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## Lubbock in Running for Red Cross Representative

## Posey Children Receive Books

About 500 Posey Elementary School students went home Monday evening with something more than they came to school with.

Each of the students was carrying a book he had received earlier in the morning from a program funded and administered locally by the Lutheran Council for Community Action. The program, Reading is Fundamental, provides children in a particular school district with the opportunity to start their own personal library by offering them student books free of charge.

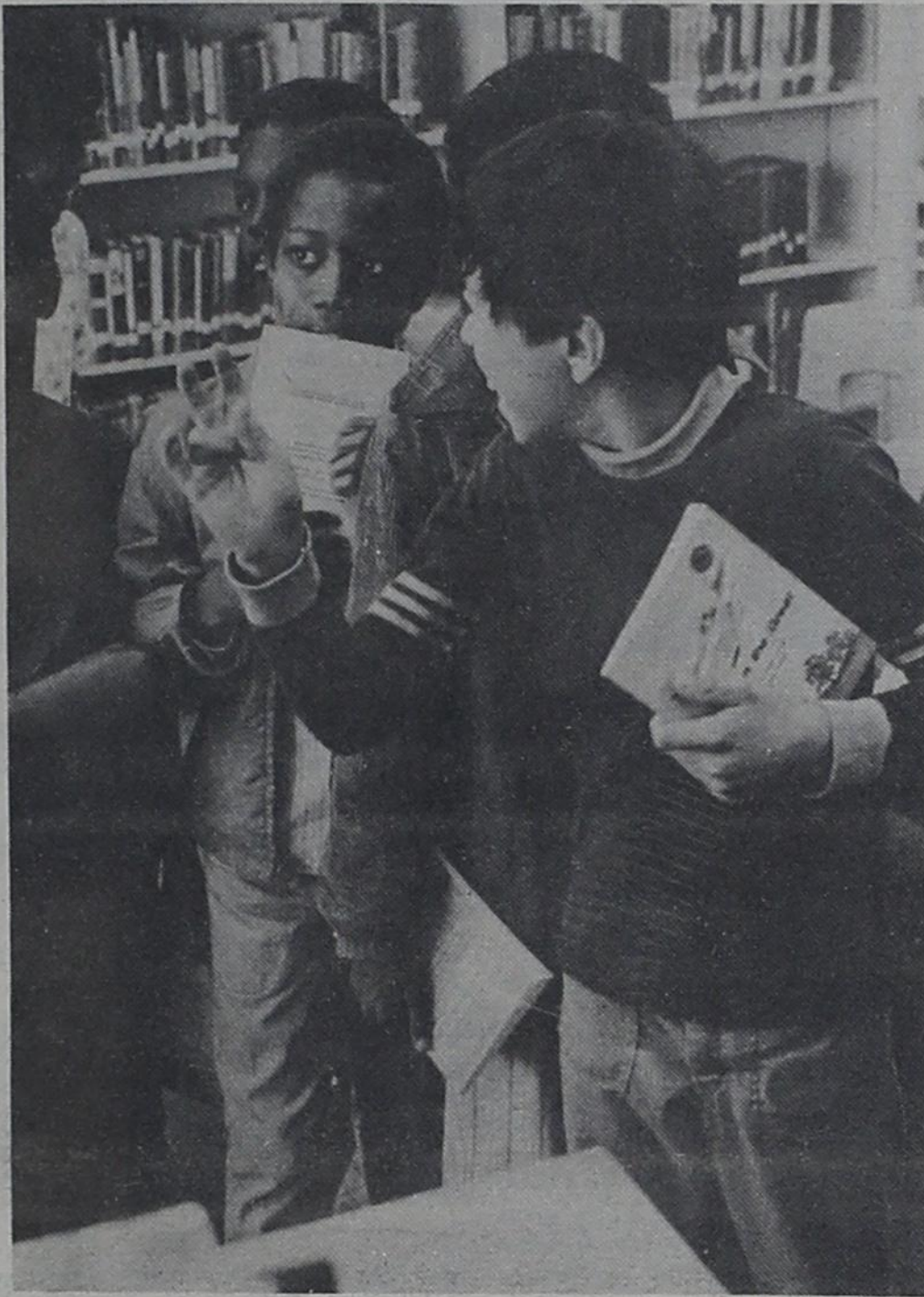
The idea behind the program is to show children that reading is enjoyable. Monday morning, the Posey students were taken to the school library where each child could go to one of a number of tables stacked with books on fiction, adventure, mystery, crafts, sports, and biographies. Many of the students chose sports and magic books.

"The kids were very enthused," Elaine Jebson, publicity director for the programs, said.

Jebson works with a central committee from LCCA who decided to sponsor the program as a pilot project in the Posey district this year. Last autumn, a similar distribution was conducted as part of the project, and plans call for another Book Distributin Day sometime in May.

Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) was started in 1966 by Mrs. Robert S. McNamara. The primary purpose of the program is to motivate children to read by teaching them it is an enjoyable experience.

Children in the program are allowed to choose any book they



want. According to Jebson, the two key elements in the program are freedom of choice for the children, and pride of ownership.

"Hopefully, it will motivate the children," Elaine Jebson said. "We don't teach reading, that's not our purpose. We try to make it out as a fun experience."

Tino Vasquez, age 11, said he thought the project was fun. Vasquez received a book on airplanes and helicopters.

"I just want to find out all about planes and helicopters," he said of his decision. Someday, he added, he hoped to be a pilot in the Navy.

"I knew what kind I wanted," Reba Williams, age 11 said. "I like riddles." Ms. Williams was happy with her choice - a book on riddles.

Another 11 year old, Kenneth Thompson, chose a story book with pumpkins on the cover. He said he knew it would be good because of the display of autumnal fruit. And there was another reason: "I like pumpkin pie," Thompson said.

Arthur Leed Pettis who said he "likes to read sometimes" chose a book on jokes and riddles.

"I think it's good to go get some

by Richard Mason  
Staff Writer

Current plans for restructuring the American Red Cross in order to economize operation of the agency may land Lubbock one of three West Texas field representatives.

"I think it will boil down to Lubbock or Midland," Peter Upton, West Texas division manager, said in an interview Friday. Upton was in town to meet with the board of directors for the Lubbock County American Red Cross Chapter.

"It's got to help," he said of the plan. "It's bound to improve services to smaller chapters."

The Fort Worth resident said a national committee met in Washington Thursday to discuss plans to eliminate area offices, one of four Red Cross administrative levels. To do that, three field representatives who are knowledgeable about agency operations will be stationed in three different administrative regions in West Texas. One representative will cover territory north of Lubbock, another will be responsible for the central section which stretches from Dallas-Fort Worth to El Paso, and one will cover the southern section of the state.

The field representative will be empowered to assist and direct local chapters in disseminating Red Cross aid.

"What we're attempting to do is bring service closer to the chapter," Upton said. "We're going to take one of these people and headquarter him in Midland, Odessa, or Lubbock."

Nationally, the American Red Cross has 3200 local chapters which are administered by 70 divisional offices, four area offices, and the national headquarters located in Washington.

"The chapter is the basic level," Upton said. Some 50 per cent of these local chapters are manned by 2 million community volunteers nationwide.

"Our traditional services are First Aid, water safety, nursing service and service to military families," he explained. "We're probably best known for disaster service."

The decision on where to locate

the field representative will be made "sometime this year," the division manager said.

Due to financial problems, the Red Cross is cutting back on some of the services the agency previously provided.

"We're talking mainly about reorganizing and consolidating, and eliminating some services to save money," he said. "We face a pretty terrible financial crunch."

"Primarily, the basic cost of material things is going up all the time," Upton stated. "What we've been forced to do is take a look at the organization and see where we can tighten up, and at the same time not decrease service to people."

Services which will be reduced include water safety instruction. However, he said, traditional high priority services such as aid to military families and national disaster assistance will not be cut back.

