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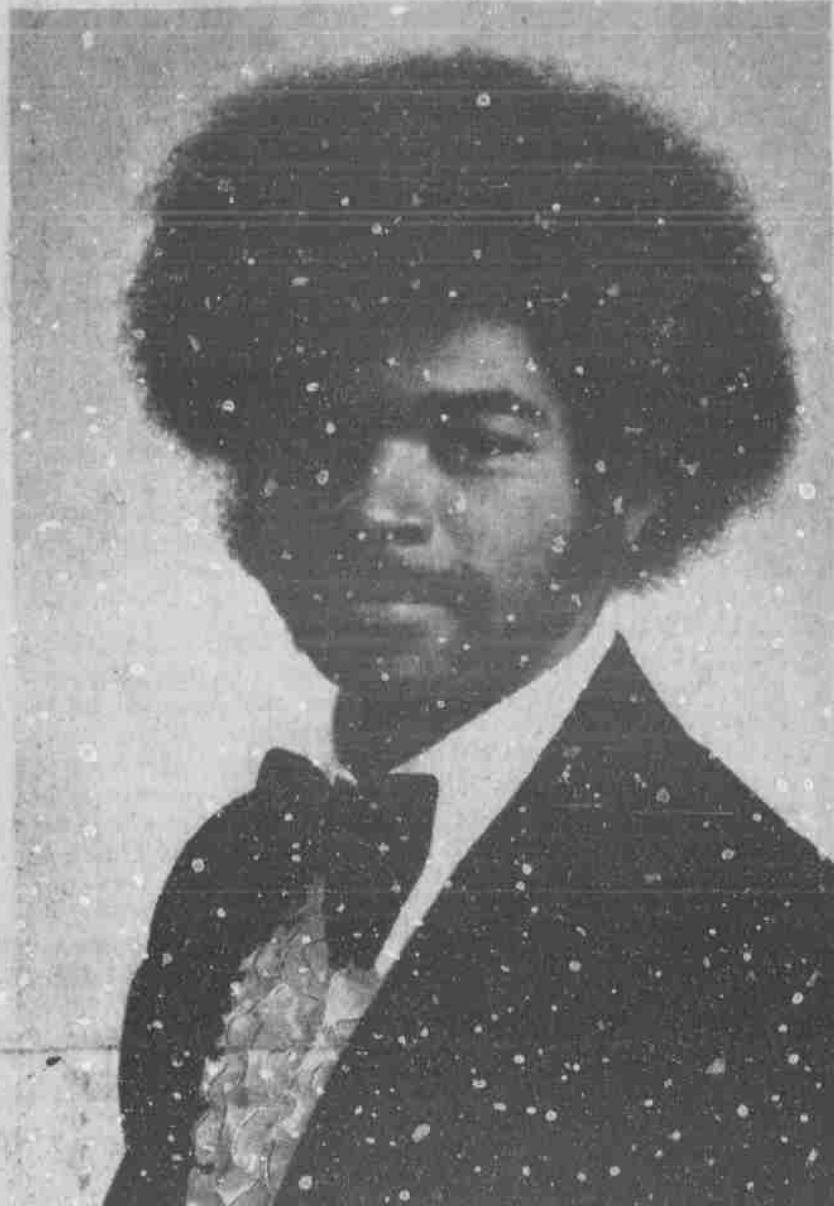
Week of April 13 thru April 19, 1978

VOICES, INC. WILL PERFORM HERE FRIDAY

BLACKS IN THE NEWS

Sponsored by Lyons Chapel Baptist Church

"AN OUTSTANDING VOCALIST"



Terry Cook

Our Black in the Opera competition at this week is Lincoln Center, New Texas Tech University York City last Sunday senior voice major Terry Cook who competed in the finals in the Metropolitan

made a great contribution in the competition.

The Plainview student was selected from 17 regional winners recently to compete in the finals. Eleven singers were chosen for the finals competition.

Those selected for the national finals may be presented with any number of grants for further study, Texas Tech Music Department officials said.

As one of the national finalists, he appeared before an invited audience which included opera and music directors from around the country and was judged by the artistic and musical staffs of the Metropolitan.

Cook was in competition for a possible Metropolitan Opera contract and cash prizes, including the Weyerhaeuser Award of \$5,000, the Gramma Fisher Foundation Award of \$4,000 and the Stoughton Award of \$3,000.

The young vocalist won the Southwest region of the Metropolitan Opera Auditions in San Antonio to qualify for the semifinals competition.

Aside from his efforts in New York, he will still receive \$2,000 in stipends as a result of his achievement in the regional competition. He also has received a contract with Santa Fe Opera apprentice program for the summer where he will understudy two operatic roles.

He is a student of John A. Gillas, Texas Tech professor of music and director of music theater. Cook plans to seek a career as an opera singer.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cook of 1308 West 3rd Street, Plainview, and was graduated from Plainview High School in 1974. He is an honor student at Texas Tech.

He is a young man in the news in our community and nation.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS DESIGNATED MAY 26 AS INSTRUCTION DAY

May 26 has been designated a day of instruction for the Lubbock Independent School District. It will serve as the makeup date for classes that were dismissed February 17 because of inclement weather. It will also be the new date for the final day of instruction this school year.

Elementary school students will pick up their grade reports



TADC SPONSORS COLLEGE NIGHT HERE FRIDAY

The Texas Association of Developing Colleges' College Information Center is hosting a UNCF/TADC college night on April 14th, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mae Simmons Community Center, East 23rd and Oak Ave. The college night is designed to create awareness of six private colleges in Texas, as well as provide career counseling and financial aid assistance to students who are riding on the brink of uncertainty.

A representative from each of the six colleges will be present to personally discuss educational offerings at their individual institutions. Colleges to be represented are: Bishop (Dallas), Paul Quinn

(Waco), Jarvis Christian (Marshall), (Hawkins), For more information, contact college (Austin), Texas night, contact Mrs. (Tyler), and Wiley Laster, 762-6411.

POSTMASTER ANNOUNCES CLERK-CARRIER EXAM

Elmer J. Reed, Jr., Postmaster, Lubbock, Texas, has announced that the Clerk-Carrier Examination will be open in the Lubbock Office from May 30, 1978 through June 5, 1978. Classes in Prepare Yourself for the

NAACP CLEARS UP COMPLAINTS ABOUT DELAY IN MEMBERSHIP CARDS

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Lubbock Branch, has received a number of complaints about delay in receipt of membership cards from the National Office. It has been informed that the delay has been caused by the conversion during the

past year of National Office membership records from manual to computer processing.

A letter was received last week explaining the new system set up by the National Office.

on Saturday, May 27, as previously scheduled. Quarter examinations for students in grades seven through eleven are rescheduled for May 25 and 26.

Seniors will have their graduation exercises the same dates as originally planned, but there are some changes of their end-of-year

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Chartress Kelly, winner of the Oratorical Speaking Contest

CHARTRESS KELLY, WINNER ORATORICAL SPEAKING CONTEST



Chartress Kelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Kelly, has been a two-time winner in the University Optimist Oratorical Speaking Contest.

A student at O.L. Slaton Junior High School, Chartress represented her school in the Zone Contest held Feb. 11th at First National Bank where she competed with other Lubbock junior high school students. She won first place in the girl's speaking division.

Tuesday, April 4, she competed with a junior high school students from Lubbock and surrounding ci-

ties, and won first place in the girl's division. She will now represent the Lubbock University Optimist Club in Pampa on April 28 and 29 in regional competition. All students are asked to write their own speeches and speak on the subject: "Today's Challenge; Tomorrow's Success."

She is an honor student at Slaton Junior High School, and is a student council and band secretary. She is a member of Mount Vernon United Methodist Church.

