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Blacks' struggle for freedom and civil rights became a defining part of American history

This is the sixth of seven articles regarding Black history. Last week, we covered the early 20th century, both world wars and the depression.

Increased Understanding Among Whites

The desire of black Americans to win a victory over fascism abroad and racism at home was expressed in the so-called Double-V campaign, which also revealed an undercurrent of black discontent. Allied rhetoric about the fight for the "four freedoms" (of expression and worship; from want and fear) encouraged blacks to feel these ideals might be realized in the U.S. The growing acceptance among whites of racial equality was strengthened by the writings of numerous scholars, including the Swedish social scientist Gunnar Myrdal, author of *An American Dilemma: The Negro Problem and Modern Democracy* (1944). Other scholarly and literary publications during the 1930s and '40s increased understanding of the black experience, notably Richard Wright's novel *Native Son* (1940); Black Metropolis (1945), an important sociological study, by St. Clair Drake (1911-90) and Horace Cayton (1903-70); and *From Slavery to Freedom* (1947), by the historian John Hope Franklin (1915-).

The nonviolent sit-ins conducted by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), formed in 1942, signaled a new willingness on the part of both white and black reformers to challenge racial segregation. White racial attitudes were affected by the entry of Jackie Robinson and other black athletes into baseball; even before, such men as the boxers Jack Johnson and Joe Louis and the track-and-field athlete Jesse Owens had notable impact on sports. Less noticed were the achievements of



In Florida, National guardsmen and state troopers shield black marchers from onlookers near Denham Springs during their 1967 trek from Bogalusa to Baton Rouge. More than 800 National Guardsmen were ordered by Louisiana Governor John McKeithen to provide additional protection.

black scientists, such as Charles R. Drew (1904-50), who developed a widely used system for storing blood plasma. The tradition of black scientific achievement, however, can be traced back to Benjamin Banneker in the 18th century; Norbert Rillieux (1806-94) who, in the 19th century, perfected a system for refining sugar; and George Washington Carver in the early 20th century.

The Struggle for Freedom

After the war a period of rapid change in American race relations followed. As more blacks left the rural South for urban areas, the relative economic status of blacks improved. From 1948 to 1961, the proportion of blacks earning less than \$3000 a year declined from 78

to 47 percent; at the same time, blacks earning more than \$10,000 increased proportionally from less than 1 to 17 percent. (Nevertheless, the median income for whites in 1948 was higher than that of blacks in 1961.) Related to these economic changes was a rapid increase in the number of blacks attending college, from 124,000 in 1947 to 233,000 in 1961.

Early Gains

The existence of a growing affluent and educated black population in urban areas made possible major political gains. Black urban voters provided decisive support for liberal Democratic candidates, who in turn backed civil rights reforms. In 1954, three blacks—Augustus Hawkins (1907-) of Cal-

ifornia, Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. (1908-72) of New York, and William L. Dawson (1886-1970) of Illinois—were elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, the largest number since Reconstruction.

A pattern of black influence on national politics was clearly established in 1948 when Harry Truman was elected president. Even though he received only a minority of white votes, Truman had gained the support of blacks by issuing an executive order that eventually desegregated the armed forces and by supporting a pro-civil rights policy for the Democratic party over strong opposition from southern Dixiecrats. Although Truman's actions had little immediate impact on blacks, they indicated respon-

siveness by the federal government. Vigorous political dissent among blacks was discouraged during the so-called McCarthy era (c. 1950-55), as black leaders, such as Du Bois and Robeson, came under government attack, but cold war anticommunism also provided leverage for blacks to demand that the U.S. live up to its democratic claims.

The Brown Decision

Although neither President Dwight Eisenhower nor Congress was willing to take action on behalf of black civil rights during the first half of the 1950s, new presidential appointments to the U.S. Supreme Court prepared the way for a reversal of the separate-but-equal doctrine established by the Plessy decision. In 1954 a unanimous Court ruled, in *Brown v. Board of Education*, that "separate educational facilities are inherently unequal" and the next year ordered public schools to desegregate "with all deliberate speed." Although southern white officials sought to obstruct implementation of the Brown decision, many southern blacks saw the ruling as a sign that the federal government might intervene on their behalf in other racial matters. Unwilling to wait for firm federal action, however, some began their own desegregation efforts. In 1957, black children defied white mobs in Little Rock, Ark., until Eisenhower sent troops to protect their right to attend an all-white high school. Nevertheless, ten years after the Brown decision, less than 2 percent of southern black children attended integrated schools. During the early 1960s, it was necessary to maintain federal troops and marshals on the University of Mississippi campus to ensure the right of a black student to attend classes.

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Relocated WIC Clinic opens in West Lubbock

South Plains Community Action has recently relocated one of its WIC clinics to 602 W. Loop 289 in Lubbock. The clinic was formerly located at Savoy Square. The new facility is unique in that it also includes a women's health clinic.

WIC (Women, Infants, and Children program) is a federally funded program that provides nutritional education, healthful foods, and instruction in smart shopping, food preparation, and safety. WIC

also provides breast feeding support and instruction in breast feeding methods. WIC participants receive vouchers in the form of the WIC Lone Star Card for milk, cereal, eggs, cheese, peanut butter, juices, beans, and infant formula.

The Women's Health Clinic provides uninsured women with gynecological exams and Pap tests, related health care screenings that include sexually transmitted diseases tests, breast and cervical cancer

screenings, screenings for diabetes, cholesterol, and blood pressure. Many options for birth control are available. Funding for these services is available through the Texas Women's Health Medicaid program and other funding sources during their clinic visit. Clients are asked to bring the following documents to their clinic visit for the application process which includes:

Proof of income - paycheck stub issued in the last 60 days or let-

ter from an employer, proof of participation in a state assistance program such as a current children's Medicaid ID (form 3087), WIC verification of certification, WIC voucher, or WIC/EBT shopping list.

