

WEST TEXAS TIMES

Dedicated to Informing the Negro Citizens of West Texas

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MONROVIA—(NPI)—Liberia, the oldest black republic on the continent of Africa, is coming out with a memorial issue of stamps in honor of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; To be released on or about July 11, the set will include three two-color stamps in the 15, 25, and 35 cent denominations and a 55 cent airmail souvenir sheet, also in two colors. In the United States, sale of the stamps are being handled by the Liberian Philatelic Agency, 261 Broadway, New York, 10007.

INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

COLUMBIA, Md.—(NPI)—One of the features of the privately developed "new town" of Columbia—situated midway between Washington and Baltimore—will be a four-year "international" liberal arts college, scheduled to open its doors sometime in 1970. It will bear the name of Dag Hammarskjold, the late and former Secretary-General of the UN. A polycultural institution with an international faculty and student body, under current plans, 60 per cent of its student body will be drawn from foreign countries.

VA Says Vets May Be Missing Out on Benefits

Veterans retired from the Armed Forces for disability who have not filed a claim for compensation from the Veterans Administration were reminded by the VA last Friday that they may be losing money.

Many retired disabled veterans do not file claims for VA disability compensation because they mistakenly believe that they will lose all military retirement benefits if they do.

This is not the case, according to the Veterans Administration.

Even though retirement pay and compensation cannot be paid at the same time, the veteran has the right to elect whichever benefit is greater and may switch from one benefit to the other whenever it is to his advantage to do so. If he waives his retirement pay and elects to receive VA disability compensation, he is still eligible for all basic retirement benefits such as commissary privileges and dependent medical care.

Severely disabled enlisted men generally will receive greater financial benefit by electing VA compensation rather than retirement pay.

There are other benefits which retired disabled veterans who have not filed for VA compensation should consider, the VA pointed out.

For example, under the VA disability compensation program, veterans rated 50 per cent or more disabled are entitled to additional benefits for dependents. Military retirement does not provide these dependents' benefits.

If the VA disability compensation payment is less than retirement, the veteran may elect retirement but may still file a claim for VA compensation. Then, if he is hospitalized in the future

Concerned Citizens Group Calls For City Action

LONG TIME RESIDENT OF CROSBYTON, MRS. BETTY WIGGINS, PASSES AWAY SUNDAY, JUNE 30

Crosbyton—Funeral services were held last Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at Galilee Baptist Church Mission at Crosbyton, Texas, for Mrs. Betty Wiggins, a long-time resident of Crosby County.

Mrs. Wiggins was born April 15 at Bosqueville, Texas. She was the daughter of George and Jennie Montgomery. She was married to Johnny E. Wiggins in Acquilla, in 1916. To this union nine children were born. The family moved to Crosbyton in 1919.

She was an ardent Christian worker and was converted at an early age. She was a charter member in the first church organized at Crosbyton. She served as W.M.U. president and also vice president of the New Zealand District Association and other activities of the church.

Mrs. Wiggins expired June 30 at Crosbyton Hospital.

Survivors include five sons; Gene, Raymond, Lindsey, Johnny, Jr., all of Crosbyton, and Joe Eddy of Los Angeles, California; two daughters, Viola Gordan of El Paso and Mary Sue Robertson of Crosbyton; one brother, Eddie Montgomery of Dimmit, Texas; several grandchildren, nieces, nephews and many other relatives.

Rev. W. W. Williams of Albuquerque, New Mexico, officiated the services. He was assisted by pastor, R. O. Walters and others.

King Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Burial was held in Crosbyton Cemetery.

Named to VA Post

Appointment of the first Negro as a Chief Attorney in the Veterans

Administration was announced today by William J. Driver, Administrator of Veterans Affairs.

He is George W. Moore, 49, who joined the VA in 1958, after Army service during World War II.

Moore has been appointed Chief Attorney in the VA Center at Sioux Falls, S. D.

The center contains both a VA regional office and a hospital. The chief attorney's office handles guardianship and fiduciary matters and other authorized legal proceedings on behalf of veterans, their dependents and survivors.

Moore, a native of Madison, Miss., received his B. A. degree from Tougaloo (Miss.) College in 1941 and a Doctor of Law degree

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NEWS BRIEFS

Friends of the Lubbock City-County Library will conduct a book sale July 18 and 19 at the Library. Proceeds from this sale will go toward improving the children's department of the library.

The Sale will be conducted in the Daisy Godeke Lecture Room of the City-County Library at 2001 19th Street.

The Pot Luck Supper scheduled



This week's Fighting Man is P.F.C. Columbus Hunt, of 2610 Weber Drive, Apartment D, who left recently to begin a tour of duty in the Republic of South Vietnam.

He is a 1966 graduate of Dunbar High School and the son of Mrs. Mary Seaman. He is attached to the Second Field Forces, 25th Artillery Unit, U. S. Army.

Hunt had just completed a leave prior to his new duty station.

The Concerned Citizens, a group of Lubbock residents from all walks of life who are very much concerned in the communication between all segments of the community, will present a statement to the City Council on equal employment opportunity and the need for a Human Relations Commission today, Thursday, July 11th, at 10:10 a.m.

This organization began its operation several months ago with T. J. Patterson, assistant director of C.A.B. and reporter of the *West Texas Times*, and Rev. Robert Ferguson as co-chairmen of the group. Since that time, much has developed including a Write Your Business project which was designed to inform establishments within the city of Lubbock that the members of the group would welcome the opportunity to be served along with persons of any minority group.

Meetings of this group—to which the public is cordially invited—are held monthly in the social room of Mae Simmons Community Center.

Today's proposal will be presented by Wilfred Calnon, chairman of the employment committee, and Mr. Patterson will give the history of the organization.

