



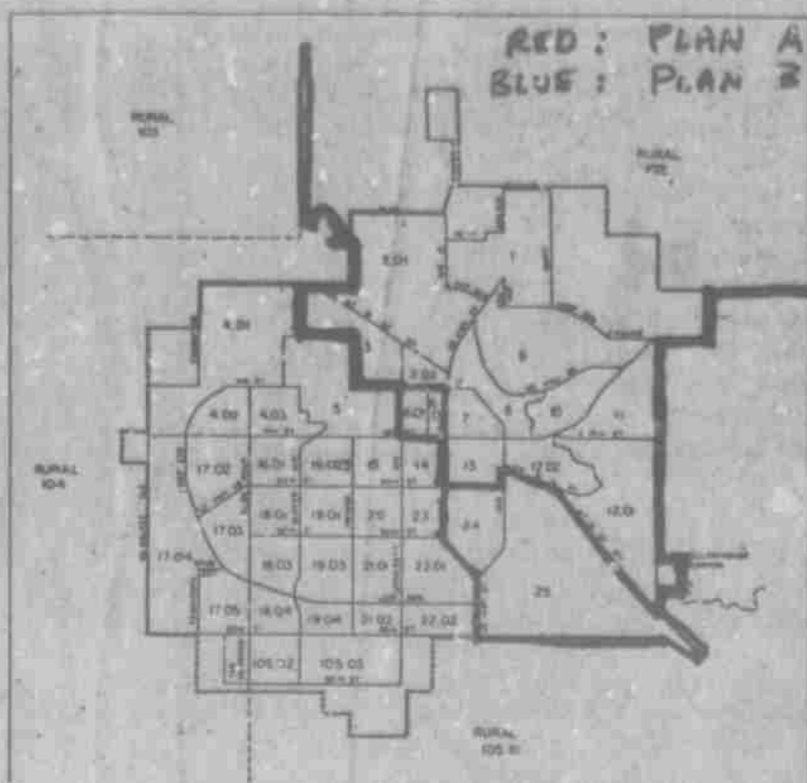
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MINORITIES WANT CHANGE IN PRECINCT



PLANS A & B -- Pictured above is the map which explained Plans A & B to the Lubbock County Commissioners Court last Monday morning. The plans were presented by Harold M. Chatman, president of Citizens of Progress (COP).

Among the minorities appearing before the Lubbock County Commissioners Court Monday morning was Harold M. Chatman, president of Citizens of Progress (COP). In a filled court room, consisting of Texas Tech University students from a political science class, Chatman made a strong point when he said: "Blacks want

representation on the County Commissioners Court. Not only did he just talk about the need for black representation, but he brought input to the commissioners. Submitting two plans, A & B, Chatman explained what each plan would do to enhance the possibility of a black or at least another minority being selected to the

court. "Too long have we been denied equal representation and he chance to elect our representatives," continued Chatman. In Plan A, Chatman showed there were 11,689 (21.3%) black in this area with 22,637 Hispanics (41.2%), and 20,571 (37.5%) Anglo. This plan would have a population of 54,897 residents. Of

that total, 34,326 (62.5%) being minority - black and brown. This would be 1,964 residents (3.6% above the norm, regard by Federal law.

In Plan B, there would be 11,327 (20.0%) black; 25,781 (45.7%) Hispanic and 19,356 (34.3%) Anglo. This would be a total of 56,464 residents with a total of 37,108 (65.7%) minorities - black and brown. This plan would only show 3,551 (6.3%) of the norm. "We (COP) would go along with either one of the plans, being submitted today," said Chatman. He told the County Commissioners that these plans were presented to the black community several days ago. "At a local meeting, everyone was in accord with the plans," he said. After spending nearly twenty hours of research-

ing the various data for both plans, Chatman admitted that it is a must to see that blacks have an opportunity to elect a representative of their own choosing.

Rose Wilson, president of the Lubbock Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), appeared before the commissioners court and said she favored Plan B. "We wholeheartedly support the efforts of Mr. Chatman, but we would like to see Plan B become a reality," said Ms. Wilson.

Harry Stokley, Jr., representing the United Political Action League (UPAL), supported the presentation by Chatman.

T. J. Patterson, Sr.,

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Whites Seek Black Help To Fight Integration Plan

Denver -- Parents in a predominantly white neighborhood have taken out news paper advertisements urging black families to move in and

help them battle a school desegregation plan. If the campaign attracts enough black families, the parents say, their neighborhood might meet court-imposed standards for racial balance, allowing their children to walk to school.

"Thinking about moving?" said the one column ad in the Denver Weekly. "We invite you to consider Harvey Park in beautiful southwest Denver, a family community (with neighborhood schools, naturally integrated neighborhood."

Gretchen Palmer, a member of the group organizing the effort said about 20 black families had expressed interest in moving to the area since the ad first appeared two weeks ago.

"I'm not certain a large number of blacks could afford to move out here," Ms. Palmer said, adding that the housing available ranges from moderate to upper income levels. "But at least they'll know the community is here and that we have an open mind."

Bishop College Faces Bleak Future

In a recent letter to alumni, Dr. Harry S. Wright, president of Bishop College, a Black-Baptist oriented institution of Dallas stated that despite significant improvements in nearly a dozen areas, the college is still floundering financially and may not open for the fall semester.

Wright said the college needs at least \$100,000 in order to make the August 10 payroll.

"If we miss this payroll, we would have difficulty staying open in September, and progress made thus far would be negated. Accreditation with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools would surely be in jeopardy," Wright added.

A review team from the U.S. Department of Education on scheduled to visit Bishop shortly to

Lubbock Civic Leader & Educator Dies

Final rites were held in Houston last Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Mae D. Simmons, 70, an educator in the public schools for thirty-five years in Texas, at the South Union Baptist Church with the pastor, Rev. S. Watkins, officiating.

Interment was held in Houston Memorial Gardens under direction of Huckaby Funeral Home of Houston.

Mrs. Simmons retired from the Lubbock Public Schools in 1972 after 29 years of service. She was born in Navarro County, Texas. At the age of fifteen, her family moved to Wichita Falls, Texas where she graduated from high school. She attended Prairie View A & M College for two years. Her B. A. degree was received from Texas Southern University and she attended a summer term at Huston-Tillotson in Austin, Texas.

After earning her M. S. degree from the University of Iowa, she also did work at the University of Minnesota and the University of Colorado, two summers each.



Mrs. Mae D. Simmons

Prior to working at Hodges Elementary School, her last school assignment here, Mrs. Simmons was a class-

room teacher at Ella Hies Elementary School. She was also principal of that school for twelve years.

