are at his bedside.



A Young Christian Laborers Revival, sponsored by the First Faith Baptist Church, 1504 East 15th Street, will begin April 13 thru 21. Rev. F. B. Bell is pastor. All are invited to attend.

New Hope Baptist Church will worship with the Mount Gilead Baptist Church on Sunday evening, April 20, at 8 p.m. in the ordination services of Rev. Carl Jefferson.

Last Sunday morning at New Hope, the services were great. Supt. R. B. Thompson was at her post of duty. Three months have passed since the Review Wheel for 1980.

Morning worship service was great. Rev. H. L. Hubbard of Angleton, Texas brought a wonderful message. Rev. Ferguson blessed our souls with a solo, "Just To Behold His Face."

Sunrise services will be at New Hope on Easter morning at 5 a. m. The church and community are invited to attend.

Mr. W. H. Pitts is home from the Veterans Administration Hospital in Amarillo after having surgery several weeks ago.

OBSEQUES

Mr. Willie Frank Dawson

Final rites were read last Saturday afternoon at the Mount Calvary Baptist Church for Mr. Willie Frank Dawson, a longtime resident, with Rev. C. B. Coleman, pastor, officiating. Jansion & Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Dawson was born in Dime Box, Texas, Lee County, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Dawson. Mr. Dawson passed away March 24, 1980.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Mable Dawson; three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Mae Shepherd, Mrs. Mattie Clemons, all of Dime Box, Texas, and Mrs. Daisy Collins of Houston, Texas; a brother, Mr. Jvance Dawson of Lubbock, Texas; a daughter, Ms. Vanessa



Dawson; two granddaughters of Lubbock; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were James Roy Fisher, Robert Avery, Don Hum, Charlie Palmer, Zollie White and George Francis.

MRS. RITA MAE RANDLE



under the pastorage of Rev. R. W. Wheaton, where she worked faithfully and untiringly.

On September 28, 1944, Rita Lawson and John C. Randle were united in holy matrimony and to this union a son and three daughters were born. Two children were born to a previous marriage.

In 1947, this family moved to Lubbock, Texas where they lived until Mrs. Randle departed this life.

She leaves to mourn her passing: her husband, Mr. John C. Randle; three sons, John C. Jr., Clayton and Darrell Morris; three daughters, Mrs. Jacquelyn Proctor, Mrs. Linda McKinzie, Mrs. Cheryl Bunton, a step-mother, Mrs. Odessa Lawson; a sister, Mrs. Lula B. Taylor; a brother, Mr. Cleo Lawson; eighteen grandchildren, and numerous devoted relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were friends of the family.

Tree Of Life Sanctuary COGIC Holding Prayer Revival This Week

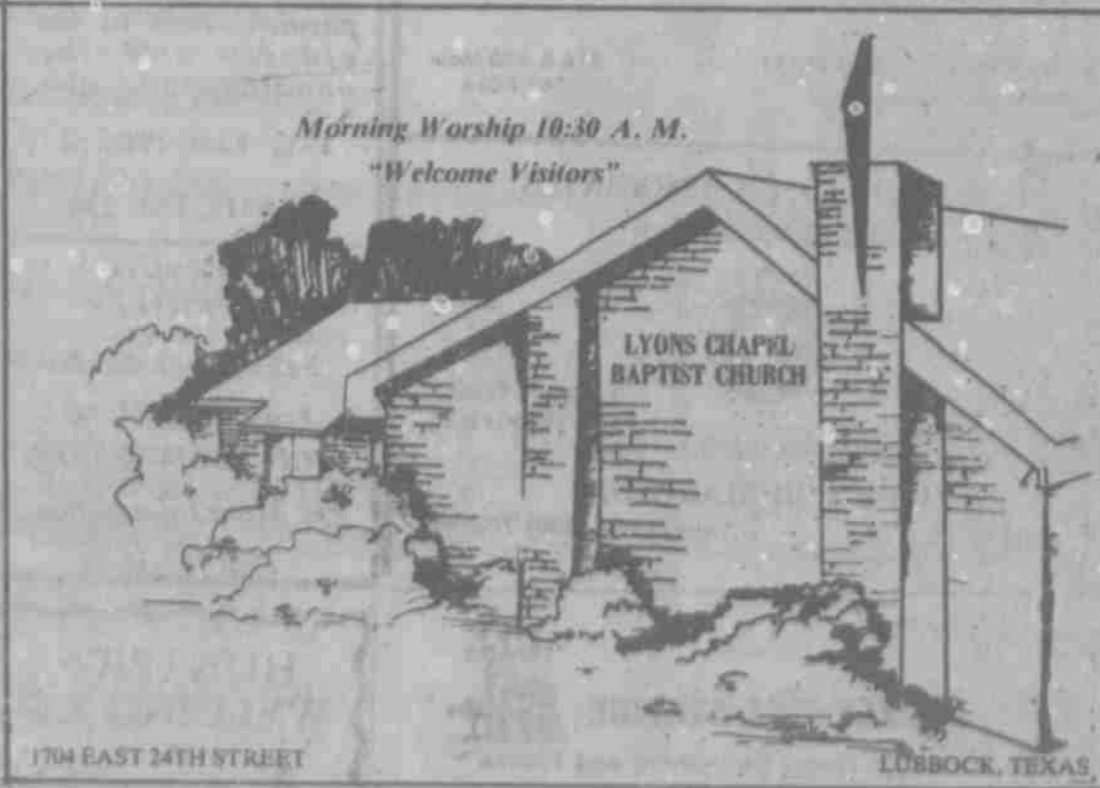
The members of the Tree of Life Sanctuary COGIC 4117 E 2nd will sponsor a Prayer Revival March 31 - April 5, 1980.