Much of Red Cross aid goes to

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## Mid Winter Tea Scheduled



The annual Mid-Winter team with the theme "Come Sip With Me", will be held at Parkway Church of the Nazarene, 408 North Zenith, Sunday, Feb. 29 at 6 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Mrs. Joan Ervin. Guest choir will be the Angelic Choir of Mount Gilead Baptist Church.

## New Child Care Hearings Underway in Lubbock

The schedule of public hearings in five cities on Texas' new child care licensing standards was announced today by Raymond W. Vowell, Commissioner of the State Department of Public Welfare (DPW).

The hearings are designed to gather public comment on revised standards for homes, schools, nurseries, and shelters which provide child care. The revisions were mandated by the new child care law passed last year by the Texas Legislature.

Vowell said all the hearings will be divided into two daily segments, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. They will be conducted by essentially the same DPW team that held hearings in Austin.

Hearings will be held in Lubbock February 26 at Southpark Inn, 3201 South Loop 289. The team will move to the Dallas-Fort Worth area March 1 for hearings at the Student Center, University of Texas, Arlington.

Other sessions are scheduled at Houston on March 3, at San Antonio on March 9, and at Alice on March 10.

Presiding at the meetings will be Deputy Commissioner Jerome Chapman. He will be assisted by

DPW licensing staff. Also attending will be representatives of DPW's 15-member advisory committee on child care.

Vowell emphasized the importance of public comment on the revised standards, saying "they are not set in concrete."

He indicated the proposed

## Miss Donna Jean Nelson is Finalist in Miss Lubbock Pageant

Donna Jean Nelson, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Nelson of Carlisle, entered the "Miss Lubbock Scholarship Pageant" and became one of the fourteen finalists named in the contest. Finalist were chosen last Sunday at 1:30 p.m.

She was chosen out of twenty-one young ladies competing at the Roger's Community Center in the talent competition. For her talent, she did a reading by Langston Hughes.

Donna, the only black in the contest, will have an opportunity to appear in the "Miss Texas Scholarship Pageant" if chosen at the final judging March 13, at 8:15 p.m. in the Municipal Auditorium on the campus of Texas Tech University.

A senior at Lubbock Christian College High School and a freshman at Lubbock Christian College, she has been in many contests and has won many awards and trophies.

She is a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church and celebrated her birthday Wednesday.

Last Monday, she appeared at Texas Commerce Bank to pose for pictures and tonight, Thursday, she will appear at the Carriage House for orientation.

Last Friday and Saturday, she spent her time on the campus of West Texas State University at Canyon, Texas, competing in a speech tournament. At that meet, she qualified to attend the state tournament to be held in Odessa, Texas, in the near future.

## Texas Public Schools Week to Be Observed Here March 1 - 5

Lubbock Public Schools join others in the State in observance of Texas Public Schools Week, March 1-5. This year's annual recognition of education marks the 122nd year of the public school system in Texas.

Superintendent Ed Irons has extended an invitation to the public to visit the schools. All classrooms from kindergarten through adult education will be open for visitors. Although many schools will have special programs, the emphasis of the week is on visitation of the classroom in normal operation.

Numerous open houses, parent-teacher meetings, special exhibits, and programs have been planned. Hundreds of items of student art work from the elementary schools will be on display in the South Plains Mall during the week. Another large art work display will be open to the public at the Garden and Arts Center. The exhibit will feature the work of

students in grades 9-12 from throughout the city.

Texas Public Schools Week was first observed in 1951. It is sponsored locally by the Masonic Lodges, the City Council of Parents and Teachers, and the Lubbock Classroom Teachers Association.

Teachers will be honored with various courtesies during the week by the individual P.T.A. units.

Special information brochures about the Lubbock Public Schools have been prepared and will be distributed at civic club meetings next week by members of the City Council of Parents and Teachers. The pamphlet will also be sent home by elementary school students and be available to visitors at the junior and senior high schools. Viewers of the art display in the South Plains Mall may also pick up an information brochure.

# EDITORIALS

## East Lubbock Needs Leadership

Blacks in east Lubbock have already taken the first steps to develop themselves and their community. There are numerous local clubs, fraternities, and civic groups which have been active in developing local character and talent. Developing a community idea is one thing, but finding leaders to protect that idea in the overall city is another.

Neighborhood solidarity means little if the neighborhood cannot control its own interests and destiny. The groups already in existence are just one small part for east Lubbock residents to focus on. If the community idea is to grow, more people will need to take a part in these and other activities.

Older blacks should not hesitate to encourage the young to become a viable part of the community. Ministers, too, should not hesitate to ask their younger members to get involved. From this involvement will come the leadership necessary to protect and represent east Lubbock in the larger municipality.

Though the eastern section of the city seems deceptively quiet at times, we feel it is not permanent. Local community groups offer the opportunity to train leaders in the methods necessary to represent their own group, their neighborhood, and finally their city. Blacks should not hesitate to take advantage of these opportunities.

The next step current organizations should take is to stop some of the current jealousy and petty rivalry and begin to cooperate on projects together. We can only help ourselves by working together. Such cooperation takes leaders. But that cooperation will develop leaders, too.

East Lubbock and the black community needs that leadership now.

## "As I See It"

by T.J. Patterson

The 27th annual Mid-Winter meeting of the West Texas Press Association will, in my opinion, go down in history as one of the better meetings. Although I've only been associated with the organization for three years, many who attended the meeting last week at the Hilton Inn agreed.

A great deal of valuable information was made available for those in attendance. This is good, because those in the media business should always be looking for ways to improve their product.

Norman Williamson and I learned much this past week, and hope we can continue to be a part of this organization.

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Quote of the Week: "In the case of execution of justice, I would not want to muzzle the press or keep the truth from the public," Leon Jaworski, former special Watergate prosecutor as he accepted the Thomas Jefferson Award last week at Texas Tech University.

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According to the latest Department of Labor statistics on the employment situation of Vietnam-era veterans (as of Jan. 31), the following information is rather interesting: -6.2 million veterans aged 20 to 34 are in the labor force; of whom 5.7 million are employed;

-502,000 are unemployed in this age group; and 8.1 percent is slightly more than the percentage of all unemployed persons in the country;

-of the unemployed Vietnam-era veterans, 106,000 or 20.7 percent are black;

-43,000 or 25 percent of all the 20 to 24 year old veterans are black.

Officials say that major reason for the difficulties of Vietnam-era veterans has been their "lack of knowledge of what they are eligible for in the way of jobs, training and education."

Since Texas is one of the seven states in which almost half of all unemployed Vietnam-era veterans reside, this writer would encourage these persons to check with their Texas Employment Commission (TEC) people. Other states are California, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Florida.

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The man on East Broadway says: "Only the ignorant man becomes angry. The wise man understands."



## THE BLACK PRESS SPEAKS ESPECIALLY TO YOU - BLACK AMERICA

### JACK ANDERSON'S WEEKLY SPECIAL



#### CANDIDATES WITH STARS IN THEIR EYES by Jack Anderson with Joe Spear (Copyright, 1976, United Feature Syndicate, Inc.)

Washington—The presidential candidates have been scrambling to find movie stars to brighten up their bandwagons. But so far, most Hollywood celebrities are turning their backs on politics.

Not even Frank Sinatra, the pal of politicians, is likely to hit the campaign trail this year. Privately, he favors his old friend Ronald Reagan. Sinatra's second choice, if Reagan should falter, would be Hubert Humphrey. But at this point, old blue eyes isn't anxious to campaign for anyone.

Reagan is expected to coax a few Hollywood stalwarts such as John Wayne and Jimmy Stewart onto his bandwagon. And singer Helen Reddy is trying to line up entertainers to support Humphrey.

Sargent Shriver, with his Kennedy glamor, has also managed to attract a few stars—among them Lauren Bacall, Carol Channing, Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward. Fred Harris is claiming the support of Carroll O'Connor and Dennis Weaver. And Henry Jackson has landed Bonanza's Lorne Greene. But most of the stars are ducking the 1976 campaign.

