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FIVE TEEN AGE GANGS ORGANIZED IN LUBBOCK

by T. J. Patterson, Sr.
(Editor's note: This newspaper has discontinued the column, "Police Happenings", but will always do in-depth stories on crime in the community and hope they will make you more aware of what is going on. We are not just concerned about what happened, but what we can do to prevent crime in the community. The story this week relates to junior and high school students involved in five known gangs, confirmed by the Lubbock Police Department.)

gangs are not from one particular school, but attend at least four junior high and three high schools in Lubbock," he continued.
Those junior high schools are Alderson, Matthew, O. L. Slaton, and Thompson. High schools include Dunbar-Struggs, Escadado and Lubbock High, according to Cox.
Capt. Cox made it known that the Lubbock Police Department began to take note to the uprise of gangs in the city when a young lady was accidentally hit by a ricochet bullet from a .22 caliber pistol while attending the South Plains Fair last fall. "When this happened and the circumstances behind the incident, we (Lubbock Police Department) began to start putting names with the various incidents involving gang type activity here," he said.
In another incident involving gang type activity, a youth was

killed from a .38 caliber pistol. This incident, according to Capt. Cox, happened apparently after some kids of a particular gang had come from a party and was probably drinking. The kids were playing with the pistol and it went off and hit the youth. He was taken to a local hospital and later died.
"Prior to the death of this youth, we asked his mother what had happened in the home. She told police that someone unknown was passing by in a car and shot her son. Only after the kid died did the mother reveal to police exactly what did happen," said Capt. Cox.
"We've got to have the complete cooperation of parents if we are going to prevent these kinds of situations in our community. At present time, we've only received cooperation from some of the parents who have kids involved in these gangs."
"It's a funny thing," said Capt. Cox, "when parents will tell you that their little boy or girl doesn't run around at night with a gang." He advises all parents to start paying close attention to the involvement of their kids.

In another incident recently, a sixteen year kid is in the hospital today because of gang activity. "In this incident, this kid was apparently hit over the head with a large belt buckle, and could be paralyzed the rest of his life. The kid did pull his knife as he fell to the ground and cut three of the young gang members who attacked him. One of them nearly died from a stab wound near the O. L. Slaton Junior High School campus.
Capt. Cox says these kids are armed with knives and will use them.
This afternoon (Thursday), Capt. Cox is expected to meet with school officials in the Administration Building to see what can be done to overcome this problem.
"We've got to meet with Gib Weaver and others and come up with a plan of action on what can be done," said Capt. Cox.
"If we don't get to the bottom of this serious problem, we're going to have more stabbings and other criminal offenses because of gang activity," he said. At this report, four young people have been stabbed because gang activity in Lubbock.
"We find that these



BLACK MEDIA: Robert Brown receives EMF's award. Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, Chairman of Black Media Presents Robert Brown of B & C Associates-BMI's Black Media, Inc. Enabler's award for his outstanding contributions to the black press in America. Black Media represents over 65% of black newspaper circulation in America. The presentation was made in the home office of B & C Associates in Washington, D. C.

Digest Profile

(Editor's Note: Our guest this week is David Sowell, a resident of Lubbock, off and on, since 1949. He is a retired T/Sgt. from the U. S. Air Force, and is a member of the newly organized Zion Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Sowell has been employed at Dunlaps Department Store since December, 1968. He is an active member of the Lubbock Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). At present time, he is the president of the East Lubbock Investment Company (ELIC) since March, 1979.)



David Sowell

Mr. Sowell, why did you get involved with the East Lubbock Investment Company (ELIC)?
"I felt in east Lubbock there was a great need for togetherness. I felt it was a need for east Lubbock to begin to build a strong money base which would help improve our conditions as a people. In other words, we need some vehicle which will help people to help themselves. As you know, we are not a begging organization. We are telling the story of how important it is for Black people to own something for themselves."
Is it hard getting Black people to get involved with this kind of a program?
"It's very hard. So many other programs have begun in the Black community and are never completed. There have been people in the Black community who have sought after personal gains and not for the total community. Therefore, citizens of the Black community have been betrayed too many times, and are skeptical about the new programs, especially those which need their hard earned money for investment purposes. It's a mighty hard!"
Mr. Sowell, what is the goal of ELIC?
"At present time, our number one goal is to qualify with the State of Texas so we will become a strong based financial institution. You know, you have to qualify with the state if you are going to operate in Texas. We are not playing games, but are busy taking care of business in a proper perspective. We need to raise \$25,000 with different investors. It is not a program you can look at and forget about taking care of proper business. As I look around, I see all this potential in the community. We must keep our goals and plans in the right direction so we can become a bonified financial institution one day."
How many people are involved with ELIC?
"At present time, there are only six or eight who have invested their money. All monies collected from this endeavor is drawing interest in a local financial institution. It's just not sitting somewhere we do it for us without any interest being drawn. There have been 45 people who have pledged money for ELIC, but have not come forward with their money. People must know that it doesn't take a lot of money to get something done. If those 45 persons paid only \$5.00 per month, think of what interest could be drawn and much closer we would be to the \$25,000 needed."
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West Texas Legal Services Wins Supreme Court Appeal

Marvin Rogers, managing attorney for West Texas Legal Services in Lubbock, announced this week that the Texas Supreme Court reversed a District Court decision on involuntary termination of the parent-child relationship in a case here in Lubbock.
The Supreme Court held in a 7-2 decision that parental rights cannot be terminated unless the evidence is clear and convincing - a mere preponderance of the evidence is not constitutionally substantial enough to justify termination of the family unit.
Rogers stated that "this ruling will offer greater protection in preserving the natural family unit of all families, and particularly those families in the poverty level." He felt that the Supreme Court's ruling requiring clear and convincing evidence for termination between parent and child would prevent abuses in the future.
In the past, the Texas Family Code provided that the court must find a "preponderance of evidence", but this week the Supreme Court has strengthened the rights of the family unit by stating that evidence must be "clear and convincing and creates a conviction in the mind of the jurors as to the facts."
Marvin Rogers is the managing attorney for the West Texas Legal Services in Lubbock. WTLS is a non-profit corporation set up by Congress to provide legal assistance to those persons who qualify under low income guidelines.

Mayors of Big Cities Blast U. S. Census Plans

Last week, in Washington, D. C., big city mayors criticized plans for next month's census, a national head count that will result in shifts of House seats and federal money.
Mayor Maynard Jackson of Atlanta, Ga., representing the U. S. Conference of Mayors, predicted that the 1980 count will miss as many persons as were overlooked in 1970, when 7.7 percent of the black population was not counted.
Jackson claimed cities have lost millions of dollars in federal assistance over the last decade because minorities were undercounted in 1970.

Are You Registered To Vote April 5th In The City & School Election?

If you registered to vote by March 5th, you will be eligible to vote in the upcoming Mayor-City Council and School Board elections to be held Saturday, April 5. A "Meet The Candidates" program, sponsored by the League of Women Voters and KTX-TV, Channel 5, will be aired from 8:30 p. m. until 10:00 p. m. on Thursday, April 3. Learn what you can about the candidates. Vote your choices on Saturday, April 5th.

White House Conference On Families To Discuss Issues Important To Black Community

Unemployment and its impact on families, teenage pregnancy, housing, drug abuse and crime are some of the likely topics that will be discussed at the White House Conference on Families, which is slated to take place in three major cities this summer. The sites are: Baltimore, Md., June 5, 6 and 7; Minneapolis, Minn., June 19, 20 and 21; and Los Angeles, Calif., July 10, 11 and 12.
President Jimmy Carter, declaring "the American family is under unprecedented pressure," challenged the White House Conference on Families, "to see what we can do, not simply as a government, but as a nation, to strengthen families."
The first of its kind, the Conference calls for broad participation from diverse families across the country.
The purpose of the White House Conference on Families is two-fold: first, to discuss families; second, to develop recommendations on these issues for national action by government and major private institutions.
Black Americans have been urged to become more involved in every facet of the Conferences. "We are heartened by the number of Black Americans who have become involved in state activities. The number of blacks elected as delegates continues to increase. We have promised an open process and we will not be satisfied until we have achieved our goal," John Carr, Executive Director for the Conference stated recently.
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Lubbock High School Students Attend Recognition Day Program



DUNBAR-STRUGGS HIGH SCHOOL'S OUTSTANDING senior science students (above) were honored by Southwestern Bell at its annual Science Recognition Day program held recently in Lubbock. Speakers from Bell Laboratories and various science fields discussed science with the honorees from 13 schools. Here Dot Kirby of Bell Laboratories discusses telephone research with the students and their teacher, Lowell Cole.



