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Dedicated to Informing the Negro Citizens of West Texas

Bond Issues of \$11.8 Million Requested Here

Former Resident Graduates



Miss Connie Ruth Jordan, a former student of Dunbar High School here in Lubbock, graduated recently from Centennial Senior High School in Compton, California.

Miss Jordan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jordan, along with Mrs. Ruby Graves and her son, Frankie D., Mrs. Dollie Howard, Connie's grand-mother, and Mrs. Ruth Harvey, her aunt, and Mrs. Harvey's three children, attended the graduation ceremonies.

Along with attending the graduation exercise, the family spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. James Jenkins and their daughters. Mrs. Jenkins is the daughter of Mrs. Howard and a sister of Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Graves.

Miss Jordan has enrolled in summer school at Compton Junior College, where she had previously received a two-year scholarship grant. She expects to attend college this fall and continue her studies in philosophy.

She would like to take this method of expressing her thanks to her many teachers and friends for their guidance during her early school life here in West Texas and for her wonderful success in California.

Felony Complaints Filed On Seven Here

Felony charges were lodged Monday against seven persons for receiving and concealing suits that were reported stolen from an Odessa clothing store.

Detectives arrested five of the suspects last Friday night in their motel room at 2304 Fir Avenue and charged them with receiving and concealing 16 mens suits that burglars took Wednesday night from Melvin's Clothing Store in Odessa, Texas.

The complaints named Wanda Nell Blair, 27; Geraldine Fountain, 19; Bessie Thomas, 29; Jimmy Frank Blaylock, 32; and Larry Blaylock, 19.

In another raid Friday night, police arrested Bill Lee Menefee, 25, and Helen Louise Hymond, 22, in their apartment at 2208 Redbud Avenue. The two were also charged with receiving and concealing 35 mens suits stolen in the same Odessa burglary.

The Hymond woman was also charged with smashing an \$800.00 walkie-talkie being used by the arresting officers.

East Lubbock Citizen Advisory Committee Lists Suggestions

Lubbock's Citizens Advisory Commission, which first was faced with plotting a path to recovery from the May 11th tornado, heard a new concept from the East Lubbock Citizens Advisory Committee last Wednesday evening.

Betty Anderson, ex-officio member of the East Lubbock committee, chaired by George Scott, Jr., read a report proposing the commission ask City Councilmen to hire an ombudsman to handle citizen's complaints, including grievances over administrative actions, alleged infringements of personal rights and liberties, interference in individual's property rights by public bodies and alleged discrimination in administering specific laws.

The East Lubbock report also proposed that the city seek to employ minorities in non-traditional as well as traditional positions and to establish on-the-job training programs if needed.

Members of the committee are Scott, chairman; Rev. Adolphus Cleveland, William Powell, C. F. Cooke, Jr., M. L. Richards and T. J. Patterson.

Preschoolers Vision Tests Arranged Here

Free vision screening tests for preschool age children will be offered July 18th, Saturday, at four Lubbock locations.

Between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., the eye examinations will be conducted at Guadalupe Center, 102 Avenue P; Agape Methodist Church, 1215 Slide Rd.; Mae Simmons Center, 2300 Weber; and Melonie Park Baptist Church at 6602 Indiana Avenue.

The tests will be conducted by volunteers from the Lubbock-Crosby-Garza County Medical Auxiliary and sponsored by the Texas Society for the Prevention of Blindness, Inc.

Local Citizens Entertain Afram-House Executive Here in June

Dorothy Guy, executive vice president of Afram-House, Inc., was honored by the ladies of the local community here in Lubbock Friday evening June 26th. A delightful dinner was held at the El Charro Restaurant, and made festive with champagne punch and a corsage for the guest of honor.

Hostesses were Mrs. Lucille Graves, principal of Mary & Mac Private School and member of the SBA Advisory Board; Mrs. D. C. Fair, Sr., prominent in community and church affairs; Eliza Locke, former owner and operator of Locke's Bakery and Restaurant on Parkway Drive; Lula Virden of 1514 East 9th Street; and Brenda Alexander, daughter of Faye and Ralph Alexander and a student at Texas Tech University. Also present were Harriette Davis and Eddie Richardson of the West Texas Times staff.

It was a most delightful evening, greatly enhanced by the scintillating and knowledgeable personality of "Doty" Guy.

Afram House is a wholly owned and operated black corporation, specializing in cosmetics. It is headed by Blanche Calloway, sister of famed Cab Calloway, and their cosmetics, designed for complexions from "the darkest to the lightest," are available here in Lubbock at Montgomery Ward.

Amarillo Church Ushers Convention held last Month

Amarillo-The Amarillo Church Ushers Convention held its twenty-first annual session at the New Hope Baptist Church, June 18-21.

Thursday night the junior ushers in charge were Miss Berna Dean Mallory, of Wyatts Memorial United Methodist, with the welcome by Miss D. Pendergraft of New Hope Baptist Church. The speaker was introduced by David Gardner of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. The speaker was Reverend V. F. Perry, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Friday night, under the chairmanship of Mrs. A. T. Franklin and Mrs. Almetia Alexander, the speakers bureau had charge of the services and the A. W. Briggs Scholarship was presented to four youngsters. Highest winner was Miss Bernita Carter.

The 171 man member Citizens Advisory Committee presented an \$11,871,000 capital improvements package designed to rebuild a tornado-ravaged city, broaden the city's tax base and boost the local economy earlier here this week.

