# WEST TEXAS TIMES

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# 'Around the Hub City'

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Despite the incliment weather here last Monday at noon, fortynine residents of the City of Lubbock-including the City Manager and others-met at the Mae Simmons Community Center to discuss the communication problems which exist in our community.

Around the Hub City was impressed with the outcome of this type of "Town Hall" meeting where concerned individuals were present, not to express individual problems, but to show the need for constructive community communication. Of course, this reporter agrees, that communication is definately needed here.

Out of the hour and half discussion period, a lot was revealed to everyone, but very few solutions were given. It is the hope of this group that at the next meetingtwo weeks fromt his date, March 25th, a more specific agenda will be discussed for the betterment of this communication shortcoming.

The next meeting will be held at the Mae Simmons Community Center at 12:15 p.m. and everyone is asked to bring their sack lunch. This type of informal meeting has proved, thus far, to be constructive, and with a continuation of this type of attitude, perhaps the City of Lubbock can become a model city for others throughout the United States in working toward better race relations.

The community is invited to hear these meetings, and everyone

#### YOUNG ADULT PROGRESSIVE CLUB PARTICIPATES IN HUB CITY ACTIVITIES

The Young Adult Progressive Club got under wya Sunday afternoon at 6 p.m. at the Community Pleasure Garden at Mae Simmons Park with Mrs. G.H. Davis, the club's newly elected counselor, opening the meeting with a paryer. Mrs. Davis was elected to work as counselor along with Mrs. D. C. Fair, Sr., Mrs. Lindsey, Mrs Owens and Mrs. Janie Judie, Sunday, March 3rd.

The YACP members will take part in the annual March of the Courts of Calanthee and Knights of Pythian Lodge Sunday afternoon, March 31st, at 1:30 p.m. The march will begin in front of the Carver Heights Day Nursey and will climax at New Hope Baptist Church, Rev. A. L. Dunn is pastor.

Miss Jane McLaughlin, former vice president, succeeded Mrs. Camellis Pearson in her position as president. She is a prominent young student at Draughn's Business College and shows great promise as a successful leader of young adults. Miss McLaughlin' position as vice president was filled by Miss Shirley Moore who energetically accepted the position after being officially voted into office.

Rubin L. Livingston, club lecturer, made remarks regarding stepping stones to success for young adult members of the club. Livingston stated that socialbility is the main objective. He went on to add, "the way to acquire this fete is by getting fully acquainted with the world. We should familiarize ourselves with national clubs." "We have to show concern before we can receive any", he stated "Remember, he noted, Patience is bitter; Reward is sweet."

#### Harry Stokley Takes Over Federal Post Here Monday

Harry Stokley, Jr., who was recently hired by the Federal Housing Administration, took over the post of real estate specialist last Monday.

Stokley, born in Kaufman County, Texas, graduated from Booker T. Washington High School in Dallas. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from Texas Southern University in 1959. He has worked toward a M.A. Degree in sociology and served as graduate assistant and instructor in Sociology at Texas Southern University in 1959 and 1960. He was employed by Urban Renewal in Lubbock where he worked prior to becoming manager of Green Fair Manor Apartments. He served as manager of this complex prior to being hired by FHA.

For three years he served with the United States Army where he received four Battle Stars in the Korean War, Commendation Ribbon with Medal Pendant, U.N. Defense Ribbon, American Defense Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and United Nations Ribbon.

Presently, he is active in the

#### TOURS Y.M.C.A AT AMARILLO

T. J. Patterson, reporter and assistant director of the Community Action Board in Lubbock County, toured the YMCA facility at Amarillo, Texas, last Saturday with 13 other residents of Lubbock.

The purpose of the tour was to capture an idea for constructing



#### HARRY STOKLEY, JR.

Civil Afffirs 413th of the United States Army Reserve in Lubbock, and has been active in reserve units for 14 years. He is past president of Planned Parenthood Education Committee of Lubbock, former member of the Board of Lubbock Day Care Association, Board of the Well Baby Clinic, and Men's Civic Club.

Aside from this, he has been guest speaker for Operation Headstart for two years, and lecturer at Texas Tech many times.

According to Stokley, he is presently seeking Day Care facilities for Green-Fair Manor, Arnett-Benson and Guadelupe areas; massive adjoining play space for Green-Fair Manor to be used for clinics, reading and study areas and for meetings and parties; and kindergarten schools under public and private sources.

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#### COMMUNITY ACTION BOARD NEEDS DIRECTOR

Community Action Board in Lubbock County is seeking a director for a new neighborhood center to be located in the Posey neighborhood.

Applications are being accepted at the Community Action Board administration offices, 1616 19th Street, Room 251. Application forms may be secured from Joe Kelly, CAB executive director at the administrative offices.

