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"EDITORIAL OF THE WEEK"

BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist



BACKGROUND ON WHY SEARS SHOULD BE SUPPORTED (Part I of 3 Parts)

In Part I of this 3-part series on "Why Black Americans & Others Should Support Sears," we presented some general background that provided a setting for this historic case which challenges many of the laws and actions of the federal government. (As we shall see, these are laws and policies that Sears and many others view as working against the equitable and just employment goals for black Americans, as well as for other underrepresented groups.) Also, we presented background on past and present Sears empowerment, or enabling actions regarding black Americans. This includes their affirmative action "Mandatory Achievement of Goals" (MAG) Plan which some professionals hail as by far surpassing presently required government standards. This second part of this 3-part series sets forth some of the important specifics of that suit and examines them in terms of what they mean to black Americans. Now let us look at the suit.

Sears' Suit:

Here are some important specifics. First, after introducing the customary legal preliminaries, Sears' suit importantly cited 110 facts relating to conflicting requirements in federal employment laws that would enable an employer to discriminate almost openly (or with impunity) against blacks and other underrepresented groups. All of the facts provided a reasonable basis for action on the part of any group needing or wanting clear guidelines on what they are required to do to bring black Americans and others equitably into the workforce.

Second, Sears then lists 55 facts relating to the U.S. govern-

ment's own involvement and/or complicity in failing to enable black Americans and other underrepresented groups to be properly prepared for reasonable representation in what is commonly called a "diverse workforce." This research by Sears includes citing the following as several of a long list of examples of how the U.S. government has worked to our detriment or harm.

• The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was cited by Sears for not enforcing the laws relating to housing that would have enabled black Americans and others to live in communities located in areas from which many employers have to draw their workforce. For instance, if no blacks are able to live in or near Cicero, Illinois and there is no convenient public transportation to bring them there from where they live, how can Sears or any employer in Cicero reasonably expect to have a large number of black Americans with varied or diverse skills from which to choose.

• The Department of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) was cited by Sears for a whole range of unlawful and negligent acts. These range from being held guilty by the federal courts for not monitoring federal programs (Title VI) needed to make intelligent decisions on compliance targets for black Americans, to being guilty of concentrating on encouraging black (and other) women to concentrate mainly on home economics (cooking) and other non-business-oriented vocations. HEW also has been funding a wide range of other programs whereby teachers are enabled to promote our black youngsters from grade to grade on the basis of some classroom attendance alone, without any

concern for teaching productive skills to our young black Americans.

• The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) was cited for abdication of its responsibility in conciliation. Sears noted that even the President of the U.S.A. acknowledged in his February 23, 1978 message to Congress that EEOC had "management problems." Sears brought out the fact that internal audits by EEOC have questioned its own agency regarding the destruction and falsification of files, employees performing work for which they were not properly trained, and friction between district and regional offices. Sears also set forth the fact that a 1977 study by the Subcommittee on Employment Opportunities of the House Education and Labor Committee concluded that the government's efforts to enforce employment laws had been "weak, uncoordinated, and largely ineffective."

• The federal government as a whole was cited for failure to enforce anti-discrimination provisions to the law that resulted in the inability of qualified black Americans and other "affected class" groups to gain employment and promotions within and without the federal government. Sears noted, as an example of the government's poor example of equitable employment, that although 14 percent of the total government workforce hold top level (GS-15) positions only 4 percent of black employees are in grades 13-15.

Third, the Sears suit goes on to set forth 30 facts regarding the inadequacy of statistical data needed for proper planning and administration of any affirmative action program. As an example of many statistical inadequacies for aiding in the proper measurement

of black availability, Sears pointed out that the Bureau of Census acknowledged that while it undercounted all Americans, blacks were undercounted at a rate more than four times as high as that of white Americans.

Fourth, Sears then asked for some specific relief. Quite important to black Americans, one such request was that the government grant an order declaring Sears Mandatory Achievement of Goal (MAG) Plan comply with applicable statutory and constitutional provisions prohibiting employment discrimination. This plan calls for hiring one black male or other underrepresented group member for every white male hired until black males and other underrepresented group members equal or exceed that group's representation in the workforce as a whole. No employer anywhere has set forth a stronger commitment to the benefit of black Americans than this.

In Sears' discussions of this provision in its MAG Plan with black civil rights leaders and others, its always has been brought out that over the period of the last fifteen years, the percentage of white (male) employment has risen over 14% while black male employment has decreased by the same amount during that period. Of further importance to us as black Americans is the fact that whenever a white female with rising income expectations marries a white male, she automatically is sharing the wealth of America's long-favored class. When a black female marries a black male under present circumstances, she is percentage-wise worse off economically than she would have been 15 years or more ago. Granting Sears' request for validating their MAG Plan not

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KOONTZ DISCUSSES WOMEN'S PROBLEMS IN NEW YORK CITY



Albany, N. Y. — Elizabeth D. Koontz, Chairperson of the National Commission on Working Women leads discussions at the final of six Regional Dialogues held throughout the nation. Among the 200 women who attended the event were (left to right) New York City Council President Carol Bellamy, New York State Public Service Commissioner Karen Burstein and William O'Connor, Vice

President-Personnel of Philip Morris Incorporated. Mr. O'Connor, one of the conference panelists, reported on his company's affirmative action programs relating to the approximately 60,000 Philip Morris employees in the United States and abroad. Ms. Koontz said that more than 40 million American women work outside the home for pay and approximately 80 percent of these women

workers are concentrated in lower-pay, lower-status jobs.

"Our Commission believes that barriers to greater earnings and dignity on the job for women must be removed," said Ms. Koontz. "It is important for women to be able to seek jobs that pay higher wages.... But it is equally important to upgrade the status and pay of traditional 'female' jobs."

"We must achieve

greater dignity for the jobs we do," she said. "Women must have access to career paths leading to occupational mobility, and a voice in work place policy. We need to upgrade the image of our work, and make it more 'respectable' jobs in the 80 percent."

Philip Morris Incorporated and the Miller Brewing Company were among the sponsors of the conference.

"By East Lubbock Residents"

LETTER SENT TO COUNCIL

(Editor's Note: This is a letter forwarded to the Lubbock Council in reference to the East 34th Street and Southeast Drive (former Railroad Avenue) proposal. Citizens rejected the utilization of a flashing light and extending arm crossing. Citizens are urged to read this letter and pass information on to others.)

Mayor Dirk West and
City Council-persons
City Hall
Lubbock, Texas

Honorable Sirs:

A public meeting of East Lubbock citizens along with two councilmen and City Staff Persons was held at Mae Simmons Center on May 8, 1979 to discuss plans of safety-status of the East 34th Street, Quirt Avenue Railroad tracks. This body was given excerpts from communication from Santa Fe to the city council by Jim Bertram, who further stated your recommendation of a solution to the complex problem by erecting an additional flashing light, and an extending arm over the railroad tracks. Bud Adderton supported the statement and urged us to support same. After much discussion the group in attendance unanimously agreed to inform you that we totally oppose the following plans:

1. to erect an additional flashing light
2. the extending arm across the railroad tracks

A letter to you dated Jan. 18, 1979 from Santa Fe (according to Jim Bertram) informed you that they (Santa Fe):

1. would not oppose an over/under pass
2. would hold a conference with City Council and City Engineers to discuss the matter
3. that neighborhood input/attendance would not be relevant to this proposal

We were further informed that the approximate cost would be \$65,000, prorated as follows:

- 90% State Funds
- 5% Local Share (approx. \$3,200)
- 5% Railroad share

With this information supplied, we then requested of our City Councilmen/City Staff present to meet-discuss with whomever you deemed necessary since neighborhood input was not relevant and report to us your findings and or solution to this problem within 45 days. This was mutually agreed with all present, both city and citizens.