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Federal, State & City Chiefs To Address Black Government Employees

Washington -- Ohio's three-term governor, James Allen Rhodes is heading a list of distinguished chief executives from federal, state and city governments scheduled to address a mass gathering

of civil servants at the Third Annual Training Conference of Blacks in Government (BIG) to be held in Washington, D. C. from August 25-28 at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

The conference, with



Maynard H. Jackson, Jr., Mayor, Atlanta, Ga.

the theme -- "Preparedness, Performance, and Productivity: Blue Print for Equal Opportunity" -- will also be addressed by H.U.D. Secretary Samuel Pierce and Atlanta's Mayor Maynard Jackson.

Governor Rhodes became Ohio's 63rd Governor in 1962, climaxing a distinguished career as State Auditor, Mayor of Columbus, a post he held for 10 years and civic leader.

Secretary Pierce, who in a 30-year period served as an attorney, judge, law professor, corporate director and civic administrator, became the first Black Cabinet appointee to the Reagan Administration.

Mayor Jackson, who is now serving a second term as Mayor of Atlanta, was an attorney



James A. Rhodes, Governor, Ohio



Samuel R. Pierce, Jr., Secretary, Housing and Urban Development

to the U.S. National Labor Relations Board, and president of the National Conference of Democratic Mayors.

"These speakers are expected to bring a

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Donald King Gives NNPA Archives \$10,000



Cleveland, Ohio, The Archives Committee of the National Newspaper Publishers' Association through its chairman, William D. Walker, has received a contribution of \$10,000 from light promoter Donald King.

In making his gift, Mr. King expressed his interest in the Archives project which was established in 1973 at Howard University.

The Archives is expected to become the primary facility in the world for research related to the history of the Black press.

As a part of NNPA's project to preserve the history of the Black press, NNPA's Bureau of Distinguished Newspaper Publishers has been established in the Moorhead-Sanger Research Center, where portraits of Black publishers are exhibited and can be viewed by the public. Copies of the portraits are sent to the Archives for each year to be exhibited at the research reference. Dr. Michael T. Wilson is director of the Moorhead-Sanger Research Center.

Black Named President El Centro College

Dr. Queen F. Randall, 46, an educator from Kansas City, Mo., has become the president of El Centro College, downtown campus of the Dallas County Community College District.

Forty-six percent of the college's 5,405 full-time students are black; and eight percent are Hispanic.

Dr. Randall is the first black president in the Dallas Community College.

Elderly Persons May Apply For Financial Aid

To help relieve the harsh effects of the Texas summer heat on elderly persons, low-income families with members age 65 or older may apply for financial aid to help pay their summer cooling costs.

Under the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), households eligible by reason of low income and containing at least one person 65 or older may qualify for one-time payments that will range from \$91 to \$114. The cooling assistance announcement was made today by Marlin W. Johnston, commissioner of the Texas Department of Human Resources (TDHR) which is

administering the program.

Some elderly Texans will receive the cooling assistance automatically. These are people already receiving benefits from Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Food Stamps, or Supplemental Security Income.

Other low-income households which do not receive the automatic payment will be required to apply for HEAP benefits during an application period from August 3 through August 31. A face-to-face interview is required for certification, as is verification of household income.

Johnston said the following guidelines can be used in determining if an elderly member of a household is eligible for the federally-funded cooling assistance: A household's resources cannot exceed \$1,800 for one person or \$3,000 for more than one person. The value of the homestead, cars, personal and household belongings will not be considered as resources. Household gross monthly income cannot be more than the following figures for eligibility:

Numbers of people in household, in parentheses, precede income limits: (1 person)--\$296.49; (2 persons)--\$446.49; (3 persons)--\$613.49; (4 persons)--\$756.49; (5 persons)--\$893.49; (6 persons)--\$1,044.49; (7 persons)--\$1,195.49.

Each county in Texas will have a designated location for households to apply for energy assistance. These locations may be determined by calling the local office of the Texas Department of Human Resources. If there is not a local TDHR office in a particular county, an applicant should contact the nearest TDHR office or any local organization serving the elderly to inquire about the arrangements for that particular county. If certified as eligible for the assistance, applicants should receive their payments within 20 to 30 days.

West Texas Exposition On Tap September 25th

The 2nd Annual West Texas Business Exposition is scheduled for September 25th and 26th in the Exhibit Hall of the Lubbock Civic Center. The primary purpose of the Exposition is to allow small and mid-size businesses to exhibit goods and services to the public and to provide factual information concerning topics vital to business owners.

Outstanding speakers such as Robert T. Sakowitz, Sakowitz, Inc. and Robert Boykin, Presi-

dent, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Michael Car'enas, Administrator of U. S. Small Business Administration, Washington, D. C., Ted Eck, Chief Economist, AMOCO Oil Co., Houston, and Charles Shuman, Jr., Fy'n and Home Administration, Washington, D. C. have been chosen to motivate, inform, and clarify existing problems of today's business world. Ben Brown, Exhibit Chairman, strongly

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Celebrates First - Little Zairrius DeShore Paterson is shown above sharing his first birthday

last Thursday afternoon at Mae Simmons Community Center. Zairrius (center) is



Ossie Spencer, proprietor of the United Store, shows his wares to Ms. Estine L. Garrett (right). He invites all of his many friends in West Texas and Hobbs, New Mexico to come and visit him.

Civic Leader Dies

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In 1953, Mrs. Simmons was honored with the naming of Mae Simmons Community Center and Mae Simmons Park in recognition of her many efforts as civic leader in behalf of the city and its citizens. Mrs. Simmons was appointed, during Governor Preston Smith's administration, to serve on the State Manpower Board Advisory Committee.

Her list of community services is rather lengthy and she once said that she had always enjoyed working with people in the community. Some of her efforts include: the United Fund for approximately 18 years; chairman of the local chapter of the March of Dimes for 15 years; and ten years with the Cancer Society. A charter member of the Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Mrs. Simmons has been a member of the Community Planning Council, Provisional Board of the YWCA (later a regular member), Board of YWCA, Board of the Girl Scouts, board member of the Boys' Clubs, Day Nursery Board, member of AAUW, Child Welfare Board and many others.

Her professional affi-

liations included the National Education Association (NEA), Lubbock Classroom Teachers Association (LCTA), Association of Childhood Education, Texas Elementary Principals Association, and Texas Classroom Teachers Association (TCTA).

Superintendents Mrs. Simmons served under in the Lubbock Public School System were: R. W. Matthews, Nat Williams, and Ed Irons. She worked under five principals, namely: E. C. Struggs, Charles E. Brown, Clarence Priestly, Charles Johnson and Grover C. Colvin. A former member of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, she passed last Wednesday afternoon, August 5, at approximately 4:45 p. m. while hospitalized at Park Plaza Hospital in Houston.

