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Mrs. Mildred Long Williams Moves to Salt Lake City

Mrs. Mildred Long Williams, a longtime resident of Lubbock, left last Thursday via train for Salt Lake City, Utah, where she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Crunk Oliver.

Mildred had been a resident of Lubbock more than twenty five years, and was away only once when she followed her ex-husband, Fred Williams, while he was in service of the U. S. Army.

Several months ago her health began to wane and her condition grew worse to the extent she was unable to work. Because of nice friends and assistance from various churches of the city she was able to keep going for a while. Her daughter and family came for Mildred last summer and for several reasons she could not accompany them back.

She had been caring for a granddaughter and four great-grandchildren. So

she decided a few days ago to go to her daughter, Gladys, who was happy for her to come.

The granddaughter, Sylvia Jean Jackson, has been out of town several months and complete care of the children was the responsibility of Mildred, which proved too much for her physical strength.

After placing the four great-granddaughters in good homes she was ready to leave. She was to arrive in Utah at 10:30 p.m. Friday.

Mrs. Long expressed her deep appreciation and thanks to all of her friends and to every one who contributed to help her in any way. She is especially grateful to the following churches of the city and their pastors for the following contributions:

Lyons Chapel Baptist, \$5; New Hope Baptist, \$13.42; Messiah Presbyterian, \$13.80; Mt. Vernon Methodist, \$14.10; St. Luke Baptist, \$15;

Mt. Gilead, \$19.56; Bethel A. M. E., \$28.10; Mrs. Nettie Lou Gadison, \$2; a total sum of \$96.88.

Your kindness enabled me to pay some delinquent bills, get my ticket and ship my personal belongings to Utah and have some extra change for my trip. I will never be able to express my gratitude to each of you because you were friends indeed. Please pray for me that God will restore my health. I hope to make new friends in Utah, but I'll never forget the ones I've left behind.

I especially want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Paris Brown, who gave me shelter and other kindness free for 8 months. I hope to hear from some of my Lubbock friends at intervals.

God bless the kind families who took my great-grandchildren to love and care for them. May God's love ever surround you and keep you in my grateful prayer.

Thank you, thank you. Mildred Long Williams

Mrs. Leatha Mae Blewitt Forston Serving Eleventh Year In Lubbock Schools

Mrs. Leatha Mae Blewitt Forston, one of Lubbock's elementary teachers, is now serving in her eleventh year. Leatha Mae is a graduate of Dunbar High School. She began her school career at Jamestown, Texas, near her birthplace. At the age of 16 years, in 1943, she came to Lubbock to make her home with a very devoted aunt, Mrs. "Sug" Johnson, who was responsible for Leatha's education. She was a member of the 1947 graduating class of Dunbar. She spent 4 years at Tillotson College where she obtained her degree. Later she did graduate work at Prairie View College.

June 24, 1950, she was united in marriage to Thomas Fortson. In 1951 she was hired by Lubbock Public School Board to serve as a six grade teacher at Dunbar and taught 4 years. She then started a family and resigned until a later date when she could return to the school room. While she waited she was hired by the school board at Ropesville, where she served two years, teaching the first four grades and assisting Mr. Joe



Leatha Mae Fortson

Davis who was principal. During periods of her off and on services, she has served on the substitute list and at last was again hired to teach at Ella Iles, her present employ, as a first grade teacher.

Leatha Mae was born July 16, 1927, to Mr. Frank Blewitt and the late Mrs. Alice Blewitt who passed away September 25, 1952, at Lubbock. She is a member of a family of four daughters and one son.

The Fortsons reside in their own home at 2433 East 28th. They have three children: R'Leatha, 7, George Brent, 4, and Trinita Renae, 21 months. Her sisters are Mesdames Ruby Adams, Frankie Hooper and Hazer Wortham, and one brother, David Blewitt, all of Lubbock.

Her father is also a resident of Lubbock.

Her husband, Thomas, is employed by Hillcrest Country Club. They are members of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church where Leatha Mae is a member of the senior choir and when his work will permit, Thomas serves on the ushers board.

ternity second place with their skits.