Development of a Memorial Civic Center near downtown Lubbock, of long-needed parks and recreation facilities throughout the city and land acquisition for the first phase of the Canyon Lakes Project were the major proposals made Tuesday night by the executive committee of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

This committee put together, under the direction of chairman Roy Bass, what it considered a mini-

The tests will be open to all children between the ages of four and six and who are not enrolled in kindergartens, day nurseries, or the Headstart program. Children in these programs have already had their vision tested.

If a child's vision indicates a need for further examination, the child is "referred" or the parent is given notice that there is a need for a complete professional eye examination.

Local officers in the preschool vision screening project are Mrs. Joe M. Lehman, chairman; Mrs. Wallace Hess, co-chairman; Mrs. Robert L. Carr, publicity; and Mrs. James Matthews, president of the Lubbock-Crosby-Garza County Medical Auxiliary.

Lubbock Man Receives Treatment Saturday

Willy Tobe, 41, of 1709 Vanda Avenue, underwent treatment late Saturday at Methodist Hospital after he was injured during an altercation earlier near his home. His injuries were not believed serious.

New Business Opened Here



Zollie's Barber Shop is now open in its new location at 602 18th Street, along with the addition of Zollie's Soul Food Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Zollie White, owners and operators, are members of the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church. Mrs. White is a former Dunbar student and was Miss Dunbar in 1954. She attended barber college in Tyler, Texas in 1958. Mr. White attended school in Marlin, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. White have two daughters, Regina and Alice, who are presently attending summer camp at Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Mr. White, Zollie, is manager of the Cafe, and Mrs. White, Shirley, is manager of the barber shop.

Also employed in the cafe is Louis Johnson, Robert Earl White and Laney Wilkerson.

Zollie's Soul Food Cafe and

the Barber Shop are located in the same building which formerly housed the Supreme Soul Center.

Mr. and Mrs. White are just another example of a progressive family enterprise among the now generation of black people in the city of Lubbock.

Committee members said the proposed improvements package was kept at a low level to allow the city \$10.2 million in additional bonding capabilities to finance other priority improvements as needed during the next five years.

The executive committee last Tuesday evening reviewed capital improvement proposals of more than \$23 million recommended by 10 subcommittees before agreeing that the ballot in a bond election, to be called by the City Council this week, should be limited to the three issues.

Recommended for submission to the Lubbock voters, probably early in August, are:

1. \$9 million for public facilities on a memorial civic center tract in an area bounded by 4th and 10th Streets, Avenue K and Avenue Q.

2. \$7,071,000 for the city's 50 per cent share of land acquisition for lakes one through six along the Yellow House Canyon within the city limits; and

3. \$1.8 million to improve six parks that now have grass, water systems and trees, seven parks that have no development at all, and to acquire park sites in four areas of the city with no parks.

EDITORIALS

Exactly What Is The Answer? Who Knows?

For several years and after thousands of words in this newspaper, not to mention the many meetings attended by members of this media, there has always remained the question as to how our community can become a better one. We may as well admit it, there is no community pride! In this sense we are referring to a pride in which everyone will be willing to fight for the community as a whole, rather than placing one's own personal interest first.

It's no use asking the "establishment" for anything when they know we are not working in total accord among ourselves. Exactly what kind of people are we in Lubbock? There must be some of us who really care about what is right for all men and women who strive for the right things in life. And this, in many cases, is not limited to driving a new car every few years or paying for an \$8,000 home over a thirty-year period of time.

This paper has spoken out several times in regard to those businesses who refuse to advertise in our pages for your benefit and business. We have encouraged you to patronize those businesses who advertise in the paper that is "dedicated to informing the Negro citizens of West Texas." And yet we still notice many blacks who fall in line with many businessmen who feel and say, "we don't need to advertise, for they will still buy our goods." Unfortunately this is another side of the true picture of the black community—disunity!

From time to time, we have written editorials in regard to the shortcomings of the local political subdivisions—School, City and County—in regard to hiring minorities to fill job vacancies, and still we see little or no progress. Yet, the black community continues to appear to be happy with the local situation.

In order to solve some of these problems, there must be a united front on the part of all black people, as well as those brown and poor whites who are in the same boat we ride each day. The United Black Coalition has tried, with some little success, to reach the black community. This has not been done by a small handful of blacks trying to dictate to the entire black community, but, rather, by holding mass meetings in order to get the consensus of the black people. This effort has not completely failed, but there have been those who have tried to preach it down to the lowest level. Why? God knows that this effort was started with good intentions to bring some type of united effort into a community in order to reach goals that have only been sought for in the past.

Our ministers, as a leading and driving force in our black community, could have done much more to improve the situation, not only through cooperation with the Black Coalition, but through community effort among themselves for the betterment of everyone. Our ministers see more people in a Sunday meeting than any one black can see in several months. May the good Lord help them to preach unification to their congregations each Sunday morning. And at the same time, let's hope that a feeling of cooperation and understanding will be



Austin—A blue-ribbon insurance study committee has recommended exploring Texas' compulsory auto liability coverage and a careful look at allegations that garages charge more for policy-covered repairs.

Report went to Gov. Preston Smith prior to the State Insurance Board hearing July 14-15 on inclusion of insurance company investment income in the auto rate-making formula.

Smith indicated that the Board may not be ready this soon to evaluate the full effect of the formula change which also is backed by the study committee he named last summer after an auto policy rate hike was recommended.

Most observers think motorists are in for another increase in their premiums after the main August

reached between the black ministers and those in the coalition, which will help overcome community problems.

