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# Tuskegee's Black Mayor Supporting Nixon in Re-Election Campaign

by Louise E. Wyche

Washington-(NBNS)-Claiming President Nixon will "help solve problems facing people on the local level," the black mayorelect of Tuskegee, Alabama has endorsed the re-election bid of the President.

Johnny Ford, a Democrat and the first black mayor of the Alabama city, cited numerous reasons for his support of the continuation of the Nixon Administration another four years.

"The Black people in this country need the political and economic power that bring the pride that Blacks are, and can be, somebody," Ford said in a statement announcing his endorsement.

"We must know that we can work in the mainstream of American life with equal political, economic and educational opportunity—the kind of opportunity the Nixon Administration has produced.

"The Nixon Administration's Revenue Sharing program is the greatest instrument in the past decade for local communities in providing the resources and the mechanism for local government to mobilize its resources for the common good of the community," he continued.

Ford said the issues of concern to Black America this year were employment, economic development, housing and education. In announcing his endorsement of the President, Ford said his belief was that Nixon would continue to help in solving "the immediate needs of our cities."

"I support the President's re-election, not on what he has promised, but on what his administration has done for the cities and citizens of our country."

He went on to praise Nixon's record in

# Temptation Set for Show in Auditorium Next Thursday Night

The Temptations, legendary entertainers, visually and vocally, are set to appear in concert, one night only, in Lubbock, Texas, Thursday, October 19th, at the Municipal Auditorium.

Sales on the Motown artists just released album, entitled, "All Directions," indicated another addition to their decade-old pattern of gold after gold on singles and albums. The album highlights individual talents within the group, yet the sound is immediately recognizable as pure 'Temptations'.

Audiences claim the Tempts 'live' are magic and readily attest to the incredible talent of Otis Williams, Melvin Franklin, Dennis Edwards, Richard Street and Damon Harris.

Their national tour continues its swing through Texas with appearances in Ft. Worth, San Antonio and Houston.

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education and black enterprise and proceeded to cite other reasons for his endorsement of the President including:

• Minorities comprise more of the federas work force under the Nixon Administration than in the previous (Johnson) administration.

• Financial aid to black colleges has increased to \$601 million, double that of the previous administration.

• A substantial increase in the Civil Rights enforcement budget to \$602 million.

• Creation of two new programs specifically designed to help minorities. He said the Aid to Minority Bank Deposit Program and the Aid to Minority Business Enterprise were receiving \$753 million.

Saying his support of the President was "not a personal thing." Ford said he was "simply voicing my support of an administration which can and will help solve problems facing people on the local level, including the people of my city, both black and white."

# Georgia May Elect First Black Congressman Since Reconstruction

by Michael D. Petit

Atlanta-(NBNS)-The Reverend Andrew Young, Jr., a former aide to the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., has the best chance of anyone in a century of becoming the second black man to be sent to Congress from Georgia.

Two years ago he failed to unseat articulate Republican Rep. Fletcher Thompson in a district that extends from southern Atlanta into the well-to-do white suburbs,

# Corruption in Housing Programs Widespread Says George Romney

Washington-(NBNS)-Housing and Urban Development Secretary George Romney says that Federal grand juries are investigating the possibility of corruption in housing programs in 10 cities and that 1,340 cases indicating diverse irregularities have been referred to the Justice Department for investigation.

During the past year, criminal indictments have been handed down in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, and Detroit. In addition, Romney said, 26 employees have been indicted on charges of defrauding the Federal Government by forcing fore-closures of Government-backed mortgages, thus, insuring substantial profits for real estate and mortgage companies.

Presently, investigations are underway in New York, Newark, Philadelphia, Chicago, Boston, Detroit, Washington, D.C., Columbia, S.C., Dallas, and Los Angeles. Romney also said his Department is seeking a similar probe in St. Louis.

"When we took office. . .the Federal housing programs in the central cities were as bankrupt as the Penn Central," Romney said. For the most part, he added, housing programs of the present Administration have been successful, although "the problems we have been tussling with are the problems that were started before we came into office."

The Housing Secretary also criticized the Democratic Congress for passing unrealistic housing legislation requiring the Government to find suitable housing for every American. "Something," Romney admitted, "this organization has not been able to do."

Romney also took time to rebut charges made this week by Democratic vice presidential candidate Sargent Shriver that the Government would soon own 240,000

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But this year, Thompson is running for the U.S. Senate, and the composition of the district has been changed considerably as a result of congressional redistricting.

Several middle-class white suburbs have been placed in another district and predominately black areas have been added. The black percentage of the electorage has been increased from 31 to 37 per cent.

Young, executive director of the Atlanta Community Relations Commission, expects to win with a large black turnout and a substantial vote among the wealthy liberals in white suburban areas.

Several organizations have conducted voter registration drives in black areas, adding an estimated 5,000 new black voters.

Young is encouraged by his showing against Fowler in the white precincts, where he managed to pull 35 per cent of the vote, and he expects to mobilize black voters in the general election.

His forces now are conducting a doorto-door canvas, drawing upon a large number of students from the many black and white colleges in the Atlanta area.

Stoney Cooks, executive director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and Tom Offenburger, another longtime SCLC aide, have resigned to help Young.

"The base of our support is blacks, labor, white liberals, and the ethnic groups," Offenburger said. "If we can hold that, and pick up a lot of one-issue votes, we could win easily."

A Young victory would make his the second black Congressman in Georgia history. No black man has been sent to Washington from this state, despite its large black population, since Jefferson F. Long served one term in 1869-71.

Young, 40, is the son of a New Orleans dentist. He is an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ and earned national recognition for his work as an aide of Dr. King. He is married and has three children.

His opponent in Atlanta's fifth congressional district is Republican State Rep. Rodney Cook. The 48-year-old Cook, an insuranceman in the fashionable Buckhead section of Atlanta, has been regarded as a liberal during his service in the Legislature and as a member of the Atlanta Board of Alderman.

Race has not been a major factor in the campaign, although it is expected to be influential in the transitional neighborhoods. Cook has campaigned on his own record and has sought to identify Young as the candidate of the McGovern forces.

# Senate Sidetracks Welfare Reform Idea For Years of "Testing" Programs

by Page Townsend

Washington-(NBNS)-The Senate has sidetracked the welfare reform movement to authorize a four-year, \$400 million program of testing rival welfare plans.

HEW Secretary Elliot L. Richardson described the result of the 46-40 vote as the "worst outcome of all." He said the "testing" program would delay reform of the "welfare mess" for many years, since it would take a year to plan the tests, four years to conduct them, and a year or two to enact legislation based on the results.

HEW has contended that there is no need for further tests of the "guaranteed minimum income" concept endorsed by President Nixon in his welfare reform plan and more recently denounced in the Republican Party platform he submitted to the GOP national convention in Miami Beach.

A \$10 million, two-year study of the concept, funded by the Office of Economic Opportunity, has just been completed. The results of its tests in five cities in New Jersey and Pennsylvania showed little tendency to "loaf" on the part of those guaranteed a minimum income.

"Loaf-fare" was the cry raised by Senate Finance Committee Chairman Russell Long (D-La.) to rally a Senate majority against the guaranteed minimum income concept. He declared that "any one of these guaranteed income-for-not-working programs could destroy the country."

Long has been pushing his own program to cut off welfare benefits for 1.2 million

families and force the family head, usually the mother, to accept employment in jobs paying less than \$50.00 a week.

Long's proposal, described by opponents as "slave-fare", is one of three which would be tested under the amendment proposed by Sen. William V. Roth (R-Del.) and adopted by the Senate.

Also tested would be the Administration proposal of a \$2,400 a year minimum income for a family of four. Working recipients would be able to keep part of the income until their total income reached \$4,200 a year.

The third proposal to be tested would be that of Sen. Abraham Ribicoff (D-Conn.) which would guarantee a minimum income of \$2,600 a year, would prohibit states from reducing welfare payments below present levels, would require payment of the full minimum wage for those required to work to receive welfare, would raise the minimum level as the cost of living index increases, and would provide a larger program of public service jobs than is contemplated in the Administration proposal.

Sen. Ribicoff and Sen. Gaylord Nelson (D-Wis.) were highly critical of the President's failure to compromise in the slightest to gain additional votes for the guaranteed income concept.

Sen. Nelson accused Nixon of hypocrisy. He said the President sought political credit for proposing the minimum income concept to replace the present welfare system which

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# EDITORIALS #

# Money Is Apparently Available **For Minority Business Program**

It appears as though the Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE) will be into some more big money this fiscal year when they expand the nationwide minority business program. According to its director, approximately \$60 million is in the offerings for such an effort for minority people.

All of this is good and is definitely needed for those persons in the minority community who are looking for a way to move upward in a position direction. In the past, where over \$40 million has been allocated to over 150 organizations in approximately 100 cities, success with these various pilot programs has been quite successful.

With all of this happening in other parts of these United States, the question to ponder at this time is why nothing like this has come our direction in West Texas. Of course, we can't overlook the opportunity of Lubbock or Amarillo (or even Wichita Falls) has on developing an OMBE office in the very near future.

If a city in West Texas is concerned about the welfare of their minority groups, it would make good sense to look carefully at the development of this type of economic development program which has been an asset to many other cities in the United States.

Because of the success of OMBE's efforts, the Small Business Administration (SBA) has recently doubled its ceiling of Equal Opportunity Loans (EOL) to \$50,000 and is expanding its line of credit beyond construction, according to John L. Jenkins, who has headed the Department of Commerce's minority enterprise program since 1971.

There's no doubt about it, OMBE has a track record and this type of record needs to be made known to all the people of West Texas. These type of efforts show the citizens of these United States that people are concerned about their input into the economic situation of this country.