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"Black is not only beautiful, Black is brains-" said Jesse DeVore, a member of Voices, Inc., a multi-cultural musical theatre, which is being sponsored by the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church Friday evening, April 14, at Estacado High School auditorium.

"It's not enough," DeVore explains, "to just go around with an Afro and wearing a dashiki. You've got to understand the Black history, culture and pride that go with those things!"

The well-traveled company, with the theme of "A Journey Into Harlem," has 15 members and six of them are teachers, while the rest have had teaching experience, according to DeVore.

"The concept behind Voices," DeVore says, "is the utilization of the theatre and the arts as teaching tools to develop Black self-awareness and self-respect."

The theatrical company's full name is Voices Educational Service, Inc.

Not only is the multi-cultural group traveling around the country performing concerts, but many of our cities have had them to present various workshops. One of their programs ran eight weeks in Newark, N. J. During this presentation, the company conducted teacher workshops to show how the films and other visual aids and books could be used in the classroom along with a prepared study guide.

After the Newark teachers had been teaching Black studies for awhile, DeVore said, the voices group gave a series of live performances at the city's schools. "That's what I mean by 'Black is brains,'" he said. "It's understanding the things the show represents."

The presentation, on tap here Friday evening, will present the silent soft shoe step, the Charleston, g in mills, speak easies, the Cotton Club, and Glamus. All of this is a part of "Harlem Heyday," a "blueville show about those days"—the ones our grandparents moon over. The old songs and the old humour, all from the past, but forever alive in our hearts.

"We know that this

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HELP NEEDED!



The Concerned Neighbors and Friends of Mrs. Willie Mae Reed, 1824 East 1st Place, are setting up a trust fund to help aid her. Mrs. Reed was in a car accident last October, and still remains in the intensive care unit of Methodist Hospital. She is paralyzed from the neck down to her feet.

The ICU can only keep patients for a certain period of time which means that Mrs. Reed will be moved to a private convalescent home until recovery.

Most homes do not have the equipment that the hospital has and it is necessary for Mrs. Reed to have this life-supporting machine which requires at least \$12,000 before she has use of it.

Donations are being made from neighbors, friends, churches, and others.

Before the accident, Mrs. Reed was an active member of the Church of the Living God in which she was the president of the Mission, the Sunday School teacher, and a choir member. She has a husband and three children, and many friends and relatives who appreciate any donations.

For information about donations, please contact Mr. C. Taylor at 762-2735 or make donations to the American State Bank in care of Mrs. Willie Mae Reed.

"THIS 'N THAT" — ABOUT — People Places Things

Minnie Jean Mitchell and son, Tim, visited her father, A. B. Mitchell, and sisters, Mary and Gloria Mitchell, here over the weekend.

Theresa Hayden and Robbie Brauch visited their father, Dan Kilpatrick, here over the weekend. They are residents of Albu-

querque, New Mexico.

Mrs. Callie Cato is out of the intensive care unit at Methodist Hospital. She is a patient in Room 384 of the hospital.

Mrs. Mattie Beaty received word Sunday morning that her uncle, Jessie King, has passed away in Tyler, Texas.

Lee Savage spent the weekend at Post, Texas with the Boy Scouts at Camp Post. He reported a wonderful outing.

Mrs. Susie Williams is recuperating nice-

ly from a fall she had at her home last week.

Mrs. Dorothy Kinner attended a library convention last week at Fort Worth, Texas. She reported a most educational meeting.

Joseph Jones attended church services at New Hope Baptist Church last Sunday. At one time, he served as musician.

Mrs. Bernice Kelly, and Callie Howard, and Rev. A.L. Dunn attended the S.M. & E. State Board in Fort Worth, Texas April 11 through 13.

The Northeast members of the Mount Vernon United Methodist Church will sponsor a spring tea Sunday afternoon, April 16, from 3 to 5 at the church, 2302 Cedar. All churches are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott have recently returned from a week visit to Puerto Rico where they were guest of their son and wife, Lt. and Mrs. Don Scott. He is stationed at the U.S. Naval Station.

Residents of east Lubbock are talking about the underpass on East 19th Street. People are wondering why the rail hangs out in the street and the street needs to be paved. This is only one area of east Lubbock which needs to be looked at by the City of Lubbock.

Rev. A.W. Wilson is still a patient in 392 of Methodist Hospital. He suffered a fractured hip and shoulder recently.

SCHOOLS..... Continued from Page 1. activities. Final examinations for seniors will now be May 22, and check-out activities are changed to May 23. A new date of May 24 is reserved for individual school graduation rehearsals.

Commencement ex-

Voices Inc.

Continued from Page 1 presentation will be one never forgotten by those who will come out and listen to this dynamic group," said Dr. Floyd Perry, Jr., pastor of Lyons Chapel.

All over America, people are saying they have never heard such music before as performed by this sensational company. People have flocked across the land, ear-phone radios in hand, and poured into up-town Harlem to see, hear and enjoy a musical tradition that was penetrating the very fabric of American life.

Admission to this first in Lubbock is \$5.00 for adults, and \$2.50 for young people under age 12.

"We hope Lubbock will turn out in great numbers to witness a positive program," concluded Dr. Perry.

exercises are set for Estacado and Monterey on May 25, for Coronado and Dunbar on May 26, and for Lubbock High on May 27. A combined commencement sermon for the five schools will be Sunday, May 21.

The end-of-year schedule for adult classes will be the same as originally planned. The graduation program for the Evening High School will be May 26.

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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 in this 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 Ft. Lauderdale, *West-side Gazette* tells of a "Black Saturday" at the local "Y." Can we do too much to encourage pride in themselves on the part of our youth?

The L.A. Lee Branch YMCA 4-H Club will present "Black Saturday: A Day of African Culture."

The Buffalo *Criterion* tells an important and engaging story, which seems controversial to many concerning the importance of black self-esteem to black learning:

Minority-group medical students who have difficulty with science courses may require as much help in building their self-esteem and trust as in subject-matter tutoring.

Ms. Sarah Brown teaches grooming, swing is taught by Ms. Cala Flournoy on Tuesdays and Thursdays; and Ms. Carol Blade and Ms. Adriane Lockett teach the nutrition classes on Fridays. All classes are at 4 p.m. and for girls ages 8 to 14.

Adult sewing classes are available for those 15 years and older on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Volunteers are needed for all the classes.

The executive committee of the North Charleston Branch NAACP went on record to pursue charges of racial bias at the Naval Shipyard complex.

The Portland, Oregon, *Skanner* tells of a promotion in the business world which our black youth should watch and copy. Far more heroic

The Charleston, S.C., *Chronicle* tells an age-old story of blacks facing job discrimination. "When will we ever learn" that real progress and black America has not been synonymous in our lifetime? The *Chronicle* relates:

This was the first time a tutorial group was made up exclusively of minority students," says Dr. Geertzma. "No non-minority students had been asked to repeat courses that year, and seven other minority students in the same class had no difficulty."

Teas of study habits, critical thinking, personality, mathematical ability, and

In a lengthy and detailed discussion, case after case was documented by present and former employees who painted a picture of job and promotion discrimination in various shops and a determined effort by management to include only token Blacks in the apprentice program.

Rev. W.F. Davenport, president of the Branch, and Labor & Industry Committee Chairman, City Councilman Robert Ford, said plans are being made to seek the assistance of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commis-

sion (EEOC) in Atlanta, Ga., and Mr. Clarence Mitchell of the National NAACP. Ford said the situation was so serious at the shipyard that "we can no longer ignore the problems that exist there and if it means petitioning the Secretary of the Navy for the removal of the Shipyard Commander, who is ultimately responsible for this situation, we have no choice except to pursue the matter with vigor."

