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Deeds Presented To Homeowners

For the first time ever, the Housing Authority of Lubbock has become the first program in these United States to sell property. Setting another first, the local authority presented ten warranty deeds to tenants in this program last Wednesday night at the authority office, 515 North Zenith Avenue.

Mr. D. C. Fair, Jr., executive director, presented certificates to tenants who disciplined themselves to become homeowners. "First, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to each of you. What you have done took patience. You took care of your unit and you paid on time," said Fair.

"According to our annual audit," said Fair, "you have paid for your unit. Each of you didn't know this when I called you into the office this week, but I'm glad you came and your presence tonight let's us know you care."

Fair warned the new homeowners of important details they must do. Namely, 1. each of you will have to pay taxes. Every year, please declare your property as a homestead; 2. each of you will need to pay taxes when they come due; and 3. each of you need to keep insurance on your home. Insurance premiums must be paid on time or you will have a problem.

"It is important for each of you to take care of your homes; they belong to you now," said Fair.

"It takes people like you to keep our community upgraded. We are going to start a Neighborhood Watch Program, and we want you to become involved in the program," he continued.

Advising the families of the program, Fulton Berry, community services coordinator, said the Neighborhood Watch Program will protect your property. "We will need to purchase signs advising the community of the program. It will

Since the no bill of local banker Max Hefner by a Lubbock County

Grand Jury recently in the death of 21 year-old Robert Lopez, local groups are upset over the handling of the case by the Criminal District Attorney Jim Bob Darnell.

Citizens have wondered why no statement has been given by the Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD). Local MADD president, Jimmie Steed, told the *Southwest Digest* last week that she had prepared to call a press conference but didn't do so because she didn't want to prejudice the case. According to her, she went as far as to consult MADD members about doing so.

"It was a damn shame the way things happened," she said. "I would have thought those

twelve people on the Grand Jury, of which five were minorities, something would have led to the indictment of the man."

"Many people have called us (MADD) and asked why we haven't got involved in this case. The family of Robert Lopez knows how I feel. We (MADD) can't punish, arrest or judge anyone," said Mrs. Steed.

"People must understand," she continued, "that the Hefner case is not a racial case; but, rather, it's haves vs have nots."

Members of MADD, according to Mrs. Steed, withdrew their money from Bank of the West. "When they asked us why, we told them they knew what we stood for." "There's no doubt

about it, he should have been indicted. With only a misdemeanor offense, he will only receive a year probation or less," she said.

At their monthly meeting, members of the Human Relations Commission (HRC) voted for their contingency committee to look into this matter which involved the death of Lopez on December 18, 1983.

HRC board chairman Aaron Harvey told the *Southwest Digest* that HRC has decided that the accident which involved the death of a young Hispanic male (Robert Lopez) warrants an investigation. "There was a hint of a lack of administrative justice in this case," said Harvey.

"Therefore, our contingency committee



Robert Lopez will investigate the case by meeting with, i. e. the Criminal District Attorney Jim Darnell and other interested people



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Editorial "The Double Standard"

Apparently it is difficult for members of the white majority community to realize that there is a double standard in this society of ours. A double standard based on race. Most whites seem to think either that there never was a double standard, or that if there was it was a thing of the past. Both interpretations are wrong. There has always been a double standard in this country based on race, and there is such a double standard today.

What do we mean by "double standard"? Just this: the way people are treated in our society, especially when state, county, and municipal governments are involved, depends on race. If you are white, you are treated in one way. If you are Black or Brown, you are treated quite differently. This is not true, fortunately, all of the time and in every situation. But it still describes the way things are in far too many instances in our nation.

Several examples come to mind, although it is hardly necessary to argue the point.

Take the case of the Rev. Jesse Jackson, and his successful mission to free the captured American Navy pilot. Jackson was criticized by the white majority in this country before he went on the mission, while he was there conducting the negotiations, and after the Navy pilot was released and returned home. Extensive commentary appeared in all the media, questioning Jackson's motives, his skill as a negotiator, his good faith, and his methods. The sum and substance of all the criticism, when the episode came to its successful conclusion, was that, yes, Jackson's negotiations had worked all right and the American pilot was safe and sound back in the United States, but it was sort of a shame somehow.

Now, could that kind of petty criticism have been directed at a white diplomat, university president, corporation executive or other capable person undertaking such a mission of mercy? Suppose that a white politician, also a candidate for President like Jackson is, had undertaken that same mission? Would the criticism have had quite the same tone and intensity? We think not. It might have been pointed out that any candidate on such a mission would hope to benefit from it politically, of course. But wouldn't exactly the same thing be true in the case of, say, the President himself?

If the President had been able to secure the pilot's release, that would have been a real feather in his cap, wouldn't it? It would have been a great thing for any politician or candidate to have pulled off that rescue like Jackson did. But does that factor alone somehow make it unworthy for Jesse Jackson to have tried, and succeeded? Well, it seems that the white criticism directed at Jackson takes that approach. We pick up the impression from the media that there is just something wrong, somehow, when a Black man undertakes a delicate international diplomatic mission on behalf of another Black man, and then splendidly succeeds at it.

That's the double standard in this country.

Now, let's come on home to Lubbock and take a look at some additional examples of the double standard.

A white banker, apparently intoxicated and coming from a party where he had been drinking, runs a red light, crashes into a car going through an intersection on the green light, and kills the young Mexican-American driver. The Mexican-American police officer on the scene notes that the white driver appears to be intoxicated. What happens? In Lubbock, this is what is known as a "misdemeanor murder." A white does something that takes the life of a Black or Brown. No big deal about that. Of course, some kind of criminal charges have to be filed; you can't just walk



Agreement is consummated between Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Chairman, Clarence Thomas (left) and Black Media, Inc. Chairman, Calvin W. Rolark (right). Mr. Thomas endorses the National Assault on Illiteracy Program (NAIP) and is committed to using his office to encourage AOIP's growth. The situation has been assessed as follows:

Mistrial Seen In Moore Murder Case

Coming with great surprise to the defense attorney and the prosecutor during the punishment phase of murder defendant James Howard Moore, the jury was unable to determine the punishment. Therefore the trial was declared a mistrial at 11:45 a. m. Thursday morning.

Prior to the mistrial, Rev. S. C. Nash, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, along with a delegation of Black residents and a relative, had prayer on the Lubbock County Courthouse.

Moore had been found guilty Wednesday night for the December 13, 1982 brutal slaying of his 65 year old mother, Mrs. Bell Donia Thigpen. At that phase, jurors had deliberated for three hours and 15 minutes before reaching that verdict. All of that effort was for nothing, as the entire case will have to be retried next month because of the mistrial in the punishment phase.

Defense attorney Wanda Wray told the *Southwest Digest* Wednesday that she would do all she could for Moore. "I am going to ask the jury to find Moore not

"The quality of education received by a significant percentage of blacks is unacceptable... the education... is nothing short of a national scandal, an absolute disgrace." Of Black children, 14-17 years, one in six is out of school. One out of every two Black adults (age 18 and above) can neither read nor comprehend sufficiently to be employable.

guilty by reasons of insanity." First assistant criminal district attorney David Hess, who was quite upset with the outcome, said: "I wish I could cry for Bell Thigpen."

Previous testimony revealed that the 32 year-old Moore had been diagnosed as a paranoid schizophrenic and will require constant medication for his treatment.

Mrs. Thigpen's body was found by Lubbock police the afternoon of December 13, 1982 at the 2401 East 9th Street home she shared with her son. Authorities ruled her death was caused by suffocation resulting from a flashlight battery that had been crammed down her throat.

Moore's father, Rev. R. B. Moore of Santa Maria, California, was present at the entire trial.