The reason, according to our Hollywood sources, is that Richard Nixon has left a bad memory. In 1972, Nixon arranged a timely, multimillion dollar tax break for the movie industry. A Nixon aide immediately began to recruit stars, reminding the movieland brass what Nixon had done for them.

An extraordinary effort was made, for example, to bring Sammy Davis Jr. into the Nixon camp. He was promised an appointment to a presidential commission and was flown in style to Nixon rallies. Who can forget the famous picture of Sammy Davis hugging Nixon on stage? Well, Davis would like to forget it. And a lot of other stars who supported the disgraced Nixon would like to forget they did. So this time around, they'd rather watch their reruns, appear on the Hollywood Squares and keep their political opinions to themselves.

**Reluctant Regulators:** After a thorough study of the available evidence, we nominate the regulatory commissions as the worst government agencies in Washington.

They wield tremendous power. The Interstate Commerce Commission, for instance, can authorize billion-dollar mergers between great railroads. The Civil Aeronautics Board decides which airlines will get the choice routes. The Federal Power Commission fixes the rates that millions of consumers pay for electricity and natural gas.

These agencies were created to protect the public, but many of them have reversed their roles. They have been besieged by the lawyers and lobbyists of the corporations that are supposed to be regulated. As a result, these agencies often serve rather than regulate the special interests.

The worst of the regulatory agencies, in our opinion, is the Federal Maritime Commission. This agency is supposed to regulate commerce on the high seas. But its reluctant regulators devote their time largely to gathering and categorizing information that merely adds to the general confusion.

The Federal Maritime Commission does such a poor job that it hides its incompetence in secrecy. For example, the Maritime Commission classified one government report that the Interstate Commerce Commission freely opened to the public.

The second worst agency, in our opinion, is the Federal Power Commission. The FPC has become the advocate, rather than the regulator, of the big gas companies.

On January 28, for example, the FPC published a notice in the Federal Register announcing a fuel adjustment modification, which would benefit a major power company.

The FPC, of course, is supposed to protect the public. Yet the consumers were given only one day to challenge this latest benefit for the gas company. The FPC proclaimed that all protests had to be in by January 29, the very next day.

**Judicial Giant:** Two years ago, Time magazine selected Judge John Sirica as man of the year. He had been an obscure federal judge, son of an Italian immigrant. Yet this judge, of humble origins, stood up to the President of the United States.

Judge Sirica broke the Watergate case. He used his courtroom to find the truth and see that justice was done.

Today, he lies in a hospital bed, the victim of a severe heart attack. He has already started to fade from public memory. But his enemies apparently haven't forgotten him. He has received death threats. Two armed marshals have been guarding his hospital door. Inside, he has been under intensive care. And in his isolation, he has been reliving the Watergate case. He has asked members of the hospital staff what they think of his Watergate decisions. The questions have been almost plaintive, as if he is seeking reassurance.

**Will Rocky Run?:** Sources close to Vice President Nelson Rockefeller say that if Ronald Reagan is running ahead of President Ford after the Texas primary on May 1, then Rockefeller may quit the vice presidency and jump into the presidential race. His purpose, according to friends, would be to head off Reagan.

We reached Rockefeller by phone and he confirmed that friends have urged him to get into the race against Reagan. But Rockefeller insisted he has no intention of taking on Reagan. Rockefeller said he is convinced Reagan has peaked and is headed downhill.

**Fuddle Factory:** The bureaucrats, who man the swivel chairs of Washington, bombard one another with memos in septuplicate. At the end of each day, more than 90 tons of wastepaper are picked up off the battlefield. This makes Washington the wastepaper center of the world.

Yet Washington has no large paper recycling programs. The General Services Administration issued regulations requiring that all paper used by the government must contain recycled fiber. But Congress, unnoticed by the press, immediately exempted paper used for "writing, copying and printing." Of course, this represents 95 percent of all the paper used in Washington.

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## Police Beat

### Burglary

C.B. Stubblefield, 1711 Ute Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown broke into his place of business, Stubb's Bar-B-Que at 1305 34th Street, one night last week.

Entray was apparently gained by breaking out a window in the rear of the establishment.

Taken from the business were several items including approximately \$60 worth of meat, \$15 worth of silverware and five cooking pans valued at \$60.

### Theft

Steve Harris, 1104 East Tulane Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown took his mag tire hub caps from his car. "I don't know where they (hub caps) were taken, but they were taken," said Harris.

These hub caps were valued at approximately \$150.

### Burglary

Cary Greenlee, 905 East Rice, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown gained entry to his house one day last week by kicking loose the front door.

According to the police report, there was nothing missing and the house contained a lot of tools. There was approximately \$15 worth of damage done to the front door.

### Woman Threatened by Phone Call

DeAnn Mauldin, 1501 East Rice, reported to Lubbock police that she received a phone call from an unknown man one night last week. She told police that the man threatened her life.

"The man said he was coming over to my house and hurt me," said the young lady.

The man didn't show up and nothing else was heard over the phone from the unknown man.

### House Burglary

Brenda Miller, 1026 East 29th Street, Apt. E, reported to police that persons unknown came into her apartment one day last week and took some of her property.

Taken from the apartment were four speakers, fifteen 8-track tapes, an 8-track tape player, and several pieces of costume jewelry.

Police were unable to find the point of entry into the apartment.

### Burglary

Johnny Cooper, 312 East 34th Street, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown, he believes, stole some of his property one day last week. He said that seven packs of cigarettes, two pair of pants and three shirts were missing.

He told police that he had two friends to spend the night with him one evening last week. He came home from work the next day and found the items missing and his front door open.

There were no signs of forced entry to the apartment.

## Around The Hub City

Dr. and Mrs. Heenan Johnson are recovering from the flu epidemic. They were both confined to their home for several days.

Mrs. Ellen McCreary is a victim of the flu and has been quite ill at her home.

Mr. Salome Cunningham is still able to attend church services. He is doing nicely.

Other persons in the community on the sick and shut-in list include Mrs. Leaner Goldstien who took a turn for the worst last week and remains in weaker condition at this report.

Rev. T.B. Reece is still not feeling too well again.

Mrs. Bessie Mason is home from Methodist Hospital and is reported to be doing nicely.

Mrs. Sherna Davenport has been transferred from the rest home to a hospital. Mr. Fred McQuinney, a patient at Lubbock Osteopathic Hospital, was scheduled for surgery for the third time this week. Twice the prognosis of his care prevented surgery. He is alert.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McQuinney received message that their daughter, Mrs. Lurline Gardner of New Brittain, Conn. was in the intensive care unit of a local hospital there. Later reports revealed she is much improved and has been removed from the intensive care unit.

Mrs. Ruby Jay is recuperating satisfactorily, but is still confined to her home.

Mrs. E.C. Struggs is on the ailing list this week.

Several Lubbockites traveled to Hobbs, New Mexico, to attend the annual "Black Culture Tea" last Sunday afternoon. Those attending were Harold M. Chatman, D.C. Dinner, T.J. Patterson, and Fulton Berry, Jr., who was a speaker on the program.

Mrs. William R. Givens is home after spending 2 weeks in Highland Hospital. She is doing nicely, however she is still under the care of a doctor.

Lewis Walton, Jr., of Houston, Texas, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Walter, Sr. of 2429 East 30th Street this week. He is here at the bedside of his father who has been ill.

## Youth Services Set Friday

Winning souls for Christ is the main objective of the youth department of Ford Memorial Church of God In Christ, 1602 Quirt. Bishop J.E. Alexander, pastor.

The youth department is inviting you to Youth Services every Friday night at Ford Memorial. Hear converts from dope to dumps tell how Christ delivered them. There will also be programs each Friday night from area spiritual groups and talents.

Get on up and come on down as you are, Friday nights at 8 p.m. Cafeteria will be serving!

## ROTC Corps Sweetheart Crowned



The crowning of Miss Tina Moore as corps sweetheart highlighted Estacado High School's annual Military Ball. The ball is held for members of the Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

Miss Moore is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Moore,

### Dunbar Booster Club to Meet

The Dunbar High School Booster Club will meet Monday evening, March 1, at 7 p.m. at the school in room 107. Plans are being made for the annual "All Sports Banquet" which is scheduled for March 18 at 7 p.m. at Vann's Catering. Admission will be \$3.50.