It's good also to know that there are approximately 120 Business Development Centers currently being operated in cities throughout the country and are better able to service local minorities through a variety of programs.

There's no doubt about it, it's past time for West Texas to start getting a piece of OMBE's pie so it can get on the map in regard to developing some positive economic programs for the minority communities in the West Texas area.

We can't continue to wait and see what is the best way to solve our economic problems of the poor communities. There are programs working in this country and it is past time for those concerned, "haves" and "have nots", to start doing something about the economic conditions. OMBE is only one way to get started, but it looks from a casual observation, to be one of the best ways going to get started.

There are other programs which could help the minority communities move up the socio-economic ladder. This is good, too, but at least we know of a program which is working in the inner cities as well as urban areas. Why not get on board with this type of effort? Austin has called this editor about the possibility of an OMBE office in the Lubbock community-yet nothing has happened. If we don't act on the situation immediately, other areas will get the program.

The leaders of this city, and the power structure, should get their heads together as soon as possible to help search out the avenues necessary to exploit this program for Lubbock. Any time a chance comes up where a program as successful as OMBE is available, everyone should get moving as soon as possible. But this is not to say the public shouldn't get to work on the project also. There has to be something done in our community. If you care about what is happening, let's do something about it.

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-Special Report from Washington -ABUSING THE MAILS By Jack Anderson

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Washington-Congressmen are playing so fast and loose with their free postal privileges this year that misuse of the mails is becoming a major campaign issue in political races around the country.

The Fair Campaign Practices Committee reports it has already received twice as many complaints about congressional abuse of the mails in this campaign as it received during the entire 1970 campaign.

Formal complaints have been filed against James Howard, D-N.J., Hamilton Fish, R-New York, John Moss, D-Calif., Bob Mathias, R-Calif., George Shipley, D-Ill., John Asbrook, R-Ohio, and Albert Johnson, R-Calif. In addition, the committee says there are dozens of other cases in which congressmen have allegedly abused the mails but have not been challenged formally by their opponents.

Under the law, congressmen can use the mails free of charge for official business, but incumbents have become so ingenious at disguising political puffery as official business that the Postal Service has given up trying to enforce

Congressmen have perfected all sorts of ways to circumvent mailing restrictions. Frequently, they insert self-serving material into the Congressional Record, which makes it official business. Then congressmen order reprints and mail them to constituents at public expense.

Questionnaires, which are drafted, ostensibly, to solicit the views of constituents, are another ruse used by congressmen to solicit votes. The questions are carefully loaded to produce the desired political results. Once tabulated, the results are released to voters in massive mailings-once again at public expense.

These practices, among others, have so exasperated postal authorities that they now refuse even to send advisors to Capitol Hill to caution congressmen not to abuse the mails. "It simply would do no good," one insider said.

Why have congressmen shifted so dramatically to massive direct mailings this year to get themselves re-elected? Besides the Postal Service's reluctance to enforce the law, political watchdogs cite new restrictions on political ads in the media and the reapportionment of numerous congressional districts as the major factors contributing to Congress's latest assault on the U.S. mails.

-Pension Reforms Rebuffed-

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has reached into the

Senate and effectively squashed legislation that would protect older citizens from being cheated out of their pensions.

The Senate Labor Committee, which has spent years investigating pension abuses, has established that citizens who lose their jobs before retirement often receive no pensions at all even though collectively they contribute millions of dollars to pension funds.

To correct such abuses, the committee drafted careful reforms. But the guilty companies, working through the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, have managed to cheat their employees again.

The Chamber of Commerce got the bill referred to the Senate Finance Committee headed by Big Business's buddy, Senator Russell Long. When the legislation came back, it was stripped of its meaning. The key provisions had been gutted. Labor Committee members are furious and have promised a big battle on the Senate floor.

Meanwhile, a TV network has dramatized the great pension scandal in a nationwide television documentary. But we have learned that corporate powers are putting quiet pressure on the TV network not to make the documentary available for private showing.

#### -Around the U.S.-

- Space Age Convenience—The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has proudly announced in a press release that it has awarded a contract to a private firm to develop the world's most expensive toilet. The commode under contract will be launched into space for use by astronauts in the space shuttle program. The pricetag for a prototype toilet is staggering: \$238,000. . . Meanwhile, back on earth, the government is spending hundreds of thousands more dollars for the convenience of its employees. This year, for example, the government estimates it will spend \$350,000 for smoking stands. If public money isn't going down the drain, it's going up in smoke.
- Union Strikes in '73-President Nixon's Wage Board has held salary increases to about five-and-a-half per cent a year. But after the election, the board is expected to tighten controls on wages in an attempt to reduce the annual wage increase below five per cent. The move, no doubt, will infuriate unions. Their main complaint: The President's controls would be tough on workers' wages but not tough enough on prices and profits. If the wage lid is tightened, a showdown may come next year in the form of strikes by auto, construction, airline and railroad employees.
- A Visa for a Star—Recent press reports claimed that movie star Vanessa Redgrave had been denied a temporary visa to shoot a new film in the United States. The reports, carried widely in the press, speculated that the decision was motivated by Miss Redgrave's outspoken views against the Vietnam War. We have done our own checking. At the time of the reports, Miss Redgrave had not yet formally applied for a visa. Even a famous movie star-like Miss Redgrave-has to apply for a visa in order to get one.



by T. J. Patterson

It looks as though more than \$2.5 million dollars may come our way in the City and County of Lubbock because of Uncle Sam's Revenue Sharing Program. As citizens, we must be aware of what is happening in our communities and what monies such as this will be spent for.

It appears as though this decision—and perhaps more will be reached at a symposium in Dallas, Texas, next week-to be esact, October 16th and 17th. Representatives from the City and County Commissioners of Lubbock are to be on hand for this meeting.

So far, it seems, the city will receive about \$1,932,021 and the county about \$633,407. At this time there is a possibility that the money will be utilized in such areas as automated garbage collection, bus service, jail improvements, ambulance service, more policemen, street improvements, a juvenile detention home and others.

There has to be a way for input from the various communities (city and county) as to how such monies should be spent. Of course, these federal funds are for all citizens of our community-regardless of where they reside or their socio-economic condition. Anyway, it is the responsibility of our elected officials to see that these monies are spent in the best interest of all the citizens.

On the other hand, there could be strings attached to these funds. Let's hope, too, there will be careful consideration at the symposium in Dallas as to what these strings are. Also, there is a possibility that these funds could replace some of the Federal Funds already being received by the City and County of Lubbock.

Taxpayers, rich and poor, need some type of tax break! Maybe, just maybe, this effort on the part of Uncle Sugar will help in this area of economic involvement.

Thought of the Week: "The best way out of difficulty is through it."

November 7th will be a big day in our community, as well as the country. It's that time of the year-every fourth year-when we can help elect a President of the United States, as well as a governor and other state and county officials.

A record number of persons have registered in Lubbock County. To be a qualified voter is one thing, but still another of more importance at this state of the game, is to go out and cast your vote for the candidate of your



Shown above is a picture of how our overpass (located at East 24th St.) looks during the summer months. It is a must that some consideration be given for the taxpayers of East Lubbock in regard to this matter. It shouldn't have to be called to the attention of city hall each summer.

choice. Make sure that you go out and vote on November

After you have voted for the candidate of your choice, why not go out and help someone else vote also. This is an important election year-don't you forget to vote.

### Letters to The Editor . . .

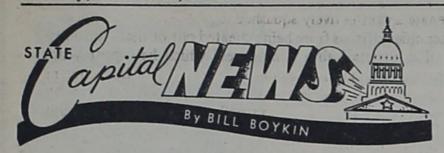
Dear Sirs:

My name is Jarvis Cain and I used to stay in your city a few years ago. The reason I am writing to you is because I would like to start receiving your paper. But problem is that I am in Viet Nam at this time and we don't get paid until we leave here. I was just hoping that you could bill me and let me pay you later. You can use this letter as proof if you can do that. If not, I would appreciate it if you would send me the correct papers to get my paper coming this way. Thank you very much.

reader can see, we got papers going everywhere.

Your's Truly, Jarvis Cain

Editor's Note: We were more than glad to add Lance/ Corporal Cain's name to our subscription list. As the



Austin, Texas—Ten members of a 12-member jury can decide civil cases under new rules of civil litigation procedure adopted last week by the State Supreme Court.

Unanimous verdicts are now required by juries, and the change is regarded as one of the most far-reaching in many years.

An effort in the last Legislature to authorize 10-2 jury verdicts fell under weight of defense attorney opposition.

Retiring Supreme Court Chief Justice Robert W. Calvert called the revised rules "the greatest reform measure during my term (22 years) on the court."

Rules deal with appeal motions, depositions, evidence discovery motions, and other matters.

Calvert said changes would do away with some elements of the adversary system and open up evidence. Rules will take effect February 1, 1973.

Unanimous verdicts still will be required in criminal cases, but in civil litigation 10 or more jurors can decide a case. Five-to-one verdicts will be permitted in municipal, justice of the peace and county courts at law where sixman juries now decide cases.

Some attorneys said the key rules change would eliminate hung juries in civil cases, speed up trials and ease the backlog of civil cases jamming metropolitan courts. Others said the changes in discovery of evidence will reduce the number of actual trials. The latter change will allow all parties to a case to see what both sides have as evidence.

Another change would allow the State Supreme Court to reverse or modify a lower court finding or enter a new decision without awaiting formal arguments of contesting parties.

Agenda Grows and Grows—Governor Preston Smith continued to open the special session call to new subject matter before any final action was taken on competitive insurance rates or gubernatorial fiscal powers.