Workers said the Affirmative Action program in the shipyard "is a joke" and that experienced Blacks who have worked in their specialties for years are passed over when slots become available. "They find every reason in the book to keep Blacks out of the top foreman jobs," said a worker of 16 years, "and when we raise an official complaint, you're called a troublemaker. Some employees have been dismissed on petty charges for seeking their job rights."

Our readers may wish to address congratulatory messages and messages of encouragement to the papers which report happenings of interest or concern to us. Such messages may be sent to the editors or other persons directly by simply addressing them, using the name of the paper, c/o Black Resources, Inc., 410 Central Park West, 27th C, New York, N.Y. 10023.

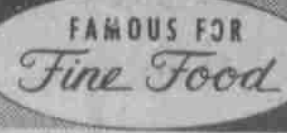
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OUTREACH BREAKFAST CLUB MEETS HERE

The Outreach Breakfast Club was certainly an outreach last Saturday morning. The meeting was called to order in the Learning Center of Trinity Church.

Mrs. Mary Ward, president; and Mrs. Tammie Ervin were in charge of devotion. Scripture was Isaiah 53. It was read by Mrs. Vivian Peoples.

Pastor Morris Sheats brought the message on Inner Healing. It was certainly inspirational for our hearts.

Among our special guest were Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin, Pastor Sheats, and Elder C. Tanner.

Another important personality present was Evangelist Bob Harrison. He is from San Francisco, Calif. and has been with the

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Royal Ladies Club

During the month of March, the Royal Ladies Club met in the homes of Mesdames Baker, Brown, Carter, and Fair.

The members have spent much time in making new and exciting plans for the rest of the year. At the end of each business, the members enjoyed a time for fun and fellowship.

Each hostess prepared a delicious meal which was thoroughly enjoyed by the members.

At the last meeting, one visitor was present. She was Mrs. E. M. Brooks of Decatur, Texas who gave timely and encouraging remarks.

The club will worship together with some church in the community each fourth Sunday.

John Hill Westbrook, candidate for Lt. Governor of Texas, had the grand opening of his state headquarters last Saturday in Austin. The headquarters is located at 312 West 11th St., Suite 112, Stokes Building.

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Police Happenings



WIFE SHOTS HUSBAND FOR NOTHING, HE SAYS

A 43 year old Lubbock man told police that his wife shot him one day last week for no apparent reason.

The lady suffered a swollen right eye from the incident. Police discovered that although the couple had been divorced for four weeks, they had been living together at the same residence for the past three weeks.

Perhaps they were divorced on paper, but they were still pretending as though they were still married. How about that?

Roberson suffered a broken tooth from the robbery. He knew the man who beat him up, but did not know where the man lives.

Roberson, who is unemployed, needs his money.

DIVORCED WOMAN BEATEN BY EX-HUSBAND

A 24 year old Lubbock lady had trouble out of her divorced husband last week.

According to the police report, the ex-husband began to beat her up with his fist and an unknown weapon.

She told police that she had been living at this residence when the man began to threaten her from time to time. She told police that she would remind him of their recent divorce. This was done each time by showing him copies of the divorce.

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OBSEQUIES

Paul Edward Phenix, Sr.



Final rites were read Saturday afternoon for Paul Edward Phenix, Sr. at the Christ Temple Church of God in Christ with Bishop W. D. Haynes, pastor, officiating.

Burial was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of South Plains Funeral Home.

Phenix was born to Mr. and Mrs. Burns Phenix, Sr. June 2, 1951 in Memphis, Texas.

The family moved to Lubbock February, 1954. He attended Wheatley Elementary, E.C. Struggs Junior High, and Dunbar High Schools.

He was married to Miss Bobbye McKnight August 18, 1972, and to this union were born two children, a daughter, Prokinyer, and a son, Paul, Jr.

A veteran in the U. S. Army, the family moved to Detroit, Michigan in May, 1977.

He departed this life April 9, 1978 in Detroit.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Bobbye Phenix; a daughter, Prokinyer; a son, Paul, Jr., both of the home; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burns Phenix, Sr.; three brothers, Ronnie, Mike and both fell over a coffee table which had a glass top.

It was not determined if the glass or knife cut Gaines in the leg.

He refused to be treated by EMS. He also told police that he will not file any charges against the man.

Palbearers were

Willie James, Jr., Robert James, Curtis James, Johnny James, Bruce McKnight, and Clayton Morris.

Dixie Hodge

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 8, for Dixie Hodge at the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Slaton, Texas with Rev. C. C. Peoples, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Englewood Cemetery under the direction of South Plains Funeral Home.

Mr. Hodge was born

Mount Olive Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. C. C. Peoples. He served as a Deacon faithfully until his health failed.

Mr. Hodge was the Chancellor Commander of the Caprock Lodge #554 of Slaton.

He passed away on April 5, 1978 at 10:40 a.m.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Dora F. Hodge; three stepchildren, Annie Mae Scott and George Smith, both of Slaton, and Esse Smith of Lubbock; a brother, W.T. Hodge of Dallas; two sisters, Mrs. Corrine Taylor of Fort Worth and Mrs. James Anna Fisher of Waco; many other relatives and friends.

Palbearers were George Smith, Esse Smith, Johnny Roberts, Esse U. Scott, Mack Ward and Bruce Scott.

Honorary palbearers were the Knights of Pythias.

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SECONDARY CHOICE

Hot Turkey Sandwich
Fried Okra

Tuesday, April 18

Turkey Squares W/ Gravy
Peas and Carrots
Lime Jello W/Pears
Fruit Cobbler
1/2 Pint Milk

SECONDARY CHOICE

Batter Fried Fish
Cheese Wedge
Buttered Potatoes

Wednesday, April 19

Beans and Franks
Carrot Sticks
Buttered Spinach
Cornbread - Butter
Vanilla Pudding
1/2 Pint Milk

SECONDARY CHOICE

Swedish Meatballs
Escalloped Potatoes

Thursday, April 20

Meat Loaf
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Editorials

MRS. WILLIE MAE REED NEEDS OUR HELP

For the past several weeks, this newspaper has been running information about a sister, Mrs. Willie Mae Reed, who was in an auto mishap last October. We will continue to run such information until many of us contribute to this fund which has been set up for her by friends of the community.

With all the organizations, churches, and civic groups in the Black community, we all can make a contribution to this effort. She needs a life-supporting machine which cost \$12,000. Just a dollar from each Black, young and old, in Lubbock will help purchase this machine.

Just think about it, if you haven't contributed to this fund, then do something about it today. Today, Sister Reed is down. Who knows, tomorrow, one of us may need the same kind of assistance.

We can help this beautiful sister by reaching in our pockets and sending just a dollar to the American State Bank, c/o the Willie Mae Reed Fund.

Show a little love and concern today by helping a sister who needs our help.

LYONS CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH SHOULD BE CONGRATULATED

We'd like to take this opportunity and congratulate the pastor, Dr. Floyd Perry Jr., and members of the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church for having the courage to sponsor such an outstanding multi-cultural musical theatre as the Voices Educational Service, Inc. A group, in our opinion, which can provide entertainment and education for the American public.

It is time for Lubbock to have such a program as this for the people, especially the Black community. Of course, we realize, it hasn't been easy in convincing a group of this caliber to come to the Caprock and perform for us.

We hope the auditorium at Estacado High School will be filled on Friday evening, April 14, at 8 p.m. We need to show Lyons Chapel Baptist Church that we appreciate what they are doing for us. We can do this by purchasing a ticket and being there for this event.

Congratulations, Lyons Chapel, we love what you are doing. In our opinion, you are taking a worthwhile step for Black people in our community. Who knows, there may be some young person who will be turned on this Friday evening.