Proceeds from the program will provide a college scholarship for a Dunbar student in the May, 1962, graduating class.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Stage Fund Raising Campaign

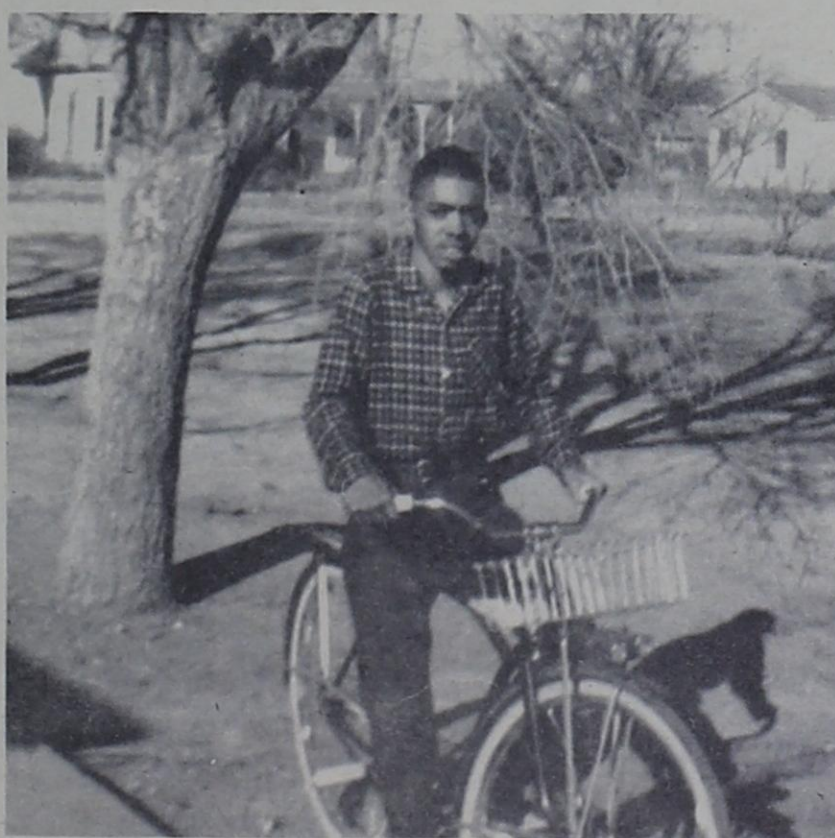
Lubbock Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority sponsored its fund raising project, a Jabberwock, on March 23 in the Dunbar High School auditorium.

The theme was "Target: Outer Space," and the program consisted of skits from local and area Greek letter organizations along with music and dance numbers by some of Lubbock's talented performers.

The Dunbar Combo, directed by Roy Roberts, furnished music.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority won first place and Omega Psi Phi Fra-

Manhattan Times Reaches Out



Snyder, Texas -- The Manhattan Heights Times is delivered in Snyder by York Gibson,

who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Lewis. York is a 7th grade student at Lincoln School.

Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Wilson left early Tuesday morning for Waco to attend the Founder's Day Celebration and services which will be in

session Tuesday morning at 10:30.

Mrs. Wilson will also visit her sister and family.

Sorority Club Sponsors 'Spring Twist Ball'

Attention! Attention! Come one, come all to the "Spring Twist Ball" sponsored by the Sorority Club:

Date, March 30, 1962, Saturday.

Place, Carver Heights Community Center.

Time, 8:30 p.m. ---- 12 p.m.

Admission, \$ 25.

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"Drop it, Jo, get your yo-yo. Let's Twist."

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Woods left Monday for Dallas due to the death of Mrs. Woods' maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Moody, who was more than four score years. She passed away at a Dallas hospital Friday afternoon. She made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Annie Lee McAlveen. The final services will be conducted at Fairfield, Texas.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

by James Roy Lewis

Thought I was through with basketball, but I can't keep this locked up in me for a whole year; I would burst. I received three Houston Informer newspapers last week covering the P. V. tournament. Ten players were chosen for the 1962 All State Basketball Team. This means the ten best players in the State of Texas and not just players who were on teams at the state tournament.

