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Blacks Organize National Party

(Editor's Note: Chauncey Bailey, formerly a reporter for UPI and now executive director of the Black Press Institute, covered the National Black Independent Political Party Congress in Chicago (Aug. 20-23).

CHICAGO -- Inside the huge Tabernacle Baptist Church the delegates and observers were clapping and thundering in unison -- "Build the Party, build the Party ...". Some 1,000 blacks from 30 states.

Later, a few blocks away at the Phillip High School Auditorium, some persons were expressing concern that this black party was leaning towards a leadership that was purely nationalist, and there might not be room for other radical blacks with other political postures. Some observers moaned about not being afforded voting status in the Congress session. And one frantic participant wrote on a blackboard in a hallway: "South Africa is the only issue you idiots." Cracks seemed to be getting wider.

It was that kind of a Congress session for the NBIPP. One that swayed back and forth, in and out of turbulence and then into a setting that was tranquil. The party came here to do two things: elect officers and ratify a charter which had come from the party's founding conference last November in Philadelphia. On each evening here in Chicago the delegates hammered at and haggled over pages and pages of rules and amendments and sessions went on into the wee hours of the next morning.

Meanwhile, 12 party workshops probed into and came up with resolutions relating to: building for black economic self-sufficiency; public schools and blacks; independent black schools; what local party chapters must do; black refugees; the black family; south Africa; community organizing; building neighborhoods; police brutality and racial violence; the Caribbean and self determination for blacks.

The Rev. Ben Chavis (formerly jailed as part of the Wilmington 10) was elected National Representative for the party with Barbara Arwine, a delegate from North Carolina who had chaired the community organizing workshop at the Congress. The party

also elected Kikora Ros Tabasimu of Detroit as the presiding officer for the National Party Congress. Thad Mathis of New York City was elected the presiding officer for the party's Central Committee. The co-chair posts went to Ron Daniels of Youngstown, Ohio; and Elsa Brown of Richmond, Vir. Daniels and Rev. Chavis had helped to deliver the charter during the Philadelphia conference. "The big misconception that blacks outside the party now have about us is that we are talking about solving all the problems that blacks are faced with right now," said Rev. Chavis. "We have to now go back to our communities and take our message back to the people. This will be the power of the party."

Many blacks could be left with the feeling that "we have heard all this before and we have went down this road before and it didn't take us anywhere" said Robert Jackson from a California delegation. "But this party is different. In 1972 when the blacks met in Gary to organize they left with a black agenda but not the means and programs to carry on with what had to be done. This party is not making that mistake."

Some 8,000 persons had attended the Gary gathering 9 years ago. But it was a session that was too dominated by "mainstream black leaders and democrats," said Manning Marable, a NBIPP member from

New York and a professor at Cornell University. "We saw a need for a real black party because the GOP and the democrats were not working in the best interest of oppressed blacks," he said. Daniels stressed, however, that the NBIPP is not about the business of electing blacks to public office at this time. "That is not our main priority. We want to organize the black community so that we can speak with one voice and make demands for better health care of food co-ops and so that we can build our own black institutions that are sensitive and responsive to the needs of blacks. That is political power, too."

Marable, whose column "From the Grassroot" appears in dozens of black newspapers, said, "This black party is not going out to get black faces in high places when we leave here. The American political system is a wrapped notion of politics. It (politics) is more than just running someone for office, it is the empowerment of a people." The congress passed many amendments calling for increased communication and security in the black community and better ties with the third world and liberation movements.

Predictably, the local media stayed away from the Congress. The Chicago Tribune ran

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CLASS OF 1971 - Pictured above are members of the Graduating Class of 1971 of Dunbar High School. At present time, these members are making preparation for a Class Reunion to be held in September. If you are a member of this class and have not been involved, then this class is waiting for you. (Photo by Ufok Etukado)

Black Teachers Feel Policy Hinderance To Hiring Of Teachers

by Denise Kinner

Approximately 1,600 teachers are employed by the Lubbock Independent School District for this year's school term. Although figures are not yet available on how many of those teachers are minorities, it appears likely that at least 7.5 percent of those teachers will be black.

Ralph Madrid, personnel director for LISD, explains, "Under the 1970 desegregation order, we were told, at that time, that we needed to have an

equal percentage of black teachers in every building (school) in balance with the entire black student population. At that time, 7.8 or 7.9 percent of the students were black."

Black teachers and administrators admit that while such a policy may aid in the hiring of blacks, they believe it could serve as a hindrance as well. They point out that the school administration might be tempted to hire only the

minimum number of blacks needed to satisfy the guidelines in the desegregation order and not hire more blacks beyond that point. However, Madrid says such a policy does not exist.

"We in the personnel office recommend people for employment and it wouldn't be smart of us to turn good people away because of numbers. We always employ the people that are the strongest applicants."

Poor Has Right To Challenge Denial Of Their Public Housing Authority

The poor have a right to a notice and hearing to challenge the denial of their application for housing by a public

housing authority. Federal regulations (24 C.F.R. 860.207) require the housing authority to promptly notify an applicant for the reasons for denying them housing. The regulations also give the applicant the right to ask for an informal hearing to challenge their denial.

In March, 1980, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in *Billington v. Underwood*, that the notice must be "sufficiently specific for it to enable an applicant to prepare rebuttal evidence to introduce at his hearing appearance." This generally means the notice must include the reason why the applicant is denied housing and the facts supporting the reason. The Fifth Circuit further said the hearing must be in front of an impartial hearing officer. While the court did not rule out the use of housing authority personnel to conduct the hearing, such personnel must be a "decision maker (who) will listen to the arguments of both sides before making a decision on the evidence and legal rules adduced at the hearing." In short, a fair minded person who has not already made up his or her mind on the case.

This same issue prompted a lawsuit to be filed against the Lubbock Public Housing Authority, Wilson v. Lubbock Housing Authority, on September 12, 1980. The

plaintiffs are represented by West Texas Legal Services and the suit is still pending in federal court.

Persons who are denied housing by a public housing authority and who believe their rights were violated may consider the following action:

1. Make a request for a hearing with the housing authority by sending a letter to the director of the housing authority.

2. File a complaint with HUD in Dallas explaining what happened to them. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Bruce D. Gipson, 2901 Bryn Tower, 4th floor, Dallas, Texas, 75201.

3. Retain a lawyer by contacting West Texas Legal Services, 1601 Metro Tower, Lubbock, Texas, 79401, or Lawyer Referral Service, 1-800-252-9690.

West Texas Legal Services is a nonprofit organization that provide free legal representation to the poor.

Soul Seekers Sing Sunday

The Spiritual Soul Seekers will be singing Sunday afternoon and night, September 6, 1981, at 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. at the Church of the Living God, 408 North Zenith Avenue. Rev. L. F. Bowie is pastor.

— Editorial — Coca Cola Gives In To PUSH

by NNPA

As Blacks across this country were preparing to engage in their first mass activity in protest of inequities in the marketplace, Operation PUSH and the Coca Cola Company announced a "moral covenant" in which Coke will channel over \$30 million to Black business and the Black community.

We applaud the leadership initiative taken by Rev. Jesse Jackson, president of Operation PUSH, in pressing Coke officials to the wall, until they reconsidered and abandoned their previously adamant position of not moving beyond what they were presently doing. And that was not acceptable to PUSH officials who had been in negotiations with Coke for several months.

The settlement was more than a victory for Black leadership, but it produced a "mini miracle" in bringing together the scattered civil rights family of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. For years, there has not been the best of communications among those who were chief lieutenants of Dr. King.

However, in the Coke settlement, Rev. Jackson was in regular touch with Mrs. Coretta Scott King, widow of the slain civil rights leader, Rev. Joseph Lowery, President of Dr. King's organization, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Andrew Young, and others. At the press conference announcing the settlement were Mrs. King, Revs. Lowery, Hosea Williams, Andrew Young, Mayor Maynard Jackson, Rev. Martin Luther King, Sr., Jesse Hill, Herman Russell, etc. This was a "wonderful reunion fellowship," in the words of Mrs. King.