In the early 1960's the Mayor of our city selected a "Mayor's Committee of the Seventies to study and make long range plans and needs of our city. Some citizens of our community were appointed to this committee and joined fellow citizens in accomplishing the Mayor's idea and plans. This same problem of the railroad tracks on East 34th Street was discussed and included in the supposed long range plans. Yet, today, Mr. Mayor, nineteen years later, we are still told "NO FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE" and let's include a "Grade Separation in our long range plans." Is this a 19 year wait.... "a long enough" long Range plan?

Again Sirs, we say THANKS BUT NO, THANKS to your plan to insert a temporary satisfier in the mouth of east Lubbock citizens to quench the pain of safety and inconvenience that was imposed on our community by City-Fathers in by gone days of yester-years yet followed by City-Fathers today by honoring us with the privilege of being totally surrounded by railroad tracks and no decent exit nor entrance.

We employ you, Sirs, to measure the interest, safety and concerns of East Lubbock Citizens with the same measuring tool used for downtown, West Lubbock, and Southwest Lubbock.

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NEW STAFF MEMBER OF COMA



Rudolph Davis

Rudolph Davis, a doctoral student in Fine Arts at Texas Tech University, recently was named economic specialist of the Comarcas Organizadas Mexico

Americanos (COMA) by Raul Sanchez, executive director of the Mexican American Chamber of Commerce.

As economic research specialist, Davis will be

responsible for helping to establish a Chamber News Bureau and publish a series of brochures on various community support systems. He will also serve as a liaison between the Mexican American Chamber of Commerce and Black American businesses. Another responsibility will be to design and conduct a leadership training program for young people and reappraise past and present business plans for the City of Lubbock.

Prior to enrolling at Tech in August, 1976, Davis resided in Colum-

bia, South Carolina, where he worked in Higher Education and government. He was instructor of art at Allen University from 1970-1973, and was Assistant Professor of Art at Benedict College from 1975-1976. Between 1973 to 1975, Davis worked as Neighborhood Arts Coordinator with the South Carolina Arts Commission. He was responsible for Minority Arts Program Development and Implementation as well as responding to requests for arts services from local school districts and arts organizations throughout

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SPECIAL ISSUE WILL LIST GRADUATES

The Lubbock Digest will publish its Second Annual Graduation Issue on Thursday, May 17, 1979. Graduates of various high schools will be seen in this special issue.

Any merchant, business, organization, or person who would like to congratulate or show support to young people graduating from Dunbar, Estacado, or any other high school may do so by advising us at the Lubbock Digest office.

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RUBY JAY'S CORNER



WHAT'S GOING ON

to wish Mrs. G.H. Davis a very Happy Birthday. Although her birthday was Sunday, May 6th, it's good to wish her another year. Happy Birthday, Sister Davis.

This writer and members of the New Hope Church would like

Let us also continue to whisper a word of prayer

for Mrs. Davis in this hour of her bereavement.

Mrs. Clara Lee Blakemore was shut-in over the past weekend. This writer hopes for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. George Scott returned home last week from visiting relatives and friends in Dangerfield, Texas. They reported a wonderful trip.

Mrs. Andrea Thompson received an invitation from her niece, Marjorie Louise Robinson, to her marriage on Saturday, May 19, to Mr. Cleophus James at the Larue Toliver Chapel Baptist Church in Waco, Texas.

If you would like to congratulate those young people who will be graduating this month from the various high school, you now have this opportunity to do so. It would be a wonderful thing if many persons from the Black community would join the list of patrons who will be doing the same. Let me hear from you if you would like to participate. The deadline for submitting your name is Tuesday, May 15, 1979, by 5 p.m.

There have been some interesting programs over KTXI-TV, CHANNEL 5, at 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays. This program is called "Happenings." Why not write this date and time down each Saturday afternoon. The show makes a lot of sense.

Mrs. Rosanna Harris is a patient at St. Mary's Hospital, Room 333. It is reported that she had eye surgery.

It is learned by this writer that the Prairie View A & M University Choir is scheduled to come here this month. They are expected to perform next week. The Community Baptist Church is sponsoring this event, according to its pastor, Rev. Tony Williams.

OUTREACH BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS

The members of the Outreach Breakfast met last Saturday morning at 9 a.m. at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church.

Devotional scripture was read by Mrs. Elnora Coleman. It was taken from the Gospel of St. Luke, Chapter 19.

"When Jesus comes by, he look up at Zaccheus and called him by name! 'Zaccheus!' he said. 'Quick! Come down! for I am going to be a guest in your home today!'"

"Come down: and receive Jesus." Thought for the Morning: "Come down and receive Jesus." Thank you, Mrs. Cole-

UPAL WILL MEET MONDAY NIGHT

The members of the United Political Action League (UPAL) will meet here Monday night, May 14, at 8 p.m.

The public is invited to attend this meeting, and become a member of this organization. Dr. F. L. Lovings is president of this organization.

us pray for Mrs. G. H. Davis and Mrs. Emma Stevens families in the lost of their loved ones. Look to Jesus. We are still praying for you.

A pre-Mother's Day program in on tap on Saturday morning, May 12. Our guest speaker for the special day will be Mrs. A. W. Wilson and Rev. Tony Williams.

To our presiding president, we appreciate a job well done. In the presence of our president, we love both of you very much. Our next meeting will be at New Hope Baptist

Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, Rev. A. L. Dunn, pastor, at 9 a.m.

For more information, call 763-2966. Presiding is vice president Mrs. Coraine Fair. Mrs. Mary Ward is president and reporter Mrs. Dorothy Hood.

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CITY COUNCIL LETTER

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It would be a great feeling to have our "Elected Officials" put into execution and show to us the point you argued in the Federal Courts that, "the at-large system of election does work" and that all citizens are represented, as well as all sections of the city. We say, NOW IS THE TIME FOR OUR COUNCIL MEN ... ELECTED-AT-LARGE, TO COME TO THE AID AND REPRESENT THE BLACK COMMUNITY OF OUR CITY AS YOU AGREED.

Gratefully yours,
East Lubbock Citizens

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The Music Department of the Mount Gilead Baptist Church will be selling fish and chicken dinners on Saturday, May 12, 1979. Lunches will be on sale at the church, 2512 Fir Avenue, Saturday afternoon and evening. Price is \$2.50. No delivery. The public is invited to come by and eat with us or carry out.

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BURGLARY

MARY LOUISE GARY, 2317 Ash Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that someone unknown gained entry to her house through a window one day this week.

