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"19 awards will be given"

UPAL WILL HONOR LOCAL CITIZENS FRIDAY NIGHT

With the theme, "The Family Is the Community," the United Political Action League (UPAL) will present 19 awards in nine categories to local black citizens at their second annual Appreciation Banquet on Friday evening, August 8, at the Dunbar High School cafeteria.

The affair will begin at 8 p. m.

Keynote speaker will be Leonard Chew, former Lubbock resident and graduate of Dunbar High School. A businessman in Houston, Texas, he established the "Fighting Hard" award at Dunbar in the early 1970's. This award, according to Chew, is awarded yearly to the young athlete who excels and never gives up.

Receiving awards are: Students of the Year,

Geoffrey Crawford, Dunbar High School; and Stacy Burrell, Estacado High School.

Religion awards will be presented to Rev. A. W. Wilson and Imam Shakir Mithyee.

Community Involvement awards will go to Doris Dickens, Charlotte Roland and George Woods.

Receiving the education awards are Grover C. Colvin, Albert Lincoln, and Mildred K. Lusk.

Harold M. Chatman, T. J. Patterson, Sr., and George Scott will receive the community organization awards.

The R. J. Givens family will receive the "Family of the Year" award with Mr. and Mrs. Q. W. White receiving the "Mother and Father of the Year" award.

A special award will be

presented to Officer William Henry Britt for his dedicated service to the community as a member of the Lubbock Police Department.

Johnny Ray Watson, well known Gospel singer, will be responsible for the music of the evening.

Vera Newsome, president of UPAL, will give the welcome and purpose. Oscar Jones will serve as commentator and will make the special presentations.

Invocation will be offered by Rev. A. L. Davis, pastor of the Greater St. Luke Baptist Church; while Rev. A. W. Wilson, pastor emeritus of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, will give the benediction.

Dr. F. L. Lovings is outgoing president of UPAL.

The public is invited to attend this affair.



Johnny Ray Watson
One of well-known gospel singers, Johnny Ray Watson, will be featured as guest vocalist at the second annual Appreciation Banquet, sponsored by the United Political Action League (UPAL) on Friday evening, August 8, at the Dunbar High School cafeteria. The affair will begin at 8 p. m.



A special presentation ceremony at the Department of Transportation, Steven Lilly, president of the Fulcrum Venture Capital Corporation receives a \$2 million check to aid minority business. (L.R) Lou Thompson, director, Northwest Corridor Project; Earl D. Proctor, Executive Director, Minority Business Resource Center (MBRC); Steven Lilly, and William J. Beckham, deputy secretary, DOT.

Fulcrum Gets Funds To Aid Minority Businesses

Washington - The Fulcrum Venture Capital Corporation, a Washington based Minority Enterprise Small Business

Investment Company, recently received \$3 million from the Department of Transportation to provide financial assistance to eligible minority and women-owned firms which are engaged in railroad-related businesses.

In accepting the check from William Beckham, Deputy Secretary of DOT, Steven Lilly, President of Fulcrum said, "These funds will give Fulcrum \$7 million in available resources which, if fully leveraged by SBA, would give us maximum investment potential of up to \$25 million." The \$7 million includes \$2 million from the Opportunity Funding Corporation and the Cooperative Assistance Fund as well as \$2 million leveraged by sale of preferred stock to SBA.

DOT, through the Federal Railroad Administration's Minority

Business Resource Center, bought 3,000 shares of preferred stock with par value of \$1,600 from Fulcrum.

According to Lilly, firms can use the funds for projects such as plant expansions, equipment purchases and working capital. Fulcrum will provide between \$200 - \$400,000 to firms that either have good operating records or substantial growth potential.

On hand for the ceremony were Earl D. Proctor, Executive Director, Minority Business Resource Center, Lou Thompson, director of the Northeast Corridor Project and Bob Kemp, President, Opportunity Funding Corporation.

Interested business persons may contact Fulcrum's national office at (202) 833-9580.

Food Stamps May Be Available For You

Some Texans may now apply for food stamps through Social Security offices, according to the Texas Department of Human Resources, the state agency which administers the food stamp program.

An agreement between the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Social Security Administration now makes it possible for a person to apply for food stamps at a Social Security office under the following conditions:

1. If you and your household (all the people who live and eat with you) are applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or
2. If you and your household already receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) but are not receiving food stamps.

The arrangement is designed to allow the elderly and disabled to participate in the program without having to travel to a separate office to apply for benefits.

Persons already receiving food stamps who did not apply for them through a Social Security office, must reapply at the food stamp office when their benefit certification period ends.

Also, persons still may apply for entry into the food stamp program at a food stamp office rather

than the Social Security office, if they so desire.

Applicants who have questions about this change or want more information may call the

toll-free Food Stamp Hotline at 1-800-252-9330, or may contact a local food stamp or Social Security office.



Anderson Campaign Appoints National Black Affairs Director

Charles Anderson Pitts has been named the National Black Affairs Director for the National Unity Campaign for Anderson, in an announcement by Michael F. MacLeod, campaign director.

A graduate of Howard University's School of Communications, Pitts resigned his post with the ABC Washington News Bureau to accept the post.

Scott Named SPAG Board Member Monday Night

George Scott, a longtime resident of Lubbock, was named to the South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG) as a minority representative.

CPSC Recalls Children Toys

Two pieces of children's play equipment have been recalled, according to the U. S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), because they pose a strangulation hazard to infants and preschoolers.

Some 400,000 Indoor Gym Houses are being recalled by their manufacturer, Creative Playthings. The gym house is a hollow, masonite-and-wood box 30 inches in height which supports a two-step wooden ladder on one side and a short slide on the opposite side. The

top of the box serves as a bridge between the ladder and slide and is protected on two sides by wooden railings.