This is good entertainment and we hope a great lesson is learned from this effort. We applaud you, Lyons Chapel, for what you are doing.

BLACK EVENTS QUIZ

(This quiz is designed to accompany History-Making Black Happenings. It can be used for classroom discussion or to help you focus your own thinking on current issues.)

1) Where do you feel that the trouble rests with Ethiopia's presently "anarchy"? Does it have its roots in the old Haile Selassie reign? Does it stem from basic economic realities within Ethiopia? Other factors may be the shaky nature of the new military regime, foreign intervention and ideological conflicts. How would you rank the causes of unrest and disunity? And why?

2) Amnesty International has a conservative and generally responsible image. In this light, how do you view its assessment that perhaps most of the nations of the world violate human rights?

3) How do you respond to the claim or assertion that blacks are subjected to a denial of basic rights in America? Would you go so far as to say that a lack of employment opportunity for Black youth represents a basic denial of "the pursuit of happiness"? The august and highly responsible Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus believes that there is a human rights issue at stake with the continuingly and inordinately high black unemployment rate.

Would you agree or disagree with him? In either case, why?

4) You may inquire regarding copies of *We Charge Genocide* by calling 212-882-3299 and *The Dilemma of Black Politics* by calling 916-445-9533. After reading these books, you may make your own responses regarding the American human rights status in letters to Representative Parren Mitchell, Chairman, Congressional Black Caucus, or to the organizations from which the books were received.

5) What should be the most responsible position of American firms involved in the South African economy? What are the most responsible and effective ways that we may assist them to achieve humane goals?

6) What is your point of view regarding the use of racial labels in schools, business and other aspects of our public or private life? What are the assets? What are the liabilities?

7) With the advent or coming of urban renewal, black home ownership greatly decreased. What public policies should HUD engage in to assist blacks to own their own homes, wherever they may choose to live? What other views do you have on how the government might best assist those who are poor to live under much more humane conditions?

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE



CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS URGES MASSIVE NATIONAL FULL EMPLOYMENT EFFORT

"Jobs must be available for every person willing and able to work," stated Congressman Parren J. Mitchell, (D. Md.), Chairman of the 16 member Congressional Black Caucus, "and the Administration's endorsement of the Humphrey-Hawkins Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act is a key step in achieving the goal. The Caucus is pleased to see that the legislation which it has championed for several years is now a national priority."

It must be followed, however, by a national effort to mobilize massive support to pass this legislation when it is considered by the Congress in 1978," the Caucus Chairman urged.

"We do not view Administration endorsement of the bill as the end," he said, "but rather as the beginning of a long struggle. Even as the bill has been debated for three years, unemployment has remained at intolerably high levels, and the nation must now focus all of its resources on this single pervasive and heretofore uncontrollable problem."

Congressman Augustus F. Hawkins, a member of the Caucus and co-author of the bill, said that "with Administration endorsement of the Full Employment Act, we must now mobilize our efforts to produce a groundswell of support in every congressional district across the country to ensure enactment."

The legislative proposal agreed to by the President mandates the achievement of 3 percent adult, and 4 percent overall, unemployment within five years. These figures are clearly set forth in the legislation as an interim goal, with the movement to full employment levels to follow as soon as practicable thereafter. In addition, all efforts are to be made to reduce and then eliminate the differential unemployment levels which exist for teenagers, minorities, women and other labor force groups.

Congressman Mitchell said that the bill "would make a matter of law and national policy economic policies that would concentrate on economic growth and job creation while guarding against excessive inflation. We cannot afford to take the attitude that gradualism in economic growth will solve the most serious social ill facing the nation today," Congressman Mitchell continued, "and the policy goals of this bill would benefit the consumer and the businessperson as well as those who are unemployed."

The Humphrey-Hawkins bill provides a mechanism to coordinate the various economic policies such as interest rates, tax policy, job creation programs, overall budget policies and national priorities so that they will be focused on producing the lower unemployment levels. Present fragmented policies "to focus resources in that direction and are frequently subject to political and economic forces adverse to the full employment goal."

You may write to your Congressman and Senators at: Congressional Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515 or Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. Please congratulate them for their important work and let them know where Black America stands on critical issues.

TO: CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS 306 House Annex Washington, D.C. 20515

I would like to help—

- Organize a "Regional Friends of the Caucus" group
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- By working with my local or nearest black congressional representative in any way that is needed
- (Please send me literature on the Caucus)

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WORDS OF LIFE

Biblical Inspiration For The Week

"The same Lord is the Lord of all."
—Romans 10:12

1. There is one God. The ancient "creed" of Israel was the simple and yet persuasive affirmation, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord your God is one God."

No matter how we worship, no matter how we may picture God, it is the one God of the universe to whom we offer praise.

2. We have choices concerning God. Someone once aptly or wisely remarked that there are always at least two valid approaches to any matter... and many more! One preacher once noted that we

may take Matthew's words, Luke's, Mark's or John's. But they all lead to the same Jesus who is "the same, yesterday, today and forever."

3. He is Lord of all! God is not a family or tribal property. No one has seen God at any time. God appears in many forms: the wind, as fire, as a voice, in the form of Jesus... and in every act of love, of joy, of peace and reconciliation.

God, (thank God!) is "the same: Lord (who) is Lord of all."

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WHY ARGUE? THE FACTS ARE HERE!

BLACK EMPOWERMENT
By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

DRUG-RELATED CRIME

Now that drug-related crimes are reaching out into our suburban communities, law enforcement officers have been less reticent to indicate that perhaps the overwhelming proportion of recent crime increases are drug-related.

When disillusioned blacks—chiefly seen as unemployed—first turned to drugs (which had their sales focused on our inner cities), most drug-related crimes were those against property. I remember watching one man break a large storefront window on Broad Street in Newark at around the midnight hour a few years back. In the spirit of a civic-minded hero, I chased the man with his stolen loot, honking my horn as loudly as possible so as to attract the attention of the police. After several blocks chase—and with no signs of any police coming after me for my seemingly obvious disturbance of the peace—I gave up in frustration my heroic task.

Only hours later (when I came to my fuller senses) did I realize how dangerous my foolishness had been, since the probable cause—statistically at least—of the robbery was the familiar territory of the black community was doubtless for the sake of purchasing drugs.

Disillusionment associated with long-term unemployment is one of the first symptoms of "a good territory" for the drug pusher to hustle his wares.

What does this add up to in terms of "drug recession" crime? Listen to these figures. It costs \$100 a day currently to keep up a heroin habit. If this amount of money is to be picked up from illicit sales of stolen and readily negotiable goods, an addict must count on getting only 10 percent of the new sale price. This holds true for several reasons.

The goods must be sold covertly and quickly to persons who do not "add" the stolen merchandise and to whom the only or basic appeal is the "irresistible nature of the item's price." The average quick sale of an unneeded "bargain" is understandably, then, quite low.

This means that \$1,000 per day for each addict must be secured—and disposed of—in stolen merchandise... unless cash is obtained more directly.

Until the last five years, thefts and sales of goods from within or near black communities were the primary source of drug user income. As these areas proved to be less fertile ground the occasional muggings and purse-snatchings increased. Black leaders across the country, for nearly half a dozen years now, have organized campaigns against largely drug-related "crimes by blacks against blacks."

Currently, the Justice Department has developed an interest, offering a dubious proposal to finance with federal money local black vigilante committees to monitor, and eliminate where possible such crime.

Beyond this being a dangerous precedent, it misses the heart of the growing crime menace, which is the need to support, at exorbitant expense, an acquired heroin addiction.

