

"Whites Have Mended Ways" New Muslim Chief Proclaims

Chicago — (NBNS) — Wallace Muhammad, the new leader of the Black Muslims, declared last week that white people have mended their ways, and no longer will be called "devils" by the separatist sect.

Wallace Muhammad is the son of the late Elijah Muhammad.

In an interview that was circulated by "Muhammad Speaks", the official newspaper of the Nation of Islam, the new leader said that the white man's atrocities against the black man would not be stressed.

"Yes, the past is the past, unless it is dug up," he said, adding: "We will not dig it up."

It was a dramatic departure from a long-professed custom.

Muhammad explained that the group's emphasis on the evil of

the white man has been dropped in recent years.

"When evil began to subside, we began to tone down. But we will not spare any of our energy, or even our lives if necessary, to see that our people receive freedom, justice and equality — and all people, for that matter."

He said that Muslims do not hate white people, and that his late father had made it clear that the Muslims do not teach hate. Membership in the organization, however, will be restricted to blacks, he stressed.

Referring to whites as "devils" he said: "You point out an enemy to focus attention on the enemy. When the attention has been given and the enemy has begun to reform or to correct his conduct, it would be uncivilized and certainly

ungodly to stay with the finger pointing violently at the enemy."

In recent years, the Nation of Islam has soared into prominence, gathering more respect and attention from persons who have viewed them with askance.

The Muslims have been operating successful business ventures and have effectively demonstrated that they have a grip on economic stability.

The late Elijah Muhammad, called the Messenger of Allah, died earlier this month at the age of 77 in a Chicago hospital.

Wallace Muhammad said in an interview that his own proper title is supreme Minister of the Nation of Islam and that his role will be that of a "Mujeddid" or "reviver—one who renews."

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Federation of Choirs to Celebrate Twenty-First Anniversary Sunday



Mr. Levi Lenley, director of the Mass Choir, is shown at the piano directing the choir during a practice at the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church last week. The Federation of Choirs will celebrate its 21st Anniversary Sunday afternoon, March 23, at 2:30 p.m.

"We've been working real hard for a most successful twenty-first anniversary," said Mrs. Desma Moore, past director of the annual affair and chairperson of the program. The program Mrs. Moore is referring to is the annual anniversary of the Federation of Choirs which will take place Sunday afternoon, March 23, at 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church.

Hundreds of Lubbock residents, from throughout the city, are expected to be present for the gala affair which involves choir members from churches throughout the east Lubbock community.

The director for this year's program is Mr. Levi Lenley, manager of the Universal Life Insurance Company and former pianist for the well known Ray Charles. A dynamic musician, Brother Lenley explains that this year's program is terrific and every citizen of Lubbock should be present to hear the talent of many Christians in our community.

"I've enjoyed working with this group of dedicated singers and musicians and hope that this type of effort will continue as in the past," says Mr. Lenley. "It is always good to sing God's praises," he continued.

"We are going to have a good time singing the Lord's praises," echoed Mr. A.L. Smith, president of the federation. Mr. Smith is only the third president to reign over the group in 21 years.

Music for the afternoon, with the Rising Star Baptist Church as host, will include selections from the Mass Choir and several selections. Among those songs to be sung are: "One Church, One Faith, One Lord", "Help Me To Hold Out", "He's Coming Back Again", "If Everybody Was Like Jesus", "Yield Not To Temptation", and "Rock of Ages", by the Mass Choir.

Other glorious songs will be sung with the help of soloists such as Ms. Rosanna Harris, "I Heard of A City Called Heaven"; Ms. Carla Snell, Ms. Nettie Edwards, Ms. Charlotte Deal, Ms. O.M. Spencer, Ms. M. Miller, Ms. Mae Pearl Jackson, Ms. Katie Dawson, and Mr. Lenley.

Mr. Joseph Jones will serve as organist; Ms. Jackson as pianist. Mr. Lenley will also fill in on the piano.

A beautiful processional is expected to take place with the many beautiful voices marching in singing God's praises.

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UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM—Julio Llanas, executive director of the Texas Tech University Upward Bound Program, is shown above at right about to introduce T.J. Patterson, editor of the West Texas Times, who spoke to the group several Saturdays ago. Patterson talked about the many opportunities in the newspaper business.

Minorities Urged to Seek Opportunities For Business Growth in State of Texas

Speaking last week in Austin, Texas, Alex Armendaris, director of the U.S. Department of Commerce's Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE), told a conference on minority economic involvement in today's economy that minority individuals must choose business opportunities with special care.

"The experience of many beginning minority businessmen," Armendaris said, "has been to just get their foot in the door of a business only to find that majority entrepreneurs are going out the back door into safer industries."

He cited auto dealerships, gas stations and fast foods as areas which have been hard hit in today's economy just as minorities were beginning to enter these fields.

As an alternative, Armendaris stated that it is necessary to, "Put minority businessmen at the starting gate of viable business opportunities." He cited a program initiated in 1974 by his agency in conjunction with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration designed to involve minority manufacturers in

NASA's Technology Transfer Program.

The aim of the joint effort is to identify and develop minority firms capable of producing some of the useful products which have come out of the space program for commercial markets.

Armendaris spoke at the opening session of the three-day Austin conference being attended by local business leaders and minority enterprise specialists. It is sponsored by the Mexican American Council for Economic Progress, Inc.

The Office of Minority Business Enterprise was established in 1969 in the U.S. Department of Commerce to coordinate federal and private sector efforts in the development of minority owned business enterprises.

Spring Vacation Set Next Week for Lubbock Schools

Students in Lubbock Public Schools are looking forward to next week when they will take their spring break from classes. The vacation will extend from March 24 through 28.

The final stretch of the school year will face the students when they return from vacation. The last day of classes is May 28.

Clean Up Scheduled For Neighborhood House Area Soon

On March 24, 25, 26 and 27, the boys and girls who come to Neighborhood House, 2009 East 13th Street, will work to help clean up the area around Neighborhood House and Posey School.

The children will be out between 3 and 4 p.m. those afternoons. On Friday, the children that helped clean the area will be given a party at Neighborhood House.



UNCF Gets \$50,000 From AT&T

New York — (NBNS) — The United Negro College Fund has received \$50,000 from the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Western Electric Fund towards the furnishing of the new home for the fund-raising organization.

The UNCF and the National Urban League moved in mid-February from their old building at 55 East 52nd Street into new quarters at 500 East 62nd Street. The new headquarters for the two organizations is a 20 story office building which had not been previously occupied.

The AT&T and Western Electric gift brings to \$635,000 the total that the UNCF and the NUL have jointly raised towards the \$1 million goal of furnishing and adapting the new building.

The UNCF also reported a \$100,000 grant from the Mellon Foundation towards the furnishings. The Foundation gave an equal amount to the NUL.

Gains Reported From Voting Rights Act, U.S. Declares

Washington — (NBNS) — Assistant Attorney General Stanley J. Pottinger, chief of the Department of Justice's civil rights division, testified last week that since the enactment of the

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Food Stamp Gap Widens

Washington — (NBNS) — The food stamp gap is getting wider. The program is not reaching all eligible persons.

A staff report of the Senate Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs showed that although the number of persons receiving food stamps rose from 14 million to 17.9 million in less than a year, the program is not getting to all those who are eligible.

The 71 page report revealed that 52 percent of those eligible for food stamps received them in 1972, but by September 1974, despite the increase in numbers, only 38 percent of those eligible were getting the federal food assistance.

Another report, issued last week by the Department of Agriculture, charged that the food stamp program was badly administered. It found that payment errors were made in 56.1 percent of the cases sampled, and of that amount, 23.2 percent were overpaid—receiving more assistance than they were legally entitled to.

A third report, prepared by the General Accounting Office—the investigative arm of Congress also criticized the administration of the program.

Senator George McGovern, D-S.D., who is chairman of the Senate Nutrition Committee expressed fear that the problems plaguing the food stamp program might be an invitation to those

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EDITORIALS

Congratulations, Federation of Choirs

It is always good to see organizations such as the Federation of Choirs, who are celebrating their twenty-first year of dedicated service to the citizens of Lubbock, invite the community to help them celebrate their anniversary. Although the road has been rocky in the past, this federation of gospel singers has held firm in their beliefs that God's praises should be sung the third Sunday of each month.

There has only been three presidents of this organization, and each has done their part to see that our community received a well prepared program each month. For this, we are truly blessed.

Although this organization is black orientated, the organization has done a splendid job and we should all be proud of their accomplishments.

We feel as though the entire city of Lubbock should be aware of what the Federation of Choirs is doing each month. Perhaps in the future, their Annual Anniversary Services can be seen at the Municipal Auditorium. It is, without a doubt, a gigantic affair in which more than five hundred persons come to observe this fete.

It would make a lot of sense if the Mayor of Lubbock would proclaim Sunday, March 23, as "Federation of Choirs Sunday" and invite the entire City of Lubbock to observe such a talented group of Christian men and women.

Congratulations, Federation of Choirs, for your concern in this monthly effort. We realize that it takes hard work to perform such an annual affair. Why not be a part of this gala affair on Sunday afternoon, March 23, at 2:30 p.m. at the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church. Let those tremendous singers and musicians know that you appreciate what they are doing and pledge your support for this affair and those in the future.

Keep Up The Good Work LPD

Sunday afternoon was a different thing for those persons who have been speeding with the wind on Southeast Drive and East 23rd Street. For the first time, as far as this newspaper is concerned, the Lubbock Police Department set up radar and was able to catch several persons speeding above the prescribed 30 miles per hour zone.

This is the way it should be in all parts of Lubbock. As one member of Bethel A.M.E. Church told us last Sunday afternoon: "It's about time for our church to be given the same consideration toward speeders as those who speed in the white part of town."

We must agree wholeheartedly with what the brother from Bethel was talking about. It is time for the fast driver to be stopped and fined for his disobeying of our city speed limits. If this isn't done, someone could be fatally injured regardless of the locality.

The West Texas Times endorsed the efforts by the police department last Sunday afternoon, and hopes that it will continue in weeks, month and years to come. It doesn't make sense for persons to continue to speed and break the law in any part of our city.

The several persons we saw receiving citations last Sunday were rather shocked because they were being caught in the black community on a pretty Sunday in March. Not only were black given citations, but there were white drivers who also have been guilty of breaking the 30 miles per hour law.