So, if Dr. King were looking through the heavenly clouds on the historic setting in hometown Atlanta, we are certain he was overjoyed and proud of those who are following in his footsteps to make real that dream he had of a better life for all Black America. We also salute Coca Cola officials for coming to their good senses and giving us "a clear indication on the part of a major American company that business can listen and respond to presidential and congressional actions for tax cut relief to business, and also to the message and the promise that the free enterprise system can do more to develop opportunity for all elements of society," in the words of Coca Cola president Donald R. Keough.

Applications Sent For Roy B. Bass Achievement Award

More than 350 entry forms have been mailed to Lubbock employers in qualifying for the Second Annual Roy B. Bass Human Goals Achievement Award.

The award consists of a handsome hardwood and ceramic work of art that hangs in the pedestrian mall of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The winner will receive a

framed certificate. A project of the City of Lubbock Human Relations Commission, the award is designed to encourage awareness of equal opportunity employment and to recognize an employer each year who has demonstrated exceptional achievement in hiring and promoting employ-

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Appreciation Services For Rev. A. W. Wilson



Rev. A. W. Wilson

The East Lubbock Ministerial Alliance will sponsor Appreciation Services for Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Wilson Sunday afternoon, September 20, at the Ford Memorial Church of God in Christ, beginning at 3 p. m. Bishop J. E. Alexander will serve as host pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilson are retired pastor and wife of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church. They have given most of their lives in the service of the gospel of Christ.

According to Rev. Kado Lang, president of the alliance, "As members of the alliance this is the only way



Mrs. Ora Jean Wilson

can say thank God for the both of them. As a ministerial alliance, we want to take out this time to encourage all of their friends to come out and help us make this day one they shall never forget."

"We also are appealing to all ministers of the city to be part of this worthwhile organization. Each year we will do this special service for each retired minister of the alliance, continued Rev. Lang.

"So come on out and join us to help join the community, become a member, you might be the one who makes the difference," concluded Rev. Lang.

Head Start Enrollment

The Head Start Center that is close to you.

Centers and locations: Harwell Head Start Center, 4101 Avenue D, 747-4371; Hles Head Start Center, 2401 Date Avenue, 744-2746; Guadalupe Head Start Center, 101 North Avenue P, 762-8759; Martin Head Start Center, 3315 East Broadway, 762-3864; McWhorter Head Start Center, 2711 First St., 763-4522; Wheatley Head Start Center, 1802 East 28th Street, 763-0719.

Classes begin on September 8, so please enroll your child before that date.

All interested persons are urged to contact the Head Start Office (747-2641, ext. 435) or to contact the Head Start

5 & 10 Kilometer Run

The City of Lubbock Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a 5 & 10 Kilometer Run to be held Saturday, September 12th, at 9:00 a.m. at the Mackenzie State Park.

The 3.1 and 6.2 mile runs will be held simultaneously and are open to people of all ages. Awards will be presented to the first five overall finishers and the first three finishers in each age class, and all participants will receive T-Shirts. Pre-registration is accepted through September 4th, with late registration going through the morning of the race. Registration forms are available at the Parks and Recreation Offices at 1010 9th Street. Questions concerning the run should be directed to Sam Gentry at 762-6411 ext. 2649.



Tonda Johnson, of 4118 16th Street, was out making her photo portfolio around the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. She is enrolled in Robert Spence School of Modeling in Lubbock. Tonda plans to be professional model. At age twenty, she is proud of Lubbock, her home. (Photo by Ufok Etukado)

Soccer In Lubbock

First Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony -- Shown in these photos are members of the Black community who participated in soccer play here. This dinner and awards affair was held at the Gridiron Restaurant on Saturday, August 22nd. Approximately fifty persons were in attendance.



MACKNEYS MEN'S SOCCER TEAM - Left to right - (Sitting) Jimmy Dailey, James Burke, Tommy Lethridge, Roy Parr and Richard McKenzie, Coach. Left to right (Standing) Miguel Rodriguez, Ernest Allen, Wendell Coleman, Darrell Snell, Carey Childress, Artemus Tennison, L. J. Betts and Charles Anderson. Missing are: Dwight Burr, Glen Canon, Kirby Childress, David Crockett, Kukumdakwe Goddie, Charles Harper, Gerald Jackson, James Skief and Al Vasquez. (Photo by Ufok Etukudo)



SUPA ROOS WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM - Left to right - Richard McKenzie, Assistant Coach; Jossie Lethridge, Barbara Coleman, Mickey Smith, G. Allen, Vera Coleman, Alma Gopie, Joyce Childress and Harold Gopie, Coach. Missing are: Marie Contreras, Zee Davis, Susan Dominguez, Surrentia Ellison, Sandra Longoria, Alicia Ramos, Viola Willard, Jenifer Bigham, Rene' and Linda Skief. (Photo by Ufok Etukudo)

RUBY JAYS' CORNER

by Ruby Jay



Last Sunday was Women's Day at New Hope Baptist Church. Sunday School began at 9:30 a. m. with Supt. R. B. Thompson at her post. Morning worship services with devotional services led by Sis. C. Colquitt and Sis. Arcene Flemings. Choirs were at their post of duty. Guest speaker for the morning was Sis. Vivian Peoples, wife of Rev. C. C. Peoples. Theme for the services was "Christians, We Need to Mend Our Fence." Mrs. Peoples used as her text II Timothy 2:15 and St. Luke 18:1. She mended the fences which we see in our lives. If you missed her presentation, you missed a treat.

The National Baptist Convention will convene in Detroit, Michigan September 8 thru 13. Rev. A. L. Dunn, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, and Mrs. Bernice Kelly are expected to attend this convention.

Sharonda and Angela Becknell left, via Braniff flight No. 414, last Saturday. They had been here spending the summer with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rubie Blakemore. They are daughters of T/Sgt. and Mrs. Sylvester Becknell of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mrs. Veronia Kelly carried her daughter, Chartress, to Houston, Texas where she enrolled in college. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lillie Cork and Aliene Woods. They visited several towns before returning home last Wednesday.

Among our sick and shut in are Mrs. Johnella Savage, Mrs. Sarah Taylor, Mr. Dillard Harris, and Mr. N. P. "Beauty" Holmes. This writer would like to thank all of those who sent birthday cards and gifts. What a surprise. Many, many thanks!

Black Party

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nothing. And the Sun-times didn't do much better. It ran a three inch story on page 75, the obituary page. The Congress launched a battery of salvos at the U.S. and many of its policies.

On party charter section noted: "We believe black people have the right to refuse induction into the U.S. armed services. We believe the black people have the right to refuse One party charter section noted: We believe black people have the right to refuse induction into the U.S. armed services. We believe that the armed forces have become an employer of last resort for blacks. The party pledged to work to aid black farmers and stop the seizure of black land. A delegate from Maryland said "Black culture and black institutions are slowly being undermined." The party said it will seek ways to promote black culture and black owned institutions. Energy was also a concern. Now, the richest 10 percent of the U.S. population spends about 4 percent of their income on energy, while the poorest 20 percent of the population (mostly blacks) pays up to 30 percent on energy, according to one Michigan delegate. The party pledged to press for solar power units in the black community and call for "sun rights" for the poor in urban centers.

The U.S. government is the biggest slumlord we have in the country right now," said a delegate from New York City. In the area of housing the party charter more loans, low income housing that is not unfit for the masses of urban blacks, rent control and reasonable housing construction and rehabilitation projects in the cities. The charter was also point blank about affirmative action. It called for the implementation and enforcement of meaningful and workable "affirmative action programs with specific goals, time tables, quotas and penalties for failure to fully comply in all private and public employment, job training programs and education."