Proof of citizenship and identity - U.S. passport, a certification of naturalization, or a birth certificate and driver's license or other photo I.D.

The staff of the new South

Plains Community Action Clinic invites you to become a client of our programs. All you have to do is call our Women's Health Clinic at (806) 687-9898 or the WIC Clinic at (806) 747-0178 to schedule an appointment. Call anytime between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information about South Plains Community Action and its programs, go to the agency's website at www.spcas.org.

Winners named for Best Dressed Men & Women

Last Saturday afternoon, March 3, 2007, the top three best dressed Black Men & Women were named at the Booker T. Washington, American Legion, Post 808. The winners were determined by the largest number of entry forms submitted to the Southwest Digest.

The men winners were: Quincy White, first place; City Councilman Floyd Price, second place; and Su pt. W. David Haynes and Pastor W. D. Davis, tied for third place. The women winners were: Bertha Rainwater, first place; Myrta Haynes, second place; and Vollie Blanton and Lula Spencers, tied for third place.

Other male participants were Fulton Berry, Pastor Roy Davis, Lamont Ford, Greg Ricka, Minister Edwin Scott,

Charles Taylor, and Willie Griffin. Also Pastor Eddie L. Everline, Jr., Ossie Curry, Pastor William Watson, Bill Raven, Oscar Jones, Pastor C. C. Peoples, and Larry Isaac.

Other women who were nominated were: Dr. Pennie Butler, Violet Price, Cleo Quigley, Bertha Quigley, Bennie Sims, Legena Collins, Karen Peoples, Lucy White, Carolyn

Thomas Conwright, and Minister Ruthie Penny Planks. This program was designed by the Southwest Digest as a community image building upgrade. The community image, as previous stated, and this was not a fundraiser. Local citizens determined the winners. "We're happy over the participation this year and we will be back next year with another special effort," said Eddie P. Richardson, co-publisher.

"Look for a greater effort next year!" continued Richardson. All participants received a certificate of appreciation from the Southwest Digest. A very eloquent address on the Black male image was given by Pastor Roy Davis. He remind of what the Black male role is all about.

White

F. Price

Haynes

Spencer

White

F. Price

Haynes

Spencer

Community Meetings

This is a list of what is happening in Lubbock, to help complete the unfinished, community-building work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- African American Chamber of Commerce, Lubbock meets on the 3rd Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30pm at the Parkway Community Center, 405 MLK Blvd., 806-771-1815
- Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00pm at the Patterson Branch Library
- Hub City Kiwanis meets every Tuesday, 7:00pm, 1708 Avenue G
- Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm
- Booker T. Washington American Legion Post 808 meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Library
- East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Mae Simmons Community Center
- Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center
- Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 6:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar-Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center at 1301 East 24th St.
- West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and donations.
- Texas Juneteenth Cultural & Historical Commission - Lubbock Affiliate meets at Patterson Branch Library every 3rd Thursday at 7:00 pm
- West Texas Native American Association meets 2nd Saturday each month at Groves Library, 5520 19th Street, 7:30 p.m.
- West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men meets the 3rd Monday evening at 7:00 pm at the Parkway Neighborhood Center.
- The Parkway Guadalupe & Cherry-Print Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evening of each month at 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary.
- Chatham Hill Neighborhood Association meets the 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm, at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.
- Estacado High School Alumni & Faculty Class Reunion meetings are held the second and third Sundays at the Patterson Library, 1836 Parkway Drive, beginning at 7:00 p.m. All Estacado Alumni & Faculty are invited for the 40th All Class Reunion.

If you have an announcement you want to appear in this paper, there are three ways to get information to us:

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Deadline approaching for Summer Peace Officer Academy

South Plains College is still accepting candidates of the 2007 Summer Peace Officer Academy beginning May 2 through August 17 in Levelland. The classes will be held Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Applicants must also be admitted to SPC and meet all SPC entrance requirements. Admission to SPC does not ensure admission into the academy.

Admission forms are provided after the completion of the entrance exam and background check.

Pre-registration is required by April 19, 2007 along with a non-refundable \$50 application fee for a state and federal background check required through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education. The registration process may take

three to four weeks, therefore early registration is recommended.

Applicants desiring financial aid must do so through the SPC Financial Aid Office and should seek assistance no later than March 1.

For a more detailed list of admission requirements, log onto www.southplainscollege.edu/law or call 806-894-9611, extension 2291.

If you find mistakes in this publication, please remember that the staff of this paper are only human. We publish things for all sorts of people and all sorts of events and all sorts of people. Unfortunately, some people are always looking for something to criticize.





Church News



We Thank God for Jesus Here Is Why The Heathens Rage!!! Part I

Written by Evangelist Billy "B.J." Morrison, III - Your brother in Christ Jesus always.

Isaiah 58:1a - The Lord said, cry aloud, spare not. Lift up your voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgressions.

Revelation 2:7a - Jesus said, he that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit said unto the churches.

The Lord blessed America. She became great and powerful with great wealth. But when she became high minded and began to think that she done it herself!!!

Jeremiah 9:23-24 - This said the Lord, let not the wise man glory in his wisdom. Neither let the mighty man glory in his might. Let not the rich man glory in his riches, but let him that glories glory in this. That he understands and knows me that I am the Lord which exercises loving kindness, judgment and righteousness in the earth. For in these things, I delight, said the Lord.

The Churches at time trusted in the word of God, but then they lost their faith. They started following a man's dreams. Now sin has taken over the human race!!!

Romans 1:18-21 & 23a - For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who (Churches) hold the truth in unrighteousness. Because when they (Churches) knew God, they glorified him as God. Neither was thankful, but became vain in their imaginations (Dreamers), and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise. They (Churches) became fools, and changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image

made like to corruptible man (Martin Luther King).

***** Are You Following M. L. King Or King Jesus??? *****

Martin L. King wanted rights for his people. Those who were of the Black race, but God told his disciples to go into the world, and preach salvation by God's Grace!!!