A space between the upper rung of the ladder and the platform is small enough to entrap the heads of children and stangle or asphyxiate them. CPSC reports two incidents have occurred, resulting in the strangulation of an 18-month-old girl and asphyxiation of a 16-month-old boy, resulting in irreversible brain damage.

Approximately 600 infant toys known as crib exercisers have been

recalled by the toy's importer, Play Spaces International of Waltham, Massachusetts, in ham, Massachusetts. The toy consists of an elastic cord strung with 11 colored wooden rings and balls and is intended to be suspended over the crib from one railing to the other. It is possible for infants to become entangled in the elastic and thereby strangle.

Consumers should contact the manufacturer of these toys or call CPSC's toll-free hotline at 1-800-638-8326 for more information.

Carter Praises Black Womens' Organization

Washington - President Carter, in a letter to Inez W. Tinsley, president of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs, praised the organization for its construction efforts on behalf of women.

NACWC, the nation's oldest black women's volunteer service organization held its 84th Anniversary convention here last week and observed the first National Black Women's Week from July 27 - August 1, 1980.

The following is an excerpt from the President's message to the organization:

"Your pioneering leadership has benefitted not just black women, but all women in their search for equality of opportunity and in their determination to become full partners in the progress and development of our society. You have championed the advancement of human rights and social justice and devoted your finest

organizational talents to addressing the needs of our communities and country.

I applaud the inspiration you provide, the example you set and the good that derives from your countless worthwhile endeavors."

NACWC, a non-profit organization whose membership includes women from all walks of life, is dedicated to "raising to the highest plane of the home life, moral standards and civil life of the Black community."

NAACP Will Meet Saturday

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Lubbock branch, will hold its regular monthly meeting Saturday evening, August 9, at 7:30 p. m. at the Mae Simmons Community Center, 2100 Oak Avenue.

The public is invited to attend.

In absence of Lubbock branch president, Rose

Wilson, the first vice president, George Scott, will preside.

The agenda includes (1) SPAG election results, (2) details of the Law Enforcement and Minority Communications Seminar set for September 11, (3) the membership drive, (4) plans for the Religious Affairs Committee, and (5) a final report on the Freedom Fund Banquet.



Kelly Wins Essay Contest In Dallas

Chartriss Kelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Kelly of 1517 East 1st Place, has just returned from Dallas, Texas where she competed with 162 other girls from other Texas cities in the "Miss United Teenager" pageant. The

pageant was held August 18 thru 30.

Chartriss won the essay part of the contest. She wrote and recited her 100 word essay entitled, "My Country."

She was also among the top fifteen semifinalist.

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Black Business Need Black Conventions

(Editor's Note: This article, which will be ran in four parts, was written in the 1980 Delegate: The Black Convention Directory, and the writer is from Kansas City. We strongly recommend this advice for all Black businesses and conventioners. The Lubbock Digest has already addressed this situation, and is in total accord with this article).

Joelasia Muffox

Black businesses need more business from black conventions and I am going to try to help them get it. How? By writing and speaking out on the subject.

This is a message to leaders of black organizations and black convention planners who do not know that black convention dollars can help make black businesses thrive, and that thriving black businesses can help save black neighborhoods..... just as thriving downtown businesses pulsate the prosperity of the white community.

Thriving businesses, more than jobs or anything else, are the main reason communities stay viable, grow, and prosper. (Jobs - service type and managerial - feed people, but it's businesses that make and stabilize neighborhoods and communities.) Small wonder then that the black community - which has more subsidized housing, projects, free health clinics, city run recreation centers and non-profit day care corporations than it does businesses - is barely surviving.

While many business districts and small shopping strips in the inner city have become mid-city municipal and county maintenance depots, and while a number of stores and shops and cafes in the black community have gone out of business and become storefront churches and warehouses, white downtown businesses - nice hotels, fine shops and elegant restaurants - are thriving.

How do downtown establishments stay in business and make money? With the help of their convention and visitors bureau, chamber of commerce and merchants association they welcome the world to their town; they promote their city as being the best place to hold a meeting, to live in and do business; and they advise people to buy, buy, buy through well financed and good advertising programs.

Who do most downtown businesses make a lot of money from? Visitors and convention goers, but mostly off convention goers. Convention goers spend a lot of money in the cities where they meet.

A recent "Time" magazine story said that Americans spend \$15 billion a year going to meetings and conventions. Last year tourists and conventioners spent \$4 billion in Missouri.

In Kansas City, tourism and conventions are the city's third largest industry: \$200 million in 1973.

Conventions are good for downtown businesses, but are they good for the cities... do cities want conventions? Most cities want all the conventions they can get. One reason is downtown businesses, thriving on convention goers, pay nearly a fourth of all city taxes. Another is the taxes added on to the food and lodging bills of conventioners goes to help build and pay for the convention centers and arenas.

All this being the case, it is not surprising that downtown businesses and city officials will do almost anything to get a big convention, and the color, race, religion, and political persuasion of the delegates don't matter.

Don't get me wrong, there's nothing wrong with making money from conventions. Kansas City now ranks eighth among the top convention cities of the nation, and I am for the convention and visitors bureau, city officials, chamber of commerce and everybody else doing all out to make Kansas City the number one convention city in the country.

However, just as I am for downtown businesses and the city making money from conventions, I am for some of the convention money coming into Kansas City finding its way to the black community. In particular, I want to see black businesses get more of the money that black convention goers spend here. If this happens, inner city businesses like downtown businesses can play a vital role in helping to keep their communities viable and prosperous.

Talking about businesses making money and thriving, downtown businesses expand, remodel and build new buildings because they can depend on the white convention trade. If black businesses wanted to do the same are there enough "black" meetings going on to keep black businesses busy and in business? Are black conventions a sure bet? Can black businesses plan on black conventions?