If this becomes a habit of setting up radar on Southeast Drive as well as the Idalou Road (where the radar was seen last Sunday afternoon) more people would become aware of how important it is to drive within the proper range of driving.

We, at the Times, say "thank you", Lubbock Police Department, for doing a splendid job. We hope that it won't be your last time to perform a worthwhile duty for the benefit of all Lubbock citizens. East Lubbock is just as important as southwest Lubbock when it pertains to the lives of the citizens of this city. Keep on doing it as it should be done, regardless if its on Southeast Drive, Quirt Avenue, 50th Street or Indiana Avenue.

Every citizen should be considered as human beings. We say keep up the good work. Your radars will help to save the lives of innocent young and old people on Sunday afternoons coming from church as well as going to work each God given day.

As I See It

by T.J. Patterson

A recent study by a University of Pennsylvania professor estimates that 65 percent of America's black teenagers are unemployed. If this is true, there is a possibility of an entire generation of young people not working before they become adults. This is a frightening statistic which could lead to a very bad situation in America.

This information came last week from Dr. Bernard Anderson, assistant professor of industry at Penn's Wharton School of Finance and Commerce. In his astounding report, he reveals that about 570,000 of the approximately 880,000 black youth between 16 and 19 years of age can't find work. He also made it clear that this jobless rate compares to about 25 percent among the nation's 7.5 million white teenagers. There is quite a difference between the two groups in regard to employment.

Every time I see young blacks, many of them have passed the teenage state, playing pool or shooting basketball in the park in Lubbock, I wonder if they really know what is happening in this country. I wonder if they really understand the situation blacks are in this day and time. On the other hand, when I see them idle and unconcerned, I wonder if they really know which way to go.

In the Lubbock, Texas community, black teenagers are still in the same unemployment situation. Summer is not far away and I hope the "powers that be" will realize that 65 percent of blacks in America unemployed is still seen at the local level. I hope something will be done to help this situation in Lubbock and America.

All of these problems regarding unemployment of our black teenagers (as well as those who are adults) can't be solved by the money from Uncle Sam. Programs designed for summer months does not really help the situation. This is only a means of turning the faucet on to put out the fire.

I would, however, like to tell young black people to start knowing something about self. Start now, finding a way to utilize your talent so you won't have to rely on anyone for a

job. It's time for you, all black youth, to start doing your thing by creating some jobs for yourself.

Playing pool, shooting a game of 21 on basketball courts, or just sitting around and hoping, won't get you a darn thing. It's time that you realize that you must get up yourselves and start putting something together. Nobody is going to give you a "cotton picking thing". You're gonna have to make your own thing happen.

I feel the same as Dr. Anderson. I don't want to scare anybody about the present situation. Nor do I want to make a horror story out of something someone released in Philadelphia last week. What I want to do is alert young blacks in Lubbock that there is a problem in the employment ranks and something has to be done about it. It's time to face the facts and start making something happen for yourself.

Unless something is done in Lubbock and other West Texas communities, crime will shoot up in a hurry. Think about it young people and start getting your thing together! Doing the "bump" won't get you anything. Why not bump your brains!!!

I can see what Johnny Nash was singing about in his million seller, "I Can See Clearly Now". This is especially true with the city of Lubbock's recent control of the Community Action Board in Lubbock County. When I was executive and assistant director of the CAB program, the city nor the county would designate themselves as sponsor. But all of a sudden, several years since CAB's beginning, they (city) decided to be sponsor.

I can also remember when the City of Lubbock refused to office the anti-poverty program in City Hall. This was a long story as to why space wasn't allocated, but now I can see clearly what is happening since the storm has gone.

It is about time for poor people, and not just black and brown people, to start seeing clearly NOW!!

The Green-Fair Manor Apartment Complex hasn't changed yet. If I read what the director of the Lubbock Housing Authority Board, David Stiles, is saying, it will never be up to its potential.

Can you imagine a director of a housing authority program making the point that sandblasting the bricks with filthy words would be too expensive, the only "other workable alternative is painting over the vandalism with black paint."

Pain the "filthy words" with black paint is only fighting a

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JACK ANDERSON'S WEEKLY SPECIAL



PRODUCTION, NOT PRICES, CUT by Jack Anderson with Joe Spear (From United Feature Syndicate)

Washington—The economic pinch has caused consumers to cut down on consumption. Under normal market conditions, this could bring down prices. But it doesn't seem to be working that way. Many major industries are reducing production rather than prices.

Despite declining demand, prices aren't coming down for aluminum, cans, steel, tires and certain industrial chemicals. This helps to keep prices high for all industrial goods.

Most of the profits reaped from the high prices, furthermore, go straight into the pockets of the middlemen.

An Agriculture Department study reveals, for example, that the middle men add about 52 cents to the price of every piece of choice meat. Back in 1971, the middle men got only 35 cents.

A congressional investigation has also concluded that higher profit margins, not higher costs, have pushed the prices up. Most of the increased profit is going to the supermarket chain stores. The congressional sleuths have already turned up evidence of meat price-fixing among the major chains.

High-priced food and consumer goods are not only depleting the housewife's budget, they are also hurting the poor.

Confidential figures show, for example, that 18.5 million Americans are now on food stamps. Of these, 4.5 million have joined the rolls just since last July, when the nation first began to feel the economic pinch. Food stamps now cost the taxpayers about \$400 million a year.

Staggering Stockpile: Despite the negotiations with Russia to limit arms, the U.S. nuclear stockpile is proliferating wildly. We are accumulating nuclear weapons so rapidly, in fact, that Congress is thinking of limiting production by legislation.

Figures compiled by the Center for Defense Information show some 30,000 nuclear weapons in the U.S. stockpile. The most deadly are 8,000 "strategic" bombs.

These can be attached to missiles, carried on submarines and flown in bombers. New "strategic" bombs, meanwhile, are being produced at the rate of three a day.

The remaining 22,000 atomic weapons are "tactical" nukes. Half of them are spread around the world, both on land and sea. There are about 7,000 tactical nukes, for example, in Europe alone—including countries that are turning increasingly anti-American such as Greece, Turkey, Spain and Portugal.

Some members of Congress are worried over the frightening growth of the nuclear stockpile. South Dakota's Sen. James Abourezk, for example, has told us he may introduce a bill that would limit production and call for the withdrawal of our nuclear weapons from Europe.

Reform Problems: There has been quiet grumbling in the cloakrooms of Congress about the new reforms adopted earlier this year.

The biggest problem is the huge increase in staff provided under the House reform. Some senior lawmakers are now complaining that the extra staff may be a mixed blessing.

Each subcommittee may hire at least two more staff members. Committee payrolls and offices, therefore, are being stretched to the breaking point. In fact, Congress has already agreed to spend an extra \$17.5 million for additional office parking space.

On the Senate side, the problems are a little different. Each senator receives several "positions" for staffers on various subcommittees. And now they are being asked to demonstrate that those staffers are actually doing committee work. Sen. Ted Kennedy, for example, was challenged about the use of his subcommittee staffs.

Office space in the Senate is also at a premium. In fact, several aides to Pennsylvania's Sen. Richard Schweiker are doing their work in a congressional hallway.

For the first time in 40 years, Congress has the power to stand up to the President. IN the rush to reform the legislative branch, however, Congress may have wound up more cumbersome than ever.

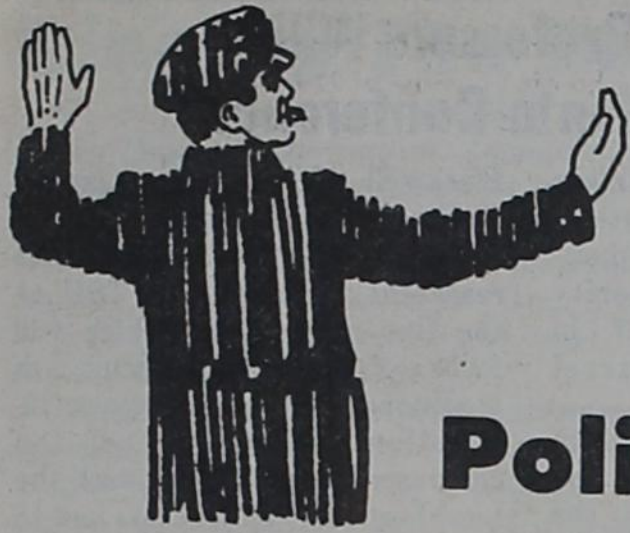
Crime Wave: The rise in unemployment, prices and drug use has caused a new crime wave. The number of burglaries nationwide has dramatically increased since the recession settled in.

The newest development is the rise in first offenders—law-abiding citizens who turn to crime in desperation. There is the poignant case of the unemployed Tennessee carpenter, for example, who robbed \$84 from a small grocery store. He spent the stolen cash at another store on food for his family.

Somnolent Senator: Sen. John Sparkman, D-Ala., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, is going to have to wake up if he ever hopes to match the reputation of his predecessor, former Sen. William Fulbright. Sparkman, it seems, has a habit of dozing during testimony. And recently he flabbergasted a prominent Washington journalist by nodding off into dreamland during a luncheon interview.

Washington Whirl: Prison officials are having fits over a new drug similar to LSD which is being smuggled into penal institutions as a dot in a typed letter. Inmates swallow the dot, paper and all....Former Nixon speech writer and press critic Patrick Buchanan has begun writing a newspaper column. When he set up shop in the Newhouse newspaper chain offices in Washington, several veteran journalists had to be displaced to create a working space that met Buchanan's specifications....Rep. Lester Wolff, D-N.Y., glanced out of his office window recently and saw a group of men on his balcony fiddling with electronic equipment. It turned out that his neighbor Rep. Patsy Mink, D-Hawaii, was setting up for a microwave broadcast to her Pacific constituency....If congressional investigators dig far enough into the CIA's alleged role in the assassination of Dominican dictator Rafael Trujillo, they'll find that he contributed a bundle to the campaigns of prominent congressmen and senators.

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Police Beat

Car Burglary

"People will take advantage of your possessions", were the words of Paul White, 2609 East Auburn, after someone had ripped off some of his belongings from his 1968 model automobile one day last week.