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Profile

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Mr. Sowell, what purpose will this money be used for in the Black community?

"It will be used to make loans to individuals in the community, such as home improvement and automobile type loans. Being a young investment company, we need to start slow and have proper collateral with the loans we lend. As they told us in Austin, we need good collateral. As we grow, and we will grow, we will make better loans to those desiring them."

In your opinion, what are the basic needs of east Lubbock?

"We need projects such as improving the shopping centers we have in east Lubbock. There needs to be something done with the housing conditions in the Black community also."

Will ELIC play an important role in helping overcome these problems?

"Yes! So many times Black people are turned down from a financial institution across town. We would hope to be in position to go a step further and help those who are sincere about upgrading the community, in turn, will upgrade their station in the economic arena. We hope to be able to play an important role in this regard."

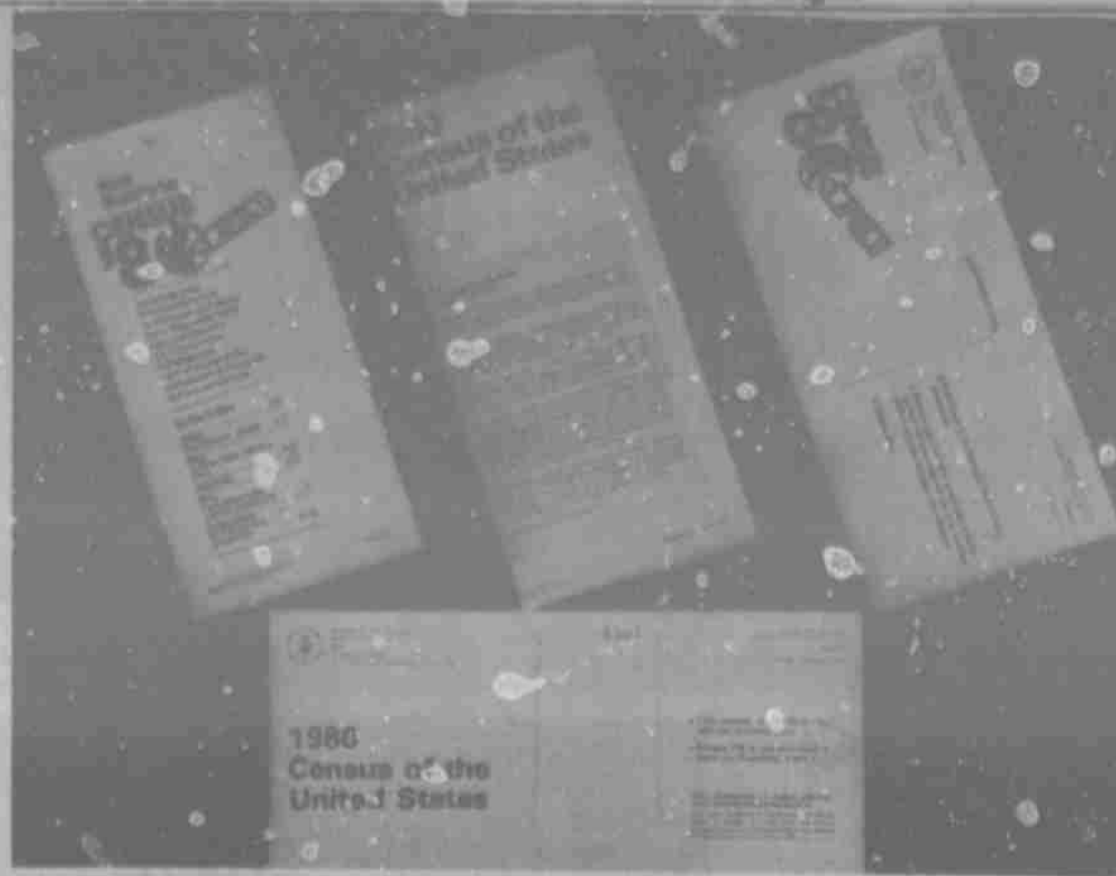
Have you been discouraged about the progress of ELIC?

"No! I still feel confident. I will not quit, regardless of others who have tried to discourage me with their cheap talk. When I hear people talk about this can't be done or try to turn me around with their small talk, I become more determined. You know, a lot of Blacks have told me and others members of ELIC that they can get more money from the white man. These Blacks must realize this is not the idea. That's why we need 50 strong Black people who will come in and invest their money and time. As Black people, we need to own something for ourselves. Just think, if there were only 50 people out of 18,000 Blacks in Lubbock who would invest their money and pool it with others, we would get a lot of things done for ourselves. This is only the beginning. We are at the peak of the iceberg. If we get off the ground, as they tell us in Austin, we could spend off into a bank or savings and loan association. But the key is to get 50 determined people to join us. This is why small talk doesn't bother me. It's time for Black people to get behind something which will help the masses in the Black community."

Who are the officers in ELIC?

"We have some dedicated persons who are serving as officers in the program. Let me point out that these people are concerned about their community and are doing something about it to change the conditions. It's not all David Sowell, because they, too, are working real hard. Our officers are Joe Graves, treasurer; Ms. Katie Parks, secretary; and myself, president. We meet every other Wednesday evening at the Mac Simmons Community Center at 8 p.m. We'd like to invite others to come out and meet with us. If people come, we'll be glad to advise them on what we are doing and why."

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Exploded View, English Mail Back Questionnaire

MOST AMERICANS will receive on March 28, by mail, the three top items enclosed in the envelope shown above. An instruction guide (top left) is available in any of 32 languages. The census questionnaire (middle) should be answered completely and mailed back on or about April 1 in the enclosed postage-free brown envelope (right). For assistance, dial the phone number that appears on the mailing label.

South Plains Homeowners Warned By BBB Here

South Plains residents should be on the lookout for itinerant home improvement contractors that may offer great prices for doing people's roofs, paneling, drive ways, etc. Your Bureau has already received calls indicating that the itinerant home improvement companies are starting up their annual operations.

These unethical peddlers prey especially on the elderly and the low income person. Their work is usually poor and when something goes wrong after the job, the contractors have fled the South Plains.

Consumers are advised that if they are considering having home improvements done to their property that they deal with local contractors that can be found if something goes wrong. Also, get estimates and check out contractors with references from the company and finally, check the reliability of the company through your Better Business Bureau.

Some favorite sales tactics of these itinerant groups are for example: Offering to do the job below cost if the home can be used as a show home or for advertising purposes. The old pitch that the contractor had just completed another job and will do a project

for the consumer at cost rather than having to carry the excellent materials from the first job back to his warehouse in whatever city.

Coming to your home uninvited.

Approaches are varied and caution should be used when dealing with those you don't know.

Your Bureau has a free brochure on home improvements that contains a checklist of what to do in lining up a contractor. Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to BBB/South Plains, P.O. Box 1178, Lubbock, TX 79408, for your free copy.

FIVE TEEN

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kids enjoy just showing off after they have been on a drinking spree in Lubbock.

According to Capt. Cox, the Lubbock Police Department has identified the names of five gangs in Lubbock. They are: Barracudas, Red Barons, Demons, Le Muerte

(Skull), and the South Siders (combination of various groups of students).

"It is very important for parents to become concerned about what is going on here," he said.

Capt. Cox also stated, "Parents had better get with it, and help us with this matter."

He did note that there is no evidence that Blacks or whites are involved in gang activity at this time. "What's disturbing is that these gangs may irritate some Blacks or whites and could result in a very serious confrontation and create problems here," he concluded.

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White House Conference

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Coretta Scott King, the Reverend Jesse Jackson, author Robert Hill and others have encouraged Black Americans to take an active role in this unprecedented discussion of the family. Interested persons should call the Governor's office in their state, or contact the White House Conference on Families, 330 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20201, or call (202) 472-3083.

Black Mayors To Target 1980 Elections

Washington — Mayor Richard Hatcher, President the National Conference of Black Mayors, Inc. (NCBM) announced this week that the organization will focus the Sixth Annual Convention program on the importance of the vote in all elections, but with particular emphasis on the presidential race. The 1980 convention will be held in Washington, D.C., April 17-19th, at the Sheraton - Washington Hotel.

The theme of the convention, "Voting: A Key To Political and Economic Viability," encourages the participation of a wide variety of service, business and educational institutions, explained Hatcher, as strategies are developed to mobilize the constituents of our member mayors for the 1980 presidential elections.

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by
Eddie P. Richardson



Jim Blagg and Rick Childers

Jim Blagg is the Assistant City Manager and assists the City Manager in providing administrative guidance to organizations and agencies within municipal government. Mr. Blagg interprets city policy for department heads, directors, media and the public. He works with various departments within the city in problem solving, personnel, management problems, and on occasions he will do management types studies for various departments. Mr. Blagg is also responsible to direct the budget process for the city.