Continue Next Week.....



Cong. Kent Hance

Meet Your Congressman

Your representative in Washington, D. C. is Congressman Kent Hance, 19th Congressional District. His Lubbock office is in the Federal Building,

1205 Texas Avenue, Room 610.

If you have questions about problems which his office can handle, call him at 763-1611 or 762-7200.

"The Boor"

A grieving widow and a raging landowner face off in a verbal duel in Anton Chekhov's comic farce "The Boor" airing Thursday, August 7, at 9:30 p. m. on Channel 5.

Anton Chekhov is best remembered for major plays such as "The Cherry Orchard" and "The Three Sisters." But he also wrote several one-act plays, called vaudeville comedies, that were enormously popular in his native Russia.

Chekhov wrote "The Boor" in 1888 specifically for two actors he particularly liked in a French vaudeville. The ease with which he wrote these short and hilarious plays is revealed in a statement he made to a friend, "Having nothing to do, I sat down and wrote a vaudeville under the title of 'The Boor'."

The play is set in a manor house somewhere in Russia. Yelena Popova (Charlene Sher), a grieving widow of seven months, and her servant, Luka (Patricia Barnett), live in a world of black mourning cloth and grief until Grigory Smirnov (Larry Randall) bursts on the scene. Smirnov, a local landowner, has come seeking payment for a quantity of oats Yelena's late husband ordered. Yelena can't pay, and Smirnov flies

into a rage saying he won't leave until the debt is paid. Smirnov's rantings soon turn to a scandalous tirade on women in general and Yelena Popova in particular.

Yelena, unable to eject the "boor" from her drawing room, and tiring of his ranting, joins in the fray with a few well-chosen words of her own.

The mutual taunting culminates in Smirnov challenging Yelena to a duel. Hate quickly turns to love when Yelena accepts the challenge and Smirnov realizes that this feisty woman is just his cup of tea.

"The Boor" is a production in the Window to the World series produced by the UNC-TV Network and the Carolina Regional Theatre.

Your Social Security

by **Manuela Burton**
Claims Representative

Social Security And Early Retirement

Although the social security retirement age is normally considered age 65, reduce benefits are payable at age 62. In fact, social security records show that most people apply for benefits before age 65.

However, the effect of early retirement on social security benefits and retirement income is something that you should know.

We can't give you any real guidelines on when you should retire because each case is different. But knowing what to expect from social security could help you make the best decision about when to retire.

A worker may qualify for reduced retirement payments as early as age 62. A person who starts getting monthly checks at 62 will receive 80 percent of what he or she would get at 65. People who get benefits before 65 generally receive more in total benefits over a period of 12 to 15 years than if they had waited until 65. After that period, however, the person who waited until 65 would receive higher total benefits.

Cost-of-living increases will be automatic once you start receiving benefits. Benefits increase each year the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases by 3 percent or more.

A person may qualify for benefits at age 62 as a spouse of a worker, or at age 60 as the widow or widower of a deceased worker. Benefits are also reduced with a spouse at age 62 receiving a benefit equal to 75 percent of what he or she would have received at age 65, and a widow's benefit amounts to 71 1/2 percent at age 60 of what he or she would get at 65.

Early retirement also affects the amount of money you can earn without affecting your social security checks. The limit on the amount of money people under 65 can earn without losing benefits is \$3,720 in 1980; for people 65 and over, the limit is \$5,000. Social security checks are generally reduced \$1 for each \$2 for earnings above the limit.

The earnings limit for people under 65 increases each year to reflect increases in general wage levels. The limit for people 65 or older will increase to \$5,500 for 1981, \$6,000 for 1982, and automatically thereafter.

If you continue to do some work, your social security benefit is automatically recomputed and may increase to reflect the additional earnings.

As a result of the 1977 amendments, the so-called "delayed retirement credit" was increased for people who reach 65 in 1982 or later, from one to three percent a year for every year after age 65, that a person delays retirement. That could mean a 21 percent higher check at age 72.

Medicare coverage becomes available at age 65, so if you retire before then you will need to be sure you have health insurance coverage until Medicare starts.

The first step you should take when you consider retirement is to contact us at the social security office.

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Black college desegregation leads to white dominance



A number of prominent whites and blacks, including myself, have organized the Project '80 Coalition For Black Colleges and designated a day in the fall as Black College Day '80 and the time to stage a march on Washington. Why?

"Resistance to tyranny is obedience to God," said black abolitionist and journalist Ida B. Wells. That statement sums up the answer. A more literal response can come from the history of the alleged desegregation of public black colleges.

The office of Civil Rights of HEW is desegregating black colleges in 10 states because of the Adams suit brought by Jack Greenberg's NAACP Legal Defense Fund.

The plan, as carried out, is actually a white "blitzkrieg" of students and facilities. The black colleges are being either closed down, "merged" or "enhanced." Merged means to become a white dominated school; enhancement means to spend the additional funds to set up programs for whites.

Langston University in Oklahoma is being closed; Tennessee State is being sub-merged and Florida A & M University is being enhanced for

whites. And the black presidents of the latter two believe they are really helping black people while embracing a white mission.

Savannah State College (SSC) was "merged" last year with white Armstrong State, a former junior college. This year, SSC will graduate about one-half the blacks it did last year. The desegregation plan, therefore, has been used as the prototype for more mergers.

The College of Education at SSC was "swapped" with the School of Business at Armstrong State. Of the 1,000 black majors in education at SSC, 450 followed the school to Armstrong. The remaining 550 black students left for other black schools. Of the 1,000 white business majors, about 145 followed the program, before they started dropping out.