Further, drug-related crime has left the bounds of the ghetto and because of the uneasiness associated with "a criminal invasion of largely unknown turf," the drug-user bandit has become more trigger happy in such a way that the Mayor of San Francisco could note concerning his city: "There are no longer any safe neighborhoods."

The spread of drugs, nonetheless, is still not being halted. Manhattan Borough President Percy Sutton, for example, reports seeing, almost daily, the open hawking of heroin on the streets of Central Harlem by their brand names, with the federal and city agents giving the air that the sales must somehow be licensed.

Even so, with an estimated 75 percent of Greater New York's heroin sales taking place in Greater Harlem, there are only 10 black city drug agents in the Harlem area and only 10 black federal drug agents in the Greater New York metropolitan area. The inability of white agents to penetrate the high black crime areas has long been established. Thus the local and federal answer to the drug-related crime syndrome or complex is almost like taking a water pistol out against an angry guerrilla!

The rapidly spreading crime-devastated wasteland represented by many sections of the Bronx are merely symptomatic of what happens when "drug-related crime" is on the loose. Such devastation shows every promise of continuing in semi-suburban communities now and in smaller cities as well as the "Number One Urban Problem," drug-related crime may become the principal menace stalking our whole land.

One of the most strategic opportunities for urban-suburban—or even regional—cooperation is the drug-related crime war. There should be no question that the nipping of the problem in its bud is of a greater long-term importance than increased law enforcement to prosecute the symptoms rather than to ferret out and to eliminate the cause.

Essentially, the criminal aspects of drug use and abuse may be eliminated—beyond the law enforcement agencies' important work—by two major thrusts. One is to reduce the disillusionment-creating and unconsciously high unemployment, especially among black males and youth. Again, many countries which grow heroin have no hard drug problem. We must ask ourselves the reasons why. Doubtless among the answers, whether many or few, will be the elimination of the criminal elements in the sale of drugs. Just how the American public would take to this may be uncertain. The nation's mayors, happily, are in favor of free heroin for registered drug addicts. What is an inescapable reality, however, is that something of a serious and positive nature must be done... and soon.

Among the immediate things that you might do personally... as a beginning... is to send a mod-st holiday check to the nation's major volunteer anti-drug effort: The Committee To Declare War on Drugs, 23 Fulton Street, Newark, New Jersey 07102.

JOIN NAACP!

Women's Page

CAREER WOMAN

"ONE SHOULD NEVER GIVE UP"



Barbara Haynes

Our Career Woman of the week is Barbara Haynes, registered nurse. Her face has been familiar at Highland Hospital for the past eleven and one half years.

Her career began in 1966 as a L.V.N. At that time, she attended Texas Tech University, Lubbock Christian College, and Methodist Hospital School of Nursing. She graduated in 1973 as a registered nurse. Since 1973, she has been a Nursing Supervisor and acting Director of Nurses. Her present title is Director of Education at Highland.

Barbara's office is responsible for all In-Service Education Programs directed toward all departments, with nursing education being the priority. Other interests include working with the Cancer Society by speaking on numerous occasions for public education, the Critical Care Nurses' Association and planning educational symposiums.

Barbara organized the Hub of the Plains Educational Council which she was president, and also organized the first local

chapter of the national organization of Orthopedic Nurses Association this year.

"My most rewarding and gratifying job is working with the students (Vocational Nurses from South Plains College) because nursing is my first love and I enjoy helping people and see patients recover, and working with emotional problems related to illness," she explains.

Outside her busy schedule and spending time with her two children, Tony and Portia, she enjoys playing tennis and shopping. Any spare time is spent reading for the ever constant changing world of education which she feels is an absolute necessity.

A graduate of Dunbar High School where she participated in many organizations, she was first runner-up to "Miss Dunbar." She is a member of the Hopewell Baptist Church, Petersburg, Texas where her father pastors.

"I feel as though all Black women can achieve their highest goals in life with constant work and

persistence," she says.

A lady who loves working with people best describes our Career Woman of the week, Barbara Haynes.

Media Reviews:

(For bright children, ages 3-6)

YOUR OWN ZOO

A review of *Zoo City* by Stephen Lewis (Greenwillow/Morrow Books, New York), 36 pages, Children's hard cover—\$6.95

Children's books which are new and exciting are never inexpensive. This fine book—which should challenge and encourage growth in many bright young people—fits into that high class.

Having commended this book highly, it may be fair to tell about it in its own book cover's realistic words with quotation marks as follows:

Have you ever seen an elephant standing firmly on a city sidewalk? Or a giraffe waving its neck above the bustle of a construction site? Or a zebra, paused patiently in the middle of a crowded crossing?

Stephen Lewis has—and so can you.

Each of the special animals on the top pages has a living counterpart on the (book's) bottom pages. Look carefully. Find the pairs. You don't need to know how to read—although if you can, the complete name will appear on the left when you have matched the animals.

Stephen Lewis has not captured all the city's animals. There are others all around. You can find them if you look carefully!

Sound exciting? We thought it was, then we tried it out; and we are still convinced. So, too, will you be.



YOU AND THE STARS

by Sylvia Hairston

April 14—20



The Black Press: Its Importance In The Elevation Of Blacks

For one hundred fifty-one years, the black press has been a major—if not the major—factor in the elevation of blacks because it has been a source of information about what blacks are doing, thinking, feeling. It has been the concentrated voice of Black America against oppression and injustice. It has been the preserver of black history and culture.

Black Journalism began when it was desperately needed during the dark period at the beginning of the nineteenth century when the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution did not seem broad enough to include the black American. The spirit of deprivation and disenfranchisement was rampant throughout the land. I again refer to an era, 1806-1820, which is reminiscent of today when the nebulous planet Neptune was transiting the sign of Sagittarius (publishing, inspirational writing), the same astrological aspect that prevails now.

Sagittarius is in adverse aspect to Pisces in this, the home sign of the Neptune configuration, which makes for a chancy situation. Sagittarius is zealous, propagandistic, mobile, philosophical and a sign which accents the ethos of youth and is therefore uncomfortable with the character of either Neptune or Pisces. The result: conflict, tension and instability.

The demand for Black Journalism in the newspaper media was first met by John B. Russwurm and Samuel E.

Cornish with the meager and unpretentious *Freedom Journal* that they began printing in New York City on March 30, 1827. They were the first of the black media pioneers to be recognized during that turbulent and difficult era that was coming to its end about that time.

(To be continued.)

Editor's Note: The preceding, "The Black Press: Its Importance In The Elevation Of Blacks," was written by Sylvia Hairston. The following horoscope on the signs

was written by astrologer-consultant James Trumble who is guest writer for Sylvia Hairston who is on vacation.

ARIES — March 21-April 19
Your money-making potential can be enhanced during this period through effective planning. Curb indecisiveness by holding to that which is tried and true, for certainty. Seeds recently planted in the area of new relations have opportunity to bud now.

TAURUS — April 20-May 20
The key Juring this period is preparation. It is a good time to complete unfinished projects and lay plans for the future. You get more accomplished by staying out of the spotlight, working behind the scenes. Expect activity in your home. This is a good time to rearrange or redecorate.

GEMINI — May 21-June 21
The focus is on your dreams, hopes and wishes. Watch how you communicate them to friends as there may be difficulty in your being understood. Be prepared to repeat yourself calmly and quietly. Sudden romantic at-

tractions are in the picture, which you find necessary to keep secret. Spend time with people who think as you do.

CANCER — June 22-July 22
Your professional standing, your drive toward recognition, your reputation and where you stand in the community are all highlighted at this time. However, take care as to how you ask for what you want—on your job as well as in your home.