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NNPA Convenes Mid-Winter Workshop In Jamaica

Washington -- The National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) will conduct its Mid-Winter Workshop January 25-29 at the Americana Hotel in Ocho Rios, Jamaica, W. I.

The Convention Committee, under the guidance of the Chairman, Dr. William H. Lee, Publisher of the Sacramento Observer, has developed an excellent program to carry out the Workshop theme "How to Produce and Publish a Quality Newspaper."

It is expected that more than 200 participants representing a majority

NAACP Sets Up Fair Share Committee

Getting all to a good start in 1984, the Lubbock Branch of the NAACP got down to the business of special projects, voter registration and setting up a fair share committee this year.

With more than thirty members present at Mae Simmons Community Center, local president Rose Wilson spoke of the importance of the local branch functioning more in 1984. "I hope each of you will get involved this year. Bring someone with you at each meeting this year," she said.

A goal of 1,000 new members has been set up by the local branch for this year. "We have done well in the past few months, by bringing in

new members and working with communities like Dimmitt and others," she said.

Hearing correspondence from various state, regional and national NAACP offices, from local secretary Bessie Crux, the membership was enlightened on what their responsibility is and what is expected of each member.

Charles Saunders, who is a local businessman, told the membership of their responsibility to see that white businesses, i. e. Furr's Supermarket, in

the Black community should offer opportunities for young Black boys and girls. Not only in this vein, according to Saunders, but these

businesses must participate economically in the Black community. Harry Stokley suggested that something be done in this area, and wained of the hard work involved in this effort. The body voted for Saunders to become chairman of a fair share committee, working within the framework of the national NAACP. Another member, George Scott, will serve on this committee.

Other business discussed included:

* Fulton Berry gave a report on an upcoming project to raise funds for the local branch. The project will involve the 75th Anniversary of the NAACP with an Anniversary Dinner Dance to be held February 25th at the Ko Ko Palace. Expenses for the project will be at least \$1,800.00 and remaining funds will go into the local treasury. Tickets are to sell for \$12 each. Roy Roberts will furnish the music of the evening. It will be a B.Y.O.B. affair. The membership also voted for the treasurer to cut a \$150.00 check for the deposit of the rental fee. Tickets and invitations will go out this week to citizens of the entire community.

* Renetta Howard reported on the voter's registration drive. She advised of the need for volunteers to join her in walking on Saturday mornings to register voters.

* Discussed briefly the civil rights case in Spur, Texas which has been passed on to the West Texas Legal Services. It was passed because of the legal action needed.

* Certificates were passed out to local branch members for their hard work in reaching the goal of 100 new members. Those persons, who received a certificate and name, were Dorothy Nash, Fulton Berry, Annie Johnson, Roberta Allen and Harry Stokley.

Concerned Citizens Humanitarian Fund Seeks Support

Today, American Citizens have good reason to be thankful and optimistic as we face a new year. The freedom and safe return from Syria of Navy Lt. Robert Goodman, Jr., facilitated by Reverend Jesse Jackson and his delegation, demonstrates the effectiveness of a moral appeal designed to heighten humanitarian consciousness.

This effort to obtain the freedom and safe return for Lt. Goodman, however, did not come without its own expense. Reverend Jesse Jackson and his delegation have incurred significant personal expense to undertake this successful moral appeal. No political contribution associated with Reverend Jackson's Presidential campaign has been or will be expended to satisfy the costs of this moral mission.

A group of American citizens wishes to express its gratitude by assisting

in satisfying such expense and relieving Reverend Jackson and his delegation of this personal burden. We believe that many Americans will also wish to contribute to this noteworthy effort. Concerned Citizens Humanitarian Fund, Inc., has been established to perform the important task of satisfying the expense of the delegation, as well as serving as a vehicle to promote other moral appeals directed toward improving human rights and human understanding.

We urge all Americans and organizations who are appreciative of the successful efforts of Reverend Jackson and the delegation to send generous donations to the Concerned Citizens Humanitarian Fund, Inc., c/o Carver State Bank, P. O. Box 2769, Savannah, Georgia 31402. ATTENTION: Mr. Robert E. James, President.

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Advice With You In Mind

Sexual Harassment Not Part Of Babysitter's Job

DEAR YOLONDA: I'm 17, with a problem that's too big for me to handle.

For the past 18 months, I've had a job babysitting for a couple I've known most of my life, and who are as close to me as my own family. Usually, I meet the kids at their house, fix them a snack, and make them

take a nap until their mother, Marie, arrives home.

Last week, after the kids were asleep, I was in the living room changing my school clothes, as I usually do. As I looked up, there was Mike, the kid's father standing there, staring at me changing clothes. I got embarrassed and ducked behind a chair. He stood there, telling me that there was no need for me to hide. He told me that he had seen women undress before, and that I shouldn't be afraid. He started taking off his clothes. I couldn't move because my clothes were on a chair on the other side of the room. Anyway, when he got to his pants, I rushed to the chair, got my clothes, put them on quickly and ran past him. He didn't try to stop me.

Now, I don't know what to do. I don't want to tell my mother because she and Marie are such good friends. Besides, my job is the only money I have. Without it, I don't know how I would get to school.

Since all this has occurred, I have continued my job, but I now refuse to let the kids take

a nap after they eat. Also, I keep my school clothes on, and I'm ready to walk out the door when Marie walks in. I'm praying that Mike never comes home first, because I wouldn't know how to handle things.

I can't continue to hide things as I have. Should I tell Marie that her husband tried to make love to me, or should I say nothing? Marie has been asking me why I'm acting so strange.

What should I do?
Marilyn

DEAR MARILYN: I think you should share this with your mother. If you choose not to tell her, tell some adult. Why? Because something might occur later and someone else should know the facts. For example, suppose he tells Marie?

Also think you should begin to seek another babysitting job. The average working couple values an experienced babysitter, so I doubt you'll have the problems you expect. Put up a sign at your local church or supermarket. This is one job you can do without.

Mother's Free Hearted With Men, But Miserly With Children

DEAR YOLONDA: I have a youngish mother, in her late 30s. She is quite beautiful, and I love her very much. But the problem is that she acts as though she hates me and my brother. The only person she loves is her boyfriend, and she has no problem showing it.

Her boyfriend walks around here as if he lives here. He treats her like dirt, and she doesn't seem to mind. Last week, I saw her give her boyfriend \$20 for some beer, and then she didn't have any



Yolonda Gayles

money left to buy us anything for Christmas.

It's so bad around here that I try to stay out all the time. In fact, if it wasn't for my little brother, I'd move. But then there would be no one to care for him. Do you know what my mother's problem is, or what I can do?

Karen, age 20

DEAR KAREN: I can't diagnose your mother's difficulties, but to say that she hates you is pretty strong. Instead, let's just say that she

doesn't understand how her actions make you feel.

You know, you're old enough to talk with your mother. If you can't get the conversation off to the right start, ask her doctor to intervene. Perhaps he or she can make a family referral.

Two Cents From Black Professional

DEAR YOLONDA: I wanted to add my two cents to a letter that I noticed in your column. At discussion was how

Melton Enters Sheriff's Race In Lubbock County

Declaring he is the best among the field to announce for Lubbock County Sheriff last Saturday afternoon at the Holiday Inn Civic Center, Leroy C. "Bo" Melton officially announced his candidacy.

Speaking to his family, friends and local media, Melton, 53, says he seeks the post because he feels he has the qualifications and the ability to do the job. "My primary goal is to have quality law enforcement through effective management," said Melton.

Although Sheriff Sonny Keese has not

blacks treat their own professionals. The war said that blacks use the professional services of one another as a last resort.