Last Tuesday he dropped 16 more bill proposals on lawmakers for attention in a session due to wind up October 17. Among them were the following:

An \$8 million appropriation for a Fort Worth school for the mentally retarded, changing hunting and fishing license fees, allowing bond financing of voting machines in counties over one million population, allowing subdivisions to issue bonds for air control facilities and lease the facilities to private interests, amending retirement statutes to allow credit for certain military, state employment and judicial services, allowing the State Board of Control to make purchases for political subdivisions and defining "child" under juvenile court precedures as one over 10 and under 17 years of age.

Key legislators began to question whether the variety of subjects permitted the focus of legislative and public attention on insurance reform which Smith claimed he wanted.

Superport Coming?—Texas may be getting a new offloading terminal for super-tankers whether the Legislature approves a state commission to plan and construct one or not.

Oil company spokesmen told a joint House-Senate committee they propose to have their own facility (known as "seadock") operative by 1975 or 1976 and feel there is no need for a state expenditure.

A bill submitted by Governor Smith to create a state authority to formulate plans for the offshore terminal won support of many witnesses who claimed a vital segment of the Texas economy depends on a superport's being constructed along the coast.

A governor's office report said marine transportation and deep water ports are essential to maintaining the state's maritime trade.

Voter Registration High—Voter registration for the November 7 general election ended at midnight Saturday, with indications the total number of Texans eligible may reach a record 4.8 million.

At that, however, the total percentage of eligible voting age Texans may be less than 1968 or 1970.

There are now about 7.5 million Texans of voting age. The expected 4.5 million to 4.8 million signup would represent a 60 per cent showing. A 4 million registration in 1968 and a 4.1 million figure in 1970 amounted to about 64 per cent of the eligible population.

An estimated 660,000 voters have been added to rolls since the voting age was lowered. There are an estimated 1.5 million now eligible to vote who were not eligible to vote in the 1968 presidential election.

Short Snorts—School Land Board accepted bonuses of \$2,694,939 in high bids from oil and gas leases at its fall lease sale, bringing the permanent school to an all-time high of \$944,246,467.

Texas Water Development Board sold a \$25 million bond issue for local water supply project aid.

Seguin Independent School District board of education was cited as the "outstanding school board of Texas" for 1971-1972.

Texas State Textbook Committee began a series of hearings on \$18.6 million worth of public school materials Tuesday, October 10th.

(Editor's Note: Dr. Jone's column did not reach our office in time to appear in the October 5th issue of the paper, but we are printing it as he submitted it, this week).

# Think!

by Dr. R. W. Jones

Chain Gang

Correction: I would like to correct a phrase in *Think* for September 28, 1972 - Title: Reality. The phrase refer-

red to the recent survey made in Amarillo seeking unemployed, underemployed, and those persons who would like to change jobs. It was printed thus: "I am saying the survey wasn't properly made." It should have read, "I am not saying the survey wasn't properly made." In other words, in my opinion, the planning and mechan-



ics of the survey were carried out quickly and with precision, but more applicants could have been found if doubt and fear did not exist among the citizens of Amarillo.

A person's life can be compared to that of a prisoner on the chain gang in many ways. It all depends on the way he lives his life whether he creates freedom for himself or is shackled to society by conformity and lack of true convictions.

There are many ways shackles can be seen in a person's life. Most of them are obnoxious. For example; a loud, boisterous, vulgar woman using her language and gestures as a defense mechanism to cover up her insecurity. Perhaps I am being unfair in this instance as this can apply to a man also. There are those persons who try to get into the limelight by cornering the market with no products of their own to exhibit—ability wise. There are also people who believe they have to please the world or it will stand still, when in reality the only people they need to please are themselves.

People can shackle their emotions to the breaking

point by trying to be what they aren't—that is, as the teenager says, they go about "Hi Jiving." In the long run, these shackles and that chain will be tied to something that is devastating to the individual and then humpty dumpty falls from the wall.

Society—especially the Negro society—can be compared to the chain gang. The Negro society is so different from the African society as described by Frantz Fanon in The Wretched of The Earth where he says the colonized native when approached by the Western missionary places his hand a bit closer to his knife in preparation for use or revolt, while the Amarillo Negro society when approached with an airline ticket, a few dollars, and false praise is willing to deliver not only himself to the slaughtering block, but all the other brothers and sisters. This is because of a lack of convictions, true purpose, or foresight plus the unawareness of the fact that people are kept oppressed by causing revolution within their groups. Our semi-ghost town of Amarillo is a good example of the in-fighting in all sections of the city.

As the song says, "Everyone is a fool sometimes, there is no exception to the rule. How can you help it...?" In answering this question with respect to this article, cast off your shackles, be a human being, don't be a puppet or parrot, get constructively involved without the desire for recognition, and fight within the system but have something to fight with.

If you read this article October 5, 1972, you will have one more day to register in order to vote in the Naitonal election, November 7, 1972.

Think will not appear in the October 12 issue of the West Texas Times. This author will spend a few days with some men from several states during short stops in Missouri, Indiana, Georgia and Dallas, Texas. If these visits are as constructive as I think they will be, the citizens of the north and south plains, particularly the citizens of Amarillo, will be interested in what I have to say. This will not be printed in the West Texas Times but will be released through some other news media.

So my friends, Think.

### From The Business Desk

I would like to take a little of this space to issue a heart felt thanks to the many people who expressed concern and well-wishes week before last and last week during my short stay in the hospital and later recuperating at home and here around the of-

fice. I appreciate the interest and concern of all of you and am happy to report that I am now up and around, although still not at full speed. As I told someone last week, "I'm gonna be a while yet, before I decide to run any rabbits."

And while I'm talking about the nice things that people did for me, I would like to add that the girls on 8-North at Methodist Hospital couldn't have been nicer. Believe me, when a fellow is somewhat lost—having never spent much time in hospitals—and when the nurses, aides and orderlies seem to be extra nice, it certainly makes for a more pleasant stay.

I, being as brave and non-fearing as the next guy, had to work up a lot of courage to talk myself into the idea that the doctors were right and I needed to undergo my little ordeal with the knife. Which is to say that it took a lot of self explaining and deception on my part to convince me that I could take off the time and have a little minor surgery. Now that wasn't too hard, and I had things pretty well under control-having convinced myself that everything would work out. The week before I had been checked out, made arrangements, and was all ready to go. Then to my horror, just two days before going into the hospital, somebody out there called-asked a few personal questions and then just about queered the whole deal by requesting of me the name of "my next of kin." I nearly backed out, but didn't, and now everything is just another matter of past history.

Anyway, thanks for the concern, phone calls, cards and interest.

Seems like talk around town lately has been about the great bonanza from Uncle Sugar concerning our "lucky" allotment of \$1.9 million for the citizens of Lubbock in the new federal revenue sharing program.

Now I guess that's all right—revenue sharing that is—but I just can't understand what has happened to this country when the taxpayers are happy because they are getting something back out of what they paid in the first place. Seems like time was when you just didn't send all that money to Washington in the first place, and as I have been told, you had a lot more around home to take care of your own problems. Now the politicians tell us we're lucky if we can get some of our own money back in order to pay for what we probably didn't need or shouldn't have tried to take care of in the first place. Boy, don't tell me this country isn't getting the cart before the horse—I know

Speaking of screwed up ideas—did you know that the individual share of the new revenue sharing program for the taxpayer's part here in Lubbock amounts to \$11.79 per person? In Amarillo the per person share is \$16.17 or a total of \$2.1 million. The way the program works is

this: if you have a little unemployment, or underemployment in your city then you get more money back from Uncle Sugar, hence the higher return for Amarillo than Lubbock. But then no one wants their city to be pegged as in trouble or lacking in the leadership necessary to help their economy—and consequently their people—so what do we do?

Well, you ninny, we work harder here in Lubbock to prove we are progressive, hard working and earning a lot of money, so that we can pay our federal taxes, and then let everyone tell us how "lucky" we are that we sent all that money to Washington, so they could send it to Amarillo, or Newark, N.J., where everyone's share is \$22.07 or somewhere else where the people aren't so lucky and ain't making the kind of money we're making. Course all they have to do is hold out long enough for us to make it, so they can get their share. Oh, boy!

But then I guess we ain't so bad off. Austin only gets \$8.43 per person and we all know that those politicians down there have to work a whole lot harder for their money than anyone around here ever did.

Have you ever noticed how "chickens always come home to roost"? I did this last week when I got a large envelope in the mail containing all the pertainent data necessary to show why everyone in the state of Texas should get on the bandwagon and provide the necessary funds, (always funds) interest, and leadership, to help set up a seaport that would handle ocean going tankers in the Gulf coast area.

Now I'm sure we need a super-port or what ever that thing is that people in the coast area want at our expense. No doubt we need the super-port, but I just have to be reminded that we here in West Texas must take about the same "tongue in cheek" attitude about where they can stick their super-port as many people down there took when a few years back we voiced the idea that we might need water if we were going to sustain our agriculture empire. Now we can see, and hear about, how we in West Texas must help if we are going to continue to send our products through their ports. But nobody thought about the fact that there won't be any products if we don't get some relief in regard to irrigation water.

Remember please, as you continue to hear about this project over the next few years, that they now need to have every excuse in the world to build that port—and that includes our agriculture products. And remember also, if you please, they didn't think that important enough a few years back to come to the table and decide what would be economically and sensibly feasible for us to start to work on the water project. Strange about chickens, their a lot like bad pennies.