LEO — July 23-August 22
Emphasis may be placed on legal aspects, philosophical ideas, distant traveling, writing and publishing. There may be delays in trips, legal matters may be postponed and/or your "ideas" may not be published at this time. At the same time you will find yourself more self-assertive regarding special goals you wish to accomplish. There is a strong possibility of benefits coming your way due to past hard work.

VIRGO — August 23-September 22
Joint resources are accentuated now. Take care in lining up money matters with mate,

roommate and business associates. Confidential matters are of concern now. Good time for study and creative work.

LIDRA — September 23-October 23

Maintain social balance by avoiding the need to force any issues at this time. Handle funds with care, whether they belong to partners or another group. Continue to emphasize positive relations with partners in all areas of life.

SCORPIO — October 24-November 23

The accent now is on work and how you communicate while there. Honors may be received for diligent efforts of the past. Take care as to how you behave toward loved ones to avoid mixed emotions. Cheerful communications with associates and friends at a distance may occur.

SAGITTARIUS — November 23-December 21

It's a good social period, with strong indications of meeting that special person with whom a good relationship can develop. You also could win favors and receive financial benefits from those around you during your day to day activities.

CAPRICORN — December 22-January 19

Memories from your early childhood experiences should shed light on certain modes of self-expression. Pleasant vibrations among partners and business associates will be due to your loosening up and relaxing. Take all joint money ventures seriously and handle with care. Lots of social communication in the home indicated.

AQUARIUS — January 20-February 18

The emphasis is on relating to relatives and friends who think as you do. Now's a good time for socializing at home. If you are signing contracts, read the "large" print too.

PISCES — February 19-March 20

Concentrate on your income and take note of creative ideas. Solidify all resources. Tackle daily activities with renewed enthusiasm and vigor. Also, health is important now. New relationship possibilities indicated.

1978 the Department of Housing and Urban Development is implementing a fresh program designed to strengthen and upgrade the quality of central city housing rather than force low cost housing on the suburbs.

A survey released early in 1978 apparently noted both white and black backlash at forcing welfare families into the suburbs and in moderate to upper rental level apartment complexes in the central cities.

Mrs. Patricia Roberts Harris explained: "Our big problem has been to get new construction into the suburbs." Doing this without creating undue black and white backlash is said to be the basis of the present HUD approach.

On The International Scene...

Ethiopia — Anarchy, almost complete and devastating, was the word used most to characterize Ethiopia's political and military condition early in 1978.

Surrounded by nations with which it is at war, and divided bitterly on the domestic front, months or years of bleakness were predicted. The primary cause of disintegration has been noted most

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Semi-Monthly Summary

HISTORY-MAKING BLACK HAPPENINGS:

National News...On The Home Front...

Washington, D.C. — Realizing that black joblessness remains the major economic catastrophe area in the United States, repeated delegations of black leaders have met with President Jimmy Carter and his aides.

By early 1978, little or no progress had been made on the point of view that "black unemployment," "black male unemployment," and "black youth unemployment" were specific problems calling for unique solutions and not simply an effort at

more jobs.

The only dent of substance made was by U.S. Representative Parren Mitchell who was able to attach a "10 percent for minority workers" clause to a major urban funding bill last year.

Leaders predict a new thrust defining black issues in specifically black terms.

Washington, D.C. — In a similar vein, it was reported that a number of government agencies and the federal guidelines now contemplated for release for private industry may make it legal and require the use of race labels on

all job applications.

As a group meeting with White House aides early in 1978 explained: "What we have here is not an economic problem at its root but a racial or a racist problem which is consummated with dire economic and racial consequences."

Washington, D.C. — Courting accusations of affording "blanket immunity" from government action, the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission issued preliminary guidelines ostensibly to assist employers in coming closer to meeting government expectations regarding minority employment.

After weeks of analysis, the overall assessment was reported favorable in that the older approaches had simply proved "unworkable."

At the heart of the new thrust was what HEW Secretary Joseph Califano earlier had called "goals, not quotas."

Washington, D.C. — For

DUNBAR BOOSTER CLUB MEETS HERE

Members of the Dunbar Booster Club will meet Monday evening, April 17, to finalize plans for the annual All Sports Banquet which will be held Thursday, April 27, at the Booker T. Washington American Legion Hall, 4401 East 61st St. Speaker for the annual affair will be Don Edwards, a student at Texas Tech University. Tickets for the event is \$3.50.

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People will react to that which is precise, and we will publish these articles as precisely and factually as is humanly possible; and we will also give credit and respect to those who are doing good things for the Lubbock Area and the people. We will be critical of those who are not doing as they have said they would do. And this we think is fair.

So this is our resolution to you: Feel free at any time to call this office for information concerning this newspaper or any other matter that is of concern to you.

This isn't a propagandist sheet made to chastise or vilify. This is a newspaper made to educate and not to agitate.

T. J. Patterson Eddie P. Richardson
Editors

Our GIANTS Speak ...

Bishop J. W. Hood
on "Black Attainment
in 1900"

(For classroom or group discussion)

"The subject of this article is one upon which much thought has been spent, and yet, excepting the color of the skin and the texture of the hair, the Negro has more the appearance of the white American than any other race. A cultured colored woman, with gloves on her hands and a veil on her face, is hard to distinguish from a cultured white woman a little way off.

And the same is true of men when the complexion is not seen. We shall take the position that the inherent possibility of the Negro is equal to that of any race. Notwithstanding his environments are against him, yet he has the inherent power to break through them, and will break through them and reach the highest plane of Christian civilization.

This is indicated by the progress he has made in the few years in which he has had any chance for development as an American citizen. Almost everything has been against him. Every possible effort has been employed by his enemies to keep him down; but in spite of all he rises. Like Israel of old, the more he is oppressed the more he prospers.

His possibility is indicated by the stock from which he comes.

It is the impression of many that the Negro has no history to which he can point. There could be no greater mistake than this. If it had been in the power of modern historians of the Caucasian race to rob him of his history it would have been done. But the Holy Bible has stood as an everlasting rock in the black man's defense. God himself has determined that the black man shall not be robbed of his record which he has made during the ages past.

The first and most illustrious of earth's historians

has left on record statements which set forth the fact, beyond reasonable doubt that an ancestor of the Negro race was the first of the earth's great monarchs; and that the race ruled the world for a long period; and the statements of Moses are confirmed by the testimonies of the earliest secular historians, whose writings have come down to our time. Ethiopia and Egypt were first among the early monarchies, and these countries were peopled by the descendants of Ham, through Cush and Mizraim.

Palestine was peopled by Canaan, the younger son of Ham, upon whom the curse was pronounced; and, notwithstanding the curse, his posterity ruled that land for hundreds of years. They were in it when the promise of it was made to Abraham; and four hundred years later, when Israel came out of Egypt, they were still in full possession of it. And although the land was promised to Israel, yet two tribes, the Jebusites and

Sidonians, resisted the attacks of Israel for more than four hundred years after they entered upon their promised possessions. Neither Joshua, nor the Judges of Israel, could drive them out. Not until David became King were the Jebusites driven out from the stronghold of Zion. (Even David failed to drive out the Sidonians.) It was from the ancient seat of the Jebu-

sites, Jerusalem, also called Salem, the seat of royalty and power, that Melchizedek, the most illustrious king, priest and prophet of that race, came forth to bless Abraham, as seen in Gen. XIV., 18-19. There have been many wild notions respecting this personage, for which there is no good reason. Dr. Barnes, standard author, whose commentaries have been adopted by the Presbyterian Board, takes the position that there can be no question but that Melchizedek was a Canaanite."

Bishop J. W. Hood,
D.D., LL.D.