Mark 16:15-16 - Jesus said, go you into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved, but he who believes not shall be damned.

Luke 9:62 - Jesus said, no man having put his hand to the (Gospel) plough, and looking back is fit for the Kingdom of God.

America started giving every man his rights even though they were all wrong. The only rights God wants mankind to have is to worship Jesus who's on God's throne!!!

John 12:32 - Jesus said, and I, if I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto me.

***** Is America Lifting Jesus??? *****

Psalms 9:15-17 - The heathens are sunk down in the pit they have made in the net which they hid in their own foot taken the wicked shall be turned into hell and all the nations that forget God.

***** God Is Not Mocked!!! *****

(These people died in four days in Lubbock, and the heathens were caught within four days. Jesse Herrera for no rent money - Ross Mosley for his money - Jerome Collins just because!!! The heathens don't know God has rights to do what's wrong just as Cain did in

killing his own brother!!!)

***** Do You See Mankind's Rights: Killing Today??? *****

Churches' Giving Rights. That's not God's business. It only made America mean and mad. Should be like the Disciples of Jesus: lifting him up. They bought a colt and the ass!!!

Matthew 21:2 - Jesus said, go into the village over against you, and straightway you shall find an ass tied and a colt with her. Lose them and bring them unto me.

All America is gone mad now, and they are the product of the 'We Shall Overcome.' There is no love, no joy, no respect. Marching against the law is where it all came from!!!

1 Peter 2:13-16 - Submit yourselves (Christians) to every ordinance of men for the Lord's sake. Whether it be to the King (President). As supreme or unto governors as unto them who are sent (Police) by for the punishment of evildoers (Marchers), and for the praise of them (Christians) who do well. For so is the will of God who with well-doing you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men as free and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness (Lawbreakers), but as servants of God.

(The Bible said, bless are the peace makers. Then cursed are the trouble makers!!! Here is wisdom. The Police are called out for the evildoers. The National Guard is called for the evildoers. The Police dogs are called out for the evildoers. Christians are not to be called evildoers!!!)



From the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith Senior Citizens and Debt Collectors

Recently there has been drawn to my attention of a number of Senior Citizens (Mexican Americans and African Americans in particular) who have been harassed by debt collectors. Those who commit these acts know the law, and use scare tactic on those who are least able to pay a debt.

The debt collectors are usually out-of-state attorneys who threaten the livelihood of those who cannot make ends meet and exist on the very minimum amount of money. Many of these are senior citizens who are scraping the bottom of the barrel of economic life to just exist. When these senior citizens pay the very basic such as utilities, etc. from their meager social security disability or SSI check they have very few dollars if any left. Most senior citizens receive \$10 per month in food stamps. It is alleged illegal aliens receive better treatment from our state and federal government than those seniors who have worked and contribute to the good and welfare of our country.

I would suggest senior citizens who are having trouble with debt collectors called Legal Aid of Northwest Texas at 806-763-4557 on Thursdays at 9:00 A. M. and set up an appointment to legally evaluate your problem.

The Texas Attorney General offers some of the following tips on debt collection:

1. If You Owe a Debt - a consumer having difficulty paying a debt can contact the creditor before the bill goes to a collector. Sometimes the creditor will refinance or otherwise modify the agreement rather than pay a debt collector. If not, the debtor has certain rights.

2. Don't Pay Extra - it is unlawful for a debt collector to attempt to collect more than the amount of originally agreed upon whether the agreement was in writing or not. However, the debt may be increased by the addition of attorney's fees, investigation fees, service fees, collection fees, or other charges if a written contract authorizes the additional charges.

3. Harassment is Prohibited - State law prohibits the use of harassment and abusive collection tactics. It is illegal for any debt collector to (a) threaten violence or other criminal acts (b) use profane or obscene language; (c) falsely accuse the consumer of fraud or other crimes; (d) threaten arrest of consumer, or repossession or other seizure of property without proper court proceedings; (e) use the telephone to harass debtors by calling anonymous or making repeated or continuous calls; (f) make collect telephone calls without disclosing the true name of the caller before the charges are accepted.

4. Fraud and Deception are Illegal - the use of fraudulent or deceptive practices is also prohibited, including (a) using a false name or identification; (b) misrepresenting the amount of the debt or its judicial status; (c) sending documents to a debtor that falsely appear to be from a court or other official agency; (d) failing to identify who holds the debt; (e) misrepresenting the nature of the services rendered by the collection agency or the collector; (f) falsely representing that the collector has information or something of value in order to discover information about the consumer.

5. Your Home and Wages are Protected - Some collectors will threaten to foreclose on home-steads or to garnish wages. In Texas, a homestead cannot be taken to pay a debt except for debts taken for the purchase of the home, for home improvements, for home equity loans or to pay certain taxes. Wages may be garnished to pay court-ordered child support, back taxes, and defaulted student loans.

There are addition state and federal laws to protect the consumer. Senior Citizens who read this article should share it with others. Look for announcements from the Lubbock Client Council of Legal Aid of Northwest Texas as it pertain to Consumer Protection. At the last meeting, State Representative Carl Isett opened the eyes of many seniors and property owners about the game played on property evaluation and tax percentage.

Outreach Prayer Breakfast

A Prayer For The Nation - God Bless America

Let's Pray!

Lord forgive us of our sins. Heal our land! Help America recover her many losses and restore our nation to you. We join together in prayer, Lord, for those who gave and serve our great land. We pray for Presidents, Cabinets, Congress and their family members. Give them divine protection and favor with all nations, and the courage of champions to prevail by overcoming evil with good all over America. Father, we pray for our great State of Texas. Father, we pray for Governors and their agency, the news staff of the media. Especially pray for the Southwest Digest and their staff and families. Fire fighters, policemen, rescue workers and all their families. Give them the mind of Christ and wisdom to govern in the days of uncertainty, divine courage and protection.