There was no apparent force entry to the house. Taken from the house were several rolls of pennies which were valued at \$11.00. Nothing else was missing from the house at this report.

AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH MOTOR VEHICLE

ETHEL MAY DIAL, 2707 East 3rd Street, reported to Lubbock police that someone ran over her one day last week. When police arrived on

the scene, she was laying on the ground.

She told police that a young fellow ran over here in a white car.

According to witnesses at the scene, the incident started over a fight in the neighborhood. Someone broke up the fight. The young fellow left and got into his car and drove into a crowd of people who were on the sidewalk.

The 51 year old lady started across the street when the young fellow drove the car and hit her. After falling on the ground, the man drove off. He didn't stop to assist the lady after hitting her.

Several witnesses at the scene of the accident.

BURGLARY OF BUSINESS

RAYFORD NICHOLAS, 2907 East Baylor



Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that someone broke into his place of business at 1509 East 15th Street one day last week.

Several items were taken from the business. Taken were a tape recorder and a white clock. These items were valued at \$235.

A window was broken out of the business which

is a house of residence. The window was still latched. Pry marks were found on the door.

THEFT OVER \$200

EDWIN NATHAN SCOTT, 2409 Globe Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that someone unknown took advantage of his car while it was parked in the 1000 block of Avenue H one day this week.

His four hub caps were taken from the car. They were valued at \$200.

ASSAULT

JUDY A. WALL, 2626 Parkway Drive, No. 142, reported to Lubbock police that she was having an argument inside the Black Diamond Club, 800 Idalou Road, at 1:00 a.m. one night last week.

She told police a man grabbed her hair and kicked her in the buttocks. She told police that the kick was very painful, because she was hurting several hours after she was kicked. She told police that she will file charges on the man this week.

HUMAN RELATIONS DIRECTOR RESIGNS

Human Relations officer Luciano T. Perez has announced his resignation effective, May 25, 1979.

Perez, appointed in November, 1975, stated in a letter that he is resigning to become a full time Texas Tech University Law Student. The City is now

recruiting applicants to fill the position.

NAACP WILL MEET HERE ON SATURDAY EVENING

Members of the Lubbock Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will meet Saturday evening, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. at Mae Simmons Community Center. All members are asked to be in attendance

because of important business to discuss. Mr. George Scott, acting president, says there is much to be discussed about the upcoming "Freedom Fund Banquet" which is scheduled for Friday evening, June 22, at the

University Center on the campus of Texas Tech University.

"We welcome those persons who would like to join this organization. There is much to be

done, so we need help from those who want to contribute something," he says.



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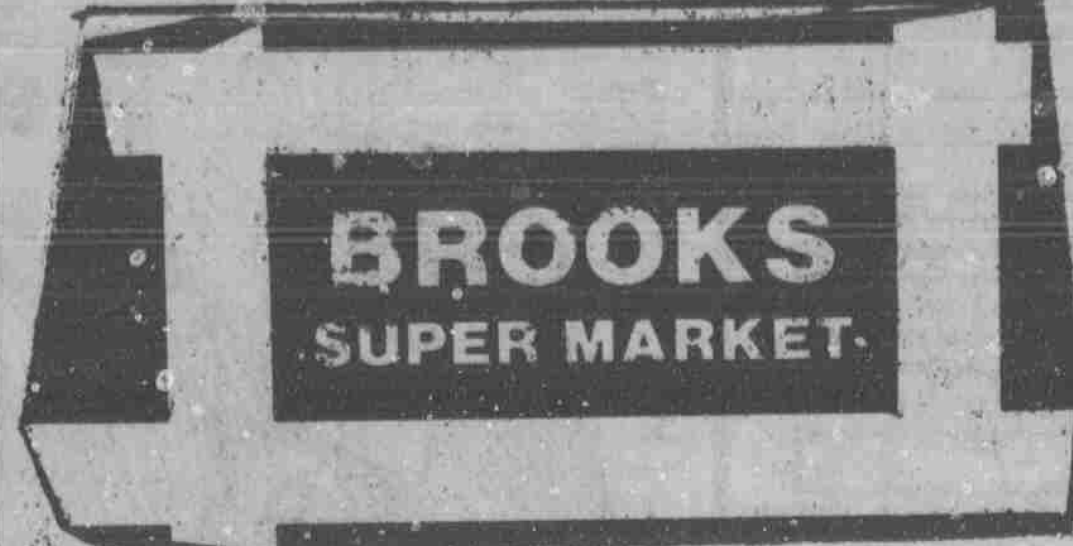
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Editorials

WHY NOT?

by
Eddie P. Richardson
NOW OR NEVER!!!

In the March 16, 1827 inaugural issue of *Freedom's Journal*, the country's first Black newspaper, **John Russworm** explained his paper's purpose in simple, yet poignant language: "We wish to plead our own cause. Too long have others spoken for us. Too long has the publick been deceived by misconceptions..."

Today, 152 years later, Russworm's Mission is still pertinent. But, except for the Lubbock Digest, no other publication in this area even comes close to his ideal. Why does Lubbock especially Black Lubbock, need the Lubbock Digest?

Answer: To follow the Father of Black newspapers ideals, to plead our own cause. We feel we carried this out Tuesday evening at Mae Simmons Community Center by avenging for citizens of all walks of life; a truly cross breed of Blacks to plead our cause to Lubbock officials and staff representatives. The daily paper (because she left early) miss counted the number of people in attendance stating around 25, when the number was closer to 100. Especially when the entourage of Black ministers come in.

Black people pleaded their cause loudly and clearly by unanimously saying we do not want cross bars and flashing lights. We want a overpass - no more/no less. Lubbock finds money for what ever it wants until it comes to certain people in a certain part of town and then and only then does money become another problem. This was the first time in a long time that this many Blacks from so many backgrounds been together for a single meeting with common interest on persons attending the meeting was heard telling another after the meeting. This showed one thing Blacks in Lubbock can

unite if there is an issue we need a lot of issues that Blacks can identify with and address the issues are here, but, we have to find ways to house Blacks to them. This writer strongly feels that its now or never. It isn't that time is running out, time has run out! Next year is a political year. It's the year when all of the white politicians will be back in the so-called Negro community jiving you and me for some votes. The year 1980 will be the year when all of the white political crooks and liars will be right in your and my community with their false promises, building up our hopes for a let down with their trickery and treachery with their fool promises; which they have no intentions of keeping. But, now we have the type of Black people on the scene who just doesn't intend to buy that hogwash any longer. But, we still have the other kind around the *Thomases* Modern day for the old days *Uncle Tom* evidence of this is the people that did not see fit to be at the very important meeting Tuesday evening which was of the utmost importance to the Black Community. The people that I have in mind is some of our so-called *Community Leaders* which out of fear of offending their bosses by being in a possible controversial meeting with possibly some controversial Black brothers and sisters. You had better wake up so-called elite niggers before you sit down and break your necks. You are still a nigger. As far as your bosses are concerned, the sooner you come to your jive selves and realize this, the better it will be for all of us as a people. Let's get it together now. Unify all sayings the same way now because this is a good time for all organizations in the community to address the same issues to show support or non-support together for what ever the issues Black Lubbock let as John Russaworm would say "Plead our own cause. To long others have spoken for us. Let's do it ourselves now. Why not."