Mrs. Simmons had lived in Las Vegas, Nevada, in 1978, but moved to Houston, from Lubbock, in 1980. She is survived by four brothers, James Thomas and Evans Thomas, both of Houston; Richard Thomas of Corsicana, Texas and Steve Thomas of Tulsa, Oklahoma; a sister, Mrs. Verma Williams of Las Vegas, Nevada; other relatives, and many, many friends.

Public Hearing On Reductions Funds

A public transportation on the impact of the reduction in federal funds on social services in Texas will be made at 9 a. m. Monday, August 17, at the Joe C. Thompson Center at 2405 Red River in Austin.

The meeting will be conducted by executives of the Texas Department of Human Resources and will include time for public comment.

Congress, through the Budget Reconciliation Act, last week established the block grant of federal funds Texas will receive to provide Title XX social services for the fiscal year of 1982 which begins Oct. 1. The block

grant represents a significant reduction in federal funds.

Programs affected include protective services for abused and neglected children, emergency family services, employment services, day care, family planning, and community care for the aged and disabled.

Expected to attend the hearing are providers of social services under contract with the Department of Human Resources, recipients of the services, advisory groups serving DHR, and any interested citizens.

The program will begin with a representation of the impact of the reductions and options for dealing with it. Public comment will follow.

NAACP Will Meet

The Lubbock Branch of the NAACP met last Saturday night at its regular time with George Scott, vice president, presiding due to the absence of the Rose Wilson, president.

President Wilson is requesting all NAACP members and all other interested organizations to meet at Mae Simmons Community Center on Friday evening, August 14, at 7:30 p. m. for an important meeting. This meeting is for the reappointment and new appointments for repre-

Community Hospital Patient Enjoys Movies

Patients at Community Hospital of Lubbock, 5303 University, will soon have a special treat. Beginning this week, full length movies will be shown on the Hospital's closed circuit T.V. system. Also to be aired are films of an

educational nature. Timely health topics such as diabetes, hypertension and nutrition will be explored.

Community Hospital of Lubbock is an affiliate of Summit Health Ltd. Studio City, California. The local facility will participate in a company wide loan network which will insure a large selection of film offerings.

Mrs. Emma Dockins lost her oldest brother in Clarksville, Texas. She and family will be leaving for the funeral there on Friday.

Minorities Want Change Now

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representing the Lubbock Digest, told the commissioners that he agreed with Plan B. "I believe Plan B will be most appropriate, because it gives an opportunity for blacks and other minorities to elect their representative. If ever there was a time it's now for black folk to have a catalyst to become a part of the political process."

Also supporting Chairman was Eddie P. Richardson, Jr., president of the Lubbock Black Chamber of Commerce. He told the court that he wanted to go on record as supporting Plan B. "We need representation on the County Commission, Court, and now is the time."

Rolando Rios, representing the Southwest Voter Registration Project, also appeared before the commissioners court, and pointed out legal requirements of reapportioning the district.

He told the commissioners that plans to be submitted minority groups at this hearing showed the county's 30 percent minority population packed into one or two commissioners precincts. Although noting that gerrymandering is illegal, he said placing the minority population into one or two precincts does not

fall in this category. After looking at past history, according to Rios, gerrymandering has been used to exclude minorities from control of some precincts.

Rios said he has advised minority citizens to shoot for a 65 percent minority precinct in order to allow them to elect candidates of their choice.

Roger Settler, the last one to appear at the hearing, brought out the fact that Plans A & B would not allow a black or brown to be chosen. He presented a plan, he believes, would allow better representation. "In order for total representation of blacks and browns, a plan would have to be implemented to include Slaton and other rural areas for this to happen," he said. A map of his plan was given

to the court. Every ten years, lines are drawn after the U. S. Census Bureau population figures become available. It will be November before the final lines will be declared, according to Judge Rod Shaw. He also made known that the Lubbock County Commissioners Court will decide their plan at the next meeting. "It will be an open meeting and we want anyone who has something to say to be present," concluded Judge Shaw.



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Opening scriptures were: Isaiah 40:1-29. Participating in the opening were Mrs. Ward and Mrs. P. Smith.

Morning activities consisted of a song-a-rama. All gave testimonies in songs. Scripture was Act 2:15-18, "Living Bible"

Some of you are saying these men are drunk! It isn't true! Its much too early for that! People don't get drunk by 9 a.m. No what you see this

morning, it was predicted centuries ago by the prophet Joel.

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All songs were a testimony. These songs have real meaning, and a beat deep down inside that will start your feet to dancing. Such as: "I'm On The Battlefield for My Lord," "Amazing Grace," "Guide Me Over," "Pass Me Not Oh Gentle Saviour", "I Shall Not Be Moved," and "He Didn't Have To Do It But He Did."

Other songs were: "May the Work I've Done Speak For Me," "Precious Lord, There's a Fountain Filled With Blood," "I Fly Away," "None But The Righteous Shall See God," "Walk With Me Lord," "My Soul Loves Jesus," "This Little Light of Mine," "You See, We Don't Have a Hang Up About Religions." This is a non-denominational breakfast. If you love the Lord as one speaker said, you got what it takes. Mrs. C. C. Peoples summed it all up beautifully.

Thought for the day: "Your mind is a battle ground and your body tells others if you're winning or losing." Think about it!

Breakfast was served with some homemade goodies. Come and eat with us spiritually or physically on next Saturday.

Our guest list included: Mrs. Tony Williams, Mrs. C. C. Peoples, Mrs. Verlina Carroll, Mrs. Annie Ross, Mrs. Irma

Cook, Mrs. Celestine Johnson, Mrs. Lula Mae Harris and Mrs. Gertrude Williams.

So happy to have the following members back with us. They included Mrs. Raymond Peppers, Mrs. Newman, Mrs. Annie Mae Johnson, and Mrs. Pollie Smith. You are the sunshine in our lives. We love you. Come again!

Our sick and shut in list include: Ophelia Smith, a patient at South Park Hospital, ICU; Bertha Hood, a patient at West Texas Hospital in Room 433; Mrs. Odessa Harris, Sugar Baby Fair, Verlina Carroll, Delia Newman, Terio Gomez, a patient at Methodist Hospital; and Sam Wait, a patient at Methodist Hospital.

Have faith in God, believe and receive. Prayer request was made and answer to prayers. If you have a prayer request, come or call one of the following numbers: 747-7326, 763-1333, 765-6831 or 765-8623.