Father, as a nation, we pray for the families who have loss loved ones as on the national level and also the local level who risk their lives to save others. Anoint them with joy and praise and lift their heavy burdens. Restore their souls and meet their needs. We pray for the Military & U. S. Allies and all who join forces to protect our country and other countries from attacks. We ask you to deploy your heavenly host to camp about them as a shield of protection and cause this world to cause this world to triumph over evil and glorify your name. We pray for Missionaries and Ministers. Father, unite believ-

ers in the communities and churches for your name sake. Protect them from every deadly and evil act of the enemy, and every attempt to commit harm. Confront your word among those who are sick so they can depend on your word that says speak to your mountain. And ask it to move! Help our Ministers and Missionaries to realize they have Mission Fields sitting in their congregation. Give them divine favor and protection from any impending dangers, direct their steps, allow our servants of God to rule in the midst of their adversaries for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Thank you, Lord, for "Victory!" Send those Guarding Angels to watch over our children as they approach "Spring Break!" We pray for the enemies of America. Give us the Mercy and Grace to

forgive our enemies as you forgive us. Vengeance belongs to you alone, Lord! Unite us in prayer to stand. Touch the hearts of every evil individual and pour out your Holy Spirit in this world, and let her yield a Mighty Harvest for Your Glory! AMEN.

Thanks for reading, Saints. Keep praying for those who don't know Christ which may include the pimps, prostitutes, dope pushers, addicts, liars, pretenders, and all others. Just pray, Saints!

A report on the Saturday meeting will appear in next week's issue. We are still working for the Lord.

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St. Matthew's Baptist Church News

Services last Sunday morning, March 4, 2007, at St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, were well attended. Rev. Edward Canady is the proud pastor.

Services got underway with Sunday School beginning at 10:15 a.m. with Superintendent Sister Luella Harris in charge. The morning lesson was taught by Sister Harris, and was reviewed by Pastor Canady. The lesson was entitled "Love Is Light." The lesson passage was

1 John 2:7-11; and 15-17.

The morning worship hour began with devotion at 11:15 a.m. with Deacon Edward Williams and Brother Gerald Jackson in charge.

The St. Matthew Baptist Church Senior Choir sung out of their hearts and souls. Oh what a wonderful time in God's house to hear His praises in songs.

Pastor Canady delivered a powerful sermon. His subject was "Can You See The Hand-

writing On The Wall. His scripture text was Daniel 5:4-5. What a wonderful and uplifting sermon for all in attendance.

Let us continue to pray for all our sick and shut in members and citizens of the community. Among those include Sister Lola Byrd. Remember God is able!

Thought For The Week:
 "Love people and not things. Use things and not people."

"Go For It!"

Step-By-Step Planning For College

DATE: March 27, 2007
TIME: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
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Leaders emerge in the fight for civil rights

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Desegregation Struggle

The Brown decision also encouraged southern blacks to launch a sustained movement to integrate all public facilities. It



Rosa Parks became famous for refusing to give up her seat to a white man on a bus.

began in Montgomery, Ala., in December 1955, when a black woman named Rosa L. Parks refused to give up her seat on a city bus to a white man and was arrested. Led by the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., black residents reacted to the arrest by organizing a bus boycott that lasted more than a year, before a federal court declared Alabama's bus segregation laws unconstitutional. King's commitment to nonviolence garnered favorable press for his protests.

Although King remained the best-known black leader, protest activities soon moved beyond the control of any single individual or group. King's supporters organized the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) in 1957, but when black college students began widespread lunch counter sit-ins in February 1960, most of the young activists rejected leadership by SCLC and older civil rights groups, such as the NAACP or CORE. They formed the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), which was often more militant than other civil rights groups.

Voter Registration

The CORE-initiated Freedom Rides of 1961, designed to end segregation in facilities dependent on interstate commerce, demonstrated the ability of civil rights protesters to force federal intervention in the South. They brought many young activists into Mississippi, where white officials firmly resisted any concessions to the civil rights movement. Black civil rights leaders in Mississippi, who had long struggled for gains with the help of the NAACP, encouraged young civil rights workers affiliated with the SNCC to concentrate their efforts on achieving voting rights. By 1962 Robert Moses (1935-), a Harvard-educated schoolteacher, had brought together a staff of organizers who worked closely with local residents seeking to register as voters. White resistance, how-

ever, remained intense. In 1964, after the murder of three of the organizers, a major national effort led to the unsuccessful challenge by the Mississippi Freedom Democratic party, led by Fannie Lou Hamer (1917-77), to unseat the all-white Mississippi delegation at the Democratic National Convention.

Although the voting-rights movement in Mississippi made slow progress, civil rights protests in southern urban centers achieved important gains. Massive demonstrations were held in Albany, Ga., during 1961 and 1962, and the following year more than a million demonstrators kept up the pressure in numerous cities. This wave of protests reached a peak during the spring of 1963, when federal troops were sent into Birmingham, Ala., to quell racial violence. President John F. Kennedy reacted to the widespread demonstrations by introducing civil rights legislation designed to end segregation in public facilities. On Aug. 28, 1963, more than 200,000 protesters gathered in Washington, D.C., for a peaceful demonstration, calling for congressional action in civil rights and employment legislation. The civil rights bill remained deadlocked in Congress until 1964, however, when it was passed in the aftermath of the assassination of President Kennedy. In 1965 another series of protests in Selma, Ala., prompted President Lyndon B. Johnson to introduce new voting-rights legislation, which was passed that summer and had a dramatic impact on black voter registration; in Mississippi, the percentage of

blacks registered to vote increased from 7 percent in 1964 to 59 percent in 1968.