Watch this column next week for some shocking fact about Atkins Jr. High School - Titled **Chamber of Horror**.



The White House position on health care cost reduction is presented, in part, below. Minorities and the aged would be most substantially benefited by the White House approach, which our readers are asked to examine seriously.

Part III of Four Parts

"The special interest groups, the medical profession, and the hospital associations are so intense and effective in their enormous and unwarranted profits that they prevail in the absence of a common American interest." — President Carter. Interview, 9/1/78

"Obviously, there is a lot at stake. So far, the consciences of America, including yourself, have not yet been aroused enough to convince the Members of Congress that this needed legislation should be passed. But it is time for all of us to stand up to these special interests and to all the others that refuse to look past their own selfish concerns." — President Carter. Speech, 9/20/78

The President's proposed Hospital Cost Containment program would put a temporary cap of one and one-half times the general rate of inflation (as measured by the Consumer Price Index) on the annual rate of increase in hospital costs. At a CPI inflation rate of 6.6% thus far in 1978, that cap would have permitted hospitals to

increase their revenues by nearly 10%—a rate many economic analysts would still consider too high, but considerably less than the current rate.

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

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Media Reviews:

WHAT'S LEFT BEHIND

(A novel for reflection by adults)

A review of *In My Father's House*, by Ernest J. Gaines, Alfred A. Knopf, Publishers, New York, 1978, 214 pages, Hardcover, \$8.95.

Ernest J. Gaines is best known for his book which later became a television movie, *The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman*. M. Gaines lives in California,

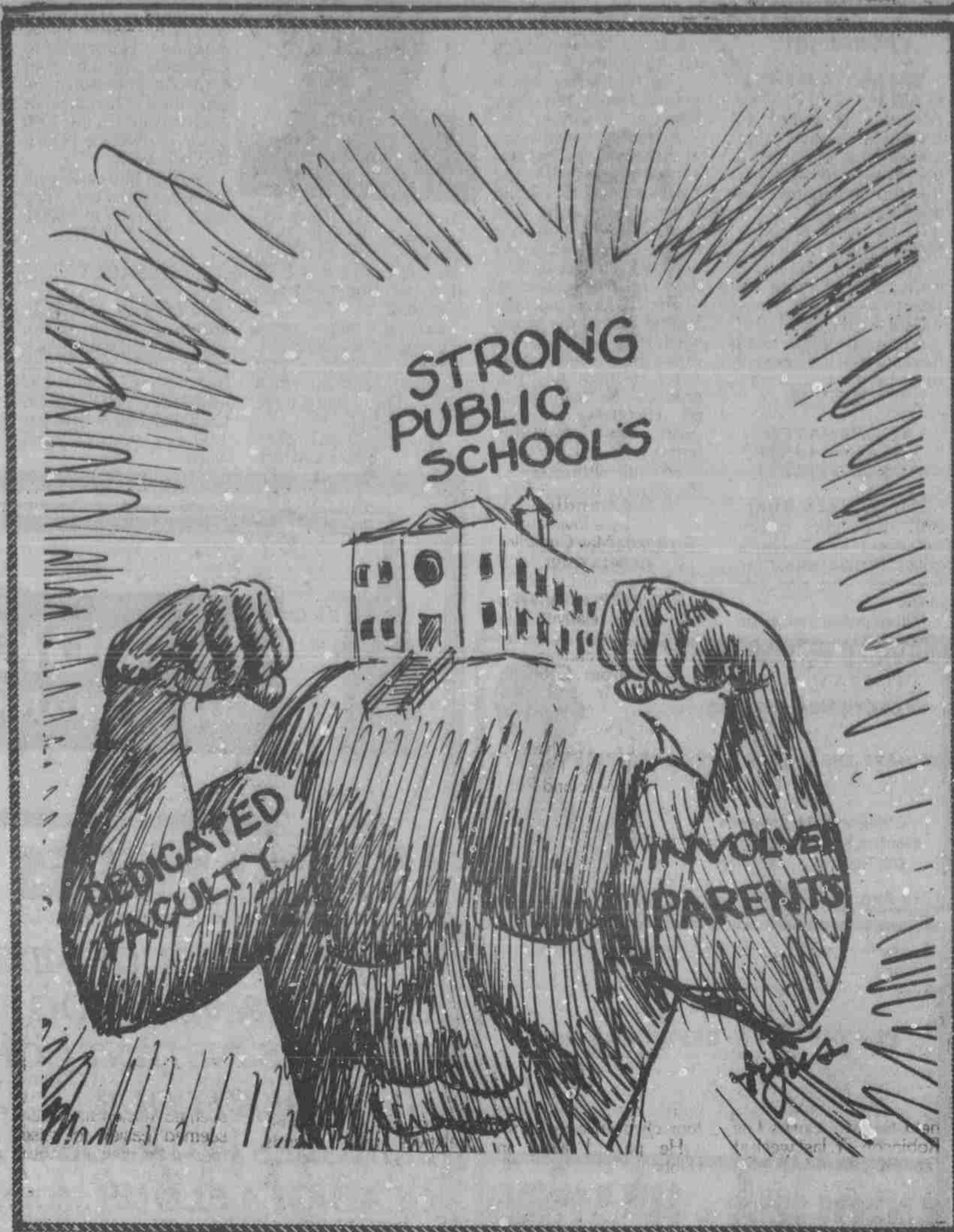
but writes in the style, spirit and language of his native rural Louisiana.

In his present book he takes the reader, in the spirit of a Nathaniel Hawthorne, into the hidden recesses, the covered-over and desperately-sought-to-be-forgotten crevices of our errant past. Here is the novelist—as an autobiographer for the human race, as a preacher... and also as a priest.

Gaines writes with passion about the life of the South from which he escaped but has never really left behind. How could he, with the poetic instincts and feelings for life and for the human condition which every great novelist must have!