1518 East Second Street. She was presented a trophy and a bouquet of roses.

First runner-up was Molly Alvarado, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor R. Alvarado, 1504 East Stamford; and second runner-up was Mary Ramos, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Ramos, 2715 East 8th Street. Each was presented a gold locket.

The sweetheart and her court were presented by Corps Lt. Col. Wade Scott, Commander of the Estacado AJROTC is Col. George Van Fleet.

The ball was held at Vann's Catering with Santa Fe providing the entertainment.

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## Adrienne Caviel, Willie DeShone Named Mr. and Miss Dunbar

With the theme of "Feelings", the crowning of Mr. and Miss Dunbar was held Friday evening in the Dunbar High School Auditorium. Adrienne Jeanise Caviel was crowned Miss Dunbar, and Willie Lee DeShone will wear the Mr. Dunbar crown.

Miss Caviel, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Caviel of 2401 East 28th Street, is a senior. She was the drum major for the Panther band and is a member of the science club, FHA and FTA.

DeShone, son of Mrs. Jimmie Ruth DeShone of 1701 Amherst, is a member of the football team, choir and F.C.A.

Other participants in the affair were Loretta Joyce Sheppard,

daughter of Mrs. Bertha Tates of 2505 Weber Drive, Apt. A, and Angelia Romero, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Romero of 1505 42nd St., both contestants for Miss Dunbar.

Carlos Gonzales, son of Mr. Futimie Gonzales of 5315 33rd Street, and Walter Jermaine Brown, son of Mrs. Sudell Brown of 2714 East 7th Street, were contestants for Mr. Dunbar.

Music for the gala affair was provided by the Dunbar High School stage band. The beautiful voices of the Panjammers sang one of their numbers.

Herman Ceja was master of ceremonies and Avis Patterson sang the theme song, "Feelings."

## "A Musician's View . . ."



by Garnett Lee

As a musician for the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, the

Angelic Choir Concert is one of the most inspiring and exciting events of the year.

As a musician for over ten years, I find it very gratifying to work with the choirs—Angelic and Senior Choirs.

I love music of all types. My love of music began in my early school years. I love bringing other instruments into our church, especially at concert time.

In 150 Psalms, it says: "Praise the Lord." I believe he wants us to Praise Him with all we possess.

Our theme for this year's concert is: "Lord, Help Me to Hold Out." Our concert will be held Sunday evening, March 14, at 7 in the church auditorium.

Elder Levi Lenley is a dynamic speaker and musician. He will be appearing on the program.

The public is invited to come and be a part of this Bicentennial Concert.

## Struggs PTSA to Meet Tuesday

The E.C. Struggs Parent, Teacher, Student Association (PTSA) will meet Tuesday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The program will include an open house with special displays by the science, shop and art departments.

A trip around the world will be a part of the program, and parents and students are asked to please take part in this effort. There will be different kinds of foods from each state available for your tasting.

March 1st through 5th is Texas Education Week. All parents are encouraged to visit the schools that week. The Struggs PTSA will place a bench and plant three

shade trees on the Struggs patio during that week.

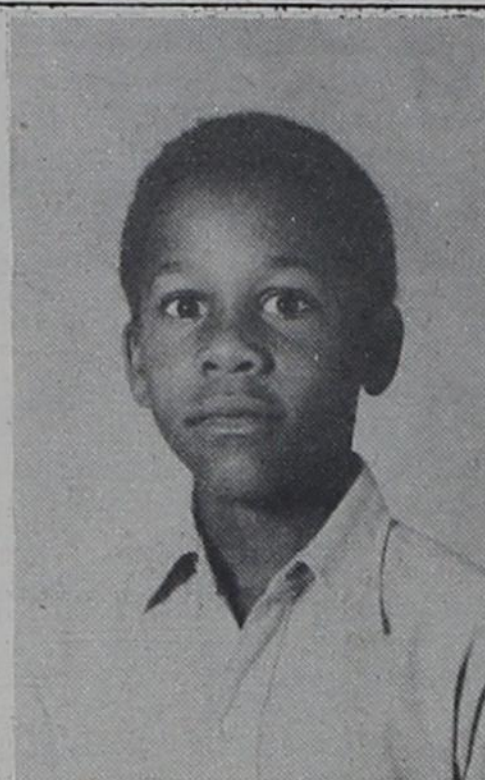
Mrs. Annie Sanders is president and Charles E. Brown is principal.

## Estacado PTA to Meet Monday

The Estacado PTA will meet Monday, March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Estacado High School Auditorium. According to Mrs. LaVoynne Worthy, the program will consist of a film presented by the Methodist Hospital public relations department entitled "A Picture of Health."

The program will also include a panel of students, parents, and teachers who will discuss the theme "Discipline is a Two Way Street." The general theme for the evening is "An Awareness of Fundamentals."

Principal Reed extends an invitation for all parents to come to the meeting, since this is Texas Education Week. The membership drive for 1976 will culminate at the PTA meeting.



ROBERT ALLEN, 8 years of age, is now selling the West Texas Times in the Carlisle area. Robert is a member of New Galilee Baptist Church. If you would like to have a paper call 797-3734.

## Exams Scheduled At Local Schools

Junior high and senior high students, grades seven through twelve, in Lubbock Public Schools will take examinations on the second quarter's work Wednesday and Thursday, February 25 and 26. They will be dismissed at 11:50 a.m. both days. The schedule for the elementary schools for Wednesday and Thursday will remain unchanged.

All students of Lubbock Public Schools will enjoy a holiday on Friday, February 27, one of ten teacher in-service and preparator days scheduled for the year.

The final quarter of the regular school term will begin Monday, March 1. The next holidays are scheduled for the spring break, March 22-26.

## Alderson PTA To Meet Monday

The Alderson Junior High PTA will meet Monday, March 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium, 219 Walnut Avenue.

The program will be presented by the Physical Education Gymnastics Program. There will be a business meeting with appointment of a nomination committee for the coming year.

Everyone is urged to attend this meeting.

## First Aid Classes Set

The Red Cross has set standard first aid classes for March 3 and 4, 1976, at the Lubbock Fire Training Building, North Ash and Municipal Drive. A complete free certificated course will be offered each day 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by qualified firemen. Students pay only for books.

The courses satisfy the OSHA requirements for business and industry. Call 765-8534 for details.

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# SPORTS

by Joe Kelly

In a family, when a child misbehaves, father takes said child into the woodshed, or the equivalent, and chastises said child. Usually, he meets out some additional punishment.

For years the Southwest Conference was a family. It took great pride in telling everyone that it didn't need outside assistance or direction, it would take care of its own problems. And for years it did deal directly with problems within the circle.

At the same time, member institutions stayed pretty much in line. If they strayed outside the bounds, the conference pulled them. Punishment was doled out in accordance to the rules. Guilty members swallowed and accepted the decision.

The NCAA respected the Southwest Conference and usually went along without additional investigation or punishment. It knew that the conference ran a good operation.

Everyone in the United States, under our judicial situation, is considered innocent until proven guilty. This is the way our founding fathers saw fit to rule and succeeding generations have gone along with this as being fair.

For years in the SWC the ruling fathers dealt with problems on this basis. After a closed door hearing had been held, action was taken. The innocent were cleared, or the guilty accepted their punishment.

Texas A&M has defied this and, in the process, dirtied the "family" operation. A&M defied the conference, took the case of two ineligible-ruled basketball players to court and, in the process, probably opened Pandora's box.

What is most disturbing is the arrogance shown. Not only has A&M defied the conference, it has openly sneered at the ruling and, in effect, said that it is bigger than the conference.

The tragic thing is that intercollegiate athletics have been dragged into the courts, thus bypassing both the ruling conference and the overall judicial body, the NCAA. If you don't like rules and regulations, get out, but don't bring the courts into it.

