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## Black Republican Leader Defends Reagan's Economic Program

New York, N. Y. — Democratic politicians are committing a "terrible injustice" against Blacks and poor people by continuing to make unfounded charges and intentionally planting unwarranted fear of the economic program of President Ronald Reagan, James C. Cummings, Jr., chairman of the National Black Republican Council, charged here this week.

Visiting the city for a featured appearance on the national television program, Today's Black Woman, Cummings emphatically stated, "The Reagan program will help every citizen of this country, including the poor, and the very poor." Freda Payne, hit recording artist and night club performer, is hostess of the current events program which is aired over 70 percent of the stations, coast to coast.

Fresh from a private meeting with President Reagan and his top economic advisers in Washington, D.C. last week, Cummings said every American realizes a change must come if our

economic system is to survive. He pointed out that "inflation and high interest rates are constantly pushing production costs up, causing declining sales and trade and resulting in mounting unemployment."

The federal budget, which was \$494 billion in 1979, will jump to \$750 billion in 1982 without a change in policy. Cummings reminded. We have just completed the first two years of back-to-back double digit inflation in this country since World War II, he stated.

"President Reagan is attempting to break this cycle and implement a program which will put America on its feet, bringing jobs to all those seeking work," Cummings claim.

"The changes President Reagan will bring will bring the board for all of us, he emphasized.

In the short run, according to Cummings, practically everyone will feel a "slight pinch" from the Reagan program. "The poor will be hurt

for those who truly need it," he assured.

"We are at a point now where the poor, the elderly, the middle-class, and every person on fixed income is suffering," the NBRC chairman charge. "It is taking us longer to replace our cars, and today it is next to impossible for the average family to buy a home."

In the past three years the average cost of a home has risen from \$48,000 to \$64,000 and interest rates for mortgages have moved from nine to 16 percent. Three years ago monthly payments on a \$50,000 home were \$402. Today, because of inflation, that same home cost \$65,000 and requires a monthly payment of \$802, Cummings pointed out.

Rising prices and decreasing purchasing power for our dollars are prevalent across the board for all of us, he emphasized.

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the least he assured.

"The budget cuts actually will increase after-tax income for 14.4 percent of the tax payers, and will have absolutely no effect on the income of 34.4 percent. At least 95 percent of the income of the balance of the tax payers will be maintained the Republican leader asserted.

Turning his attention to specific programs to be cut or eliminated, Cummings agreed that the Reagan program will eliminate CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) programs, and PSE (Public Service Employment) after the 1982 fiscal year. These programs were originally designed to train the hard core unemployed and prepare them for private sector employment. They were never intended to become permanent he stated.

"How many persons have been permanently helped by these programs," he asked. "Most participants utilize these programs for a year or so and end up where they started, unemployed."

The Reagan program will create 13 million new jobs by 1986, 12.6 million more jobs than are now provided by CETA and PSE, Cummings countered.

According to Cummings, the following programs will be affected as described:

**Child Nutrition**  
President Reagan will fund school lunches and breakfast and other facets of the program for from between 2 1/2 billion dollars to three billion

dollars from 1982 through 1986. Students from income families will continue to be fully subsidized while families who can afford it will be required to pay a greater share of the cost of the meals.

**Food Stamps**  
The most dramatic change will come in the area of eligibility. Currently a family of four earning \$14,000 a year



**PRETTY BLACK SISTER** — No doubt about it, Paula Suzanne Chew, daughter of Miss Lucy Chew, is a beautiful black sister. A graduate of Estacado High School, the eighteen year old sister has several hobbies, namely: skating, jogging and socializing. Her honors at Estacado included: cheerleader for three years, football

## Carter Hired As LPD Patrolman



"I've been a bartender, computer operator, shoe salesman in El Paso and Austin before moving to Lubbock," says William Bernard Carter who has been a patrolman at the Lubbock Police Department since April 21, 1981.

A former resident of El Paso, Texas where he graduated from Andrews High School, he attended El Paso Community College and University of Texas at El Paso.

His hobbies include: football, weight lifting and collecting hats.

"The LPD is a big change from shoes. It's a great feeling to help people," says Carter. He continues: "I plan on being an asset to the community. You know, I was shocked to see so few blacks on the police force. More blacks should consider a career in law enforcement. It's an honorable way to serve the community," he says.

When asked how he compared the young black people in El Paso to those in Lubbock, he said: "There are more black kids in Lubbock than El Paso. In my opinion, El Paso blacks are more aggressive than

## McCormick Off To Jamboree

John McCormick, who was honored in ceremonies for Eagle Scout, was selected to attend the 1981 Boy Scout Jamboree in Fredericksburg, Va. July 27 through August 5.

McCormick was selected by the South Plains Council of the Boy Scouts of America to attend this annual fete. He will also serve as Patrol Leader, which is an honor for any young man.

A member of Boy Scout Troop of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, he a student at Dunbar



**John McCormick**  
Struggs High School.

McCormick left Lubbock Tuesday evening. His journey, before arriving at the site of the Jamboree, will include

such states as Oklahoma, Illinois, Tennessee, Kentucky and others. Such sites will include: the Indianapolis Spirit Way, Andrews Air Force Base, and historical sites in Washington, D. C.

Congressman Kent Hance is expected to meet with him and other Boy Scouts on Saturday, July 25. He will provide a tour of Washington, D. C.

"I am looking forward to seeing Washington, D. C. and other places," says McCormick.

"I am so thrilled about being chosen to attend this Jamboree. It has to be one of the greatest highlights in my life," said McCormick.

He is the son of Ms. Maxine McCormick

## Attention!!

The Dunbar High School Class of 1971 will be meeting at Booker T. Washington Park Sunday afternoon, July 26, 1981, at 3 p. m.

## Something New!!

Beginning this week, the Lubbock Digest has started a new program. Anyone wanting to advertise their garage, sale, automobile, or other items may do so in this newspaper. Read the coupon on Page 10 of this edition.

For more information, call 762-3612.

## Plan Seeks To Collect Payments From Absent Parents

States can recover a substantial portion of public assistance costs and generate new revenue at the same time. A program that is currently operating is already accomplishing these results, although in many states only a small fraction of the potential financial gain is being realized.

The Child Support Enforcement program seeks to collect child support payments from legally responsible absent parents. The amounts collected from parents of children receiving assistance under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) program are used to reimburse the State and Federal Governments for their costs of AFDC.

Amounts collected for families who are not receiving AFDC are forwarded directly to those families, enabling many of them to remain independent of public assistance.