Black Pride

The years of civil rights activism in the South led to an upsurge in racial pride and militancy among blacks throughout the nation. In 1966 the SNCC announced that the goal of the black movement was no longer civil rights but "black power" which could be achieved only



Malcolm X

when black people developed a more positive image of themselves. Such sentiments coincided with a trend toward black militancy in northern urban centers spearheaded by Black Muslims. Although the best-known advocate of black nationalism, Malcolm X, had attracted only modest support at the time of his assassination in 1965, his ideas became increasingly popular after his death. His calls for armed self-defense reflected widespread anger among urban blacks that

burst forth in extensive racial violence in Los Angeles in August 1965. During the following three years, nearly every major urban center in the U.S. experienced similar black rebellions. The Kerner Commission, set up by President Johnson and headed by Illinois Gov. Otto Kerner (1908-76), reported in 1968 that the "nation is moving toward two societies, one white, one black - separate and unequal." New militant organizations, such as the Black Panther party, sought to provide leadership for discontented urban blacks. The outspoken radicalism of many black leaders resulted in considerable federal repression, and by the late 1960s most of the black militant groups had been weakened by police raids as well as internal dissension. Before his assassination in 1968, even Martin Luther King, Jr., became a target for government surveillance and harassment, as he responded to the new mood of militancy with forceful attacks on U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War and with calls for economic reforms.

Blacks attending college launched a movement to introduce black studies into the curriculum, which resulted in better knowledge of the African-American experience. A new spirit of racial assertion was especially evident in sports; in the 1960s black athletes brought into college

and professional sports a distinctive, individualistic, and spontaneous style of play, often over the objections of white coaches and sportswriters. For example, the heavyweight boxer Muhammad Ali's refusal to be inducted into

the army temporarily cost him his world championship but also made him a hero to many blacks.

Next week, we will wrap up our series on Black History with our seventh article.

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Patterson Jr. visits with Joseph Lowery in Reno

The preacher for the upcoming Revival at the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Slaton March 12, 13 & 14, 2007 is Rev. T. J. Patterson, Jr. Rev. C. C. Peoples is the host pastor.

Rev. Patterson is shown here with Rev. & Mrs. Joseph Lowery and City Councilwoman Bobbie Patterson of Beaumont, Texas at the December, 2006 meeting of the NBC/LEO (National Black Caucus/Local

Elected Officials) Luncheon in Reno, Nevada. This was also the annual conference of the National League of Cities (NLC).

Patterson, a Lubbock native, is the son of T.J. and Bobbie Jean Patterson, and resides in Fort Worth with his wife and two children.

Rev. Patterson is asking all of his former classmates at Dunbar High School to join him in Slaton. "I've got something to tell all of them," he says.



Indianapolis TV station allows former Lubbock resident to thrive

A former Lubbock resident, Deanna Dewberry is doing well as an anchor for WISH-TV in Indianapolis, Indiana, and hasn't forgot from where she got started.

She joined WISH-TV in January, 2005. She co-anchors for "News 8 at Noon" and is part of the



Dewberry

anchor/reporting team for "News 8 at 5 pm."

A native Texan, Deanna joined WISH from Texas Cable News, TXCN, in Dallas where she had been a news anchor since 1998.

While working for TXCN, she also worked for WFAA in Dallas as an anchor and reporter. Prior to her work in Dallas, she worked for KTHV, in Little Rock, Arkansas as well as KLBK, Channel 13, and KCBD, Channel

11, in Lubbock. She earned her degree in journalism in 1992 from the University of Texas in Austin.

An award winning journalist, Deanna has been honored by the Associated Press, National Association of Black Journalists and the American Cancer Society. She is the 2004-2005 recipient of the "Communicator of the Year" award given by the Texas Speech Communication Association and past recipient of the NAACP's

"Excellence in Journalism" award.

Deanna is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) and the National Association of Television and Sciences (NATAS). Deanna and her husband have a little boy who is their joy. They also have two furry family members - a cat and a collie.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dewberry of Lubbock.

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St. Matthew Baptist Church celebrates 59th anniversary

The pastor and wife of St. Matthew Baptist Church, Rev. & Mrs. Edward Canady, invite the community to come and worship with them in the 59th Church Anniversary March 9 through 11, 2007. The theme is "Study The Word." II Timothy 2:15.

The history of St. Matthew Baptist Church showed how men and women organized the church in 1948. It was formed out of the vision of the late Rev. R. Stanley, who served as pastor from February 1948 until his death.



Rev. & Mrs. Edward Canady

The Church was organized in the home of Brother and sister Son Mathis. This group included: Brother and Sister Boney, Brother and Sister Joe Williams, and Rev. R. S. Stanley, and Brother and Sister Son Mathis. Rev. C. A. Burns assisted Rev. Stanley in the organizing of this great church. The first physical edifice was rented from Re. S. S. Scott, located at East 33rd Street & Teak Avenue, in 1951. As the church grew in size, a house was rented from Mr. Miles Steen where the membership worshipped a number of years.

A building was purchased and the dedicated congregation moved to East 35th Street and Walnut Avenue. As the Lord continued to bless the Church in 1963, it moved to 2020 East 14th Street, and the entire block was purchased. St. Matthew Baptist Church is still located at this address.

In 1997, Rev. Stanley's health deteriorated to the point he resigned. He recommended a young man who had joined himself and became the assistant Pastor. After the church membership meditated and prayed, Rev. Edward Canady was unanimously voted by the congregation to become the Pastor. Rev. Canady accepted the pastorate January 5, 1998. A Fellowship Hall was completed and the Baptistery was repodeled.

Services will get underway Friday night, March 9th, beginning at 7:00 p. m., with the Sunday School, Brotherhood, Senior Choir, Mission and Ushers as sponsors. Guest churches include: Divine Love Baptist Church, Rev. Kenneth Burns, pastor; St. Mark Baptist Church, Dr. Leon Amstead, pastor; and Church of The Living God, Elder Willie Barber, pastor.