Although some have referred to the group as a noon brain storming session with good intentions, today's action should show the City Council that this group stands ready and willing to assist the city fathers in whatever they may endeavor toward aiding employment in the city.

The statement of the group will consist of the following:

last Sunday in Mackenzie State Park by the Neighborhood House was postponed until this coming Sunday.

The Supper will be held Sunday, July 14th, from 2:00 p.m. until

Odessa-Mr. and Mrs. L. V. White of 908 E. Monahans, Odessa, announced the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Fredreika White to Johnny Darnell Morris, son of Mrs. Opal Sims, of 209 Washington Lane, Odessa. The wedding is set for Monday, July 15th, at 8:30 p.m., in St. James Baptist Church here in Odessa, with the Reverend W. R. Ockletree officiating.

Miss White is a 1968 graduate of Ector High School. Mr. Morris is a Senior at Ector. They plan to make Odessa their home.

Odessa-Rev. Earl L. Spencer of Mackey Chapel United Methodist Church was in Louisiana for the Area Conference held last Tuesday and Wednesday. There were repre-

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sentative delegates from Texas, Louisiana, Upper Mississippi and other states. Rev. Spencer represents several hundred people in the Conference as he is the delegate from the Waco District of the West Texas Conference. According to Mrs. Spencer, the pastor will re-

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Vice President Humphrey Salutes "Supremes" Youth Effort



In his Capitol office, Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey commands Diana Ross (left), Cindy Birdsong and Mary Wilson for their efforts for disadvantaged youngsters. "The Supremes," famed vocal trio, have given strong support to the Vice President's program as Chairman of the President's Council on Youth Opportunity. They discussed the program's 3 expanded goals—jobs, education and recreation for underprivileged youth in inner cities.

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Since the incidents of the summer of 1967, the entire Negro population of the United States has been blamed for what only a handful of non-concerned people have done and are doing. This has included the work of arsonists, murders, looters, and to top it all off—the nomination of a Negro woman as candidate for president by the Communist Party of the United States.

It would seem, if past actions have shown anything, that the total Negro population would be held to blame by the rest of the citizens of the U.S. for the actions taken by Miss Charlene Mitchell, 38 year old woman who has been a member of the Communist Party for the past 22 years.

What the Negro should be concerned with—as Americans—is why are we always labeled with the actions taken by only a small degree of the Negro population. Miss Mitchell is only one, of the more than twenty million black Americans, yet due to her actions and the great amount of publicity given her, all of the rest of the twenty million plus will be made to suffer in some respect.

The true Afro-American is much more concerned about the contributions he can make toward his country than how many malcontents and misfits in this country are Negro. It would appear that each time a Negro makes a mistake, every Negro in the country is blamed for having a part in it.

In America, the majority of the black community, and this fact stands without any question, is concerned about painting a true American image of a people whois interested in the welfare of his race as well as his nation.

We realize that because of the actions of Miss Mitchell, the narrow minded people of America, including many of our news media will capitalize on the sensationalism of a Negro Communist being in the presidential race—regardless of how unimportant it really is. This type of public exposure will naturally lead some people to determine, *if one Negro is a Communist, all Negroes must be.*

Look around you at the contributions being made by the total Negro community and you can easily erase many of these misconceptions before they start. She is really a Communist, let's forget the Negro part.

This newspaper realizes that there surely are no more Negro Communists than white Communists, but it also realizes that it will be easier for most of the citizens of the country to point out the Negro Communists than the white ones. It is sad but true that again, the American Negro must brace himself for varied insults due to the fact that one member of his race has allowed herself to be used to the detriment of the entire group.

Just a little advice, Mr. and Mrs. America. Don't be too quick to blame the entire Negro population for the stupidity of only a few. They are being used! Your black brother is as proud to be an American as you and your race is. Just give them the opportunity to prove their worth, you'll see.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO A WHITE BROTHER *From An American Negro*

Dear Brother:

For over three hundred years, since 1619 when our black ancestors came to this country, we have started a fight for freedom and prestige. You and your forefathers have wondered why we have started such a movement. If you do not know that we are human beings—just as you are white brother—then this letter should be rather informative to you.

As if you hadn't realized by now we were born an infant as you and even have the five senses that God has given all his children. We learned to say "da da" as any young infant would. For your information, our moms changed our pants when they were wet just like yours did.

We have even gone to school, beginning at the first grade level. To some of us reading, writing and arithmetic came easy, and on the other hand, some of us have had hard times as some of you. We loved playing the games in elementary school and were proud to learn the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag. Recently, some of our white brothers found it unconstitutional to pray in school, but we are more fortunate, having parents who teach us how to pray elsewhere. The Lord's Prayer is a favorite of ours.

In junior high school, we became interested in learning more about science. Even going on a science adventure was interesting. Learning more about our state, Texas, really helped us to understand the function of our government.

Most of us reached high school, *a great many more now than before*. Of course, we too, became excited about algebra, geometry, and other subjects. To know about the government of our country in an American History class really made us wonder what the future would hold for us. To be able to recite the Preamble to the Constitution really made us proud to be an American.

Leaving home for college after graduation was really a giant challenge for us. You see, most of us were told by our parents that we couldn't make a comfortable living unless we got a college education. Because of this we went to institutions of higher learning to qualify ourselves in order to make a constructive contribution to our society.

Some of us graduated from college with glowing colors. We came out into the world looking for a beginning to a long and prosperous livelihood. Some of us ran into obstacles right quick because we were black. This hurt some of us while others kept their heads up high in order to continue looking for a good position in life.

Some of us came back to the city where we were reared and found that the doors were closed in our face. This was rather hard to digest, since we were previously told to go off and get a good education. We did this and some have not yet received the green light to use their talent.