When states or local jurisdictions collect child support in AFDC cases they also receive an incentive payment equal to 15 percent of the amount collected. Obviously, the more that is collected on behalf of AFDC families, the greater will be the revenue generated through incentive payments.

At the same time, the Child Support Enforcement

## Senorita Scholarship Pageant

The COMA— Mexican American Chamber of Commerce is currently taking applications for the Senorita Scholarship Pageant scheduled for November 14, 1981.

A few of the requirements for contestant qualification are:

1. Must be a Hispanic American and a current resident of Lubbock County.
2. A contestant must be a single female, 18 to 25 and never had been married.
3. A contestant must be planning to attend College or University or may already be a student at one of these higher institutions of learning.
4. A talent presentation will be necessary to qualify.

Please note that all entries must be submitted by July 31, 1981.

Applications and additional information may be obtained at the COMA office, Fields

Building, 1946 Ave. Q, Suite 217-762-5059.



**STILL LOOKS THE SAME** — The Colorado Apartments still look the same as they did last summer. It's about time

for the City of Lubbock to do something about it. There are so bad that the Lubbock Digest will take the entire City

Council on a tour so they can see for themselves. We'll await their call to accept the invitation. (Digest Photo)



**ENJOYING!!** — Tikila Hastings and friends enjoy swimming at the Mae Simmons Swimming Pool on last Sunday afternoon. (Photo by Ufok Etukudo)

## Absent Parents

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ment program can provide considerable benefits to the children involved. For those children who have no legal father, the program seeks to identify the natural father and establish paternity. In addition to providing a legal obligation for support, the establishment of paternity opens the possibility for the child to claim many other rights, inheritance, veteran's benefits, social security, worker's disability and tort claims may become available once paternity is established. Though not assured, there is even the chance of a real relationship developing between the father and child. The program also seeks to locate missing parents and establish a legal obligation for responsible parent to support their children.

In FY 1980 approximately \$1.5 billion was collected nationwide at a cost of \$451 million - a favorable financial cost-benefit relationship of 3.3 to 1. However, the possibility of performing at a ratio of greater than 6 to 1 has been demonstrated by several states. Monthly support payments were received from only about 11 percent of the parents absent from AFDC families. A few states have shown that collecting from greater than 30 percent of these parents is possible. Only 5.2 percent of AFDC costs were recovered during the year. Again, the capability to recover much more was demonstrated by several states with 14.3 percent being the highest.

State and local

government realized an aggregate savings of \$235 million nationwide in FY 1980. A disproportionate share of this profit went to those states that have enacted strong supporting legislation and have provided substantial administrative support. Statistics show the nationwide potential for state and local gain in several times that achieved in FY 1980.

## Doctor Opens Lubbock Office

Opening his office this week at Plains Medical Plaza, 2901, Avenue Q, is M. Patel M.D., specializing in obstetrics and gynecology. The new physician was born and reared in Uganda, East Africa and graduated from Guntur Medical College, Andhra University in South India. He was affiliated with Makerere Medical School in Kampala, Uganda before leaving in

1972 for Great Britain because of political conditions. While in London in 1975, Dr. Patel received a diploma from Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Arriving in the U.S. in 1976, Patel did his residency at Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, Chicago Illinois, then moved to Suffolk, Virginia where he was in private practice

before coming to Lubbock. Besides taking care of the day to day problems associated with obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Patel has a special interest in infertility and endocrinology and is competent to perform colposcopy and cryosurgery. He also cares for high risk obstetrics. He is a Junior Fellow to the American College of OB/Gyn and holds

membership in the American Medical Association and American Association of Gynecologic Laparoscopists.

## Get Acquainted Tea

A "Get Acquainted Tea" will be held Sunday afternoon, July 26th, from 4:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The community will

have an opportunity to meet the new pastor of the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church, Rev. J. H. Ford.

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## Letter to Editor Congratulations!!

Dear Mr. Eddie P. Richardson:

I wish to extend my sincere congratulations on having organized and sponsored a most creative and successful Juneteenth activity. Your hard work and effort charged to this task is worthy of note. I am pleased to inform you that most if not all of the Juneteenth activities that went on around the state were successful.

It would be of a tremendous benefit to both me and my office if you would respond by providing us with any additional information or comments on your activity. In addition, I have provided a form of activities and would appreciate it if you would circle the one which is most representative of your activity. Again, I applaud your effort and success concerning this year's Emancipation activity, and please advise if my office or I may be of any assistance to you. I have enclosed a copy of my schedule during the Juneteenth Celebration.

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John L. Procope

## John Procope Elected President For NNPA

New Orleans, La. -- John L. Procope, publisher of the New York Amsterdam News, the largest black weekly newspaper in America, has been elected for a full two-year term as president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA), the "Black Press of America." Voted into office by the board of directors in March 1981 to fill out the term of John H. Sengstacke, who resigned due to the press of business, the New York publisher was elected during the 41st annual convention of the NNPA here by acclamation.

The election, held after the close of two days of strenuous planning to heighten the circulation and advertising of the Black Press, was sans politics and based on the theme of unity of the Black Press. In this atmosphere NNPA and Black Media Incorporated (BMI) newspapers representatives seemingly voted to mend fences and face the future as a united front to press forward on the issues. As a result Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, publisher of the Washington Informer, and president of BMI, was elected 1st Vice President of NNPA. His selection was also by acclamation without opposition.

John B. Smith, Executive Vice President of the Atlanta Inquirer was re-elected 2nd Vice President for a second term. Others elected were Secretary Opelia DeVore Mitchell, pub-

lisher of the Columbus Times and Treasurer, Marjorie B. Parham, publisher of the Cincinnati Herald. For both it was their fifth term. Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett, publisher of the San Francisco Sun-Reporter and nine other Bay Area newspapers, and past president of NNPA, was re-elected to the Board as was Kenneth T. Stanley, publisher of the Louisville Defender. Tony Davis, publisher of the Dallas Weekly and Chris Bennett, publisher of the Seattle Medium were elected to the Board.

Other members of the Board who were not up for election were Jane Wood, publisher, St. Louis Metro Sentinel, Alfred L. Morris, President, Sengstacke Newspaper chain, William H. Lee, publisher, Sacramento Observer, Garth C. Reeves, publisher, Miami Times, John H. Murphy, III, Chairman of the Board, Afro-American Newspapers, and Waverly L. Easley, President, Philadelphia Tribune.

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# Editorials

## Why Not??

### Back to Basics ..... A Must for Our Survival!!

by  
Eddie P. Richardson, Jr.