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Thank You

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St. John Baptist Church Will Revival

The members of the St. John Baptist Church will hold revival services beginning Wednesday, September 16, through Sunday afternoon, September 20. Each night service will begin at 8 p.m. with the Sunday afternoon service beginning at 3 p. m. The conductor for the revival will be Rev. W. H. Bland of Roswell, N. M. Rev. James Moore, pastor, invites all citizens of Lubbock and the South Plains of Texas to come out and hear this dynamic man of God.

Rev. Bland is the pastor of Wares Tabernacle Baptist Church of Roswell. He is vice moderator of the Mount Zion Baptist Association, and is active in civic and community affairs in Roswell.



Rev. W. H. Bland Roswell, New Mexico

Matthew 11:28-30: Come unto me all who labor and are heavily burdened and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and lean on me for I am gentle and humble of heart, and you will find rest for your souls; for my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Roy Bass Award

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ees without regard to race, sex, ethnic background or age.

Any business and industry regardless of size is eligible to enter the competition, with the exception of the City of Lubbock and businesses owned by members of the Human Relations Commission.

Entry deadline is September 18, 1981. The award will be presented at a banquet at the Civic Center in October.

The application form comes in three parts: the first identifies the employer. It will be separated, and initial judging will be done without knowing the identity of the company. The second page of the entry form provides a place to fill in statistical information on the applicant's work force. The third provides a place for a narrative description of the employer's efforts to recruit, hire and promote persons on an equitable basis.

"We hope th have many businesses and industries seek this award," said Tim Hatch, a member of the Human Relations Commission, and chairman of the awards committee. "We know many local employers do a good job of hiring and promoting on an equitable basis. I hope we get applications from all of them."

"We feel this is a very prestigious award, named in honor of Roy Bass who was widely respected for his fairness and his interest of

furthering equal opportunity for all Lubbock residents."

Hatch added that the art of work in honor of those recipients will itself be a coveted part of the recognition. It is a locally designed and produced work of art by James Watkins, Director of City of Lubbock Pottery Center at Mackenzie Terrace.

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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met at 9 a. m. in the home of Mrs. Dell Newman. This lady made a lovely host, and she was terrific on Saturday. President Mary Ward presided over the meeting.

Opening scripture was led by Sisters A. Johnson, C. E. Brown and Mary Ward.

Morning scripture lesson was brought by Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin. Introducing the speaker of the morning was Sister C. E. Fair, vice president. Her subject was "Help Is On The Way." Psalms 121 was her subject.

— Psalms 121 —
"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord which made heaven and earth."

There are times when we are down because of some misfortune. Just remember Job was tested and when we go through

these test, we come out pure.

I don't know how you feel about others, but we have to love. Love and respect are two important words. Respect is earned, but love is demanded of us by our Lord Jesus Christ. Do unto others as you would have others do unto you. No one is big enough to judge another. Just hold out. Help is on its way. Continue to look to the hills from whence cometh our help."

This lady truly had it all together. You see, she knows who wholes tomorrow. She has this same God in her life. If you got Jesus that's enough. Thank you Mrs. Ervin for coming our way. What a difference a day can make. You completed it beautifully. You are loved by this group.

Remarks were made by all members of the group. Solos were sung by Mrs. Buelah Winters — "In Times Like These"; and

Mrs. Annie Day — "When The Lord Gets Ready, You Got To Move." These women sung out of their hearts. Thought for the day: "A Christian war is the only war that kills its wounded." Think about it.

Breakfast was served with all homemade goodness by our fantastic cooks. You know they can't be beat. This is the truth. Were you there on last week? Come, the food multiplies as the crowd gathers. No invitation needed. OK!! Our guest included: Mrs. C. C. Peoples, Mr. Curtis Felton, Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin, Miss Tonnya Felton, Mr. Oscar Ramos, and Mrs. Ana Ramos.

Each of you are so very special to us. Come again!

The sick and shut in list include: Ophelia Smith, a patient at SouthPark Hospital, room 205; Betha Hood, at home; Mr. Joe Roland, Mrs. O. D. Hollins, Little Sugar Baby Fair and Pearl Ruth Brown.

If there are others on the sick list, who were not mentioned on this report,

God cares and we do too. Prayer request was made. If you have one call or come by. Let's pray together. The numbers are 747-4016, 747-7326 or 762-3347. Don't forget to fast and pray this week. If not for yourself, do it for a friend or the overall condition of the world.

Morning prayer was offered by Mrs. Annie Day and Mr. Curtis Felton.

Take your kids to the Children Outreach program on this week. You will be glad you did. These children need our Christian concern. For more information, call 744-5602. Mrs. Donnie M. Graves is directress. Can any good come out of Nazareth.

Our next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Juanita Sowell, 914 East 9th Street. Come and see!! Mrs. Mary W. is president; Mrs. C. E. Fair, vice president; C. E. Brown, secretary and Mrs. D. Hood reporter.



By M.A. PETTI, M.D.
When you have your ears pierced, wear stainless steel earrings for the first three weeks. If you wear the usual costume jewelry earrings, you'll develop an allergy to the nickel in them.

Evangelist District Convocation

Evangelist District Convocation will begin on Monday Night, September 7, 1981 at 8 p.m. at the Christ Temple

COGIC with opening musical featuring Christ Temple Choir, the District Choirs, along with local and out-of-

town choirs, groups and soloists.

Throughout the week, there will be great gospel singing and preaching. Bishop W. D. Haynes, presiding superintendent, will be presiding. He will be preaching his official sermon on Saturday, September 12, at 9:45 p. m.

The theme is: "COGIC Build on a Rock." Matthew 16:18.

Guests expected include Bishop J. E. Alexander and Mother E. B. Williams.

Musical Will Be Held At St. Matthews

Everyone is talking about the upcoming musical to be held at the St. Matthews Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, Sunday afternoon, September 6. This special musical is sponsored by the Senior Mission, Usher Board and Brotherhood of the First Progressive Baptist Church.

Special guest will include: Soul Seekers, Spiritual Wonders, King Family, Rose of Sharon, Gospel Lights, Wayside Travelers, Markers and Gospel Flames. The public is invited to attend.

The members of the Royal Ladies Club will sponsor a Chat & Chew and Games on Saturday, September 12, at the Green Fair Community Club House from 7 p. m. to 9 p.m. Donations are \$1.75.

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"There goes Mr. Sharp. I wonder how he made all his money."
"Heaven knows!"
"Ah, that's why he always looks so worri"

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Editorials

Why Not??

It Is To Be; It's Up To Me/Us!!!

by
Eddie P. Richardson

In Detroit recently at the Cobo Hall, which is now named Joe Louis Arena, Coca Cola came on in. That is, to a request made by Rev. Jesse Jackson of Operation PUSH. Many locals thought Coke could not be moved. They were proving that no matter how big they do not want those cash registers slowed even a little bit!!

Glad to see the local County Commissioner Court reconsider on the lay offs of people. This would have been a most inhuman thing to do for the court. Most of the 31 people; yes, were not top echelon, but mostly people on the middle to lower range. Like the Reagan budget cuts no real cuts just switch from social action people oriented to military defense, i. e. tanks, bombs, planes, missiles and others.

The only thing now is the deficit is going to even greater. At least 20 billion but this time the minus will be poor people. At the present rate, a lot of this machinery will become outdated in a few years and many poor people out of work. The worst sham is that many think there has been a reduction in government spending. This is far from the truth. There is actually more spending than ever before just spent in different manner. A manner that could lead to all sorts of problems within the people. These problems will surely have a ripple effect if allowed to go unchecked!!