Brother White told police that persons unknown entered his car and took a tape player and radio combination, valued at approximately \$129.00. Also taken from the car was his favorite "Soul Train" track tape valued at \$5.98.

If you ask Brother White, he will tell you that he'll keep his car locked from now on.

House Burglary

Dorothy Gibbs, 3414 East Colgate, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown entered her house one day last week and took advantage of her not being there. It was learned that the burglars came through the backyard fence and cut a small hole in the garage door. The hole was large enough to reach inside and unlock the door.

After entering the west utility door, by kicking the door down, they damaged Mrs. Gibbs floor.

Taken from the house were two pounds of pork chops, lying on the kitchen cabinet awaiting to be fried for the evening meal; three pounds of pork chops and two pounds of bacon from the refrigerator. All in all, approximately \$10 worth of meat was taken from the kitchen.

Taken from the bedroom was \$5.00 in change in a cigar box and a yellow gold ring valued at approximately \$60.

She told police that she believed some teenagers were responsible for the incident.

House Burglary

Freddy White, 2808 Juniper Avenue, Apt. 12, reported to Lubbock police that someone unknown entered his apartment while he was away one day last week. Entry was apparently gained by breaking the window to the bedroom.

Taken from the house was a set of \$5.00 dominoes and a pair of maroon double knit pants, valued at \$20.

Damage to the window is believed to be \$10.

House Burglary

Dean Taylor, 1611 Avenue D, Apt. 15, is appreciative of the help of his sister-in-law for coming to his rescue one day last week. She made it possible for a person responsible for the incident to be arrested at the scene by Lubbock

No Way

Learn from the mistakes of others—you don't live long enough to make them all yourself.

—Chest, Norfolk, Va.

around the hub city

The Dunbar Booster Club meeting scheduled for March 24th has been rescheduled for Monday, March 31st at 7 p.m. due to the spring break.

Mrs. Bobbie Patterson, sophomore advisor in the College of Business Administration at Texas Tech University, attended a three day conference on Black Higher Education at Austin, Texas last week. George Scott, assistant dean of student affairs at Texas Tech, also attended the conference.

Mr. Salome Cunningham is still a patient at the V.A. Hospital at Albuquerque, New Mexico and is still receiving various tests.

Mr. Ben Smith remains about the same at Methodist Hospital. His family is keeping close vigil at his bedside.

Rev. T.B. Reece is still holding his same resistance at home. Mrs. Leaner Goldstien is listed with the shut-ins this week. Her sister, Luecreasia Lester of Hobbs, N.M., has replaced her sister, Bertha Cowin, who has been here a few weeks.

Darrell E. Berry has been on the ailing list a few days last week. He is, however, much improved at this report.

Mr. Arthur J. Owens left Friday evening for his home in Dallas, after spending several days here attending to business. He also assisted his aunt, Mrs. M.E. McGowen, with some government business. He spent an evening with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Florence Collins and family, while here. While here his daughter called from Dallas to report that his home had been burglarized.

Mrs. Katie Rollison is home from Highland Hospital and is recuperating satisfactorily at home. Mrs. Marie Hibbler is still quite ill at Methodist Hospital. Mrs. Callie Cato, Mrs. Minnie Jackson and Mrs. Susie Moore are doing nicely at rest homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Johnson are still doing nicely at home.

Rev. and Mrs. Nolan Sams left early Tuesday via airlines for their home in Santa Monica, California after attending funeral services for Hattie Thomas here Monday morning at the 20th and Birch Street Church of Christ.

Mr. Robert Anderson, 1832 Manhattan Drive, is home from

the hospital after recuperating from an illness. He is reported to be doing nicely at this time.

Final Rites Pending For Mrs. Katie Snell

Final rites are pending for Mrs. Katie Snell, longtime resident of Lubbock, who died here Monday. South Plains Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Services will be held at New Hope Baptist Church.

Matador Message

by Myrna Whitehead

"Isle of the Golden Dream" will be the theme of this year's Coronation Ball and Dance to be held in the Estacado High School Auditorium on April 5.

The main purpose of the Coronation is to honor the parents of the students marching. Such students will be members of the executive council, Who's Who of the different classes, president and secretaries of each class and candidates for Mr. and Miss EHS.

Candidates for Miss EHS are: Gelater Bradley, Linda Clay, Maxine Jackson, Carol Lee, JoAnn McDaniel, Bernice Mendez and Velma Smith.

Candidates for Mr. EHS are: Stanley Bolden, Dwight Delgado,

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Final Tribute Held Thursday for Former Lubbock Resident, Mrs. Hattie Thomas

Funeral services were conducted last Thursday morning, March 13, at 11 a.m. at the 20th and Birch Street Church of Christ for Mrs. Hattie Thomas, a former long time resident of Lubbock, who passed away Wednesday, March 5, at a hospital in Santa Monica, California following a brief illness.

Services were held Monday, March 10, at the Church of Christ at 11:30 a.m. at Santa Monica, California. Brother O.J. Dyson officiated and Spaulding Mortuary Directors of Santa Monica in charge of arrangements.

The body arrived in Lubbock by air Friday evening and South Plains Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Her daughter and son-in-law, Rev. and Mrs. Nolan Sams; and her son, Charles, accompanied the body here.

Brother Lebert Walters officiated the services here.

Mrs. Hattie Sims Thomas was born December 30, 1887 at Forrester, Texas. She was the daughter of Anderson and Reva Sims. May 16, 1910, she was united to Chilton Thomas and this

union was blessed with four children, two have preceeded her in death.

She was converted in early youth and was a member of the A.M.E. Church. In 1946, she obeyed the Gospel and was baptized by Brother Dennis Glover of Amarillo, Texas. In 1961, a few years after the death of her husband, she moved to California to be with her children, and made her home with her daughter and family after she retired.

Her grandson, Roy Green, who retired from the U.S. Services passed away two years ago in Michigan.

Mrs. Thomas was a dutiful Christian worker throughout her religious life.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Eula Mae Sams; a son, Charles Henry Thomas; two granddaughters, Mrs. Charlie Faye Hubbard and Miss Helen Thomas; two great grandchildren, all of Santa Monica, California; a grand daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ruth Green and two children, Tommy and Angel Marie Green, all of Michigan; a daughter-in-law, Mrs.

Mable Cassius; a sister, Mrs. Ocie Harris of Dallas; many relatives, including the Pitts, Glasper, and the Carrol families; and many nieces and nephews in Lubbock.

The news of her death was quite a shock to friends in Lubbock.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery with South Plains Funeral Home in charge. Pallbearers were nephews of the family.

Pearl Reed Circle Presents Program

The newly organized Pearl Reed Circle of Mount Gilead Baptist Church, sponsored a "Shamrock Tea" Monday evening, March 17 (St. Patricks Day).

According to a spokesman of the circle, games were played and members were dressed in long green skirts and white blouses in fellowship hall of the church.

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A dance will follow in the cafeteria with the price of admission being 75 cents a head. Only the candidates will be admitted free in the dance.

"Clean Up EHS" is a committee sponsored by Teresa Fulson and Cathy Caraway met Friday armed with paint brushes with the hope of cleaning up areas in EHS.

The first area to be cleaned was the bathrooms throughout the building. The group scrubbed the walls and doorways before applying a fresh coat of paint. This group was organized to help in

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Texas Southern Professors Will Participate in Atlanta Conference

Three Texas Southern University professors will participate in the First Conference on Educational Computing in Minority Institutions, March 24-27 in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Harvel encouraging school pride at EHS. Their next task will be distributing trash cans in the halls.

Blackwell (physics), Dr. Llayron Clarkson (mathematics) and Dr. Joseph Jefferson (educational research) will represent TSU at the five day session which will focus on acquainting faculty at traditionally black four-year institutions on the use of the computer to assist them with the teaching/learning process, and to inform them of the hardware and instructional techniques that may be employed in improving their science education programs.

ABCD, a group composed of Alan Gant, Brenda Gant, Carl Judie and James Davis, managed to win the top singing award as a result of the talent show held at EHS last Friday night.

Special talent award was won by Demetra Collins and Best All Around Performance was won by TNT, a group led by Joe Lee. Best Dance talent went to The Kids composed of Jonita Dewberry, Bridget Dewberry, John Wilkerson and James White.

The chief areas of concern at the conference will be mathematical, physical, natural, social and management sciences. Each of the 200 participants from 86 minority colleges and universities will attend group sessions with faculty of the same discipline. At these sessions, faculty who have used the computer in their classes will present their materials to attendees from their discipline.

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symptom. It's time for the Lubbock Housing Authority board to start getting down to the basic cause of the problems that Green Fair Manor has. If vandals are destroying property, then they should be caught and dealt with. This is your alternative Mr. Stiles. Green Fair Manor doesn't need any black painted buildings.

If need be, hire security guards over there to apprehend those persons who are responsible for writing filthy words on the brick buildings. Black is beautiful, but not in the sense where the brick buildings should be painted black.

I hope, for God's sake, that black tenants in Green Fair Manor won't sit back and let this type of thing happen to this apartment complex. There are too many good citizens who reside in the Green Fair Manor who can help solve this situation if management would do their part.

No one wants to see filthy words on the buildings, so let's get down to business and see that those persons responsible are caught and dealt with. Without a doubt, this is a workable plan. It's no time to be "stumped" Mr. Stiles.

Quote of the Week: "When we're sober and pumping hope in our brains rather than dope in our veins, our future is brilliant". Rev. Jesse Jackson, national president of PUSH.

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New Mexico Public Service Commission Faces Greatest Challenge In Its History: While Texas battles to set up a state regulatory body for public utility rates in the current legislative session, the New Mexico Public Service Commission which is suppose to regulate rates in the "land of enchantment" is in deep trouble with some gas users in the South-eastern section of the state.

Charges of secrecy, postponements and various other types of manipulations have been hurled at the New Mexico regulatory agency by the Rev. Mr. Frank Wells, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church of Hobbs for nearly four decades and Chairman of the Concerned Citizens for Reasonable Gas Rates in Hobbs and Lea County. Nearly ten thousand persons in the area have signed petitions, written letters, made telephone calls, held mass protest meetings and otherwise protested what they have called exorbitant gas rates charged by the Hobbs Gas Company and allowed by the New Mexico Public Service Commission through a "fuel cost adjustment", according to the fighting black preacher of Ebenezer. Nonetheless, the additional charges have been in effect since 1971 and recent news reports are that an additional "adjustment fee" will be asked for residential gas users that could push the rates to 50 percent or more higher than in 1971, some observers point out.