It appears as though the word "qualification" is used especially for us. Can you tell me why, white brother? You know, we too, have a pigmentation difference in our own immediate family. There are several in my family and we are all of different colors—but we don't mind this.

Aside from the usage of "what are your qualifications?", our white brother seems to deal a great deal with the "experience" of an individual. This is not wrong if it is used on all who may apply for a position with a firm.

Because of the climate of rejection which has been embeded in the minds of many of my brothers, it will take those of you who are not hypocritical about live to step forward and let us know how you feel. This cannot be done merely by pretty little words. You see, we have heard those pretty little words since the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation.

We have fought for America in all wars and police actions. For instance the turmoil in South Vietnam where we are standing tall for our country. We come back home to a country we love and find the situation here in a hell of a mess.

As breadwinners for our families, we pay utility bills and the rest without any cut and with no complaint, even if we are a minority group. The groceries we eat are found to be about the same as those on your table. We shave with the same type of razor and use a comb to groom our hair.

We are not concerned about joining the country club where you enjoy luxury on weeks ends. We care less about living on "sugar hill" or even marry-

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Around the Hub City

Around the Hub City sends its condolences to the bereaved family of Renee Genelle Scott, who was a victim of an accident in the home last week.

Things happen in this world and we often wonder why? We are all God's children and at times we find these obstacles existing. This reporter suffered a loss in his family of his son who was only a month old. I, too, wondered why? Perhaps it is best illustrated in the following: "The Lord giveth and He taketh away."

The George Scott family has requested that remembrances be made in the form of donations to the Renee Genelle Scott Memorial Fund of the Lubbock Association for Retarded Children at 1502 Main Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79401.

Mrs. Heenan Johnson and Mrs. A. W. Wilson and staff are to be commended for a job well done in the Vacation Bible School of Bethel A. M. E. Church last week.

The young people were enriched with fruitful information presented to them by the well qualified Christian workers.

Mrs. Georgia Johnson of Dallas, Texas, was a week-end guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Elsie King. She left for home Sunday evening.

The Messiah United Presbyterian Church sponsored a "Silver Tea" last Sunday commemorating the forty years of this fine institution. During this duration, a milestone has been accomplished with this house of worship.

The tea was a grand success, \$192.00 was raised during this special effort for the church.

The young fellows in the Summer Work-Recreation program sponsored by the Community Action Board in Lubbock County have completed three weeks of hard work thus far.

These young people work for an hour a day with exception of Wednesdays, when they work longer. They enjoy cleaning the area, weed cutting and other work which will aid in beautifying the community.

The Melvin Masons are doing better after suffering injuries in an automobile accident last week. The Masons were enroute to Houston, Texas, where Mr. Mason was to assume a new position with the Commission for the Blind in Texas.

He is still hospitalized in Methodist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Wadley, 1310 East 1st Street, entertained their family last Thursday, the Fourth of July holiday, with an old fashion Bar-B-Que in their back yard. The food was terrific and the drink was a real thirst killer.

Around the Hub City had an opportunity to visit and talk with Mr. Sheppard Robinson, of 3009 East 16th Street, last Saturday afternoon. Although he is in his 70's, he is as spry as any young fellow. We chit-chatted about how Lubbock has grown. It is really amazing to hear him tell stories about the Lubbock of years ago. I am sure you would love to talk to him about Lubbock history. He can really set your ears back—How about that Mr. Shep?

Lubbock residents attending funeral services at Crosbyton for Mrs. Betty Wiggins last Wednesday were Mesdames Willie Cox, R. B. Thompson, M. Terrell, Juanita Simmons, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wiggins, Mrs. Bennie Stevens and nieces, Mrs. R. A. Harris and Mrs. Billie Overstreet.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

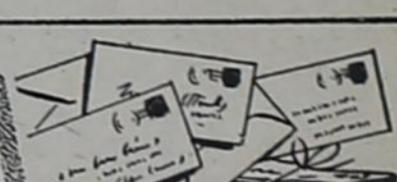
A DIFFERENT SORT OF DISCRIMINATION—
Dear Editor:

This is not a letter of congratulation only. A lot of praise only skims the surface just to make the other person feel good. What you want is the truth about your fine newspaper and the hard work that goes into publishing it each week.

Although I graduated from Texas Technological College with a B. A. in Journalism in 1946 and have had some experience behind the typewriter, I still am not an authority—not a Heywood Brown, a Hearst or a Scribner. However deep within there is an element, a factor which exists that amazes me very much. Your paper is slanted in such a way that I cannot find

any color lines. It may be that I have no idea that there are Negroes and Whites but that I see only Americans being born of German, Scotch, Irish, Jewish, French Parentage of Episcopalian, Catholic, Spiritualist, Lutheran, First Christian, etc. Yet in reading your fine paper I had heard so much about and had pestered the little girl to bring me, I find a well nurtured acorn which will grow into a mighty oak—will grow along with a growing and awakening community.

Man is a spirit in the flesh and it doesn't matter to God what color He made that flesh. God made us One, but man in his ignorance discovered the differences. I told Dr. Chatman before *Continued On Page Five*



THE POLICE BEAT

by: T. J. Patterson



LET'S WAKE UP PARENTS

For several years, this column has been reminding you (Mom and Dad) of how important it is for you to be concerned about the welfare of your children. As if you didn't know it or not, last week two acts happened in our community which could have easily concerned your children.

It appears as though no one wants to become involved with anything anymore. I hope that the majority of you will erase this type of community action out of your attitude.

A young teen-age boy was stabbed last week while attending a dance in the community. In another incident, a young energetic youth tried to elude several patrol cars in a down hill chase at Mae Simmons Park. As a result, he was given 13 tickets for his illegal actions.

Both cases do not make good sense, but they still happen. What can we do about these young people? I know this type of action exists throughout America, but here in Lubbock, something should be done to put a stop to it.