Administrators, teachers and laymen could play a more active role in the community. We realize the obstacles which are in your path, job security, and other means of coercion, but give yourself more to the cause of justice for every black in the community, and perhaps these ideas of penalizing you will be overcome.

Also not to be overlooked are the young people of our community. Solving the problem on your part is not just "wearing a natural or giving the hand-shake". You, too, must do your share, first by setting good examples for those younger than you to follow. This could be your thing, and while you are at it, don't forget the concept of good economic development while you are still young.

All in all, there are good black people in our community who only need to be motivated into doing something which will be beneficial to the whole community.

Whatever the answer is, we need to move quickly to find solutions to the many problems of our community. We can't wait for the white man to give us a piece of the pie, rather, we must bake our own pie. Come on brothers and sisters, let's find a solution to the questions, together, now!

Down To Earth

The Place of Play in Long Hot Summers
By Jimmy R. Allen

An old tune goes "Summertime. . . and the living is easy. . ." It then traces the idyl of summer with its fishing and swimming and loafing.

The living may be easy for the song writer's reminiscing about yesteryear, but summertime living isn't easy for children in steamy inner city neighborhoods, for bored teenagers with energy to spend and no place to invest it, for high-pressured Americans who do not know how to unwind as they pantingly pursue pleasure.

It is a time of slowly building pressures and tensions in which minor irritations take on major proportions. It has all the component elements for explosions.

Scholars are writing these days about a leisure society in which two percent of our population will be able to do the necessary work to provide food and consumer goods for 98 percent. The rapidly increasing amount of leisure time is hard to comprehend by those of us who find fulfillment within our work, mixing leisure and labor together in a rapid paced life.

Careful scholars and social scientists, however, are warning us that we must learn to cope with new approaches to play, which will be an increasing part of our lives.

Theories aren't important, however, to the four out of 10 young people who want to work during the long hot summers and cannot locate jobs.

It's not enough to explain how a technological society demands more skills than yesterday's farm life. They have time on their hands and the fan-

17 rate hearing, regardless of whether the Board determines that investments should be figured in the base.

Study committee, headed by former Gov. Price Daniel, noted that North Carolina rates appear to be consistently low, although it also has mandatory liability coverage. Massachusetts and New York, other mandatory auto liability insurance states, have higher rates.

Committee recommended that the Legislature look into ways to stop "excessive charges being made on repairs of insured automobiles" which, in turn, lead to escalating rates year after year.

Insurance industry is expected to ask new increases as high as 15 to 20 per cent at the August hearing.

Smith may ask Daniel's committee to examine the Board's final recommendation, as they did in 1969 (when rate adjustment was 9.9 per cent instead of 11.4 as originally recommended by the Board). However, the majority of the committee is cool toward going into more extended hearings like those required by their study last year.

Capitol Addition Asked—An important part of state government may be going underground if a Building Commission proposal is approved.

Commission, in new budget requests, laid out plan for a 45,000-square-foot, \$2.5 million underground addition to the capitol building, providing office space for legislators. Enlargement would be in a natural depression to the west of the present historic structure.

Commission also proposed these new projects:

- + \$1.26 million revamping of the north approaches to the capitol.
- + \$3 million parking facility for 320 cars.
- + \$215,000 renovation of the old Highway building for use by the Parks and Wildlife Department when Highway Department's new headquarters is completed.

- + \$200,000 face-lifting of old Parks and Wildlife offices in the virtually new John Reagan State Office Building—for use by the Welfare Department when P & W moves.

- + \$25,000 in repairs to the Governor's mansion.

Courts Speak—Court of Criminal Appeals upheld a Fort Worth trial court order blocking further civil suits under the Sunday closing law until 13 cases are finally adjudicated.

State officials have taken to the 10th U.S. Court of Appeals their fight to stop spraying of land in
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tastic energies of youth to expend. If constructive channels are not found for them, destructive ones will abound.

Nor do theories count for the thousands of children locked in poor neighborhoods with virtually non-existent parks and few adults to supervise constructive play opportunities.

Many people are prone to underestimate the value of play in the human experience. For instance, a group of interested citizens in San Antonio spent a full year assessing the social needs of their city.

They sought to evaluate the number of people affected by a problem and the stage of development of efforts to meet that problem. The tendency at first was to place a low priority on the recreational aspect of their city's life.

However, as they examined the role of play as an outlet for pent-up energy, as opportunity for learning to relate to others, and as a means of development of creativity and meaning in the human spirit, they came to place the highest priority on this element. They discovered it had the least developed program in comparison with the needs.

Why should persons primarily interested in the spiritual or religious dimension of life be concerned about the place of play? It's not only because the hours of leisure are filled with temptation for wrong doing. The "idle mind is the devil's workshop" theory is demonstrably true, but this is not the basic reason for religious concern.

Since God created us and placed in us the capacity for play, He has a place in His plan for recreation to be re-creation of spirit for the tasks of life. God calls us to creative leisure—to the use of our time in constructive ways. He also holds us accountable for demonstrating genuine concern for others for whom in "Summertime, the living is . . . hellishly hard.

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Police Beat

Theft

John C. Walker, of 2809 East Main Street, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone unknown did take a 12-volt battery from his 1958 model automobile.

The value of the battery was placed at \$22.00.

Dog Bite

A Lubbock mother, Mrs. Ida Mae Boyd, reported to the police department that her daughter, age 9, had been bitten by a dog.