The black education students are bused to Armstrong, along with their teachers, to sit in all-black classes while the Armstrong education students hold all-white classes in nearby classrooms.

In 1953, West Virginia State was desegregated; it is now 80 percent white. In 1972, Dr. Lawrence Davis, the black president of the all-black Arkansas A & M, warned that the so-called desegregation plan was harmful to blacks. "It's inevitable, just as inevitable as the sun will go down this evening that this school will also become predominantly white ... because the whites feel that if they must integrate they must control."

Dr. Davis is no longer the president and the school's white enrollment has shot up to almost 20 percent. His warning could have applied to the rest of the "desegregated" black colleges.

Lincoln University in Missouri is now 65 percent white and going into a high white gear. The slow fade to white has reached the one-third mark at formerly black Delaware State, Bowie State and Kentucky State University.

At Tennessee State, thanks to a short-sighted black president, the so-called merger with the University of Tennessee-Nashville branch is looking more like a sub-merger to white dominance every day.

To date, any merging or enhancing in "desegregation" plans wipes out or decreases black control or presence.

Black people are allowing the Office of Civil Rights of HEW and the plaintiff, Jack Greenberg's NAACP Legal Defense Fund, to implement and oversee this alleged desegregation scheme in a vacuum.

This process reduces the chances of black youths getting a college education and violates the constitutional guarantee of equal access to an education for blacks.

For background information on the destruction of black colleges, Black College Day or how to help save them, write: The Project '80 Coalition For Black Colleges, 1501 Broadway, Suite 2014, NY, NY, 10036.

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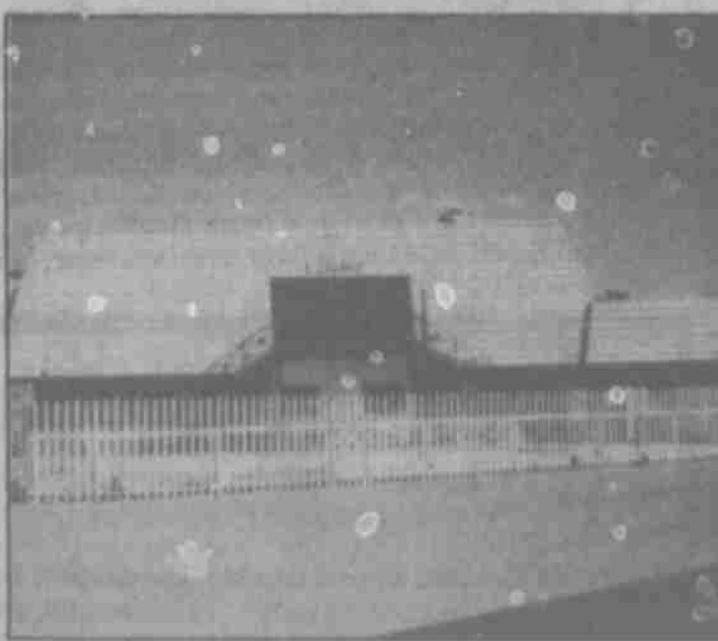
Sister Regina Foppe, O. L. V. M.

As I promised last week, I will share with you Alex Haley's, author of *Roots*, lecture given at the Friday noon luncheon, July 11, given at the White House Conference of Families in Los Angeles. *Roots* has been translated into 33 languages and sold 5 million hard back copies. Presently the film is shown in Czechoslovakia and the book is being sold in China. While his mail has decreased, it still averages 1,000 letters per week.

Alex Haley in his opening remarks compared the delegates to the floatation of immigrant ships arriving at our shores. Most immigrants arrived here six to ten generations ago, the slave ships possibly a few generations further back. Both types of ships were quite similar, in sea-faring, disease, and hardships, and death at sea; the difference was in the passengers: the slaves were chained. Black immigrants were the unwilling immigrants.

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Looking back to our days when we studied history, we were given the "big image" people who made up one percent of the European elites. The other ninety nine percent (99%) are seldom mentioned. They comprise the selfs and peasants who used their few savings to get on similar ships to those of slave ships. These immigrants of the past he reminded us were the direct ancestors to most of us at this Conference.

As family, quoting Haley:
"We have a great common denominator as humans, we share that many of us seem to forget, that we human beings really no matter how we may otherwise distinguish ourselves, we seem so bent on finding ways to separate ourselves and distinguish between ourselves that we overlook some of the most compelling likenesses we have such that, we are, together, sharing one single planet, and that if we don't learn how better to live on this one planet, all of us of our divergent types and beings, ect. it seems to be the most simple deduction in the world that one day we are going to push the wrong button and we are all going to go up together."

He referred to the "We-They" syndrome, "They" being the minority, reminding us the minority, Blacks, Chicanos, Latinos, and Orientals comprise six sevenths (6/7) of the world's population. He urged us to consider spending as much for social programs to better the conditions of humankind in our nation and throughout the world as we appropriate in billions of dollars for armaments.

He chided us for our use of semantics: such as "slums" in the 50s, "ghettos" in the 60s; "inner cities" in the 70s, the bottom line remains the same: people living in substandard conditions that we are not willing to accept for ourselves and our off-spring. He challenged us saying that we have the intelligence and resources, if we can muster massive support within our shores we could do away with our "slums", "ghettos," and "inner cities" in which our people now live within the next decade.

He recommended that: 1) we institute programs that every child of junior high age be given the assignment for credit to research his/her family. 2) collect heir looms from the family attic and old boxes and preserve them. 3) hold family reunion at least every two years in order to form what might be called a "clan." Take pictures. Memories will become defied. "A pauper" he reminded the delegates, "has as much geneology as a prince." 4) work to change attitudes toward Blacks, Chicanos, Latinos, Orientals, and women, the latter comprise more than half of humankind.