The New Mexico Public Service Commission the past week confirmed that the recessed public hearing into a proposed new gas rate hike another 13 percent for the Hobbs Gas Co. will resume at 9:30 a.m. March 12th in Santa Fe.

The Hobbs Daily News Sun this past week reported that Commission Vice Chairman Morris Yashvin "declined comment when reached in Santa Fe on the statement by Rev. Frank Wells, that the recent gas rate increase was not a legal one because he, as intervenor, was not a party to the settlement (Case 1046) revealed Feb. 7 by the Public Service Commission with the granting of a 26 percent rate increase to Hobbs Gas Co."

Through the years, Rev. Frank Wells has been known as the "fighting parson." A man of strong convictions, he has engaged in a number of political, civic, education and other arenas where he was often heard to say: "I'll stay in this fight if needs be until hell freezes over." And while he is not a young man anymore fresh from the wide plains of West Texas when he arrived in Hobbs nearly 40 years ago, the battle scars are showing as he engages the New Mexico Public Service Commission and the Hobbs Gas Co. He told Gil Hinshaw, managing editor of the Hobbs News Sun recently "there is no road in this world so long but what it has an end." Gil asks: "Could it be that he is voicing frustration over the fact that he has received little financial support in his long battle to prevent higher gas rates from becoming effective in this area?" He told an audience of concerned citizens on gas rates recently that his appearance before the New Mexico Public Service Commission on March 12 would be his last as chairman of the group. Many of his friends believe that although aging, he will not give up the fight at this stage of the game. He did add this: "All we have to do is take this case to the New Mexico Supreme Court because PSC has not followed the law in these cases", the Concerned Citizens leader concluded.

One bellringer told me: "Hell hasn't froze over yet". And knowing Rev. Wells as he is, friends say that "the man will die with his boots on". Others say, "there can be no doubt that being black has given him many disadvantages in this last battle he has engaged in with the boys uptown." Only time will tell but Frank Wells has already written his name indelibly on the pages of Hobbs and Lea County history.



Black Business Counters White House Agenda

Washington, D.C.—At the request of the National Business League, Black business leaders convened in emergency caucus on the eve of a White House "Think Tank" session which is scheduled to discuss the future organizational structure of federal programs affecting minority business enterprises.

Approximately 100 representatives of minority business and economic development groups rejected in that meeting, the agenda proposed by the White House because of the narrowness of its scope in dealing only with the roles of the Small Business Administration and the Office of Minority Business Enterprise.

The group called for an immediate Presidential Executive Order, affirming an expanded commitment to be implemented within thirty days.

It was agreed that the expanded commitment should include recognition of the need for legislative support for a broad-based community economic development program, encompassing jobs, housing and business development. The group will mobilize their communities in support of those members of Congress who will enact the vital legislation and appropriations.

Speaking at an 11:30 a.m. press conference, Dr. Berkeley G. Burrell, President of the 75 year old organization said: "No one in America can disagree with that need. We can only hope that government and this Administration will not ignore it."

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7-Year-Old Angela Clark is Guest Soloist

Miss Angela Clark, age 7, who has been singing since the age of three, will be the guest soloist on the Angelic Choir's Musical program Sunday evening, March 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the church auditorium of the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, 2512 Fir Avenue.

Angela loves to sing praises to the Lord and always sings when given an opportunity. She eagerly sings at home, school and church. Many of her friends admit that she does a beautiful job.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Heneritta Clark and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Leggett.

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South Plains Council of Boy Scouts of America Slates Spring Planning Confab

The South Plains Council will conduct their Spring Planning Conference Thursday, March 20 at the First Presbyterian Church in Lubbock according to Jack Baker, Council President.

One hundred Scouters from the seven Districts are planning to participate according to Baker. Committee and District Chairmen to complete planning include: Finance, Rolan Simpson; Relationships, Dr. J. Taylor Evans; Communications, Bob Tong; Boy Scouting, Dr. John Bradford; Exploring, Joe Price; all of Lubbock, and Cub Scouting under C. Roy Wright of Levelland.

Lonnie Hollingsworth, 1975 Sustaining Membership Chairman, expects 52,000 or 50 percent of the \$105,000 goal to be turned in at the Spring Meeting. Kick off meetings have been held in 30 of the Council's 45 communities, Hollingsworth stated. A goal of 5,000 sustaining members in the 20 County Council are expected.

Highlights of the conference will be summer camp details for Camps Post in Texas, and Tres Ritos in New Mexico.

Also plans will be reviewed for organizing 50 new Scout units through the Together Plan under the leadership of C.H. "Champ" Rainwater of Lubbock.

The South Plains Council has 10,000 youth members with 3,000 adult leaders in the 20 County South Plains area with Lubbock as the headquarters city. District

Chairman include: Auvy McBride, Lamesa; Jim Blasingame, Levelland; Kent Akin, Plainview; Adrian Taylor, Ralls; and Grover Colvin, Dr. Lowell Snyder, and Herb Allman of Lubbock.

Area Men In Service

Army Private Joe Cortez, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seledino Cortez, 1918 E. First St., Lubbock, is serving as a supply clerk in the 182nd Maintenance Company in Nurnberg, Germany.

Marine PFC Rodney A. Evans, brother of Mr. Bobby L. Evans of 1504 E. 1st Street, Lubbock, was promoted to his present rank while serving at the Marine Corps Air Station, Beaufort, S.C.



Navy Seaman Recruit Roger H.

Lopez, son of Mrs. Frances V. Espinoza of 2222 Second Place, Lubbock, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Orlando, Fla.

The training included instruction in seamanship, military regulations, fire fighting, close order drill, first aid and Navy history.

Cuts in Child Food Aid is Rapped

Washington — (NBNS) — The chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus has rapped the Ford Administration's proposed plan to cut \$600 million from childhood nutrition programs.

U.S. Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., said he has offered legislation in the House that would not only maintain the programs at their existing levels but also expand the concept. Similar legislation has been introduced in the Senate.

"It is becoming quite apparent that this Administration is going to pursue its policy of making those within our society who can least afford cutbacks in social programs bear the major brunt of the current economic crisis," Rangel said.

"Cutting out funds for a program which helps provide balanced lunches to school aged children isn't the way to deal with our budgetary problems. The savings that will allegedly result if the plan is adopted must be measured against the malnutrition of the lifestyles of hundreds of poor families in this nation."

Rangel pointed out that the President had attempted to kill the Food Stamp program by raising the cost of it to participants. He declared that the Congress would also be successful in turning back the proposal on the School Lunch program.

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Sports of The Times

by Joe Kelly

You spend days in eager anticipation and then, wham, it's here and gone all too soon. That's the way it was with the first round action in the NCAA basketball tournament.

You wondered, could A&M beat Cincinnati? Would Maryland blow Creighton off the floor? Would John Lucas be the All American you expected? Would Cincinnati's freshman dominated team collapse under pressure?

The answers weren't long in coming. Cincinnati didn't collapse. Maryland didn't blow Creighton off the floor. Lucas was every bit an All America. A&M couldn't win.

The Aggies, possibly affected with the playoff jitters, failed to take advantage of many scoring opportunities. They missed crisp shots, couldn't tip in follow shots, missed far too many one and one free throws in the first half.

And the cold spell just before the half (4:56 without scoring a point) killed the Aggies. The score seemed to hang on 24-21, Cincinnati, interminably. Finally the Bearcats broke it and ran off six quick points. A&M never recovered.

A&M never gave up, though. They fought back and climbed within winning range late in the second half. But Cincinnati was equal to the challenge and A&M's season was over.

"We didn't play well," a self controlled Shelby Metcalf said afterwards. "I still think we could beat Cincinnati. We took too many bad shots, too many forced shots. It was on me. I should have made some changes before I did."

Cincinnati coach Gale Catlett said he had an advantage in that A&M never had a chance to see him play.

"We did some things that they hadn't had a chance to see," he declared. "I'll tell you one thing. I'm glad that we didn't have to play them down at their place. That's something else!"

Creighton, even in losing, was impressive. The Bluejays kept fighting back against heavily favored Maryland. Just when it looked as though the Terps were going to break the game wide open, here came the Jays. Time and again they cut the lead.

Whether Maryland was overconfident or not, no one knows. Certainly the Terps didn't play like the nation's No. 4 ranked team. Good, but not impressive, especially with 23 turnovers.

Possibly the most impressive one player in the tournament, in my opinion, was Brad Davis, the sensational Maryland freshman. Davis was the heart and soul of the Terp attack.

It has been many seasons since I've seen a more poised, capable freshman. Davis took charge. He ran the Maryland offense. He's the leader and he directed the club smoothly. He drives. He feeds. He plays defense. He's something else.

Lucas, of course, is little short of sensational in action. He has a soft touch in shooting. And he has quickness. If you give him an inch, he'll score. He'll score even with a hand in his face.

Unless you're looking for him, though, he's the type of player that seems to blend in with the team. But you notice him quickly when he shoots. Covering him is like trying to hit ping pong balls in a tornado.

And so it's on to the regionals for Cincinnati and Maryland, where they'll play Louisville and Notre Dame respectively. The Cincinnati-Louisville game should be a good one and the Maryland-Notre Dame battle could be titanic.

A lot can happen, of course, but it begins to look like a championship battle between Indiana and UCLA. Both have rugged paths to travel and neither might make it. But, based on the ability each has, they should reach the finals.

Gale Catlett, long after his game was over, was talking about the crowd. He thought it should have been bigger. Dave Cawood, NCAA office, told him how difficult it was to get colleges to take the playoffs—work, money, lack of interest, etc.

If Tech had been in the playoffs, there'd have been a packed house, someone remarked.

That led Catlett into a discussion of a "home" team playing. "There's no question in my mind that the home crowd made the difference for Arizona State", he said. "On some other court, I'm sure Alabama would have won. But I don't know what you can do about it, either."