Sunday afternoon, March

11th, the General Church will be the sponsor, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Guest churches include: Triumph Baptist Church of Slaton, Rev. Henry Brawley, pastor; and

Friendship Holy Baptist Church, Bishop Mann, pastor.

Dinner will be served in the L. V. Davis Fellowship Hall on Sunday afternoon.

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THIS 'N' THAT

by T.J. Patterson

GOOD TO SEE STATE MOVE ON YOUTH COMMISSION! THIS N THAT is glad to see the State of Texas move ahead on the YOUTH COMMISSION INVESTIGATION, which involved the investigation of ALLEGED SEXUAL ABUSE against young people in the system. It is just good to see this take place, because this does not need to happen in the Texas Youth Commission especially when it involves young people who are incarcerated. Let's hope the TRUTH comes, and the TEXAS YOUTH COMMISSION will be much better. As long as there are checks and balances, things will be alright.

A VERY GOOD PROGRAM WITH GOOD IDEAS! THIS N THAT was glad to see the outcome of the "TOP TEN BEST DRESSED BLACK MEN & WOMEN" program which took place last Saturday afternoon March 3, 2007 at the Booker T. Washington, American Legion, Post 808 There were winners from both men and women. With ties for third place in men and women. There was much information contributed at the affair which could become a major affair in years to come. This was not a fundraiser but an image one or the betterment of the Black Community. It was a good program and there should be more of this kind of an event in the community. **THIS N THAT** salutes all the winners. The men's winners were: **QUINCY WHITE** 1st place, **CITY COUNCILMAN FLOYD PRICE** 2nd place, and **SUPT.**

W. DAVID HAYNES & PASTOR W.D. DAVIS tied for 3rd place. The Women's winners were: **BERTHA RAINWATER** 1st place, **MYRTA HAYNES** 2nd place, **VOLLIE BLAYTON & LULA SPENCER** tied for 3rd place. **THIS N THAT** is hoping for more positive programs as the one last Saturday. **A CONGRATS to ADRIAN LONG** for a job well done as the **MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES!** Keep up the good work **ADRIAN!**

PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS, "GRATITUDE should not be an occasional incident, but a **CONTINUOUS ATTITUDE!"**

14TH ANNUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY BOWL WAS GREAT! THIS N THAT has heard a lot of good input about the 14th ANNUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY BOWL at the Alderson Middle School Thursday February 22, 2007. There were twenty-eight teams from various middle schools in LISD which involved sixth graders seventh graders and eighth graders. At the sixth grade level **HUTCHINSON** was first and second place winners. **ALDERSON** was third place. In the seventh grade, **ALDERSON** was first place with **MCKENZIE** taking second and third places. In the eighth grade level **MCKENZIE** won first and second place with **ALDERSON** placing third. During the morning opening ceremonies, local Black leaders were recognized. There is no doubt about it! It was another good program!! **THIS N THAT** says thanks to

all responsible!

JUST THINK 53 YEARS AND STILL GROWING STRONG! THIS N THAT wants to take this opportunity and say **HAPPY 53RD BIRTHDAY** for the **FEDERATION OF CHOIRS** which was organized in 1954 in an effort to bring the **BLACK COMMUNITY** closer in worshipping God in songs and praises. Just think of how far this organization has come and is aside from some Black Churches - the oldest **BLACK ORGANIZATION** in Lubbock. There is no doubt about it, it has come a mighty long way - and all have something to praise God for all of His goodness. Next week at the **CHRIST TEMPLE COGIC** rehearsal will be held on Tuesday evening March 13th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and a gain the following Tuesday evening, March 20th. The final rehearsal will be held at the **GREATER ST. LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH**, on Friday evening March 23rd, the **53rd CELEBRATION** will be held **SUNDAY AFTERNOON**, March 23, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. The president of the Federation of Choirs is **SISTER BENNIE SIMS!**

THANKS, PARENTS FOR HELPING OUR KIDS! THIS N THAT is glad to report that many of our **PARENTS & FRIENDS** have come to the rescue of the **MLK LITTLE LEAGUE**. There is a new president who is **DUKE HOLMES** and the vice president is **BOBBY THOMAS**. More on this in the near future. **THANKS A BUNCH** for this effort!



By G. W. Brown

(Editor's Note: G. W. Brown gave permission to use his article. For reference, he spent his engineering career in Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky and Tennessee. He worked mainly for the Southern Company. Many of his stories reflect events where he witnessed first-hand corporate discrimination against Afro-Americans.)

When I was a child one story I overheard the adults discuss still sticks in my mind. It is a story of an innocent black man that a Baxter mob hung. I assume he was innocent since my grandpa claimed he knew the black man was innocent though he helped the others hang him. This story was discussed amongst my grandpa and his brothers remembering old times unaware that young cars were listening.

The deed was told to have happened when my grandpa was a boy. A white woman had been raped and her husband got home in time to see him escape. When confronted she said, "It was the Nigger," that had been noticed hanging around the railroad tracks.

The fellow got wind of what was happening and ran. He dropped over the hills and tried to lose his trail in the waters on Martin's Creek. However the bloodhounds were good and kept his scent till they brought him down in a cane thicket. Armed only with a hawk-bill knife the terrified black killed a couple of dogs before capture.

The black man was taken to Baxter where the whole community assembled to watch him being hung. He was beaten, but never confessed. His last words were, "It was a whiter face than mine!"

After telling the story the old men would laugh and recall what their father (my great-grandpa) told them in later years. Most of the mob knew the Black was innocent even though they helped string him up. The raped woman had been having an affair with one of the neighbors. That was who they suspected was seen running away when the husband came home.

Think About It!

A Face Whiter Than Mine

by Eddie P. Richardson

unexpected. Everyone agreed it was better to hang the vagrant nigger than tarnish a white woman's reputation and cause problems in the community.