Services each night at 7:30 P.M. The mission Aries will be in charge, with guest ministers (Pee Wee) Thomas and special guest 12 year old Donovan Howard of Dallas, Texas. The public is invited to come out and pray with us.

Sun Rise service will begin at 5 A.M. April 6th. Afterwards the Sunshine band will serve breakfast, of Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Juice and Coffee at \$1.50 a plate.

Everyone cordially invited to come out Easter Sunday at 7:30 P.M. for a very special

Easter Program. You will miss a treat if you fail to be there.



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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast Club met last Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Winters. It was a beautiful affair along with a beautiful morning.

Mrs. C. E. Brown presided over the meeting. Opening devotion was led by Mrs. Vivian Peoples, Rev. Stephen Pierson and Mrs. Dorothy Hood. Scripture was taken from Matthew 5:14.

The morning lesson was taught by Mrs. Tommie Ervin. Scripture was taken from Ephesians 5:5-8.

"See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil."

Thought for the day: "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places." Think about it!

Mrs. Ervin, we were blessed by the lesson.

Thank God for people like you.

Breakfast was served by Mrs. Betty Titus and Mrs. Beulah Winters. Everything was lovely which was served, including the home patties. Are you.....? If so, come on. We feed until you want no more.

Guest ministers and wives included Rev. Stephen Pierson and Mrs. C. C. Peoples. You light up our lives. Do come again.

Prayer request was made. If you have one, come and we'll pray together. Morning prayer was offered by Mrs. Tommie Ervin.

Our sick and shut in list include Mr. Freddie Eddington who is at home. We are asking all to join this group in prayer for Mr. Eddington and for those not mentioned. Remember by his stripes, we are healed.

Mrs. C. E. Fair lost a relative in Houston. We are praying that she gain

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By-Centinal Program For New Hope Sunday School

The 200th Anniversary of the Sunday School, 1780 - 1980 Celebration at The New Hope Baptist Church will be the 2nd, Sunday in April. Drama Sunday night. Public invited to put cars in program. All Sups requested to be present.

strength in these sad hours.

Our next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Juanita Sowell, 2404 East 9th Street.

NOTICE: The Outreach Prayer Group will sponsor a talent program and spring fashion review on April 12 at 7:00 p. m. at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church. We have models who are professionals more ways than one. It's very different. Don't miss this event.

Mrs. Mary Ward is president; Mrs. C. E. Fair is vice president and Mrs. C. E. Brown is secretary. Mrs. Dorothy Hood is reporter.

Pre-Easter Services At Bethel A. M. E.

Pre-Easter services will be held nightly at 7:30 p. m. at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, beginning Wednesday through Friday of this week.

Rev. Stephen Pierson, pastor, will be preaching nightly.

The final services will be held from 11 a. m. to 12 noon at the Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ, Bishop J. E. Alexander, pastor, on Saturday, April 5th.

The public is invited to attend. Come and bring someone with you. We will do you good.

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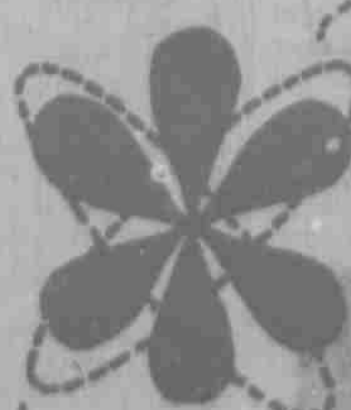

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Sheridan's Ride

by Jack Sheridan

You know, one of the things this column is supposed, as a prime person to people communication medium, is to tell you what movies, concerts, shows attract-

think you'd like or that I think you'd be better off by-passing and save your hard-earned nickles and dimes.