I believe the answer lies at home. If those of you who are guilty of asking your children what they wish to do, would instead start telling them what they are and are not

to do, I'm sure some of the problems we have within our community with our youth would cease. Think about it Mom and Dad.

STAB VICTIM ON EAST MAIN

Lubbock Police were called to the Methodist Hospital in reference to a stabbing. Once there, they learned that two men had attacked a man and had stabbed him eight times. Aside from this, the man had been beaten on his chest and back.

BREAK IN

Baltazar Rodriguez, 2214 East 48th Street, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone had broken into his house and taken a portable record player.

It was learned that entry was gained by merely raising an unlocked window to a bedroom. The value of the record player was believed to be \$240.00.

He had no idea who could have taken his favorite piece of furniture.

BIKE STOLEN

Preston Breed, 2508 Weber Dr., reported to the police department that someone with a great deal of nerve came up to the second floor where he lives and took his bike. The bike has been gone for several

days, and the fifteen year old youth would love to have his bike back for the rest of the summer.

He has no idea who could have done such a thing.

THEFT

Mrs. John Wright reported to the police department that one of her renters who did rent her property at 1314 East 17th Street moved out of the house last week. This was all right. The bad part about his moving was that her refrigerator and gas stove moved with him.

She has no idea which way the man went, but she does feel the price of the items was about \$100.

BURGLARY

Betty Gibson, 2436 East 29th Street, told police that someone broke into her home in a rather strange way. You see, the unknown person gained entry by breaking a window in the bedroom and climbed in. This was good on his part, but he was apparently so excited on lifting the job that he cut his hand and left blood on her rug. Knowing that he had cut his hand, he went to the bathroom and got one of Mrs. Gibson's beautiful towels and used it for an unusual bandage. Then he apparently fled the scene without taking anything.

Mrs. Gibson is thankful to him for not looting her home, but she says that she got the short end of the deal when he didn't pay for his medical expenses and the price of the window, about five dollars.

Consider yourself lucky, Mrs. Gibson.

Continued From Page One for any of the service-connected conditions listed in his claim, he may reopen the claim for consideration of a higher disability rating based on surgery or hospitalization for more than 21 con-

NEW AGENT JOINS EASTRIDGE AGENCY



Named to VA Post . . .

Continued From Page One from DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, in 1948.

During 1951-53 he took graduate study towards a Master's in law at Northwestern University, Chicago.

Moore served in the Army Quartermaster Corps from October 1942 to December 1945, with part of his service in France.

He had a private law practice in Chicago from 1949 to 1958 and then joined the VA as an attorney field examiner at the Chicago Regional Office.

Four years later he was appointed legal and guardianship attorney at the Chicago office.

He was president of the Chicago Inter-Alumni Council for the United Negro College fund and a member of the fund's steering committee for the Chicago metropolitan area. The fund financially assists 36 southern colleges which have predominantly Negro enrollment.

Moore was also active in other civic and church activities in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore have two daughters.

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FROM MY SCRATCH PAD
By George Parrish

Amarillo-Well, it is time to get out the old scratch pad again and see what I have jotted down during the past week. It was quite a relief from the hot weather we have been having to have had the rain last week-end, the trees and grass seemed to be much greener with the dust washed off.

Randell Community Action Program and this group of boys are from Our Community House Neighborhood Service Center. This is another program designed to give some boys and girls some experiences that they haven't had.

So until next week, back on the desk with the old scratch pad—see you then.

Young Adult Progressive Club Meeting Held

The members of the Young Adult Progressive Club met Sunday afternoon at the regular time, 6:00 p. m. at the Pleasure Garden.

Old business was discussed. It included the club's pre-Fourth of July breakfast which was a terrific success.

The club was most fortunate to have several new members. They were Brenda Gilmore, Cecil Gilmore, Katy Jaushlin, Debra Hines, and Lola Gilmore.

Gloria Harvey was appointed as the club's president.

Next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. G. H. Davis, 2105 Ash Avenue, Sunday, July 15th, at 6:00 p.m.

Mrs. Doris Parrish has agreed to be a new council member.

THANK YOU NOTE

We wish to thank our many, many friends of Lubbock, Texas, for your expressions of love and sympathy extended us during the death of my daughter, Lucille J. Washington, June 2, 1968, at Winslow, Arizona.

The cards, telegrams, flowers were deeply appreciated. Lucille was at one time a resident of Lubbock. She was born April 25, 1936 and spent most of her formative years in Lubbock.

May God ever bless each of you daily, is my prayer.

Mrs. Artie Mae Washington and Family of Winslow, Arizona.

Experience is something one always needs until he's got it, then he's too old for the job.

FINAL RITES READ FOR RENEE GENELLE SCOTT HERE LAST TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Final rites were read for little Renee Genelle Scott, nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, Jr., of 1801 East 16th Street, Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. at Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church with Rev. A. L. Davis, minister, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Jamison Funeral Home. The casket was closed during the services.

The family has requested that remembrances be made in the form of donations to the Renee Genelle Scott Memorial Fund of the Lubbock Association for Retarded Children at 1502 Main Street.

Renee was dead on arrival at Methodist Hospital last Saturday when she was the victim of an accident at her home.

Renee, who was a student of Ballenger Elementary School, was born here on March 1, 1959. The Scotts are members of the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church and Mr. Scott is principal of Dunbar High School here in Lubbock.

Other survivors include the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George



Scott, Sr., of Muskogee, Oklahoma and Mrs. Geneva Jackson of Los Angeles, California; two brothers, Donald Jerry who is stationed with the U. S. Navy at Newport, R.I., and George Scott, III, of the home.