Rick Childers is one of four blacks in the state to hold the job of Administrative Assistant to the City Manager. Mr. Childers spends a large portion of his time as liaison between the public and the city government. He answers questions and complaints dealing with problems, citizens bring to him. Mr. Childers duties also include issuing permits for parades, block parties, loud speakers, special permits and ETC.

Mr. Childers also reviews all personnel forms, employment, merit reviews, promotions and dismissals. He holds an open door policy and is willing to meet citizens to help them deal with all types of problems relating to city government.

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By Charles E. Belle

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Getting the American Indian into the act also involved a special effort. When these people of color are not counted as part of the population in their communities costly and needed health, education and welfare funds will also be missing. Making everyone known in the community is like putting money into each individual's pocket-book. It's one less bill you have to pay and one more way to pay yourself more of the government's funds. Money is made available by those people who stand up to be counted by the Bureau of the Census.

The 1980 census, as is every ten year census, is a serious matter. Congress will make its decision on representative districts and dole out federal grant money and expenditures based on the data developed by this census.

Only those people who expect to be alive in the year 2052 can be afraid of revealing facts for the census. Census information is sealed in a vault and may not be released until after 72 years from



The date it was taken. By law only sworn officers and employees of the Census Bureau have access to individual information until it is turned over to the National Archives for storage.

The law stipulates further that the published information be in such a form that it is not possible to identify any individual or, in the case of the five year economic census, any single business establishment. All employees, including temporary ones, take an oath not to disclose personal information.

Violations can mean a federal prison sentence for five years plus cash payment of \$5,000. Since the first census in 1790 the Director of the Bureau of the Census believes no one has broken the rule. Racism was rampant in the first census since blacks were counted as three-fifths of something. Since then too many blacks have shortchanged themselves.

When one of the 80 million census questionnaires comes to you in the mail, make sure you return it after you put a pen in your hand and complete the questionnaire. Have some fun, say to the U. S. Government and its people, "Count me in. I AM SOMEBODY AND I DON'T PLAN ON LETTING YOU FORGET IT!"

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Hightower Gets Endorsement

AUSTIN-- Texas Railroad Commission candidate Jim Hightower Wednesday won the unanimous endorsement of delegates attending the Texas AFL-CIO's statewide COPE convention.

A day earlier, the 37-year-old former Texas Observer editor received the most enthusiastic reception of the convention as delegates cheered loudly and waved placards bearing Hightower's picture and his campaign slogan, "Enough is enough!"

Speaking immediately after his opponent, incumbent Railroad Commissioner James Nugent, Hightower brought repeated applause from the delegates as he blasted the incumbents for being under the thumb of "Mr. Rich," whom he identified as being

the big oil, gas and utility companies.

"It's because Mr. Rich controls this commission that your utility basic rates in the last ten years have gone up 30 percent every single year," Hightower said. "It's because Mr. Rich controls this commission that we have to pay not just the basic rate on our utility bill, but for their advertising charges. Now we've got to pay for their lawyers to come up here and get a rate increase. It's because Mr. Rich controls it that we've got to pay for their fuel costs, even though they buy much of that fuel from themselves."

"If I had voted for some of those things, as my opponent has, I'd be up here in a red wig and sunglasses. I'd be so ashamed," he told the

delighted labor audience.

"I'm giving the people of this state a choice. I'm saying to them, 'If you own a lot of oil wells, then you get with my opponent because we'll do your bidding. If you're an executive with the Exxon Corporation, then Nugent's your boy. But if you don't own a lot of oil wells, if you're not up in the executive suites of Exxon's headquarters, then you ought to be voting for Jim Hightower.'"

The official convention report on the candidates endorsed by the AFL-CIO said, "As a reporter and candidate, Hightower has made it clear that his philosophy of service on the Railroad Commission would be dictated by what is best for consumers rather than the industries regulated by the Commission."

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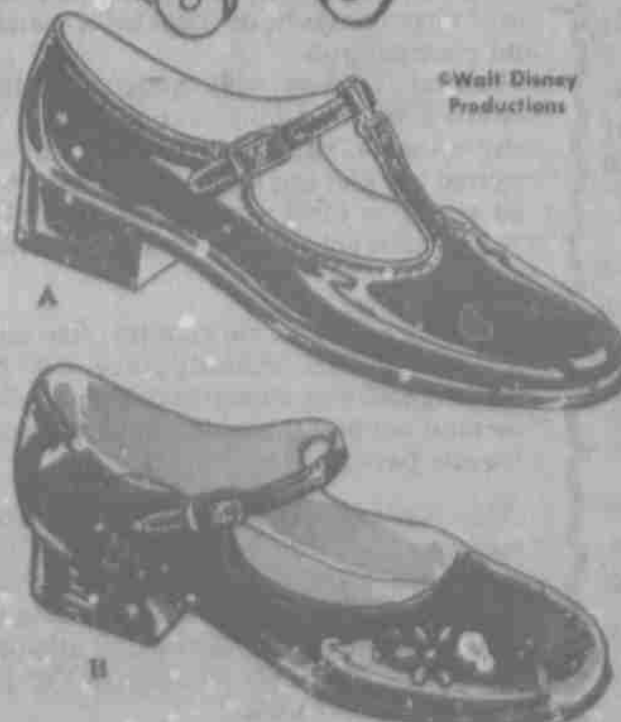
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"WHY NOT?"

by
Eddie P. Richardson, Jr.

Last week, we promised some alternatives to our more than 40 percent functional illiterates above the age of 18. These are largely unemployable persons whose reading skills tragically do not equal or surpass the fourth grade level.

The negative impact of this condition upon our people and society, as a whole in part, is reflected in

increasing and devastating crimes rates, enormously high unemployment levels, demanding forms of welfare, non-productivity degrees that spawn inflation, etc. The most recent result has been that among other things, President Carter has requested a \$3 billion budget to deal with the catastrophic and costly failure upon our nation.

A widely accepted reading skill and image enhancing program, with proven effectiveness, has been developed by the Curriculum Concepts, Inc. In just one years time, adherence to this quite and simple program (that is designed to be coupled with a newspaper reading agenda. The Lubbock Digest is a participant in a nation-wide effort to deal with our national problem of functional illiterates. Among our nation's youth, BMI being the distributor, this program has raised the reading levels of some youngsters by more than two grade levels.

Curriculum Concepts, Inc. is, by far, the largest company in its field that provides the editorial, design and production services for such leading text books publishers as Random House, SRA, McGraw-Hill, Scott Forman, Ginn, Holt, Rinehart, Winston, American Book Company and many others. Curriculum Concepts, Inc. recognizes that one of the dominant means of producing images and developing reading skills are attributes of the community newspaper. However, they have found that white oriented newspaper ... in most instances, have proven a poor means of developing wholesome and/or realistic images of Black Americans.

Further, some Black oriented newspapers are extremely poor for developing either reading skills (via their writings). This is why the Lubbock Digest dropped our crime column (Police Happenings) or images, because of their emphasis on crime and other negatives.

Curriculum Concepts, Inc. has met with Black Media, B. M. L., and Black Resources, Inc. (BRI) as well as has talked with many of our BMI publishers who both insert the new National Black Monitor and use the mind and action refocusing editorials. As you may know, this newspaper is a member and receives such information. It has been concluded that our BMI newspapers, as a group, are, by far, the most ideal in the nation to accompany their supplementary material for urban children all across America.

As a result, the entire promotion of "Scoop" to every public school system in America will be coordinated by BMI and BRI editorial people ... but will be open to any and all newspapers in America deemed acceptable by BMI and BRI editors and Curriculum Concepts, Inc. to meet the necessary criteria.

The Scoop program ... with regular weekly techniques ... not only will tie in with unique editorial copy we receive regularly, through Ms. Jeanne Jason and her editorial staff at BRI, but will also be free to educational systems who buy yearly subscriptions to our participating newspapers.

The Lubbock Digest is proud to be a part of this national effort to help our young people across America.

Nuff Sed! WHY NOT??