Out of work people Black people Nothing to do folks are among the most dangerous. The crime wave across the country is almost entirely due to lack of work or lack of anything meaningful to do so crime is up be it for kicks or need tis still a crime. Crime also follows **mind changing drugs** which in many cases are a thing to turn to why they have need for something to take their minds off the real world. **Some use wine some use liquor .. and finally drugs.** All have to be paid for. So crime follows If nothing else is available!!! No tank, bomb, missile, plane or nuclear weapon will alter the course of things ... plus the need of the elderly fixed income folks and the climbing utilities. All point to a new type of frustration. But the main thing the Reaganites will have to face in 1982 how much will the young take. In Britain we have already seen what will eventually happen if some relief is not brought to them. There is nothing to make us think that history wont repeat itself in the U.S.A. For years we have heard of what takes over the idle mind. Why should Reagan and Gang bother to prove it all over again??

Hold your breath and don't be surprised if a **Black Beauty** wins the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City, N. J. this year. Blacks have been real close in the past few years. Most believing they should have won. This time denying the crown to **Robin Harmon** of Baltimore see **Miss Maryland** the greatest thing since paid toilets. Not even a birthmark.

Good to see Sister Regina Foppe recognized for her many efforts in Lubbock. She gave 18 years of untiring service to Lubbock. She will be missed as she goes off to Washington, D. C. She was admired and respected by all on both sides of the issues. She so diligently fought for the rights of human beings.

Expect problems from the current re-districting plan approved by the County Commissioners. Expect strong opposition from minorities i. e. blacks and browns. Most feel 58% is not good enough. It should be interesting and it could led to a possible suit being filed.

Strange no blacks were seen at the recent ribbon cutting for the School of Nursing at Texas Tech University. Blacks have always fiked the field of nursing. Sources say various ways for entry can be found with the many blacks who are qualified here.



An outstanding black explorer in the early 1500s was Estevanico, who opened up New Mexico and Arizona for the Spaniards.

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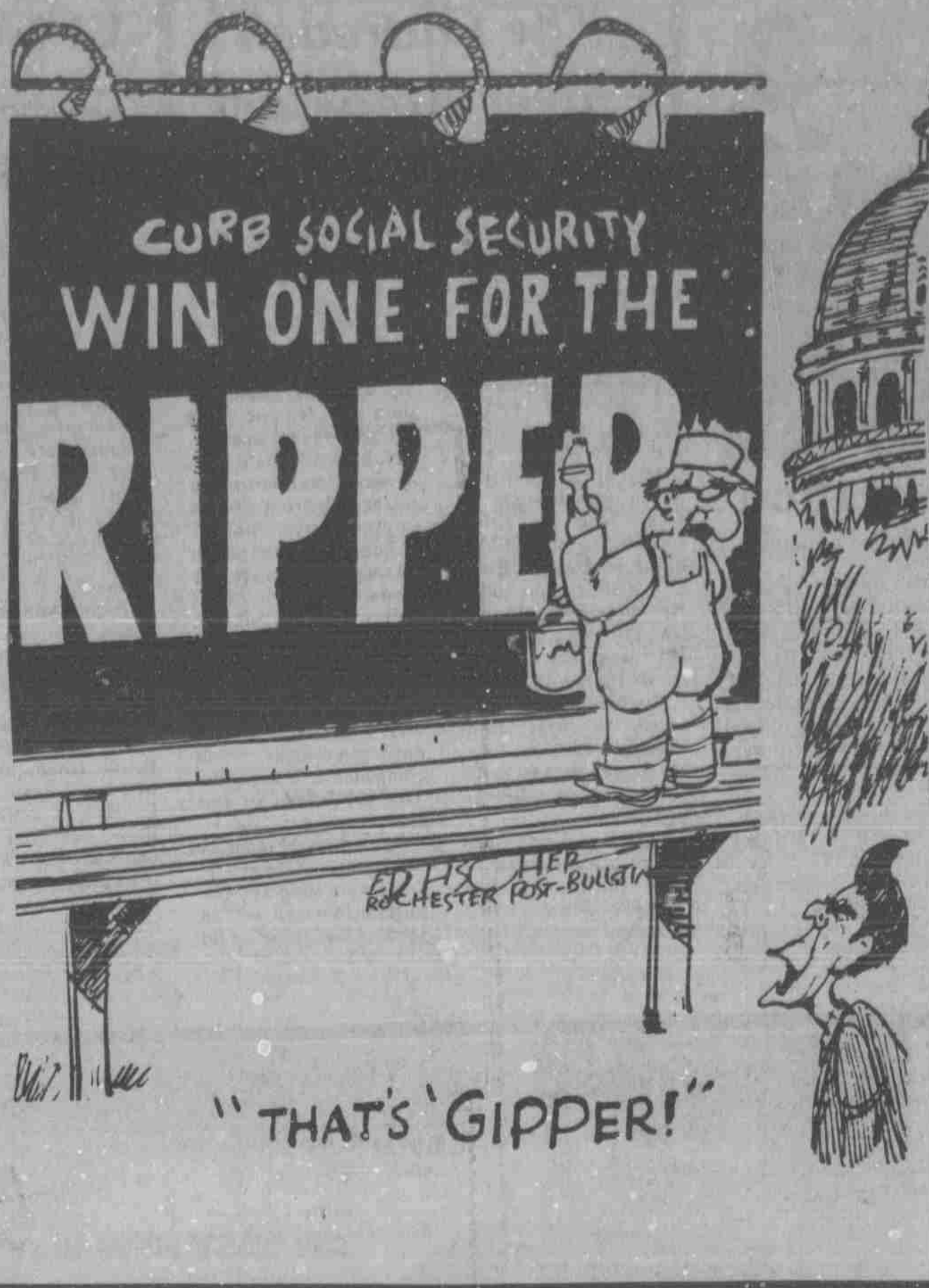
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Business in the Black

By Charles E. Belle



200 Get Quality Upgrade Program Ford Financing Team Training

"I was one of the lucky ones," said the soul brother in a cowboy hat at the San Francisco International Airport. But the brother wasn't lucky at all—he was smart! Starting back about four months ago he had joined Ford Motor Company's volunteer increase productivity training program. Now he and some 100 employees at Ford's San Jose, California Assembly Plant were taking off on a chartered plane to train for a week side-by-side with quality upgrade operators at Ford's Wayne, Michigan Assembly Plant near Detroit. Doing a better assembly job in San Jose on the hot selling Escort and Lynx cars was the goal of this group of men, women, and minorities.

Over ten percent of those getting on board the plane were Black Americans. Destination: Detroit. Task: Training. Objective: More money. Maintaining high quality at the outset of assembling Escort and Lynx cars in the Fall is a firm commitment of the chosen

few. "Each one, teach one" is not news to families from darkest Africa and apparently Ford has found this answer for all its assembly plant workers. The lesson learned in Detroit in assembling the extra high quality Escort and Lynx cars will be donated and taught to the remaining San Jose plant employees. Every department in the assembly plant from paint to trim will be involved in this higher quality control on Ford's Escort and Lynx cars.

Competition, mainly the Japanese manufactured car, is behind this quality build up at Ford. Robert McGrath, Pre-Delivery Manager at Sna Jete plant, says the strategy has been "six to nine months in planning" and the "Wayne (plant) personnel more than cooperative."

Comments Lester C. Thurca, Professor of Economics and Management, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, "The Japanese have become successful not because they have better individual entrepreneurs or because their tax laws or regulations are better than ours, but because they have been able to create an environment where workers interested in working together in quality control circles to improve group productivity."

Putting Ford workers together with their counterparts across the country and of their plant is a pretty good jump in the right direction to meet this type of competition. "These people (getting on board the plane) in essence will be training our people (back at the San Jose plant)," observes McGrath. Making the worker capable of producing at the "highest level of quality to (be) obtained," is Robert's and Ford Motor Company's commitment to the car buying consumer.



BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

PARENTS AND OUR SCHOOLS

Almost a dozen years ago, I wrote a chapter in my book *Black Power and Urban Unrest* specifically concerning some of the mounting problems in our schools. The chapter was appropriately entitled "The American Education Battleground." Our schools throughout our cities and suburbs remain battlegrounds today. Regardless of the often muted and possibly "face saving" statistics, upheavals have probably increased in almost all of our schools. Most significantly, however, the battles have changed from those over theoretical approaches to education to physical battles and encounters between pupils and teachers.

The problem pointed to here is a tremendously serious one; and far too often at the center of the problem we find not so much attitudes originating within the school but problems originating in the home.

I spoke recently with a long time secretary of a suburban

school board who told me of some of his personal experiences and woes in this regard. The most alarming—and immediately relevant—incidents which he related involved hearings held concerning alleged student infractions in which parents, teachers and school board officials were present.

The school board secretary said that time and again students would freely admit to having engaged in wrongdoing. Whereupon one or both parents would rise to their feet and threaten their child for lying! It was not to be publicly admitted by the parent or parents that their child could ever do wrong.

Some might call such behavior parental "permissiveness." But it is doubtless much more—and worse—than that. Such behavior comes through in many of our society as nothing short of being criminal.

Our teachers and our school boards and administrators may be rightly ac-

cused of many things. If I were to add to the long list of accusations, I might facetiously charge our school personnel with an utter failure to instill a due sense of responsibility into the parents of the children whom they teach.

We complain of indications that our young people are failing national standardized tests more frequently than in the past partly because of "insufficient homework." But the teachers complain—and most probably with some good cause—that it is the parents who must supervise the homework; and the homework simply is not done.

Time was, and in the not-too-distant past, when relatively poorly educated parents not only law to it that their children studied for a proper amount of time at home but also actually helped them with problems which they encountered.

Complaints that teachers were using some "new methods" were not always rele-

vant in those days, because often the parents had been exposed to, practically no method at all. It is fair to say at this point, however, that there has been an admirably undue amount of experimentation in some of our schools. School officials have been known to advise parents specifically not to help their children, since such help might simply confuse them.

Fortunately, the period of most of those experiences is behind us. But the fact remains that far too many parents simply could not care less if their children did their homework or not. Even worse, there has been a growing trend toward parental over-protection and over-indulgence both in and out of school.

What is said here calls for a far higher priority on our scale of community-wide concern. If our children can do damage, in any way, to property or to persons or to a misuse of valuable time paid for by our beleaguered tax-

A View from Capitol Hill:

AN INDEPENDENT REPORTS ON WASHINGTON

By Gus Savage
Member of Congress



America Ranks Third in Rate of Incarceration; Follows Soviet Union, South Africa

The United States has the dubious distinction of being one of the world's leaders with respect to its rate of incarceration. Only the Soviet Union and South Africa surpass us.

There is another statistic involving the criminal justice system that I find alarming: the amount of money spent and projected for prison construction. Congressman John Conyers of Michigan, an outspoken member of the House Committee of the Judiciary, has reported that the prison building program in this decade could cost from \$6 to \$7 billion. As recent as 1978, the Federal Bureau of Prisons asked Congress for a construction budget of \$67.5 million.

We have every reason to be concerned about America's prisons and the rate of incarceration. There is a disproportionate number of Blacks in our prisons, and the same applies to the number on death row.

Conyers has an interesting theory about what the nation is doing with people it considers of no use to society. It allows them to go unemployed, it takes them into the military services, or it places them in prison. Black, it should be noted, are in disproportionate numbers in all three categories.

With a greater number of Blacks in our prisons, it follows then that there are more Black serving lengthy terms. Additionally, there is a trend to set mandatory sentences in certain types of crimes and a growing mood to apply the death penalty in more situations.

Numerous studies have shown that our present system of confinement does not rehabilitate people. Instead, it hardens them for more serious criminal activity.

Conyers, a recent guest on my radio program, said that the courts are part of the problem in the criminal justice system. It takes the courts too long to give the accused his or her day in court. Most of the judges are white. And, as Conyers pointed out, the jury offers little more. Instead of having his case heard by one of his peers, the black defendant often faces an all-white jury.

There is another aspect about crime that annoys me. We hear of crimes of violence and street crimes. We all deplore these actions. On the other hand, we hear very little about the crimes that have a greater impact on the nation's economy.

Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark said in a recent report that most of the crimes that the public hears about—street crimes for example—represent only a small percentage to the total dollar loss. A report released by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in the mid 1970s showed that white collar crime is four times greater than street crimes in terms of annual dollar loss to the nation's economy. This was somewhere in the neighborhood of \$44 billion.

I agree with my colleague and friend Conyers that if this country is going to continue the imprisonment of people, it has a moral obligation to better equip them for a useful life as a member of society when they leave our penal institutions. Chief Justice Burger advocates this point of view.

If some kind of real rehabilitation is going to result, more money must be directed toward educating inmates and providing them a chance to learn viable job skills.

Finally, more alternatives to incarceration should be explored. Among those suggested by Congressman Conyers are restitution, day fines, and community service orders. Moreover, we should do further research into the relationship between crime and poverty.

An Open Letter

To The Greater Lubbock Community

I would like to extend a very special "thank you" to all the volunteer blood donors who helped make Operation Blood Brother a success. Two hundred (200) units of blood were collected during the two-day drive, the first community-wide drive ever held in the city of Lubbock.

I especially appreciate the endorsing agencies and volunteers who provided leadership for Operation Blood Brother. Without their support the drive would have remained a dream in the mind of the community rather than the reality.

I would also like to thank the technicians and staff of United Blood Services (San Angelo and Lubbock branches) for their willingness to work the long hours needed to make the drive a success.

Sincerely,
John Richmond
Executive Director
South Plains Blood Service

payers, and go away scot-free, then perhaps our parents should pay in some appropriate and telling way.

Some say that if laws were passed affording discretion for a parent, who is clearly over-protective, to pay for the misdeeds of one's children, doubtless far different parental attitudes would be developed, seriously doubt that such is the proper route to go. But the hard and serious fact of our times remains that "the crime of over-protectiveness" on the part of parents has increased. It has compounded the problems of both our schools and our communities as a whole.

Not only our schools but

also our larger communities have become a fresh kind of battleground in which we are all victimized and besieged by offensive irresponsibility originating in many of our homes.



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This N That

WEEDS ... WEEDS are still a problem in East Lubbock. It would be nice if something could be done about them immediately. These weeds make it possible for MOSQUITOES to breed in our community. HAROLD M. CHATMAN said the other day that there is some relief in sight for all of us in East Lubbock. The City of Lubbock is going to do something about SPARYING those little pests in the near future. This is great. Only hope he is right. CUTTING THOSE WEEDS would be the answer.

OTHER WEEDS ... The Coronado Apartments remind you of a deserted town. There are so many WEEDS. It makes the place look pitiful!! For such a complex to be over here like that and nothing being done about it is bad!! WHATS SO FUNNY ABOUT THIS COMPLEX is what's happening across the streets from the vacant buildings is a new play ground facility being developed by someone. One would quickly ask WHO WILL PLAY ON THIS FACILITY? MAYBE THE RATS AND RODENTS!! THIS N THAT hopes the CITY OF LUBBOCK didn't just have some money to get rid of and the only way to dispose of it was to utilize it (FUNDS) for some darn playground facility. GRANDPARENTS

DAY!! SEPTEMBER 13TH has been selected as GRANDMOTHER DAY. But wait they have now agreed to call it Grandparents Day. How about that? DID YOU GIVE ANY BLOOD LATELY?? The question to be asked now after the blood drive Operation Blood Brother is DID YOU GIVE ANY BLOOD? With only one pint of blood given at GREEN FAIR COMMUNITY CENTER last Saturday one would wonder how many BLACK organizations gave who endorsed such a NEEDED EFFORT. If the president or chairper on was unable to give any blood because of health reasons or whatever Why didn't someone from the organization give their fair share???? THIS N THAT gave it share and on TV (WHAT'S GOING ON? show) before thousands of viewers. Even EDDIE P. RICHARDSON gave his pint of blood. How about the rest of you. Where were you? If you still endorse such an effort it's not too late to give a pint of blood for a worthwhile cause. CALL SOUTH PLAINS BLOOD SERVICES TODAY!! WATCH FOR THIS... A big change in WORKERS BENEFITS during the coming year among various occupations. The companies cannot afford them and DON'T HAVE TO HAVE 'EM anymore. FARMERS and BUSINESS-