Here are the players' names, home and school: (1) David (Leaping) Latin, 6'6", Worthing of Houston, also most valuable player; (2) Jerome Bell, 6'4", Wheatley of Houston; (3) William Gaines, 6'1", Madison of Dallas; (4) Andrew Benson, 6'6", Jack Yates of Houston; (5) John Alford, 6'1", Worthing of Houston; (6) Alvin Wade, 6', Madison of Dallas; (7) Lewis Alexander, 6', Jack Yates of Houston; (8) Lawrence Eaglin, 6', Charleston - Pollard of Beaumont; (9) Vosia Chaney, 6'1", Worthing of Houston; and last but not least was Little Joe (Big

Hearted) McWilliams, 5'9", Dunbar High School of Lubbock, the tenth best basketball player in the State of Texas for 1961-62 season.

There were ten players who made Honorable Mention and included in that group was Willie Haynes, 6'3", Dunbar of Lubbock, who played one of his best games against Omaha in the first round that helped get the team together and go on to win the state championship.

One statement said, crafty, little Joe McWilliams was perhaps one of the sharpest guards in the history of interscholastic basketball in Texas, which is saying a lot.

Believe it or not, Lloyd Wells and some more people had rigged up a "crawfish casting line complete with keys" to toss to me in case Dunbar lost, but the table turned on them and they didn't get a chance. How nice. Bow you.

Julian Spence, Samuel Huston College graduate, hometown Austin, and now a star football player for the Houston Oilers, has joined the Pearl Beer distributors as a sales representative. Spence and his lovely wife reside in Hitchcock, Texas, between Houston and Galveston. He and Coach E.P. Mallory were school mates.

Jackie Robinson, ex-star second baseman and Hall of Famer, with the Brooklyn Dodgers, holds the record of making

Masonic Grand Chapter, Prince Hall Affiliation Presents Program

The following program was presented Saturday during the district meeting of the Masonic Grand Chapter Prince Hall Affiliation, Saturday, 9:30 a. m. at the New Hope Baptist Church. The ritualistic opening was conducted by Mrs. M. M. Taylor, Worthy Matron of Amarillo, Texas. After a question and answer period the grand officers and visitors were

less errors in a single season: seven.

The Pittsburg Pirates declared they would return to their old training site in 1963 at Ft. Myers, Fla., where they lost only three games in eight years of playing.

Big Bill Russell, 6'10" center of the pro Boston Celtics, has won the most valuable award for the second straight year in succession. Of course, his runner-up mate had to be 7'1" Wilt (The Stilt) Chamberlain, who scored 100 points in a single basketball game this year. Boston beat Philadelphia Saturday to take a 1 to 0 lead in the best 4 out of 7 in a play-off series.

The new Houston air-conditioned stadium now being built will cost plenty but will only seat 46,000 plus for baseball, 52,000 plus for football and about 66,000 for boxing.

Big Joe Adcock, now first baseman for the Milwaukee Braves, set two major league records and tied two when he made four home runs and one double in a single game against the old Brooklyn Dodgers back in July, 1954.

Howard is a St. Louis boy, and in 1950 he started in organized ball. In 1962, January 31, he returned to St. Louis to receive the "J.G. Taylor Spink Award" as the Mound City's baseball Man of the Year.

Ted Williams and Roger Hornsby are the only two players in baseball I can remember who had a lifetime batting aver-

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introduced. Worthy Matron conducted the memorial meditations for those we have loved and lost, by E. M. Webster of Amarillo.

At 2:00 the evening service was conducted by Worthy Matron M. M. Taylor of Amarillo. Remarks by the Grand W. M. Introduction of speaker by W. M. E. M. Webster. Address "Why I Am a Star," Mrs. Ruby Jay. Introduction of the Grand Worthy Matron. Symposium Remarks Sister Annie Haynie W. M. of Wichita Falls; also the Grand District Deputy. Also Mrs. A. L. Dunn, Lubbock; also Mrs. Ma-