I don't know about the rest of you but I'll

I don't know about the rest of you but I'll be glad when this year's elections are over. I'm getting a little fed up with the "outs" telling us that everything the "ins" have done over the last four (or two) years has either been immoral, illegal or uncalled for. Now I don't agree with everything that has happened over the last four years, but I certainly can't go along with the idea that just because it has been done a certain way it is wrong. I'd just rather look at the issues and not have to listen to personal attacks on everyone in office if that's all right with everyone concerned.



Local Minister Attempts Suicide

Last Friday evening Lubbock police were summoned to a call in East Lubbock in regard to an attempted suicide. When police arrived at the residence, the Lubbock minister involved told police, "Come on in."

Police entered the house and found that the minister was in bed and apparently very weak. He told police that he had taken three or four quinine pills and he did complain of pains in his body.

He had left a suicide note, according to the police report, for his wife. The minister was taken to a local hospital for treatment.

Burglary of Church

Bishop W.D. Haynes, minister of Christ Temple Church of God in Christ, 2411 Fir Avenue, reported that his church was broken into one night last week.

She told police that she would file charges against the man as soon as possible.

House Burglary

Teresa DeLeon, of 2707 East 2nd Street, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone forced their way through the kitchen door of her house while she was away.

It was learned that a portable television set was taken from the house, which was valued at approximately \$400.00.

Damage to the door was approximately \$25.00.

House Burglary

sleeping in the church at the time

of the break-in, told police that he

saw the unknown persons, and

the coke machine, which is up-

stairs in the church, and caused

approximately \$10.00 worth of

damage. There was nothing miss-

into the church by way of the back

Lubbock Woman Assaulted

It was learned that they broke

A Lubbock woman reported to

the Lubbock Police Department

that her 51-year-old husband start-

ed an argument with her one day

last week. Her son also told police

that he did see the man pick up a

paring knife, a small kitchen knife,

and slice his mother on the right

The intruders tried to pry open

that they ran off.

ing from the church.

door.

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Eva May Mack, 1911 East Baylor Avenue, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone unknown did take approximately \$200.00 worth of items from her house while she was a-

She has no idea who could have broken into the house.

House Burglary

Johnny Esties, of 1518 East 25th Street, reported to the Lubbock Police Department that someone did gain entry into his house while he was away and took approximately \$500.00 worth of items.

Like the others, he has no idea who could have broken into his home and took his possessions.

# around

Mrs. Hester Davenport was house guest of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davenport, recently. She was with several ladies

from Breckenridge, Texas, who attended a Lady's Workshop at Carter Chapel Methodist Church last Saturday. Her son drove her back home and spent a day with her.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smothers left Friday evening on their vacation and will visit with relatives in Fort Worth, Grand Prairie and Waco, Texas. They are also visiting in Lot and Caldwell, Texas.

Mrs. Comora Mingo of Midland, Texas, spent the week-end here as guest of the Pollard sisters. She accompanied Mrs. Mildred Ford, Mrs. Helen Armstrong and Mrs. Fayrene King, all of Midland, who attended the anniversary services of Rev. A.L. Davis of Greater St. Luke Baptist Church. They left for home Sunday afternoon.

Angeles, California, left Wednesday via bus after spending three weeks here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Davenport. She attended worship services at Bethel A.M.E. Church Sunday morning. She was dinner guest of the Pollard Sisters, along with Midland guests.

Miss Clarissa Jay arrived Sunday morning via flight from Chicago where she had been visiting her brother and cousin.

Miss Joyce Lilly, a class, and room mate of Linda Marie Lusk, worshipped at Bethel A.M.E. Church Sunday before last after attending the wedding of Linda Saturday morning. She left for her home in Mansfield, La., Sunday afternoon on a 3:30 Continental flight.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Vaughn of Southern University at Baton Rouge, La., are new residents of the Hub City, Percy is a doctoral candidate in the College of Business Administration at Texas Tech while his wife, Doris, is employed in the Medical College and is also a student at Texas Tech.

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Rev. and Mrs. A.W. Wilson both attended the Annual Conference in Brownwood, Texas, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lewis and daughter, Sherry, attended a church homecoming September 17th, at Roxton, Texas. Also attending the homecoming were Mr. and Mrs. Jermiah Yates, Mrs. Olivia Moore, Minister Roger Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Yates, Mrs. Maggie Bass and Mrs. Vivian Beals. They reported a lovely trip.

and Mrs. Eunice Johnson visited in the Hub City recently in the home of Mrs. Jane Toliver. They were enroute to their home in Hubbard, Texas, after attending final rites of a relative in California.

# **Granddaughter of City** Man Honored Recently



Gail Sedberry, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Edward C. Sedberry of 5709 Friedman, Fort Hood, Texas, was one of two Killeen High School seniors who were named semi-finalists in the 9th Mrs. Claudine Houston of Los National Achievement Scholarship program for Outstanding Negro Students.

> The two Black students were among 1,400 named in the nation by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation of Evanston, Ill.

Gail is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Almo Sedberry here and was born in Germany. Her father is in his retiring year from a 20-year stint in the U.S. Army. She has three brothers, only one of them that was born in Texas.

Gail has been a resident of Killeen since the ninth grade and is active in the Science Club and the Environmental Awareness Club of Killeen High School. She hopes to major in Geology at Texas A&M University because she loves to travel and likes the outdoors and also, science appeals to her. She is also a member of the National Honor Society.

The 1,400 semifinalists were picked from more than 50,000 Black students enrolled in approximately 6,000 schools. The students took the preliminary scholastic Aptitude National Merit Scholarship test in junior high school. At that time, they asked to be considered for the Black scholarships.

The semifinalists will take a second examination this fall to qualify for finalist status. Of the finalists, 225 will receive \$1,000 National Merit Scholarships, approximately 100 companies will sponsor scholarships for the Black winners, renewable for four years. The Achievement program was created by a \$7 million Ford Foundation grant in 1964. Black students compete simultaneously in the achievement program for Negro students and the National Merit Scholarship program, although a student may win a scholarship in only one division.

The other student at Killeen Mr. and Mrs. Roland Shanklin High School is Ronald Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew D. Thompson, of 6546 Sadsevski, Fort Hood.

Gail's older brother, Eddy, is a junior at Killeen Junior College. Her two younger brothers are Eric and Emory.





# ringing the bell

with Bob Tieuel

Black Baptist Conventions—A short history: According to Charles J. Jeffrey, Jr., editor of the black Oklahoma Eagle, on the 28th day of

September, 1895 in Atlanta, Georgia, three black religious conventions met and formulated a plan that would unite them into one great congregation or body. The name National Baptist Convnetion was adopted, thus making it the largest black religious organization in America, with a membership numbering in the millions.

This, however, was a new name but not a new organization. It had its roots as early as 1880 in the form of the Baptist Foreign Mission Convention. Also involved were two other Conventions: The American Baptist Convnetion and the National Baptist Educational Convention.

These three Conventions would meet simultaneously in the same location and work in accordance with each other but had separate constitutions. Therefore the National Baptist Convention, Inc. accepts 1880 as its starting date. In 1896, Dr. Richard Henry Boyd established an institution in Nashville, Tennessee for the publication of literature desired by the Sunday Schools of the Convnetion. This convention (National Baptist Convention [unincorporated]) owns and operates the largest religious publishing house in America today for blacks.

It was in 1915 that the Conventions split and when the incorporated body was born and headed today by Dr. Joseph H. Jackson for the past twenty years.

The overall purpose of these conventions (Progressive National Baptist Convention organized out of Incorporated group some six or seven years ago) is to do mission work in the United States, Africa and elsewhere abroad; to foster the cause of education and to promote publication and circulation of religious literature.

The General Baptist Convention of Texas will meet with the Mount Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, 809 Harding Street in Wichita Falls, Texas. The time: October 16-20, 1972. Delegates and visitors from throughout the Southwest are expected to attend. You are asked to secure motel reservations early, according to Leonard Evans, director of arrangements at 812 Tulsa St., Wichita Falls, Texas. This is the body of the Unincorporated or Boyd Group. The National Baptist Union Review is the official organ of the body and is a member of the Bellringer Club too.

FBI Want You! Word received here is that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is interested in hiring members of minority groups as special agents and clerks. As of June 1, 1972, only 145 of the FBI's 8,600 special agents were members of a minority group. There were 64 black special agents, 62 with Spanish surnames, 15 Orientals and 7 American Indians. Persons who feel they are qualified and desire further details should contact your local office of the FBI. Tell 'em Bob sent you.

We wish to take this means to thank our many friends in our recent trip in several sections of the Southwest for the interest shown in this column and the West Texas Times. We gave away several hundred sample copies of the WTT at the National Baptist Conventions in Dallas and Fort Worth and later in Oklahoma. The Christian Call Mission Fund, Inc. is now engaged in a subscription campaign, with proceeds to go to scholarship funds for worthy black students.

High Blood Pressure: Yes! It is more common in black people. It develops at an early age and is often more severe among us, according to latest medical reports. Of the 45,000 who die each year from Hypertension or Blood Pressure, some fourteen thousand are black. See your physician today and check yours, even if you are white or brown or red for that matter.

Send in your subscription for the West Texas Times to: Christian Call Mission Fund, P.O. Box 1204, Midland, Texas or P.O. Box 1224, Hobbs, New Mexico. One year for only \$4.00 or two years for \$7.50. Either way, it will aid our scholarship fund.

Until next week, peace, and remember, loves comes in all colors.

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# Obstetrical Services Closed at Methodist

The Board of Trustees of Methodist Hospital has announced the temporary closing of obstetrical services due to the necessity for total reconstruction and upgrading of facilities on the third floor of the hospital. Reconstruction will require another 10 to 12 months. When completed, the new area will provide 14 private beds for Gynecology, 18 private beds for Obstetrics, a newborn nursery, a completely equipped intensive care unit for infants, and a spearate suspect nursery.