The Roundup—Tech entertained the largest contingent of news media for one event in its history. There were 66 radio, newspaper and TV men covering the playoffs. That's bigger than the coverage of the All America game.....Trust Shelby Metcalf to come up with a great quip. He had attacked the Dallas Morning News for downgrading SWC basketball play. Mike Jones, a News sports staffer, jumped Shelby about it. They agreed it was a writer who hadn't seen the Aggies play all season. "He wears sweat sox," Shelby opined. "I'm suspicious of anyone who wears sweat sox and sandals!".....That technical foul called on Creighton's Tom Anderson? On a three-on-none fast break, Anderson held the player with the ball. The call was correct, but Maryland was arguing that they should have two points. Maryland lost.....SWC publicist Bill Morgan came up with a classic Saturday night. "I know a plumber who's so independent that he doesn't even make house calls!"



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Huston-Tillotson College Finishes United Negro College Fund 1974 Campaign

The Huston-Tillotson College United Negro College Fund finished its 1974 Campaign in Austin by raising \$29,821.21. The 1974 goal for the Austin area was \$50,000.

The United Negro College Fund (UNCF) is the largest single private fund drive for financial support of Black Heritage Colleges. The UNCF is a federation of 41 private and fully accredited predominately Black colleges and universities through which a joint annual appeal for support is made.

UNCF Campaign monies are to help meet operating expenses, such as: student financial aid, faculty salaries, instructional equipment, library resources, and the development of new educational programs.

Other Texas UNCF colleges are Bishop College (Dallas), Jarvis Christian College (Hawkins), Paul Quinn (Waco), Texas College

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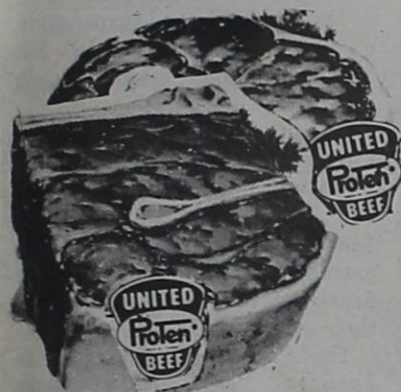
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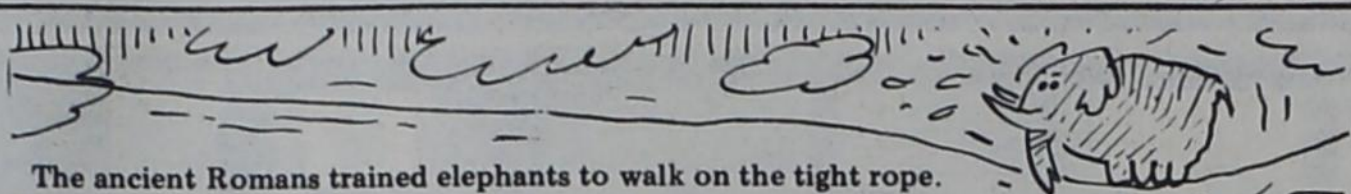
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Blacks Suspended from School is Much Higher Numbers than Whites

Washington — (NBNS) — Black students are suspended from school at twice the rate of whites. That's the conclusion of a Health, Education and Welfare Department's survey of disciplinary actions during 1972-73, in 2,908 school systems across the country.

Black students, comprising 27 percent of the estimated 24 million students of all races at the 2,908 schools, accounted for 42 percent of all suspensions and 37 percent of all expulsions.

The report showed that 6 percent of the 6.5 million black students in the schools were suspended at least once, compared to 5 percent of the 9.1 million total for all minorities and only 3 percent of the 14.8 million whites.

The HEW survey pointed out that blacks, as a result of the suspensions and expulsions, miss an average of 4.5 days of school, compared to an average of 4.3 days for all minorities, and only 3.5 days for whites.

In Maryland school systems, for example, blacks in Prince George's County make up 28 percent of the total enrollment, but 43 percent of total suspensions. In Montgomery County, it was just as bad—blacks total 7 percent of the student

population, but 17 percent of those suspended.

In the Virginia school systems, Arlington County which has a 13 percent black student body accounted for 41 percent of black suspensions. And in Alexandria, where blacks represented 37 percent of the total enrollment, the suspension rate was an unbelievable 64 percent.

The whole issue of suspensions, expulsions or "push outs" has sparked serious debate among civil rights organizations.

At the helm is the NAACP's Legal Defense and Educational Fund, which has filed suit against the Prince George's County School system, alleging that the extremely harsh suspensions are depriving the black students of their educational rights.

The Supreme Court ruled in January, 1975, that students facing temporary suspension from public school have property and liberty rights and must be accorded due process in disciplinary cases.

Wise Fertilizer Use Urged for Lawns

Due to short fertilizer supplies and resulting high prices, homeowners are urged to use fertilizer wisely for lawn maintenance.

With the world food crisis that has resulted in part from short fertilizer supplies, we can all do our part in conserving scarce plant nutrients.

Although less than three and a half per cent of the fertilizer consumed in the United States is used on lawns and other landscape areas, judicious use of plant nutrients is important.

Why can the homeowner do to conserve fertilizer?

First of all, a knowledge of fertilizer requirements for your lawns is important. St. Augustine, centipede and zoysia grasses all require less nitrogen fertilizer than does bermudagrass. Bermudagrass requires three or four applications of fertilizer per year to maintain a complete turf cover while the other grasses only require spring and fall applications.

Spring and fall fertilizer applications should be at the rate of two pounds of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet of lawn area. For a fertilizer containing 10 per cent nitrogen, 20 pounds per 1,000 square feet would be needed to meet this requirement. Doble suggests using organic or slow-release fertilizers when available as these are formulated especially for lawn use.

For a rapid greening response during summer months, a soluble fertilizer material should be used at a rate of one pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet.

The Texas A&M University System specialist recommends fertilizing in the spring and fall to encourage root development of the grass without excessive leaf growth. Deep root systems make better use of available soil nutrients and moisture and help grasses survive summer and winter stress periods.

Increasing the mowing height of the lawn in early summer also helps promote deeper root development. St. Augustine grass lawns should be mowed at least one-half inch higher in the summer, or at a height of two to two-and-a-half inches. Higher mowing heights also reduce the frequency of mowing.

Doble advises against removing grass clippings after mowing. Clippings contain plant nutrients

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Rising Star Baptist Church

We, the members of Rising Star Baptist Church, enjoyed another day serving the Lord last Sunday. The prayer service was very good and the choir sang beautifully. The spirit was very high.

Please let's pray for one of our members, Sister Cornie Williams, who has lost her brother. She will leave for Paris, Texas this week.

Let us continue to pray for the sick and shut in members. Why not send them cards of cheer and go by and visit with them.

Anyone who won't be in the Easter program, please get in touch with Sister Faye Williams.

Bethel A.M.E. Church

Our assistant pastor, Rev. Jack Robinson, did a splendid job in delivering the morning message last Sunday morning. Senior Choir Number Two was responsible for the music of the hour.

Senior Choir Number Two reported a splendid program last Sunday afternoon. The Mount Gilead Baptist Church, with Rev. Jones, and choir, did a splendid job.

All parents, members and friends are asked to have their Easter Eggs ready for our annual Easter Egg hunt Saturday afternoon, March 29, by 1 p.m. If you would like to donate eggs for our annual affair, please contact our Sunday School superintendent, T.J. Patterson. Any young people who would like to help this year are asked to do the same.

Mrs. A.W. Wilson has announced a beautiful program for Sunday evening, March 30, at 7:00 p.m. If any young people would like to participate, please contact Mrs. Wilson. Music is expected to be furnished by Youth Choirs Number One and Two.

The Adult Sunday School Class made their contribution to the special Third Sunday project. Monies were taken up to be presented to a needy family in our community.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Those on the sick list include Rev. T.B. Reece.

Mount Gilead Baptist Church

"Mount Gilead Baptist Church, the friendly church where the soul and spirit meet. The church where everybody is somebody. The church extends to members and public a cordial and clarion call to worship with us each week."

The Angelic Choir is looking forward to their program to be held Sunday evening, March 23, at 7 p.m. This will be their second effort of the year. They are having a guest soloist, and are looking forward to seeing you there.

The W.M.U., in conjunction with the Brotherhood Union, presented a wonderful and enlightening program last Sunday evening.

The Junior Ushers will be in charge of the Easter program Sunday evening, March 30. They are looking forward to seeing each of you there.

Let us remember our sick and shut in members.

Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church

We are still on the Mission for the Lord. With God all things are possible for those that love the Lord. We need support in our efforts to tell the world about the love of Jesus. Will you lend your support? Sister Marguriete Dixon and Sister Hazel Taylor are the teachers for the Bus Ministry. Let them know you want to help.

Members of the Eunice Circle will meet tonight, Thursday, in the home of Sister Alberta Franklin, 3113 Teak Avenue, at seven.

Members of the Queen of Sheba

and Dorcas Circles met in the homes of Sister Carrie Mims and Sister Luella Scott this week. Both groups reported a splendid meeting.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at the church at seven. The church and family that prays together stays together. The only hope we have is in Jesus.

Congratulations are in order for Coach and Mrs. Louis Kelly on the birth of their son.

Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Those on the sick list include Sisters Lillie Hall, Roberta Cook, Mattie L. Smart, Dolly Howard and Mamie Nelson. Rev. Samuel Swisher is on our sick and shut in list.

Mount Vernon United Methodist Church

United Methodist Churches of Lubbock plan a joint meeting during Holy Week services at the First United Methodist Church. Services are planned for 7 p.m., Sunday, March 23, and 12:05 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. March 24 through 26. Services will be led by Bishop W. McFerrin.

Our congregation will observe Good Friday worship at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 28. Regular worship services will be held Sunday morning, March 30, at 11 a.m. and an Easter program at 7 p.m.