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Q: What is an exotic hanging plant for a window which faces south?

A: Hanging cacti are unusual looking and grow beautifully in the full sun of a southern exposure. One of my favorites is rhipsalis cactus which produces tiny white berries on its long thin stems - this is why it's sometimes called "mistletoe cactus." Soak soil then allow to dry completely.

Q: My spring flowers are fading fast and I know I should take off the flowers to avoid seed formation - but what about the stalks? They look so ugly when they wither; can they be removed, too?

A: When you remove the flowers from bulb bloomers such as tulip or daffodil, you can also remove the flower stalks, but don't pull them out. That can dislodge the bulbs which you'll want to keep firmly planted. Cut flowers and stalks at the same time, if you wish, with sharp scissors about two inches above the soil line.

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Super nice guy Bill Withers is on the entertainment scene once again, and if his act is as together as reported by the cornerstaders, his return to the top won't take but a minute. You may remember that a few seasons ago Bill left his job with the post office and launched a career that skyrocketed with his first hit including "Grandma's Hands" and "Harlem." At the top Bill married actress Deniece Nicholas, and after what was reported to be one of Hollywood's stormiest marriages, the couple were divorced. Bill quietly left the scene to put his life back in order. All our spies report that his life is now very much in order; his new marriage is quiet and secure, and he has a new long term contract with United Artists Records after leaving the Columbia Records stable. Watch out for Bill Withers to hit the country like a ton of bricks with solid hit after hit once again.



Usually in Las Vegas and Reno, when you hear loud shouts of joy, you can safely assume that a customer has hit the jackpot for some heavy dollars, but this was not the case when Pip member Eddie Patten let out a loud shout of joy at Harrah's in Reno recently. Eddie, who was performing with star Gladys Knight, had just been informed that his lovely wife Rene had given birth to a beautiful nine pound baby girl, Rene Jshanti.

It was a real pleasure to hear from our Oakland friend Tee Wolfe that she is moving into Vonetta McGee's rustic Hollywood Hills home for the summer while Vonetta launches her new play on the East Coast. Tee, who heads up the giant Xerox Corporation's Hollywood summer minority youth study program, enlisted the aid of our good friend Hollywood columnist Valentin Singleton. Scores of kids showed up at the training sites, Theta Cable Television studios, the Inner-City Cultural Center and Pepperdine University.

Speaking of pleasure, that nine man group that calls itself *Pleasure* has a sure winner with their release "Yearnin' Burnin'." Once the tune was moving up the charts, keyboard man Michael Hepburn got to yearnin' for his true love, attorney Carol Walters in Portland, Oregon, and rushed off to marry her in a quiet ceremony. Our Portland spy reports that the couple met on a blind date over two years ago and it's been yearnin' and burnin' true love ever since.

Natalie Cole's new tune, "The One I Used to Love," has folks sitting in the bars and discos with tears streaming down their faces. Apparently Natalie hit just the right nerve for lots of folks who remember the one they used to love.

Word from New York: is that Cotillion Records executive Henry Allen is really high on the talents of his new discovery, Dee Edwards. Henry is telling friends that Dee is a sure fire winner and folks listen because Henry is a veteran of many entertainment chart battles.

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Chuckles

Jean Cruguet, French-born jockey: "When I first came here I worked the Florida tracks. It's hard to learn English when everybody is speaking Spanish."

Social Security

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We can give you information based on your circumstances and the earnings recorded in your social security record. The information could include a benefit estimate for you and your wife or dependents and how much your check would be reduced if you retire before 65.

QUESTION

My husband died 2 years ago. He was 68 and was still working. Will his delayed retirement credits increase my payments when I retire at age 60 next year?

ANSWER:

Yes. Your deceased husband's delayed retirement credits will be applied to your benefits.

QUESTION:

I don't understand the advantages of the social security delayed retirement credit. Since I'll be getting annual cost of living increases when I retire, wouldn't this be better than the retirement credits?

ANSWER:

The two don't exclude each other. The law provides that cost-of-living increases are applied to your benefit from age 62 on. So if you retire at age 65, you get any cost of living increases that occurred since you turned 62; and if you retire after age 65, you get the delayed credits in addition.

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TELL IT LIKE IT IS

by
T. J. Patterson, Sr.

Ministers, What Happen To You??

Several months ago, the East Lubbock Ministerial Alliance, under the capable leadership of the Rev. Kado Lang - pastor of the "chute" in east Lubbock with blazing speed. Then, all of a sudden, they began to trot about the political situation. But now they are walking (as the recent remark made by the outstanding preacher Dr. C. A. W. Clark said, while in a revival at Lyons Chapel Baptist Church recently).

We hope this is the case! We hope they have not just sat down and went back into their shells as they have been in for many years. We hope this man, Rev. Lang, will unite his forces once again and get the ball rolling as it should for all of us.

Of course, we didn't agree with every procedure this ministerial alliance were using in combating the local ills of this political system. But, at least, it was a refreshing thing to see our brethren of the cloth doing its mission in the hedges and highways of Lubbock. As Rev. Lang said many times in less than six months, "We are going to get some things done in our community." This was great! But you tell me, what happen to you, Ministers?

There have been many who have talked about these brothers for their efforts, but have you done in this regard? On the other hand, the political system here did begin to pay attention to their involvement. Maybe they should have not called a press conference to endorse local candidates. It has always been a good theory to keep politicians guessing which way you are coming. If they know, and many of them will, you are in a position to be ambushed like General Custer was against the Indians.

But, still, the \$64 question is: "What happen to you, Ministers?" It is our hope that you didn't become afraid of political and economic reprisals here. If this was the reason, you've forgotten that you are independent men in our community and rely on the black community for your sole support, or, perhaps this is the case in most instances.