The effective date for closure of obstetrical services at Methodist Hospital was midnight, Sunday, October 1, 1972. After that time, Methodist Hospital will not admit expectant mothers for delivery until the new facilities are opened.

### Bridal Shower Held for Mrs. Flossie Hawkins Stevens

A lovely bridal shower was held last week for Mrs. Flossie Hawkins Stevens with Mrs. Jeff Joiner, Mrs. Fred McQuinney and Mrs. Elsie Young as hostesses. Special guest at the affair was Mrs. Floyd King, grandmother of the bride; and Mrs. W.H. Stevens, mother of the groom.

A tasty snack was served to those attending, including punch, cookies, nuts and assorted mints.

With a background of green and pink in the house, a center-piece decorated with pink carnations and daisies, outlined with baby breath and green and pink candles topped off the lovely setting.

Mrs. Stevens wore a pink carnation.

Mrs. Mary Johns registered the guests and welcomed all those who were in attendance.

Mrs. Stevens, a new bride, was excited over the affair and expressed her appreciation for all the lovely and useful gifts she received.

The shower was held in the home of Mrs. Joiner, at 1308 East 24th Street.



AMARILLO STUDENT MAKES GOOD—Miss Nicey Wilson, a student at Houston-Tillotson College, Austin, Texas, was chosen Princess of the sophomore class. The cornation will be in October. She is also vice president of the Guys and Dolls and on the publication staff.

Miss Wilson is a graduate of Palo Duro High School and is a very active member of Johnson Chapel A.M.E. Church and was president of the Junior Choir while residing in Amarillo.

Nicey is the daughter of Mrs. Odeal Eilson of 1645 NW 15th. Mrs. Wilson is a counselor with the Amarillo Public School System.

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### **Final Rites Read for** Mrs. Lula Horton

Final rites were read Wednesday for Mrs. Lula Horton, 28, of 2618 Weber Drive, who died last days. week in Methodist Hospital. Services were held at Ford Memorial Appointed Administrative Church of God in Christ with Rev. E.D. Toines officiating.

Gardens Memorial Park under the direction of South Plains Funeral Affairs at Texas Tech University, Home.

A resident of Lubbock for 26 Dallas, Texas.

both of the home; a son, Earl Horton, Jr., of the home; her mother, Mrs. Annie Lang of Lubbock; six sisters, Mrs. Mary Lipscomb, Mrs. Annie Thomas, Mrs. Mae Faulk, Mrs. Linda Klenclo and Nora Lang, all of Lubbock; and Mrs. Mae Campbell of Pasedena, California; and two brothers, Herman Lang and Aaron Lang, both of Lubbock.

### Engagement Announced

Dr. and Mrs. R.A. Pillow have announced the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Rose Maria, to Larry A. Davidson of Columbus, Ohio. The

wedding is scheduled for Thanksgiving day, in Columbus, where they are both employed.

The couple plans a trip to Lubbock during the Christmas holi-

# Assistant at Texas Tech

Mrs. Marilyn Gentry has been Burial was held in Peaceful appointed Administrative Assistant to the Vice President for Academic effective October 1, 1972. Marilyn has been employed by the Univeryears, Mrs. Horton was born in sity since May, 1970. She first served as secretary to Dr. S.M. Survivors include her husband, Kennedy, VP for Academic Affairs. Earl Horton; two daughters, Laura After this office underwent re-Ann Horton and Ola Mae Horton, organizational changes, she became secretary to Dr. O.L. Caskey, Associate VP for Academic Affairs, and has served in this capacity to

Marilyn, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Parrish of Amarillo, is a 1967 Dunbar graduate and attended Riverside University Business College, Riverside, California. She is married to John Gentry and is the mother of two daughters. The Gentrys reside at 2611 E. Cornell here in Lubbock.

### Celebrates 70th Birthday Recently

Mr. Daniel Bogus of Marlin, Texas, celebrated his 70th birth-

day here Monday, September 18th, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Laverne Parson. Sharing the celebration and assisting Mrs. Parson were three other daughters, Mesdames Marjorie Castilow, Lorene English and Doris Washington; two sons, Edward Bogus and Chris Bogus, all of Lubbock. Another daughter, Mrs. Lucille English of La Puente, California, called to "wish him a happy birthday."

The Castilow children of Compton, California also called to wish him the best of luck.

The children of Mr. Bogus made the trip here possible by sending him his bus fare. Also included was fare for a very devoted friend, Mrs. Fannie Lovings, who also shared the birthday reunion with

Mr. Bogus is blessed with good health for his age and is also proud of his 37 grand-children, and 28 great, grand-children, some of whom live in Lubbock and shared the fun and feast with him.

Others present were his niece, Mrs. Catherine Robinson, her daughter, and daughter's children.

### "Time Out for Ginger" to Be Staged at Abernathy High

The Junior class of Abernathy High School will stage the play, "Time Out for Ginger" by Ronald Alexander, on Friday night, Octo-

ber 13th, at 8:15 p.m. in the Abernathy School Auditorium.

The play is a comedy in three acts and is recommended for the entire family. Everyone is invited to attend.

Tickets are now on sale at 50¢ for students and \$1.00 for adults. All proceeds go to the junior class.

For tickets and more information, contact; Mr. Gary Stalcup, Abernathy High School, Abernathy, Texas.

### Chamber of Commerce Seeking Minority **Businesses-Members**

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce has been unable to iniate any significant program to develop Black citizen owned businesses in the Lubbock area.

According to Black leaders in Lubbock, the development of such Black businesses would help alleviate deterioting conditions in East Lubbock and contribute to the city's economy.

John Logan, general manager and vice president of the executive department of the Chamber of Commerce, says the growing Lubbock poverty areas can act as a deterrent to outside businesses and industries anticipating a move to the Lubbock area. For this reasons and because economic independence of Black businesses would aid the Lubbock east side to better conditions, the Chamber of Commerce and other city agencies would like to raise the number of minority owned businesses.

Of the 1,600 members of the Chamber of Commerce, Logan estimated that only 25 were minority owned. Membership in the Chamber can be obtained by the payment of annual dues. The dues are determined by the individual size and income of the member business.

Logan says this ratio is roughly equivalent to the Amarillo, Odessa and Midland areas but that all are below the national average. One of the problems the Chamber has in developing and encouraging minority businesses is the manner it takes in promoting any business. "We don't solicit retail businesses per se," Logan says, "Most of our work is with wholesale and manufacturing firms."

Soliciting is done by providing Continued On Page Twelve

## **Sports Capsule**

by Mark Southerland National Black News Service Pittsburg's Roberto Clemente became the 11th player in history to collect 3,000 hits when he rapped a leadoff double in the fourth inning, thereby igniting the winning rally in the Pirates 5-0 victory over the New York Mets. Clemente's milestone hit came before a hometown crowd because he was held out of the Philadelphia game after his 2,999th hit. The 38-yearold all-star has a lifetime average of .318 and holds four batting titles but he is best known for his all-around ability, which includes 11 straight Golden Glove awards and excellent base-running. To Clemente, who plans to play four or five more years, this was a special day as he said, "I give this hit to the fans of Pittsburgh and to the people of Puerto Rico."

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While Roberto Clemente was collecting his 3,000th hit, St. Louis Cardinal Lou Brock was picking up his 2,000th. Brock climaxed his three-hit day with a single in the 15th inning.

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While the NBA's Milwaukee Bucks and Atlanta Hawks were fighting for the rights to Julius Erving, formerly of the ABA's Virginia Squires, U.S. District Court Judge Edward R. Nesther substantiated Virginia's original claim to Erving. Shortly after NBA commissioner Walter Kennedy, who contends that the rights to Erving belong to Milwaukee, had fined Atlanta a second \$25,000 for using Erving in an exhibition, Judge Nesther issued an injunction preventing either NBA team from signing Erving. Virginia Squires' owner Earl Foreman called the decision "a landmark case" while both the Atlanta Hawks and Julius Erving reportedly will appeal the decision.

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Archie Clark of the Baltimore Bullets has met with team officials Continued On Page Seven

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# Sports of The Times

by Joe Kelly

Texas Tech's first touchdown drive last Saturday night only covered six yards. But that could well have been the most important touchdown drive of the 1972 season for the Red Raiders.

Tech came up to fourth down needing two yards. Fans looked at the bench. Was Don Grimes about to race on the field? There was no sign of him. It was no more than an easy chip shot for him, but he stayed on

Everyone knows what happened. The Raiders sent Doug McCutchen blasting into the line and he scored. Grimes kicked the extra point and it was 7-0. In fact, the game was as good as over.

So much for the facts. Now for the imponderables. Let's suppose that Grimes had been called on, kicked the field goal and Tech had taken a 3-0 lead. Let's not argue about any future scoring in the game. Let's not even consider it.

Grimes has just kicked us into a 3-0 lead. Should there be joy? Consider the week before. Grimes had kicked a field goal and Tech led Texas, 3-0. Fine. Tulsa is not Texas.

Three more times Tech was within touchdown striking distance against Texas. Three more times Grimes booted field goals, a total of 12 points, and a lead that lasted until the third quarter.

There were mutterings in the stands and in the press box, though. One touchdown is worth two field goals. A little gamble might well be in order in an effort to widen the margin.