Center director's salary will be \$6,500. Deadline for applications is Saturday, March 16, 1968.

#### VICA APPEAR ON JUNIOR ASSEMBLY

Four junior VICA Chapter number 403 members appeared on the annual junior assembly presented by the juniors of Dunbar High School in the auditorium Thursday, March 7th.

The theme of the assembly was "The Soul Socking Juniors" in which Charles Henry, a VICA chapter 403 professional member, was sponsor.

Chapter 403 Shop Safety Committee chairman opened the show with "ISecond the Motion". Later chapter members Ruby Johnson, Catherine Curry and Rita Pride (president elect 68-69) along with Gloria Manahan sang "Mother Dear" and Ruby Johnson sang again with a young man (representing Peaches and Herb's "Close Your Eyes.")

VICA Chapter 403 is proud to know that they have given talent in their organization as well as leadership ability.

#### LARGE PARADE BEING FORMED FOR ABC RODEO

is asked to help make constructive contributions to the cause of these meetings, by attending and taking part.

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The reception given to the Panthers on their return to the City of Lubbock this week was one for which they should never forget. Actually, fellows, it's hard to express the sincere gratitude for your accomplishments this past year.

Good Luck to each of you in the future as either Dunbar Panthers or College Atheltes and we hope you will always be members of our community.

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Final rites were read for the father of James E. Fuller, an instructor at E. C. Struggs, Monday afternoon at San Angelo, Texas.

It's a good thing that the barbers of Lubbock didn't raise their haircut prices as those in Dallas. It's going to cost \$2.50 per head, or 50c more, to get clipped in Dallas on April Fool's Day and that's no joke.

A spokesman for an informal organization of barbers said last week the price for a haircut will jump.

And furthermore, manicures will cost the same as haircuts!

How about that?

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The Posey P.T.A. met at 3:30

p.m. Tuesday at the cafeteria, at 1911 East 14th Street. Miss Trula Jetton, director of primary elementary curriculum, spoke to the group. Her topic was "Your child and the Curriculum." Two officers were added to the previous list of officers. They were Miss Ruth Faulton, Scrap book chairman, and Miss Gloris Assistant critic.

All Future Young Adults desiring to join the club are asked to give their names to an established club member so that they can be voted into the club before attending any club meetings.

The YAPC is planning a Pre-Easter Tea for parents of the club members. It will be held April 7th. The hour and place has not been determined yet.

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The annual kick-off luncheon for the YMCA was held Tuesday noon at the YMCA building here. Several hundred interested members were present for this annual affair.

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Around the Hub City must agree with Capt. Cox of the Juvenile Office of the City of Lubbock, when he admits that there are only 25,000 people, a good estimate, attending Sunday School on Sundays, but we claim to be a Christian community. What is wrong?

Would you believe that according to the record, last March 11th, in 1967, the temperature was 86 degrees, but this March 11th, last Monday, it was below freezing?

a facility to meet the needs of community in Lubbock. It was made clear by spokesman of the Amarillo Branch that their "Y" is strictly a Christian organization, working hard to meet the needs of the community.

Edgar F. Mills, executive director of the Amarillo YMCA, was responsible for the explanation of the facility in Amarillo. He made it known that their organization was a "tool" of the community. R. T.Schreiner, executive director of the Lubbock Branch of YMCA, accompained the group to Amarillo.

The group departed for Amarillo at 8:00 a.m. and returned at 4:00 p.m. via chartered bus.

#### PANTHERS MON adn DADS CLUB MEETING WELL ATTENDED

The Dunbar Panther's Mom & Dads meeting was well attended Monday night. Mr. Gipson was presented and talked about the ba ketball game that was played in Austin Thursday night. Mr.P. Hines was also present, he said this was the finest group of boys they have ever had to work with. The club was also able to view the film of the game played Saturday before last.

The club still needs more parents and boosters to help make it what it should be. Even if you are not a parent, be a booster.



Pictured above are the boys and girls of Mrs. Charles Johnson's classroom who are proud to show their display of ar! to the many parents who visited Ella Iles Elementary School during Texas Education Week this month.

The pupils are third graders at Ella Iles and were happy to make this type of contribution to their school. More than a dozen area riding clubs and five Lubbock High school bands will headline the traditional parade which officially launches the 26th annual ABC Rodeo on a four-day run here at 4 p.m. March 20th.

According to Sam Ribble, rodeo chairman of the sponsoring Downtown Chapter of the American Busniess Club, D. Burns of Lubbock will serve as parade marshall.

The Rodeo, featuring 150 to 200 of the world's top cowboy's, Ronny James and his Southern Gentlemen and top area youth riders, is scheduled in Municipal Coliseum at 8 p.m. March 20-23.