The letter hit close to my heart because I'm a plumber with my own business.

Last week, a woman called and asked me to come to her home to estimate the cost of her leading pipes. The damage was fairly extensive, and I told her so. When I gave her our fee, she said, "What? For those prices, I could have called the white man." I thought about your column.

John T. Harvey

Got a problem or a gripe? Ask Yolonda Gayles, P.O. Box 19112, Chicago, Ill 60619.



Leroy C. "Bo" Melton announced as of last Saturday, and the announcement of former Lubbock County Sheriff Choc Blanchard, Melton said there will be no mud slinging campaign. "I want to win on my merits, and not dirty politics," he said.

Melton's qualifications include three years of college at the University of Texas at Arlington and North Texas State University at Denton. He is a graduate of the Department of Public Safety Academy at Austin, and has twenty-six continuous years of service with DPS. He retired in 1981 with a Special Rangers Com-

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been employed as an investigator for the Lubbock County Criminal District Attorney's office.

"I will talk with the Criminal District Attorney, and let him know my plans, and if I must retire from my job, I will do so," he said.

Seeking the Democratic nomination May

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DEADLINE

ALL FORMS must be filed on or before April 30, 1984, with the Lubbock County Appraisal District office at 1715 -26th Street, P.O. Box 10542, Lubbock, Texas 79408. Said forms are available upon request and should be filed at the address shown below. You may request forms by calling 762-5000 or writing:

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EDITORIALS • COMMENTS • OPINIONS

The Time Is Now!!!

by
Eddie P. Richardson

Dr. Martin Luther King's Birthday Celebration in Lubbock as well as across the nation Sunday -- which included programs during the entire week at various places and various times -- was a success! The program in Lubbock was a high success. It truly represented a true rainbow coalition i. e. people of goodwill of all colors, races and religion.

The singing was good and inspiring. The speaker, Dr. Zan Holmes, delivered a dynamic, hard hitting good sense message.

With all the positive effects, a few things could have

been different. For example, since a nation wide voter registration drive is held at all gatherings of large numbers of people, this should have been done as it is part of the King Legacy and Dream as well as what he lived and died for. The Lubbock Branch of the NAACP was not allowed to set up booths and tables in various entrances and exists to register voters. This in direct conflict with national and state actions. This was suggested by National NAACP executive director Benjamin L. Hooks and adopted at programs and celebrations i. e. national and statewide.

This was still a tremendous program, but improvement sake, in the future, to be complete line with the King Dream, let's bring in the booths and tables to register future voters. This should become a major part of future programs. Would also like to see the total community more involved like the first King Birthday Celebration which was held at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Lubbock has been celebrating this birthday several years before it had become a national holiday. It all began here with the Dr. Martin Luther King's Boulevard Drive by local Blacks and organizations. Those responsible for its effort -- at the beginning, were Eric Strong, local Black Muslims, United Political Action League (UPAL), NAACP, Student Organization for Black Unity (SOBU), other Black organizations, and a Black organization at Reese. In its third year, it fizzled out. At that time, Rev. Pierson,

who had been in Lubbock for three years and did give permission for it to take place the first year, continued to keep the movement going by allowing it to be held at Bethel.

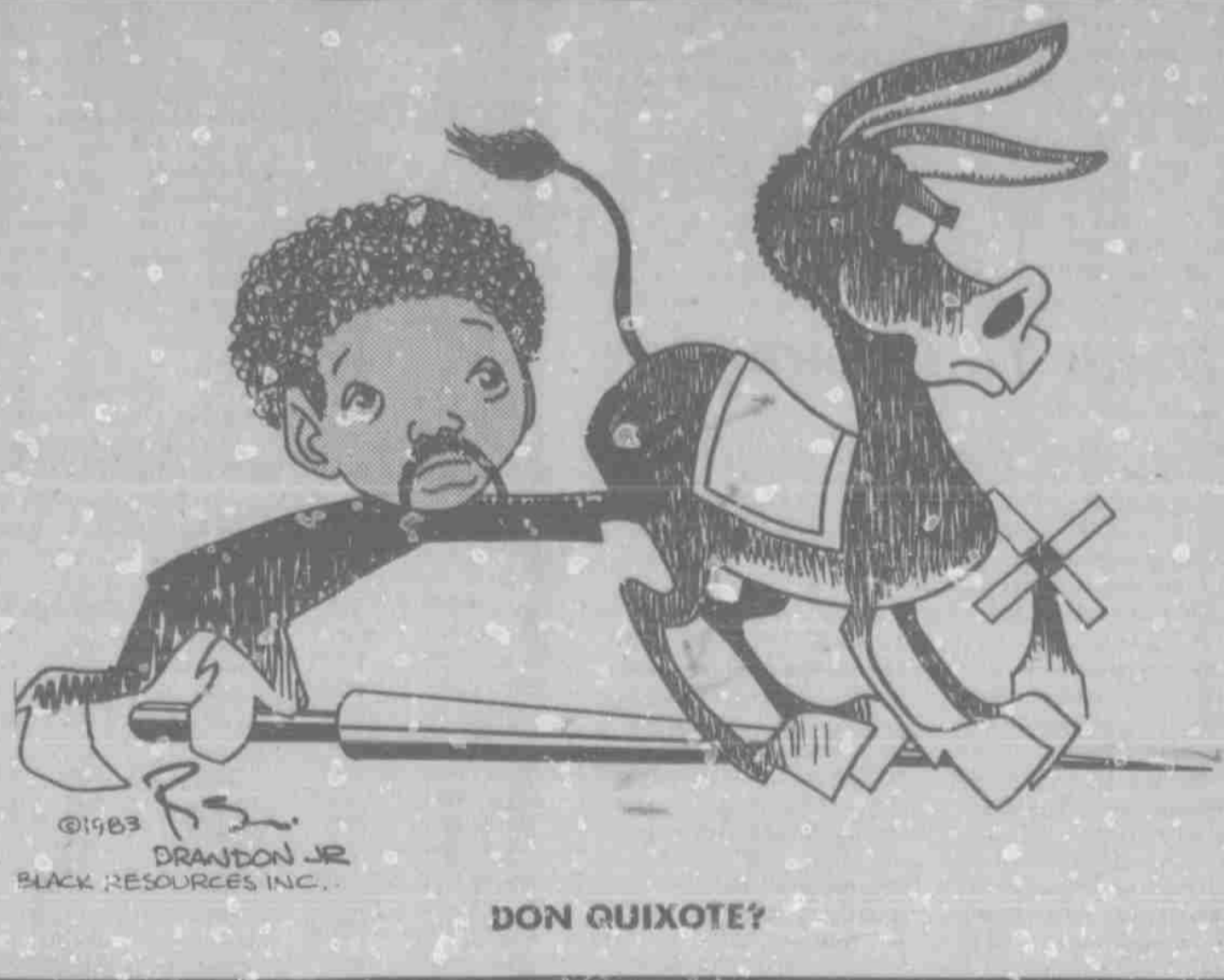
With all that he has done to maintain the tradition each year in January, Rev. Pierson was not the originator in the Black Community. He was one of the first participants. Let's keep in mind, however, that he has kept the idea alive.

It would be great for the whole community to become involved in the future. Let's remember the King Dream and Legacy is bigger than all of us, but includes all of us.

Last Sunday evening, with nearly 1,000 persons in attendance, it was good to see Rev. Pierson make the plea for voter registration at the end of the Celebration. Only wished he (Rev. Pierson) would have asked for a show of hands who were not registered voters. Let's hope that this will be a reality next year and future years.