On the other hand, brethren, if you don't come back and really get down to business, people will doubt your sincerity about your mission. The black Church, under the leadership of the black ministers, has been the black community's only hope over these years of frustration. At the same time, the black press, too, has played a vital role in relating situations to the black community. Both, together, have done marvelous things for the black community in the name of the Lord.

So, Rev. Lang, we hope you will get your forces together as you are the leader of the East Lubbock Ministerial Alliance. You are the leader of an episcopal organization which can bring to light many untruths in our community. Dealing, of course, with the truth will make the local political system unhappy with you. Let us warn you, however, many obstacles will be placed in your path. Sometimes these arrows of frustration will even come from those who are close to you, brethren of the cloth.

At least for awhile, we saw footprints in the sand of involvement made by the East Lubbock Ministerial Alliance. We are still awaiting to see involvement of the Baptist Ministers Union, under the leadership of the Rev. A. L. Dunn, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church. This organization is to be commended for bringing such a revival here recently. It would be great, however, to see them get involved with the East Lubbock Ministerial Alliance, and together, overturn many things in our community.

As they praise God together, nothing but good will come out of their efforts. These men of the cloth, who have been ordained by the Word of God, must realize that we (Black people) have been traveling with maps undetermined. We are like the children of Israel were one day. They, like us, just sit around and bitterly complain about everything and will do nothing to better our conditions.

Help us, ministers of the cloth. Show us God's way through these times of peril. Show us how important it is for us to come together as an oppressed people in a community of plenty. Help us to create a new pride and dignity, so we all can contribute our many talents to our community.

Ministers, what has happen to you? Will you help us??

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WHY ARGUE? THE FACTS ARE HERE!

Business in the Black



By Charles E. Belle

when an ounce isn't enough Consumers Have Clout

Every person in the country is a buyer or seller of some consumer product. Practically speaking, however, very few have ever heard of Esther Peterson, Special Assistant to the President for Consumer Affairs and Director of the U. S. Office of Consumer Affairs. She is a silver-haired senior citizen caught up in consumer problems everyday. Doing her job would be much easier for her and wiser for would be buyers if her portent advise is adhered to by shoppers. Says the consumer specialist follow the old saying "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Consumers too slow or too late for the sage advise will find an array of assistance available to nap scroungers.

Consumers do have many resources available to assist them in getting their money back. Laws on the books can be brought to bear on unscrupulous merchants and manufacturers. In fact, the Consumer Product Safety Commission along with Mrs. Peterson's U. S. Office of Consumer Affairs have prepared a Consumer's Resource Handbook to properly direct the public to the particular place to file a complaint.

Free! The Consumer's Resource Handbook can be obtained by writing the Consumer Information Center, Department 532 G, Pueblo, Colorado 81009. This book belongs in every home in America. Any one who has not had a consumer problem probably does not exist!

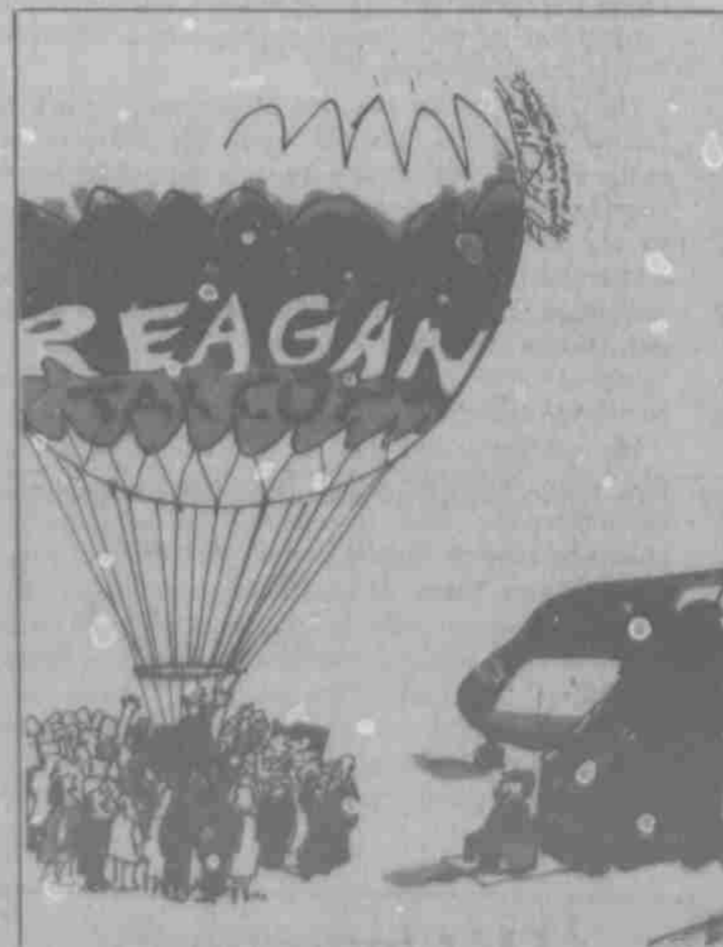
While the handbook has a complaint handling primer easily understood by most people, writing is not the only way to register a complaint. Calling on the telephone to explain your trauma is made tolerable for all people. Let your feet do the talking if your fingers cannot do the selling.

Where to go for assistance by state, county and city consumer offices are correlated for easy comprehension. Contacting the state office where the business transaction originated concerning the complaint is the beginning for people who reside out of state. Still saving your sales slips and documents are the surest way to win your case regardless of which state you see a solution.

Service available to all consumers by private consumer groups are gathered and spelled out in the handbook. The Consumer Credit Counseling Service (CCCS) sponsored by the National Foundation for Consumer Credit, Inc., which is supported by banks,

credit card companies, finance companies and other financial institutions offer free consumer credit and budget planning services.