Pallbearers for the services were Marshall Taylor, Jr., Rickey Alford, Roy P. Davis, Juan Davis, Michael Roberts, Joe Phea, Jr., Lionell Howard and Ray Alford.

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turn Thursday or Friday.

Odessa-Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Parker of 506 Hudson recently returned from a trip to Los Angeles with their children Debra Kay, 14, and Brenda Lee, 1. There they took another trip, 25 feet under the sea, where they saw how fish and other marine life lives.

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Booker -- Holt Exchange Wedding Vows in Midland Saturday



Midland-Mrs. and Mrs. Harvey Roosevelt Holt were married last Saturday evening at 8:00 p.m. in Lee Street Church of Christ. L. H. Alexander, minister, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride is the former Miss Patricia Ann Booker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl D. Booker of 406 South Carver here in Midland. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Holt of Dallas.

Mrs. Mamie Williams, organist, along with Mrs. Frances Vaughn and Mrs. Willie Washington, soloist, furnished music.

Mrs. Joanne Stoker of Dallas

was Matron of Honor and Miss Joanne Carroll was Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Delores Stoker of Dallas, and Miss Helen Cooper. Mrs. Sandra Booker, sister of the bride, was the junior bridesmaid.

Sterling R. Holt of Waco and James Rose of Dallas were the best men. Groomsmen included Raymond Scott of Dallas, Earl D. Booker, Jr., Edward Booker and Freddie Sewell, Jr., all of Midland.

Also taking part in the ceremony at the Lee Street Church of Christ were ring-bearers Monza Stoker and Brian Booker, both age 8, flower-

Letters to the Editor...

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his passing into the Higher Life when he spoke to the Unitarian Church that when we shake hands the clasped palms are the same color.

So, to begin with, now, you know I am a man who has always felt in his heart that we are here on Earth to overcome differences and begin a New Era of Understanding. Your paper is a starter in that direction.

The format is clear, the printing is professional, the writing is professional and the reporting is definitely standard and to the point.

As for discrimination, I find there is less of that than when I was a boy at Lubbock High School. I have found more discrimination against me by my own people as a professional educator.

I returned from California about five years ago to look after my aged father who passed into the Higher Life April

30 after a long and fruitful career as an educator—a Professor of Modern Languages at Texas Technological for 28 years and one of the co-founders of the Phi Delta Kappa, a fraternity for men in education. He and seven other undergraduates at Indiana University at Bloomington started an organization they called the Pi Kappa Mu as a means to get together to solve their difficulties in their studies without the assistance of the professors or their text books.

From this humble beginning of seven, my father saw his dream grow until today there are over several hundred thousand members associated with several hundred local chapters on campuses of universities and colleges scattered throughout the free world. Unfortunately someone at one of the Southern Colleges used the terms fraternity for "white" men in education, but fortunately this distinction was dropped. Now we have outstanding Negro educators all over the world who are members.

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girl Rene Scott and candle lighters Anita Blackmore and Loretta Vaughn.

The bride wore a floor-length white cage chantilly-lace gown. Her train extended from the shoulders.

The reception was held in the backyard of the bride's home. Assisting at the reception were Mrs. Lester Davis, Mrs. Opal Crawford, Mrs. Lillyie Booker and Mrs. Isaac Pegues.

The bride is a graduate of Carver High School of Midland. She also attended Rutherford Metropolitan Business School in Dallas. The groom attended Texas College at Tyler, Texas. The couple are both employed at Texas Instruments in Dallas.

Department of Public Safety Patrolmen Wanted Here

Maj. Luther Moore, Lubbock regional commander, said last week that applications are being accepted by the Department of Public Safety for patrolmen. A training school for 120 patrolmen will start July 30th.

Pay during training is \$500.00 a month and \$571.00 upon graduation.

Applicants must be 20 to 35 years of age, not less than five feet 8 inches tall, have a high school education or equivalent and be in good physical condition.

Among benefits are a retirement system, life and hospitalization insurance, longevity pay, and furnished uniforms and equipment.

Interested men should inquire at a Department of Public Safety Office anywhere in the state, according to the commander.

SLATON MAN SLAIN

Slaton-A Slaton man, Frank Dobbins, 33, was shot in the chest last Friday morning at Pauline's Place, a local cafe. He was shot with a .410 shotgun, according to Slaton police.

Dobbins died a half hour after the shooting in Mercy Hospital. A 53 year old man was questioned in the shooting death. No charges have been filed.

San Francisco State College, the Delta Iota Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa, is sponsoring books and study materials for Liberia, thousands of text books which would have been thrown away otherwise.

My father never considered that the colored man was different than he. Once he had the Rev. S. S. Scott, and he can tell you himself, eat at his table like one of our family after the Reverend had done some work in the garden.

But when I returned to Lubbock I was happy with the concept that after working in the great San Francisco Public Schools I would be readily accepted in the Lubbock school system. With a B. A. and a Master's Degree together with post-graduate work and eleven teaching years behind me I never thought I would be rudely told I was too old (I was 43 at the time) to teach in the Lubbock schools, and this was told me by the chairman of the Delta Zeta Chapter at Tech, a branch of the Phi Delta Kappa. At Amarillo, because I was a Tech graduate. I was not permanently employed unless I attended the school at Canyon, and I didn't have the money then to do so.

Instead of feeling bitter, I turned to interior decorating and painting for the time being. Now I will return to the West Coast, to San Francisco and attend San Francisco State College and earn another Master's Degree in my teaching field so that I will be able to qualify for teaching on the junior college level. In fact, I am told my General Secondary Credential issued me by the State of California is still valid, and will qualify me to teach either in the secondary schools or the junior colleges until which time I will obtain the necessary requirements for the Life Certificate for the junior college level. Texas wants me to obtain that Master's Degree first.