"I felt like we had to take a chance after last week," Tech Coach Jim Carlen said after the Tulsa game. "Psychologically, we had to go for the

touchdown. The fact that we scored gave the entire squad a lift." Right on! People said last year that you didn't have to worry if Tech got a first down inside the 20. I lacked scoring punch. That's the way it

looked in the Texas game, too. So there was inner cheering Saturday night when the Raiders went for their touchdown. They proved that they could move the

ball in and this will help them all during the season.

They may not always score, but the pressure will be on the other team. And the law of averages will be on their side. More than that, though, is the confidence gained in succeeding.

Tech gradually is becoming an outstanding team this year. Its offense can move the ball. Its defense bends, stretches, but doesn't break. Overall, there is progress and now there should be confidence.

Carlen was pleased with both first and second offensive units, pleased with the first team defense, but most unhappy with the second team defense. "It hurts when they don't have more pride than they showed," he declared. "They have the ability."

Coach Louis Kelley's Dunbar Panthers go against Sweetwater this week in the only home high school game this week. Three teams have open dates.

"They're coming along," the Panther coach says. "I haven't been happy with the interior linemen. They haven't blocked well all year."

Dunbar opened with a good district win last week and will be trying to hold onto first place. Plan to be there.

"Man, if all the other high schools had the support Dunbar fans give the Panthers, we wouldn't have any problems," Pete Ragus, city athletic director said the other day.

Pete said that it was a real tribute to Panther fans the way they turned out for Dunbar games.

"I just wish everyone would

YELLOW CAB PO 5-7777 support their teams the way the Dunbar fans do," he declared.

This is being written before the playoffs are over, but it seems apparent that Pittsburgh and Oakland will meet in the World Series starting Saturday.

It should be a great series, with an edge to the Pirates. The Bucs gained an assist when Bert Campaneris was hit in the ankle in the Detroit series. His loss will hurt the A's. Campaneris can do more to upset the other team than any one player.

Despite brilliant Oakland pitching, we'll have to go with Pirate power, which supports better than average mound work. It should go six games and may be the full seven.

And what a sports TV weekend! Texas-OU; the World Series; pro football Sunday (with the World Series); and Detroit-Green Bay Monday night. Rectangular eyes, here I come!

### A Football Great Retires— Gale Sayers

by Mark Southerland

Chicago-(NBNS)-Gale Sayers, running back of the Chicago Bears retired after failing to comeback from injuries. Sayers, who in only 68 games established himself as pro football's finest halfback, decided to call it quits after fumbl-

ing twice in a preseason game a- wants more than \$200,000 a year, gainst St. Louis.

the National Black News Service, Mr. Sayers spoke from his office as sport director of Channel 26 in Chicago. In commenting on the trails of coming back after an injury, he said, "One day it hurts, then the next day it feels good again, so you keep hoping and looking for that day."

For Savers, football "afforded him the chance to have the fine relationships like he had with Brian Picollo" while allowing him to do "something he really loved to do." Sayers also managed to set 8 NFL records during his career.

In explaining his success, he said, "You have to be dedicated to it and you have to deliberate and deliberate and you cannot think about anything but the speciality that you choose." Now that Sayers is in television, he should continue this pattern and succeed in it as any other field.

But for most of us football will be an emptier place without a man who "was married to it and loved it."

Sports Capsule . . .

Continued from Page Six in Washington in an effort to iron out their contract differences. Clark, who is in his option year of a \$135,000 a year contract and

is being offered a raise of \$40,000. In an exclusive interview with A compromise is not likely and Clark has been given permission to seek a trade but there is little interest among the league's teams. A \$350 a day fine, initiated September 18, is still in effect as long as Clark misses the team's prac-

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As basketball salaries continue to zoom, the New York Knicks' Walt Frazier has become the highest paid guard in the game according to Frazier's business manager Irwin Weiner. Frazier is reported to have signed a five-year contract for \$1.7 million, thereby surpassing the salaries of both Jerry West and Charles Scott.

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Jim Chones, the man who left the Marquette University basketball team in his junior year to sign a five-year \$1 million contract with the ABA's New York Mets, has exhibited both his potential and his inexperience in his first two professional exhibitions. In each game Chones, who has had to shift from center to forward, fouled out in less than 30 minutes. At 22, his switch has contributed to his difficulties on defense. His offensive performance, though, has improved as he scored 11 points in the third period of the second game.

# DON'T TAKE RURAL TEXANS FOR A RIDE.

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HERE'S WHAT NIXON IS DOING TO RURAL AMERICA

WHEAT SCANDAL - Giant wheat exporters made huge profits at the expense of individual wheat farmers, many in Texas, on Soviet trade.

TAXES - Wall Street Journal says federal laws favor the corporation or investor who farms on the side for a tax write-

FARM ISSUES - Under Nixon, parity dropped the lowest since 1933. Nixon held up payments of nearly \$400 million for feed grains in 1970, forcing farmers to borrow at highest interest rates in history.

CONGLOMERATE SCANDALS - Big Business first, the public second - that's the Republican philosophy. Anti-trust suit against ITT dropped at the same time ITT pledged \$400,000 to finance Republican Convention.

Harry S. Truman said, 'The Republicans admire our government so much they want to buy it.'

Let's face it. The Republicans just haven't changed much since the days of our grandfathers. They still favor Big Business over the average working man and woman. And while they're taking us for a ride, they keep telling us what a 'dangerous radical' Senator McGovern is.

That's what they said about Harry S. Truman.

HERE'S WHAT McGOVERN IS DOING FOR RURAL AMERICA

HIS STANDING - George McGovern has been elected time and again as a Democrat from a Republican farm state . . because they know where he stands.

TAXES - His tax proposal would end the loopholes for tax-loss farming by giant corporations and the wealthy individuals who compete unfairly with family farmers. McGovern's proposal calls for the same tax on capital gains as on earnings.

FARM ISSUES - He sponsored and cosponsored: Meat Import Limitation Law; Dairy Import Act; Wheat, Feed Grain, and Soybean Emergency Reserve Bill; Rural Development, Rural Job Development, and Rural Telephone Acts; Farm Credit Act; and other pieces of important legislation.

HIS BELIEFS - George McGovern knows that the answers to many of our most pressing problems in America today can be found by developing genuine opportunities for everyone in our small towns and rural areas throughout the country.

Let's not be taken for granted by the Nixon Republicans. Rural America has always fared best under a Democratic administration. If you want to stand up and do something good for rural America, the answer is to help put a Democrat in the White House. We need George McGovern . . . and George McGovern needs us.

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Estacado High School would like to invite all parents of the school to a meeting October 19, 1972, at the high school. The time is 7:30 p.m. and the meeting and Cheryl Clark, concessions; will be in the auditorium. Then the group will divide into two groups: Spanish will be spoken in one group and English in the other group. The purpose of the meeting is to acquaint parents with the courses offered at the school and to give them an opportunity to tour the building and visit with the counselors, principals and other people. There will be a time for questions and answers.

### **Estacado Band Sets Dance Friday Night**

Step ladders and black cats will be among appropriate decorations for a Friday the 13th Dance scheduled by the Estacado High School Band for 7:30 to 11:00 p.m. Friday in the school cafeteria.

Open to all Lubbock and area senior high school students, the dance is set on a date that is "open" for the Estacado, Monterey and Coronado football teams. Admission will be 50 cents per student.

Recorded music, dubbed "something for everyone" will feature soul, Spanish and swing sounds.

Student chairman for the dance is Steve Manahan, band vice president. Other committee chairmen include David Salas and Lois Harris, music; Joanne McDaniel and Myra Jones, decorations; Grant Hood Debra Rolfe and D.G. Flewellen, publicity; Harold Wallace, cleanup; and John Harvey, disc jockey. Only west doors of the school will be open during the event. Roy J. Barbee is band director at Estacado High School.

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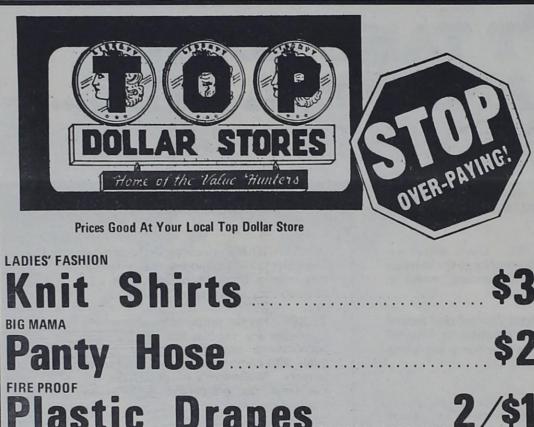
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# Minority Unrest, Lack of Communication Part of Lubbock's Mounting Problems

by Ray Chavez

Editor's Note: this is the second of a three part series concerning the feelings of several of the members within the minority communities in Lubbock and their opinions of the problems Lubbock is faced with in dealing with these forces.

Part of the blame for the plight of Lubbock's minorities must be shared by the groups themselves and the educational system. Agustin Medina of LaVoz newspaper says the lack of minority representation in government is due somewhat to the minorities themselves. "The people participate very little," he says. He attributes this, though, to a lack of sufficient education in minority areas to create qualified individuals, capable of holding office. He says poor education is the basis for many other ills in the community such as the lack of jobs, lack of economic stability, and growing welfare roles.

Eddie Richardson, executive director of the Lubbock Opportunities Industrialization Center (LOIC), says minority individuals lack the motivation to participate in civic affairs because of mistrust of the system. "There are different organizations and laws helping to alleviate the situation now," Richardson says.

LOIC is a non-profit job trainin and job placement center that seeks to train individuals, regardless of race, into skilled trades. In addition to teaching technical and office skills, LOIC trainees are given individual counseling in self help.