There is no place in so-called amateur athletics for courts to become involved. Both the conference and the NCAA have the authority, and the ability, to judge honestly.

In drawing down the opposition of the conference, A&M has virtually invited the NCAA to make an investigation, providing the SWC is unable to convict on evidence it has.

And the NCAA is likely to go farther afield than just basketball. It might well dig deep into the overall program. Indeed, such delving might be similar to dynamiting an iceberg after the top of the berg had been exposed.

The word we have is that the conference is on solid ground. We will, of course, find out later if this is true. And the whole affair may surface—if politics doesn't enter into it.

Back in 1967 Texas blew the whistle on A&M, but when the conference considered the matter, Texas reversed its position and A&M was cleared. The story was that politicians, to whom intercollegiate athletics means little, entered the picture.

The politicians, in effect, told Texas that they held sway over the purse strings, and what was good for one, was good for another. In other words, back down or else.

Texas yielded to that pressure, which brings up the question, can lightning strike twice? This time a Texas coach, Leon Black, admitted disclosing "facts" to the conference office. And that, friends, took GUTS, in capitol letters.

Leon Black went up 100 percent in our estimation for doing what he thought was right, whether he is substantiated or not. He has been, and will be, vilified by many who share the philosophy that winning, at any expense, is the only way.

Leon may well lose his job. If so, it will be a rotten miscarriage of justice. But he will be the winner in the long run. He should be praised, and defended, for his stand.

How the A&M action contrasts with Texas Tech. The Raiders played an ineligible man, Norman Reuther, by irony an assistant coach now at A&M.

When the conference office informed Tech that it had found Reuther ineligible, Tech investigated, found the evidence correct, and forfeited games in which Reuther had played. It cost Tech the championship, but Tech gained respect.

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The basketball Raiders close out their conference season tonight against Houston and I, for one, hope that every seat in the Coliseum is filled. It should be.

There's no disgrace in finishing second, especially this year, and West Texas fans ought to give a rousing ovation to the seniors who have been the backbone of this outstanding club—Rick Bullock, Grady Newton and Rudy Liggins.

It's been a great season and the tournament is still to come. And, if Tech wins tonight, it will make only the fourth Tech squad ever to win 20 games in a season, maybe the first ever to win 20 during the regular season, excluding post season play.



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Looking Back Over The Years . . .

# "Black Kids Must Work for An Education," says Nelda Flakes Jackson

by T.J. Patterson

(Editor's note: This is an interview with Nelda Flakes Jackson, a resident of Lubbock since 1926. She graduated from Dunbar High School in 1940.)

**Nelda, when did you come to Lubbock?**

"I came here with my parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Marshall Flakes, in the fall of 1926. We came to Lubbock to find a better opportunity to make a living. You might say, we came here on a cotton pick."

**Where did you come from?**

"We came from Brenham, Texas."

**Where did you attend school?**

"My school career began in 1929. The school was on the corner of 17th and Avenue B. My first teacher was Ella R. Iles. After her, Mrs. Lillian Struggs was my teacher."

**Did you graduate from Dunbar?**

"Yes, I graduated in 1940. There were seven graduates in the class, and I gave the senior address."

**Can you name your classmates?**

"Sure. They were Richard Knox, Leona "Billie" Johnson, James Williams, John Edward Harris, Marie Bailey, Sammie Lee Day and myself."

**Have things changed much since you were in school?**

"They sure have. When I first began going to school, I lived across the street from the school. The next year, however, my family moved out on the "hill" and I had to walk to school. There was no way for me to catch a bus, even if there was one running. It cost money to ride the bus, and money was short here. I often remember walking to and from school in those days. Kids today appear to be more lazy about walking. I'm glad I had the opportunity of walking to school."

**As a little girl, walking back and forth from the hill, were there any problems?**

"Sometimes there were some problems, but we got by. Going back and forth to school, we'd



The Magnificent Seven graduating class of Dunbar High School in 1940. Nelda Flakes Jackson, second from right, delivered the senior address. Other members of the class were Sammie L. Day, Leona Johnson, John E. Harris, Marie Bailey, Richard Knox, and James Williams. Prof. E.C. Struggs, principal, and Rev. E.C. Wade, who was pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, are shown in the picture.

sometimes have fights with the white kids. Their school was on the hill and they had to walk into our area. In order to prevent the fights, we'd travel in small gangs to protect each other. I can remember sometimes when I had to walk home alone, and I got a little scared. My daddy had a lot of friends and they would look after me in those days."

**Where else did you live in Lubbock?**

"Aside from living on the "hill" and in the "flats", we lived on Fir Avenue. As a matter of fact, I lived on the "hill" until I entered high school. A white lady that my mother worked for, Mrs. Higbee, sold my mother some property where the Starlite Motel is located at the present time. It was a two room house, but it was our home."

**What kind of recreational activities did black kids have in those days?**

"Well, T.J., we played like any other kids. We did most of our playing at the Booker T. Washington Park. It was larger in those days and there were more things to play with. We had a

larger number of swings and any kind of outdoor activity you could think of."

**What church did you belong to?**

"I was baptized at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church when it was at 16th and Avenue A. I later moved my membership to New Hope, and today I belong to the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church. At times in our life, we get away from the church, but we soon come back. This is the way I was reared, and I'm glad I am a member of the church and willing to work in my church."

**How do you compare the kids of today with kids in those days?**

"The kids of today are definitely more aware of things than we were. They know more now because of TV, radio and other ways of learning. Take us, we only had one radio station (KFYO) in those days."

**Did kids respect adults more then?**

"Well, we had to respect adults in those days. If we didn't, they told our parents and we would get a whipping. Many times, however, the adult would whip us and then send us home to our mother for another whipping. You just couldn't disrespect older people in those days."

**What about kids today, Nelda?**

"Well, if you whip someone's child today, the child will go home and tell their parents a lie about the whole situation. I can recall an incident down at my church, recently, when one of our adult workers was correcting a kid. The kid evidently got mad and completely cussed out the lady who was trying to help the child. Parents, in my opinion, just don't put enough trust in those persons who are trying to help their children. In those days, parents put a lot of trust in other adults when their kids were wrong."

**Can you give me an example?**

"I shall never forget the lady who lived across from Booker T. Washington Park. She didn't work for the park people, but she always kept an eye on what was

going on at the park. She knew the parents of every child who was playing in the park. If we did wrong she would tell our parents about it. We thought in those days that the lady was being nosy. Today, I know she was only trying to help us kids. We need more people like this lady, who care about the conduct of young people. At the same time, we need more parents to appreciate the efforts of concerned citizens like her."

**Do you think kids stay out in the streets too late?**

"I think they do. In my young days, we couldn't stay out all night. We had to be in at a certain time. I remember when I would go to the Pleasure Garden for recreational activities. I had to be home at a certain time. Whenever the 10:10 train was passing at 19th Street, I knew it was time for me to get home. Sometimes on Sunday evening at church, some of us would leave at collection time and hurry by the store before church was let out. We knew what time to be home. If we were not at home, we had a terrible problem."

**Would you advise kids today to get themselves a job?**

"I sure would, because as the good book says: "An idle mind is the devil's workshop". This is so true. Kids don't look for jobs like we did in those days. Parents want to do everything for their kids. It's best that their kids do some things for themselves. Some kids don't have any responsibility at home like we did. I had to wash dishes, cook and sew at my house."

I learned a lot from all of that in those days."

**When did you get your first job, Nelda?**

"I got my first job when I was 14 years of age, but I learned how to work when I was only 12. I never shall forget my first job. When I did something wrong the lady would call my mother about what I was doing wrong. I was corrected by my mother. I held a job in the summer months after school. You know, I didn't like chopping cotton, because me and the sun couldn't get along. It was too hot. So I got a job."

**Did you attend college?**

"Yes, I attended Prairie View A&M College on a scholarship for two years. I majored in Home Economics. All you could do with a degree in Home Economics in those days was to teach. I didn't want to teach. I liked sewing but didn't care too much for cooking. I would have liked to take tailoring, but it was only a two year course and couldn't be taken on the scholarship."