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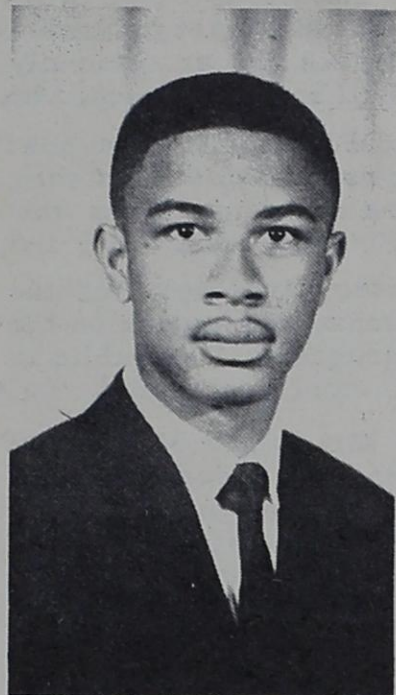
Dunbar Seniors Being Measured For Caps & Gowns

BY DENZIL WALKER
Dunbar High School
Correspondent

Members of the senior class have measured for their caps and gowns.

Students enrolled in the class in Negro history have completed their scrapbooks and are selecting subjects for their term papers.

The Senior and Junior New Homemakers of America traveled to Prairie View College for the State NHA Meeting. Dunbar delegates representing the Senior NHA are Bobbie Nell Jenkins, Mildred Williams and Grace Ann Isaac. Delegates re-



presenting the Junior NHA are Mildred Beavers, third vice president of the local chapter and district and Patricia Glaspie, president of the Dunbar Junior NHA.

It is time to fill out choice cards for next year and in an effort to encourage more pupils to enroll in homemaking, the eighth grade class

A bad bargain...

There is a general impression abroad in the land among both the aged and their sympathetic, well-meaning juniors that the Administration's Medicare proposal (specifically, the King-Anderson Bill) now before Congress will provide a neat and comprehensive solution to the health problems of all over age 65.

It is sublime, if ill-founded faith, it is this sublime, if ill-founded faith, it is about time to look into this bill and see what it does offer. You will find that it would pay for:

1. Up to 90 days of inpatient hospitalization, the patient to pay the first \$10 of cost each day for the first nine days. ("Deductible" is the word for that ninety bucks.)
2. After hospitalization (but not without it), up to 180 days of nursing home services.
3. Home health services (by others than physicians) up to 240 visits per year.
4. Outpatient hospital diagnostic services—in this case with a \$250 "deductible" (to be paid by the patient) on each examination.

And if these services appear on casual reading to be fairly comprehensive, consider the medical needs that are

not provided for.

There is no allowance for the bills of your own doctor or surgeon—in or out of the hospital or nursing home. There is no provision for drugs needed to continue treatment at home and no help with doctors' or druggists' bills for those who suffer at home with arthritis, heart trouble, diabetes and kindred chronic ailments.

And it is moot to ask just where would those of limited means (for whom this legislation is primarily urged) get the \$90 required for the first nine days of a hospital sojourn? The question is especially pertinent when you consider that senior-citizen health insurance policies without deductibles are available for this amount of money from established, tax-paying insurance companies.

The best assessment of the King-Anderson Bill, perhaps, come from statistics presented by the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in testimony before the House Ways and Means Committee. They show, on careful analysis, that this legislation would cover less than 25 percent of the average medical expense of those over 65. At an estimated cost of \$2 billion a year in additional Social Security taxes, it is not only a bad bargain but a costly deception.

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The invitation in the right hand corner of the case asks the pupils "Why don't you join us next fall?" Kathryn Williams and Evelyn Walker are responsible for setting up the window.

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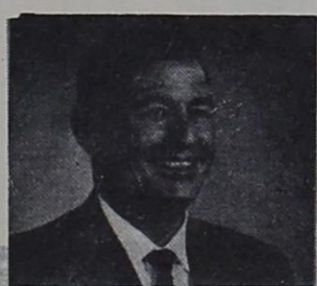
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age over .400. Hornsby hit .424 back in 1924.

Willie Mays, top centerfielder for the San Francisco Giants is the highest paid player in baseball at \$90,000 a year. Mickey Mantle is second with \$85,000. One year Joe Dimaggio received \$100,000.

The Washington Senators of the American League have a rookie left fielder called the Capital Comet. He is Chuck Hinton, a speed merchant who stole 22 bases last year. He will play along side Willie Tasby.

The two M-M boys, Maris and Mantle, have signed a contract to

make a picture together called "Safe at Home." They signed with Columbia Pictures.