More Preventive Health Programs Needed In Lubbock

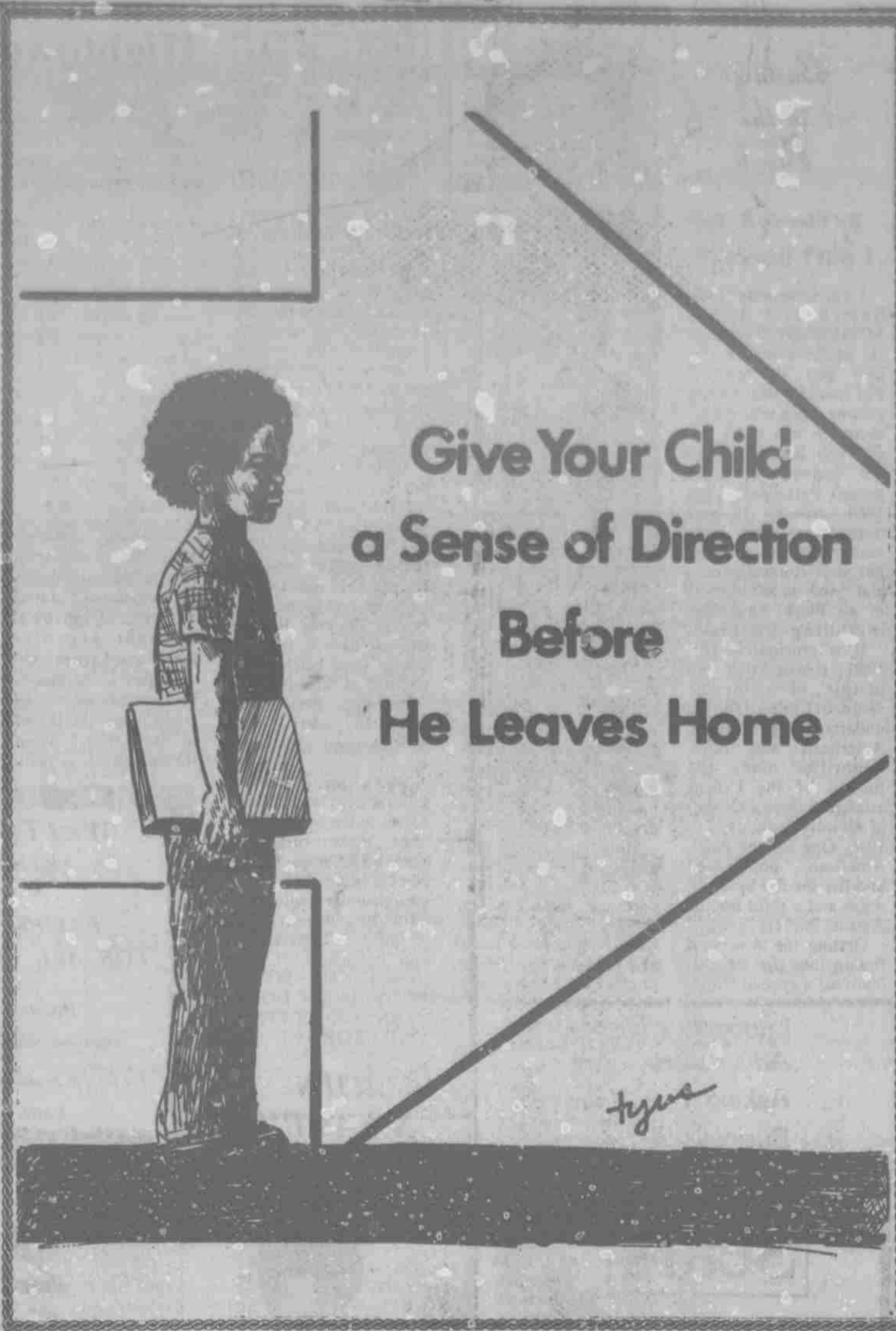
We agree with the statement made by Dr. Marjorie K. Orr, M. D., city health officer and director of the Lubbock City Health Unit, when she made it loud and clear that Lubbock needs more preventive health programs for its citizens. The health officer went on to say: "In a city of the affluency of Lubbock" there is no need to have a rat problem in all parts of the city. Only by getting down to the cause of the problem can we, as citizens and taxpayers, prevent the rat situation from spreading in our community. By only using various poisons to kill the rats and rodents will not solve the problem. This is only fighting the symptom, and we've been guilty of this method too long.

As citizens, too, if the City of Lubbock doesn't take note to what this health officer has said, we will have to become more involved and do something about our living conditions. This holds true for the lower-socio economic neighborhoods as well as the affluent areas of the town. A rat or rodent doesn't pick out its socio-economic neighborhood to harbor and multiply. Ones race, color or creed doesn't have anything to do with where a rat or rodent will call its home. They (rats or rodents) could care less.

As parents and concerned citizens, we must teach our youngsters to be extremely careful when doing little chores as taking out the trash or rubbish. Advise them to be careful when emptying the trash container, and not to waste more on the ground than placed in the container, and most of all, please close the lid. As adults, many of us are guilty, we need to take our time and see that our areas are clean. In many instances, it's not the child.

We can appreciate what Dr. Orr has said. After all, she is the official health officer in our community (and there is none other) and we should adhere to what she is saying. Even the director of public services, Denzel Perciful, should take note to what is happening here in the rat and rodent community. We hope also that our city manager, Larry Cunningham, will insist that something will be done in the preventive health area. We can't continue to white wash situations which are detrimental to our lives, including the deaths of infants.

Think about this, and even ask those political seekers their position on preventive health programs for all citizens. We think you'll be glad you did!



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Let's Get Together, Black Brothers and Sisters!!

If there ever was a time, the time is now for Black brothers and sisters together and do something constructive. We've been playing too long, seeing how smart we really are. We can't do a darn thing by ourselves. It will take collective cooperation in obtaining anything worthwhile.

We say this because of the upcoming City and School Board elections which are on tap Saturday, April 5th, from 7 a. m. to 7 p.m. It has been our experience to notice that the majority of Black brothers and sisters who raise the most hell in the community (with their voices) are the ones who will not vote. It's time for this to cease. We would even wager that those are the same ones who are selling us down the drain for thirty pieces of silver (perhaps in some cases even less).

We like to advise all Blacks, regardless of your station in life, to get busy and get to the polls on this day. If you are a pastor or preacher, say something Christian from the pulpit which will lift the minds and hearts of those listening to they will vote. On the other hand, if you are a member of some organization (civic, social or fraternal), encourage yourself first, then invite others to go to the polls and exercise this precious right.

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"A cooperative effort to increase efficiencies and reduce urban costs"

A Postal And Federal Viewpoint

by
Robert L. White



Inflation Pinches Everyone

As news of already high inflation worsens, economists and other financial experts are issuing warnings that we are headed for a national economic emergency.

Everyone is feeling the pinch of inflation -- some more than others -- and almost everyone has grim predictions for our economy in the future. High interest rates and tight money have been unsuccessful in cooling off the economy. Consumers continue to buy and borrowers continue to borrow even though real income has been seriously eroded by inflation.

President Carter is defending his economic policies though he has created an economic task force to review those policies. And, what is going to be implemented to salvage the economy is anybody's guess.

I think we can pretty much take the President at his word when he says he does not favor mandatory wage and price controls.

Federal workers will quite understandably be disturbed by the administration's proposed 6.2 pay raise in the budget. This is less than the seven percent received last year and the rate of inflation has taken off like a balloon filled with helium. Federal and postal workers must not be assigned the role of victim for our nation's ills.

Workers who serve our country often do so at great personal sacrifice. Already they are denied the freedom to actively engage in partisan politics. Surely they must not bear this additional burden of a far from adequate pay raise.

The National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees -- the nation's oldest and largest independent black controlled labor union -- will be speaking to this very issue in the coming weeks. The National Alliance will oppose any attempts to slow down wages that fails to address the problem of spiraling prices, as well.

Federal workers feel they are the sacrificial lambs in a situation they did not cause and cannot cure, and federal workers are denied any opportunity to provide input when policy affecting their lives is being designed.

Ringling The Bell

by
Bob Tieuel

Looking Back on the Black College Experience: A few days ago, we spent a few hours back at the college where it was ours to roam a few years back. It was good to meet old friends and to meet new ones, some who had made good and some who had not. It was indeed an heart warming experience and our only regret was that we were not able to spend more time on the campus of Texas College, in the city of roses, at Tyler, Texas.

There can be no doubt that the energy crunch kept many away from this Leap Year Reunion and 50th Anniversary Exercises on the founding of this black-oriented church related institution of higher learning in 1894. Plaques and engraved certificates were awarded some 16 people at the Alumni Awards Dinner with some five hundred people attending to witness the presentations made by Bluiye Suber Aaron, wife of Hank Aaron.

Especially honored with doctorate degrees were the Honorable Julian Bond and Dr. Mildred Faye Jefferson. Julian Bond has served as a member of the Georgia House of Representatives, a member of a number of national organizations, newspaper editor and currently does syndicated column for a group of newspaper. Mildred Faye Jefferson, M. D., is on the staff of Boston University Medical Center; a graduate of Texas College and the Harvard Medical School. She is co-founder of the National Right to Life, Inc. and has served as president for three years.