Across the nation, the cry from all Black organizations, the Black Press, and all Black leaders is - "Back to Basics."

Work and self help - these are a couple things that sort of went out of style ... but like it or not ... Reagan may force them back upon us! Work and self help.

Booker T. Washington, following a visit to Washington, D. C. a few years after the period of Reconstruction (1867-1877), noted what he described as a tragic tendency "to look to the Federal Government for everything," even as a little child looks for total support and guidance to its parents. As a whole, we have developed poor work habits ... which makes it hard for you to adjust when you get rigid working conditions ... or a really tough job ... which most jobs will be if the cut backs continue. And those who have lost the work habit will be lost ... or soon dismissed ... because too many will think that being on a job ... any job means back to what has been the norm ... and that will not be so ... any more.

Thank God for Booker T. Washington and Rev. Leon Sullivan ... you name'em ... they all knew that sooner or later ... "self help" was the answer. There is a personal satisfaction that you should really get to know and enjoy in getting something done through your own efforts. The pleasure of the work of an artist. A carpenter knows what we mean ... so does a writer ... who puts a blank sheet of paper in a typewriter and have it emerge as a newsworthy thing that gets read by thousands ... the sense of satisfaction is beyond compare! A job well done ... gives a sense of happiness that is hard to express ... it is felt!!! Too many of our schools are teaching our children to be worked rather than work ... to get by ... rather than excel ... to make it rather than achieve ... to avoid work rather than enjoy honest labor.

Labor is not only with a shovel, but a pen, word processor or whatever you use ... Work is even smartly using the telephone. But get the latest ... the most modern happenings which will be needed the coming year or years. The ability to work the ability to pull yourself up by your own bootstraps ... get hipped ... get with it ... get smart ... get moving on the road to success.

Back to basics also means back to the Black Church, Black Press, and Black Community Organizations. Blacks who have made it coming home and being a part of the flock and remembering where they come from. Back to basics also means ... all of us ... no matter what economic or social status we are working together or the good of all of us ... and remembering no matter what ... we are all in this same boat together and none of us has arrived until we all arrive.

We cannot let out of our awareness the classic observation of Alexis de Tocqueville regarding the role of power relations and power coalitions in the amazing development of early American life. De Tocqueville spoke of what he called: "a power seen from afar" - as developing whenever groups or individuals who shared common conditions come together or coalesce.

Frederick Douglas spoke eloquently of this ubiquitous, but distinctive need when he said that no persons who depend basically upon others for the securing of their rights ever "stood forth in the attitude of freedom." We should all remember and take as our personal creed: "If it is to be it is up to me" and live by it. Remember the only ones who can save us from us is us, and the only ones who can help us is us.

Let's get back to basics and save us from us and help us ... help us.  
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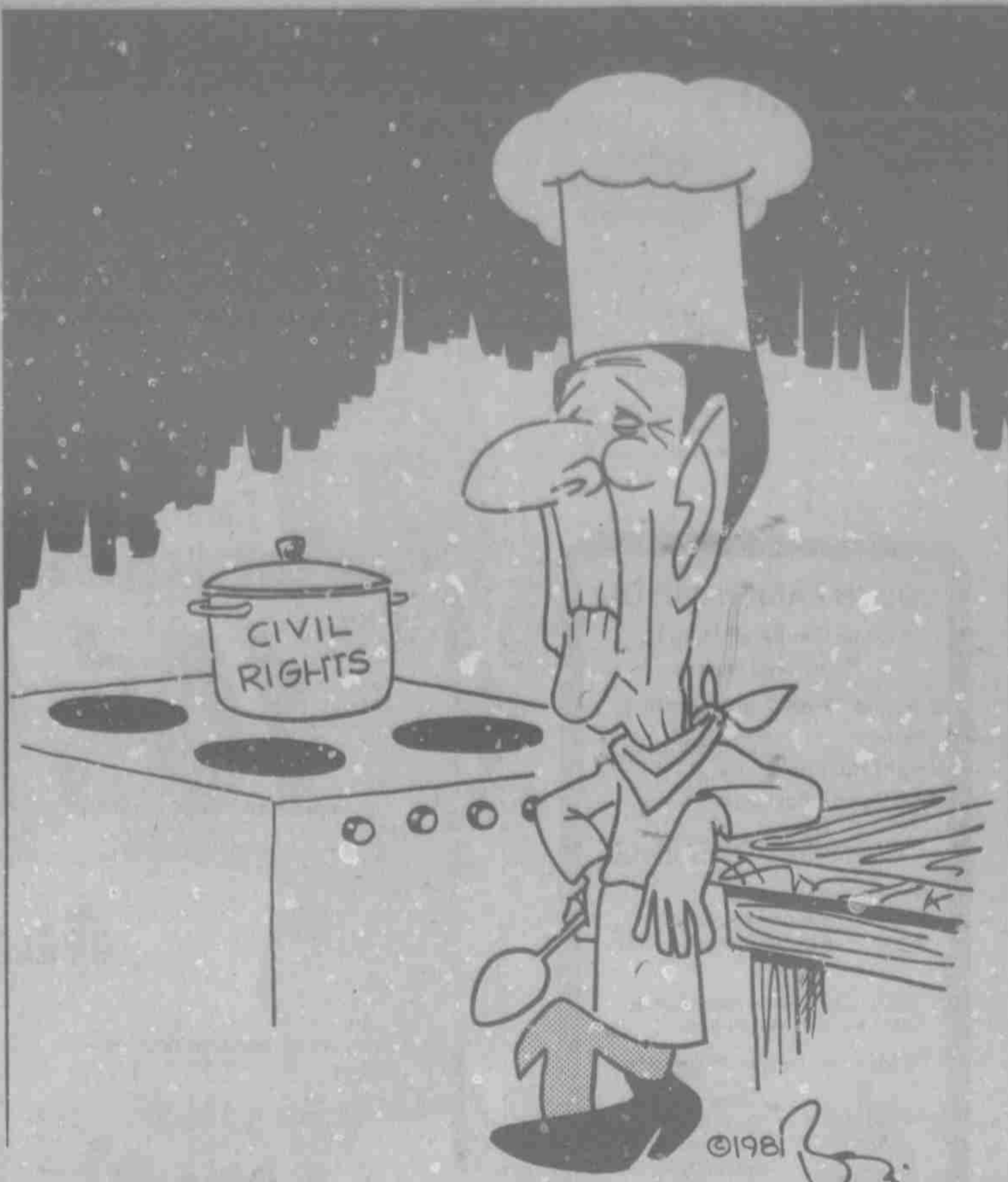
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### ON THE BACK BURNER

## BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.  
Human Rights Activist



### THE UNITED BLACK FUND

For years black Americans have had the image of being the recipients of charity rather than being givers. But even in the receiving of charity, as it was discovered in a 1960's study by the late Whitney Young of the National Urban League, blacks were deficient. Young's study revealed that of

the millions of dollars given through payroll deductions by united community appeals, black-oriented agencies received only one and a half percent of the total.