Don't forget to fast and

Faith First Baptist Church News

Sunday School began at 9 a.m. last Sunday morning with Supl. Roosevelt Portee, Sr. presiding. The lesson was "The Basis of Covenant Renewal." The scripture was Deuteronomy 29:2-15. The background scripture was Deuteronomy 29:1-15.

Rev. E. C. Wilson, associated minister of St. Matthew Baptist Church, brought the message "Trying To Love Two." His scripture text was St. Matthew 6:22-24. The sermon was enjoyed by all.

May God continue to bless you, Rev. Wilson. We would like to thank Continue on Page 11

with God all things are possible. She proved her point on last Saturday. Mrs. Donnie M. Graves, director, you did a splendid job.

Can any good come out of Nazareth?? The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Pollie Smith, 1313 East 16th Street.

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

Revival At Tree Of Life COGIC

Evangelist Thelma Tate of Waco, Texas will be in revival at the Tree of Life Sanctuary Church of God in Christ, 4117 East 2nd Street, for three big nights. The dates are Wednesday, August 12; Thursday, August 13; and Friday, August 14. Don't miss your

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- B. T. T. 6:00 P.M.
- Night Service 7:20 P.M.

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Editorials

We'll Miss You, Mae Simmons

It was last fall when Mrs. Mae D. Simmons was in Lubbock to attend the class reunion of the Classes of 1930 to 1949. While here, she stopped by the Lubbock Digest office. At that time, she had commented that she will perhaps never come this way again. This became true. Last Wednesday, our friend, Mrs. Mae D. Simmons died in Houston.

She's a lady whom we will miss in Lubbock. She added much to our community. From a classroom teacher, a principal, and civic leader—the citizens of Lubbock didn't forget her untiring efforts. In 1953, a park and community center were named in her behalf—**Mae Simmons Community Center and Mae Simmons Park.**

Words can't express how much we'll miss Mae D. Simmons. Although she hadn't lived here for several months, many of us often talked about her. Her name was mentioned many times in reference to the Lubbock Emancipation (Juneteenth) Celebration. The committee, even on a local talk show, wanted to bring her back to be honored. It never happened, but we thought of her.

At this time, we'll just say: "We'll miss you, Mae D. Simmons." You were, without any doubt, a great citizen! You helped mold the lives of many boys and girls in Lubbock. Your participation in various civic organizations has helped too. But, most of all, Mae D. Simmons, we'll miss you because you were a Christian woman who gave what you had and didn't mind it. We'll miss you Mae D. Simmons!!!

Who Will Be Next

by NNPA

"We must pay as well as pray for civil rights progress."

Those are the words of a black businessman who exemplifies black philanthropy at its best. Don King, boxing promoter extraordinaire, is known as a self-educated and very glib speaker. Put him behind a microphone or in front of some listeners and he can entertain, charm, and overwhelm you with his eloquence. But he also believes in putting his money where his mouth is.

Don King practices what he preaches — not forgetting from where you've come; returning something significant to the community which helped make you; sharing caring, and giving in support of your own people; doing all you can to help support the strength of the black community, the black family, and using power and money intelligently and effectively to support our cause.

In February, King, during a visit to Howard University, to speak to students, handed out checks totalling \$130,000 to 10 black organizations including the NAACP, the National Urban League, United Negro College Fund, and the National Newspaper Publishers association. Significantly, King presented a \$10,000 check to Dr. LaSalle Leffall, a black physician then the President of the American Cancer Society, for a national campaign to reduce the high incidence of cancer deaths among black men.

In the past several years, King has contributed more than half a million dollars to black causes.

At the PUSH convention in Chicago recently, King not only contributed another \$10,000 in support of Project Excel and other PUSH programs, but brought with him four of his boxing champions, each inspired to contribute \$1,000 each.

Says King, "Some of our successful blacks, who are products of the black community, the black ghetto, like myself, are so quick to forget who helped make them, the origin of their black roots. As soon as the wrinkles get out of their bellies, they proclaim they have done it alone...made it to the top by themselves."

Added King, "We must deal with the fact that we are our black brothers keeper, whether we want to be or not, and our plight, as blacks struggling for parity in the economic market place, will not be changed, until we help ourselves."

As a boxing promoter who brought the "big purse" to the fighters, King has had a phenomenal rise to riches — from an ex-convict to the "P.T. Barnum of Boxing." But when you reach the mountaintop, as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. discovered, there are many forces out to knock you down, to discredit you to put "the nigger" back in his place.

So, it is true with King. The same FBI that investigated Dr. King, and passed along vicious and malicious rumors to discredit him; the same FBI that helped destroy the life of the woman being impregnated by a member of the Black Panthers, and this same FBI is now allegedly looking into criminal violations in boxing, but, up to now, the focus has been on one person, Don King.

King's No. 1 competitor, Bob Arum, who is white, has not been a subject of what the FBI agent in New York described as "comprehensive investigations." Of course, we know that when a black man moves near the top, whether in politics or the private sector, racism raises its ugly head in many sophisticated forms.

We remember very clearly how the Federal Trade Commission instituted an investigation against Johnson Products regarding the safety of one of its products and refused to make similar checks on Avon and the other major white cosmetic firms. The FTC claim and subsequent publicity critically hurt George Johnson, president of Johnson Products, in the marketplace.

So, Black America, let us not be so naive to believe that every investigation by federal authorities against blacks in power is justified and the black is not guilty until proven guilty.

In the meantime, we should call upon the Reagan Administration and Attorney General William Smith to explain why one person, Don King, is being panned against the wall, and is the only subject of a prolonged investigation. Either public charges should be filed against King, or we all will believe its part of a racial persecution plot.

It's Don King this time. Who will be next? For this reason Black America cannot sit idly back and let our Administration of Justice run a reckless course, as it has often wantonly done in the past.

Letters to the Editor

"Congratulations"

Dear Eddie:

Thank you very much for your participation in the "Small Business and Financial Institution Relationships" workshop last Thursday evening. I feel like your input was most valuable. I hope I will always



BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

SOCIAL WORK CHALLENGE

— Continued from last week —

age of social welfare is derived from the practical approaches of the public agencies. But the black professionals in the private agencies often have had little or no contact with, or ongoing influence upon, what those whites and others in the public agencies do regarding the massive numbers of black clients whom they meet. Therein lies a serious, radically-oriented dilemma and a major professional challenge.

Black trained or highly skilled professional social workers have both the needed insights and the social empathy to bring to the social work field a vastly different approach to their work which would earn possibly the highest degree of public ap- probation. As a number of black social workers have put it, "our business is not that of funneling waste and making survival level dependence a permanent condition in any human life. What we, as black social workers particularly, are about is human empowerment and rehabilitation."