In My Father's House tells the story of a man of great courage and self-giving who becomes a hero to his people. Then, suddenly, his past life

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T. J. Patterson
Eddie P. Richardson
Editors

BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

New Orleans black mayor, Ernest Morial, gave the black citizens of his city recently some words of advice which perhaps need to be shared with all of us, in every black community in the nation.
Blacks in New Orleans were up in arms over a proposed Ku Klux Klan march and blacks had made a tremendous stir in their efforts to counterdemonstrate.
Cool-headed and philosophically minded almost to a fault, Morial—who was once a judge—spoke judiciously to his fellow citizens who were black, in the following words. He said: "This distasteful little group (the Klan) already has received attention far out of proportion to its importance. To those who propose to counterdemonstrate, I say place your energies in places where they can better be used. Leave the K.K.K. to us..."
Throughout practically all of our history we as black Americans have had our agenda, the way we shall use our energies, carved out or pre-planned for us by others. Seldom have we taken bold, decisive and thoughtful positive action in any cause. We have been immersed, half-unken in the quagmire of someone else's plans for us.
It has been a self-serving way of life for white Americans to initiate petty annoyances to us, in the wake of which we surmount all of our would-be positive energies in some kind of negative response. Hence our energies do not get grounded for us but are dissipated constantly in responsive activities eventuating only at best in a stand still.
It is in this light that Mayor

Ernest Morial's advice takes on a kind of broad and bold significance for the entire black community: "Place your energies in places where they can be better used."
But shall we not protest the unjustified police beatings and the unconscionable false arrests...? The list could apparently go on forever. We are used to the list by now. The list has comprised our effective "agenda for action" for well over a century by now. We have been involved, in every instance, in a deeply human concern which deserved some forthright and telling response.
But we have not as a people quite yet awakened to the realization that those who would keep us enchained have taken advantage of our deep sense of humanity. They have summoned our love for decency and our respect for human life in ways which have drained from us the capacity to plan and execute our own agendas for freedom.
What we as black Americans, in every community in the nation, must do is to plan our own positive agendas, leaving some clear-cut department for "activities of redress." Our committees of redress—if we plan as we should—will never become "committees of the whole," commanding all of our troops and draining all of our resources as has been the case in the past... and as remains so even today.
In order for us to create, organize for and then accomplish, successfully our own "black agendas for freedom," we must be fully, absolutely determined to take to heart the kind of advice which Ernest Morial gave to his black fellow citizens in

New Orleans: "Place your energies... where they can be better used!"
Nationally, we as blacks need to be organizing for such an overarching political priority as the ratification of the proposed District of Columbia Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. What more urgent political concern could we have, if we are to develop our own positive and non-reactive black national agenda, than that of providing for ourselves two permanent guaranteed seats of power in the place where the powerful get things done in America, in the United States Senate?
Yet, we have far too many local and state-wide "grievances to redress" so that all of our thoughtful and concerned leadership is involved in our activity of redress commanding our energies in the local "committees of the whole." This inherited pattern of reaction to grievances must be changed on our part.
On a regional or state-wide basis, we perhaps could have no more basic concern than that of organizing "Friends of the Congressional Black Caucus" to work to double or triple our total constituency of blacks seated in the U.S. House of Representatives.
Where, we might ask in response to Mayor Ernest Morial's advice, can our energies be better placed? The answer: Upon creating fresh and ongoing places of the most solid and substantial power when by our agendas for freedom move on to become agendas for black prosperity and health and for liberation for Third World peoples wherever they may be.

BLACK POETRY

MY FRIEND
*Down the road of life I trod,
With my heart in my hand
and my soul
in the dark.*
*My eyes are those of the
universe,
And my feet are washed by
fate's sweet curse.*
*I put my destiny in the
masier's hands.
And always, yes always, He
leads me. Amen.*
*And no matter what troubles
cross my path,
He'll be there to defeat them
when He hears my prayers.*
—Faith M. Turner
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never part and never fail, so
the black poet suggests.)
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OBSEQUIES

WILLIE CHANDLER



Final rites were read last week in the chapel of French's Funeral Home for Mr. Willie B. Chandler with Rev. Dave Lusk officiating.

Interment was held in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery of Albuquerque, New Mexico under the direction of French's Funeral Home.

Mr. Chandler, who was the only brother of Mrs. G. H. Davis, was born to the parentage of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Chandler. He was the youngest of eleven children. All preceded him in death but Mrs. Davis.

He was born in Caldwell, Texas on August 18, 1911. He confessed Christ at an early age. He was a member of the New Hope Baptist Church of Caldwell, Texas.

Mr. Chandler moved to Lubbock at an early age with his mother, Mrs. Laura Chandler. He was

a World War II U. S. Army veteran. He passed away on April 30, 1979 in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mr. Chandler is survived by a loving wife, Mrs. Opha Mae Chandler of the home; a sister, Mrs. G. H. Davis of Lubbock; ten nieces, five nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Those attending the services from Lubbock included Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Davis, Ms. Johnie Derrough and daughter, Nathaniel Wright, Bertha Filmore, all of Lubbock; and Ruth Wright of Los Angeles, California, Gerena Powell and Dorothy Rene Hall, both of Fort Worth, Texas, and other friends from Lubbock, Earnestine Childress and Norma (Eaby) Austin.

Palbearers were George Williams Light, Stanley Thomas Abney, M. C. Ashley, and Larry C. Williams.

CURTIS LEE ROBINSON, JR.

Funeral services were held for Mr. Curtis Lee Robinson, Jr. last week at the St. James Baptist Church with Rev. Kado Lang, pastor, officiating. Assisting was Rev. A. L. Patrick, pastor of Mount Gilead Baptist Church.

Interment was held in Terrace Cemetery of Post, Texas under the direction of Sedberry Funeral Home.

Mr. Robinson, the son of Willie Mae and Curtis Lee Robinson, Jr., was born October 30, 1951 in Corpus Christi, Texas.

He was a resident of Lubbock for seven years. Mr. Robinson was married to Miss Glenda

Harris and to this union four children were born. He passed away in Lubbock on April 28, 1979.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Glenda Robinson; four children, Paul, Tyrone, Tracy, and Curtis Lee, III, all of the home; a grandmother, Mrs. Susie Robinson of Victoria, Texas; six sisters, Cora Ingram and Gina Moat, both of Lubbock, Ruth Thomas of San Antonio, Georgia McCall and Shirley McCall, both of Corpus Christi, and Manard Carte of Dallas, Texas; four brothers, Sam McCall of Corpus

Christi, M. Carter of Dalla, Billy Robinson of California, and Todd Allen of Lubbock; nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends.

Palbearers were Carlos Ortego, Armando Lenanda, Ray Carrjales, John Garcia, Gilbert Carrjales, Juvey Pena, and Domingo Ybarra.

ADAIR WADLEY



Final rites were read for Mr. Adair Wadley this week at the Chapel of Jones Mortuary in East Palo Alto, California with Gregory Fobbs officiating.

Interment was held in Alta Mesa Cemetery, Palo Alto, California, under the direction of Jones Mortuary.

Mr. Wadley was born September 20, 1914 in Richland, Texas to the union of Bowden and Pearl Wadley. He was the oldest of eight children.

After schooling in Richland, Corsicana, and Dallas, Texas, he met and married Erma Mae Edwards in Corsicana, Texas on March 3, 1935.

Adair enlisted in the Armed Services in 1944. He served honorably until his discharge in 1946. After his discharge, Adair and Erma Mae came to California where two children were born, Douglas and Antoinette.

Making their home on the Peninsula, they lived happily until the untimely passing of his beloved Erma Mae on May 25, 1975. Missing her, Adair Wadley entered into eternal rest on May 1, 1979.

He leaves to mourn a son, Douglas Wadley; a daughter, Antoinette Ballard; six grand children, four living brothers, two living sisters, a host of other relatives and friends.

One of his brothers, Lorenzo Wadley of Lubbock; and son, Gary Wadley, traveled to the final rites this week. They returned home Tuesday evening.

Christi, M. Carter of Dalla, Billy Robinson of California, and Todd Allen of Lubbock; nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends.