In a follow-up local study in Washington, D.C., Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, publisher of the *Washington Informer*, found that the District of Columbia's black-oriented agencies received only about one-half of one percent of the united community appeal's funds.

As the result of such disconcerting statistics as these and the practical consequences which they signified, a number of black citizens in the District of Columbia initiated what was to eventually become the United Black Fund.

The first several campaigns of the Fund in the late 1960's and the early 1970's had ambitious goals and what might ordinarily have proven to be discouraging results, but for several factors. These were, first, the zeal of a number of student volunteers from the Howard University School of Social Work and, secondly, the intrepid spirit of Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, who became—and remains—the United Black Fund's local and national president.

From initial annual receipts of approximately \$3,000 and \$40,000, the United Black Fund of Washington, D.C. has grown to a point today where it receives and administers approximately \$1 million a year.

There have been other united black community appeals groups in other parts of the country based theoretically

upon the model and concept of the Washington, D.C.-based United Black Fund.

One major difference is that the United Black Fund has had less than 8 percent of net set aside for fund raising expenses, with a 3.5 percent add-on for administration. In contrast, other black community appeals groups have from two to four times the overhead, thus leaving such groups open to the question as to whether there is major profit-making involved in their work.

Another difference is that the Washington, D.C.-based United Black Fund has been the only such operation to have federal and private industry employees' payroll deductions.

Additionally, within the District of Columbia, UBF has a partnership with the United Way. Beyond contributions specifically designated for UBF, the black group has received recently 12.5 percent of all United Way receipts above a specifically targeted goal. The cooperative relationship placed Dr. Rolark in the position of being the nation's first black co-chairman of a major United Way drive.

Because of the unique advantages of the United Black Fund approach to fund raising for black community needs, new chapters are forming in a number of states, and in the Caribbean.

The headquarters of the United Black Fund is 1625 Eye Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, Suite 903 (202-822-9116 or 9121). Informational packets may be sent

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### A View from Capitol Hill:

## AN INDEPENDENT REPORTS ON WASHINGTON

By Gus Savage  
Member of Congress



### Support Solidarity Day Sept. 19, In Washington

I was among the first Members of Congress to come out strongly against President Reagan's economic proposals. I have on several occasions appealed to my colleagues in the House of Representatives and Americans of goodwill at large to work for the defeat of these anti-people programs. Therefore, I was delighted to learn about the AFL-CIO's call for a Solidarity Day demonstration against these proposals in Washington on September 19.

As early as February 21, I predicted in a speech delivered at an Operation PUSH rally that the majority of whites would soon receive the economic injury which we already had perceived in Reagan's proposals - and might substitute realism for racism, and follow our lead.

Last month in this column I urged Blacks to form new alliances and strengthen old ones, if we want to guarantee defeat of Reagan's proposals. I said we must rejoin forces with the labor movement and other progressive groups. I included religious bodies, civic organizations, fraternal groups, and others who have a stake in a turnaround in the Reagan proposals.

Consequently, my enthusiasm swelled when I learned that the NAACP and Operation PUSH had endorsed Solidarity Day.

Speaking at another PUSH rally, July 7, during that organization's 10th annual convention, I said Reaganomics places profits above people and beats our plowshares into swords. I again described the President as Robin Hood in reverse - robbing the poor and giving to the rich.

Since I was bringing greetings from the Congressional Black Caucus, I again explained to the PUSH audience the Caucus' "Constructive Alternative" budget which was presented to the Congress in April. This budget proposed to first provide for our domestic needs. It provided for our children, for our students, for the unemployed and underemployed, and for the elderly and retired.

The CBC budget proposed to fight inflation by shifting tax cuts from the millionaires to the multitude, and by reducing appropriations for bombers with no missions to fly, and missiles with no fair targets to destroy, and armed forces with no honorable battles to fight.

Incidentally, that ill-fated budget could have been balanced in fiscal year 1982, instead of fiscal 1984, when the Reagan budget is supposed to be balanced.

While that budget was defeated on the House floor, it is not dead in the hearts of the 18 members of the Caucus. Its proposals can become the immediate goals for which all Americans must now en masse walk and talk in the streets of this nation and in the corridors of its councils.

As the Caucus spokesman in the area of economic development, I believe that the main geographical focus of our struggle should be on the industrial centers of the North and Southwest. We must, of course, keep a watchful eye on the Old South.

Organizational, our main strategy should be to strengthen our working relationship with the organized labor movement: first, because of our objective kinship of interests; secondly, because of its great resources for mobilizing the people; and, thirdly, because of the interracial character of its base. We should understand that this nation's current economic crisis is basic to the system and requires more than simply shifting government funds from defense to domestic needs or merely patching-up our system of production with social reforms and government handouts.

The United States needs a true new economic direction and a brand new political vehicle to get us there.

I have issued a written call to my colleagues in the House to support Solidarity Day, and I have offered my personal services to the AFL-CIO to journey throughout the country in support of the rally.

I now appeal to our readers to join in the demonstration. Come to Washington on Saturday, September 19, for Solidarity Day. Make certain that the White House gets the message.

### Social Security Notes

#### SSA to Re-Examine Disability Cases

Cases

by  
Manuela Barton  
Claims Representative

Many people receiving social security payments will have their cases re-examined in the near future to make sure they continue to be eligible for benefits.

Social security is required to review most disability cases at least once every 3 years starting in 1982 because of the 1980 disability amendments. The reviews are conducted to determine if a person is still disabled.

As an important first step in making the required reviews, social security is significantly increasing the number of continuing disability investigations it makes. About 350,000 cases will be reviewed during the remainder of this fiscal year. Next year, over 500,000 cases will be reviewed.

The initial cases to be reviewed will be selected based on studies which show those cases most likely to result in recovery.

These first investigations will provide more data which should indicate other types of cases that should be reviewed soon.

Social security disability benefits can only be made to people who have a severe physical or mental impairment expected to prevent them from working for at least 12 months or more to result in death.