Billy Bruton, former Milwaukee Braves centerfielder and now patrolling the center garden for the Detroit Tigers, was given a raise due to his hustle and many good catches he made to win ball games, although he hit a measly .257 last season.

Sad Sam (Toothpick) Jones, star righthand pitcher now of the Detroit Tigers, listed his age as 36 years old.

The oldest player on the Los Angeles Angels baseball team is Art Fowler, who is the ace pitcher on the club. Fowler is 39 now and will be 40 years old about July 3, 1962.

The Southwest Conference is really in a scramble and will probably end in a two-way

tie if not a three-way tie. Three teams are now tied and if all three win the remaining games, it will be in a three-way tie. If one top team should lose and the other two win, it will be a two-way tie. The teams tied for first are Texas Tech, A&M and SMU.

Willingham Ranch (11 miles east of Snyder)

We have learned that Crane of their district won the state championship of their class and Colorado City won their class state championship. Congratulations to both schools' coaches and West Texas.

Clint Courtney, who caught for the Kansas City team in 1961 has signed as a free agent with the Houston, Texas, Oilers.

Al Lopez holds the major league record for catching the most games. He now manages the Chicago White Sox.

Vic Raschi, three-time twenty game winner of the New York Yankees, holds the record for the most balks, 4 in one game.

The Negro National League Allstars, headed by Leroy (Satchel) Paige, in the 1936 Denver Post baseball tournament were as follows: catching, Josh Gibson and Paul Hardy; pitching, Satchel Paige, Ray Brown and two others whose names I can't recall; first base, Buck Leonard; second base, Sammy Hughes; shortstop, Chester Williams; thirdbase, Jack Marshall and Jim Davenport; right field, Wild Bill Wright; center field, James (Cool Papa) Bell and left field, Vic Harris. Manager was Candy Jim Taylor. What a team. They would have given any major league team a real game.

March 9. Eight scouts were able to go on the encampment.

The Group Union Singers will meet in Snyder March 25 at Friendly Will Baptist Church, 34th and Avenue K. The host group at this third song service will be the Friendly Six. All the other members of the union will appear on the program. The public is invited to attend.

Mr. Ouzzie McClain of Snyder attended the funeral services of his brother, Willie McClain of Nederland, Texas.

Mr. Willie McClain passed in a hospital at Houston, Tuesday, March 6, and services were March 9.

Other relatives attending the final rites were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wells and Jerry McClain of Snyder; Leo Stanley of Lubbock.

Sewing Project Underway at Lincoln High

Snyder, Texas--With the second semester well on the way the Lincoln School homemaking girls are in the midst of a big sewing project.

The instructor, Mrs. S. Standfield, said that the girls are getting ready for the district style show which will be in Levelland sometime in April.

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Some of the leading choir members along with Mrs. W. R. Solomon, have become conscious of the presence of some Marion Andersons, Mahalia Jacksons and Joe Mayes talents in our own community. In view of this discovery a very unique program was presented and was an enjoyable affair.

Financial contributions amounted to \$110. Several weeks ago this choir presented a voice reci-

tal that netted more than \$200. With a dynamic president as Mrs. Sug Johnson the choir is sure to go to success.

They are planning other programs for the choir in the near future. The newly organized Angelic

choir made its appearance at the church on this program. Some of the outstanding soloists in the choir are Mrs. Laura Skief and her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Reed, and Mrs. Virgie Owens.

DID YOU KNOW?

By Lester Means

That spectators packing Rome's huge Stadio Olimpico in September of 1960 hushed as the six teams competing in the women's olympic 400-meter relay final took positions on the track. All eyes were on one girl, the lithe brown 20 year old who was to run the anchor leg for the U. S. team, Wilma Rudolph, a five foot-eleven coed from Tennessee State has already won the 100- and 200-meter sprints, and in the semi-finals of the relay she had played a large part in setting a new olympic and world record. If the U. S. team won this final, she would

be the first American woman ever to win three olympic gold medals in track.