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

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- Name of bank with trust powers holding Perpetual Care Fund. Lubbock National Bank, Lubbock, Texas.
- Filing Fee (Fee must accompany this report):
For cemetery serving population of 25,000 or more \$50.00
- (a) Detailed sworn statement of Perpetual Care Funds held in Bank is attached to and made a part hereof, total of which is: Principal Amount \$68,098.05
(b) Total amount of Perpetual Care Fund not yet collected on term sale contracts but allocated for Perpetual Care, now in process of collection and to be paid to Trustee as collected according to Trust Agreement \$24,348.50
Trust Agreement provides for minimum per square foot of grave space, crypt or niche as provided by law.
Trust Agreement provides for Perpetual Care reserve to be collected from last money collected on each contract.
All money collected on term contracts and allocated to Perpetual Care Trust Fund has been paid to Trustee.
(c) Total Principal of Perpetual Care Funds \$92,446.55
- (a) Number of sq. ft. grave space disposed of under Perpetual Care subsequent to 8/23/63 to date of this report at 50¢ per square foot; 171,489 square feet \$85,744.50
(b) Number of crypts disposed
of Under Perpetual Care Minimum Requirements Required Total
Number Amount
Subsequent to 8/23/63 to date of this report, 110, \$40.00 each \$4,400.00
Subsequent to 8/23/63 to date of this report, 16, \$20.00 each \$320.00
(c) Number of niches disposed of under Perpetual Care None
(d) Total requirements for all sales made under Perpetual Care. \$90,464.50
Amount placed in Perpetual Care Fund is excessive of the amount required by law,
Excess \$1,982.05
- The number of sales made prior to 8/23/63 is none.
- The requirements of Section 16 of Cemetery Code pertaining to sign, and statement on certificate of ownership and contract have been complied with.

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Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Bobby D. Assiter and Janice M. Assiter, known to me to be the President and Secretary, respectively, of PEACEFUL GARDENS MEMORIAL PARK, INC. and being by me duly sworn, on oath did depose and say, each for himself, that each of the affiants had read the above and foregoing report of status of Perpetual Care funds of said Cemetery, that each knows the contents thereof, and that the facts set forth therein are known by each of said affiants to be in all things true and correct.

BOBBY D. ASSITER, President
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Lubbock Congratulates the Federation of Choirs on Its

History of Federation of Choirs

by Mrs. Maunita Terrell
Past Secretary

The present organization of the Federation of Choirs was born at New Hope Baptist Church in the minds of the late Mrs. Sedalia Solomon, the first choir director, and the late Mr. O.M. Iles, second president.

The purpose was to create a closer fellowship between the churches of the community and produce another method to worship God in songs. The organization could not function apart from the heads of the churches, therefore, the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance had to approve the organization before it could be properly organized and give services.

The first meeting was held at Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church, then located on Elm Avenue, with



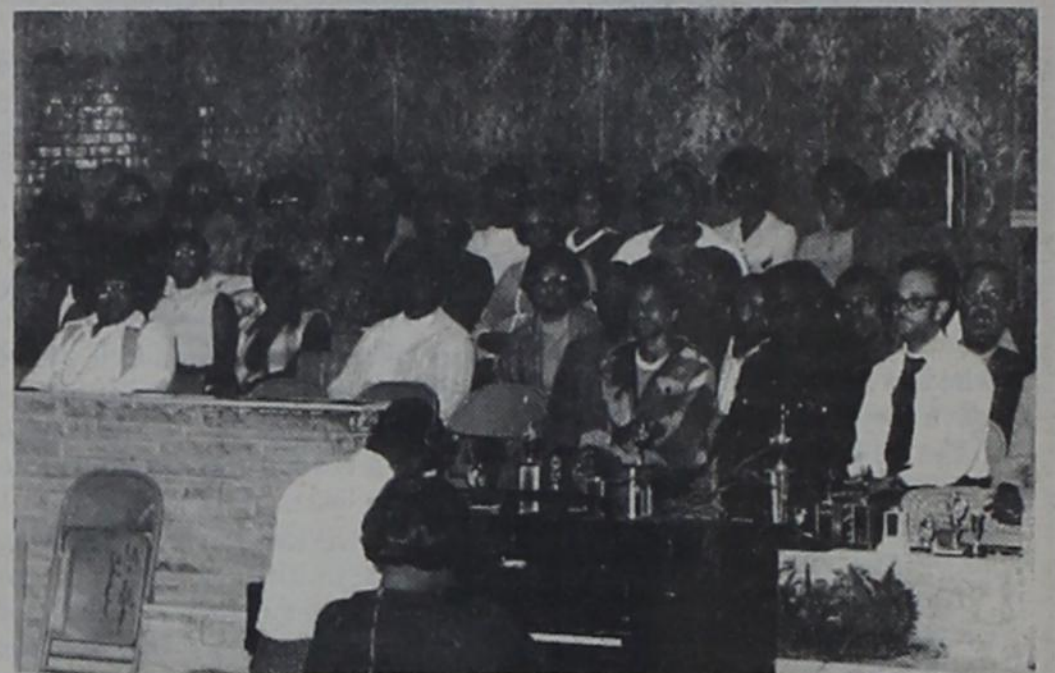
six (6) churches represented in 1954. The first records were lost when the pastor in charge then was replaced and his wife, the first secretary, took the book.

The churches represented at

the initial meeting, after the Alliance's approval, were Bethel A.M.E. Church, Carter Chapel C.M.E. Church, Rising Star Baptist Church, Mount Gilead Baptist Church, New Hope Baptist Church and Mount Vernon Methodist Church.

Since then, the growth has been gradual and more than the allotted number of church choirs have joined. During the 21 years of existence, three presidents have served, namely; Brother A.L. Meriwethers, the first president of the Federation of Choirs and served two years; Brother Oscar M. Iles, second president who served until his death; and Brother A.L. Smith, the present president. Brother Merriwethers is also deceased.

Three secretaries have served, namely; the pastor's wife of Carter Chapel (whose name is not available), Mrs. Ruby Jay, who served for nine years; and Mrs.



"We have a terrific group of singers in this Mass Choir," says Mr. Levi Lenley, director. The Mass Choir has practiced twice a week in order to sing God's praises on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

Maunita Terrell who served for ten years, prior to becoming ill. Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin is now serving in the capacity of secretary.

of joy and inspiration in the community and donates funds to the sick and needy, the Goodfellow Organization, and has been a source of strength for talents of various abilities.

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- Processional - - - - - Mass Choir
- Mass Choir - - - - - "One Church, One Faith, One Lord"
- Solo - - - - - "I Heard Of A City Called Heaven"
Mrs. Rosana Harris
- Mass Choir - - - - - "Steal Away"
Soloist, Ms. Carla Snell
- Solo - - - - - Ms. Nettie Edwards
- Mass Choir - - - - - "Help Me To Hold Out"
Soloist, Ms. Charlotte Deal
- Mass Choir - Altar Call - - - - - "He's Coming Back Again"
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- Mass Choir - - - - - "If Everybody Was Like Jesus"
Soloist, Ms. Mae Pearl Jackson
- Solo - - - - - Ms. Katie Dawson
- Mass Choir - - - - - "Yield Not To Temptation"
Soloist, Brother Levi Lenley
- Solo - - - - - Ms. Charlotte Deal
- Mass Choir - - - - - "Rock Of Ages"
Sisters O.M. Spencer & K. Dawson

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- Ms. Ollie Coleman - - - - - Assistant Secretary
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- Ms. Betty Miller - - - - - Assistant Chairperson Program
- Ms. Mae Pearl Jackson - - - - - Assistant Chairperson Program

DIRECTOR

Brother Levi Lenley

ACCOMPANISTS

Ms. Mae Pearl Jackson, Pianist
Brother Joseph Jones, Organist

CHAIRLADY

Ms. Desma Moore

Fed. of Choirs . . .

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"Our church is always happy to let our auditorium be used for such a glorious occasion as this twenty-first anniversary," said Rev. A.L. Davis, pastor of Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church.

"A lot of hard work has gone into the preparation of this annual affair, and we hope everyone will come out and shout, sing and praise God for the many blessings he has bestowed upon us", said Mrs. Moore.