Groups or organizations desiring to be in the parade are urged to contact Don Workman at the First National Bank.

More than \$12,000 in purses and added money will be offered to some of the world's top cowboy's including several 1967 champions.

Proceeds form the ABC Rodeo are used for youth work in Lubbock.

#### AN OPEN LETTER FROM MOM AND DAD'S CI UB

PARENT'S PARENT'S PARENTS, we must wake up and remember that time is too short and valuable to waste. We need to work sloser with our children. Several weeks ago, the WEST TEXAS TIMES was reporting about the fight between some of our poung people. What about the rape also?

I wish every parent in this part of town would read this and check up on our daughters and see if you are guility of these CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO

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THE POLICE BEAT by: T. J. Patterson

Parents, Are You Concerned?

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I hope that the Parents of our community are becoming more concerned about the welfare of our young people. Thisc olumn from time to time has alerted the parents of the importance of our young people.

You know that there is a great deal that can be done if only we work together in order to help our youngsters.

I wish the parents of this city would drive around the community and witness some of the many things that our youth participate in. I am not saying that all young people are bad, but I am saying that they need guidance so they may become better citizens of tomorrow.

Let's remember that the Lubbock Police Department cannot do it merely by themselves, t hey need your complete cooperation. If you are a concerned parent, you would appreciate what they are trying to do. I'll admit, some bad acts were committed in the



Why not pitch in and help? Together we live; divided we fall. Why not start becoming a concerned parent, and quit saying that people are picking on our little Johnny or Mary?

I would like to hear from some of you in regard to this problem, the problem of becoming a more concerned parent and adult. Perhaps the ideas you have will be helpful to those parents who are not concerned.

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#### House Burglary

Hardy Jones, 1608 Avenue A, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone broke into his apartment and took some of his possessions. According to Jones, \$10.00 worth of socks and wearing appearal was taken.

It was further learned that the door to his apartment was kicked open. He had no idea who took the merchandise.

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#### Car Burglary

Monty Bell, Jr., 1013 East 29th model car.

record player is believed to be \$70.00.

### Possible Gunshot Victim

Police received a call to go to a residence in Tampico Terrace Apartments in regard to a shooting. Once there, it was learned that the victim, Velner Williams, 66, of 616 7th, was not shot, but had fallen on the porch and suffered an injury.

It goes to show you that all kinds of reports are called in to the city police.

### Vandalism

Annie Contee, 1713 East 28th Street, reported that someone did casue \$75.00 worth of damage to her property.

She had no idea who could have been responsible for this damage. At this time, she is still wondering why this damage was done to her property.

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things. No mother would want anything to happen to her girl. We need to see who their company is and if the places they go are chaperoned. Pay close attention as how they get there and how they are suspose to get home.

We need to get on some of the committies in various organizations that our children are a part. Please, when you are asked to serve on a committee, do not say NO or I don't know what to do. Why not say yes and then be willing to try to do what little you can.

We need to work on these

it just may be that their dresses are too short and too tight.

You know, sometimes, the girls lead boys to doing these things. Girls, you must remember, boys see you and they will like you better if you look and act like a young lady.

We need to talk to our boys just as much. It seems as though every one (boys and girls) try to carry a deadly weapon. How many of our children chave been hur with weapons when they are fighting?

Aside from this, if they are not fighting, they are trying to rape our young ladies. Why not take time and drive by the shcool areas after school some afternoon or by some hop on the weekend and you can see for yourself.

I know we all work, but then if you work all the time, you are perhaps too busy. You know if you were sick, you would have time to stay home. So the same is true about the welfare of our children.

PARENTS, we need to work together to the extent that when we see these children doing wrong, we can talk to the . and don't stop their, talk to their parents. You may have the feeling that no one likes what you are attempting to do, but stay in there and fight. Some of us have probably ask ourselves the question: "No one likes me or my child?" Have you asked yourself why?

You know, WE can help these young people and doing so, they can become better people to tomorrow. We must work together and quit talking on the buses to

and from work, in the beauty shops of how bad our young people are. Let's start TODAY by helping our young people help themselves. Semember, they are our leaders of tomorrow.

Some men succeed because they are destined to, but most men because they are determined to.

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FLOWERS 15 ONE OF THE BEST WAYS, PSYCHOLOGISTS KNOW, OF CALLING A HALT TO A LITTLE QUARREL AND MAKING THINGS MORE PLEASANT. YOUR LOCAL FTD FLORIST IS JUST A PHONE CALL AWAY FROM MAKING UP!

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#### NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

The True Light Spiritual Singers of Midland, Texas presented a splendid program at our church Sunday afternoon and eveing. The Usher Board sponsored the program.