Although the center is open to all races, its most profound influence has been on the Black community. Reverend A.L. Davis, who brought the organization to Lubbock, says that the chicano community has been reluctant to use the facilities. Why that apathy by the Mexican-American community should exist, Davis could not say.

Father Antonio Gonzalez says he feels part of the apathy in chicanos is due to the cultural tendency of the people to be passive. He says they remain passive up until the time they can no longer stand the situation.

Gonzalez says the lack of representation and participation in government by chicanos is due to the lack of leadership among the people. He says the potential leaders are those students who have graduated from college. However, by the time these potential leaders graduate, the system has so discouraged them that they try to move out of the Lubbock area for better opportunities in less discriminatory cities.

In describing the educational system itself, Gonzalez says the Lubbock Independent School District shows no interest in the chicano and fails to see the need for a different approach to minority education. He says the present system discourages the minority student from seeking higher education. The school system, he says, tries to "Americanize" chicano

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children by discouraging bi-lingual education and by refusing to indulge in cultural awareness courses.

"Their ideas of education are different from ours," Gonzalez says, "The system should allow the children's ideas to grow and flourish and let the system bring out the awareness of the individual self."

Rev. Davis disagrees on the point of education and its relation to present minority problems. "There are 40 to 50 Blacks in this area with degrees, some with masters. Education is important, yes, but, no, this isn't the problem," Davis says. The system, Davis says, sets aside Blacks and minorities, no matter how talented.

"It isn't education, it's prejudice

and the lack of communication that keeps east Lubbock down," Davis says. Davis attributed the lack of Black representation in government to two things; prejudice and the feeling among minorities that they lack the qualifications to hold political office.

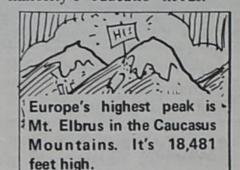
The most ambitious effort to elect a minority official is at the highest level of state government, the governorship. The Raza Unida party is actively campaigning to elect their candidate, Ramsey Muniz, to governor. Lubbock party leader, Billy Aguero, says the party is trying to form a coalition of three groups; the liberals, the Blacks, and the Chicanos, for the purpose of creating a strong voting bloc for Muniz, "The political growth of the chicano community has come. They are just beginning to realize they can become a political force," Aguero says.

La Raza Unida has been active for two years in Lubbock and has backed local candidates as well. Aguero says the previous lack of Chicano participation in government was due to the feeling of incompetence by Chicanos and the lack of self confidence in its individuals. "All we need is one big success to start everything going," Aguero says.

Aguero also agreed with some leaders that education shares part of the blame. He says the present teaching environment is inadequate and there is a failure to reach the minority student. He says he had trouble at the university level because the system failed to prepare him properly for college work.

Aguero says the school district tries to hide certain facts from the public. "For example," he says, "officials are saying the drop out rate is lower. But they don't count drop outs that occur in the summer, only those that happen during the school year."

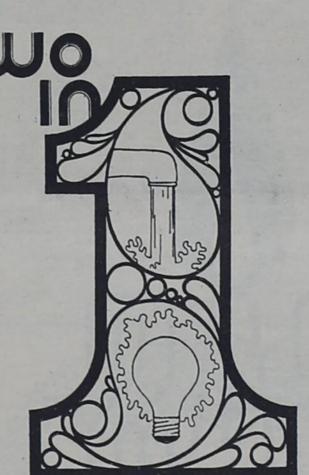
"Everything has to improve, more and faster progress can be made," Aguero says, "Education courses ignore the situation." Aguero says he believes more minority teachers need to be hired and presently talented individuals in education are leaving town. Aguero also advocated the ousting of certain education officials who have failed to respond to the minority's educatio needs.



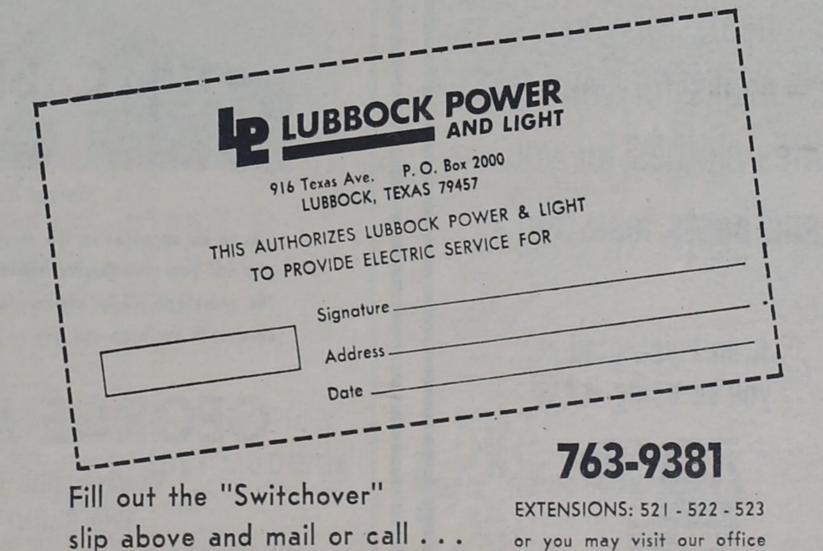
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## Catholic City Wide Reach-Out for Christ Mission Underway This Week in Amarillo



Amarillo-Father Francis Crowe O.P., pastor of St. Martin de Porres Church, at 1501 N. Adams Street here in Amarillo has announced that a Catholic City Wide Reach Out for Christ Mission began at St. Martin's on Sunday, October 8th, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Another service followed at the 6:30 Sunday evening Mass. The week-

day services, which conclude tomorrow evening, Friday, start at 7:30 p.m.

This year Father Vance Thorne, S.V.D., a native of North Carolina, and a Negro Missionary priest of St. Bartholomew's Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, will conduct the City Wide Reach-Out for Christ Mission.

### Wife of Former Pastor Is Visitor in Amarillo

Amarillo-Mrs. M.J. Stewart of Seattle, Washington, and widow of the late Dr. M.J. Stewart, pastor and founder of Shiloh Baptist Church, returned to Amarillo last week for a visit with friends. Mrs.

Stewart will be remembered as the

organizer of the Training Fellowship League, an organization of the church for the expressed purpose of creating a keen sense of Christian Fellowship through faith in God. Throughout her stay in Amarillo, Mrs. Stewart instilled in the hearts of the members courage,



Bethel A.M.E. Church

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with our pastor, Rev. A.W. Wilson, delivering a sermon which was well received by the congregation. There was one person, M.C. Jamison, joined our congregation. He is a cousin of Brother T.S. Jamison.

Visitors present at the morning services were Mrs. Napp of Amarillo, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Davenport.

Event for the week include Missionary Society meeting on Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Estelle Pierce and Official Board at 8:00 p.m. in the church auditorium.

Youth Choir rehearsal is held every Tuesday evening and Stewardess Board meets in the home

patience, hope, cheerfulness, selfrespect and Christian togetherness.

In Seattle, Mrs. Stewart is a member of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church and the Northwest Baptist Convention. In her home church she has worked in all units of the church, teacher, mission, Bible teacher and women's work.

For eight years Mrs. Stewart taught in a Japanese school. From a community aspect, Mrs. Stewart is a board member of an integrated social group.

While in Amarillo, Mrs. Stewart was the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sandy Sherman.

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of Mrs. Sarah Crawford at 8:00. Wednesday evening.

Birthdays for the week include Richard Rollison, Althea Sheffield, Darrell Berry, Dale Austin and Larry Wilson.

sick and shut-in members.

### New Hope Baptist Church

Annual Youth Day will be held Sunday, October 15th. All directors and members, as well as our young people, are asked to give your support and work with our young people.

sponsored by the Solace Board Sunday, October 22nd, at 3:00. All members will please support this program.

A special Women's Day will be held Sunday, October 29th. It will take all members working together to help make this a big day for the women.

The B.M.&E. State Convention is convening this week with the Baptist Churches of San Antonio, Texas.

Usher's rehearsal will be held Friday evening, October 20th, at 8:00. All members are asked to attend and be on time, please.

General Mission will be held Monday evening, October 30th, at 7:00. All women of the church are asked to attend.

Federation of Choirs will meet Sunday, October 22nd, at 2:30 with Greater St. Luke Baptist Church as host for the month.

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Church Dedication Services will Prayer meeting is held every be held at the Macedonia Baptist Church at Smyer, Texas, on Sun-Senior Choir No. 2 practices day, October 22nd, at 3:00. Let every Thursday evening at 8:00. us make plans to attend this service with Rev. Harris and his fine members.

Whisper a prayer for the sick and shut-ins. Mrs. Johnella Savage Let us continue to pray for our is a patient at West Texas Hospital. Mr. Clarence Ervin is a patient at Methodist Hospital.

> If you know of other sick in the church or community, please advise our pastor, Rev. A.L. Dunn.

### Twentieth & Birch Street Church of Christ

Our ladies are invited to the An Evening with Christ will be Southside Church of Christ Tuesday, October 17th, from 10:00 a. m. until 2:00 p.m. A salad lunch will be served and some outstanding ladies will speak that day. Sister Patrick Worthey, Sr. will lead the closing prayer.

The Lubbock Christian College (LCC) Bible Lectureship is scheduled for October 22nd through 25th. The theme for the meeting is "Great Verses of the Bible". There will be seven principal theme lectures and the program will offer morning sessions tailored to the interests and needs of youth ministers and Spanish speaking people. In the afternoon, there will be a dynamic preaching hour and a world Evangelism Challenge.

Jack Paul of Lubbock will be preaching at Vandellia Village Church of Christ October 15th through 18th. The theme for the services is "Revive Us Again."