**What kind of advice would you like to leave the young blacks of Lubbock?**

"Well, they must keep in mind that an education is important. They must work for it. An education will not come to them on a silver platter. If they do this, they will have more things going for them. Even if you do housework as a maid, you need some kind of education in order to know what you are doing. I hope the young people will get an education."

## Plainview News Briefs . . .

Mr. Garland Ray Sr. celebrated his 65th birthday Sunday, Feb. 1, with a dinner prepared by his wife, Mrs. Nora Ray, and two of his daughters, Miss Ruby Ray and Mrs. Narvella Sansom. Guests were his sister, Mrs. Addie Driver and husband; his brother, Mr. Leslie Ray and wife; a son, Willie L. Ray; Rev. and Mrs. Clarence Brown, friends of the family; two grandsons, Mike and Rhyna Sansom; 2 granddaughters, Laney and Melody Sansom; along with Joe Beady and David Miller who were guests in the home of Mrs. Narvella Sansom and family for the weekend. Mr. Ray also enjoyed three long distance phone calls with happy birthday greetings from two grandsons, Anthony Ray of Canyon, Texas; and Sgt. James E. Sansom of Lawton, Okla.; also from his sister, Mrs. Drucilla Taylor of Groesbeck, Texas.

Admitted to Central Plains General Hospital for surgery.

Mrs. Lottie Carter was dismissed Feb. 12. She is doing fine.

Mrs. Christeen Sansom came home from the hospital after spending five days there, returned Feb. 11 for surgery.

Mrs. Florence Washington was admitted Feb. 5th. She is home

now and doing fine. She had surgery on her hand.

Mrs. Jessie Mae Ray entered the hospital Wed., Feb. 11 and had surgery on the hand. She is resting well at this time.

The boys and girls of United Baptist Church had their first social of the year Feb. 10. There were 50 young people present. The meeting opened with a musical, scripture reading and prayer. There were 6 workers on hand to chaperone the group. Refreshments were served. The young people of this community are always welcome to visit with us each Tuesday evening at 5 p.m. Mrs. A. Nails is counselor.

The church nursery will be open every Sunday to children 2 months to 5 years of age. Mrs. Mary Roddy is chairman of the nursery committee. Visitors are welcome to leave your children with these very responsible ladies, whenever you are visiting with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie B. Grayson received word of the death of a longtime friend, Mrs. Alice Lawrence of Atoka, Okla. Mrs. Pearlene Martin and family of Amarillo joined her parents, the Graysons, and they will attend the funeral Saturday, Feb. 14. Mrs. Lawrence was Mrs. Martin's teacher while growing up in Atoka.

Mrs. Elsie Smith left by plane Friday, out of Lubbock, enroute to Mexia to attend the funeral of an aunt.

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## Final Rites Read For Mrs. Theresa R. Brown Monday



Final rites were read Monday afternoon for Mrs. Theresa R. Brown at the 20th & Birch Street Church of Christ with Leibert A. Walters, minister, officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery with Sedberry Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Brown passed away Thursday, Feb. 19, after being ill for the past year.

She was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dan and Nancy Molden, Sept. 29, 1917 at Rockdale, Texas.

A resident of Lubbock for 22 years, she was married to J.D. Brown with whom she lived at their residence at 2006 Cedar Avenue.

She was a faithful member of the 20th and Birch Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, J.D. Brown of the home; two children, a son, Bobby Joe Watson of San Francisco, Calif.; and a daughter, Mrs. Gloria Joy Davis of Lubbock; two sisters, Mrs. Nancy Scott of Lubbock and Mrs. Vencula Sheppard of Sacramento, Calif.; two grandchildren, Sharon La'Nell Watson and Jessie Rene Watson; several nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Pallbearers were Joe Glaspie, Ed Rainwater, Joe Brown, Andrew Davis, James Lilly, and Dennis Carroll.

## Final Rites for Jay Alford White, Junior Read Here



Final rites were read last Friday for Jay Alford White, Jr., at the St. Matthews Baptist Church with Rev. R.S. Stanley, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Jamison & Son Funeral Home Directors.

White was born March 30, 1938 in Olton, Texas, to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Alford White. He was reared in Littlefield, Texas, and later moved to Lubbock.

His father preceded him in death. He was a member of St. Matthew Baptist Church.

A resident of Lubbock until his death, he passed away Feb. 15 at West Texas Hospital.

He leaves to mourn, his mother and stepfather, Willie Mae and Jessie Carothers of Friona, Texas; a son, Jay Lavone of Friona; two sisters, Mrs. Vivian Peoples and Carolyn Thornton, both of Lubbock; two nieces, Equiela and Stephanie Peoples of Lubbock; two nephews, Michael and Clifton, Jr., both of Lubbock; an aunt, Clara Ashley of Olton; an uncle,

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# ringing the bell . . .

with Bob Tieuel

The Black Experience: From a fellow bellringer and friend of school days in the 'good ole days': "Dear Bob—It was most gratifying to hear from you after all these years. (Bob's note - we chanced upon his name in a column in the Chicago Defender, by Hazel Garland, that's why we read every black newspaper we can get our hands on.) The letter continues: "Certainly I remember you. Can't help but remember when we locked horns in friendly rivalry in spelling bees at CME Junior College when we were in the 7th and 8th grades and the fine relationships we had in days back in Boley, Oklahoma. I was happy to hear about your sister, Theresa and your mother. Please give them my regards. Perhaps they still remember me.



"I haven't been back to Boley but once since I graduated from Boley High School in 1930. Don't run across anybody much from there except Woody Dolphin, who as you now know, was here in my office to visit with me for a few hours while he was in Pittsburgh on business. He is still a very fine person. I was surprised to learn that you live in New Mexico. Through the years, every once in a while, I have run across your column in some of the exchange papers and often wanted to correspond with you, but never knew where to write. Yes, I had a brother, Ode, but he has been dead since 1942.

"Only the filthy rich can retire. Good for you in your semi-retirement years. I'm 64, will be 65 in November, but have no thought of retiring now. With the Courier newspaper you don't have to retire so long as you are able to produce. I do take it much easier now than I used to, so I'll hang on a while since I'm in fairly good health.

"I have been in the newspaper business ever since 1934, the same year I left Lane College. Have been everything during that long period from paper folder to publisher. During the years was associated with the now defunct Kansas City Plaindealer, owned by Bishop Hamlett, who gave me my first job on a newspaper.

"I moved from there to the Kansas City Call, selling advertising. Went from there to the Houston Informer as advertising manager, then published a paper of my own in Houston for a short period in 1939.

"I went from Houston to the Journal and Guide in Norfolk, Virginia, as a writer, served in editorial capacities with the now defunct Washington Tribune, The Afro-American in Washington, D.C., the Cleveland Call and Post, the Cleveland Courier and now with the Sengstake Publications, as national editor of The Pittsburgh Courier chain, which is a part of the Sengstake Publications along with the Chicago Daily Defender, the Chicago Weekend Defender, The Detroit Chronicle, the Florida Courier, the Tri State Defender of Memphis. So you can see I have been around the horn.

"Mrs. Taylor and I live in Pittsburgh at 7105 1/2 Verona Blvd. zip 15235. We have four children, all adults, living in Cleveland, and nine grand children. Please give my regards to your wife. It's real good to hear from you. Hope we can keep up the relationship. Sincerely, Woody Taylor.