The District Executive Board is convening this week with the Free Will Baptist Church of Slaton Texas.

The Fifth Sunday, March 31, will be under the auspices of the W.M.S.

Jacobs Coat of Many Colors will be sponsored by the Ushers Friday night, March 22, at 8 p.m.

Joint Ushers Rehersal will be held Friday, March 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the church auditorium.

Knights of Pythians and Courts of Calanthee will hold their annual Thanksgiving Service in our church Sunday, March 31, at 2:30 p.m.

A pre-opening of Lovely Sunset Board was held Tuesday evening at St. Luke Baptist Church.

7 p.m. in the church kitchen. The Street. effort is sponsored by W.M.S.

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ing at our church through Friday. Let us not forget our sick and shut in members. On the sick list are Sisters Clara Scott, Mary Brown and Odessa Mitchell's mother whoa re doing better. Brother Wilmar Wilson is ill in his home.

Our Church Anniversity will be held April 14 through April 28. Our church has come a long way and with your complete cooperation we will continue.

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#### MANHATTAN HEIGHTS SEVEN SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

The Manhattan Heights Seventh Day Adventist Church will host a Youth Federation from five Adventist Churches in West Texas March 16th beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The young people will gather here in a special federation designed to emphasize the positive and attitude of Christinaity to American youth.

Our church is located at 1517 East 25th Street and E. E. Shepperd is minister. Shepperd, also Missionary Volunteer secretary, will be in charge of young people activities.

Among principle speakers will be Elders U. L. Roberts, president; W. C. Jones, lay activities; L. D. Henderson, Sr., secretary and treasurer and Pastor E. W. Sheppard, all of Dallas, Texas.

Lunch will be served at the Co-Op Oil Mill Banquet Hall at 1:00 p.m. thru 3:00 p.m.

All young people who live in the community are invited to attend.

#### L. B. "BRUCE" PARSON ANNOUNCES FOR JP OFFICE



Mr. L. B. (Bruce) Parson, a resident of the Hub City since 1950 announced his candidacy last week for the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 1. In his statement, Mr. Parson pointed out that he had been in law enforcement for 29 years, originally coming to Lubbock with the Border

#### CARTER CHAPEL

Carter Chapel is in the midst of observing its 49th anniversary, and there will be services Thursday, Friday, and Sunday.

Carter Chapel is looking forward to its first Laymen Banquet. This year's speaker will be Bishop Norris S. Curry of the Eight Episcopal District which includes the State of Texas. Further anjouncement of this event will come shortly.

Sunday's message: "Use Your Opportunities."

#### RITES HELD FOR FRANKLIN FRIDAY

Funeral services were held for Herman Franklin, 55, 705 Avenue D, last Friday afternoon, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Matthews Baptist church.

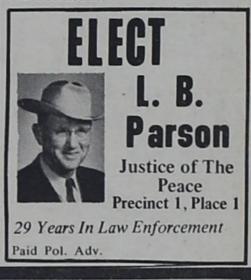
The Reverend R. S. Stanley, minister, officiated. Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under direction of Sedberry Funeral Chapel.

Franklin died Monday in Methodist Hospital after a brief illness. He had lived in Post, Texas for 27 years moving to Lubbock in January.

Survivors include his widow, Laura; tow daughters, Mrs. Mable Banks and Mrs. Bernice Simms, both of Lubbock and 11 grandchildren.

Patrol and later serving 3½ years with the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department.

Parson, 57 years of age, went on to state that during his time fo service with the Sheriff's Department, he had been in contact with the several courts of the area, serving as arresting officer, court baliffi and Spanish interpreter on numerous occasions.



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prayer for Rev. I.H. Hillard and send cards of cheer to 705 S. E. Second Street, Mineral Wells, Tex-

#### MOUNT GILEAD **BAPTIST CHURCH**

The members of teh Nurse's Guild are sponsoring a "Pig Rally" in the very near future.

The W.M.U. will present a drama entitled "The Royal Path of Life." All women are urged to meet for rehearsal each Monday night at 8:30 p.m. for the fifth Sunday Program.

#### **GREATER SAINT LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Junior Bible Band will meet at the church today, Thursday, at 5 p.m.

The Esther Circle will meet tomorrow, Friday, at 5 p.m. in the home of Sister Irbie Whitfield, 1503 East 13th Street.

The Lydia and Racheal Circles met in the homes of Sisters M.E. A Vanishing Dinner will be Newson of 3308 East 17th Street held Friday night, March 29, at and Mattie Walker of 2716 East 7th

The March Sunday School and Let us continue to whisper a B.T.U. Congress Board is conven-



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