Palbearers were Carlos Ortego, Armando Lenanda, Ray Carrjales, John Garcia, Gilbert Carrjales, Juvey Pena, and Domingo Ybarra.

YWCA 'FAMILY' GROUP BEGINS SOLICITATION FOR NEW GYMNASIUM

Leaders in the YWCA "Family" Division, held their kick-off meeting in the craft room of the O'Neil Center last week to launch their phase of the community-wide drive on behalf of the "Physical Fitness Center Fund".

Miss Joy Lambert, Chairman of the Division, announced that the "Family" group had established a goal of \$35,000 as its share of the overall drive to provide funds for the construction of the new standard-size, multi-purpose gymnasium which is to be built adjacent to the Margaret Richards Aquatic Center at the corner of 36th and Flint.

Introduced as Section Leaders were: past and present board members, Mrs. Doug (Anne) Andrews and Mrs. Eddie (Margaret) Randle; special gifts, Ms. Jewel Hodges; membership, Ms. Geneva Collins and Mrs. Tommy (Laverne) Haley; staff, Ms. Diane Jurica.

Howard Yandell, General Chairman of the building fund drive, commended the YWCA for the excellent job they were doing in cramped quarters and expressed his belief that firms and families would respond generously to the appeal for the urgently-needed additional facility. He complimented the YWCA "Family" on the challenging goal they had accepted and expressed confidence that it would be oversubscribed.

Bob Dunbar, General Co-Chairman of the campaign, told the more than 40 women present that traditionally it seemed easier to raise money for men and boys programs than for women and girls but he stated this was not true for the Lubbock YWCA for it had gained the respect of the business community by its good management and operation through the years. He emphasized the key role that the YW "Family" would play in the overall campaign effort and stated that by achieving their goal quickly they would stimulate enthusiasm and competition among the other divisions of the campaign.

Mrs. Jack (Jody) Schneider, Co-Chairman for the YW "Family", reminded those present that the YWCA "Family" was the first division in the 1973 campaign (for the swimming pool) to reach its goal and urged sectional leaders and team captains to strive to do the same in the current drive. She likewise emphasized that the community must raise one-and-a-half times more money in this campaign, than it did in 1973, in order to provide

sufficient funds to build both the gymnasium and the locker facilities.

Mrs. Doug (Anne) Andrews, YWCA president, reviewed "important facts" about the YWCA and the "Physical Fitness Center" Fund campaign, following which supplies were distributed and explained. After a question-and-answer session, the group broke up into their respective sections for prospect assignments.

The initial report for the division will be held this week.

GRANTS FOR ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Following several months of study, the Lubbock Cultural Affairs Council met with the Lubbock City Council to present a proposal for disbursement of the portion of the hotel/motel tax which was earmarked for support of the arts and humanities in Lubbock. This proposal has resulted in the initiation of a grants program offering project support for those organizations in Lubbock which are actively involved in the arts and humanities.

This new program provides for a twice yearly grant application and review procedure enabling arts and humanities organizations a source of financial support which, until now, has been unavailable. The first deadline for receipt of grant applications is June 1, 1979, and all interested arts and humanities organizations are encouraged to apply.

The application forms are available in the office of the Lubbock Cultural Affairs Council which is located in Chamber of Commerce at 14th Street and Avenue K. For further information please contact the Lubbock Cultural Affairs Council at 763-4666.

Prayer Poem

In or close to the year 1878, an unknown hymn writer gave us the unforgettable words of "I Sought the Lord." The hymn speaks of our receiving the grace, knowledge and presence of God, even before our asking. The disarming words speak most eloquently of God's seeking to share with us His understanding.

*I sought the Lord, and afterward I know
He moved my soul to seek him, seeking me,
It was not I who found, O Savior true;
No, I was found of thee.*

*Thou didst reach forth thy hand and mine enfold;
I walked and sank not on the storm-vexed sea;
'Twas not so much that I on thee took hold,
As thou, dear Lord, on me.*

*I find, I walk, I love, but O the whole
Of love is by my answer, Lord, to thee;
For thou went long beforehand with my soul,
Always thou lovedst me.* —Amen

Let us remember, in our prayers, those whose hymns or prayer poems bless our lives each day.

ENGAGEMENT IS SET



Tanya Yvette Priestly

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Priestly, 2801 Vanda Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Tanya Yvette, to Mr. Louis Earl Hubbard, son of Mr. and

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A Mother's Day program will be planned by the W. M. S. and Young People Department. Let us give our support.

Bishop College Day is Sunday, May 13, over the entire state of Texas.

The Baptist Training Union Special will be held Sunday, May 20. Let us give our support to this group.

Federation of Choirs will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 27, at 2:30 p.m. St. Matthews Baptist Church is host for the month.

Special services, sponsored by the Solace Board, will be held Sunday, May 27. Mrs. G. H. Davis, president, is asking that all members give their support. Remember the sick and shut in as well the bereaved in our community.

Last Sunday was a special day for Mrs. G. H. Davis. It was her birthday.

Support your church and its auxiliaries.

TWENTIETH & BIRCH STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Food for Thought: "God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change. Courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference from right and wrong, so let's worship God not only once a week, but every time the door is open to Thee."

We are happy to say that we had a great many visitors here last Lord's Day. We would like to make them know. They were Norma Brooks, Wilene Brown, Carolyn Seals, Ida Christman, all of these sisters from Tulsa,

Oklahoma; Beverly Johnson, Dorothy Copeland, Regenia Copeland, Frankie Hughes, all of these sisters from Dallas. Also, Azzie Jackson of Houston, Jackie Butler, Linda Gaspie Miller, and Louise Williams, all of these sisters from Denver, Colorado.

Asking for prayers and strength were Vera Hightower, Barbara Lilly, Tressa Hightower, and Brother Peoples. Let's pray for those who ask and are in need of pray.

Among our sick and shut in list this week is Sister Junice Porter, who is in the Health Science Center, room 330. Let us go by and visit with her. Verge Jones is home recovering from an auto accident. Let's do what we can for him. Remember those who are on the list, including Sister Sara Johnson and Ray Emerson. Pray for these so they will get better.

Ladies, come one, come all. A baby shower for Sister Johnrice Levels

A baby shower was held on Tuesday evening for Sister Johnrice Levels in the fellowship hall of the church.

Remember the Swap Shop which is located at Broadway and Avenue T.

"NEVER ALONE"

A person need never feel unappreciated or that on one cares for him. There is no reason to be afraid, in doubt, or in what, for we are never alone. God has made provisions for all our needs. We are loved and wanted and there is something special each of us can do that no one else can do. There is some distinct way which we can express God's love that will be a blessing to others and bring us blessings in return. As we continue to keep our faith and trust in God and open hearts

to the right answer to our prayer, we feel surrounded by the warmth of God's presence and we know the security and reassurance that He gives to His own. There are those who need our love, our interest, our cares, our friendship. As we continue to express love toward others, love will be returned to us and we will know that we are never, never alone.