Dr. Holmes did a splendid job of addressing voter registration during his dynamic address. Our recommendation is that we do not wait for one day a year to celebrate the Legacy and Dream of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. They should be observed on a daily basis. This would be a tremendous platform for accomplishing unity, freedom, justice, equality, peace and goodwill for all of us.

In total, it was a continuation of a great program began by Blacks of our Community. As Dr. Holmes so very well explained, it is a time for a change. Without changing, we will die. We do not need for the annual Birthday Celebration for the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to die.



Black Leadership and the Challenge of Power: According to Black Mointer, for some 350 years now black Americans have remained outside the "game play" as well as the "game place" in American life. The name of the game -- from which blacks have excluded (systematically and almost absolutely) is power.

It may be said that the absence of power has been the only crucial device which has kept black Americans isolated from the American mainstream. Black Americans customarily have not dealt with other groups in terms of power. Rather, black Americans have sought to follow the "good will" path and this has been done without recognizing that such a path leads directly to the "good will" or relief box rather than to secure and mature interdependent and equitable interchange or relations.

Blacks have needed the NAACP -- as an interracial support group, working for civil rights. But Mointer believes that the NAACP is no substitute for an ethnic or racial organization working nationally for black group power. It is the overlooked task which races black Americans, if they are to move -- through the dynamics of power -- into the mainstream where "power is the name of the game". Black organization, in the spirit of that in the Jewish community, seems to be essential.

Will 1984 be the year when Blacks through the national leadership of Jesse Jackson that Blacks realize their power potential and will start action in that direction. Millions of new black voters will be sought, according to Jackson supporters and big efforts will be lent to get some of these millions to the polls in November. People and groups are vigilant only as their own perceived or felt needs are at stakes. Will Jackson and his efforts to win the nomination for the presidency provide the necessary impetus. And win or lose the nomination, Jackson's campaign may be the "goose that laid the golden egg of power in 1984." Some bellringers say it is time Now! After 300 years, perhaps this is so. We shall see.

A Black Experience Creed for 1984: "I have deepened in my realization of the importance of black people doing their very best not for themselves but for all of our brothers and sisters. We owe each other excellence. We owe each other concern and support. Every day we have to be both on the "rig line" and at the "cutting edge" of things. We have to take advantage of every existing opportunity; and open up every needed one that does not exist. This calls for talent, tact, discipline, patience and a whole lot of forgiveness on every hand. People do not always appreciate your helping them. But helping others is the only secure way of helping and bringing any kind of security to ourselves." end of quote from Charles T. Williams. Black Business Man.

A Great Newspaperwoman & Friend Passes: On Christmas Eve, Mrs. Ada C. Franklin, publisher of *The Call*, one of the nation's leading Black weekly newspapers and published in Kansas City, Missouri, was called to her eternal home. We shall miss this sweet personality who carried on so faithfully for many years, after her husband's death Chester Franklin, the founder of *The Call*. Her association with *The Call* spanned some 58 years, with some 28 years as publisher. *The Call* was founded in 1919 by C. A. Franklin.

Mrs. Franklin served as our guest speaker at a Black History Forum in Midland, Texas some few years ago. More later.

And in the meantime, the nation's black newsmen mourn the passing of this great personality. May she rest in peace.

"Excess Baggage on Podium"

Dear Editor:

I believe that all of the citizens of Lubbock who missed the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday on last Sunday evening should know that they missed the dynamic speech of Reverend Zan Holmes and the timely advice, information and inspiration which he generated.

It was also a pleasure to see Reverend Pierson seize a moment to let the un-registered voters of Lubbock know that help was available and on the way.

It was a blight however, upon the program to hear Reverend Enge quote from Booker T. Washington's "Accommodation" speech of September 18, 1895; was about as apropos as selecting a member of the KKK with all of his accoutrements as the guest speaker, at the celebration!

The lack of accommodation of the N. A. A. C. P. Political Action Committee's voter registration table, somewhere at the scene, in spite of the excess baggage on the podium, was a gross indication that the bus is being steered in the wrong direction!

SOMEONE needs to know the difference between 'accommodation' and harmony. This is 1984, not 1895. Dr. King sacrificed too much for us to make a "U" turn in the wrong direction.

Sincerely,
Renetta Howard
1310 - 59th Street

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Letters to Editor

"Positive Efforts"

Dear Editor:

I deem it most creditable to first commemorate your efforts in enlightenment and information profiled within the Southwest Digest. I am a native midwesterner, Detroit, Michigan. I was reared on the Detroit Chronicle which heralds there, a Black publication that seasons the Black Community. It is most important that your efforts continue to provide awareness within the Black Community. We (people of color) need unity, strength, and Love that we may grow as a people.

Sir, I am a by-product of the streets. There isn't too much I haven't done. I've been in and out of prison twice and have spent numerous man hours in jail. That life was and is nothing to be proud of. I spent 5 years in the Army during the Vietnam Conflict. I've seen and bear witness to several of our Beloved Brothers and Sisters who have perished. Some fell under the umbrella of Faith, while some smothered under the Blanket of Foolishness. It is a shame to be choked out or smothered within our very system in which we are born.

Man in his quest toward Superior technology, has blinded himself out of True Knowledge; the Knowledge of ALL MANKIND... God. I was once an insidious fool seeking that "Pot of Gold at the end of the Rainbow". I learned a very valuable lesson from my uncanny past; and that is we (People of Color) have been hypnotized and stigmatized by our environment, concepts, experiences and complexion. We lack the clot as a people due to our lack of Trust in God and in ourselves as a People; WHICH IS WRONG.

We people of Color and Grace have embraced some foolish and destructive entities, for we are a people divided yet not conquered. This is not God's. The Master of All Creation's, Plan, for when man fell out of balance in the Garden of Eden, the Creator established a means of reconciliation - Christ, The Truth and The Light, The Way of Salvation.

We are constantly plagued by the elements of disillusion and false hopes. In everything in Creation, there is rhythm, a timely motion, movement and balance. It has often been said that Blacks have natural rhythm. Why? What does it mean? To answer such a question, why is because we are part of Creation, that means by culture and heritage, we are a people of Faith. We have always worshipped God in some way.... Check our History. This is why it is important that we come in grasps with the Truth. The truth is the Word and the Word is God.

My foolish journey through life was stopped when I came in grasps with the truth. The common fool in which I was became the common Man of the Truth. Martin Luther King said in one of his most profound messages that He had a dream that on day Jews, Gentiles, Protestants, and Catholics, Black, Brown, Red, and Yellow will one day hold hands together and sing that old Negro Spiritual, 'Free At Last, Free At Last, Thank God Almighty, We Are Free At Last.'

Freedom only comes when one has embraced Truth, and truth only can be learned from God's Word; Let us turn E - V - I - L around with the Truth and Learn to L - I - V - E together as a people, as a Nation, In Unity, Strength, and Love.

Rev. Everett Richardson
New Hope Baptist Church
Rev. S. C. Nash, Pastor

families even if it meant an increase in cost to other people, both groups were in favor by a two-third vote. Only the corporate officers balked at this benefit for the poor unfortunate unemployed worker.

This nationwide cross section of 1501 adults, 18 years or over survey still indicates the initial belief of Senator Kennedy some years ago. Namely, health care cost is still increasing too much, hurting the poor and aging who are willing to bear their fair share but cannot stop the special interest groups from lining their pockets with the excess of the poor.

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Business in the Black

By: Charles E. Belle



Poor and Aged Cannot Afford to Live Health Care Too Costly

Senator Edward Kennedy has kept the Congress' eye on rising health care cost almost single handed for several years. Now the hand most blamed for the bad news hospital and doctors bills "high jack" is handing out reports indicating they are only partly to blame for outrageous medical cost in this country. Considering that the major payments for health care cost is made by "third party" payers, that is insurance companies, it is no wonder that one of them, the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States started to look a little deeper into the causes of this country's unbelievable high cost of health care.