Therefore, in that vein, I'm hoping that I'll save some cash this week and steer you into the right place.

That means knocking two movies and pointing the way to a winning date as we started this Eastertime. As we come up to this most glorious of all Christian holidays, let me wish each one the happiest, most rewarding day of all, the rebirth of faith and hope and promise. God bless each and everyone of us and keep us in perfect peace, "whose heart is set on Thee."

Folks who have a touch of grey in the hair and can remember will know the name of "Little Miss Marker." The famous Damon Runyan short story has found its way to the movie screen no less than four times since its instant success in the early talkie days of 1930s. It catapulted young, curly-haired Shirley Temple into lifelong fame, playing opposite Adolphe Menjou, then it went into such horrific remakes as Bob Hope's "Sorrowful Jones," Tony Curtis' sickening "40 Pounds of Trouble" and now the latest assault on taste. We have it back now with its original title, "Little Miss Marker."

This is the honored story of a little girl, left as an orphaned "marker," a pawn, by her father who owes a bookie \$10.

That bachelor bookie, along with his girl friend, has to feed, clothe and cater to a kid. He doesn't know how to do it and therein lies this charming (most times) story. Now, this version, which has been touted for months, shows up at the Fox Theaters out on 19th Street. Don't bother. It is a mish-mash of total miscasting and a bore to begin with. Walter Matthau is the surrogate father; he's fine in his own craggy way. Julie Andrews is what must be the major miscasting of any year is the lady of the piece, a prime embarrassment and the only thing that salvages this disaster is a Texan

lady, young, "discovered," Sara Stimson, a cute tyke from town around the Fort Worth area.

She saves this disaster, but who wants to look at a kid for 103 minutes but wants to look at a kid She saves the disaster.

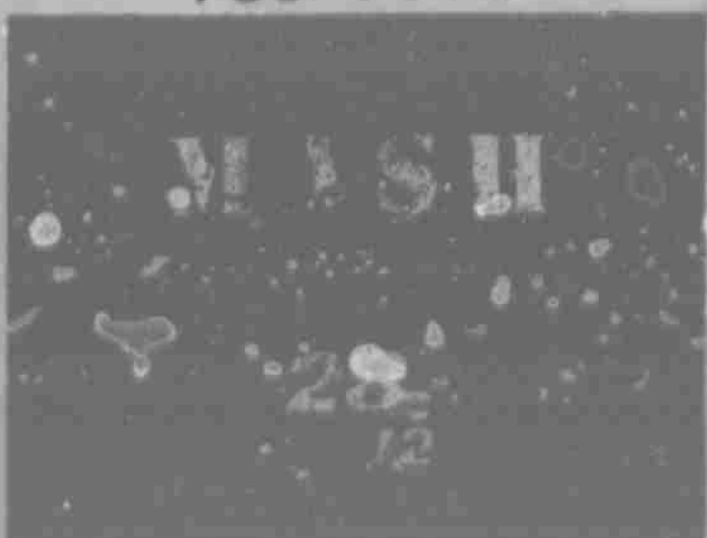
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The Outspoken CRAIG WILSON From Hollywood

Master G., Big Hank and Wonder Mike mean less than nothing to the average American teenager, but whisper that the guys hide behind the name Sugarhill Gang and a major riot can erupt in a matter of minutes. The very popular Gang became an overnight success with their fast talking record and our Big Apple spies report that they are just about ready to attack again with another sure fire smash with a group of young ladies known as Sequence. The Sugarhill Gang rides fast and J shoots from the hip.

Tinseltown cornerstones have been buzzing about the whereabouts of former Miss Indiana winner Kellee Patterson. Kellee tells us that she has been shopping a new record deal to follow up her "If It Don't Fit" hit and has been spending time in television studios working on several projects. Kellee appears as a bad girl on the *Dukes of Hazzard* series plus has been commuting between her new North Hollywood home and Gary, Indiana, on business. During the holiday season Kellee hosted her usual Christmas dinner that brought out lots of friends including state senator Nate Holden and Sickle Cell Foundation director Louis White, along with several athletes who wanted to hold the beautiful actress' hand.



Glamorous Patrice Brooks, whose flame-colored feathered fans made her a disco by-word, is hanging with the mounted red coats in Canada while she records her new album. Our Canadian spies reported that Patrice is moving away from the disco scene on several cuts and unleashes some heavy sounds in other areas.