MEN are the biggest CRYBABIES. NEED SOMEONE OR AN ORGANIZATION TO SPEAK OUT!! This seems to be what many BLACKS are saying these days in Lubbock. THIS N THAT would have thought the local branch of the NAACP would HAVE BEEN CALLING SOME PRESS CONFERENCES BY NOW about some of the problems in our city. We'd hope by now this would become a reality but it hasn't. Visiting with local prexy ROSE WILSON the other day she said it is was forthcoming BUT TO DATE it hasn't happened. There are several issues which the local branch of the

NAACP could address with some kind of a press release. Example the BUSSING ISSUE the DEATH OF THE TWO BLACK KIDS who were killed in pickup mishap recently even the DR. CHARLES HENRY CASE and there's the opening of the new SCHOOL OF NURSING AT TEXAS TECH where there are no blacks as employees there may be one black student. The recent killing of ELTON THOMAS an amputee who was murdered recently. Of course there are others but these are only a few which are in the area of NAACP involvement. DO YOU HEAR US ROSE WILSON? If not THIS N THAT will talk louder. MORE WHITES THAN BLACKS. If you have had an

opportunity to go on the campus of TEXAS TECH and visit the FINANCIAL AID OFFICE you will see that more WHITE KIDS are seeking Financial Aid than BLACK KIDS. The Reagan Budget cuts will hurt many of them. COY BIGGS ARE YOU HIDING?? It appears as though COMMISSIONER COY BIGGS is hiding from the BLACK COMMUNITY as well as the other voters in his district. Since his stance on trimming the county budget where he voted to cut at least 31 employees he hasn't been seen. The County Auditor apparently made an error in projecting the budget therefore not all will be terminated. Now there is the redistricting issue. An issue in which many BLACKS and BROWNS are unhappy about.

Movie At Faith Christian

Saturday, September 5th, a film - Cross & Switch Blade - will be shown at the Faith Christian Fellowship, 915 31st Street. Starring Pat Boone and Eric Estrada. Distant Thunder will be shown on Sunday evening, September 6, at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited. There is no charge.

By the way COY you haven't been to East Lubbock since the Juneteenth Celebration in Mae Simmons Park. WHERE ARE YOU? JOAN Y. ERVIN and HAROLD M. CHATMAN are taking note to what you are doing. By the way COY with the new lines the BLACK VOTE will still count!! Don't forget that!!

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Monday, September 7
LABOR DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday, September 8

Pizza
Whole Kernel Corn
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Peach Half
½ pt. Milk

Wednesday, September 9

Corn Dog - Mustard
Green Beans
French Fries
Celery Sticks
Peanut Butter Cookies
½ pt. Milk

Thursday, September 10

Barbecue German Sausages
Buttered Potatoes
Carrots

Friday, September 11

Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Mustard - Pickle Wedge
Carrot Sticks
Potato Chips
Fruit Cup
½ pt. Milk

BREAKFAST

Tuesday, September 8

Grape Juice
Cereal
Buttered Toast/Jelly
½ pt. Milk

Wednesday, September 9

Pineapple Juice
Pancake w/Hot Syrup
Bacon
½ pt. Milk

Thursday, September 10

Orange Juice
Toasted Raisin Bread w/Jelly
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Friday, September 11

Apple Juice
Donut
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CONTACT Lubbock Observes 10th Anniversary

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The keynote address will be delivered by the Rev. Bruce MacDougall of Columbia, Maryland. He founded the first North American Teleministries center in

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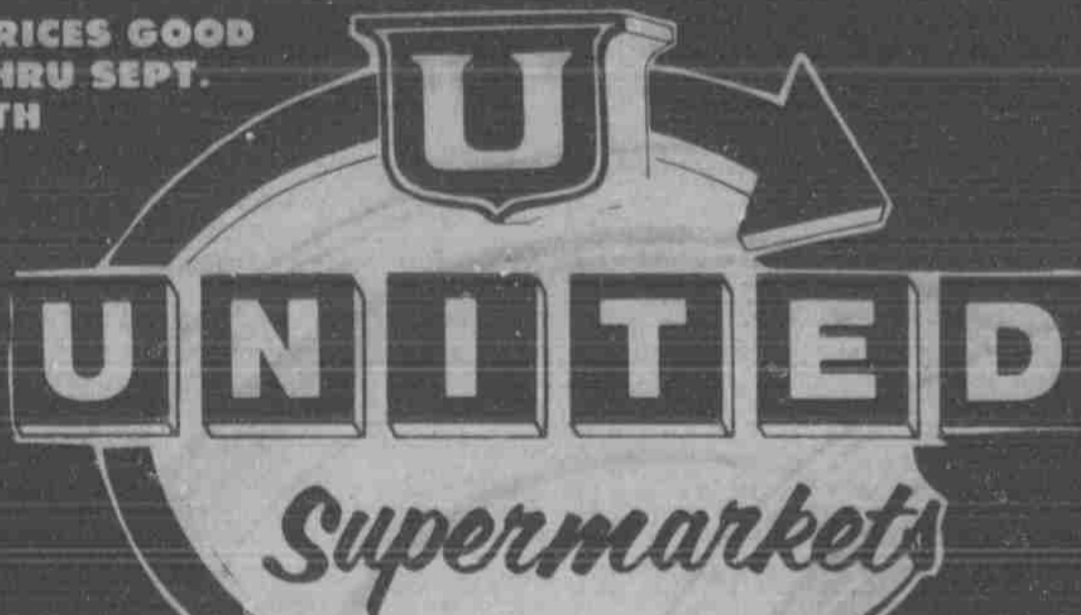
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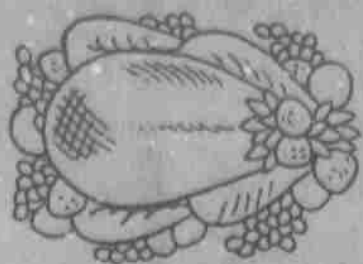
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California has become synonymous with the good life, and that means relaxed, bountiful entertaining. Wherever you live, however, warmer weather inspires outdoor parties that blend good food with fun, so why not celebrate an occasion—or create one!

What better opportunity to fete some favorite people than with a sumptuous buffet, but one that doesn't require long hours in a hot kitchen?

Chicken and Spinach in Pastry, for instance, owes its delicate, flaky crust to those handy patty shells. The tasty filling is based on frozen spinach souffle, which also makes an excellent side dish. California Chablis gives a refreshing, sophisticated ac-

cent. Rose Peach Bake is a savory, cinnamon-spiked dessert that you can put together in minutes. Just layer ingredients, starting with ready-to-use frozen pound cake and sliced peaches. There's no peeling and no waste, no skin or pits to throw away. Popular California Rose lends an enticing aroma and contributes to the mellow richness.

CHICKEN AND SPINACH IN PASTRY

- 1/2 cup frozen chopped onion
- 2 Tablespoons butter or margarine
- 2 packages (10 ounces each) frozen spinach souffle,

- thawed
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/2 cup light cream
- 1/2 cup California Chablis
- 1 cup diced cooked chicken
- 1/2 cup pine nuts
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- Generous dash pepper
- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen patty shells, thawed
- Grated Parmesan cheese

In saucepan, cook onion in butter until tender. Remove from heat. In bowl, blend onions with spinach. Add eggs, cream, wine, chicken, pine nuts, raisins and seasonings. Blend well. On lightly floured board, roll out patty shells to make one shell to fit 9-inch pie plate or quiche dish. Fit into

pie plate, making rim. Spoon in spinach filling. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake at 375°F. for 45 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean. Cool at least 10 minutes before serving. (Makes 6 to 8 servings).