Dr. Arthur Washington of Prairie View University and a graduate of T. C. also, told a panel that Prairie View has been dubbed by HEW as one of the worst colleges in the state but by whose standards, he asked. He challenged students to work hard so they could succeed.

It is reported that HEW Title II program has proposed legislation that will increase level for this program from \$120 million to 200 million. With the cry on balancing the budget, however, many black college leaders are worried and think their budgets will be seriously affected. There is a wait and see attitude. There are some 41 black colleges in the U. S. who are members of the United Negro College Fund.

Dr. Jessie W. Jones, a graduate of T. C. and chairman of the department of Natural Sciences at Bishop College, said that today black colleges serve as our ark. They have come a long way, peaking in 1940. My prognosis is somewhat gloomy. Prairie View is just a stroke away from the governor's pen of being wiped out. Integration has done much to cause the downfall of black colleges. Our struggle is to hang on to what has been handed to us -- to lose this, we lost it all, concluded Jones.

Speaking to the hundreds of ex-students and graduates of Texas College, Dr. Wallace M. Chaney, retired deputy superintendent of schools at Redwood, California and presently an aide to a California congressman who is investigating the 891 blacks killed in Jonestown said: "Too often we fall too short of being involved. Most of you do not vote. How can we have an impact if we are not willing to do our part?" he asked.

From the Black Side of the News: The small Troup was stunned and saddened after learning their local sports hero, Bryon Payton, was one of 22 members of the American boxing team killed in the recent plane crash near Warsaw, Poland. The 16 year old black Troup slugger, who won two National Junior Olympic championships, claimed the Texas State Golden Gloves fight middleweight crown recently in Ft. Worth. He was waiting for a trip to the nationals in Shreveport, La. later this month and was the only Texan killed in the crash.

Boxing coach Thomas "Sarge" Johnson of Indianapolis was another of the 21 other members of the U. S. amateur boxing team that died recently in a plane crash in Poland. Johnson was highly regarded in international amateur boxing circles, and worked for the State Department as a goodwill ambassador.

Black people have a history and tradition of struggle for human dignity. Our struggle is not ended until all of us have enough to eat, good health care, decent housing and self reliance. Write Peace Corps/Vista, Dept. 308, Room 1622, 212 N. St. Paul, Dallas, Texas 75201. Thus you can share your skills and abilities with people in the poorest of nations at home and abroad.

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.

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 a Youth Committee Meeting at 11:00 a. m. in the
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 Association of Governments, 1709 26th Street,
 Lubbock, Texas. Items to be discussed will
 include presentation of budget information and
 county allocations for Summer Youth
 Employment Programs, number of planned
 participants to be served, a counseling outline,
 and Youth Committee recommendations.

Public Announcement
 Application packets are now available for
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 Projects which can be funded under the CETA
 Title IV. These projects should be designed to
 provide or accomplish a specific public service.
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 Application packages or additional
 information may be obtained from the CETA
 Project Director's Office, South Plains
 Association of Governments, 1709 26th Street,
 Lubbock, Texas 79411.
 Deadline for all applications will be 4:00 p. m.,
 April 18, 1980. For further information call 762-
 8721.

Public Notice
 The City of Lubbock Transit Department (Citibus)
 will be holding a public hearing on Thursday, April 24,
 1980 in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 914 Texas
 Avenue. The hearing will begin at 10:00 a. m.
 The hearing is being held in accordance with City
 policies regulating public transit fare changes, and will
 afford interested individuals the opportunity to
 comment on a proposed comprehensive fare change
 plan for Citibus. A copy of the proposed fare plan
 elements is available for public inspection in the City
 Secretary's office.
 The Council Chambers are fully accessible and every
 person who desires to speak will be given the
 opportunity at the meeting. Anyone who is unable to
 attend the meeting may submit written comment to:
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Come to Church

Federation of Choirs Honors Mrs. Moore

A lovely and dedicated woman, Mrs. Desma Moore, was honored by the members of the Federation of Choirs last Sunday afternoon at the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church in their twenty-sixth anniversary.

Mrs. Moore, who has served for sixteen years of faithful service with the Federation of Choirs, retired as directress of the choirs last Sunday. "I'm so happy with what the Federation of Choirs has done for me," she said with tears in her eyes. "You know, I didn't think you wanted me, but now I know."

Special remarks were also made by the Rev. A. L. Davis, pastor, who told the group that the pastor and Saint Luke loves Mrs. Moore. "She has been with us for thirty years as a musician, and we just love her," said Rev. Davis.

Appearing on program, aside from the Federation of Choirs,



Mrs. Desma Moore

were here four daughters who were accompanied by Rev. Levi Lenly, William Shumate and Tom Jackson

Mrs. Moore came to Lubbock in 1945, and has been working for the past thirty-five years a

directress of choirs at Saint Luke.

Rick Childers, assistant to the city manager for the City of Lubbock, presented her a proclamation while members of the Federation of Choirs gave her a lovely corsage and plaque.



Ruby Jewel Braxton

Ruby Braxton In Concert Here

Ruby Jewel Braxton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Braxton of 1823 Manhattan Drive, will present her junior piano recital on Sunday, March 30, at 3 p. m. at the Texas Tech Hemmle Recital Hall.

Miss Braxton, the student of Dr. Thomas Redway, will be assisted by Rhonda Smith, a senior education flute major.

This recital is dedicated to the loving memory of Joanna Schubert. The program contains works by Brahms, Beethoven, a by Brahms, Beethoven, and Prokofiev.

There is no admission charge.

Deltas Will Sponsor "Man & Woman of the Year"

The Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will sponsor the annual "Man & Woman of the Year" awards program. All churches, civic and social organizations are asked to participate in this affair.

According to Mrs. C. H. Kyle, chairperson, "We are asking each church and organization to send in the name of a candidate who has done some outstanding work or achievements in the community for the year 1979-1980."

All names of candidates must be in the hands of Mrs. Kyle by Friday, April 11, 1980.

Mother Board Sponsors Program Sunday At Hope Deliverance

Members of the Mother Board of the Hope Deliverance Temple Church of God in Christ will sponsor a program on Sunday afternoon, March 30, beginning at 2:30 p. m. at 2812 East 4th Street.

The theme for the program is "The Greatest is Love," I Corinthians, Chapter 13. Special guest on the program will be the Gospel Flames. "We want our many friends to come out and be with us," said Rev. Charles Tanner, pastor.

Fifth Sunday Mission Program At Christ Temple COGIC March 30th

Members of the Christ Temple Church of God in Christ's Home Mission Christ's Home and Foreign Mission Service will sponsor a fifth Sunday program, March 30, beginning at 3 p. m.

President, Sister Classic Lee Garner, invites everyone to come out to this program.

The pastor is Bishop W. D. Haynes, and the church is located at 2411 Fir Avenue.

OBSEQUIES

In Loving Memory



Mrs. Cora Weisner

Final rites were read for Mrs. Cora Weisner Wednesday, March 19, 1980, at the St. John Baptist Church, with Rev. James Moore, pastor, officiating. Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery, Peaceful Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of South Plains Funeral Home.

Mrs. Weisner, "Big Mama", was born July 13, 1887 to Sam and Charity Haywood in Marshall, Texas.

She was married to Milton Weisner in Marshall, Texas and to this union four children were born. Mr. Weisner and two of her children preceded her in death.

Mrs. Weisner moved to Lubbock in 1951 and united with the St. John Baptist Church where she remained a faithful member and mother of the church until her death.

Mrs. Weisner departed this life on March 14, 1980.

Survivors include two sons, Roosevelt of Kansas City, Mo., and Milton of Marshall; a step son, Alvin Weisner of Dallas; fifteen grandchildren, twenty-five great grandchildren, ten great great grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Ruben Baker, Ricky Peppers, Johnnie Mayse, Herman Bryant, Norris Osby, Jr., and Kenneth Burrow.

Honorary pallbearers were the Deacon Board of the St. John Baptist Church.

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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The team members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Carroll. The welcome mat was truly rolled out, and well accepted by all.

Our secretary, Mrs. C. E. Brown, presided over the meeting.

Opening devotion was led by Mrs. Vivian Peoples, Mrs. Tommie Ervin and Mrs. Brown. Opening scripture was Hebrews 11:1-3.

Morning lesson was taught by Mrs. Loutina

Childers. The scripture was taken from Colossians 1:1-2; 3:1-4.

"If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."