The dog was put under observation for 14 days, since no proof of vaccination could be shown.

Theft

Christine Bureson, 2407 East 9th Street, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone took a welfare check from her mailbox.

She told authorities that she did know who took the check, but does not wish to press charges.

Theft of Money

Mrs. Hanna Jordon, of 2415

Highlights and Sidelights . . .

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northeast New Mexico with pesticide Toxaphene (to control tent caterpillars). State claims Toxaphene would jeopardize the purity of Lake Meredith and thereby endanger water supplies of 11 Texas cities in the Panhandle and Great Plains.

Houston Court of Civil Appeals here held J. Weingarten Inc. of Houston is entitled to recover \$19,274 in chain store tax payments.

Houston Court of Civil Appeals upheld constitutionality of the Texas Clean Air Act.

Atty. Gen. Crawford Martin brought suit in Galveston County District Court to prevent 145 developers from encroaching on public beaches.

Gas Rate Hike—State Railroad Commission granted Pioneer Natural Gas Company, serving 61 West Texas communities, a new rate of 32 cents per 1,000 cubic feet on its gas.

That amounts to four cents of the 6.43 cent increase the company requested.

Rate is still subject to approval by individual city governing bodies before it finally goes into effect.

Charters Forfeited—Secretary of State Martin Dies, Jr. announced his office is forfeiting charters of 10,907 corporations for failure to pay state franchise taxes.

Figure, said Dies, is almost double last year's and indicates to him "this is a barometer reflecting general economic decline throughout the nation."

RALPH ROBERTS Package Store

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met Monday evening, July 6th, at Dunbar High School to revamp proposals submitted to the Citizens Advisory Commission.

Mrs. Jeraldine Glenn has a house guest, her niece from Denver, Colorado.

Mrs. Wilma Horton is home from the hospital and recuperating satisfactorily.

Don't be late for the United Black Coalition meeting to be held tonight, Thursday, July 9th, at the Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church. The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Mrs. Emma Conner of Brennam, Texas, is visiting her daughter and grand-son here, Mrs. Elurd Davenport. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Coleman of Bloomington, Texas, are house guests of Mrs. Conner. Mrs. Coleman is a sister of Mrs. Conner, Mr. Coleman left Lubbock Sunday afternoon via flight.

Mrs. Julia Mae Hodge Burns is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hodge. She is a former resident of Lubbock and now resides in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Around the Hub City would like to wish Robert Hines and William Hall, stars of the Estacado football team the past two years, who recently signed athletic scholarships with Sul Ross State University, good luck.

As many of you may recall, Hines is a 6'2", 225 pound offensive-defensive tackle and Hall, along with being a top sprinter, is a 5'11", 185 pound linebacker.

Hall, a sure tackler as a linebacker, made the all-district team both at linebacker and offensive tackler.

A special effort is being implemented at the Mae Simmons Multi-Service Center for persons interested in obtaining a high school equivalency certificate. This special program got underway Tuesday evening at the center which is located at East 24th Street and Weber Drive.

Classes are designed to help students to obtain a high school equivalency as soon as possible. There is no charge for attending the classes. For further information, call 763-3008 or 763-8455.

East 28th Street, reported to police that she was standing in front of Penny's Department Store, at Broadway and Avenue J, one day last week when a man and woman walked up and grabbed her purse and took \$300.00 from it and walked away.

She said that she had seen the man around this area before, but had no idea what his name was.

Vandalism

Oze Garner, 3219 Teak Avenue, reported that someone unknown did use a knife or a sharp instrument of some shape to cut three of his tires on his '61 model car. One of the tires was cut so bad that he had to buy another to replace it. The other two were repairable.

Total damages to the tires w \$8.00.

Police Beat Prayer

Dear Lord, please continue to give us strength to correct our shortcomings in order that our community may be a better place in which to live. Amen

around the hub city

Home for the holiday from summer sessions in college were Alberta Lincoln of Denton, Texas and Damon Hill, Jr., of Prairie View, Texas.

Mrs. Lila Griffin spent the weekend in San Antonio, Texas, visiting an aunt.

Mrs. Damon Hill and daughter, Illa Kay, are vacationing in California. Mrs. Hill's sister accompanied them.

The members of the East Lubbock Citizens Advisory Committee



Dear Sir:
I guess I can classify myself (though not with pride) as one of the "Silent Minority." But there comes a time for every one of us to speak out, since "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose. . ."

I am not one who takes delight in petty bickering, but my gripe is one of importance to me.

I was prompted to write this letter because I listened to the 10:00 p.m. News Report on Channel 13 tonight, (Monday, July 6, 1970), and heard Ray Boyd pronounce the word *Negro* as "Negra".

I do not mean to single out Ray Boyd as the only one guilty of this gross mispronunciation. Many whites mispronounce the word (I hope unintentionally). However, I feel, that now is the time to take a new look at the word. It is times like these that make me realize why our youth insist on being called *Black* rather than *Negro*.

I look and listen diligently at both the 5:30 and 10:00 p.m. News Reports—sometimes to KCBK, sometimes to

KLBK, and sometimes to KSEL. I guess I've never had the extreme urge to write before, however, this sure isn't the first time I've been so outraged that people who should know better, either do not, or just plain do not care.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Luella Scott

Dear Editor:

I am enclosing \$4.00 to renew my subscription to the West Texas Times. I do love this paper and I can hardly wait for it to come. I have many friends in Lubbock.