ROSE PEACH BAKE

- 3 cups cubed frozen pound cake
- 1/2 cup chopped toasted pecans
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 1-1/2 cups milk
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup California Rose Sweetened whipped cream
- Chopped toasted pecans

Layer cake cubes, peaches, pecans and raisins in buttered 2-quart baking dish. Combine milk, eggs, cinnamon and salt; beat until smooth; stir in wine. Pour over cake mixture. Let stand 30 minutes at room temperature. Bake at 325°F. for 1 hour or until golden. If necessary, add 1/4 cup more milk during baking. Cool on wire rack. Serve warm. Garnish with sweetened whipped cream and additional chopped toasted pecans. (Makes 8 servings)

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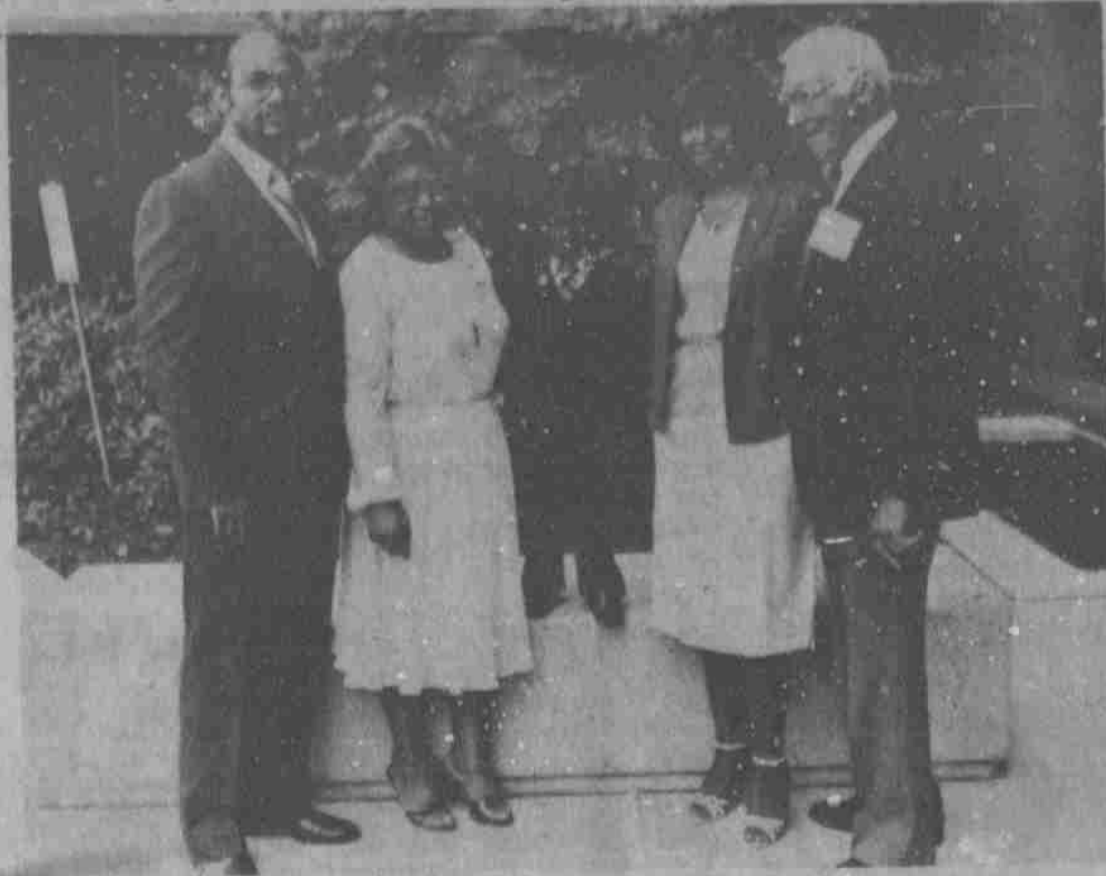
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ACROSS THE NATION News From Home Folks

This feature is a news compilation from more than 100 black-owned and oriented newspapers across the nation. It deals with what blacks who are all-too-often little recognized are doing to promote full participation in American life by black Americans. It is thus a salute from all of our readers for unsung heroes...and is designed to be a challenge for all of us to keep on doing our very best.

The Arizona Informant (Phoenix, Arizona) recently ran a front page story about their black community's extremely successful Juneteenth, 1981. We thought our readers Across the Nation would enjoy reading about this pride-building event at any time of the year.

It was truly a beautiful homecoming. On the morning of June 20th, hundreds of people lined East Jefferson Street as the largest Emancipation Proclamation parade in 13 years moved past the reviewing stand. The number of people swelled during the day to over 4200 as the 13th annual Juneteenth celebration provided fun, excitement, awareness and

500 persons who have sought and received its services over the past three years.

Most recently, the City Council of the District of Columbia adopted a resolution commending this outstanding group for its leading in developing what might become a national model for such services.

a sense of pride for everyone at Eastlake Park. It did not matter whether you were Black, White, Brown, Yellow or Red—the genuine smiles on the faces of each person you met made you feel welcomed to a home that was celebrating freedom for all.

For those who still do not know what Juneteenth is all about, it is a festival of freedom, marking the 19th day in June, 1865, when Union General Granger arrived in Tahoka, Texas, only to discover that people in that town had not learned of the Emancipation Proclamation. He proclaimed the slaves to be forever free. As the former slaves of Tahoka celebrated their new status, the Juneteenth tradition began. Today, that tradition continues in towns and cities throughout the South and the Southwest, but nowhere as enthusiastically as in Arizona—which has a large population of former Texas residents.

Among the most vocal of former Texas residents is Vernell Coleman. Thirteen years ago, this uniquely gifted woman realized the need to organize a formal celebration of Juneteenth and set out in her wheel chair to do just that. Along with a diverse and resourceful advisory committee, Vernell developed Juneteenth Tradition, Inc., a non-profit organization that is responsible for this year's successful three day festival. The Gospel Jubilee (June 13), Youth Talent Contest (June 19) and Eastlake Park parade and homecoming all raised

hundreds of scholarship dollars for deserving students.

The first activity was a gala event hosted by Ron Cherry at El Morocco II (1710 N. 16th St.) on Monday night, April 13th. The fabulous Reed Family featuring Margo, Francine, Laverne and Mike, performed two exciting, hand clapping, foot stomping sets. The "Nighthawk", Wendell Houston, kept the beat with the latest recorded hits. An unusually large Monday night crowd raised over \$1200 for Juneteenth scholarships.

A theme of spiritual unity was sounded on June 13th as the Juneteenth Gospel Jubilee convened at Rev. Stewart's First Institutional Baptist Church, 1141 East Jefferson Street. Helen Knox and Ruby Stewart worked long hours to bring together over 200 voices from all over the valley for an uplifting evening of praise to God through song. The participating choirs were: "New Creations" of First Institutional Baptist; House of Prayer Church of God in Christ; South Phoenix Baptist Church; Mount Calvary Baptist Church; First Church of God in Christ, and Pentecostal Church of Jesus Christ.

The following Friday, June 19th, was devoted to the youth of our community. Over 700 people witnessed the 2nd annual Juneteenth Talent Contest at Phoenix High School (512 E. Van Buren). Jackie Biel, Luwanda DeBouse, Irvin Tate and Jackie Platt coordinated the talent of more than 60 young people. They sang, danced, played instruments, provided dramatic readings, and rapped to the delight of all in attendance. A distinguished panel of judges included Genice Center of Greenfield Elementary School, the Honorable Jean Williams, Pamela Johnson of South Mountain High School, Channel 3's Bill Moseley, Gary Hooks of North Phoenix High School and Al Owens of Channel 12 news.