Anyway my wife's health is better out there. We had many friends. We love you people, and it is men like you Brother Williamson, who will break down just such conditions as this.

Turn inward to the spirit within you and pray always for guidance before starting a new issue. Look deeply within your heart for the best words which will bond together your people and mine which are One. I feel you will have some rough roads but continue to travel on, don't stop and go somewhere else, don't become discouraged.

James Stanley Henninger

Sixteen Year Old Taken by Police After High Speed Chase

A sixteen year old Lubbock youth was arrested Friday by Lubbock police after an auto chase that led them through several blocks of East Lubbock and finally ended in a foot race through a Junior high school playground.

The youth, who was accompanied by three passengers, failed to stop after an accident at East 19th and Oak Avenue. According to officers, they turned on their red warning light and siren, but the youth continued to try to elude them. At one point during the chase, the driver slowed and the three passengers—probably teenagers—jumped out. The driver then sped up again.

The youth who was arrested, was given 13 citations for having no driver's license, no lights, no muffler, no inspection sticker, driving on the wrong side of the street, speeding, no front license plate, improper backing and hitting a car, failure to leave information at the scene of an accident and failure to report an accident.

CITY REGISTERS FIRST ENCEPHALITIS CASE

Lubbock has registered its first case of encephalitis for 1968.

Dr. David M. Cowgill, director of the City-County Health Department, announced last Wednesday that his office had been notified of the season's first case of the viral brain infection.

He said that it had not yet been determined whether the infection was mosquito-borne, but the six year old victim from the Cherry Point area of East Lubbock was treated at West Texas Hospital as though her case did arise from a mosquito bite.

TULL THORNTON RITES READ HERE MONDAY



Final rites were read for Tull Thornton, Sr., 77, of 2304 Date Avenue, who died last Thursday in West Texas Hospital, at 2:00 p.m. Monday, at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church with the Reverend S. R. Roberts, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of South Plains Funeral Home.

Thornton had been a resident of Lubbock for 30 years.

Survivors include his wife, Lottie, a son, Tull, Jr., a daughter, Mrs. Bertha Mae Miles of San Angelo, four grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

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all ethnic groups and all creeds indigenous to the City.

The Concerned Citizens is keenly aware that civic unrest is one of the greatest problems in America today. We are aware that certain of our citizens do not have equal opportunity for full participation in our community life and that this fact is a threat to the well-being of our community. At the same time, we believe that in the comparative youthfulness of our city, we have the potential to overcome such inequities and inequalities, and that peacefully we can build a city that will be a model of which we can all be proud.

In particular we note that certain conditions adversely affect our minority ethnic groups and our disadvantaged citizens. These include:

- * conditions of streets in the areas in which these people live
- * environmental health hazards
- * housing
- * inadequate public welfare programs
- * unequal employment opportunities.

In the knowledge of these con-

ditions, we ask that the Mayor and the City Council, as the chosen and elected leaders of our people, take the necessary steps that will result in Lubbock becoming a model community. We ask that the Mayor and City Council take the leadership in developing goals for Lubbock that will guarantee to all citizens equal opportunity in all phases of community living:

- * physical environment
- * public health and social services
- * job opportunity.

We are aware that some of these phases of community living are beyond the jurisdiction of the City Council but we believe that the City Council has the prestige to establish the goals that are desirable for the healthful growth of the city.

Especially do we believe that the city has a unique opportunity to give leadership in the field of employment. As the largest employer in the city, the City Council can give leadership in this field. City taxes support the Board of City Development. The City Charter expressly states that the City Council may direct the activities of the Board of City Development.

While we believe that the goal

of equal employment opportunity is within our reach, we know that in the city of Lubbock such opportunity is lacking. Frequently our native-born Negro Americans and citizens of Mexican descent are not hired because of alleged lack of job 'qualification'. Yet, we note that such little opportunity for the 'qualified' exists, that they emigrate to enrich the life of other cities.

We are particularly conscious that minority group graduates of universities and colleges who could have used their education to enrich our city have gone elsewhere.

We regret that it is an established fact that applicants for city employment positions are denied the opportunity to serve the city. This is especially true in the area of clerical positions.

In view of the above, we ask that the Mayor and City Council of Lubbock take leadership in the following ways:

a.) Open city positions to all who qualify, regardless of race, creed or national origin. We understand that such positions are already "open" but to our knowledge there is a climate of rejection. Many individuals have applied for employment, and in effect have been given "the run around." This attitude of rejection prevents the qualified person from applying.

b.) When applicants for positions are not technically qualified, that their potential for job qualification be examined, and that special arrangements be made for in-service training to help candidates become qualified. While this seems to be an expensive procedure, we know that to orient and train a new worker, no matter how well qualified, an employer always spends money.

c.) Assume aggressive leadership in the community to secure equal opportunity in the fields of private enterprise.

b.) Support to the Board of City Development in its announced intention to undertake a study or survey of the possibilities for securing equal employment opportunities for all our citizens. We urge that the completed study be made available for wide circulation to the public and a public listing be made of all equal opportunity employers. Many of the answers to the problem of equal employment opportunity must come from those members of minority groups who have failed to secure employment.

3a.) Request that a city ordinance be passed establishing a Human Relations Board for the purpose of serving as a medium for receiving and providing guidance of minority group individuals.

The Concerned Citizens are more than a discussion group. We stand ready to assist in any way to help implement our recommendations.