Hospital charges for a shared room are not only averaging \$190 a day, but continuing to increase even with a cut in the inflation rate. Sunny state of California is the highest cost for hospitalization at \$268 per day, while little old Mississippi is the lowest cost state at \$106 per day. And you thought there was no reason in the world to be in Mississippi dead or alive. What? Don't be nasty now, dead is not better at least not according to the aging American population. Especially if they have any money.

The reasons considered to contribute most to the increased concentration of the majority of health care expenditures by a fairly small and affluent minority of the population is twofold, according to the Equitable Healthcare Survey by Louis Harris and Associates, Inc. First "the aging of the population" and second, "the use of expensive procedures to save or prolong life" says physical leaders, hospital administrators and union leaders. Insurance executives, naturally think "over use and abuse of health care services by a few people" account for a sizeable chunk of the increased cost. Obviously, they are the guys who are paying the bills and bank on the ill to continue suffering to cut cost. Interesting since as a group they get excellent medical care at little or no cost.

Cost is of concern to the health care consumer, as well as, to the insurance company. So much so that the survey takes a look at options for controlling health care cost. In fact, the survey shows that both the general public, professional hospital administrators and naturally insurance companies, are willing to accept some type of cost containment charges in health care services and coverage. Cadillac, Mercedes Benz and Rolls Royce driving doctors do not like the idea of "adversely affect (sic) the current financial incentives for their profession." Profit motives are apparently still alive and well in the healing profession.

Poor people are prepared to accept their fair share of the burden to cut the spiraling rise in health cost. "About two-thirds or more of the American public consider changes that would require employees to pay a part of their health insurance premiums that would increase the deductible and that would prevent the dual filing of claims for the same medical service, to all to be effective cost-containment strategies. Although not overly enthusiastic about these changes, significant majorities (58%-67%) of the public are willing to accept them," according to the survey.

Since insurance executives, corporate benefit officers and union leaders like this idea also, it's probably going to be done over the objecting physician's pocketbook. Doctors are undoubtedly worried about collecting that larger deductible amount from their sick patients and there still are those big car payments. Poor people out of work simply don't pay and their I.O.U.'s don't make good collateral at the bank. Bad news for practicing physicians living high off the hog.

By the way, the survey revealed the attitude of physicians and insurance executives as excellent when it came to considering if health care coverage should be provided for unemployed workers and their

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Social Security Tips

Your Social Security And You

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Medicare

Medicare medical insurance will cover the purchase or rental of home dialysis equipment and supplies, as well as a variety of home support services; payment for these items is usually made in monthly installments. The payment includes delivery and installation charges for the equipment and reasonable interest or carrying charges.

After the \$75 deductible, medical insurance will pay 80 percent of the monthly rental or installment purchase price, and the payments will continue as long as the patient continues to be dialyzed at home. If the need for home dialysis stops — for example, in the case of a person who has a successful kidney transplant — the medical insurance payments for the equipment generally will also stop.

Occasionally a patient may temporarily discontinue use of the home dialysis equipment. This might happen if the person has had to be hospitalized or is traveling. In such cases, medical insurance will continue to pay for the equipment for up to 3 months after the month in which the equipment was last used.

Medicare medical insurance covers all supplies needed to perform home dialysis. This includes disposable items, such as rubber gloves; however, drugs generally are not covered.

Periodic support services furnished by an approval hospital or facility are covered. These include visits by trained personnel from an approved hospital or facility to monitor the home dialysis. Trained personnel are also available on occasion to assist with the dialysis and to help in emergencies. The services of hospital or facility personnel to help with the installation and maintenance of the equipment are also covered.

New Plans Set For Broadcast

New and better plans are being set for the Lubbock Community Broadcast Radio Choir. The goal of the choir this year will be to involve the entire community.

The broadcast, which is heard from 9 p. m. to 10 p. m. each Sunday evening over KJAK Radio, will have more involvement.

Special guest will be featured, beginning February 19th when it will be labeled Senior Citizens Night. During March, there will be a night for Young Adults. As it has been in the past, the second Sunday night will be Youth Night. Every fourth Sunday evening will be Brotherhood Night.

A new twist will be seen this month, which will have five Sundays, and will be Women's Night. Each woman will

be asked to wear white on this evening.

"We want every woman to come out in their white," said Mrs. Annie Sanders.

"We will sing old mission songs," she said.

If there is a Christian group that would like to participate in the program, by appearing on the broadcast, they are asked to advise the Lubbock Community Broadcast Radio Choir. Persons interested may contact either one of the trustees: Annie Sanders, M. Bogus, V. Peoples, D. Walker, J. Ervin, Rev. S. C. Nash or others.

Sunday evening, January 22, the Mount Olive Baptist Church of Slaton, Texas, Rev. C. C. Peoples, will be special guest. Also appearing will be the St. John Baptist will be the St. John Baptist Church Brotherhood.

See your doctor. Working with your doctor to eliminate or control coronary risk factors can help combat heart disease.

Hefner Case

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and organizations about the case. No doubt about it, Mr. Hefner should have been indicted with a manslaughter indictment.

"A lot of concerned people are asking questions about this case. If it was someone else, it would have been different. We feel very much that the Bill of Rights and U. S. Constitution have been disallowed," concluded Harvey.

Another HRC member, Bill Orr who was

recently appointed on the commission, said the evidence needs to be looked into to see what can be done about this case.

HRC prior to the decision by the commission, had filed an official complaint. It stated in part:

"The result of information coming from the District Attorney's office has been slow. Sorry anger exists in the family and community because of the lack of on-the-

surface concern for the Lopez family.

Continuing, "Manuel Torres, uncle to the deceased, has spoken out on the concern of the family about a possible cover-up. Hesitates the

family wants a full investigation by the Grand Jury.

Finally the complaint stated: "On December 27, 1983, the Human Relations Commission director spoke with Mr. Darnell's office, CDA,

Deeds To Homeowners

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only cost \$8 per sign, with each family being taxed only 75¢.

"If you see anything looking suspicious in the neighborhood, immediately call the Lubbock Police Department. You don't even have to give them your name. Please be very serious about this program, because it can help you. It's working at the project at 96th West.

"When you see kids walking in the neighborhood during school hours, paying close attention to their activity. You'd be surprised on what these kids could be looking for," said Berry.

"Of course, there is no fool proof mechanism, but this Neighborhood Watch Program will help. We can get block captains from each block. Once a week, for example, the block captains can call a meeting of his block to discuss the problems in that particular block.

The new homeowners were reminded, by Berry, of the many problems which have existed in the Cherry Point Addition, and the importance of them participating in the program. "In this area, people who burglarize our area are those who live in the Cherry Point area. We need to do

something about this problem, and it can be done through the Neighborhood Watch Program," concluded Berry.

Commenting on the ownership program was Mr. Willie Felder, 1803 East Colgate. "It's a good program!" The father of five children continued, "If you stay with it, you'll come out on top. At age 36, I'm happy over what my wife and I have accomplished together."

Mr. and Mrs. Herman H. Johnson, 2911 East Colgate, were elated over their new home. "We love it! If it hadn't been for this program, because of our ages, we never would have owned a home." Parents of a child who lives with them, the Johnsons had praise for D. C. Fair for working with them. "He's a nice man," said Mrs. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Medillan, 3401 East Baylor, said: "We will tell

others about this program. It is a good program. Parents of seven children, Mr. Medillan said, "It is important, however, to pay on time."