People found no longer disabled during the case reviews will have the opportunity to appeal the decision.


More information about social security disability requirements can be obtained at the Lubbock Social Security office, located at 1205 Texas Avenue, Room 102. The telephone number is 762-7381.

Question: If my disability claim is reviewed, will I have to pay for any medical reports that are required? Answer: No. The Social Security Administration will pay a reasonable charge for medical reports it

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*Business in the Black*

By Charles E. Belle



country's got to follow the leader  
General Motors Behind the Move

"What's good for General Motors is good for the country," according to the current GM chairman, as well as, a previous GM chief executive officer. Openly boasting before a devoted audience of "our country first" Commonwealth Club of California members. Robert B. Smith, chairman of General Motors Corporation claimed, "U.S. automakers are aggressively moving to meet these (foreign) challenges."

Calling President Reagan "probably California's greatest gift to the nation," Smith claims Reagan and General Motors Corporation are both, on the right path for recovery of the automobile maker and the country.

Mr. Smith, and ex-Navy man, is steering his ship at full throttle toward automation of work positions. Placing the blame for being behind the Japanese squarely on the shoulders of the U.S. working man. Mr. Smith stated that "GM's labor costs are more than 70% above the Japanese." Just looking at dollars per hours cost alone, the chairman says, U.S. labor cost almost \$8 per hour too much.

Further, "Relief time-another form of pay for time not worked and, again, (is) about three times the Japanese standard." While Mr. Smith stresses the fact that "the majority of our GM people are hard-working, long-term employees who come to work everyday, and who are dedicated to doing the best job for themselves and for GM, some cuts in salary and staff are still in store.

The new "J" car series: line of GM cars created in a sensational seven month span, will start being produced "with modernized plants and processes." Robots not people will be employed greater in future production of GM automobiles.

GM's major effort to improve its competitive position for automobile sales worldwide will be carried out under "a massive five-year, \$40 billion capital investment program the largest ever undertaken by any industrial company." Car making for GM according to the chairman are for export, as well as domestic sales.

Outside the U.S., GM expects sales to reach 2.7 million by the end of the decade up almost 35%. Perhaps Smith senses something several European states have not noticed. Japanese car exports to the European Common Market could leaped almost 20% for the first three months of the year. Only France and Italy have not suffered 6.72 times under the

## Faith First Baptist Church News

Last Sunday, the members of the Faith First Baptist Church had services at Buffalo Springs Lake. Rev. L. F. Craig brought the message. His subject was: "The Church: The Whole Church and Nothing But The Church." His scriptures were: Rev. 7:9-17; 14:1-5 and 20:4-6.

He said: "If we are part of the church and nothing but the church - that is the only way we have access to the Kingdom." Or last Sunday, we had a member to accept Christ, and one to join the body of Christian believers.

The youth took their trip to Six Flags on July 10th. Every child was very well disciplined and all 32 participants enjoyed the trip very much.

The youth are still saving newspapers and cans for a possible trip next year.

Mrs. Gladys Henderson and daughter, Alisa, spent two weeks in Woodbridge, Virginia in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Toombs. Mrs. Toombs is a cousin of Mrs. Henderson. While there, they visited the states of Maryland and Washington, D. C. The trip was enjoyed very much.

A cousin of Mrs. Louise Lewis passed away in Vernon, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, daughter, Gladys; and son, Tim Turner, Jr., attended the funeral Saturday, July 18.

Let us continue to pray for Brother Granville Wallace who is now home recuperating from his stay in the hospital.

Rev. F. B. Bell is pastor; Alisa Henderson is reporter.

## The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the beautiful home of Mrs. Verline Hereford last Saturday morning at 9 a. m. Everyone was spiritually blessed - just being there.

Mrs. Mary Ward, president, presided over the meeting.

Opening devotion was led by Mrs. E. Dyer, Mrs. C. E. Brown and Mrs. Ward.

Morning scripture lesson was discussed by all.

Proverbs 18:24  
"A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly."

Eccles. 3:1-11  
"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

"Take the time out to see and savor something beautiful about God's creation. Man is one of them. He was made perfect and in the image of God, and with that in build ability to love which is beautiful."

"No Time"  
If only I had more time, I would stop and listen to you. If only I had more time, I might try something new. If only I

had more time, I could rest my load a while. If only I had more time, I might return your smile. If the day had more hours, I might get everything done. And then, I could take some time to enjoy some hard earned fun. I hope I have sometime to spend before I die to figure where my years went. And why I want to cry, but no time now for tears, no anytime for prayer. No time to calm my tears. No time, no time, no time!

by  
Lyman K. Randall

The above mentioned "No Time" was brought to the group by Mrs. Verline Hereford. Beautiful remarks were given by all.

Thought for the day:  
"Love is a healing balm that reaches deep into the soul. Hate is a silent killer that you inject into your own body that destroys the whole man." Think about it!

We were blessed with songs of praises from

parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stevens. They are from Fresno, California.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson of Los Angeles, California is here in Lubbock visiting her sisters, Mrs. Vernell Balwin and Mrs. Emma Stevens.

Mrs. Elnora Dyer. She sang "It's In My Heart." Also Mrs. Beverly Hereford sang "Jesus Loves Me." This young lady travels all over the country witnessing for Jesus in songs and words of speech. We were especially fortunate to have her present on Saturday.

Breakfast was served in such spacious and love filled atmosphere by cooks who never complain, but just serve with a smile.

Were you there? If not, then come next week! You are invited. Our guest list included: Mrs. Verline Hereford, Mrs. Beverly Hereford, Little Mr. B. T. and Tashava Hereford and Mrs. Jackson.

Thank you for taking time to share your morning with this group. Come again!

Our sick and shut in list include: Mrs. Ora Craven, Mrs. Ollie Hemanes, Mr. Granville Wallace, Mrs. Bertha Hood, and Mr. N. P. "Beauty" Holmes.

Read Exodus 23:25. Prayer request was made and answers to prayers request were made and answers to prayers. Do you have a request? If so, call or come by. The numbers are: 747-7326, 763-1333, 765-6831 or 765-8623.

We would love to hear from you. Don't forget to pray today. If not for yourself, then pray for someone else.

Morning prayer was offered by Mrs. Patricia Burleson.

The Children Outreach will meet at 2110 Birch Avenue each Friday evening at 6 p. m. We are looking for your children. God's love is reaching out and touching our young people through people who are dedicated. People such as Mrs. Donna Graves, director of this ministry.