Bishop W. Hood was born in Kennett Township, Chester County, Pa., May 30, 1831. His father's house being near the line between freedom and slavery was a station of the Underground Railroad. Hence, the boy was very early impressed with the evils of slavery and imbibed an intense hatred toward that institution, and an intense love for his afflicted race. This sentiment has been a great factor in shaping his conduct through life. His moral and religious convictions were fixed in early life. He was sensible of a call to the ministry, but hesitated a long time because he felt a lack of necessary qualification. He was licensed to preach in 1856; ordained a deacon in 1860; elder in 1862, and bishop in 1872. He entered upon a course of studies soon after he was licensed, and has been a hard student ever since.

His first appointment was to a mission in Nova Scotia. In December, 1861, he was appointed to missionary

work in the South. Following the army, he reached New Bern, N.C., January 20, 1864. As a traveling minister he always had encouraging success, especially in North Carolina, in which State his denomination has had a larger following than in any other. Two of its most important institutions have been located there, namely the Publication House at Charlotte

and Livingstone College at Salisbury. Bishop Hood was one of the founders of the college, and was President of the Board of Trustees during its early history.

(Your class, if it subscribes for group copies of this paper, may wish to discuss this article and the important issues which it raises. Or you may wish to make a scrapbook containing all the articles entitled, "Our Giants Speak," which will appear weekly. The quotations may be an excellent source for term paper references in high school and college.)

Key Questions:

1. What are three main issues raised in this article?
2. What does this article suggest about our life situation today?
3. How many words did you look up in the dictionary? (If we do a not use a dictionary daily, and for every word whose full meanings we may not know, we cannot grow individually and assure the best use of our resources for group freedom and a better America.)

Great Britain — While individual nations like Canada and isolated leaders like Jimmy Carter debated the issues of human rights violations, Amnesty International issued a report—now widely circulated—allegedly documenting global violations.

The Amnesty International document claimed that two-thirds of the member states of the United Nations violate human rights and espouse or use government-sanctioned torture.

Black Americans have been encouraged, in the light of the Amnesty International Report, to secure copies of *We Charge Genocide* (c/o

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Dr. Angie Dickerson, Secretary, Patterson Foundation, 2720 Bronx Park E., New York, N.Y. 10467) and the current Report on Harassment of Black Elected Officials, entitled, *The Dilemma of Black Politics* (c/o National Association of Human Rights Workers, P.O. Box 2427, Sacramento, California 95811).

The Amnesty International report noted: "It was possible to establish that in at least half the cases, circumstances had improved; torture stopped, arrests officially acknowledged, kidnap victims released, death sentences commuted." That harassment continues, even in the

U.S., was allegedly admitted; and the above documents relating to blacks should be read possibly by all alert black Americans, officials noted.



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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE COST OF CONVICTION

Acts 7:2

58

2 And Stephen said: "Brethren and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran,

58 Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him; and the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul.

MEMORY SELECTION:

"Lord, do not hold this sin against them." Acts 7:60

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS

- M. Suffer as a Good Soldier
- 2 Timothy 2:1-13
- T. The Discipline of Suffering
- Hebrews 12:3-11
- W. A Victor's Crown
- Revelation 2:8-11
- T. Men of Good Repute
- Acts 6:1-7
- F. The Courage of Conviction
- Acts 6:8-15
- S. Recalling God's Historic
- Acts 7:30-38
- S. Faithful Unto Death
- Acts 7:54-60

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. What were the conditions in the church fellowship that called for the selection of seven appointed officers?
2. Why was Stephen one of these designated officers?
3. How did Stephen meet the emergency situation that arose?
4. What were the false accusations that Stephen faced?

me, says the Lord, or what is the place of my rest?
50 Did not my hand make all these things?
51 "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in hearts and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you.
52 Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered,
53 you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it."

ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

Church News

Greater St. Luke Baptist
C. A. Henderson, and A.L. Davis Circles
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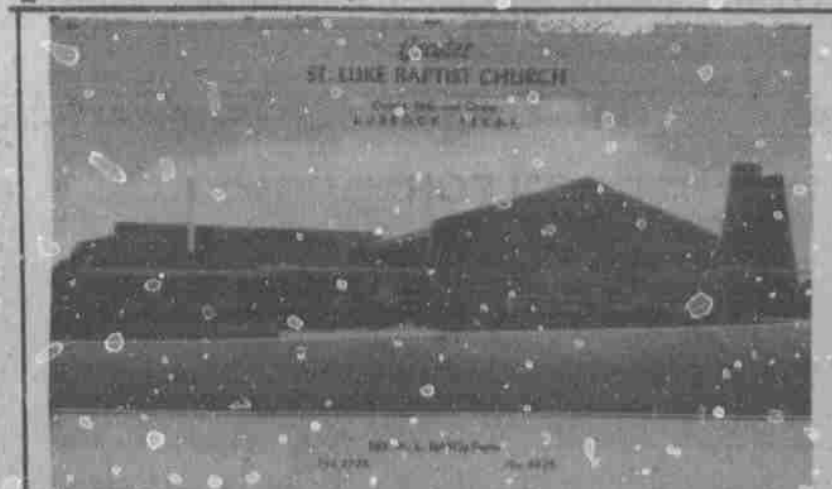
ton, Daisy Daniels, Georgia Richardson, and Rosa Hill last Monday evening. All reported a most enjoyable evening studying the word.
Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 7. The fifty-seventh church prayers of the chris-

tian are secret, but their effect cannot be hidden.
The Youth Choir meets at the church each Monday evening at 8 p.m.
Last Sunday afternoon, we closed our anniversary. Let us thank God for the years we have been here and the contribution we have made while we were here. Let us praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. They

include Sisters Billie Jefferson, Dixie Reed, Tillie Hall, Mary Lee, Dolly Howard, and Ellen Tillman.
Sister Mary Glenn attended funeral services of her mother in Columbus, Texas last Sunday. Let us

pray for this family in this time.

Lyons Chapel Baptist
Sunday services were conducted by the Youth Department. As usual, the program was very good. The young ushers looked nicely in their uniforms, and at their post of duty. The primary and young adult choirs expressed joy and happiness in their songs. Rev. Roger Culbertson de-



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Religion

Lyons Chapel Baptist

livered a very spiritual and precise sermon. He spoke on divorcing sin. It was a very dynamic message.

When the curtains go up on Friday night at Estacado High School, we hope the auditorium will be full. We would like to remind everyone of the "Harlem Heyday" performance to be presented tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m. This affair is being performed by Voices, Inc. of New York, N. Y. Admission will be \$5.00 for adults, and \$2.50 for children under 12. It's not very often we get to see a live play and musical on stage. Come out and see a night of fun and entertainment for the entire family. Proceeds will go to the church.

We will worship with the Mt. Horek Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas on Sunday morning, April 16. If you haven't made your reservation please do so today. A bus has been chartered for those wishing to go.

Joint Mission will be held Monday, April 24, at 7:30 p.m. Ms. Jones is asking all women of the church to be present for final assignments for our annual Women's Day program which will be held Sunday, April 30, at 10:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. All women are asked to be present in your white dresses.

April 23, we will go to Plainview. We are asking the entire congregation to make plans to go.

Weekly activities will be held at their usual time and place. Take an active part in your church.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in members of the church and community.

Remember prayer meeting is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal

Services were enjoyed by members attending. Our assistant pastor, Rev. Jack Robinson, delivered the morning message. Senior Choir Number One, under the direction of Mrs. Lillian Struggs, was responsible for the music of the hour.

Our pastor, Rev. A. W. Wilson, is still a patient at Methodist Hospital after suffering a fall which fractured his hip and shoulder. His daughter, Mrs. Suedall Nathan, and grandsons of Oklahoma City were here to visit with him this week.

Among our visitors last Sunday morning were Tony Nelson of El Paso, Michael White of Odessa, Byron Sampson of San Antonio, and John Mays of Dallas, all students at Texas Tech.