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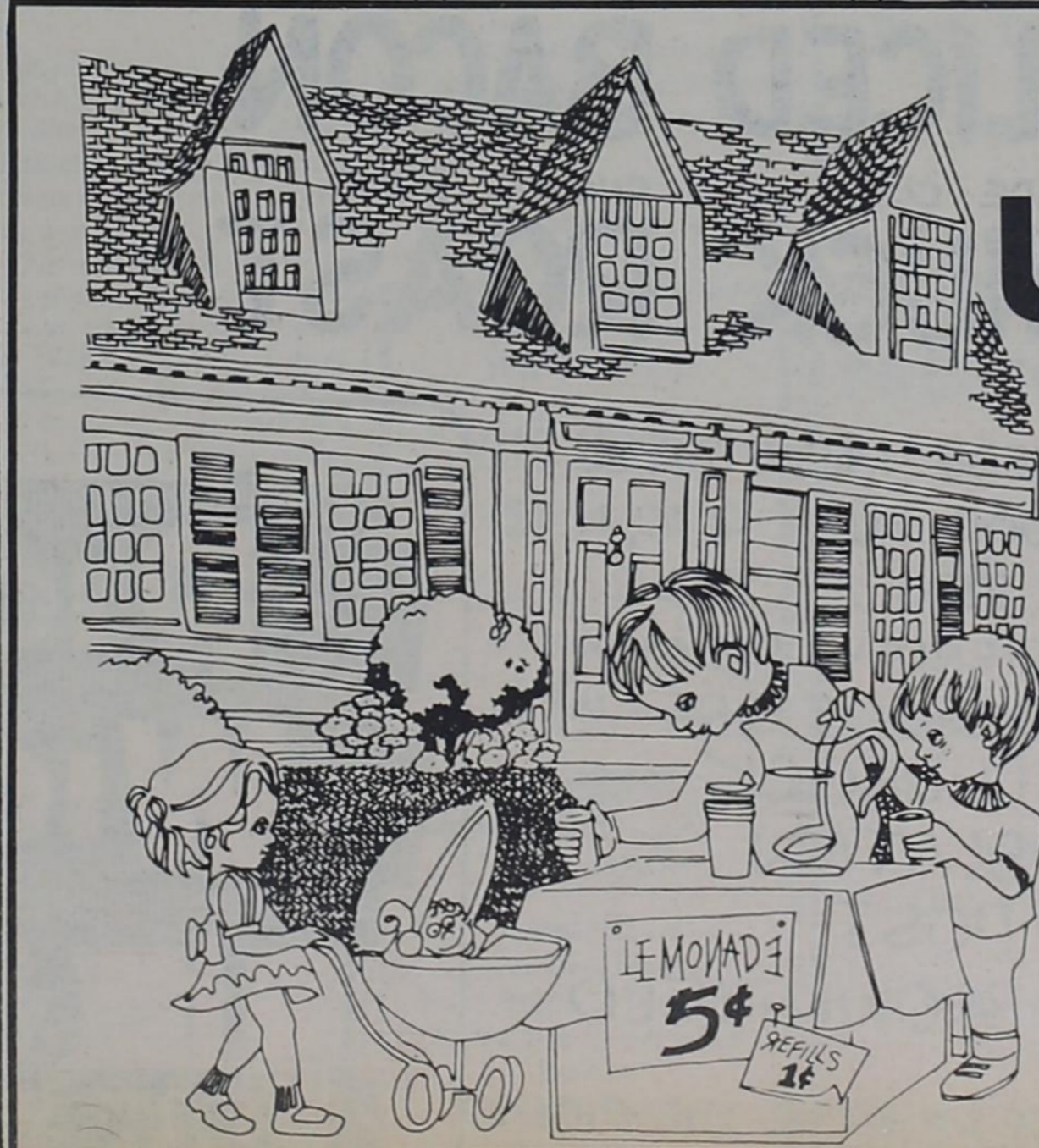
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From The Business Desk

Week before last I started on the idea of a coliseum and auditorium complex, as proposed, along with having emergency medical facilities, as has been now proposed by some of the members of the local hospital district. And I talked about the fact that Amarillo has such a facility, and we were so blessed as to not be sacked with such yet. Now I will try to explain why I am not completely carried away with the idea of such.



First I would like to say, if I owned a white, metropolitan weekly newspaper, that everyone read and enjoyed, I probably would go to several of the local contractors and ask them for a couple of big 2-page spread ad—all concerning the need and necessity for a lot of public funds and how we must continue to uphold Lubbock's image—and off the cuff how they should make me happy, and I probably would be happy with their ads, and I would say—"Let's build everything we can get the public to underwrite with their money."

But this newspaper is not that, it's just a little rinky-dink Negro newspaper—trying over the last eight and one half years to make people understand that the Negro actually exists in West Texas and at the same time, trying to get enough recognition to stay in business.

So let's look at the idea of rebuilding everything around here that was lost in the tornado from my point of view—not the downtown Lubbock's bunch, certainly not the hand-picked bunch of "Uncle Toms" who always rise to the occasion and serve on any board, committee or association necessary to please everyone in town, and most certainly not from the local merchant's point of view, since they don't need a Negro newspaper in the first place, so many have told me.

Why do we need a bond election to build a civic center and auditorium memorial or otherwise?, I ask a local citizen the other day. You know what he told me? "Because we have lost most of the people in the building trade here in Lubbock!" And he went on to add, "We need to create some type of jobs that will bring these people back to town!"