Can any good come out of Nazareth?? The next meeting will be in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Ervin 2905 East Baylor Avenue.

"C-O-M-E and S-E-E!"  
Mrs. Mary Ward is president; Mrs. C. E. Fair, vice president; Mrs. C. E. Brown, secretary; and Mrs. Dorothy Hood, reporter.

Mrs. Grovonda Burrell has had an opportunity to visit her father here, Mr. Charles Burrell and family and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stevens.

## OBSEQUIES



### Mrs. Ellen Phenix

Christ of Slaton, she passed away Sunday afternoon, July 12, 1981, at 4 p. m. She leaves to mourn her passing: her husband, Mr. Leon Phenix; eight sons - James Phenix of Alice, Texas; Burns Phenix, Percy Phenix and W. T. Phenix, all of Lubbock; Leon Phenix, Jr. of Fort Worth, Texas; R. C. Phenix of Rosebud, Texas; Henry McDonald of Marlin, Texas; and McAuthor of Detroit; four daughters - Mae Ella Ross of Brownwood, Texas; Cathrine Petty of Waco, Texas; Margie McDaniel and Rosie Scott, both of Slaton; a stepson, Roy T. Phenix, who preceded her in death; forty three grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren; three sisters - Lena Young and Bell Whitfield, both of Rosebud, Texas; and Ruby Taylor of San Francisco, California; a brother, Sam Assbury of California; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon, July 17, 1981, for Mrs. Ellen Phenix at the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Slaton, Texas, Rev. C. C. Peoples, pastor. Supt. N. C. Coffey officiated the services. He was assisted by Bishop W. D. Haynes. Bishop J. E. Alexander gave special remarks.

Mrs. Phenix was born in Cameron, Texas, Milian County, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Assbury August 27, 1907. She was married to Mr. Leon Phenix and to that union was born twelve children. A faithful member of the 1st Church of God in

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## Biblical Inspiration For The Week

"Fix...our eyes on Jesus." - Hebrews 12:2

1) Look to Him. What greater privilege in life than to "look to Jesus!"

Queen Victoria, in her own perhaps excruciatingly myopic and sentimental but heartfelt way, once said, "I would gladly exchange my crown and all of my dominions simply to see Jesus' precious face."

To Victoria, that symbolized the giving of her all. How much would you give to gain a glimpse of Him?

2) Live in Him. To fix our sights on Jesus means being caught up within His life. It means being embraced by Him and living in and through Him.

"who is our life."

Let's not simply live *for* Jesus. Let's "live *in* Jesus."

The early Christians used to say, "The Christian is another Christ." Live in Him.

3) Love through Him. Those whose eyes are fixed on Jesus love the world, the universe and all created things, through Him.

We love as through Jesus in the holy manger where hay and animal sweat, and stars and shepherds, and kings and human love, and life's simplicity and divine adoration all intermingled. We love all the world through Him.

### Prayer Poem

Father of mercy,  
Lover of all children,  
Who in their form didst send  
thy Son:

Gladly we bless thee, humbly  
we pray thee,  
For all the children of  
the earth.

In thy compassion,  
Helper of the helpless,  
Tend them in sickness, ease

their pain,  
Heal their diseases, lighten  
their sorrows,  
And from all evil keep them  
free.

Power and blessing  
Grant us now and ever,  
Who fair would serve them  
in thy Name;  
May all our labor, crowned  
with thy favor,  
Bear fruit eternal unto thee.

### Mr. Charlie Parker



Englewood Cemetery under direction of South Plains Funeral Home of Lubbock in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Parker died in Mercy Hospital in Slaton after an illness.

He was born in Eagle Lake and moved to Slaton 55 years ago. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors include: a son, Zell T. Parker of Slaton; four daughters, Roecenia Ciemons and Ester Maxwell, both of Slaton; Piney Scott of Abilene, Texas; and Hester Raven of Lubbock; a sister, Corean Hodges of Eagle Lake; sixteen grandchildren, five great grandchildren, other relatives, and many friends.

Services for a longtime resident of Slaton, Mr. Charlie Parker, age 83, was held last Saturday morning at the Mount Olive Baptist Church with the Rev. Leo F. Scott of Abilene, Texas officiating. Burial was held in

## RUBY JAY'S CORNER

Services at the New Hope Baptist Church were carried out in usual manner last Sunday morning, beginning with Sunday School, Morning Worship services began with Deacons Kelly and Givens responsible for the devotion. The choir was in its place. The sermon was delivered by Rev. M. P. Swisher of Austin, Texas. His scripture was found in Deuteronomy 3:28 It was a wonderful message.

Annual Women's Day is August 30th at New Hope. President Ruby Jay is asking for full support. Each person is asked to give \$10.00. Guest speaker will be Mrs. C. C. Peoples. You will miss a treat if you fail to hear her.

New Hope Baptist Church is host for the Seventy-Fifth Annual Session of the West Texas Baptist District Association August 3 thru 7.

Mrs. Dorothy Kinner and daughter, Denis, returned home last week from Fort Worth, Texas where they enjoyed a wonderful visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Scurry.

Mrs. Lena Sheffield motored to Abilene, Texas to bring her mother, Mrs. Ricie Crumpton, back for a visit. She attended New Hope last Sunday morning.

The State Youth Encampment will convene with Lyons Chapel Baptist Church Saturday, August 8th. Mrs. Bernice Kelly is director.

Let us remember to pray and visit the sick and shut in among us.

Mrs. Julia Swain's father is ill in Midland, Texas.

Mr. N. P. "Beauty" Holmes remains ill. As well as Mrs. Ora Craven who is a patient at Methodist Hospital. Mr. Samuel Curtis is here in the Half Way House.