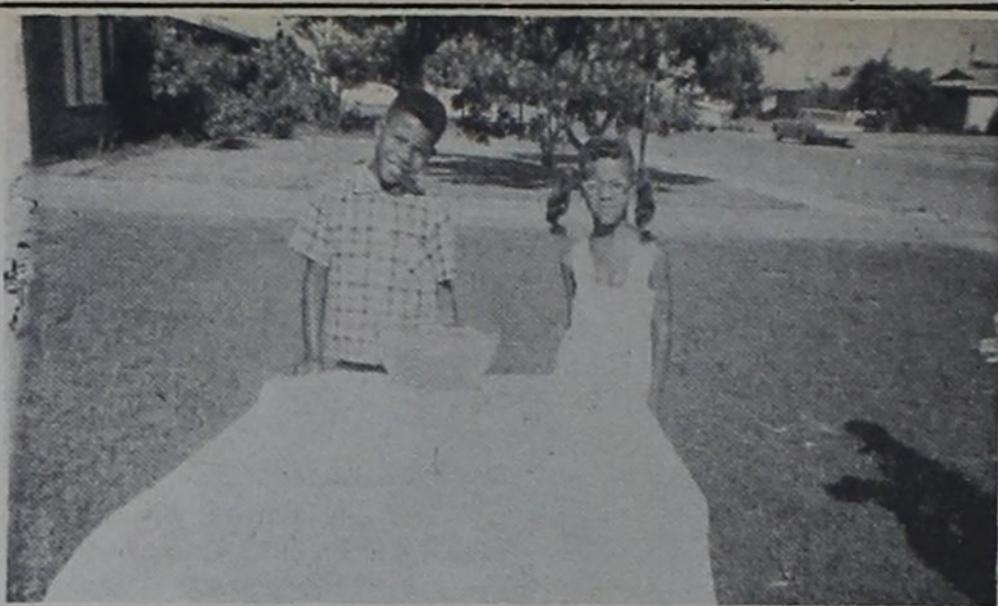
Members of the committee that helped draft this resolution were: Wilfred M. Calnon, Chairman, Mrs. John A. Farley, Mrs. Vivian Jamison, Heenan Johnson, D.D.S., Mrs. John McLarty, Marvin McLarty, Jr., George Scott, Jr., Kent Wagoner, Ben Zermenio and T. J. Patterson, ex-officio.

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Royce DeShon Simmons and Rosalind Hamilton shared an early birthday last Saturday afternoon at the home of Shon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Simmons.

Rosalind was seven years old June 30th while Royce will be ten years old today, the Fourth of July.

About forty friends of the pair shared the lovely occasion. Can you imagine what forty girls and boys will do? Well, forty young people like these would do almost anything—especially when they are having a good time.

Rosalind is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamilton. A birthday cake and other refreshments were served and a most enjoyable time was witnessed by all attending the party.

YOUR GOOD HEALTH

by Samuel L. Andelman,
M. D., M. P. H.
DROWNPROOFING

Every year some 6,500 persons in this country drown. Of these, about 2,000 are children. Almost all of these deaths could be prevented if everyone who goes swimming, sailing or canoeing learned the technique of drownproofing.

Essentially, this is a procedure that uses simple aquatic skills to keep a person afloat, even in rough water, for a long period with a minimal expenditure of energy.

It is important, first of all, to learn to remove one's clothing in the water in case a rowboat or sailboat capsizes or sinks. Once this is done, a person is able to take advantage of his best floating position, so that, with a few simple movements of his arms and

legs, he can bob up for a quick breath of air.

Drownproofing is not a skill that a nonswimmer can perform successfully without instructions from someone who is trained in life-saving and swimming. Parents should seek this instruction for themselves and their children at their local pool or swimming club.

The secret of this technique is to relax in the water that is over your head while you are in a vertical position. Your nose will be a few inches below the surface, but not the top of your head.

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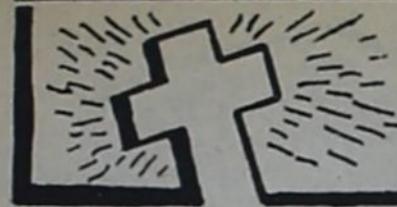
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CHURCH NEWS

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Corner Stone Laying and Homecoming services will be held at our church July 8th through 14th. All members are asked to support this service.

A special Revival will begin July 22nd through 31st. The Reverend J. J. Rector of San Antonio will serve as our guest Evangelist.

Let us all plan to attend and invite others to worship with us. Rev. Rector is a powerful preacher and if you fail to hear him you will miss a spiritual treat.

West Texas Baptist District Association will convene with the New Light Baptist Church of San Angelo, Texas, August 5 through 9th. Young people's Day will be August the 6th. Let us make plans to come out and support these young people.

Annual Usher's Day will be observed Sunday, July 21, at 3:00 p.m. The Senior Choir will render opening selections for this program.

Family Day in Sunday School will be observed Sunday, July 15. Supt. Kelly is asking all families to attend services Sunday.

We are to serve in the Rock of Ages Anniversary for Rev. and Mrs. M. P. Parhams and for Pleasant Grove of Tahoka, Texas, July 23 for Rev. and Mrs. M.S. Brown.

Special captains and co-captains for Homecoming services are W. B. Lewis, Ether Lewis, George Francis, Veora Francis, Ulysses Kelly, Bernice Kelly, J. H. Howard,

Callie M. Howard, C. L. Ervin, Vessie Ball, Solomon Ludd, Lillie M. Cork, R. C. Walker, G. H. Davis, J. H. Hemanes, Olga Hemanes, Lenoz Alexander, Catherine Alexander, J. W. Sykes, Ida Freeman, Clarence Lee, Florence Lee, Hardin Barrow, Nathaniel Wright and Precious Brown.

MOUNT VERNON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our Church sponsored a Silver Tea last Sunday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. and lasting through 6:00 p.m. This special tea was the fortieth anniversary of the church.

The drapes in the hallway of the Educational Building were donated by Mrs. Willie Mae Dawson.

Our church will celebrate forty three years of service to this community beginning Sunday, July 14th, and closing Sunday July 21st. Our District Superintendent will deliver the sermon on July the 21st.