Thought for the day: "Put on the new man, with patience, forgiveness, humbleness, love, and long suffering." Think about it.

The message was beautifully delivered and received by all. Thanks,

Mrs. Childers for coming by.

Breakfast was served decent and in order. That's the only way we do things in this group.

Are you.....? If so, come by. We love to feed both soul and body.

Guest ministers and wives included Rev. A. L. Dunn, Dr. and Mrs. Floyd Perty, Jr., Mrs. C. C. Peoples, Mrs. Gertrude Williams, Mona Kinner and Bonnie Jackson.

You are so special to this group. Come again! Prayer request was made. Do you have one? Come by and let us pray together.

The morning prayer was offered by Rev. Dunn.

Our sick and shut in list include Brenda Kinner at home; Mr. Freddie Eddington, at home; Rosevelt Burres and John Hamilton, both patients at West Texas Hospital.

To the bereaved families: Mrs. C. E. Fair lost a niece in Houston, Texas. The family of Mrs. Rita M. Randle. If there are others not mentioned in our community, remember God still specializes in things which seem impossible.

This group will sponsor a benefit in the very near future. The proceeds will be used for the Sentele H. Lyons Learning Center. Don't miss this event.

For more information, call 763-2966.

Our next meeting will be held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Winters, 3416 East 17th Street.

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

Let us whisper a prayer for the Dempsey Taylor family. Their son, Steve, is very ill in college. He is in a hospital at Hempstead, Texas. They might have to bring him home. Let's hope for him a speedy recovery. He is expected to graduate from Prairie View A & M University in May.

Mrs. Luella Sc. it has been on the "hot" side of her mother, Mrs. Geneva Jackson, in Los Angeles, California for several weeks.

Seventh Day

Adventist Sponsors Program Here

The members of the Manhattan Heights Seventh Day Adventist, East 25th Street and Quirt Avenue, will sponsor a program March 15 thru Saturday, April 5.

Pastor Clarence Williams, III of Monroe, Louisiana is the guest minister.

Pastor Williams also has been a pastor in New Orleans, La., Amarillo, and Lubbock, Texas.

He received his BA degree in business from Northeast Louisiana University, Monroe, La.; and History and Religion from Southwestern Union College, Keene, Texas.

He received his MA in pastoral leadership from Andrews University, Bern Springs, Miss.

The public is invited to attend these services each evening. They begin at 7:30 p. m. each evening.



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RUBY JAY'S CORNER

The Heroines of Jericho, Eastern Stars and Master Masons will observe their annual celebration, Palm Sunday, March 30, 1980, at the St. John Baptist Church at 3 p. m. The Prince Hall Affiliation Texas Jurisdiction will be in charge. Rev. James Moore, pastor, will bring the message of the hour.



is the driver for a while. If you want to be picked up on Sunday mornings, please Mr. Francis at 762-1489; New Hope Baptist Church 744-3352; or yours truly, 744-4127.

Kenneth Polk traveled to Dallas with his cousin, LaTisha Bibbs, to spend his spring break with the Bibbs family. He returned to Lubbock Wednesday, via airlines. It was his first flight and he really enjoyed it. He reported a wonderful stay in Dallas.

Ms. Johnnie Derrough and daughter spent the spring break in Fort Worth visiting her sisters and father. She was accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. G. H. Davis. They had a wonderful trip also. They returned home last Friday.

Mrs. G. H. Davis would certainly appreciate your visit to view the "Spring & Summer Hats." They are beautiful! Her home address is 2105 Ash Avenue. Stop by and pick up one for Easter. Oh, by the way, tell her Ruby sent you by to buy a hat.

The New Hope Baptist Church has a new van to pick up members. Deacon George Francis

Sheridan's Ride

by Jack Sherk's

No column this week could open without the writer's sincerest congratulations and gratitude for an uplifting and rewarding afternoon of faith and renewal as given at the 25th Anniversary Federation of Choirs service held at Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church last Sunday. This unique and thrilling service is without parallel in this city and this year's singing and words were no less triumphant than its predecessors in the past.

I was not a stranger, a newcomer to Sunday's gathering; no, I have attended a number of these springtime treasures before. For Mrs. Desma Moore, the retiring directress of the mass choir representing 13 churches, I have the most profound respect and admiration. She is not only a directress with authority and command but she is also a participant singer of no mean accomplishment. To her goes this column's accolade — thank you for a job superbly done.

Movie-wise, I have two current features to comment upon. They are Neil Simon's adaptation of his stage success, "Chapter Two" and Joseph Wambaugh's newest adaptation of his novel, "The Black Marble." Both films are on view at the UA South Plains Mall Cinema.

Wambaugh, you may remember, is the Los Angeles cop who also writes and has enjoyed high success in the latter field. His previous films, up to last year's "The Onion Field," were produced out of his control to his disgust by their handling and treatment, particularly the horrid mess they made of his book "The Choirboys." So, Wambaugh went into production for himself and scored heavily with his own-controlled production of "The Onion Field."

Now, he has a change of pace in his plotting of "The Black Marble." The title refers to those people when they attempt something progressive or ambitious always seem to reach down and pick up "the black marble," they cop out.

The film tells the story of a Greek detective who is assigned an abrasive female partner and is mainly their clashes (she is convinced he is crazy) and their eventual understanding and love. He is disturbed by the death of a former partner in a children's killing case and therein lies his problem to be solved.

The film is slow, sometimes tediously so, with little-known Robert Foxworth in the lead, sharing with Paula Prentiss. The film does not excite but it maintains its steady course. Unfortunately it

lacks the electricity and the spark that previous Wambaugh books-into-film boasted. Regrettably, Wambaugh has given us this time a not-too-memorable picture.

Across the lobby of the UA South Plains Cinema is a much more distinguished film, a cannily-written, beautifully photographed and disarmingly-acted number called "Chapter Two." This is a PG-rated, Ray Stark production with music by Marvin Hamlisch and directed by Robert Moore. Neil Simon, who wrote the screenplay from his own play, is known for his crackling dialogue as in "The Odd Couple" and a host of other comedies and this time he integrates both comedy and the serious side to telling advantage.

He tells the story of a widower, avoiding women that his outgoing brother digs up for dates, mourning his lost wife of 12 years. He does meet a recently-divorced woman and they come on slowly into the inevitable marriage relationship.

But a chance remark by a couple who knew his deceased wife from previously happy times in Bermuda causes an upheaval and the bridegroom's recession into his mourning pattern, to the dismay and frustration of his new bride. The situation does not clear up and the film climaxes with a stunning, lengthy orologue by the torn-up, bereft wife as the husband leaves her to go to the West Coast. The resolution is adroitly achieved ultimately.

Neil Simon is known for his rapid, one-line laugh-getting dialogue, but in "Chapter Two" this is limited to the first half of the film, most effective, and the serious approach takes over as the impending break-up nears. It is an arresting approach and if these real, good people shown were not played so expertly and movingly by Marsha Mason as Jennie and James Caan as George, by Joseph Bologna as the loud-mouthed brother Leo and Valerie Harper as Fay, the film would not have caught on. It does, superbly. Marsha Mason, nominated for Best Actress honors at the Oscars next month (April 14), demonstrates her skill and her comedy and dramatic touches most effectively. Caan has never had a better role to date and he is understandable and touching in his exasperating clinging to the lost past. Both Bologna and Harper give their roles added depth and solid support to the enterprise.

For a film that is adult in approach, not in dialogue and body contact dialogue and body contact and all that

The Outspoken CRAIG WILSON From Hollywood

Here we are just getting into a new decade and it already looks like it is going to be a zinger for several black artists. For instance, insiders say that Donna Summer's new album is going to confirm her position as the top lady singer of the 1980s. It is supposed to be a secret but Donna's getting away from the disco sound (isn't everyone?) on this new Casablanca hot one and will prove she's got it with a lot of straight singing.

Both Marilyn Joi and Rosanne Katon (both of whom recently appeared on *Players* magazine cover) will have started new movies by the time you read this and if you're wondering whatever happened to Danielle Spencer of the *What's Happening* television show, well, she has blossomed into quite a young lady (cornerstanders couldn't get over her new look when she showed up at several holiday parties) and will be making her feature film debut in a biggie called *Ain't Coming Back*. She'll play a tragic teenage blues singer of the depression era. And O.J. Simpson has several big screen jobs coming up. He's right up there in the close-to-a-million dollar per picture range now we hear.



We still don't know what happened, but George Duke's second show at Tinseltown's huge Music Center on New Year's Eve was cancelled. Ticket holders weren't informed that the show wouldn't go on until they got to the theater, which didn't make for a happy holiday for them, we can tell you!