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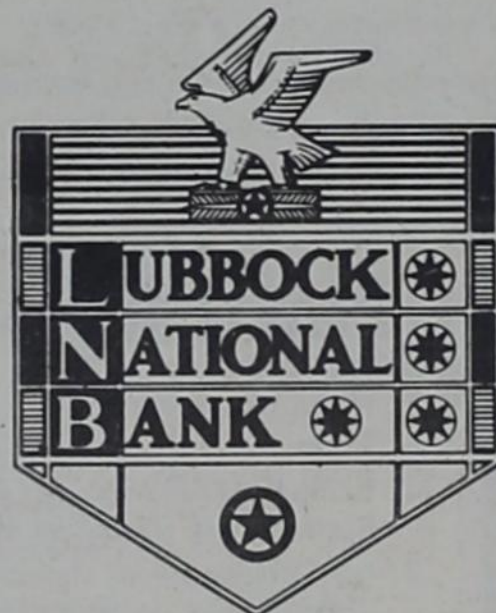
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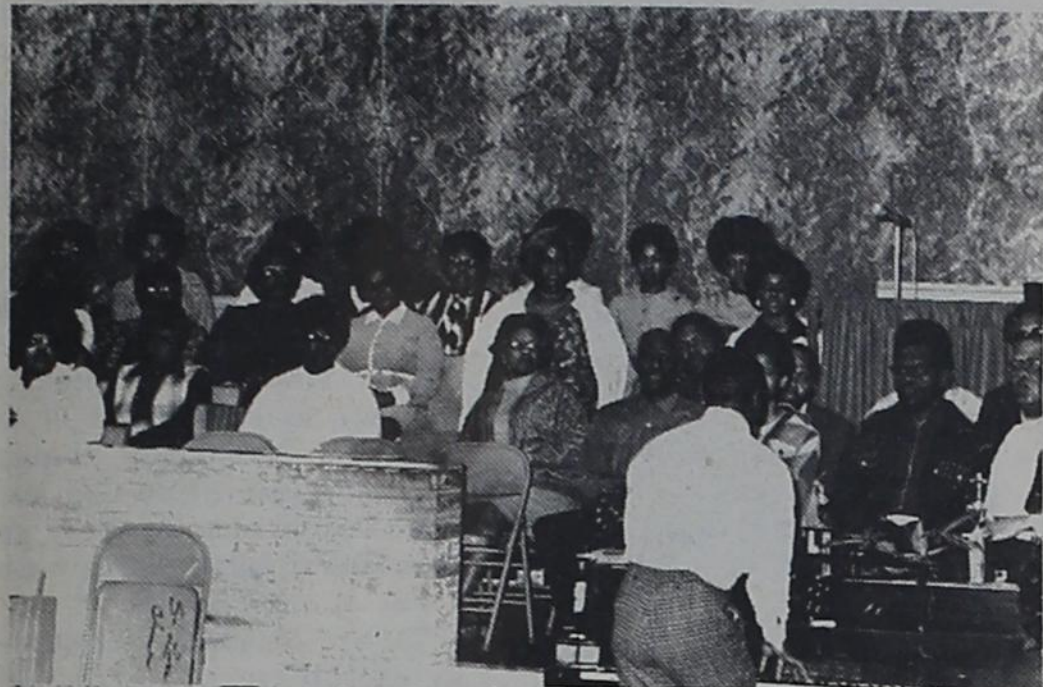
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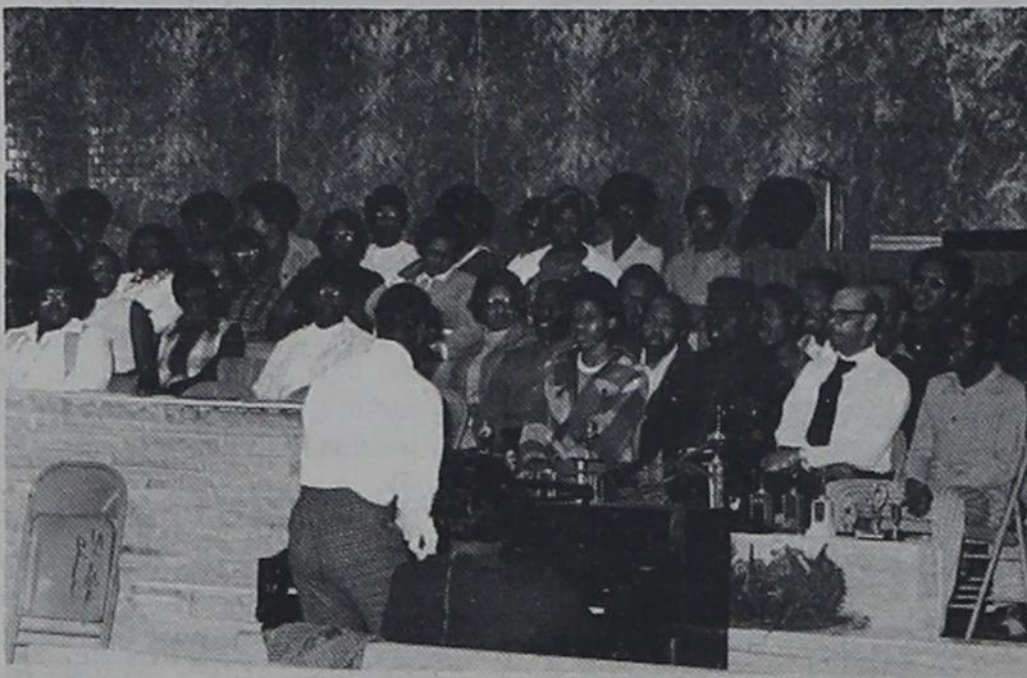
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Twenty-First Anniversary Sunday



Some of the participants in the 21st Anniversary of the Federation of Choirs. Many hours of dedicated work and effort is put into this



year's program. Mrs. Desma Moore is the chairperson of the program committee.



Getting it together are two soloist of the Mass Choir who will be a part of the gala affair of the Federation of Choirs Sunday afternoon, March 23 at 2:30 p.m. at the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church.

News Briefs . . .

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Voting Rights Act of 1965, more blacks than ever were participating in the nation's political process but added that "more needs to be done."

Pottinger told the House Judiciary Committee's Civil Rights Subcommittee that major gains had been made. In the South, "the gains from 1965 to 1974 are significant. There were less than 100 black elected officials in the Southern states prior to the Voting Rights Act, compared with 565 black elected officials in 11 Southern States in 1970 and 1,398 in 1974."

Despite these gains, he said, "out of 101 counties with majority black populations, 38 have no black elected officials in district, county or state positions and an additional 11 majority black counties have only one black elected officials."

Coleman Conformed

Washington — (NBNS) — William T. Coleman was confirmed last week as Secretary of Transportation. He is the second black in the nation's history to hold a Cabinet post.

The country's first black cabinet member was Robert Weaver, who was Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson.

Coleman, a Philadelphia attorney, is a former president of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund and has served as a part-time consultant in four previous administrations.

Food Stamp Gap . . .

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who oppose it to discredit it. "The food stamp program is suffering from grave administrative inadequacies which I fear may invite its political critics to attempt to discredit it," he said. And he repeated his belief that "the real problem of the program is the attitude" of Agriculture

Secretary Earl Butz and the Ford Administration toward it.

Three weeks ago, Butz testified before a Senate Agriculture Committee and said he would like to see the program transferred out of his department because it was largely a "welfare" program.

His remarks followed a suggestion by Sen. McGovern that he should either run the program properly, or resign.

Among its findings, the committee report noted that although the law requires that food stamp applications be processed in 30 days or less, "the most conservative estimates indicate that, in mid February, at least 85,000 were waiting longer than 30 days."

It cited one area, Atlanta, as really trying to correct some of its problems. The city, the report said, cut a backlog of 4,500

applicants to 1,000 by opening food stamp offices on Saturdays and Sundays, and using volunteers.

Among the report's 15 re-

commendations were: the selling of food stamps in all post offices; certification by declaration of eligibility rather than by the complicated method now used;

and congressional appointment of an advisory council including poor people.



In one recent year, some 1,600,000 persons were under care in public and private mental institutions, according to the National Association for Mental Health. Why not utilize your spare time by volunteering to help hospital personnel in their care?



If you have the trees but the neighbor gets the leaves — help him to clean them up.

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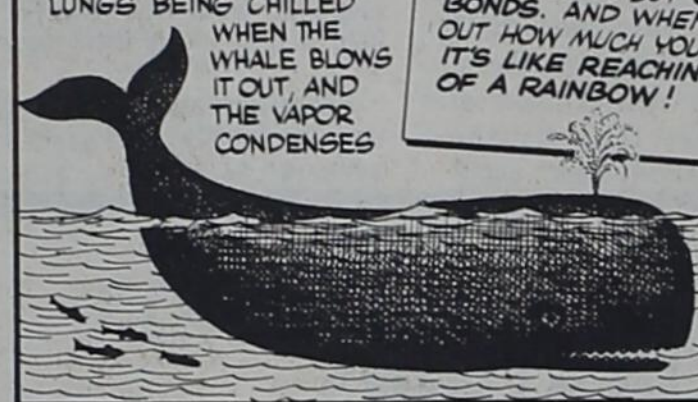
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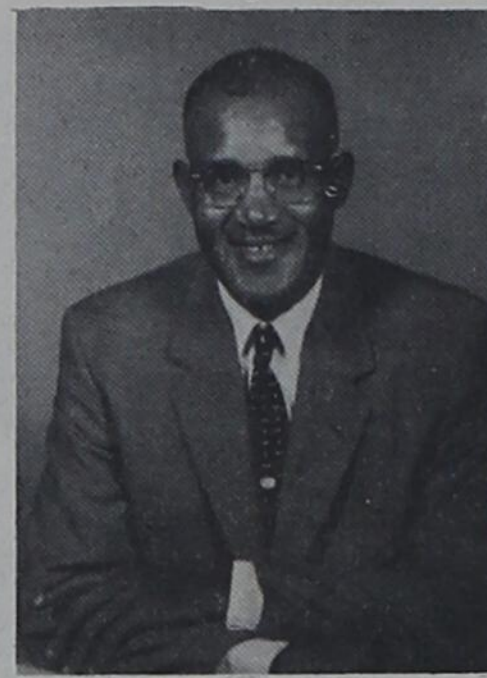
Sermon of the Month "We Have Entered A New Way"

by Rev. A.W. Wilson
Pastor Bethel A.M.E. Church
Joshua 3:4-5

Several months ago, we all entered upon a new way of life. The pages of history have begun to be re-written. There are new experiences in our lives to face. New problems to solve, new trials to endure, new temptations to meet, new sorrows to bear, new opportunities to grasp, new tasks to perform, and new blessings to enjoy.

This year will be a way that will try our very souls. It was a way unfamiliar to Israel. It would not be an easy way. From every standpoint, they would face difficulties. Immediately they faced a swollen river that obliterated all fords. Jericho's frowning walls were on the other side, and in the land there were giants to fight, and walled cities to conquer.

Today, we must often see tomorrows waiting duties, without seeing how they are to be accomplished. But the followers of the Ark need have no fears that



the God to whom it belongs will take care of it, and of them who follow it. There are sure to be difficulties in this year, but none He who goes before us is not familiar with.

The poet has said:
I know my heavenly Father knows,
The storms that would my way oppose;
And He can drive the clouds away,

And turn my darkness into day; He knows, and tempers every wind that blows."

This year will be a way of provision. The swollen Jordan challenged the progress of the children of Israel, but the divine provision for their crossing was at hand. The priest stood in the midst of the Jordan holding the Ark, and the waters divided for their passage. Therefore, God is saying to us today, as He said to His people of old, My way is the way.

The eleventh chapter of Hebrews in its roll call of the heroes of faith, gives eloquent testimony that where God leads there is provision for those who have faith to follow. Yes, it will be a way of uncertainties.

We are constantly surrounded by earthly uncertainties. Life itself is uncertain. Every day brings testimony of death's inroads. The reaper's keen sickle will claim its toll as the Year of 1975 rolls by. But if the Year of 1975 has its uncertainties, it also has its certainties. God is a certainty. We can rejoice with James Russel Lowell that behind the dim unknown, standeth God within the shadow keeping watch above His own.