Services and subjects of interest to file a complaint are listed in alphabetical order in the back of the handbook to help you find the current government or private agency to contact to cure your consumer problem. Probably, the first thing you should do is send for the free handbook. Unfortunately, it will help you in the future.



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Ringling The Bell

by
Bob Tieucl

"Black Colleges -- Serving as Before"

The nation's 105 traditionally black colleges and universities continue to be a strength in the American higher education structure a quarter-century after a Supreme Court ruling ended segregation in education.

A recent government study has found that these institutions while enrolling fewer than 20 percent of the nation's black students, are granting nearly 50 percent of all bachelor's degree won by blacks.

Most if not all of the 105 institutions were rooted in Southern segregation. They filed an educational rebel of the time, usually under great difficulty. Many educators thought that the end of segregation also spelled the end of the predominantly black schools.

Fortunately that has not been the case. The federal study suggests that a higher than usual percentage of students attending the traditionally black colleges and universities are sufficiently dedicated and determined so as to acquire degrees. In a different way, perhaps, but just as strongly as before, these institutions continue to serve America's black young people" end of quote from editorial in Dallas Morning News.

Carl Rowan, one of the nation's best known and widely read black columnists, is a graduate of Tennessee State College (now attended there two years in the 30's and remember Frances Thompson, the art teacher Carl). We were kicked out at Tennessee State, however, because as a student editor we wrote a scathing editorial against the president then and a history professor - Mr. Epps.

Rowan speaking before a convention of retired persons told of some of the mail he gets. One woman wrote him: "Life for you must be a terrible burden, being black and stupid at the same time." "Well, I answered her: "Dear Madam: Life for you can't possibly be so great a burden, since you obviously have only half my problem."

Editorial of the Week: "King of Kings is Dead - The King of Kings, Center of the Universe, Shad Mohammed Reza: Fahlavi, who sat on the Peacock Throne of Persia, is dead; but his legacy lives. He pulled his former barren kingdom into the 20th century screaming and may have murdered as many as 10,000 people to keep it there as a military bulwark against Soviet expansionism...."

"He was the instigator and creator of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries and the moving force behind ever higher prices of Arab oil, both of which have a firm stronghold on the rest of the world which is desperate for never-ending sources of energy; but OPEC and all its works only served to make the rest of the world detest him as a leader.

"What can be said of his rule and his life? I title, perhaps, except that it points to the folly of man...."

"The Western World used him in the chess game against the Russians, but he died a man without a country--even without a passport," end of quote from Hobbs Daily News Sun.

Dear George: I agree with you for the most part that the Black Church and the black minister in most instances, are in the vanguard for his people's welfare. In some related instances, the black teacher or

principal, often are fearful to take a stand on black human rights and one black minister said a few years ago in a certain West Texas town that "I have nine teacher on my membership rolls and anybody that wants them can get them today."

We remember when most black ministers felt that teachers (black) were detrimental to the on going progress of the church and stated so in national conventions etc. Since integration, that pitched fever has died somewhat. Black preachers are not as educated as black teachers but they to have their

degrees in Negro-ology, when it comes to the working church. Black doctors, journalists, lawyers, business men all make better churchmen than teachers, one bellringer told me recently. There exceptions: my girl Friday and My sister, Theresa, are naturally born church leaders and great teachers, too. Which proves you can be both if you try real hard. Thanks for your kind letter, and for being a long time bellringer. We love bellringers. signed - Bob.

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AS PUBLISHERS of this weekly newspaper, we owe to YOU, the reading public, to be factual and fair. You may be critical of some things that are written, but, at least you will have the satisfaction of knowing they are truthful and to the point.

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

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

This is not a propaganda sheet made to chastise or spiffify. This is a newspaper made to educate and not to agitate.

T. J. Patterson Eddie P. Richardson, Jr.
Editors

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Your Absence from Church is A Vote To Close Its Doors



Rev. Kado Lang
Pastor
St. James Baptist Church

Know Your Ministers

One of the local black ministers in our community is Rev. Kado Lang, pastor of the St. James Baptist Church, 3661 Railroad Avenue. Rev. Lang is the president of the East Lubbock Ministerial Alliance and is active in this community.



Rev. P. B. Phenix

Rev. P. B. Phenix Returns To Don Crow

Rev. P. B. Phenix returns back to work with Don Crow Chevrolet after taking a three month vacation. During this time, I was busy preaching for the Lord. I had to preach the Gospel. I've got to get into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," said Rev. Phenix. Rev. Phenix also would like for you to know that

if you are in the market for a new or used car, truck or van, give him the opportunity to work with you. He believes in giving his customers the deal of the month. Rev. Phenix is also getting ready for a used car show at the Parkway Mall. For more information about this upcoming show, call him at 765-9522 or 794-4000.

WORDS OF LIFE Biblical Inspiration For The Week

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst and thirst for righteousness"—St. Matthew 5:6

- 1. Loyalty.** Thirsting for righteousness is a sign of our loyalty to and devotion toward God. Jesus said to His disciples that they should seek first His righteousness and then all else would be added to them. "Love me and be loyal to me," Jesus said in effect, "and you will be satisfied with all the things you need."
- 2. Faith.** Thirsting for righteousness is a symptom of faith. God tells us not to worry about the future. "Be not anxious." Then, He will take care of all your needs. When we seek simply to do

His will, knowing that all else will be taken care of, this is a sign that we have absolute faith in God.
3. Victory. Thirsting for righteousness readily on our part seals victory for us in every circumstance in life. Keep doing what God wants us to do. Then God "takes care of business" for us, sealing the victory. So God says to the righteous even today: "Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem. Cry aloud and say unto her that her warfare is (already) accomplished, that her iniquity is (already) pardoned."