The starting pistol cracked, the first runners shot from their starting blocks, raced the baton to the second. The second to the third. And now Lucinda Williams of the U. S. team was in the lead, flashing toward Wilma, who had already started her forward motion. Then a gasp went up from the crowd—the baton was bobbed and Wilma had to stop to grasp it! Germany's Jutta Heine was flying two strides ahead. But now Wilma's great scissoring, incredible strides began to burn up the track. She came abreast of Jutta Heine... pulled ahead... and burst the tape in first place.

A roar went up from 60,000 throats. In the din, one confused spectator had to ask a French photographer standing near the finish line who won. The photographer replied, "La gazelle, naturellement. La Chatanooga Choo Choo."

Wilma Rudolph's spectacular triumphs at the Olympics brought her tremendous acclaim both at home and abroad. In December European sportswriters named her

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Sewing . . .

never lost its utility or its charm. Mother taught daughter, neighbor taught neighbor.

The women of yesterday, were they able to look in on methods and implements today, would be amazed at the singular progress which has been made to improve quality and artistic effort.

New Chior Is Organized At Mt Gilead

A new choir was organized at the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church with the youth department. This new choir has been named the Angelic Choir and Mr. Harvey Bunton is the president and Mr. Adams is advisor. The choir made its first public appearance Sunday, March 25, at the Federation of Choirs. This choir is also number 4 in the youth department of the church and it has already been an inspiration. One young woman came as a candidate for baptism and desired to become a member of the Angelic Choir.

Sunday was youth day and all four youth choirs rendered services. The Angelic Choir also appeared on a local talents program sponsored by the Mt. Gilead Senior Choir recently.

Mrs. Mildred Long Williams is making plans to go to her daughter in Salt Lake City, Utah, to live. Mildred has been ill for several months.

Song Service Set

Snyder, Texas--Rev. and Mrs. C. Crayton of Friendly Will Baptist Church, Snyder, will be honored by their church members and friends when the 7th anniversary of the church is celebrated. The week long service will begin March 26 at 8 p. m. and end April 1 at 3 p. m. Rev. F. K. Williams of Mt. Rose Baptist Church, Sweetwater, will be in charge of the services.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

Mr. Eli Sullivan has been dismissed from the hospital at San Antonio, but as yet is unable to make the trip home. His wife Grace is yet at his bedside.

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Dunbar News...

Five officers and one alternate for the Student Council traveled to Texarkana State Student Council Convention Tuesday, Feb. 27th. They were Marvin Ray Davis, president; Mattie Ruth-erford, vice president; Alma Faye Mitchell, secretary; Carolyn Wood-ard, treasurer; Sandra Sutton, parliamentarian; Judith Ann Struggs, alternate.

Seniors enrolled in English 41 have written research papers. They are on display in the English department.

Two Dunbar students were named all-state

basketball players last week. Joe McWilliams, senior and captain of the team; and Charles Hawkins, sophomore; were the students who received this honor.

Forty boys are working out on the cinder track. A track meet is scheduled for Saturday March 17, in Lubbock.

The junior high Gypsy party was held Wednesday, Feb. 28, in the Dunbar Cafeteria from 6:30 until 9:00. Students wore clothing characteristic of gypsies.

Students who traveled to Tyler for the New Homemakers of America State Convention were Faye Barrow, the newly elected "Miss NHA" of

this area and Bobbie Nell Jenkins, president of the West Texas district. Traveling with them was Miss J. L. Bonner, sponsor and homemaking instructor at Dunbar.

The Dunbar exchange assembly was presented Tuesday, Feb. 27, at the regular assembly hour. The title was "The Story of The Blues." The mistress of ceremonies was Bobbie Jenkins. The first number was sung by the Pantherettes --- Etheria Rafe, Albenia Wedgeworth, Betty Jackson and Dorothy Eddins. "Blues in the Night" was sung by Alma Mitchell; "Stormy Weather" was sung by Ella White; Desma Revis sang "Basin Street." "When the Sun Rose This Morning" was sung by Ethel Hibbler. Other appearances were "Birth of the Blues," Judith Struggs; "Tuxedo Junction" dance by the

majorettes; St. Louis Blues dance by Antoinette Robertson. The students are looking forward to presenting the program to the other two high schools.

James Williams, senior, has his display of abstract work in the art display window.

Students in the science department have finished their projects and they were to be exhibited in the Science Fair today.

Sportsman of the Year, the first American woman ever so honored.

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