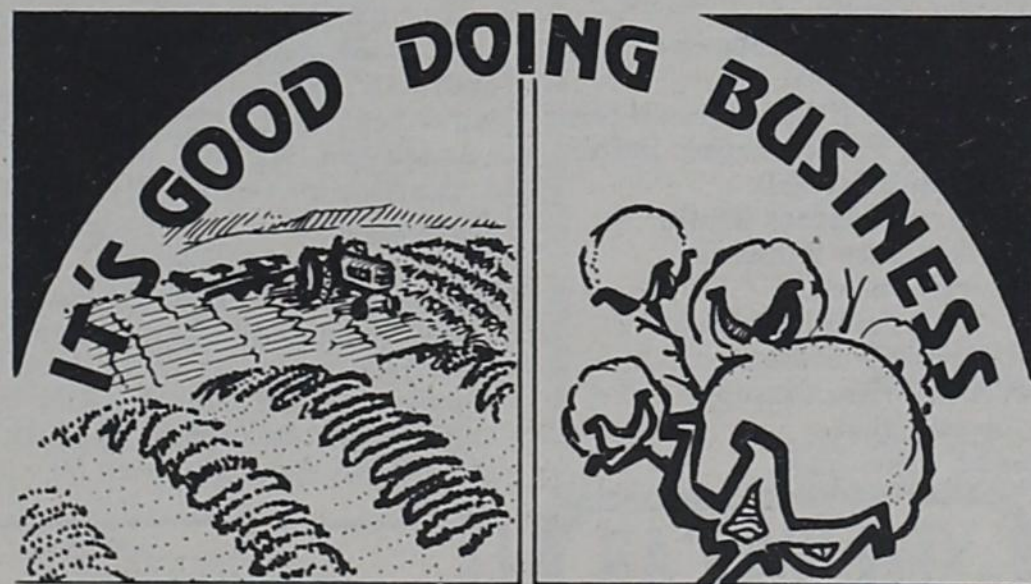
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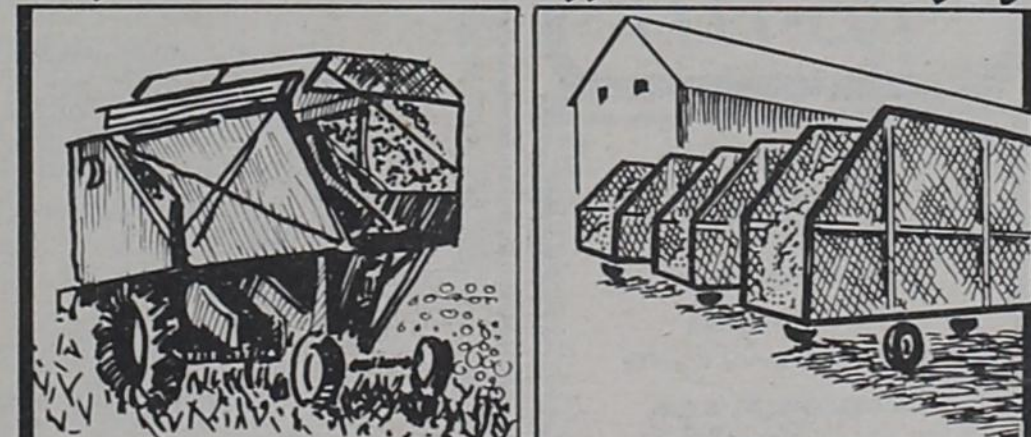
After all these years (since the 30s in Boley, Okla.) it is good to know that even still, our paths have crossed at several points, like Memphis, Lane College in Jackson, Tenn., Kansas City where I worked for a short time with the black-oriented Plaindealer newspaper and Bishop Hamlett, one of the greatest minds and preachers that the C.M.E. Church has produced in spite of many of his shortcomings. Incidentally, Bishop J.A. Hamlett gave me my first pastoral appointment (in Oklahoma) around 1938 as nearly as we can remember. It has been a long time ago. Will pass the word on to Mama and sister Theresa that you too are alive and still kicking and that you have been a bellringer from time to time.

Didn't realize that you are several years older than I, but you know I have always been older in brains than age even in those good ole days. You are being put on mailing list for our newspaper and that should help keep us in touch. Hope you will do likewise for your national edition. At the present time I am still pastoring a mission in Northwest Texas Conference and enjoying it. No, old preachers never die, they just mourn away. Signed, A friend of the long ago, Bob.

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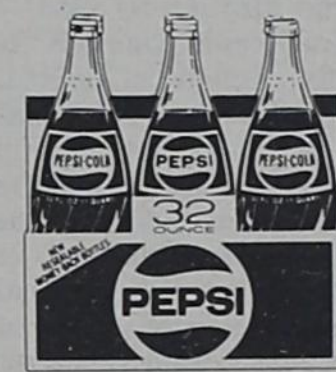
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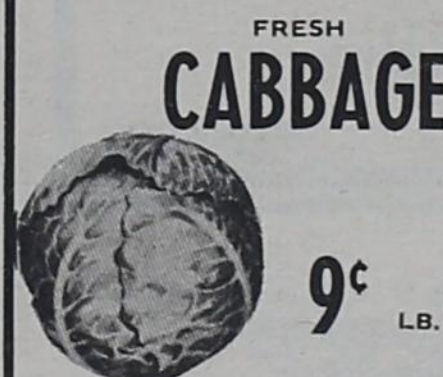
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**Red Cross . . .**

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what Upton termed as "little jobs" handled by local agencies. These generally involve disasters on a small scale such as isolated storm damage to rural prople.

"We think we're very efficient in that role," he said.

Though funded by United Way, the Red Cross needs other donations of both volunteer time and money, Upton explained. With the current financial pressure, the agency has decided to streamline operations to get more efficiency from the current funds.

"I think with restructuring, we'll be able to hold our own. We're totally dependent on the volunteer dollar. We got to keep up with the change if we expect to get that support," he said.

"A need as great as the dollar is volunteers," Upton declared.

"Nothing in the Red Cross would work without volunteers."

The West Texas Division of the Red Cross covers 103 counties.

**Posey Elementary . . .**

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books," the fifth grader said. The Lutheran Council for Community Action is currently funding the Reading Is Fundamental program for the first of its three years. The committee intends to approach businessmen and community leaders for additional funding during the next two years. If enough funds are obtained, Jebson said LCCA will expand the program to other area elementary schools.

"An individual who wanted to contribute \$3.50 could buy six books a year," he said.

An individual isn't hopeless until he loses his desire for knowledge.

**Child Care . . .**

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standards are subject to review and change within the framework of the law and reasonable interpretations of its provisions.

Vowell also revealed that on the day following each public hearing, task groups will meet to consider issues raised during the previous day's public hearings and to develop recommendations for modification of the standards. These group work sessions will be held jointly by DPW staff and members of the day care advisory committee. Location of the work sessions will be announced at the public hearings and the public may attend.

In the week following the hearings and the workshops, each of DPW's 10 regional administrators will set up public meetings in other communities in their regions where public interest indicates. These public meetings will serve to present information on the issues developed in the earlier hearings in Austin and elsewhere in the state.

The new law enacted last year applies to both day care and 24-hour care provided for Texas children, and is designed to extend and clarify the provisions guarding the health and safety of children placed in care of someone other than their parents.

**J. Alford White . . .**

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Alfonce Ashley of Friona, a host of relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Henry McKinney, Lewis Green, Jim Johnson, Joe Stewart, Charles Dews and Louis R. Ayers.

Honorary pallbearers were Arnie Sanders, Jasper Colbert and Clarence Sanders.

**Lubbock School Lunch Menu**

**Monday, March 1**

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich  
Buttered Carrots, Green Beans  
Fruit Cup, Milk

**Secondary Choice**

Burritos and Chili  
Tossed Salad

**Tuesday, March 2**

Pizza Squares  
Buttered English Peas  
Mashed Potatoes  
Peach Cobbler, Milk

**Secondary Choice**

Liver and Onions  
Tossed Salad

**Wednesday, March 3**

Oven Fried Fish, Tartar Sauce  
Baked Potato, Slaw  
Cornbread, Butter  
Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk

**Secondary Choice**

Meat Loaf  
Pickled Beets

**Thursday, March 4**

Italian Spaghetti  
Buttered W-K Corn, Tossed Salad  
Buttered French Bread, Butter  
Fruit Gelatin, Milk

**Secondary Choice**

Chicken Rice Casserole  
Stewed Prunes

**Friday, March 5**

Hamburger on Bun  
French Fries, Catsup  
Tossed Salad  
Spice Cake, Milk

**Sheridan's Ride**

by Jack Sheridan

There is a man I know well in this town who has an unusual but easily recognizable name. It is Billy Graham. Not THE Billy Graham, but a namesake, you might say, who has a birthday just passed. He is, really William R. Graham (Bill) who was born Feb. 2, 1926, in El Paso and came to Lubbock in April of 1953. Shortly thereafter, in 1954, he started with the Lubbock Fire Department. Then, in January of 1959, he was promoted to driver with the department. Now he has retired, as of Feb. 20, after 21 years, 4 months and 19 days. His retirement was forced for this bearded, genial man has been suffering from a respiratory ailment and so has been released for disability.