Now that is great, somebody moved, but if you would take the time and effort to check, you would find that if we voted for a \$12 million project—it might and I use the word might loosely—add 12 Negroes to a payroll, of some sort. But I would be willing to bet you those 12 would be of such a nature that they were in the very lowest class employment—just to make the payroll of any construction firm in the area meet federal requirements so they could get the job. If I remember the "Goals for the '70's" program correctly it was concerned in getting equal opportunity for everyone in Lubbock; Black, Brown and White, while now all we can talk about is a bond issue to build a civic center to satisfy someone—and only the Lord knows who—that has decided the people of Lubbock need it.

What the people of Lubbock need is jobs, jobs, and employment, and a chance to rebuild their houses and a chance to get back to the idea of finding something that is normal and natural. They don't have to be faced with the idea of having to drive past a beautiful monument and explain to their friends and relatives that while they are forced to pay for same monument, they still haven't found a job, rebuilt their home and paid off their debts. That's what the people of Lubbock—especially the people in the storm devastated areas need—to work out their own problems. A civic center, and all that other junk that the people of Southwest Lubbock—where the storm didn't hit—are talking about is nice, but let's build it there—in Southwest Lubbock—if that's what those people want. In the meantime, let's get to work on what is really important, a job, a chance to make a living—for the benefit of several who might not understand—a paycheck every week instead of having to line up and say, "It's me again and I'm still not employed—but while their building the nice new civic center my boss says that maybe we'll be able to go to work sometime soon, maybe."

That's what we need, Civic Lubbock Improvement, a job, a paycheck and all the nice things that go with such, and don't worry about us demonstrating because someone on the other side of town doesn't get a new auditorium for their child or grand-child to have their dance recital in, we are too concerned about feeding our children to worry about whether or not your's has something new to play in.

Think about it people—and when you're through thinking—go to the polls and help defeat the proposal that you will have a chance to vote on—the new bond elections—and then let's all set down at the same table and talk about the really important things. Who gives a damn whether or not Amarillo has a new civic center—what we need is jobs—work and a chance to pay our bills—when we can provide these then we may be able to worry about whether or not we have a civic center!

Direct From The Barber Chair By Connie Mitchell

Mrs. Beatrice French and her two grand-children, Nedra and Rodney, of Hobbs, New Mexico visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Roberts recently.

Pfc Benny (Butch) Williams, a recent returnee from Vietnam now stationed at Fort Hood, Texas was in town over the fourth.

Mrs. Linda Bolton, whose husband is stationed in San Antonio and has just recently returned from "Nam", is spending several days here visiting with relatives.

Stopping by to say hello for a few minutes on their way home to Albuquerque, were Police Sergeant W. F. French and family. They visited with his first cousins Mrs. Lue Roy Roberts and Mr. Roshell Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Duboil of the Hub City are sporting a new red 1970 Montcello.

We were especially shocked to hear of the untimely passing of Mr. Ben (Happy) Mayberry, who at the time of his death had been living in Fort Worth, but was a former resident of the Tall City. He had lived in Midland for 13 years.

Happy had many friends and relatives in both Midland and Lamesa.

Those in the hospital at this time include; Mrs. Georgie Mae Williams, Methodist Hospital in Lubbock; Mr. Curtis Hawkins in Medical Arts Hospital here in the city; and ill in her home here in Lamesa is Mrs. Annie Collins.

Little Mr. Keith Waldon, a former Lamesan, but now a resident of Amarillo, is spending a few days visiting relatives and friends here.

Final Rites Read For J. C. Garnett

Final rites were read for J. C. Garnett, 69, of 2912 Ute Avenue, Monday morning in the Jamison Funeral Home Chapel with burial in the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mr. Garnett died at 8:30 a.m. last Thursday in Lubbock Osteopathic Hospital. He had retired from employment in the City of Lubbock.

Mrs. Josephine Smothers and Mrs. Nellee Truesdale are vacationing with relatives at Lott and Waco, Texas.

Cornell Scody is having to see the doctor again.

MY VIEWS

By Eddie P. Richardson

Let's put first things first. Lately through Committee 70 and other various meetings, we have heard a lot of good proposals for various projects such as; canyon lakes; civic center and other recreational programs. This is all very good.



I would not dare knock progress in any form, but let's put first things first. Let's begin with people. Let's feed the hungry; clothe the ragged; up-grade the underemployed; employ the unemployed; train the untrained so they will not be labeled unemployable.

Everything begins with people, so let's concentrate on people first. We hear the words equal-employment many times a day, but it is only a phrase and not a living reality here in Lubbock.

There are a few token positions filled, and really only enough to be a show case. I, personally, offer a challenge to all authorities in charge of personnel and in charge of hiring of personnel for firms and offices to hire minorities in more non-traditional positions, white collar, policy making positions, along with administrative and other area positions. The placing of minorities in key slots in city, county and state offices is a must.

Young qualified members of minorities are leaving our community in search of opportunities daily. We are losing valuable talent, because equal opportunity is only a phrase; make it a reality and begin to see the difference. We will begin only then to move ahead. You may have heard the remark, "Lubbock is OK, but only the people in it are not." The people are Lubbock; let's put people first, not just some section or group, but all people and we will surely move ahead in the '70's.

Since the disaster of May 11th, there has been a great deal of federal monies channeled into Lubbock. It will be interesting to see which group and section benefits most from these funds. It will either be the haves or the have nots. Someone makes the choice on who will get the greater portion of the pie. It will also be interesting to see how many members of minorities will help determine how and where these funds will be used!