There are other who are ill, but did not know about them. If you know of any, please advise this writer by writing: "Ruby Jay's Corner," Lubbock Digest, P. O. Box 2553, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

Ms. Sandra Daily and daughter, Grovonda Burrell, are in the "Hub City" visiting their

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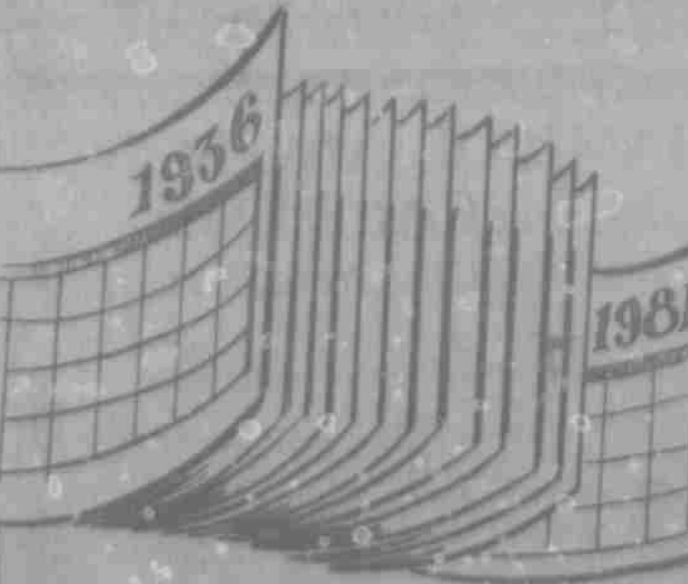
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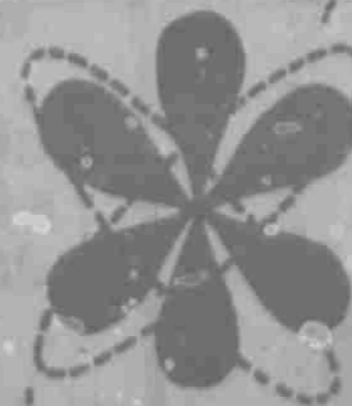

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**IT'S AMERICAN!**  
VERNON JORDAN... executive director... URBAN LEAGUE... told members at the national meeting in... WASHINGTON, D. C... last Sunday evening... "IT'S AMERICAN FOR BLACK FOLK TO AGITATE ANYTHING THAT IS WRONG..." Believe it... there is a lot of wrong in Lubbock!!  
**GIVE YOUR TEEN-AGER AN ALLOW-ANCE**... At least... you will get respect that... ONE DAY... of the week. If your child is under 6... the fastest way to get their attention is take a nap...!!

**VOTES FOR WILSON BILL!** Senator E. L. Short... of Tahoka, Texas... says he will vote for the WILSON BILL... in regard to the... REDISTRICTING... situation... in Texas. This... BILL... will make it possible for a BLACK TO BE ELECTED... from the Dallas area... to the U.S. House of Representatives. IT IS ABOUT TIME TO HAVE MORE THAN ONE ON... CAPITOL HILL!!

**MEXIA!** The tragedy in... MEXIA... will not go away... and the low esteem that most BLACKS HAD FOR RURAL POLICE... is lower than THAT!!  
**CHECK THIS OUT!** If the... BUDGET CUTS... had gone through... before PRESIDENT REAGAN... got shot... the... VERY HOSPITAL THAT HE WAS CARRIED TO WOULD NOT HAVE HAD TWO OF THE ITEMS THAT WERE USED... on him... WHEN HE FIRST ENTERED... FOR TREATMENT.

**REDISTRICTING**... will break up as many friendships as the new ones it will make in Texas!!  
**DID YOU KNOW!!** On East Broadway... across from Mackenzie

State Park... there is a... PRE-RELEASE PRO-JECT... For... PAROLES of... Huntsville State Prison... So far... the 150 PAROLES... residing there are doing fine... according to a local lawman. But according to our friend... GILBERT HERREA... these men don't have the proper food to eat... not enough clothes to wear... and many of them are sleeping on the floor without any type of bedding... This would make a great... project for some organization... to see that these men are treated as human beings... BROTHER HERRERA says the men are tired of eating... BOLOGNA... This project is part of... 1,500 PAROLES... which have been released to various cities and towns in Texas...

**ONE THIRD!!** Did you know that one third of the households in USA... get some... of... AID... but... MOST ARE WHITE... and 12% are really... RICH AND DON'T NEED IT!!  
**NOT REVEREND!!** It's a funny thing... but some whites see a... BLACK... in a coat and tie... and he is referred to as a... PREACHER... (of course nothing wrong with being a preacher)... Now... it seems... since talking to... SHERIFF SONNY KEESE... via telephone... the other morning about distributing some BIBLES... in the new jail... he kept referring to this writer as... REVEREND... Now... SHERIFF... all intelligent BLACK FOLK are not... PREACHERS... but are concerned about the... WORD OF GOD... NO! NO! CHIEF J.T. ALLEY... told THIS N THAT... that he will not... RETIRE!! WEEDS LOOKING BAD AGAIN!! Last year... we made it known that the... YARD AT THE CARVER HEIGHTS DAY NURSERY... was pitiful... THAT YARD SHOULD BE... KEPT MUCH... BETTER. It even makes the church property at... MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH... look bad. REV. LARRY POLK... why don't you tell those

people at the... CARVER HEIGHTS DAY NURSERY... to keep that yard clean. BLACK PREACHERS!! Don't you think its about time for... ALL OF YOU TO COME TOGETHER?? Now... we know that... PASTORS... and... MINISTERS... don't like for a... LAY-PERSON... to suggest anything... BUT... don't you think it's about... TIME FOR ALL OF YOU TO GET... TO-GETHER!!! Let us hear from... EACH OF YOU!!!



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## Black Women Leaders Call For Unity Drive

New York -- Barbara K. Phillips, Supreme Basileus, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Mona H. Bailey, National President, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Mrs. H. Garland Chisell, National President, Auxiliary to National Medical Association, Inc.; Vivian Crawley, National President, Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.; Thelma Dudley, National President, Women's Missionary Council, Christian Methodist Episcopal Church; and Dr. Edith Francis, Grand Basileus, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. have issued a call to members of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW). "Every Member-A-Member" is the theme of this intensive drive. Each member of an

affiliate organization is directly represented in NCNW. The call for direct membership is a significant effort to strengthen the base of self-reliance of Black women through NCNW, which was founded in 1935 by Mary McLeod Bethune. Speaking of this national membership drive, Dorothy I. Height, National President, NCNW, said: "It is a tribute to Black women in organizations that we recognize the importance of pooling our resources and exercising our collective power." NCNW initiates and manages programs that respond to the special needs of the Black family. With national programs operating across the country, NCNW functions to ensure that the

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minority woman has access to full participation in the socio-economic systems which impact on the quality of life. This national membership drive comes at a time when Black women are determined to strengthen their base of self-reliance.

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## Questions and Answers On Extension of the Voting Act

The Voting Rights Act is one of the most important and effective civil rights law ever passed by Congress. As a result of the Act, hundreds of thousands of Black and Hispanic Americans have been able to exercise the most precious of constitutional rights — the right to vote. Major provisions of the Voting Rights Act are scheduled to expire in August 1982, unless Congress acts to extend them.