Saturday morning, June 20th, signaled the Juneteenth Eastlake Park Homecoming and parade. All the colors of the rainbow were assembled at Patriot's Park (Central Ave. and Jefferson St.) as the many floats, decorated cars, marching units and wide-eyed children gathered for the start of the parade down Jefferson Street to Eastlake Park. Phoenix' finest parade organizers—Calvin and



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Mr. Smith joined Calvert last May as a national product manager. Previously, he had been a marketing manager for Revlon, Inc., after working for Lever Brothers Company

Georgia Goode—had achieved a Juneteenth celebration first. More than forty three parade entries were registered, and only five failed to step off at 9:15 a.m. Parade judges Dr. Betty Greathouse, Deborah Murphy, Savannah LaMar, Roosevelt Woods, Jr., Thad Allier, and Alton Jones had a hard task to select the winners from so many outstanding entries. E. W. Taylor, known to many as "Mr. Chips," announced each entry as they made their way to the park for a hot and happy day filled with activities.

as a product manager. Mr. Smith is a 32 degree Mason, Past Master Boyer Lodge No. 1, F & A.M. Prince Hall affiliation, the oldest/continuous Masonic lodge in the country, N. Y. C.; a Prince Hall Shriner, High Priest & Prophet Medina Temple No. 19, A. E. A. O. N. M. S., N. Y. C.; trustee of the Mother A. M. E. Church Zion Church, N. Y. C. (oldest Black Church in U. S. A.), and a board member of James Varick Community Center of New York. He is also worldwide director of public relations for the A. M. E. Church. He had been selected as an award recipient for 1980 by Outstanding Young Men of America.

Mr. Smith has an M. B. A. degree from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, and a B. A. with honors from Livingstone College in Salisbury, N. C. A Philadelphia native, he is married to the former Brenda Lee Galloway of Eden, N. C. Mrs. Smith teaches business education at Mt. Vernon High School, N. Y. The family resides in Mt. Vernon.

HISTORY-MAKING THIRD WORLD TRENDS

Semi-Monthly Summary

International News...

South Africa—In the face of a critical skilled labor shortage throughout South Africa, black workers have doubled their unionized ranks during the past year.

Officially unrecognized by either the government or by private industry, these unionized groups have forced others to take a practical attitude toward their presence.

The black trade union movement in South Africa is organized largely under two umbrella groups. One of these, based in Johannesburg, is the Council of Unions of South Africa. CUSA was founded less than a year ago and is comprised of eight member unions operating in such industries as chemicals, catering, engineering and construction. CUSA claims 19,000 paid-up members and 35,700 signed-up members.

The Federation of South Africa Trade Unions (FOSATU), based in Durban, has 60,000 signed-up members and 32,000 paid-up members. Work stoppages by both union groups doubled in 1980, although workers' financial gains are said to have barely kept pace with inflation.

Mike Rosholt, chairman of Barlow Rand, the largest industrial conglomerate in South Africa, stated: "We must accept black trade unions as a fact of life. They must be seen as bodies which can possibly defuse labor problems."

Ivory Coast—In what is becoming an increasing phenomenon here, young black Americans trained in finance and international relations are finding more public relations roles with American international business interests.

A case in point is the 27-year-old Tamara Evans, a native of Buffalo, New York, who serves in the Ivory Coast capital of Abidjan as the Chemical Bank of New York's assistant representative for West and Central Africa. She

consults with finance ministers, planning officials and others placed highly and responsibly in African business circles and serves as Chemical Bank's second ranking official in West and Central Africa.

Her training was rigorous, as with that of a growing number of her counterparts throughout the Third World. She holds a master's degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, studying international law, economics, political science and history.

National News...

Washington, D.C.—The struggle for the extension of the Voting Rights Act continues in the Congress, and the significant issues are being increasingly sharpened.

Of major positive interest is the fact that Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina, who serves as chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, has announced opposition to only portions of the act. This suggests that the basic spirit of the act has found or is finding a consensus in the nation's political life.

Senator Charles McMathias, Jr., Republican of Maryland, and Representative Peter V. Rodino, Jr., Democrat of New

Jersey, have introduced legislation that would extend, for ten more years, the provisions calling for some cities and states to obtain federal approval for any changes in voting procedures. This is designed to protect urban minorities primarily.

Senator Matthias stated: "Although minorities are registering in greater numbers, sophisticated dodges such as at-large elections, racial gerrymandering, annexations, and even changes in polling places have been devised to dilute the impact of their vote."

Black voters have been asked to support the new bills strongly because apathy may lead to an erosion of their present provisions adopted beginning in

1964. In this spirit, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, noted: "The most successful modern civil rights law is in danger of falling victim to its own success."

Washington, D.C.—Throughout this year, a growing number of citations and commendations have been given to an outstanding and exemplary community service group in Washington, D.C.

Known as the House of Imagine, it is a 24-hour temporary residential emergency shelter for battered and homeless persons. It has devoted countless hours to counseling the nearly

BLACK POETRY

NIKITA

You are special in a beautiful way,
So special this little poem
can't even say.
Your eyes are a beautiful brown,
They can make me smile,
even when I'm down
With you around I'll never
have to worry,
'Cause when I'm with you
I'm never in a hurry.
To see you just once will
make my day,
The way you smile in that
very kind way.
You are the man of whom
I dream,
'Cause life isn't like it used
to seem.
So dear Nikita, don't ever
change.
Nikita, may God bless you
and our family, from
the heaven above,
'Cause deep in my heart, you
will always have my love.
—Shastie Davis

(All the world seems remarkably transformed, once L-O-V-E enters)

THE NATIONAL BLACK CURRENT EVENTS QUIZ

1) What do you see as the political or economic significance of the unionization movement among black workers in South Africa? Since these organizations are government-controlled—and may be disbanded by government decree—what possible power or leverage, if any, can the black unions in South Africa generate?

2) Since trade opportunities for major world businesses with Third World nations call ideally for public relations by black leadership, the corporate world may be seen as affording increasingly attractive positions for a number of well-trained blacks. What do you feel can

should be done to publicize these positions? Should or should not blacks cooperate with large corporations in making profits from dealings with Third World nations? Why?

3) Why is the Voting Rights Act of such crucial importance to blacks during the present session of the Congress? What should black students, parents and other community leaders be doing to help keep the Voting Rights Act strong?

4) With the new Administration's budget cuts, why is it—as an alternative to protest—perhaps more urgent than ever for black community groups to organize for self-help?

Buy only a Black newspaper September 17.

You'll do more than read the news. You'll be the news.

On Sept. 17th, we're going to make headlines just for buying only Black newspapers that day. BOCA is asking all Black men and women to show their support for Black media by buying Black newspapers Sept. 17th.

It will be the first time there's ever been a nationwide show of support for Black media. And millions of people are expected to participate in this historic demonstration of Black unity.

We urge you to be one of them. All you have to do is buy a Black newspaper Sept. 17th. You'll be joining in a massive vote of confidence for your Black media. And you'll be sending a message: that you care about Black newspapers. That you value them as a source of truth in the community.

And that you recognize the historical relationship between Black papers and Black freedom. (One of the very first Black businesses was a Black newspaper—The Freedom Journal—started in 1827 by an ex-slave, John Russworm.)

Just as important, you'll be a part of an opportunity—a chance for a grand scale demonstration of the consumer power that exists when millions of Black people work together. And that's something you can be proud of.

Just as White newspapers across America report news that reflects the interests of Whites, Black newspapers continue to struggle to present the news that reflects Black interests.

Mark your calendar for Sept. 17th. Buy a Black newspaper and only a Black newspaper. Then be prepared to read all about it.

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