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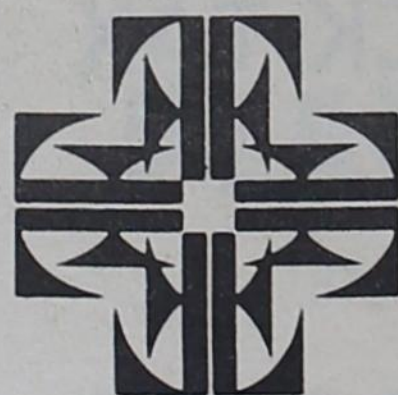
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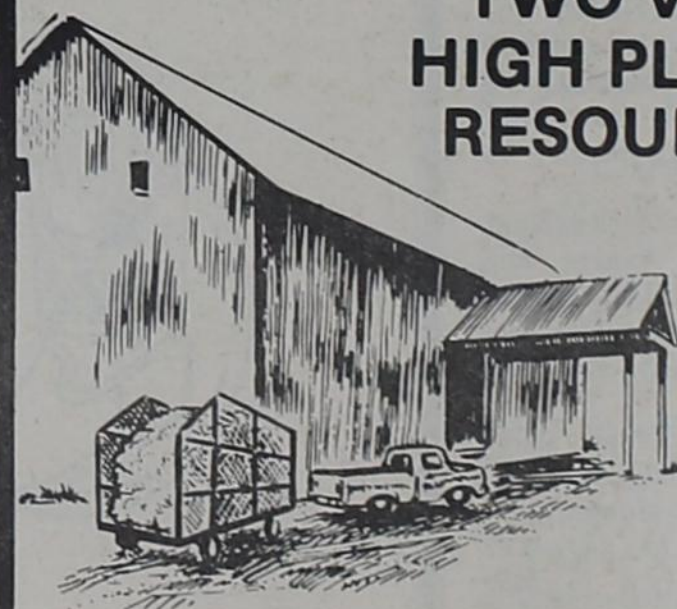
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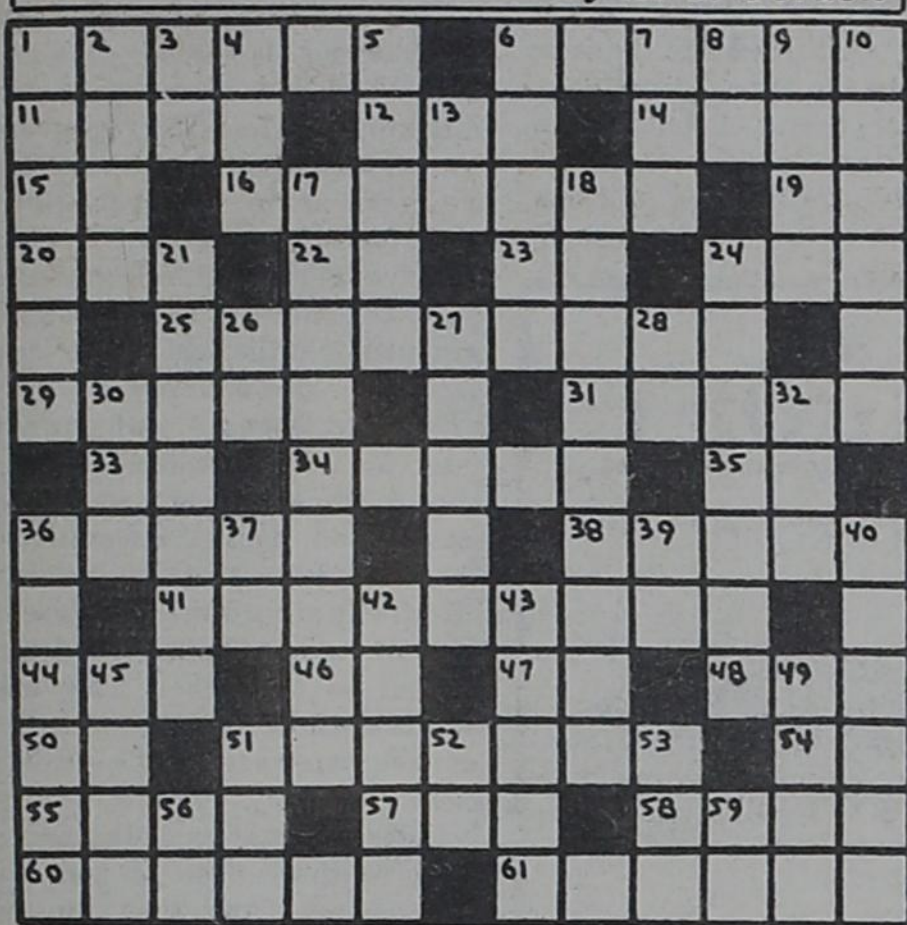
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- 14 - Weakly
- 15 - Sloth
- 16 - Uneasy
- 19 - Preposition
- 20 - Sharp blow
- 22 - Roman 51
- 23 - Parent
- 24 - Musical high
- 25 - Penetrated again
- 29 - To rage
- 31 - Alphabetical reference
- 33 - Preposition
- 34 - Cathartic treatment
- 35 - Printer's unit
- 36 - Ship part
- 38 - Is disposed
- 41 - Contented
- 44 - Soak flax
- 46 - Public announcement
- 47 - Behold!
- 48 - Everything
- 50 - Printer's unit
- 51 - Bending

- 54 - Biblical division (abb.)
- 55 - Military assistant
- 57 - Bring into public notice
- 58 - Church part
- 60 - Inundates
- 61 - Experimented

DOWN

- 1 - Essential parts
- 2 - Operatic solo
- 3 - Football position (abb.)
- 4 - A hill
- 5 - Varnish ingredient



- 6 - Worthless stuff (slang)
- 7 - To mimic
- 8 - Ruthenium (chem.)
- 9 - Indigo
- 10 - A study of a language
- 13 - Preposition
- 17 - Rudimentary
- 18 - Change
- 21 - To disapprove
- 24 - Book additions
- 26 - Adjective suffix of comparison
- 27 - Series of rows
- 28 - Printer's unit
- 30 - Make lace
- 32 - Terminus
- 36 - Force apart
- 37 - Sun god
- 39 - College degree
- 40 - Created a false impression of value
- 42 - Thoughts
- 43 - Coquette
- 45 - Turkish title
- 49 - Be defeated
- 51 - The minority
- 52 - Roman 11
- 53 - ...olne
- 56 - Perform
- 59 - Small U. S. torpedo boat

Church News . . .

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will officially begin to function from the "office" as of Sunday, March 23. The eldership is also desirous of appointing more men to the office of deacons, and is asking that names be submitted

for consideration and due process. Persons on the sick and shut in list include Sister Cora Clayton, Sister Cora Lawson, Sister Catherine Hamilton, Sister Malone and Sister Henderson.

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Ushers rehearsal will be held Friday evening, March 21, at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of our church. All members are expected to attend.

The fifth Sunday will be under the auspices of the W.M.S. Let us all support their effort.

Federation of Choirs will have an anniversary Sunday, March 23, at 2:30 p.m. at the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church. Rising Star Baptist Church is host church. Why not be present for this year's program.

Hats off to the young people of the church for the splendid services on last Sunday. Brother Gregory is doing a great job. Let us continue to give this young man our support.

Homecoming and Church Anniversary will be observed April 14 through 20. Let us work hard for this special week of activities.

Children's special Easter program will be held Sunday afternoon, March 30, at 4:30 p.m. Director Thompson and members of the B.T.U. are asking for your presence and support.

A drama, "I Have A Dream", will be presented by the Baptist Training Union, B.T.U., on Sunday, April 6th. You are invited to attend and enjoy the treat.

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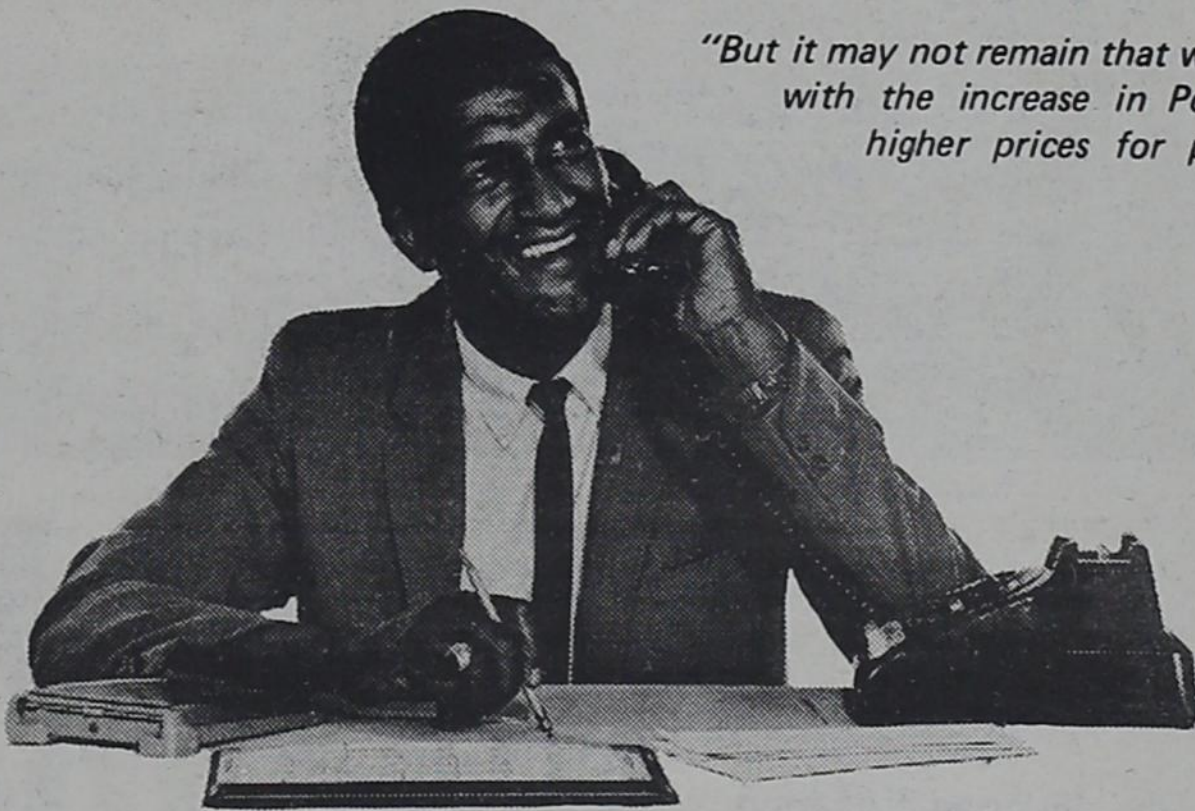
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