This same theme is what prompted the fine new book, *Black Empowerment*, by Barbara Solomon, who is a black professor of social work at the University of Southern California.

Still, acknowledged insight is no substitute for concerted action—it is only a realistic basis for such action. And black social workers have a lot of concerted action to do. When broken down into or set forth as distinctive tasks, however, the shared challenge facing black social workers becomes far less formidable. These tasks might be seen in the following two ways.

1. Black social workers must take the leadership in providing a basis in theory for all helping services including social work as being essentially rehabilitative or empowering. In this approach, all of the necessary supports for incidental maintenance would be assumed or implicit. (Here we note that the shorter-term limited goal of maintenance does not include or assume rehabilitation. But the much larger goal of human habilitation for all—regardless of its practical prospects of success—does include continuing maintenance, which may incidentally end up as permanent.) Politically, then, the stated goal of human empowerment should probably be embraced in a single-minded and unyielding way by black social work theorists and practitioners.
2. Black social workers should organize to exert the greatest possible influence throughout their own field in making human empowerment the official goal of all social work. Leadership in such an effort would prompt infinite rewards. And with such built-up steam, black social work professionals might seek to infuse this goal, in their fine way, into every aspect of our nation's common life.

remember "If it is to be; its up to me." The workshop in my opinion was a great success. Again, thank you!

Sincerely,
Sylvia L. Clark
Director of Economic Development
South Plains Association of Governments

"Thank You!!"

Dear T. J.:

Thank you very much for your participation in the "Small Business and Financial Institution Relationships" workshop last Thursday evening. I feel like your input was most valuable. I was particularly pleased with the emphasis you placed on self-confidence, and of course your style was splendid. The workshop in my opinion was a great success. Again, thank you!

Sincerely,
Sylvia L. Clark
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"Avid Digest Reader"

Dear T. J.:

I am an avid reader of the Lubbock Digest, though I sometimes get behind in my reading. Recently, I had occasion to fly to San Lake City and took along my issues of the Lubbock Digest that I had not read. I was saddened and shocked to read a portion of your editorial in what I believe was the June 19th issue in which you stated words to this effect: "In the eyes of most white Americans, you are just another nigger." In my opinion, that statement simply isn't correct. I have raised and educated four children of my own and the only time they ever heard the word "nigger" was from one their peers and they were promptly admonished never to use that term again. In explaining to our small children what the term "nigger" meant, we explained that it was a person who was lazy, indifferent, uneducated, indifferent to his responsibilities to his family and his country and totally without ambition. We promptly explained that this was what the word "nigger" meant; and it had nothing to do with a man's color, ethnic background, national origin, or religion. This as occurring long before the Supreme Court announced its decision of 1954, and long before some of the fire-brand leaders of the black movement were preaching "burn, baby, burn." My family was not unique in this feeling and this attitude toward black people. Long before it was popular to do so, in fact while it was a violation of an ill conceived Texas Law, our community integrated its schools, abolished the negro school system and got on with the job. I regret to say the same has not yet occurred in the City of Lubbock.

I regret to say that our white race has more than its share of bigots, Kluxers, and incompetents, but the great mass of white people are blessed with a deep seated conscience to do that which is right and ultimately that what is right will prevail. When you preach apartness, you in effect deny me the right to have friends among black people and I don't seriously believe that you do not want to be my friend.

Keep up the good work the Lubbock Digest is doing and, incidentally, your editorial of July 19th entitled "Black America, Wake Up! We're at War" was excellent. If the editorial page of the Lubbock Digest ever reaches the standard of the Lubbock Digest, it can say it has arrived.

Your friend (with your permission)
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Why Not!!

The Time Is Now!!

by Eddie P. Richardson, Jr.

Of enormous concern in the educational field is the fact that well over 40% of Black Youth at age eighteen (18) are still considered "functionally illiterate." These are largely unemployable persons whose reading skills tragically do not equal or surpass fourth grade levels. The Lubbock Digest as well as over 200 Black newspapers across America which belong to B.M.I. and NNPA are working diligently with Dr. Reggie Powe and C.C.I. Curriculum Concept, Inc. to turn this catastrophic situation around. The Lubbock Digest is working with our local school system to try to get the program in our local schools.

The negative impact of this condition upon our young people and society as a whole, in part, is reflected in increasing and devastating crime rates, enormously high unemployment levels, demeaning forms of welfare, non-productivity degrees that spawn inflation, etc.

Almost all of our communities are torn apart ... and some extremely damaged by the often helpful but also sometimes deeply distressing circumstances of bussing our young people (White and Black) long distances from their homes. In many areas, studies have shown that merely sitting next to a white youngster does not insure increased learning skills. Teacher-caring and a security of environment after are admittedly the most productive considerations. The average results of operating under the extremely salutary intentions of the "school integration" umbrella, that has a 40% or better functional illiteracy level, surely indicates that ... at this point ... other avenues need exploring for the goal of both Black and White Americans. We all know that we need "desegregation." Getting bogged down in integration as a helpful assist to education often effectively has sidetracked us. We need to get back on track and back to basics.

One of the secondary and quite important intents of school "integration" always has been to assist white Americans by inculcating a better and more realistic image among White Americans of Black Americans and of Black America as a whole. While there is evidence that for greater understanding has been achieved in this regard during this trial much bitterness and resentment also has been engendered in this process. Many (including this newspaper and writer) believe this aspect now can be achieved in a far better way ... and that some alternatives should be explored.