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Askew, 2607 East Auburn, said, "We think it is a great idea for those people interested to own their own home. It is just a miracle! We thank God for allowing us to have such an opportunity." Parents of two girls, the Askews highly endorse the program and hopes it will continue.

Other families who have become homeowners are Mr. and Mrs. George Marcy, 1718 East 1st St., Ms. Laura Mitchell, 1709 East 2nd St., Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, 1702 East 2nd Place, Mr. and Mrs. Mario Adame, 1722 East 2nd Place, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Arredondo, 1907 East Auburn and Mr. and Mrs. Ramiro Gauna, 1919 East Brown.

Support Your Eastern Little League

There will be a meeting of the Eastern Little League Monday evening, January 23, 1984, beginning at 7:30 p. m. at the Parkway Community

Center, 405 North Quirt Avenue.

All concerned parents are asked to please attend.

about family and community concerns. Mr. Darnell stated his office is waiting on some reports from Dr. Amire of Texas Tech. He stated that the officer, Thomas Esparza, did indicate a small alcohol at the scene, but other individuals feels he was not drunk. The case will go to the grand jury on January 5, 1984, at 1:30 p. m. for indictment on a misdemeanor. Mr. Darnell will keep the Human Relations office informed of further developments.

Last Friday afternoon, the League of United Latin Americans (LULAC) in a press conference at their headquarters, 1202 Avenue, charged that the Lubbock County Criminal District Attorney's office handled a traffic death case involving a prominent bank executive "with lenient or preferred treatment."

LULAC president Genaro Chavez said handling of the case "sums up to a denial of civil rights" of the Lopez family.

It was also mentioned at the LULAC press conference that a controversy has been further fanned by a comparison in many citizens' minds to the traffic death of 16 year old Mary Jane Snodgrass, daughter of then Monterey High School principal Jerrell Snodgrass who is now an assistant superintendent, last May.

"I think that has something to do with it," said Chavez.

In the Snodgrass case, 20 year-old Shannon Paul Marney was arrested at the scene of the accident, and charged with a felony, involun-

tary manslaughter, the following Monday.

"LULAC feels that this preferred treatment in light of the facts that the victim was Mexican-American, the disbelieved police officer was Mexican-American, the offender was white, upper class, and other minor discrepancies, sums up to a denial of the civil rights of Robert Lopez, Julie Carrasco, and, in reality, Mexican-Americans in general," stated Chavez.

LULAC, according to

Chavez, has written to the Attorney General's office requesting a complete investigation of the Max Hefner case.

Ms. Rose Wilson, president of the Lubbock Branch of the NAACP,

aid the Southwest Digest: "I feel that MADD is not all it claims to be. It has appeared to be only for rich people. We

support the efforts of what organizations are doing here to get to the bottom of this case."

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Worship as a Family This Week

RUBY JAY'S CORNER



The Sunday morning services at the New Hope Baptist Church began last Sunday with Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. with Superintendent Sister R. B. Thompson presiding. Deacon Swain is the newly elected Superintendent for 1984.

Morning worship services devotion was led by Deacon Swain and Deacon Givens. The choir felt like singing last Sunday morning. Pastor S. C. Nash really preached. His sermon was titled: "Revival At Mt. Horeb." His scripture was I King 19:1-12.

There was no Baptist Training Union (BTU) and Evening services, due to the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Rev. Tony Williams and five members of the Community Baptist Church worshipped at the 3:00 p. m. services at New Hope. It was an installation services for the officers of the church. Rev. Williams brought a wonderful message. His scripture was Matthew 16:24-25 and II Timothy 2:12-13. His subject was "Cross Barriers Will Become Crown Wear-

Faith First Baptist Church News

Sunday School began at 9:45 last Sunday morning with Supt. George Jackson presiding. The subject of the lesson was: "Vision and Mission." Isaiah 6:1-8 were the scriptures, with the background scripture found in Isaiah 6. Each individual reviewed the lesson wonderfully.

Last Sunday was Mission Day with Mission sisters leading the devotional prayer. Bringing the message

ers". The Community Baptist Youth Choir sang beautifully.

Mrs. Doris Washington attended the funeral of her father, Mr. Nep Carr, in Houston, Texas last week.

This writer received word Sunday morning that her niece's husband passed away in McGregory, Texas. At this writing, services are still pending there.

Mrs. Dempsey Taylor and children, who now reside in Odessa, Texas, attended morning services.

Don't forget to pray and visit our sick and shut-ins. Among them is

Mr. Matthew Colquitt who is home from the hospital. He is doing fine at this report.

Mrs. Octavia Givens is still improving at home.

Mrs. Alabama Walker is a patient at Highland

Hospital.

The speaker for the Lubbock Radio Broadcast last Sunday evening was Rev. E. Wilson, a member of St. John Baptist Church.

of the hour was Rev. Sis. L. F. Craig. Her text was "Is Life Worth Living?" Job 2:9 and Phillipians 1:21 were her scriptures.

A Mission program was presented during the afternoon, 3 p. m. A beautiful drama was presented. The theme was "Here Am I, Send Me." Isaiah 6:8. Beginning the program was a march/singing "We Are Soliders." Devotion was led by Sister L. Harper and Sister S. Mosley. Sister

Black Pastors Attack Bootleggers

Led by the Rev. Robert D. Adams, pastor of the Unity Baptist Church, last Wednesday morning, several local pastors expressed their anger to Criminal District Attorney Jim Bob Darnell in his office.

"We come to you, Mr. Darnell, to let you know that we are very angry over the bootlegging which exists in our community (East Lubbock as well as other

parts of Lubbock). Had this incident, which I've talked to you about several months ago would happen in Southwest Lubbock, something would be done about it," said Rev. Adams.

Darnell told Rev. Adams that the case which Rev. Adams was talking about, the bootlegger had been arrested several times. "We can't make a person

move from their own residence even if they are bootlegging," said Darnell.

Rev. S. C. Nash, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church and first vice-president of the Pastors' Fellowship Conference, told the Darnell that Blacks wait the same treatment that other citizens receive in other parts of Lubbock. "We've come here to find out if there was anything else which could be done to stop this bootlegging throughout Lubbock, especially the one which confronts Rev. Adams," said Rev. Nash.

Rev. Nash was also joined by fellow members Rev. Stephen Pierson, pastor of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church and president of the fellowship, and Rev. Herman L. Phillips, pastor of the Rising Star Baptist Church and second vice-president of the fellowship.

"We are going to secure hundreds of names on a petition against people who bootleg in the Black community," said Rev. Adams. He

however, was advised by Darnell to hold off on the petitions until his office could research the bootlegging problem and talk to officials of the Texas Beverage Commission (TBC).

Thanking Darnell of his concern and allowing an audience with the group, Rev. Pierson said, "We would like to let you know we appreciate your cooperation in willing to work with us."

Rev. Phillips, on the other hand, told Darnell that his church is presently located in an area where he will have to relocate because of an urban renewal project. "I'm wondering if our church moves into an area and we see that a bootlegger will come in our area. Why should a bootlegger be allowed to come where our churches are located?" asked Rev. Phillips.

Darnell told the concerned pastors that he would get back with them by advising Rev. Adams within two weeks after he has researched the problem.

Rev. Adams told Darnell that they wanted

to work with him only on this problem, and not anyone else in his office. As one of the pastors said, "You stop a herd of buffaloes by his head, not

his tail." A letter, signed by officers of the Pastors' Fellowship, has been sent to Darnell in reference to the meeting last week.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Menoza at 9 a. m. last

Saturday morning. The meeting opened with singing and praying by people who have gotten the message that the Lord is to be worshipped in spirit and truth.

Encouraging words were given by the president.