Patrice Rushen was presented the keys to the city of Oakland from Mayor Lionel J. Wilson who also proclaimed a Patrice Rushen Day in honor of her many civic and community charity works. Patrice spent "her day" making speeches before the Boy's Club, the East Bay Skills Center (which operates a program for school dropouts) and joined the students in cleaning up one of the local parks. Way to go, Patrice.

Singer Scherrie Payne tells us that she has written a hot musical entitled *Ten Good Years*. Perhaps Scherrie will get sister Freda Payne to star in the production!

That old black magic is still hanging in there. The great Billy Daniels is starring in the touring show *Four Boys Four* with Donald O'Connor, Jack Carter and Gordon MacRae. The cornerstanders have dubbed the musical evening "the comeback trail" for the four talented gents. Billy's daughter, Dominique, had rumor passers buzzing over the holidays with her reported hand holding and affectionate ways with Mexican movie star Fernando Alfaro.

current "adult" stuff, "Chapter Two" offers a warm and moving portrait of two likeable people trying to work out a difficult but not insurmountable human problem. I think you'll find your time well spent at "Chapter Two."

A word of appreciation to William A. Harrod of the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra. At the recent March concert by the orchestra Harrod reinstated the opening National Anthem, the playing of "The Star Spangled Banner." It belongs, perhaps now more than ever. It is a skin-prickling thing to hear the big orchestra and the voices of the assembled audience paying due respect to the land to which they belong.

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Charles Nelson Riley, co-hosting the *Dirch Show* show, took one look at the outrageous costume being worn by Gregory Johnson of the *Cameo* group and quipped: "If this is what you got to wear as a member of *Cameo*, then I want to join up!" And just for fun Riley tried on Gregory's funky beret and flowing silver, mirrored-studded cape.

The reason you won't be hearing Millie Jackson's new album "Live and Uncensored" unless you buy a copy is that it is too hot to be played on the radio!

1980 *Players* Interview with Patrice Rushen

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by
Dr. Charles W. Faulkner

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
My problem is impotence which causes unsuccessful sexual encounters with my husband. How can I overcome it? Mrs. M. C., Dallas, Texas

Dear Mrs. C.:
The obvious initial step that you should take is to consult our physician in order to determine if there is a physical problem present. A dysfunction is the impaired functioning of an organ of the body. Impotence is a sexual dysfunction that may be physical or psychological.

If the dysfunction is psychological, it can usually be traced to a fear of sex, a lack of confidence in one's ability to perform a sexual act successfully, a personal lack of self-confidence, a fear of pregnancy, a lack of confidence in one's ability to satisfy a mate, an unaffectionate mate, improper diet, alcohol, drugs, physical exhaustion, or the stresses of daily living.

A competent counselor may be able to point out the precise cause of your impotence and prescribe ways to overcome it. Normally, a person who is emotionally stable, physically healthy, and involved in a trusting, meaningful relationship can easily find a resolution to the problems you indicate.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
I am having difficulties in my sexual relationship with my spouse and think that she is unaware of my dissatisfaction. I am afraid to tell her and embarrass her. What can I do? Glenn, Spokane, Washington

Dear Glenn:
Your problem is really one of communication rather than sex. An open discussion with your spouse regarding the

dissatisfaction that you are experiencing may well provide the solution you seek. You may find that she is also experiencing difficulties and is simply waiting for you to initiate a discussion of them. A successful relationship requires a system of open, uninhibited, tactful communication between man and woman.

Happiness is based primarily upon emotional compatibility. A compatible sexual relationship is based upon mutual understanding of emotional and sexual needs, and the respect for each other's sexual philosophies, boundaries, and techniques. So, communicate.

Dear Dr. Faulkner:
My boyfriend has attempted to involve me in a sexual relationship. Should I consent? Karen S. J., Philadelphia, PA.

Dear Karen:
I can provide a response to you only in general terms since you have provided few specifics. You may decide just what your goals are. Do you desire marriage or a relationship that is temporary and indefinite? Has your friend indicated his goals? Are his goals consistent with your own? Does your career come first?

These issues must be responded to before you decide how far to go in a relationship. Sex could mean childbirth; childbirth could produce a significant long-lasting responsibility. Decide if this is what you want. Consult your parents or respected friends. The answer to your question will be the result of these deliberations.

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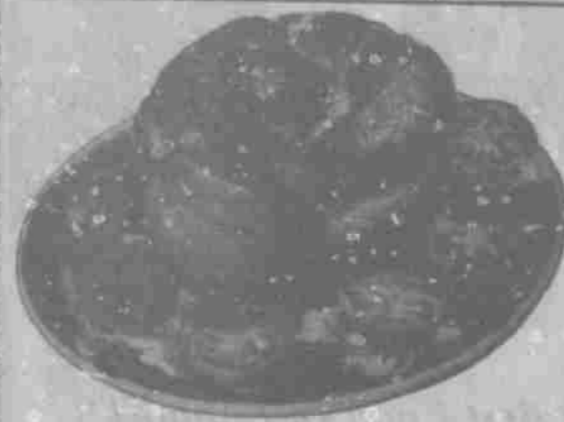
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YOU, YOUR STARS, AND YOUR NUMBERS

March 26—April 1

Types Of Black Music And Instruments

There are many reasons why one person will enjoy one type of music and another will prefer something different. This is also true for the musical instruments that one is likely to play or listen to. The answers to the type of musical enjoyment and musical instruments that one is likely to prefer can be answered through numerology and astrology. For instance, a person born on December 26 (2+6=8) is considered a number 8 person, born under the sign of Capricorn. Therefore, this person would look up their personal birth number, along with their astrological sign. Have fun!

The 1 person, born on the 1st, 10th, 19th or 28th, and those born in the sign of Leo, will basically prefer original, forceful and energetic music. Music for them is clean, fresh, creative and straight to the point, without frills. Dynamic, brassy music with full rich tones attract them also. Musical instruments that vibrate under them are: drums, conga, saxophone, xylophone, bugle, piano, bassoon, gourd, cowbell, and

tambourine.

The 2 person, born on the 2nd, 11th, 20th or 29th, and those born in the sign of Cancer, will basically enjoy a soft, gentle, sweet and romantic type of music. The choice of music is usually centered on the theme of love, peace and understanding. That singer of love songs, Barry White, carries this number in his name and in his music, to give an example. Musical instruments that vibrate under them are: the voice, harp, harmonica, banjo, trombone, french horn, steel pan, drums, lyre, piano, and castanets.

The 3 person, born on the 3rd, 12th or 30th, and those born in the signs of Pisces and Sagittarius, enjoy full, rich and energetic music. Disco music, with its strong social appeal and bright lights, attract them very much. They usually like the type of music that is youthful, popular and in style with today. Musical instruments that vibrate under them are: horns, oboe, mandolin, cello, sax, trumpet, violin, zither, chimes and ukulele.

The number 4 person, born on the 4th, 13th, 22nd or 31st, and those born in the sign of Aquarius, basically

enjoy odd and unusual types of music. Today's electronic music has a strong attraction to their nature. Music with rhythms of surprise and suddenness hold their attention—yet at the same time, music of a traditional nature fascinates and soothes their nerves. Musical instruments that vibrate under them are: electronic instruments of all kinds, bag pipes, saxophone, the voice, gourd, rattles, cow bells, xylophone, piano, sansa, drums, tuba, etc.

In next week's column, we will continue this discussion, with a "musical description" of persons who relate to the numbers 5 through 9.

ARIES — March 21-April 20
The 26th looks very good to deal with money matters, but be practical. Thursday the 27th will be much better for ductive and fruitful, but avoid impulsiveness and tempers. Friday and Saturday may find you starting to get things underway for a change. Sunday the 30th and Monday warns you to be very careful of being over-confident and contradictory. Tuesday should be very productive.

TAURUS — April 21-May 20
Wednesday the 26th suggests:

that money decisions may not go the way you'd like. Thursday may find something coming to a close or an end. By Friday, the flow of good things comes to you—but be careful how you sign papers. On Saturday and Sunday, partners, fun and recreation

will be uppermost in your mind. On Monday, avoid moodiness.
GEMINI — May 21-June 20
Taking chances with money on Wednesday looks favorable. The following day may see an affair come to a head. Friday the 28th warns you to be careful of whom you put your trust in. On Saturday the 29th, an opposite sex from the past may appear. Sunday and Monday will find the social setting just right. On Tuesday, start anew.
CANCER — June 21-July 21
The 26th suggests that you be careful with the advice you take, particularly of a financial nature. Thursday the 27th will cause some irritation from afar, but Friday the 28th will see a chance for the

better. Saturday and Sunday are considered neutral. However, on Monday the 31st, unexpected benefits come your way. On Tuesday the 1st, start out slow.
LEO — July 22-August 20
Wednesday looks very good for some form of money or personal recognition. Thursday the 27th suggests that whatever needs to be finished can be done. Friday the 28th find you ruling the home roost. Saturday and Sunday indicates important affairs taking place. Monday and Tuesday finds you starting off the week in tip-top form.
VIRGO — August 21-September 21
Money or its value in service, comes to you on Wednesday. Continue on Page 12.