### 1. What is the Voting Rights Act?

The Voting Rights Act was enacted in 1965 and continued in 1970 and 1975 to protect constitutionally guaranteed voting rights which had been systematically denied blacks in the South. The Act also protects the voting rights of Hispanics and other language minority citizens against severe voting discrimination in other parts of the country.

### 2. Why is it important to act on the Voting Rights Act now?

Key provisions of the Voting Rights Act are due to expire in August 1982 unless Congress votes to extend the Act. It is important for the House to complete action on the bill this year to ensure that there will be sufficient time for the difficult Senate fight.

### 3. What are the key provisions of the Voting Rights Act?

The Voting Rights Act includes both permanent and temporary or "special" provisions. Among the permanent provisions is a nation wide ban on literacy tests. The most important temporary provisions are:

Section 5, which stops other means of discrimination, such as racial gerrymandering, changes from single member to at-large elections, and last minute shifts in polling places by requiring certain state and local governments—with a proven history of discrimination—to preclear any new changes in voting or election procedures with the Justice Department. Covered jurisdictions must show that proposed changes will not discriminate against minority voters;

Section 203, which requires certain state and local jurisdictions with a concentration of language minority population to provide assistance in other languages to voters who are not literate or fluent in English.

### 4. How does Section 5 pre-clearance work?

A covered state or county which wants to put an election change into effect submits the change, along with background information, to the U.S. Justice Department. Within 60 days (or 120 days in special circumstances), the Department responds by "pre-clearing" the changes or by "objecting" to them. If there is pre-clearance, the jurisdiction can implement the change; if there is an objection, the jurisdiction may not use the change.

In the covered parts of the country, any change in voting or election procedure, such as redistricting, annexation, re-registration requirements, polling place changes, new rules for candidate qualification, and any other election change must be pre-cleared under Section 5 to prevent new forms of voter discrimination from replacing those that have been outlawed.

### 5. Where does Section 5 apply?

Section 5 pre-clearance applies in any state or country in the nation where a literacy test was used to discriminate against minority voters. (The formula used by Congress to determine when a literacy test was used to discriminate was a less than 50% turnout of eligible voters for presidential election).

Section 5 covers Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, and half of North Carolina. It also covers parts of New York City (including the Bronx) and parts of eleven states from all sections of the country.

### 6. What are some examples of the Justice Department preventing serious discrimination by objecting to changes submitted under Section 5, the pre-clearance section of the Voting Rights Act?

In many cases, Section 5 has been successful even where a lawsuit under the 14th or 15th Amendment has been unsuccessful. For example, after an unsuccessful court suit, Section 5 blocked the use of discriminatory multi-member districts in the South Carolina House of Representatives. As a result, the number of black member went from three to thirteen.

In Richmond, Virginia and San Antonio, Texas, efforts to maintain white control through annexation were stymied by Section 5. In each case, the annexation was allowed to go through, but the use of gerrymandered at-large elections was blocked. The result because the votes of minority citizens were not diluted.

### 7. Should the act be applied nationwide?

Important permanent provisions of the VRA already apply nationwide. The act already allows a court to require pre-clearance in any jurisdiction where serious racial discrimination in voting is proved. Section 5 applies in areas where the specific problem of discriminatory literacy test and substitute forms of discrimination in voting show a proven history of discrimination.

## Social Security

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**Question:** I'd much rather work than draw disability checks but I'm not sure I can handle a job. How can I find out about the recent changes that affect disabled people who work ... and also how this relate to a possible routine review of my claim?

**Answer:** Call any social security office. The people there will be glad to answer your questions.

**Question:** What if my disability checks are stopped following a review. What appeal rights do I have?

**Answer:** You can request reconsideration of all the facts in your case. This must be done in writing at any social security office within 60 days after you receive the notice that benefits will end.

**Question:** I realize that my disability checks were properly stopped because of my injuries from the accident have healed. However, I had some complications that may bother me in later years. Do I have a right to file again for disability?

**Answer:** Yes. If you become unable to work a second time, monthly payments can be made again. If this happens within 5 years after previous payments stopped, another 5 month waiting period for monthly checks is not required. And if you were entitled to Medicare before, you do not have to complete another 24-month waiting period before this protection resumes.

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qualifies for food stamps. The Reagan plan will not permit a family of four earning more than \$11,000 to participate. The program will be funded in the range of 10 billion dollars each year. AFDC (Aid for Families with Dependent Children

Eligibility standards will be tightened up to limit applicants and participants to 150 percent of needs standard set by the state in which they live. Currently families with income in excess of this can qualify. The federal government will grant states additional money for the purpose of locating parents liable for child support and enforcing collections.

Stepparent income will be counted. A child who is an integral part of a

## Black Empowerment

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on request. The unique advantage of such an operation as the United Black Fund, beyond greatly encouraging and increasing black community giving, is that of having the particular needs of blacks met which white-oriented agencies do not fully understand. Many groups within the black community provide what are "essential services" to blacks and which appear as peripheral or irrelevant by conventional white-oriented community services standards. The United Black Fund thus enables those in the black community to meet specialized needs by reference only to their own criteria.

Categories of services funded by the United Black Fund include: adult education, community planning aid development, counselling services, cultural arts, day care, discrimination complaints, drug abuse prevention, employment services, family planning, food distribution, handicapped and housing services, physical and mental health organizations, legal assistance, senior citizens, Hispanic citizens, and services for women and youth.

A side benefit of the work of the United Black Fund is the bringing together on its board of the widest cross-section of community action and services leadership, for the setting of community-wide priorities. Further, when the victory celebrations are given each year, the community's leadership is able to make the most strategic selection of honorees according to the self-ascertained interests of the black community.

Blacks are giving and serving increasingly. The United Black Fund is a sterling example of and model for this trend.

AFDC unless they are in their senior year of high school. Each state shall be required to establish and maintain a community work experience program for those individuals required to work as a condition of receiving AFDC. The Bankruptcy Act will be amended to prohibit the discharge in bankruptcy of child support obligations. AFDC will be funded by the Reagan program in the range of seven billion dollars annually. Student Assistance Pell Grants will replace BEOG (Basic Educational Opportunity

Grants) and provide awards to undergraduate students who can demonstrate need. The maximum grant will be \$1,800. The Reagan program will fund \$2,486,000,000 to provide grants averaging \$920 to 2,700,000 students. The highest income student will be eliminated. Except where there is extreme financial need, families will be required to contribute to the support of their student members receiving grants.

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