Let us continue to remember all of those who are sick and shutin among us. Brother Waydell Nixon's sister, Louise Williams, remains critically ill in Dallas, Texas. Remember her in your prayers to God.

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Church News . . .

Continued From Page Ten Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church

Our Church Conference was held this week. Our district superintendent and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin L. Boyd, were present with us during this conference. A wonderful fellowship was held after the conference, with ladies of the church bringing some delicious covered dishes.

The beautiful Mums on the Altar and in the Overflow area were given by Mr. and Mrs. James E. Fuller. We are grateful to them for their thoughtfulness.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in members and

Mount Gilead Baptist Church

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Since we have gone into a different approach to our Sunday evening services, here is a schedule of who will be in charge of the next two Sunday evenings. The W.M.U. will be in charge on Sunday, October 15th; and The Sunday School, Sunday, October 22.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in members. Mrs. Geneva Baty, Mrs. Jessie Evans, and Mr. Frank Blewitt are ill this week. Let us also call or visit them whenever we can.

Greater St. Luke Baptist Church

The General Baptist Convention will convene in Wichita Falls, Texas, October 17 through 20th. Pastor Davis is on the program to deliver the evening message to the Brotherhood Union on October 19th, at 8:00. He is asking the Men's Chorus to accompany him to the convention on that day and render special music for the State Brotherhood Union.

The Lovely Sunset Executive Board is in session this week at dinners Saturday, October 14th. Sweetwater, Texas, at the Mount Rose Baptist Church, Rev. F.K. sity Hospital and we are asking Williams, host pastor.

Members of the Eunice Circle Elnora Brooks. will meet this evening at 8:00 in the home of Sister Katie Parks.

Members of the Queen of Sheba, Dorcas and Lydia Circles met in the homes of Sister Etta M. Tucker, Sister Ann Watley and Sister Mattie Walker this week.

Let us pray for and visit our

sick and shut-in members. Sister Annie Hinton is a patient at Lubbock Osteopathic Clinic and Sister Dolly Howard remains on the sick list. Brothers Wilmar Wilson and Sam Swisher are both ill.

Unite Baptist Church

The public is coridally invited to attend a special program sponsored by the Usher Board Sunday afternoon, October 15th, beginning at 3:00.

This effort, a musical, is one of many programs being sponsored by the various departments of our

Manhattan Heights Seventh-Day Adventist Church

We are inviting the public to come nightly and view the beautiful and easy to understand films of the Bible and its teaching. Don't forget to bring your Bible and follow along as the films explore in depth the Bible.

Titles for the rest of this week are: Thursday, October 12th; "God Reveals the Time of Judgement"; and Friday, October 13th; "Jesus Offers to Plead my Case."

Please feel free to come out. Times are 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Lyons Chapel Baptist Church

There are things that should be shared to fully please and our faith is the least of these. That's why we, the members of Lyons Chapel Baptist Church, invite you to share in our services.

Sunday services were good and well attended. Rev. O.D. Hollins, pastor, sermon was "Abraham Was A Friend of God." It was taken from Genesis 13:1 and 18:1-31.

We were honored by a solo from Rev. Roger Culberson who is home on leave before going to London, England.

Sunday, October 15, at 3:00, the church is to go to Bishop W.D. Havnes anniversary.

The Gospel Chorus is giving a Halloween Carnival on Friday, October 27th. The public is invit-

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Mrs. Betty Miller is in Univeryour prayers for her as well as Mrs.

Weekly meetings are as follows: Monday evening at 6:30 is Junior Choir rehearsal and Gospel Chorus practices at 7:30. On Tuesday evening, the Senior Mission meets at 7:00 and Usher meeting is at

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Friendship Baptist Church

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Superintendent Ethel Williams was at her post of duty Sunday and the Sunday school ran high. The lesson was reviewed by our pastor, Rev. S.N. North.

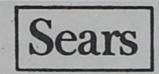
Rev. North then brought a burning message, subject, "Tell the world about Him." Text was "God is The Spirit and they that worship Him, must worship Him in the Spirit," from John 4:24.

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Realizing the importance of minority businesses, the Chamber of Commerce last year consulted with the Small Business Adminisprogram in Lubbock. The SBA at that time was trying to iniate the Minority Enterprise Small Business Investment Corporation (MESBIC) to finance or loan funds to a new business.

Plans were underway for estab-MESBIC program in California surprisingly failed. "The California program folded and we abandoned Chamber of Commerce.

plans for the program here," Logan says. He said he did not know why the California program failed.

Since then, no new programs have been begun in minority areas. "At present, there is no overwhelming big effort in the area of minority business promotion," Logan says.

Logan said, however, he had doubts whether a central program would be the answer to the problem. "It seems there is no one big way to do this. I believe it has to be done on an individual, personal basis," he says.

Logan has had several talks on tration in beginning a minorities the problem with leaders of the Black community such as Eddie P. Richardson, president of the Lubbock Opportunities Industrialization Center, and T.J. Patterson, program in Lubbock. MESBIC is editor of the West Texas Times. a lending institution established He says that there are several successful businesses in the minority minority enterprise to establish a area and hopes more can be start-

"We have taken the attitude lishing the program when a major that this community belongs to all of us, regardless of his background or skin color," Logan says of the

Senate Sidetracks . . .

Continued from Page One both conservatives and liberals agree should be replaced.

"The history is," Nelson said, "that he sent a bill to the House of Representatives that provided for a guaranteed income and several items criticized Congress for not passing it." Then, Nelson said, the President's representatives dictated a Republican platform which said: "We flatly oppose program or policies which embrace the principle of a government guaranteed income."

"On which proposition does the President stand?" the Wisconsin Senator asked.

HEW representatives professed to believe that the President is hoping the guaranteed minimum income proposal will be salvaged in the Senate-House conference committee. The House approved the plan twice, and Sen. Ribicoff agreed that "the only thing that can save the Senate from its own misdeeds is the common sense of (House Ways and Means Chairman) Wilbur Mills."

Corruption in Housing. . .

Continued From Page One homes due to foreclosure, saying this was "an absolutely phoney figure" since only one of eight unites in default is actually foreclosed. He also attacked George McGovern, the Democratic presidential nominee, who, Romney said, is a "slow learner with respect to domestic affairs and very naive in foreign affairs."

McGovern, Romney noted, "Is from a rural state (South Dakota)

and his record shows he knows very little about urban affairs."

Earlier, McGovern had labelled the Nixon Administration as "corrupt. . . the trickiest, most deceitful Administration in our entire national history" and said "the same bad odor hangs in the air around the Department of Housing and Urban Development-a department that is frozen in the ice of its own indifference."

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Afro-American HISTORY

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Some people have called Martin Luther King the "jetage Ghandi." Others have called him a "crusader without violence." The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King has been described as an idealist as well as a realist. In a sense all of these descriptions are accurate. Thrust into the international spotlight at the age of twentyseven, Reverend King was regarded in 1963 as the enduring symbol of the Negro "revolt."

Reverend King's broad public career and the Negro "revolt" began about the same time. Mrs. Rosa Parks, an Alabama seamstress, refused to yield her bus seat to a white male in accordance with the laws and customs of the state of Alabama as they existed on December 1, 1955. When Mrs. Parks was hauled away to jail, the long-standing grievances of the Negroes of Montgomery, Alabama were thrown into unbearable relief. Within five days after the arrest of Mrs. Parks, the Negroes organized the Montgomery Improvement Association (MIA) and elected the Reverend Martin Luther King president of the organization.

Thus began a struggle between the blacks and whites in the city of Montgomery, a city deep in the heart of the late Confederacy. The Negroes, under the leadership of the MIA and Martin Luther King, simply decided not to ride the buses of the Montgomery City Lines, a southern branch of the National City Lines with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. The boycott was almost immediately one hundred per cent effective. A car pool of three hundred vehicles transported Negroes to and from their jobs. Neither protests by whites nor threats, nor petty harassment hurt the new found pride of Montgomery's black citizens. United as never before, the Negroes stayed off the buses for 381 days.

Reverend King and some seventy of his followers were arrested and convicted for "illegally boycotting" the buses. Reverend King declared that his only offense was in seeking to "instill in my people a sense of dignity and self-respect." The convictions were appealed and eventually overturned. The higher court held that the segregation laws of the City of Montgomery were unconstitutional and declared an end to segregation of the city buses on December 26, 1956. When the buses resumed their rounds unsegregated, Reverend King was among the first to ride them.

During the long contest with the officials of Montgomery, Reverend King preached the gospel of love and non-violence. There was no violence from the Negroes of Montgomery. On the day the bus desegregation order reached the city, Reverend King declared that "violence must not come from any of us, for if we become victimized with months of glorious dignity will be transformed in an eve of gloomy catastrope." The only violence accompanying the desegregation of the buses came from disgruntled whites who bombed churches and assaulted Negro bus riders.

Shortly after the buses were integrated Reverend King and a group of Atlanta ministers created the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). The SCLC had broader goals than the MIA at the time it was formed. The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King spent most of his time and energy travelling the length and breadth of the country explaining the goals of the SCLC and raising funds for the support of its work.

Reverend King received the bachelor of divinity degree from Crozer in 1951. King continued his studies at Boston University and was awarded the doctor of Philoso-



phy degree in 1955. He also received the Nobel Prize for Peace which amounted to some \$64,000 in 1964. He gave it to the SCLC and other organizations to further the cause of racial peace.

He was cut down by an assassin's bullet which tore into his brain in Memphis, Tennessee in 1968. In the prime of life, Dr. Martin Luther King was halted in his search for peace, love and human justice. His work lives on however, as he lives on in the hearts of millions of men and women. -

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