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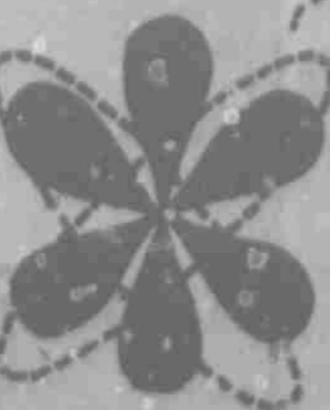
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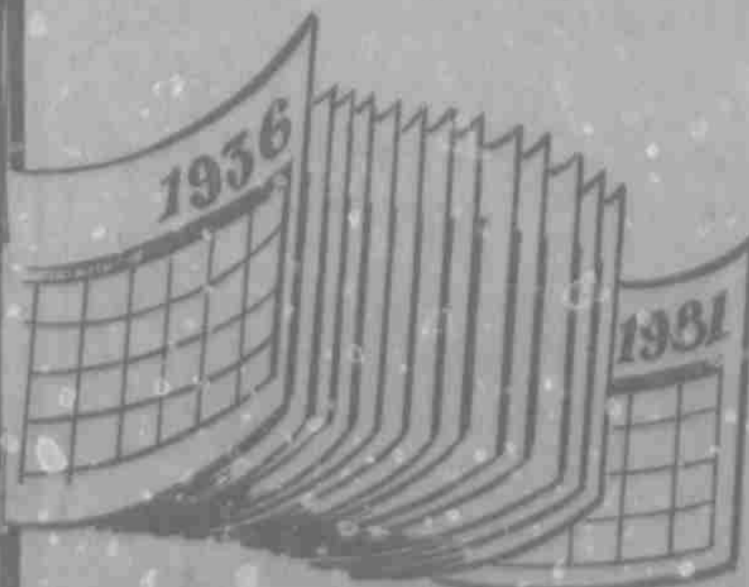
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MEMORIAL!! We hope the pastor and members of the **BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH** will get the ball rolling for some type of **MEMORIAL SERVICE** for our beloved **BLACK SISTER MRS. MAE D. SIMMONS** who passed away last Wednesday in Houston. She is most deserving of such a memorial service. Let's hope that **FRIENDS** of her in Lubbock will pitch in to see that it happens. Let's also hope some type of **SCHOLARSHIP** fund can be set up in memory of Mrs. Simmons. After all many black men and women are making things happen in the world because of her efforts.

THANKS CHARLIE! Not many may know but **CHARLES E. BROWN**, administrator at O. L. Slaton Junior High School tried desperately to get a bus load to travel to the funeral services of **MRS. MAE SIMMONS** but to no avail. It didn't happen. Of course it hurt him but it takes time for anything. We hope this man **CHARLIE BROWN** will work on the upcoming memorial services for Mrs. Simmons. Help them **CHARLIE!!**

NEW TWIST!! In a suburb near Denver, Colorado **HARVEY PARK** which is southwest of that city **PARENTS** have a new twist to overcome the desegregation problem. There they **(PARENTS)** ran an advertisement in the local newspapers to recruit **BLACK FAMILIES** to live in the neighborhood. So far **TWENTY BLACK FAMILIES** have answered the ad. They have moved in!! In **LUBBOCK** however it takes a different twist **WHITE** parents are having their child's last name changed. They could very well learn from Denver. **TEACH KIDS!!** No doubt about it **REV.**

LARRY L. POLK was right last Sunday afternoon as he preached the anniversary services for Rev. and Mrs. Stephen Pierson at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. He told the audience **VIVIDLY** to **TEACH** your **CHILDREN HOW TO ANSWER THE TELEPHONE** and to be **COURTEOUS WITH WHOM THEY ARE TALKING TO ON THE OTHER END.** It's very true **BLACK KIDS** have forgotten or were never taught how to talk to others on the telephone and be courteous **WITH WHOM THEY ARE TALKING TO ON THE OTHER END.** For that matter **Rev. Polk** **SOME DON'T KNOW HOW TO TALK TO YOU IN PERSON.** Rev. Polk also warned **BLACK PREACHERS** about their role in the community. All of them should have been there.

FOR ROSE!! Ever since the inception of the **NAACP** in 1909 it had **SIX PURPOSES**. They are: 1. to eliminate **RACIAL DISCRIMINATION** and **SEGREGATION** from all aspects of **PUBLIC LIFE IN AMERICA**; 2. to secure a **FREE BALLOT** for every qualified **AMERICAN CITIZEN**; 3. to seek justice in the **COURTS**; 4. to secure legislation banning discrimination and segregation; 5. to secure job opportunities based upon individual merit without regard to **RACE**, **RELIGION** or **NATIONAL ORIGIN**; and 6. to end mob violence and police brutality.

ENJOYED IT!! It was very refreshing to have breakfast last week with former pastor **REV. A. L. DAVIS**. Although he is fishing and writing television plays he left some good advice for all **BLACK FOLK** of our community. Rev. Davis said: **"BLACKS GOT TO QUIT HUNTING** for **HUMMING BIRDS** and start

hunting for **ELK**. **THEY ARE IN THE SAME FORREST.** Well said **Rev. Davis**. **ORGANIZATION!** Black administrators including **PRINCIPALS** need to set up some type of an organization so they can communicate with each other. If nothing more **THEY COULD ROTATE ATTENDING BOARD MEETINGS** and could help each other with various problems. **BULLETIN!!** Texas **KLU KLUX KLAN GRAND DRAGON LOUIS BEAM** will give up his post **DUE TO PERSECUTION**. **LOSS OF JOB** AND **THREATS AGAINST HIS FAMILY** according to **HOUSTON SOURCES**.

THANK YOU!! **THIS THAT** would like to congratulate **MRS. DONNIE GRAVES** for her untiring efforts to sponsor a **TRAVELING BIBLE MISSION CLUB**. She had a successful

program and seminar at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center last Saturday **GREAT WORK** **Mrs. Graves**. **ANOTHER!!** There are some employees who work hard to assist the consumer. **THIS THAT** noticed that in what **GALLEGOS WILLIAM** an employee at **LUBBOCK POWER & LIGHT COMPANY** did last week. He found a problem which was facing the **LUBBOCK DIGEST**. We hope his supervisor will let this young man know there are customers who appreciate what he has done. **THANKS GALLEGOS**. It would be good for our city manager **LARRY CUNNINGHAM** to do some **WEEDS TOO HIGH!** The weeds at the old **CORONADO APARTMENTS** are nearly as high as the **RUN DOWN** **VACANT** buildings on **EAST 30TH & EAST 31ST**

STREETS!! Surely the **CITY OF LUBBOCK** can demand these weeds be cut!! **HELP CARVER HEIGHTS!!** Since the director won't see that the weeds at **CARVER HEIGHTS DAY NURSERY** are not taken care of as they should is there any organization who would do something to help this location? **CHATMAN MAY BE FOR REAL!** A local **BLACK RESIDENT** **HAROLD M. CHATMAN** just may be for real as he is thinking **SERIOUSLY ABOUT RUNNING AGAINST** incumbent **COY BIGGS** for the upcoming **COUNTY COMMISSIONER** **POST** Hang in there **HAROLD!!** **COVERING WEST TEXAS!!** Rev. Carl Jefferson is really turned on about seeing that **WEST TEXANS** get copies of the **LUBBOCK DIGEST**. Just last week he was in **WICHITA**

FALLS It appears as though there will be **SEVERAL HUNDRED** readers there in a few weeks. His efforts have made it possible for additional readers in **PLAINVIEW**. **ENJOYS SELLING!!** Two Lubbock Black Sisters **SARA BLOCKER** and **BOBBIE PATTERSON** are doing well

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Secretary. Newly installed officers are Ellisa Dixon, president; Bertha Grant, first vice president; Rosa Dixon, second vice president; Jesse Wavford, secretary; Jackie Brown, treasurer; Gwen Coffey, sergeant-at-arms; and Margaret Beachum, historian. The program began with prayer by Mrs. Lila Dotson, followed with

opening remarks by Bertha Grant. The keynote speech was delivered by Ellisa Dixon, incoming president of the Auxiliary Unit.