Bill has a son, Russell, who lives in Amarillo and his mother, Elsie Graham, lives there, too.

But Bill Graham is one of Lubbock's own and we congratulate him on his birthday, his service and his dedication. It's nice to number him as a friend.

Now we have one new movie to talk about and some notes about the abundance of live stage entertainment that is available to us all this weekend.

The movie is called "Lucky Lady" and is currently at Showplace 4. It's not a very good movie. It's a big one, simple because it lists three top-ranking stars in its cast, but in this case names do not necessarily mean quality. Gene Hackman is the Kibby of the film, big-eyed Liza Minnelli, who still reminds you of her late mother, Judy Garland, is Clair; and hairy-chested, but not necessarily hairy-talented, Burt Reynolds is Walker.

Now, these three stars met under the Twentieth Century-Fox banner to make a movie estimated at \$12 million, under the heavy hand of the usually estimable Stanley Donen. What finally emerged out of the Mexican seacoast is a prohibition era charade about booze smuggling with over (and under) tones of whimsy, bawdy humor and general nonsense.

Somehow, in this overlong (117 minutes), really dull movie, the PG rating comes under scrutiny. The language is rough, my friends, and one thinks back to Judy Garland, as her daughter mouths some language that that estimable lady would never have permitted on screen or stage. Times have indeed changed.

Miss Minnelli has no "Cabaret" in this one and the frequent close-up shots on the big screen seem to focus on her wide and starry eyes. In fact, so much that one longs to see her teamed with Marty Feldman ( Sherlock Holmes' Smarter Brother ) for the eye-popping team of the year.

George Segal was supposed to play one of the leads but illness forced him out and Hackman took over. That was not so hot for the ultimate outcome of this film. His is not this sexy flair movie ability and, if anything, his teaming with the more predictable Reynolds-Minnelli types gives one an uncomfortable sense of miscasting.

There is some good work by Michael Holdern, the ship captain; John Hillerman, the murderous hood; Geoffry Lewis, the Coast Guard; and Bobby Benson, the ship hand.

The Fred Ebb-John Kander music for Minnelli has been singled out for Academy Award nomination but what they have provided is not too memorable.

"Lucky Lady" is a romp, but don't take it too seriously. It's an also-ran.

This is, as usual, being written in the dawning hours of Tuesday. And with this day we start a run of attendance at no less than four "live" stage plays being offered this week to Lubbock audiences. For example, we hie off to the country tonight (Tuesday) for the opening performance of the Hayloft Dinner Theater's new comedy, "Three for the Money." This one will run most of March at the rustic playhouse and we'll comment on this one next week.

We'll also be talking about the Lubbock Theatre Centre Arthur Miller drama about the Salem witch hunts, "The Crucible," which opens Friday (tomorrow) and runs through Tuesday, with a matinee on Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The play is being directed by June Bearden, the longtime and expert drama head at Lubbock Christian College. Mrs. Bearden (Mrs. James) has for a long time wanted to direct this particular drama and our anticipation is high.

Also tomorrow (Friday), the University Theater comes back into the production fold with the opening of the Tennessee Williams' comedy, "The Rose Tattoo." This is the tale of the lady who reveres her husband's ashes until her head is turned by a brawny successor. Anna Magnani, that wonderful Italian actress, now dead, made a memorable portrait of Serafina on the screen and the part is a love. Anticipation is high for this one, too.

And, if all this were not enough, the Texas Tech Lab Theater gets into the act, too, with a revival of R.C. Sheriff's forceful and moving account of British Tommies in the trenches, World War I, "Journey's End." This is a difficult, compelling play and the Lab Theater students have tackled a tough one. We shall see.


The Theater Center play is at 8:15 p.m.; the two Tech entries have split times. The former is at 8:15 p.m. through Wednesday, while "Journey's End" will be see at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and then at 8:15 p.m. through Wednesday.

And to top it all off this Bicentennial year, the Lubbock Community Concert Association brings back the play with music, "1776" for its membership at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Monterey High School auditorium.

Nothing to do, no place to go, in Lubbock? Don't you believe it. If we survive this onslaught, we'll fill you in on how it all comes out next time around.

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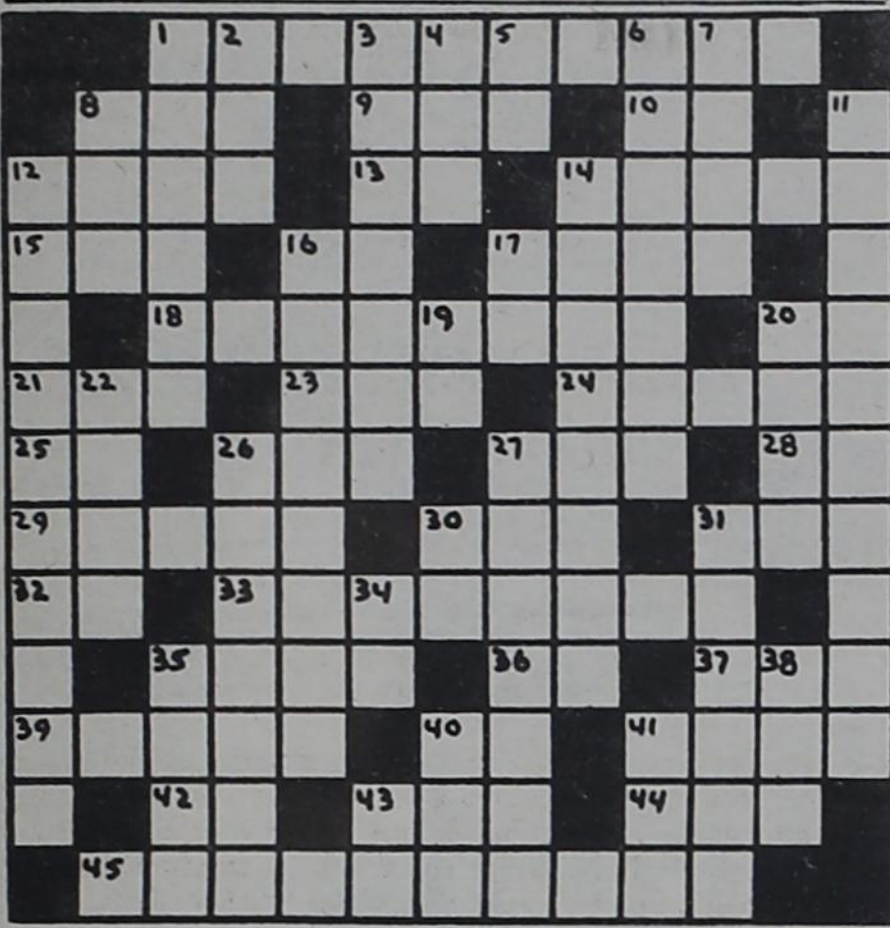
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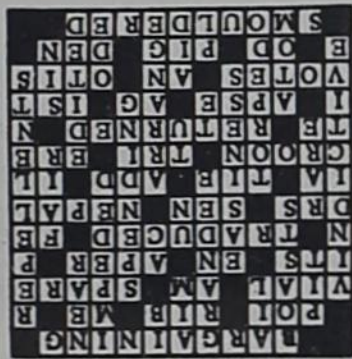
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
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