So I offer this suggestion. . . Let all people of all races and sections of Lubbock help chart its course. Let's place minorities on planning groups and in paid positions, and not always on advisory or honorary committees. It would really be beautiful to see some minorities on some of the paid development efforts. Remember, we live here also!

The minorities are tired of being shoved into a corner when it comes to policy and law making. Why can't we make policy and administer law sometimes instead of always observing some others decisions?

We live here and pay taxes also, work here—unfortunately in most cases underemployed or should I say under-paid—worship and do the same things as other people in other sections, but we never help chart our own decisions. It would really be something to walk into the school board offices on 19th Street and see black and brown administrators, policy makers!!!

Our black hero this week is: John William Coltrone, a jazz saxophonist and composer, who was born in Hamlet, North Carolina on September 23, 1926. "Trane", as he was known to fans and friends, gained widespread respect during his intermittent association with Miles Davis between 1955 and 1960. In 1960, he formed his own quartet, launching a completely new concept of avante garde music. By 1961, he had become the most influential musician of his time and in 1965, he was named top tenor saxophonist in the annual Down Beat Reader's Poll's "Jazzman of the Year," and was elected to the Hall of Fame, and was also honored by having his *Love Supreme* named record of the year. Among some of his other compositions were: *Kulu Se Mama*, *Mantra* and *Africa Brass*.

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CHURCH NEWS

Bethel A.M.E. Church

Sunday, July 5th, marked the beginning of the fourth and last quarterly for the Lubbock District. During the morning service, Elder T. B. Reece delivered a powerful sermon and at the close of the services Communion was served.

Mrs. T. B. Reece, Mrs. Julia Mae Hodge Burns and the mother of William H. Britt were among the visitors present Sunday.

Monday evening the business session of the conference was held. Services began with Brother W. H. Stephens leading the devotion. He gave the prayer and read the scripture. Rev. A. W. Wilson presented Elder Reece who was brief in his preliminary remarks. He always expresses his gratitude for the fellowship he has enjoyed here with Pastor Wilson and the membership through the years.

After the Disciplinary questions were asked and answered, the class leaders and board reports were received. Several boards did not make full reports and some did not report. The Elder asked that the full reports be made to him as soon as possible so that he

will be able to round out his report before the Annual Conference to convene in October at San Angelo. The amount of finances reported was \$564.31. Closing remarks were made by the Elder.

During this quarter, message was received here that Mrs. P. F. Younger, a former member of Bethel, is very ill in the home of her daughter at Los Angeles, California. She is the mother of Mrs. T. B. Reece.

The Lubbock District Sunday school Convention will convene at Big Spring, Texas this week, July 8th through 10th. Rev. W. L. Brown is host pastor. Avis Elise Patterson, Linda Barber, James and Jessica Robinson are delegates from the Sunday school department of Bethel. Other youth from the church may also attend this meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Wilson carried the young people to the meeting.

Mount Vernon United Methodist Church

Mr. Sam Crawford, who is partially sightless, sold twenty dollars worth of homemade flowers for the building fund of the church. This should tell everyone that there is always something we can do, if we only try.

Rev. M. T. Reed, our minister, will be at Southwestern University for a week of study for the ministers of the United Methodist Church of Texas. Bishop James Thomas of the Iowa area will be the featured speaker.

The W.S.C.S. Executive Committee met last Sunday afternoon with Mrs. L. L. Sparks, president, in charge. The meeting was held in the social hall.

Our visitors last week were Mrs. C. A. Hunter of Longview, Texas;

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Lamesa Reporter's Father, Mr. Grant Woodard, Dies at Ft. Worth

Mr. Grant Woodard, a Spetua-genarin and a Fort Worth resident for the past 35 years passed on his way to a local hospital June 20th of this year. Mr. Woodard was born June 24th, 1894 in Freestone County, Oakwood, Texas, to the late Mrs. Kate Durham and the late Mr. General Woodard. He was reared in the Baptist Church and at an early age united with the Lone State Baptist Church in the community where he grew up. For many years Mr. Woodard worked as a gardener for Bryan Gregory and Towned in the city of Fort Worth.

His survivors include his wife, Mrs. Millie Woodard of 659 Crawford, Fort Worth; four sons, Leo and Roy Woodard of Santa Rosa, California; and twin sons, John L. of Oakwood, Texas and Lon L. of Kansas City, Kansas; two daughters Mrs. Ethel Glover and Mrs. Connie Mitchell of Lamesa, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Golden (Swat) Smith of Galveston, Texas and Mrs. Doris Simmons of Los Angeles, California; three brothers, Mr. Antone Jackson and Rube Woodard of Oakwood and Prof. G. J. Jackson of Galveston; two uncles, Robert Woodard of Oakwood and Edgar Woodard of East Bernard, Texas; along with a host of grand-children, great-grand children, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Services for Mr. Woodard were held June 28th at the Lone Star Missionary Baptist Church in Oakwood, Texas, under the direction of Bakers Funeral Home of Ft. Worth, Texas, with the Rev. G. M. Toliver of the Mt. Oliver Baptist Church of Ft. Worth officiating.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Griffin of Levelland, Texas; and Mrs. Betty Kelly, Mrs. Sandra Jean Walker and little Clarence Walker, Jr., all of Lubbock.

Twentieths & Birch Street Church of Christ

The Monthly area fellowship meeting was held in Sudan, Texas last Sunday afternoon. Our congregation was represented at this important meeting.