The morning scripture lesson was taught by Mrs. Mildred Bogus. Her scripture was Matthew 5:16 and Hebrews 9:27. Her subject: "Is Your Influence Guarded."

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

This speaker said the day of reckoning is coming. Some parents say they don't want to influence their children. Let them make their own decisions, but you know the T.V. influence, H.B.O. movies and schools will do the same.

The unsaved community adds to their life. Why not let your light shine which is your Christian Life. Let it shine before your children, your household, your community, on the highways, washeterias, grocery stores. As it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the Judgment.

This speaker made a decision for this year to walk closer with Jesus. So that others will see and glorify our Lord, and glorify our Lord who is in heaven.

What a lesson! This lady is for real, and we like that!

Remarks were given by all present.

Thought for the week: "Religion is man's way of doing things and christianity is God's way of doing things." Think about it.

A continental breakfast was served. Come and eat with friends. Let's become fishers of men this year.

G. Henderson offered a beautiful welcome. Mission president Sister M. Roberson talked on the subject: "What If God Went On Strike?" Sister J. Coleman spoke on the subject "Thank God For What He's Done." Sister Lue Harper explained the subject "Heaven's Grocery Store."

Sister A. Mosley did a wonderful report on California. Brother R. Portee, Jr. expressed his opinion on the subject "Straddle The Fence," while Brother D. Portee spoke about "Sinners." Sister A. Portee spoke on "Faith," and Brother H. Lewis did a wonderful job with the subject "The Usher Board."

There many beautiful songs offered by the choir. Sister A. Scott and Sister D. Roberson sang a duet entitled "Everybody Ought To Know." Sister L. Harper did a good job on her subject "What Is God's Life?"

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-ins in our community.

We are glad to have Sister Annie Mosley back with us again from California.

Ms. Alisa Henderson is reporter.

We Thank God For Jesus

"Jesus Waited By Sinners"

John 3:17 -- Jesus said: God sent not his into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Revelation 3:20 -- Jesus said: Behold, I stand at the door, and knock; if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come into him and sup with him.

Lord Jesus, I heard you knocking on my heart's door, but satan lives in me; and its filthy son.

Lord Jesus, there's adultery, blasphemy, and jussing in here you see. But you can come in Jesus, if you want to live in me.

Lord Jesus, I'm telling you I've been drinking. I'm evil and full of fornication. I'm full of the devil; he never takes a vacation.

Lord Jesus, there's gossiping, hate and idolatry in here too. I was raised in a Christian home; God grown; then left you.

Lord Jesus, it happen so quick, I was at home feeling so alone. Satan came and offered me the world on a throne.

Lord Jesus, he filled me with jealousy, killing and lying. Then told me I was happy. But Lord I'm slowly dying.

Lord Jesus, there's malice, rouse, and then oppression.

Lord, I'm so confused, now here comes the depression.

Matthew 11:28-29 -- Jesus said: Come unto me, all ye that labour and

are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I'm meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

Lord Jesus, there's more, there's prejudice, quarrelling and robbery.

Lord, satan has compacted so much trash in me.

Lord Jesus, there's smoking, temptation and ungodliness.

Lord, but by faith will you please clean up this mess.

Lord Jesus, there's violence, weakness, and my life equals to zero.

Lord please, make me new, before my body gets cold.

Mark 5:8 -- Jesus, said: I'm the door; by me if any man enter it, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Lord Jesus, I thank you for dying on the cross.

For the many sins of this sinner, when I was lost.

Lord Jesus, I invited you in before sin took me to my grave.

I thank God for his son Jesus, today I'm saved!

Luke 17:19 -- Jesus said: Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. Brother and Sisters, T-G-Y means tell God yes, you will let his son Jesus come into your life and clean it for you, then you will be free at last.

Free at last, then you can thank God almighty that you're truly free at last. AMEN

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THIS N THAT

SCARED!!! UNIONS ... are scared to death of **MERIT PROMOTIONS** ... and **PAY RAISES** ... They want their old seniority rules to stay ... but so many against them since so many ... **UNION FOLKS** ... will not really work honestly for a ... **FULL DAY!**
STILL DOING IT! Democratic presidential candidate ... **JESSE JACKSON** ... may not have all the ... **MONEY** ... and would like to have necessary ... **FUNDS** ... for his national campaign for the highest office in the land ... but

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GOOD PROGRAM! Hundreds of Lubbock citizens ... gathered at the ... Lubbock Civic Center ... to celebrate the birthday of ... **DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.** ... last Sunday evening. It was a

GOOD PROGRAM ... and such should continue in the future ... Only ... there should be means of ... **REGISTERING VOTERS** ... and really fulfill one of the dreams of Dr. King ... **CONGRATS** ... for a job well done ... Hope ... **MAYOR HENRY** ... and ... **JUDGE SHAW** ... took note to what was going on!!
MAY HAVE TO FILE TWICE!! If you are thinking about ... **RUNNING** ... for a city council post ... one may have to file ... **TWICE** ... since the ruling from the U. S. Fifth Circuit Court

hasn't come back yet! **INTO POLITICS!** It could be a first ... as ... former LISD superintendent ... **ED IRONS** ... is a campaign manager of a school board ... candidate ... **DAVID GREGORY** ... Even some in the ... **BLACK COMMUNITY** ... have paid attention to that!
GOOD MEETING!! The first meeting for the new year of the ... Lubbock Branch of the NAACP ... was a ... **GOOD ONE! THIS N THAT** ... hopes that this will continue throughout the ... **YEAR OF 1984** ... There were some ... **THIRTY PLUS** ... present ... If everyone there last Saturday night

... would bring ... **JUST ONE** ... with them ... in February ... think of what the attendance would be!!
STILL NOTHING MENTIONED!! As we continue ... to go into 1984 ... the City of Lubbock has n't mentioned ... **ANYTHING** ... about the ... **MINORITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM** ... Maybe ... just maybe ... they will get around to it sooner or later ...
HRC & LULAC WANTS ACTION!! The Human Relations Commission (HRC) ... and ... League of United Latin Americans (LULAC) ... want an ... **INVESTIGATION** ... into the ... **MAX HEFNER** ...

case ... **LULAC** ... has even requested assistance from the Attorney General's office ... Hear some ... **HEAVY** ... attorneys are coming this way on this case ... Could it really be that it is a ... beginning of ... **HAVES vs HAVES NOTS!!**
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GREAT PROGRAM! Harold M. Chatman ... president of the ... 19th of June Celebration ... told ... **THIS N THAT** ... of some of the plans for this year ... He's even looking at the possibility of getting the dynamic ... **MICHAEL JACKSON** ... who will be returning from a national tour ... It is just possible ... **JACKSON** ... could

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by
Rev. F. D. Adams
Pastor, Unity Baptist Church

(Continued from last week)

The local church must be introduced to the doing of theology rather than left with the results of a theological system. The local church needs to know its faith and task through its own spiritual searching and finding. The life and thought of the church need daily attention. For we must never become outdated in thought or task; in message or mission; in word or worship. Then we will surely not miss the streets of glory — not the alleys of the slums. If we are to preach the word, be Christ body, there's to be no shucking about Christ's work. We are God's stewards on earth. Some people think that just means money.

The authentic and attractive church has an eternity oriented task, and that has to do with much more than cash. We are stewards of hope; we are steward of love; we are stewards of the good news; we are stewards of the faith; we are stewards of our heritage. Not just the money, we are stewards of our culture. We are also stewards of our tradition — and a great tradition. We are stewards of our commission and the great commission. We are stewards of those educational processes meant to prepare us for now and after while. Not just the money. A good steward gives the whole person in presence and participation in worship and in service in communion and in mission in the search of study and the agony of practice. Not just the money.