MOUNT VERNON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORDS FROM THE PASTOR: "Dear God, as I begin this day, let me turn my thoughts to You, and ask Your help in guiding me in everything I say and do. Give me courage to face life's trials and not from troubles run. Let me keep this thought in mind 'Thy will,' not mine, be done."

Church School begins at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning. Your are invited.

Prayer meeting is every Wednesday night beginning at 4:45 p.m.

The choir meets each Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. All members are requested to attend.

Inform your neighbors that the children from 3 to 7 years of age may be left at the church and cared for while mothers go shopping. Please remember the Mother's Day out program is every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Let us remember the sick and shut in, the needy, the bereaved in our prayers.

"Thought of the Day" Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners. Be useful where thou livest, that others may see your good deeds and good works. Find out man's wants and will, and meet them there, all worldly joys there, all worldly joys go less to the one joy of doing **KINDNESS**.

Remember Mother's Day is Sunday, May 13.

LYONS CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

"Is God in Hiding?" was the title of the dynamic message delivered by our assistant, Rev. Larry Josey. His scripture text was taken from Genesis 3:8. It was a very forceful and heart warming sermon.

The New Zeal Baptist Association will have a workshop for the youth department of the Association Saturday, May 12, at 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

in Slaton, Texas. We are asking the parents to please have your children at the church no later than 9 a.m. They will travel in the church van.

Sunday, May 13, is Youth Day and also Mother's Day. The youth will present a short program for the Mothers. So, Mom, please be there to give the youth your support. Youth rehearsal will be Friday evening at 6 p.m. at the church. Come out and get involved in our youth program.

We are always very proud and pleased to have our many visitors on Sunday morning. We were happy to have Ms. Margaret Randle as one of our guest on Sunday morning. We hope she will visit us again real soon.

Rev. Larry Brooks will be our speaker for Youth Sunday. We are looking forward to hearing him.

We are asking everyone to please pay your money to help pay for the additional parking lot we have gotten. You may give your money to Sister Baldwin.

The Young Matrons will have a membership dinner on Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Ms. Louise Perry. Each Matron is asked to bring a guest with them. This dinner is to help boost our membership.

Our sick and shut in members of the church and community need our prayers. Let us remember them daily, go by and visit with them whenever possible. Also remember our bereaved families. "Prayer is the key to the kingdom."

We would like to wish each and every Mother a very "Happy Mother's Day."

COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

The church on the move where everyone meet a friend.

Services were well attended on last Sunday morning. Our pastor, Rev. Tony Williams, brought the message. His thought was: "What I Must Do To Be Saved." Music was by the Senior Choir.

We are to be the guest to Rev. E. D. Toines and the Mount Oliver Baptist Church on May 25 in their pastor's appreciation services. As many members as possible, along with the choir, are asked to be in attendance.

Our Mother's Day program will be Sunday morning during the morning services. This program will be dedicated to all mothers of our church and the community.

There will be a musical here at the church, located at 220 Quirt Avenue, on Saturday

GOD'S LIVING LETTERS

II CORINTHIANS 2:14-3:6

II Corinthians 2:14-17

14 But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumph, and through us spreads the fragrance of knowledge of him everywhere. 15 For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.

16 To one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things? 17 For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word; but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.

II Corinthians 3:1-6

1 Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendations to you, or from you? 2 You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on your hearts, to be known and read by all men; 3 and you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the spirit of the living God, not on

tablets of stone, but on tablets of human hearts.

4 Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God.


5 Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our sufficiency is from God.

6 Who has qualified us to be ministers of a new covenant, not in a written code but in the Spirit; for the written code kills, but the Spirit gives life.


MEMORY SELECTION

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GREATER ST. LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH
Continued from Page 6

Christ is our only hope. Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Those on the sick list this week include Sister Marilyn Cook, a patient at St. Mary's Hospital, Sister Clara Scott, a patient at Methodist Hospital, and Sister Zanette Crowder, a patient at Methodist; Sister Lillian Duty and Sister Melvina Tillman are shut in at home. Sisters Ellen Tillman, Rosie Reed, Mary Lee, and Dolly Howard are shut in also.

MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with our pastor, Rev. A. L. Patrick, delivering a splendid message. Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in members of the church and community. Our church school begins each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. with morning worship at 10:45 a.m. Baptist Training Union begins at 6 p.m. and evening worship at 7 p.m. Ushers meet at the church on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. All Missions meet at the church the first and fourth Monday evenings at 7 p.m.

Junior Laymen meet at the church on Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. with the Music Department meeting at 7:30 p.m. On Wednesday evening at 7 p.m., the Prayer Band, Young Matrons, Deacons, and Laymen Brotherhood meet at the church at 7 p.m. The Youth Department meets on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Friday evening at 7 p.m. is teachers meeting. The Deacons meet at the church on the first and third Saturdays at 5 p.m.

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with our pastor, Rev. A. W. Wilson, delivering a splendid message. His subject was "Commitment." In his sermon, he reminded the membership of their involvement as members of the church. Senior Choir Number One, under the direction of Mrs. L. C. Struggs at the piano and Mrs. Rose Lincoln at the organ, was

responsible for music of the morning. Communion was given with Rev. Jack Robinson, assistant pastor, and Rev. Edwin Scott administering the ceremonies. The Stewardship Board, Mrs. Bonnie Cox president, was at their place of duty for the ceremony. Visitors are always welcome to attend our church services each Sunday morning. The Sunday School Department had another beautiful morning of teaching. We invite all our members to come out to Sunday School each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in members of the church and community. Among those on the sick list include Miles Neal, Willie Mae Hall, who is a patient at Community Hospital; Mrs. W. H. Stephens, and Mrs. Doris Ragland. Combined services with Lyons Chapel Baptist Church and New Hope Baptist Church were held last Sunday evening at New Hope. We had a good time in the Lord. Let us not forget our Men's Day Rally which will be held the first Sunday in June. Bishop John Hurst Adams, presiding bishop of the 10th Episcopal District, will be our guest

speaker the second Sunday morning in August. Tell your friends to come out and hear this dynamic man.

Our youth reported to the Sunday School Department of their trip to the Latham Springs Baptist Encampment in Aquilla, Texas last week. Sheila Renee Patterson and Eunice Johnson gave reports in Sunday School last Sunday morning. Their sponsor, Mrs. Brelah Winters, also gave a report.

We would like to congratulate John McCormick for being chosen as next year's president of the student body at Hutchinson Junior High School. Good luck, John, from all of us.

CHRIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

The Christ Temple Church of God in Christ Choir will be in a worship service on Sunday night, May 13, at 8 p.m. The choir will be singing along with other invited guest soloists.

Speaker for the service will be Rev. Tony Williams, pastor of the Community Baptist Church.

This is Mother's Day treat for "Mom." We will treat "Mom" with a spiritual ending by

"All-Sports Banquet"

DUNBAR-STRUGGS HONORS ATHLETES

by **Randy Howard**
Panther Proul Sports Editor

Sports-sports-sports were big words for some Dunbar-Struggs athletes at the All-Sports Banquet held at Booker T.

worshipping with us on this night.

"We want all mothers to have a good evening with us," says Sister Myrta Haynes, choir president.