Reality of this story hit me in high school. One day after school I went into the Baxter Barber Shop. I was told the story of the leather strap there. It was claimed to have been made from a strip of hide taken from the back of a Negro hung in Baxter for raping a white woman.

Years later I found an account of a Negro hung in Baxter for the rape of a white woman while researching an article for the Baxter Beacon. Though the written account parallels what was told to me, some facts differ. My source was the reference book "History of Putnam County, Tennessee, 1850-1870" pages 52-53. Source material for the book was articles from the Cookeville Press, June 1898 edition.

According to reference on June 22, 1898 county law officers captured Thomas Washington, a twenty-three year old Negro, who allegedly raped Mrs. Jeff Ward of Boma, and placed him in the Cookeville jail. That afternoon a mob of 250 to 300 heavily-armed men marched on the jail. According to Cookeville Press, "Sheriff George W. Alcorn had a heavily guarded jail but it was no use to resist. He was cool and deliberate under most trying circumstances and did all in his power to protect his prisoner, but seeing that he was overpowered, he allowed five of the men to enter the jail and seize Washington."

The next day, Washington was taken to the Ward home where she stated, "He is the Scoundrel!" Washington confessed, "She is the lady."

A scaffold was erected across from the depot in Baxter. An estimated crowd of ten thousand men, women and children assembled. During the event the helpless man tried to speak but the crowd's "hang him, hang the Negro," drowned him out.

Though the written account is interesting, I assume that word "Nigger" was used.

During the lynching a local minister volunteered to offer a prayer for the condemned man, but the crowd shouted him down. Washington was lynched twice but the rope broke dropping him to the ground still alive. The third time the rope held.

The final statements of the event as recorded in the Cookeville Press were most interesting. "He was hung by an orderly a crowd of people as ever assembled together. There was no drunkenness or even drinking that was discoverable, nor boisterous conduct of any kind. There was a calm settled purpose to blot out the existence of the infamous brute. Ropes used in the hanging were cut up and distributed as souvenirs, and the spectators dispersed quietly."

Reading between the lines it was "white washed." Almost 2 hours lapsed between the time a lynch mob removed the prisoner from jail and hung him. Even in 1898, Nashville was only 80 miles away, Knoxville 100, and Chattanooga 120 miles. Sheriff Alcorn could have telephoned/telegraphed the governor and federal troops and/or US marshals could have arrived by train (he was hung across from the depot) before the lynching occurred. Also, the lynching of Washington was a crime and local officials never made an attempt to punish the mob leaders.

In closing, I assume this was the event my grandfather was talking about. In 1898, he would have been six and his older brother eight. Neither would have had anything to gain retelling a story to each other they both heard from their dad. I can only guess that Thomas Washington was the innocent Black of whom, they told and imagine the brutal and terrifying fate he met in his final days in Baxter.

In Cinque

by Renetta Howard



Soon, it will be spring and our hearts and minds will begin to focus on the lighter side of life, frolicking in the sun, playing and doing whatever it is that suits our fancy.

Come as it may, spring will not take us away from the daily reminders that we are a country at war, a situation which weighs on our hearts and minds because of the daily toll of lives being lost and to some of us, for naught.

Life, human life is valued above all else in America. This is what we are taught. This is what the average Christian American believes. If we truly believe that life is valuable, the 'powers that be' should consider this and immediately begin to withdraw American troops from Iraq. There is no way that a Christian country can persuade

a Moslem country to see things their way. If the Moslems cannot get along with each other, what gives anyone else the belief that they have a quick fix?

Iran, Iraq and Syria are neighbors and their religious beliefs are basically the same. They plan now to have a conference to discuss their problems. The United States is invited to the conference, but they are not the main players. The leaders of these three countries are the ones who must come to some agreements about how they will live side by side.

It appears that if United States troops are withdrawn from Iraq, maybe the car bombings which are being blamed on Iran will stop. If the United States is sure that Iran is placing the bombs in places to kill U. S. troops and denying it, and Iraq is ready to sit down with Iran and Syria, it is time for the United States, like Great Britain, to make an exit and save American

lives and dollars in order that they may be put to good use here in this country.

The United States is fighting too many wars in too many different places. If our manpower is spread around the globe, there is no one left for homeland security! We are vulnerable to attack from without because it seems that we have been vulnerable to attack from within for quite some time now (Oklahoma City and the Twin Towers). It is time to "bring the boys home" and we need to get "in cinque" and let our Congressmen and Congresswomen know that this is how we feel by writing to them and telling them so. Let Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Syria and Saudi Arabia and Turkey, too, if they want to, do their own thing, with each other, without the United States.



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BY KEITH MURPHY

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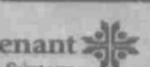
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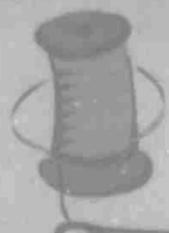
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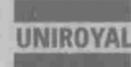
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NAACP President Bruce Gordon to resign after 19 months

NEW YORK - NAACP President Bruce S. Gordon is quitting the civil rights organization, leaving after just 19 months at the helm, he told The Associated Press on Sunday. Gordon cited growing strain with board members over the group's management style and future operations.

"I believe that any organization that's going to be effective will only be effective if the board and the CEO are aligned and I don't think we are aligned," Gordon said. "This compromises the ability of the board to be as effective as it can be."

He spoke by phone from Los Angeles, where he had just attended the taping of the NAACP Image Awards. Dennis C. Hayes, general counsel of the Baltimore-based National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is expected to serve as interim president, Gordon said. Hayes filled the same role after

Kweisi Mfume resigned the presidency in 2004 after nine years.



Gordon

Gordon said that while the NAACP is an advocacy organization, it needs to be more focused on service and finding solutions. "I'm used to a CEO running an organization, with the board approving strategy and policy," Gordon said. "But the NAACP board is very much involved."

Gordon said he made the decision in recent weeks and told the board at its annual meeting in New York City in mid-February.