Sister Doris Evans and Sister Grace Johnson are planning a shower for the wife to be of Brother Clark-Sister Harris. Date of the shower and time and other general information has not yet been released at this time.

Sister Janice Porter was reported to be resting fine after giving birth to a wonderful baby. Let us continue to pray for Sister Porter and a speedy recovery for her and good health to her baby.

Sister Albrooks, Sister Malone and Sister Henderson have been reported to be on the shut-in list. Brother Pitts is still ill. Let us continue to offer our prayers for these faithful Christians. Go by and visit these people, they'll appreciate it.

New Hope Baptist Church 1

Our church anniversary will still get underway July 13th through July 19th. The anniversary sermon will be delivered Sunday afternoon, July 19th, at 3:00 p.m.

The Annual Usher's Day activities has been changed to Sunday, August 2nd, at 3:00 p.m. President Cork is expecting this to be a great day for the organization.

Annual session of the West Texas District Association will be held with the First Baptist Church of Eastland, Texas, August 3 through 7.

Our special Governor's Rally has been launched and will close Sunday, July 19th, which is also the church anniversary Sunday.

We are to serve in the anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. Kado Lang Tuesday evening, July 21st, at 8:00 p.m.

Deaconess meeting will be held Monday evening, July 27th at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Also meeting on the same evening are women of General Mission. Please be present at 8:00 p.m.

Ushers rehearsal will be held tomorrow evening, Friday, July 10th, at 8:00 p.m. in the church auditorium.

The National Baptist Convention will be held in the city of New Orleans, La., September 7th through 13th. All Baptist Churches of that city will serve as hosts.

Special words of thanks from Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Dunn:

"We are grateful to the membership for your kindness and support during the loss of my brother. It is with friends and Christians, like you, that help everyone to learn to adjust to the heavy burdens of our day. Thanks again for every act or deed. Please whisper a prayer for me and mine. May the Lord bless each of you richly in our prayers."

Whisper a prayer for the sick and shut-ins in the church, com-

munity and city as well. Mrs. Betty Sue Cook of Hobbs, New Mexico is a patient at Methodist Hospital, Room 706-B.

Mount Gilead Baptist Church

The Original West Texas District Association will hold its 69th Session with the Mount Zion Baptist Church of Brownwood, Texas, beginning August 4th through 7th.

The Mount Gilead Baptist Church is now in the process of a financial drive, starting June 28th and continuing through August 16th. This is the first such drive of the year. All proceeds from this drive will go toward payments on our educational building.

Captains of the 1970 drive are William Givens, W. R. Solomon, James Howard, Saul Williams, Mrs. Gussie Payne, James Thompson, Mrs. Oma McQuinney, Mrs. E. Harris, Mrs. Edwina Woods, Mrs. Fannie Titus, Mrs. Lula Ross, Willie Howard, Clark Ponder, R. Z. Leggett, C. C. Sanders, Mrs. N. L. Gadison, Mrs. H. M. Johnson, Mrs. Middie Bradley, Mrs. J. M. Roberts, James Craven, Mrs. Berta Dixon and Rueben Loggins.

Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church

The Youth of St. Luke, members and pastor are grateful to you for taking time out from your busy schedules to have vacation Bible school. Many things were accomplished during this period. We have learned more about Jesus. Our prayers go out to you. Thank you again.

Youth day for our congregation will be held the fourth Sunday in July. Youth workers and youth leaders, let us work hard and prayerfully for the success of this day. We have much work to do, let us begin now.

The Lovely Sunset Association will convene in Lubbock the second week in August. Youth day will be held at Greater Saint Luke. Our pastor, Rev. A. L. Davis is asking for 200 youths out for this occasion. Let us start now training our youth for this meeting.

Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut-in. Sister Helen Moore remains on the sick list, but is doing nicely. Sister Wilma Horton remains on the sick list. She is resting well. Brother Wilmar Wilson is shut-in his home.

Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church

Rev. Raymond Campbell is returned to Carter Chapel to begin his fourth year as pastor. The annual conference closed last Friday at the Carter Chapel Methodist

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Church. Few changes were made in the Northwest Texas Conference.

In the service of re-dedication last Sunday, four members joined the fellowship of the saints. Mrs. Oliva V. Warren, Mr. Otis Young, Mrs. Dorothy Young and Jonita Young.

Following the service of re-dedication the pastor began immediately to outline the program for the conference year. A Bible class will be conducted each Saturday at 9:30 a.m. for all ages. Wednesday nights prayer service will be related to the Sunday school lessons. A dinner is planned for each Saturday at only \$1.00 per plate.

These were introduced immediately by the pastor to enhance the program at Carter Chapel. We are also looking forward to the fellowship of other churches when a youth federation of choirs is organized.

Johnson Chapel A.M.E. Church

Amarillo-Church school was opened at the regular hour, the attendance was off in both church school and the regular worship hour, due to the large number of members on vacation.

At the 11:00 a.m. worship hour, Pastor Davis brought a very inspiring message from Deut. 23:32, and Psalm 46:1, entitled "God Is Our Security in Time of Trouble."

The pastor and four delegates will leave Wednesday morning to attend the Sunday school convention to be held in Big Spring, Texas.

Mrs. Davis, wife of Rev. A. J. Davis, is in Florida at the bedside of her mother.

Let us not forget the men's day program on Sunday, July 19th, at Johnson Chapel A.M.E. Church. Everyone is invited to

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