A person who with holds total participation in the church family robs others of this wholeness. We are less than a whole family when one of us is missing. The good shepherd pines for missing one — for unto him each is a loved one. A good steward has a deep sense of God's ordained righteousness. We all know that at best all fall short of God's glory and calling. So the family of the faithful, the church and congregations of it has been brought into being to increase and perpetuate the love of God and neighbor. That is why 52 weeks of total participation is as valid as a pledge of 52 weeks of proportionate contributions. Now, hush your shuckings! Cause the word is now flesh. We are the people's business; not just black. We are members of a church beyond color, culture or country. Our own people's struggle is far from over. They look to us as we look to God. And we must not fail them. One century and today, O' God, we who traveled sorrows along the way over which our kindred struggled and died. One century I token freedom; against deep seated prejudice and stubborn pride. We've toiled for a century and it continues today! This has been done against deep seated prejudice and stubborn pride. We've been weary in heart of this toilsome way. But for freedom determined and unsatisfied.

Keep us staid on our destined course, to reach the goal for which our fathers sighed. Thy word, thy spirit and our wisdom — we must be faithful children. But unsatisfied. Keep us from compromise to political sway, for our own race grants a humble pride. We've come far in a century and a day. But, God keep us still unsatisfied.

Lastly, now — and no shuckings, please. The authentic church is a caring community. I will end this in two sections. Our caring and His caring. We all know Jesus cares. We are to be like him.

What are you talking about is caring. Help me, somebody. Somebody is caring. To hush your shucking is to care, and that is authentically christian. I mean the Christian Church. Let's read I Corinthians 13 to make it clear. If I have the eloquence of great speakers of the tongues of angels, but I don't care, I am a noisy gong or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains. But I don't care, then I'm nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but I don't care, it will do me no good whatever. It takes patience to care. Caring generates kindness. It is never jealous; caring isn't boasting about what you did or who you can manipulate. To care is to end conceit — to end rudeness — to end selfishness.

Caring makes little of offense. And it is never resentful. If you care, there will be a better 1984 in Lubbock, Texas.

To error is no disgrace. The disgrace lies in not learning from our mistakes, not recovering from our defeats. Not picking ourselves up, brushing ourselves off and trying again. Yes, there must be some in our field who are willing to become good Samaritans — to stop in the progress of going no place and render service to one who is in need. There is a cry in our local community. The souls of men are dying and children go missing the chance to become useful and worthwhile citizens.

What are we to do about it? Yes, you can be what you want to be with God's help in '84.

Melton Seeks Office

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5th, Melton's community activities include membership in the following: Lubbock Lions Club, American Legion and Elks Lodge. W.

He also holds membership in the following police associations: Texas Police Association, Texas Public Employees Association — being a past president of a local chapter; Lubbock County Peace Officers

Association — served as president four consecutive years; and Texas District & County Attorneys Association Investigators Section.

Further, he is past director of the Lubbock County Reserve Deputy Force, Inc.

Melton and wife, Rita Jo, have two daughters. They are members of the Southeast Baptist Church.

Solis Enters Race

Eliseo Solis announced last Thursday that he would seek to win the County Commissioner's post for Precinct 3 in the Democratic Primary on May 5th. In 1980, Solis sought to defeat Franklin Dunn but lost in a controversial run-off election. Solis went as far as to challenge the

outcome in the court. After the court decision, which ruled that more than 50 votes were casted illegally, Solis lost the election by a mere 26 votes.

"My belief that the qualifications I possess equal, and in most cases, will supersede any of those presented by any other candidate that might announce, namely: education, commitment to high quality of government, involvement in the community and experience in the political and governmental process," said a

LMHR Annual Awards Banquet

The annual awards recognition ceremony honoring employees of the Lubbock Regional Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center for five and ten years of services and acknowledging its Board of Directors for their service will be held on January 20th at 9:00 a.m. at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Mayor Alan Henry will speak and Gene Menefee, Executive Director of the Center, will present the awards.

Judge Rod Shaw and Dr. E. C. Leslie, Executive Directors of sponsoring agencies, will also be present.

Five year service award will be given to: Annie Thomas Lowe, Shirley Moore, Cathy Pope, Juan Ramos, Beverly Ross, Johnny Soussiey, and Ted Sparks.

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experience in the political process government programming and community involvement is such that I will be capable to provide a fresh approach in the provision of services to people," said Solis.

One of the main issues that Solis stressed during the press conference was that Lubbock County's involvement in SPAG, Solis stated that the Lubbock County "plays a key role in the operations

of SPAG. Lubbock County, with the support of SPAG, could "conceivably initiate some innovative programs targeted mainly to those who have been under-represented," said Solis.

A native of Levelland, Solis is a graduate of Texas Tech University and obtained a master's degree from Wichita State University. He is former executive director of Community Services of the City of Lubbock.

Double Standard

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away from a thing like that without at least going through the motions. So the Criminal District Attorney lets the case go to the grand jury, the message is conveyed effectively about what ought to happen, and presto! the white driver is not indicted.

Instead, a misdemeanor charge is filed. Just a misdemeanor charge. A misdemeanor is a minor crime. Nothing major here. A life was taken, true, but it was a Brown life.

Now, reverse the situation exactly. Suppose that the young Mexican-American (or Black) had run the red light and had struck and killed a white man who was vice-president of a bank. And suppose that a white police officer on the scene had reported that the Mexican-American (or Black) driver was intoxicated. Now, what would have happened in that case? We all know the well, don't we?

The Mexican-American (or Black) driver would have been put in jail, charged with a felony, and put under the highest possible bond. The community would have been outraged. Demands would have been heard for a swift trial and severe punishment. That would not have been a "misdemeanor murder" at all, would it?

That's the double standard. It means, in such a case, that what you get charged with (or not charged with) depends more on the color of your skin than on the objective facts.

Many whites do not realize that there is a double standard in our society of the kind we have been talking about. They are so used to it that they fail to recognize it, even when it is right in front of them. And all too often, they operate on the basis of the double standard without even realizing it.

Take a recent editorial in the *Avalanche-Journal*, for example. The editor was writing about the Lubbock High School "Cinderella" football team of many years ago. In the course of his editorial, he commented that at the time there was only one high

school in Lubbock. Of course, what he meant was that there was only one white high school in Lubbock at the time. There was another high school. It was called Dunbar High School. It was in Lubbock at the time in question. Students attended it, and graduated from it. Teachers taught there. It was all Black at the time, because of Lubbock's racial segregation, and that situation did not change until after the Supreme Court's decision in the *Brown* case in '54.

Well, is that such a big thing? So what if the *A-J* editor just made a slight mistake? The point is that the editor of the *A-J*, is saying that there was only one high school in Lubbock, was completely unaware of what he was doing. In the mind of that editor, there was only one "real" high school; Lubbock High School. The other high school was, after all, a Black school. It didn't count. It wasn't there, in the editor's mind.

That's double standard. That's an example of a white man operating on the basis of the double standard without even being conscious of it. That's what needs to be changed.

First, all of us, minorities and majority alike, have to acknowledge that there is a double standard in this country based on race. Next, we need to ask ourselves whether that is a good thing for our society. We think that it is not. Finally, we have to work to change it. The sooner it is changed the better.

The time needs to come when we can look at each other and see, first and foremost, not a person's race, but simply his or her humanity. We need to see each other as human beings, and treat each other as brothers and sisters with a common humanity. We need to get away from segregation, both past and present, and move into a new society which is free of the kind of racial prejudice that still harras us so much in America. We need to arrive at a point where the double standard is something that is mentioned in history books, but that is no longer any part of our daily lives.

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