Past presidents (1969-1981) of the Auxiliary received honored recognition. The former presidents honored were Mrs. Jesse Wavford, Mrs. Louise Jenkins, Mrs. Alice Wise, Mrs. Rose Washington, Ms. Ethel Stubbs, Ms. Lila Dotson and Ms. Bertha Grant. The women were also presented with past president pens.

Certificates of award were also presented to various other members, including a \$20 gift certificate presented to Mrs. Selinda Washing-

Evening High School Registration

Registration for Clovis Evening High School will be August 17, 18, and 19. Students may register at the Clovis High School Guidance Office from 5:00 - 7:00 p. m. or may call Mr. Paul Kinard,

phone 762-3745 for more information. Classes will begin Wednesday, August 19, at the Clovis High School building. The Evening High Program is an extension of the regular school program and offers students and adults an opportunity to take courses, when they are unable to attend during the school day. Registration is open to anyone wanting to complete their high school education, or wishing to take enrichment courses or make-up courses. Tuition will not be charged to students

taking three or more courses who have not completed their high school education. Students or adults taking one or two courses for enrichment or make-up will be charged a tuition of \$20.00 per semester, per course.

The Clovis schools will get the school year underway on August 19th.

ton for recognition of service achievements. Jim Wilkerson, Commander Joe C. Garcia Post No. 117, delivered the closing remarks. A buffet and disco followed the installation service which had begun at 6:30 p.m. Many members and guest attended the affair. W. Thomas Hobby Reporter Hobbs, New Mexico



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Amarillo Community News

by
Linda Jackson

For the past few months Hilltop Learning Service Center, 1808 N. Travis, has been faced with finance increases from the local city utilities for facilities not used by the center. The high utility cost has put the center through budget cuts; in one instance the center shut off one wing and turned the lights off during the day on other wings, according to Jessie Triggs, coordinator of Hilltop Learning Service Center (HLSC).

may bring the center and its activities to a close if the situation doesn't get better," Triggs said. HLSC is a community outreach center that aids blacks of the North Heights Amarillo Community and those who need help with clothing, employment, educational training (G.E.D. and tutoring) and basic on the job training work experience. HLSC is non-profit, a branch of the Texas Panhandle Community Action Cooperation (T.P.C.A.C.), Argus

Burnett, executive director, T.P.C.A.C. pays the utilities for the center. In this instance, the corporation is paying more than the centers share of utilities because the bills of an adjacent park has been added to the centers water and electricity bill causing them to rise out of the budget of T.P.C.A.C. The corporation, T.P.C.A.C. will no longer pay the cost of the centers utilities and the parks water and light system since the center is priced for the utilities; it uses and for the parks utilities it doesn't use; therefore, the center will be closed down to the black community in Amarillo since there is no sponsor to pay its operating cost. HLSC is the only black community center in the

Amarillo North Heights area that is open year round, providing services for the elderly, needy, and disadvantaged in the North Heights area. Services performed at Hilltop are: the Senior Citizens Nutrition Program, Arthur Champion, nutrition director; a free blood pressure clinic, sponsored by the Amarillo Black Nurse Association; a summer youth program and youth disco, bazzars, educational craft classes, and civic and community meetings. Hilltop Learning Service Center, according to some black residents, is the black community's source of information and activities for the North Heights area.

RUBY JAY'S CORNER by Ruby Jay



Members of New Hope Baptist Church had Youth Day services last Sunday. Services began in usual manner with Deacon E. Swain, superintendent, opening up Sunday School. Morning worship was led by Lee Savage and Timothy Jackson. Pastor A. L. Dunn brought the message. His scripture was taken from St. Matthew 5:2-5. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Beary enjoyed the reunion last week with all their children. Her daughter, Kathy and husband -- Tommy Gregory, worshipped with New Hope last Sunday morning. They are former members. Mrs. Vera Ward of Waco, Texas, a niece of Ruby Jay, spent the weekend in the "Hub City" visiting friends. Yours truly wishes to thank Mrs. C. Kyle and

her staff for a job well done last week for the Ministers' Wives Tea during the last week's association. Let us not forget our sick and shut in members of the community. As well as our bereaved families. Whisper a prayer and visit them. Mrs. Igie Scott received word that her brother is very ill in Drangerfield, Texas. Mr. Harrison "Bull" Davis has spent a week in St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. Ora Craven is a patient at Methodist Hospital. Mr. N. P. "Beauty" Holmes is at home.

Mrs. Earnest Swain lost her father in Midland, Texas. The funeral was last Tuesday morning at 11 a. m. Rev. and Mrs. Bob Tizuel of Hobbs, New Mexico spent last Sunday afternoon and night with her sister, Mrs. Lillian C. Striggs. Naomi Milligan enjoyed eight days in the city of Houston. There, she visited her daughter, who is a former Dunbar graduate. She is Vera Henderson. She is employed as an assistant to the administrator director of Pediatrics Chest Services. She is also in the laboratory at Jefferson Davis Hospital in Houston.

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Black College Tidbits

by Barry Cooper (c) 1981

Black college teams are starting to feel the pinch of inflation, but so are some predominantly white schools. Texas Christian announced recently that from now on, it will play most of its football games in Texas or in surrounding states in an effort to save money. Southern University has dropped football games with Nevada-Reno and Howard, adding teams that are closer to home. The Jaguars have added Southeastern Louisiana and Bethune-Cookman College. Southern opens with B-CC on Sept. 5. Work continues on Southern's stadium. The Jaguars will continue to play in Baton Rouge's Municipal Stadium until A.W. Mumford Field is ready. The facility is getting a facelift as well as 6,000 new seats. It'll hold 21,000 when the work is complete. Black Entertainment Television (BET), offered nationwide through cable

systems, has 11 black college football games scheduled for this fall. BET tapes its games on Saturdays and shows them the following Friday night. First game for BET this year will be Grambling-Alcorn, which will air Sept. 18. Call your local cable company for details. Alcorn State basketball coach Dave "Whiz" Whitney was in Venezuela recently to coach the Venezuelan National team. "This is indeed an honor after losing 12 starters from last year's 6-4 team. What black college gets the most support from the government? Without a doubt it's Howard, which received a whopping \$134 million from Uncle Sam in 1979. Figures says Howard received more federal money in 1979 than any other college except John Hopkins. Most of Howard's funds are for academic support though and not athletics. Still,

that's a hunk of money. Apparently, Reaganomics won't hurt the Bison. For fiscal 1982, the Reagan administration has recommended an increase of \$19.2 million for Howard. With 17 starters coming back, Prairie View A&M could be the team to watch in the Southwestern Athletic Conference. Prairie View doesn't have real high hopes, however. The squad was only 1-9 last year under first-year coach Cornelius Cooper. Also returning a number of skilled players in Arkansas Pine-Bluff, which will see 15 starters back from last year's club. Top returnee is superstar tailback Cleo Collier. Only 5-foot-10 and 170 pounds, Collier scampered for 1,017 yards on 254 carries last season. He was the first Pine Bluff back to top the 1,000 yard mark in 10 years. Sources say Pine Bluff may rejoin the SWAC in a couple years.