World Scene

ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE IN SOUTH AFRICA

(For Classroom and Group Discussion)

Donald Woods, former editor of an anti-apartheid newspaper who escaped from South Africa a year ago, discusses the state of economic dependence of the Transkei government for grants from Pretoria and the creation of a homeland for all blacks in South Africa.

Courtesy: Unesco Features
I have little doubt that the Transkei government would like to be more fully independent, particularly economically. Unfortunately, the Bantustan budgets depend so much on grants from Pretoria that it is debatable how much independence any of them could actually exercise. Something like 80 or 90 per cent of the Transkei budget comes from Pretoria—over 100 million rands' worth. And this suggests that if they ever did anything to anger Pretoria too much, economic aid would simply be cut off.

Development is so minimal when viewed against the needs of the population that I cannot see the Transkei being viable for many years to come, if ever. Most of the able-bodied men work outside the homelands and what remains are the wives, the old people and the children.

It is hard to tell what the attitude of the Bantustan population is to their all-black governments. Most of the inhabitants are illiterate peasants—not politically-aware people. Among the more educated classes in the territories, a fair proportion supports the homelands leaders. But among the bulk of black people throughout South Africa, particularly the students and people living in urban areas, there is strong opposition to the whole idea. I would guess that if a referendum were allowed among the blacks of South Africa, there would be overwhelming rejection of the Bantustan idea.

The main charge which blacks in the white areas level against the homeland governments is that, in settling for a section of territory, the Bantustan leaders are letting down the total black struggle. The young blacks, particularly, want liberation throughout South Africa, not just a corner of it.

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BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

WHITE COLLAR CRIME

One of the major new trends unfolding on the nation's criminal justice scene is the dramatic increase—or at least awareness—of what is known as white collar crime. Crimes such as embezzlement, consumer fraud, government fraud, tax evasion, kickbacks and securities fraud are just a few of the major categories of white collar crime.

Crimes of this category—what some call rampant "crime in the boardroom"—costs from \$40 billion to \$200 billion annually, or as much as 10 to 50 times the value lost through property-related street crime. Yet our Justice Department spends the amounts of its deterrent and prosecutorial resources in an almost directly inverse relation to the proportion of these crimes.

The white collar crime picture during the last decade and more has surfaced most clearly in a number of cases which could not easily elude the public's eye. Congressman John Conyers Jr. (D-Mich.), chairman of the House Judiciary Committee's subcommittee on crime, lists several of these crucially important cases, so far as the public's attention has been concerned. He cites the Mer/29 case in the 1960's, where the William S. Merrill Company sold an anticholesterol drug after the company had altered its laboratory test findings. As a consequence, some 5,000 persons experienced serious side effects, including hair loss and cataracts.

Congressman Conyers also noted the Gulf Oil Corporation's illegal contributions to politicians in the United States and abroad in the early 1970's, amounting to \$10.3 million. When thousands of shareholders lost their investments in the 1975 Equity Funding scandal, the public became greatly alarmed, but only a small

number of persons were held as possibly accountable and only one major figure was convicted. Perhaps the most sensational of these cases has been the one involving Robert L. Vesco, where \$224 million was embezzled from mutual funds.

Congressman John Conyers points out that just a "trickle of manpower and resources" is devoted by the government to white collar crime, despite the fact that white collar crime is by far the most significant crime area in our nation's life. Not only its size but the manner of its operation and the symbolic roles of its participants or perpetrators work in such a way as to raise substantial questions about our society, our values and our notions of equality of justice for all our citizens.

Conyers is concerned about what he believes is a bias in our legal system which lets the big-time criminals get off almost scot-free while jailing those involved in petty thievery. Hence, there is a problem of priorities in our entire criminal justice system and, indeed, in the values and reality perceptions of our citizens. What the Michigan Congressman wants perhaps most immediately is the creation of a national commission on crime with a full-time staff to explore the nature and relative extent of varied types of crime and the perceptions of our people regarding the kind of equitable justice toward which our criminal justice system should aspire.

The subcommittee on crime which Congressman Conyers heads has recorded its own priorities to focus congressional attention on white collar crime as a new and unexplored aspect of the nation's criminal life. "One thing we want to know is if business can regulate itself—or do we need more government control and red tape," Conyers explains, adding:

"Some executives don't want to reveal the amount of criminality that exists in the executive suite. But others recognize the extent to which the spread of white collar crime is hurting them and creating an immediate threat to the survival of our economic system."

Recently the American Bar Association concluded that the federal white collar crime effort is "underfunded, undirected and uncoordinated" and, where resources exist, they are "poorly deployed, under-utilized or frustrated by jurisdictional considerations."

Conyers lists these resources which he terms "meager": "Of the \$2.5 billion in the Justice Department budget, only about \$1.7 million (5.5%) is devoted to white collar crime. Of the nearly 56,000 department employees, only about 4,800 (8.6%) deal with economic malfeasance. The criminal-fraud section, which oversees prosecution of all fraud against the government as well as corporate bribery cases, has a budget of only \$2.4 million and a staff of 50 lawyers. The public-integrity section, which handles major political corruption cases, has a \$1.3 million budget and 25 lawyers."

There is at present no serious empirical research regarding the effect of white collar crime on inflation and the economy as a whole. Hence Congressman John Conyers has asked Congress' Joint Economic Committee to initiate an investigation in this area.

Of greatest importance, so far as the general public is concerned, Congressman Conyers invites the widest interest of individuals and groups. No information which the public feels is important is of too little significance to the work of his crime subcommittee, he suggests.

Media Reviews:

DOES BUSING WORK?

(For black parents and policy makers for black education)

A review of *The Invisible Children: School Integration in American Society* by Roy C. Rist. Cambridge, Mass., Harvard University Press. 289 pages. Hard Cover.

This major book released some months ago is representative of an increasing body of literature which questions many of the conventional "white liberal" approaches to black needs. The major problem faced by such a book as this is quickly evident as one contrasts what Dr. Charles Willie says in his foreword with what are the major conclusions of the study described in the book. Charles Willie is a black professor of strong "conventional" liberal persuasion, and in his foreword he gives little or practically no weight to the massive evidence in the book that school busing may not be good for the vast majority of the black children involved.

For thoughtful black Americans this book may have something exceedingly important to say. Namely, that regardless of our sincerity of purpose, one approach to desegregated education—i.e., busing—has shown to be often counter-productive.

Read the facts in this reasonably objective study, and try to describe for yourself how busing ideally might be replaced with any number of other options. A scholar, it has been said, must be a person who can stand limp before truth. In the area of public policy goals for blacks, we have had all too few who could hang loose. May the reading of this book help to loosen many more of us up.

Minor disappointments, as to money or employment, beset you on Wednesday. By Thursday, loose ends can be tied up. Friday indicates that the time is ripe to reach those important persons you've been after. Saturday and Sunday looks pretty peaceful. Same for Monday, but April the 1st will start off with a bang.

SAGITTARIUS—November 22-December 20
The tendency of money coming your way is due Wednesday in a minor way. Same for Thursday. Friday, however, warns you to be careful how you try to get things started. Saturday and Sunday suggest days to get out and socialize. Monday indicates favorable unexpected news coming to you.

CAPRICORN—December 21-January 20
On Wednesday the 26th, you should be feeling your oats. Thursday will find you making broad contacts with others. Friday and Saturday looks good to invest or speculate what dollars you have—just be prudent. Sunday and Monday indicates some opposition and discord, so be prepared. Tuesday, too, may be a little upsetting.

AQUARIUS—January 21-February 19
Sign nothing important relating to land or money on Wednesday. Thursday the 27th will be much better for such matters. On Friday the 28th, situations may be of a mixed nature, with more ups than downs. Relax Saturday. Sunday and Monday will be favorable days to expand on existing projects. Tuesday will be good also.

PISCES—February 20-March 20
Take advantage of Wednesday, because the indications are that Thursday, Friday and Saturday show that the planetary arrangements are menacing your interests... therefore, act accordingly. You will find Sunday the 30th to be the high point of the week. On Monday the 31st, be careful of your health. Tuesday is "so-so."

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