Leaders apparently surprised NAACP leaders were surprised by his decision and engaged in hours of discussion, he said.

"They expressed disappointment," Gordon said. "We attempt-

ed to see whether there was a way to continue but that didn't happen."

Gordon sounded weary as he boarded a flight home to New York City on Sunday.

"I don't view this as I'm right and they're wrong. I view this as I see things one way and they see things a different way," he said. "That misalignment between the CEO and the board is unhealthy." Asked about his plans after leaving the NAACP, Gordon said: "I'm going to catch my breath."

"What I've clearly learned in my tenure here is that all is not well in black America, that's for sure," he said. "I believe I have a lot to offer. I've got to find a way to be engaged that optimizes what it is I bring to the table. My intention is not to disengage, but to find a different way."

A surprise choice to lead Gordon, 61, was a surprise pick for the NAACP's top post. When he

took over on Aug. 1, 2005, he had no track record in traditional civil rights circles. He had spent 35 years in the telecommunications industry and retired in 2003 from his post as president of the Retail Markets Group for Verizon Corp. Critics said he wouldn't be a good fit for the nearly 98-year-old organization.

However, he smoothed strained relations between the NAACP and the White House, meeting with President Bush three times in less than a year. He used his corporate ties to lend quick assistance to black New Orleans residents after Hurricane Katrina. And he hired a number of key national employees whose reputations inspired staff members.

Gordon "brought a level of competence that we hadn't had," Julian Bond, chairman of the board, said last year.

Bond also has acknowledged

that, with 64 members, the NAACP's board of directors is large and sometimes unwieldy.

But he has defended it, saying it allows a wide range of members' voices to be heard.

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Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church News for February

Crosbyton - Giving all praises to God from whom all blessings flow. The month of February brought the members Love and Black History Month. It also brought a special blessing four Church Family.

Rev. Ruby Price was called to pastor Greater Mt. Zion on February 4, 2007. She had been the associate pastor under the late Rev. H. L. Phillips who pastored for 21 years until his death in November, 2006. Rev. Price has stepped in at a crucial time when Rev. Phillips became ill to lead the congregation. We pray God's continued blessings on her as she begins a new milestone in her life.

Mt. Zion has several activities planned for the coming months of this year.

The Usher Board President, Sister Deborah M. Hutchinson, has planned a support program called "Holiday of Love." The main holidays of the year are the focal points for special financial as well as spiritual blessings for the entire church membership.

The Youth Department President, Sister Mollie M. Thomas, has planned a "Heaven and Hell" celebration for Sunday afternoon, March 18, 2007, beginning at 3:00 p. m. There will also be a "Black History Trivia Jeopardy." February is not the only time we need to know about the many accom-

plishments past and present of our people. Prizes will be awarded. So if you would like to attend to test your trivia skills, contact Sister Deborah M. Hutchinson at (806) 747-6591 or Sister Mollie Thomas at (806) 675-7014 for the Trivia and Heaven and Hell information. There can be six youth to a team ages 7 to 19.

Sunday morning, February 18, 2007, the morning message was preached by Rev. Price. Her

subject was "Give Yourself to God." Scripture text was James 4:10-17. All had a glorious time in the Lord. After services, Mt. Zion traveled to Lamesa for the installation services for Rev. Frank A. Williams at the St. John Baptist Church. The services were very spirit filled message by Rev. Harris of Killeen.

Sunday afternoon, February 25, 2007, Mt. Zion celebrated with a "Black History Program" after church services at 3:00

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All have sinned - Romans 3:23
Jesus Christ died for our sins - 2 Cor. 5:21; Acts 2:38
We must do God's will and obey him to enter heaven - Matt. 7:21; Heb 5:9
How do we obey him?
Hear the gospel - Romans 10:17
Believe Jesus Christ is the son of God - Mark 16:16
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5. Less than the whole?
8. Before saw and conquered
12. Aeneas' lover or the singer who thanked you
13. Grape plant, e.g.
14. Less common
15. His villain was a snake
16. Purple flower
17. Fill with high spirits
18. Villainous king of Scotland
20. Hurtful remark
21. "As the World ____"
22. Actors' union
23. Buddhist's enlightenment
26. Found in a newspaper, pl.
30. Expression of surprise
31. Axe wielding Lizzie?
34. Clod or goon
35. A in A=ab, pl.
37. TV's Randal/Klugman couple
38. Mild and pleasant weather
39. "Iron horse" track
40. Barbarian Hun
42. Golf peg
43. Common bed sheet fabric
45. Negative ions
47. Be unwell
48. Depressions
50. Mail carrier
52. Nocturnal count
54. Thread reel
55. Fury
56. In addition
59. Repent
60. Tree with winged fruit
61. Negative response
62. Domestic animal shelter
63. High rocky hill
64. Precedes Abby

DOWN

1. Dental group
2. Placed on eBay
3. Re-Jeanned cheese
4. Vegetable or fruit?
5. Its song is fatal
6. Measured amounts
7. Screen
8. Assassinated Roman Emperor known for his cruelty
9. Inhabitant of Middle East
10. Boundary line
11. Old English for before
13. V in V. cholerae
14. Imperial or majestic
19. Taxi zone, pl.
22. ____ of Sam
23. Astur's
24. Distinctive but intangible quality, pl.
25. Belonging to them
26. Ghana monetary unit
27. Much in Italy
28. Object's magic power
29. Eye infections
32. Memorization by repetition
33. Toxic substance banned in early '70s
36. Scarface
38. Widely spoken in southern half of Africa
40. Altogether
41. Armed with a lance
44. Theater passageway
46. Madagascar, e.g.
48. Infamous Greek lawmaker
49. With great enthusiasm
50. "____ no good"
51. Fire by-product
52. Exclamation of annoyance
53. Known for its soothing and healing properties
54. Cul de ____
57. Maaseuc's office
58. Old-fashioned over

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