Sheridan's Ride

by Jack Sheridan



What? Mary Poppins TOPLESS? OUR Mary Poppins? Julie Andrews, that nice, sweet, lovable Julie Andrews? That same lady who sang and played as Maria in "The Sound of Music? Yes? Yes! Mercy!

the Blake Edwards of "The Pink Panther" and a flock of hits and misses down through the is the "inside" story of Hollywood today. In fact, so much of the dialogue consists of asides and jibes within the industry that it is going to baffle and confuse a lot of unknowledgeable people in theaters. It tells the story of a top movie-maker who was produced a musical film that is termed "the biggest bomb of any year." It is a G-rated epic and when it falls on its face, control is taken away from the producer and the picture

recut to turn it into what amounts to soft (less than explicit) pornography. The whole thing resolves itself in the death and the funeral of the big man, a funny ending to a not so funny film.

Julie gets to sing a couple of nice numbers and, as I have noted, to flourish her charms openly for the first time. I still can't quite reconcile myself to accept that apparitions, yet, it is right there before my eyes.

I think "S. O. B." is a class by itself and that it appeal to the Lubbock audience is less than powerful.

If I were you I'd still head for the South Plains Cinema and see the year's funniest and most wonderful comedy - that being "Arthur." You miss THAT one and you've missed a peach, right at the time when the picking is the best.

Oh yes, I'm so shaken up by a topless Mary Poppins that I forget to tell you who else is mixed up in "S. O. B." Well, there's William Holden, (not topless), Marisa Berenson, Larry Hagman, Robert Loggia, Richard Mulligan (the doomed one) Robert Preston, Craig Stevens, Robert Vaughn, Robert Webber and Shelley Winters, no less. Edwards may have scored last year with "10" but this year his "S. O. B." comes up with a "5" and that's sticking a reviewer's neck out.



Marilyn McCoo

Grammy Award Winning Team

Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis, Jr., the Grammy Award winning husband and wife vocal duo, have announced plans to pursue individual careers. Marilyn McCoo made her solo debut at the Nugget in Sparks, Nevada, with Ben Vereen July 23, for one week. Her new show was produced by Lester Wilson.

Billy Davis Jr. is presently in the studio recording a gospel album with Reverend James Cleveland. Both McCoo and Davis have also recently completed solo recording sessions and are currently negotiating individual record deals. They are being represented at the William Morris Agency by Norman Brokaw.

The switch to separate careers is solely designed to allow greater personal expression within their work, but does not preclude recording or performing as a vocal duo. McCoo and Davis were original members of

the Fifth Dimension, one of the top vocal groups of the 1960s and early 1970s. They were married in 1969 and left the group in 1975.

As a duo McCoo and Davis reached the top of the charts with "You Don't Have To Be A Star (To Be In My Show)." The song was a certified RIAA Gold Million Seller and earned them their first Grammy Award in 1977. Their album, "I Hope We Get To Love In Time," received RIAA Gold status as well.

They were awarded the Grand Prize at the Tokyo Annual Music Festival and hosted the "Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. Show" on CBS.

"I'm very excited about going on my own and I'm also a little scared," said Marilyn. "Billy and I had talked about it at great length. We feel that our marriage is very secure and that by performing alone, each of us will have an opportunity to expand our range that much more."

ATTENTION!!

Dunbar, Class of 71

Deadline for class dues will be August 19, 1981. Please be sure to get yours in on time. Watch for coming events, sponsored by the Dunbar Class of 1971. For example, Blue Monday, August 17th, at the Lakeside Club, from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. Two

drinks for the price of one! (This will last from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. only). There will be free prizes, balloons and fun! This and more for only \$2.00. An "After Hours Master Jam" will be held at the Parkside Mall from 1 a.m. until on

Annual Seminar Success

The first annual Day of Children's Christian Unity, held at the Lubbock Civic Center, was a success.

The Director and Founder, Mrs. Donnie Graves, was presented with a Proclamation, proclaiming Saturday, August 8, 1981, as Children's Christian Day in Lubbock, by Allen Henry, Mayor Pro Tem, who was presented by Rev. Kado Lang.

Approximately 300 persons were in attendance. There were discussion sessions for

each of the four sections of the city. The children's talent praises were enjoyed by all in attendance. Free hot dogs and soft drinks were served.

Speaker for the first meeting was Minister Bobby Williams who spoke on "Christian Unity: The Youth's Most Valuable Tool."

The program was represented by people from all sections of the city and of varied

denomination backgrounds. Plans for next year will begin soon to make Children's Day of Unity 1982 bigger and better.

The Traveling Bible Mission wishes to thank the more than 300 unity participants and workers for your spiritual and physical support. If anyone would like to become involved and need further information, please call Mrs. Graves at 744-5602.

Head Start Recruiting Students

The Head Start Day Care Centers in Lubbock will be recruiting eligible children beginning August 20th for the 1981-82 school year. To be eligible the child's family must meet the Head Start Income Guidelines and both parents must be

working or in a job training program. The child must be four or five years old before September 1, 1981.

The Head Start Day Care program is designed to aid pre-school children develop their educational, physical, and social potential for entrance

into the public schools.

The names and locations of the Head Start Day Care Centers are: Chatman Center 2305-b Cedar Avenue Northeast Center 420 North Quirt (rear) Zenith Center 1907 E. Cornell.

The centers will be open from 7:45 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday beginning September 1, 1981 and ending May 1982. Registration for the program will be at the Head Start Centers listed above from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. August 20-26, 1981.

For further information call 763-5261.

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of the company. Any questions can be answered by him at that time. We extend an invitation to you so that you can become familiar with the company and what is due you from the Department of Commerce. Please call our office, 806-793-0089, to inform us if you can participate in one of the workshops. This activity is sponsored by COMA.

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