The United Methodist Church is working on a seven month program. This will be in effect through December 31, 1968.

The Dallas District Institute will convene July 16th through the 19th, at Fort Worth, Texas. It would be nice if some of our youth would attend this institute.

MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. the Golden Stars Singers featured a splendid musical fete for our congregation.

The Nurses' Guild will serve

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in the kitchen, Saturday, July 13.

GREATER SAINT LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Eunice Circle will meet tonight with Sister Billie Jefferson, 3607 Zenith Avenue, at 8 p.m.

Our church accompanied the Men's Chorus and Sister Gertrude Lasley to Slaton, Texas, last Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m.

The Triumph Baptist Church will present Sister Lasley and the Men's Chorus in Recital Sunday, July 15th. Let us go in great numbers.

Youth Sunday will be held August 4th, 1968. This Lord's Day we will honor the Youth of our church. They will teach, sing and lead us in worship. You and your family will enjoy sharing this special occasion. Everyone should come.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Local meetings for Jehovah's Witnesses have been temporarily suspended as this congregation, along with some 90 others in Texas, heads for San Angelo for a four-day Bible convention.

"The Coliseum in San Angelo has been transformed into a huge Kingdom Hall and our meetings will be held there," Horace Dove, presiding minister, said. "Dramatizations, lectures and demonstrations will be used to teach and further equip Jehovah's Witnesses for their Bible educational work," Dove added.

The meeting, one of three scheduled in Texas this summer, opens Thursday at 1:40 p.m. and is expected to attract over 5,000. The convention theme, "Good News For All Nations," and the program will be the same for like assemblies in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales, as well as some 46 assemblies in the United States and Canada. This gives basis for the earthwide unity found among Jehovah's Witnesses.

A grand climax will be reached at 3 o'clock Sunday, July 14, with the talk "Man's Rule About to Give Way to God's Rule." Watchtower official, L. M. Dugan,

will be the featured speaker. All meetings are free and no collections will be taken. The public is invited.

MACKEY CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Odessa, Texas—The Vacation Church School of the Mackey Chapel United Methodist Church will open July 22nd to July 31st. The hours are 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Texts for the school are as follows:

Kindergartens (Ages 4 - 5)
"God's Plan for Families"

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"The World of Differences"

Elementary III-IV (Ages 8 - 9)
"Christian Community Around the World"

Elementary V-VI (Ages 10 - 11)
"Living As A Christian In A World of Conflict"

Junior High (Ages 12 - 15)
"The World Without End"

All children from 4 years through Junior High are welcome to attend. There will be refreshments each day.

New Galilee Baptist Church

Carlisle, Texas

The famous Spiritual Harmonizers will appear at the New Galilee Baptist Church in Carlisle, Texas, Sunday, July 14th, at 3:00 p.m. and again at 8:00 p.m. for a spiritual extravaganza with a host of good singing from across the country. We of New Galilee urge the citizens of West Texas to bring the family and friends out to witness this affair.

All area churches and their choirs are invited to come and participate in this event. New Galilee services are: Sunday School-9:45 a.m., Morning Worship-11:00 a.m., Evening Worship-7:00 p.m.

We would like to see you at

Rites Read Tuesday For Rayfus McLaughlin

Midland-Mr. Rayfus McLaughlin died last week at Midland Memorial Hospital. The deceased was born April 8, 1908.

Funeral arrangements were handled by the Thomas Funeral Home and services were held Tuesday, July 9, at the East Side Church of Christ.

Mr. McLaughlin was employed by the Wilco Building, and in the home of Mr. Jack Wilkerson. His survivors include the widow and nine children, daughters; Lula Mae Moss, Jane Louise, Doris Jean and Judy Ann McLaughlin and sons: Larry Dan, Clyde, Rayfus, Jr., Albert, and James McLaughlin. James is from Amherst, Texas, and the rest of the children live in Midland. Mr. McLaughlin is also survived by six brothers and four sisters. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin were married for 39 years.

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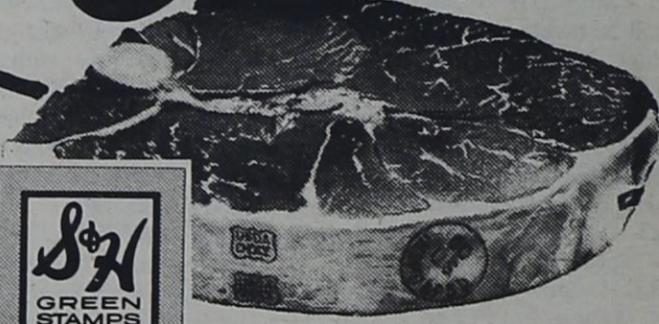


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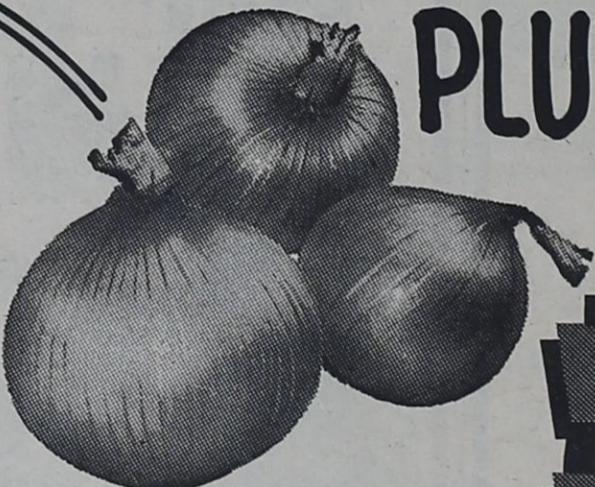
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