Our annual spring

revival is underway at our church this week and will close on Sunday afternoon, April 16, at 3 p.m. Our guest evangelist is Rev. Sis. L.E. Moore. Come out and be with us this week.

Monies were taken up Sunday morning in Sunday School and church services for Mrs. Willie Mae Reed who has been a patient at Methodist Hospital since October, 1977. This is a monthly project sponsored by the Adult Sunday School Class each second Sunday.

Our church thanked the young people who traveled to Sweetwater last Saturday. It was reported that they did a splendid job representing our church.

All members are asked to come to the church each Saturday as we are in the process of cleaning up our church for the upcoming annual conference in August.

The Ma Jones Missionary Society will be selling dinners on the first Sunday in May.

Members of the Golden Rule Circle will meet today, Thursday, in the home of Sister Fred McQuinney at 5:30. All members are asked to be present.

The Junior Mission, young women between the ages of 18 and 30, will meet Saturday at 11 a.m. at the church. All young ladies are asked to be present.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Prof. E.C. Struggs was reported not to be feeling too well last Sunday.

Mount Vernon United Methodist

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with our speaker of the hour being Mr. James Burris. He was introduced by Brother George Woods.

Thought of the day: "Everyday will be a good day if we spend it in God's presence."

The youth of our church had a bake sale last Sunday after church services.

Our pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Nathaniel Johnson, wish to thank the church for the wonderful reception last Sunday in fellowship hall. "Your kindness will never be forgotten. Many thanks," says Rev. Johnson.

Let us continue to attend prayer meeting and Bible study each Friday evening at 6. We'd love to have you

come out and take an active part with us.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members of the church and community. Will you do this for Christ?

Twentieth & Sixth Church of Christ

We welcome all our visitors. We trust that when you attend our services, you will find our services inspiring. Simple enough to be understood, and intelligent enough to be effective.

Brother Andrew Davis was released from the hospital last Monday. Brother last Monday. Brother T. E. Ray remains on the shut-in list. Let us be sure to remember the sick with our cards, visits, and our prayers.

The senior class and faculty of Lubbock Christian College will have commencement exercises Saturday, April 29, at 9 a.m. in the baseball stadium.

New Hope Baptist

General Mission will be held Monday night, April 24, at 7 p.m. President Ruby Jay is asking all women of the church to attend.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 7. All members are urged to attend each week.

Our church anniversary will be observed Sunday, April 16, at 3 p.m. Each member is asked to give their support.

The B.M. & E. State Board will convene this week in Fort Worth with Rev. B.R. Daniels and members as host.

Special services will be held Sunday, May 7, at 3 p.m. with Rev. Tony Williams, pastor of Community Baptist Church, as guest speaker. This service is sponsored by the Usher Board.

Members of the Solace Board will be selling cakes and pies Sunday, April 23. Won't you help?

The L. K. Williams Institute will be held on the campus of Bishop College April 24 through 28. Many religious workers will be attending.

Federation of Choirs will meet Sunday, April 23, at 2:30 p.m. St. Matthew Baptist Church is host for the month.

The Baptist Ministers Institute will meet May 15 through 19 at the Lyons Chapel Baptist

Church. All religious workers are invited to attend.

Special ushers rehearsal will be held Friday, April 14, at 8 p.m. President Heman is asking all ushers to be in attendance.

"Mr. & Ms. New Hope" will be crowned at our church on Sunday, June 11, at 7. This affair is sponsored by the choirs of our church. Let us cooperate in this effort. Young men and women between ages of 16 and 19 are invited to take a part in this special effort.

The fifth Sunday, April 30, will be under the auspices of the women of the church. Let us give our support and help make this a big day.

Whisper a prayer for the sick and shut in's of our church and community. Those on the sick list include Ms. Callie Cato, Rev. A.W. Wilson, Ms. Susie Williams, and Ms. Margaret Campbell.

Rising Star Baptist Church

We had a wonderful time serving the Lord last Sunday. We had a lovely sermon brought to us by our loving pastor, Rev. Herman Phillips. His subject was "A Witness for God."

Let us remember the sick and shut in's. Among them are Sis. R. Turner, Sis. E. Johnson, Sis. Fairchild, and Bro. Washington. Remember the church that prays together; stays together.

God bless all of you.

Littlefield, Texas

Greater First Baptist Church

Greater First Baptist Church is on the move for Christ. We had a glorious time in the Lord Sunday. Our pastor, Rev. Wilson Baldwin, delivered the morning message. It was enjoyed by everyone.

Sunday, April 16, will be Youth Day. We are looking forward to a lovely program. Let us all make plans to attend, and give

"THINK ABOUT IT!!"

by Evelyn Roberts

THE CHURCH

Christ also loved the Church, and gave Himself for it. That He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. That He might present it to Himself a glorious Church, not having a spot or wrinkle, or any such things; but that it should be holy and without blemish (Eph. 5:27).

The Church in America is spiritually poor, back slidden, worldly and apostate, having a form of godliness. But denying the power thereof. Teaching for doctrines and the commandments of men.

So many ministers smoke, some drink, most of them read the same secular magazines, books that the world reads. They even go to the same entertainment. Even think like the world. On Sundays they try to sprinkle a little scripture over their worldly thoughts and call it a sermon. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous, therefore, and repent. (Rev. 3:19)

Next week, I will close my topics and it will be as it was from the beginning: Repent or Perish.

THINK ABOUT IT!!

Prayer Poem

God's continuing presence with us is perhaps best understood and revealed in the celebrated word of the Twenty Third Psalm. One hundred years ago, H.W. Baker put the thought of that Psalm to the unforgettable words of "The King of Love."

*But yet in love He sought me,
And on His shoulder gently laid
And home, rejoicing,
brought me.*

*In death dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.*

*And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, May I sing
Thy praise
Within Thy house forever.
Amen.*

God's goodness and mercy follow us, no matter how far off we stray. Meet God in the congregation of His people this week!



the young people of the church our support.

Let us pray for the sick and shut in members of the church and community. Those who are ill this week include Sis. Emma Taylor, Sis. Barbara Simington, Sis. Pearl Hodge and Sis. Francis McDonald. Remember prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. The Lord is really blessing you.

BLACK POETRY

PRIMEVAL

Close your eyes sometimes and what appeared so naturally human may become quite animal like eating goobers in the dark.

Notice how your cunning bite deftly cracks the shells' lean ridges and kissing must have evolved from reaching for the nut with lips and how do you feel when your breath sucks out the cagey seed? —Philip M. Royster

Searching for the heart of things seems to the poet to be primitive...yet essential.

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2304 Cedar Avenue
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Bishop Alsie H. Carleton
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Rev. Billy Wilkinson, District Superintendent



Rev. Nathaniel Johnson, Pastor

Schedule of Weekly Services
Church Service 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night - Prayer Meeting ... 4:45 p.m.
Bible Study 5:30 p.m.
Friday Night (Youth Service) ... 5:30 p.m.

GREATER FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Irvin Street
Littlefield, Texas
Rev. Wilson Baldwin, Pastor



SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Teacher's Meeting .. 7:30 p.m.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday School 10:00 AM
MORNING WORSHIP 11:15 PM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM
Wednesday Worship Service 7:30 PM
Lady Crusaders, Monday 6:00 PM
G.A.S., Monday 6:00 PM
Junior Choir, Monday 7:00 PM
Acteans, Tuesday 6:30 PM
Ambassadors & Pioneers, Tuesday 8:30 PM
Senior Choir, Tuesday 7:15 PM
Mission, Thursday 7:30 PM
Brotherhood, Saturday 5:00 PM
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