TRIUMPH BAPTIST CHURCH
Slaton, Texas

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with Rev. H. G. Hurd delivering a wonderful message. His subject was "Sin is Dead." This was a great sermon for the closing of our Pastor and Family's 18th Anniversary.

We had a splendid time celebrating the Pastor and Family's Anniversary last week, and would like to thank all who made this occasion possible. Year are welcome to worship with us at any time.

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

Washington Post 808 last Monday night.

Special guests were Kevin Gatewood, president of the Booster Club; Jim Ferguson, sports-writer of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal who was master of ceremonies; and Roy Roberts, Dunbar-Struggs principal. Other visitors were Dr. E. C. Leslie and Mr. Dr. E. C. Leslie, Mr. Ronnie Gooch, administrators from the LISD Central Office; and Mr. Pete Ragus, Athletic Director of LISD.

Athletes were honored for outstanding achievement during their school year. In tennis, Kevin Bryant was voted most valuable player. Cynthia Matthews and Wanda Young were honored for volleyball. Most valuable player in volleyball was Lisa Smith. Baseball player of the year was Johnny Ceja.

In football, Juan Mendoza was selected academic player of the year. Kevin Lusk was most valuable player, and also received the offensive line award. Earnest White was named best offensive back, and Raphael Scott

received defensive back honors. T. J. Patterson, Jr. got the defensive line award.

Lisa Cavel and Eunice Johnson were honored for basketball, and

Dorcas Perkins was best basketball player of the year for the young women's team. Wayne Williams and Michael Baldwin were outstanding men's team players,

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CETA MASTER PLAN AND ANNUAL PLAN TITLE IV YETP AND TITLE IV SYEP GRANT MODIFICATION PUBLIC NOTICE

The South Plains Manpower Consortium announces that it has submitted a modification to the Master Plan section of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Plan (CETP), and a modification to Title IV YETP and Title IV SYEP sections of the Annual Plan portion of the CETP under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act Amendments 1978.

The purpose of the modifications to the Master Plan is to bring it into compliance with the new Rules and Regulations covering the activities under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act.

The intent of the modification for Title IV YETP is to add \$41,000 to the original allocation of \$224,574 for a total of \$265,574. It will also increase the number of planned participants to be served to 111 of the 111 participants, 89 will be served in the Career Employment Experience component and 22 will be served in the Transitional Services component.

Cost categories and their dollar allocations are as follows:

Administration	53,114
Wages & Fringes	139,115
Worksite Supervision	2,230
Training	18,000
Services	53,114
	265,574

The significant segments and numbers to be served are as follows:

16 - 19 years old	108
20 - 21 years old	3
Black	43
Hispanic	55

The intent of the modification for Title IV SYEP is to add \$504,267 to the original planning grant of \$70,843.

The purpose of these funds will be to provide work experience, career orientation, and job opportunities for economically disadvantaged youth (14 - 21 years old). Special emphasis will be given to those youth who are potential dropouts and/or who need assistance in overcoming barriers to employment and in making a transition from school into the labor force.

Cost categories and their dollar allocations are as follows:

Administration	86,267
Wages & Fringe	373,821
Services	115,022
	575,110

The total number planned to be served is approximately 410. The significant segments and numbers to be served are as follows:

Black	172
Hispanic	185
16 - 17 years old	172
Female	217

BLACK EMPOWERMENT

only would enable Sears to set and example for others that, collectively, could turn this black male employment decline around, but it would give Sears relief from scores of "harassment" suits now instituted against Sears by various white male and white females who contend Sears MAG Plan (that provides affirmative, or corrective, action for black Americans) discriminates against them. At this point, it is crucial to note also that of the three EEOC Commissioners to vote on the Sears compliance situation, one was a white female, another a white male and the third a black male. Most noteworthy is the fact that only the black male (our representative) voted for Sears.

Sears Suit Helps America!
In its suit against the actions of the federal government, and by its many other of its own affirmative action, Sears has not contended that it wants merely to help black Americans. Sears has, in effect, maintained only that needles inequities in our society against any group which are harmful to Sears and all other America form a micro and macro point of view, cannot be corrected under the present maze of conflicting laws, regulations and actions of the federal government.

No corporation or institution in America ever has researched and compiled a document more complete and piercing than this "Sears Suit" in pointing to the harmful role that U.S.

government policies and actions have played to the detriment of black Americans and other underrepresented groups. If any black-led civil rights group had researched and compiled a similar document, it surely would have been hailed as a brilliant and major charter for the routes we must take toward black progress.

So, with all the clamor regarding what some few black Americans cite as Sears' ill-timing in filing its suit, can we escape the fact that wrong is wrong any time? Under the circumstances, it is our civil rights groups which had the most to gain by filing such a long-overdue action to keep from being at the mercy of the goodwill of others in America. We need clearly defined rights. Sears, too, needs clear guidelines to help America to become what it ought to be. Thus, it has worked to our good that Sears had no choice other than filing its suit against injustice. We as black Americans should hail and support Sears for this unprecedented action that has worked to the good of every American that wants to see everyone enabled to shoulder their own responsibility.

Our next article in this series will show why this salutary Sears action may be the needed springboard for our civil rights leaders divorcing themselves from the thinking of those so-called "white liberals" who advocate "giving" to black Americans rather than enabling or empowering black Americans to stand on their own.

Young was voted outstanding trackster for the girls, with her ranking of fourth in the state. The Panther award went to Mike Baldwin for playing varsity in three sports and contributing the most to those teams successes.

The Len Chew Fighting Hard Award was shared by Karl Lusk and Geoffrey Crawford for their effort and spirit at football.

Dana Johnson, the Football Sweetheart, was given a football signed by the team. Lucy Lara received a signed basketball to show her selection as Basketball Sweetheart, and Thomas Braxton was presented a trophy to mark his selection as Beau for the young ladies' basketball team.

The Panjammers and jazz rock group entertained to open the banquet, with Trinia Foster singing to close the banquet.

Special presentations were made by the coaches of Dunbar-Struggs. They were Head Coach Van Jefferson, football; Joe McWilliams, football; Joe McWilliams and Barbara Elliott, basketball; John Ford and Darrell Phillips, track; Debbie Johnson Deaton, volleyball; Charles Morris, tennis; Kelly Rogers, baseball.

faith and direct expression of her thoughts through her carefully chosen words bring an exciting dimension to religion in our time.

Her indomitable sense of hope is expressed in the poem from which the title for her present book is taken, and entitled "Seeds." She writes: "words are not what people read and yet they are... and when we spoke of freedom we spoke of our hearts as ever green."

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Media Reviews:

THE POETRY OF CAROLYN RODGERS

(A book for poetry lovers)

A review of *The Heart As Ever Green: New and Selected Poems*, by Carolyn Rodgers, Doubleday & Company, New York, 1978, 82 pages, Hardcover, \$5.95.

Carolyn Rodgers is a Chicago-born and based poetess whose revelations of black life from the midlands of black America have been capturing fresh awards—and warming and renewing countless hearts. Her new book of characteristically compelling poems, *The Heart as Ever Green*, ... is the kind of book with which lovers of modern poetry will be deeply fascinated.

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