Linda Green, who is the peach of the Peaches and Herb team, reportedly has more than three hundred pairs of shoes in her closet and recently spent more than five hours in Dallas looking for just the right pair of snakeskin cowboy boots.

Folks are talking about that very skinny singer who recently dropped her big white handkerchief at a concert and almost went ape until she recovered it. Her habit is rumored to be well over three hundred dollars per day and her so-called close friends are enjoying the ride and doing nothing to help her whip the white angel of death that sits on her shoulders.

Petite and cute Patrice Rushen is certainly not one of the one shot hit artists. Very few folks know that the dynamic little lady was a student at the University of Southern California at the tender age of three and has carried on in the best tradition since that time. Patrice is a genuine prodigy who has not only mastered the keyboards, but writes, arranges, produces and can conduct an entire recording session with little or no sweat. The cornerstones all agree that Patrice is a lady with pizzazz.

Reggae and Rasta man Bob Marley may take his entire show to Africa for an independence celebration to end all celebrations. Two very regal and royal ladies of Africa caught his Tinseltown show and immediately began attempting to sign him up for their homeland. The insiders are saying that Marley will be the hottest item to hit Africa this season.

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Featured speakers at the conference will include Elizabeth Crow, Editor-in-Chief of PARENTS MAGAZINE; Edward Shaw, Director, University of Oklahoma Press; Elsa Russell, Contributing Editor, READER'S DIGEST; Lois Duncan, freelance writer and parttime teacher at the University of New Mexico; Jane Gilmore Rushing, novelist; and David Bowser, Editor of ACCENT WEST.

Any interested person may attend by sending a registration fee of \$70.00 for both days, including two luncheons and one dinner. Persons unable to attend both days may pay \$35.00 for a single day, which includes a

suncheon ticket. High school or college students may pre-register for the Saturday session for a \$30.00 fee (includes lunch).

For more information write to P.O. Box 16323, Lubbock, Texas 79490 or call (806) 799-8748.

Lubbock Winners

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LISD Office Education teachers Shirley Ponder, Barbara Clarkson, Nelda Jobe, and Sydney Askins report eight Lubbock winners emerged from the State Office Education Association Contest, held in Dallas on March 21-22. The winners and their schools are Leaslie Hollers, Renee Hill, and Kim Noland from Coronado; Isabel Garza, Dunbar-Struggs, Gracie Martinez, Hilda Ramirez, and Michelle Winegar from Lubbock High; and Jana Poyd, Monterey.

Seven of these students will fly to Minnesota to compete in the National OEA competition April 17-22.

Older Texans Month: To Be Observed

AUSTIN - The month of May has been designated as Older Texans Month by Gov. William P. Clements, Jr.

Texas has "almost two million senior citizens," the Governor said. "We are deeply indebted to this rapidly growing segment of our population for the rich heritage they have created for us."

"In recognition and appreciation of that heritage, it is important that we encourage older Texans to remain active so that our State can continue to benefit from their experience and wisdom," Gov. Clements said.

He urged Texas communities to honor senior citizens during Older Texans Month, "to encourage their continued participation in the decision-making process."

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Conquering Loneliness

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Dear Dr. Faulkner: My biggest problem is loneliness. I tend to become easily depressed when I am lonely and would like to do something about it. Can you help? S. J., Youngtown, Ohio.

Dear Ms. S. and S. J.: Loneliness is a burden of many in today's society. People who are lonely are usually people who are alone when they would prefer to be in the company of others.

It would not be an overstatement to say that the lonely person is in search of acceptance; is in need of affectionate companionship. Men, women, children, average people, professional people, famous people have all experienced loneliness.

It seems paradoxical that anyone would be lonely in a society with millions of people. Yet, the most successful, most attractive people may be among the ranks of unhappy, lonely people.

Discos, nightclubs and bars are all gathering spots of the lonely who go to these places in search of acceptance. Yet, most lonely people never venture from their homes. You may pass them on the streets never realizing that this very person is lonely and longing for a smile and a friendly greeting from you. Little would that person realize that you desire the same thing.

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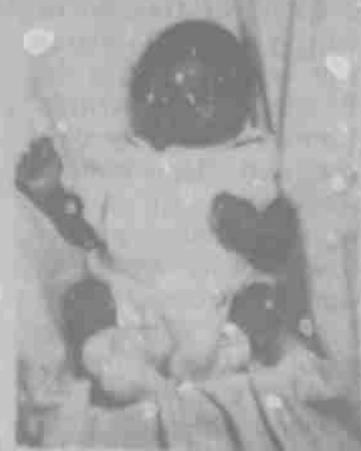
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