Prayer Poem

Loyalty, faith and victory! These gifts come to our lives are filled with greater love for God. Loving God, seeking His will first, is a way of transcending ourselves. God promises that when we put Him and His will first in our

lives, all other gifts will be given to us. In the prayer poem, "My God, Accept My Heart This Day," we are provided an exceedingly helpful and devotional means of putting God and His will first.

My God, Accept My Heart
This Day,
And make it always thine,
That I from thee no more
may stray,
No more from thee decline.

Anoint me with thy heavenly
grace,
Adopt me for thine own,
That I may see thy glorious
face,
And worship at thy throne.

Let every thought, and
work, and word,
To thee be ever given;
Then life shall be thy
service, Lord,
And death the gate of
heaven.

—Amen

Support your pastor as he
seeks to instill devotion,
loyalty and faith—and so
assure for us the victory.

The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast Club met last Saturday morning in the home of Mrs. A. M. Washington who constantly keeps her doors open for this group. This is just super!! We love you Sister Washington. Presiding over last Saturday's meeting was our president, Mrs. Mary Ward.

Opening devotion was led by Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Clara Cage. The scripture was taken from Proverbs 4:1-7.

The morning lesson was taught by Mrs. Dorothy Hood. It was taken from Romans 10, with key verses 14-17.

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?" "So faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God." Thought for the day: "Brethren, my hearts desire and prayer to God is that you might be saved." Think about it.

Remarks were given by friends. This was followed by a lovely solo by Mrs. E. Dyer. The song was entitled: "How Great Thou Art."

Breakfast was served country style. Most of you know what that means - i. e. grits, gravy and homemade biscuits. Lots of other goodies. Are you You

are! Then we can look for you on Saturday morning. Our aim is to feed five thousand this year. If faith will move mountains, then we have no problem with either spiritual or physical food. What you think? Congratulations go out to our hostess. Keep on "cooking."

Our guest last week include Mrs. C. C. Peoples. We were so happy to have her back. Our sick and shut in list include: Elder Russell, Mr. Clifton Malons, father of Mrs. Annie N. Johnson; Mrs. Evelyn Mint, Mrs. Willie M. Washington, who hasn't been feeling well; Mrs. A. W. Washington, still in A. W. Washington, still shut-in at home; Mr. M. E. Collins, doing much better at home; Mrs. Hattie Henry, patient at Wayland Hospital - room 111; and Mrs. Ella McCruthers, mother of Mrs. C. C. Peoples.

Remember God cares and so do we.

Prayer request was made. Do you have one? Call or come by. Morning prayer was offered by Mrs. C. C. Peoples.

For more information, call 762-3347.

Can any good come out of Nazareth? Our answer is come and see!!

Our next meeting will be held Saturday morning in the home of Mrs. Juanita Sowell, 2404 East 9th Street. See you there!!

Mrs. Mary Ward, president; Mrs. C. E. Fair, vice president; Mrs. C. E. Brown, secretary; and Mrs. Dorothy Hood, reporter.

Lubbock Women Attend Meeting

Two Lubbock women attended the Grand Lodge in Houston, Texas recently. They were Mrs. Floyd Harris, worthy counselor of Ruining Rose; and Mrs. D. C. Fair, Sr., worthy counselor of Evening Joy.

Both reported a wonderful Grand Lodge which was held in the Sheraton Hotel. Mrs. Harris served on

several committees. Mrs. Fair was elected Grand Lodge Protector.

There were five hundred women in attendance.

According to the Lubbock women, "This was one of the best sessions." But, both, give hope that next session will be even greater. This session will be held in Lubbock, Texas.

39th Annual Birthday Dinner Of The Royal Ladies Club

The Royal Ladies Social Club held its 39th annual birthday dinner last Thursday, July 31, in the home of Mrs. L. Brown in Yellowhouse Canyon.

The club members present presented a lovely salad dinner for members and guest who were present. They were very pleased with everything and the food was delicious.

The members received birthday check and exchanged gifts. The occasion was a joyous one and all members were pleased with their gifts.

The special guest of the club members were: N.S. Collins, Ms. Ethel Jamison, Ms. Warnet Jamison, Ms.

Elnora Dyer, and Ms. Mattie Hayes of the Lubbock Digest.

Ms. Collins made a presentation of lovely lounge gowns, turbans and handkerchiefs for everyone to see.

The members of the club are: Mrs. Pearl Baker, president; Mrs. D. C. Fair, social treasurer; Ms. Thomas, vice president; Mrs. J. Drake and Mrs. J. Porter, planning committee; Ms. Green, birthday treasurer; Ms. Brown, benevolent treasurer; and Ms. Sparks, secretary.

The president stated that all was enjoyed and they are looking forward to seeing everyone back in club meetings on Tuesday evenings.

Senior Craftsmen's Market Will Be Held

The fifth annual Senior Craftsmen's Market will be held August 15th and 16th in the open air mall of Monterey Shopping Center, 50th and Flint. Times are 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m.

What started out as a church oriented arts and crafts fair for its senior members, has become an area wide show and sale for anyone of 60 years or more. That is the only requirement, there is no charge and no commission. This is an outreach of the First United Methodist church to enable senior craftsmen to show and sale their works, make a little

money to buy more supplies, and to give them a place to come together and visit.

Several area groups enter every year and some even provide entertainment for the shoppers. The Retired Senior Volunteers from Levelland bring their

Kitchen Klatter Band and Barney Wilson and Friends from Slaton provided some pickin and grinn' in music.

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Sheridan's Ride

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There's a really very, very funny movie drawing the crowds these days across the nation and down at the US South Plains Cinema. It's a wacky number called "Airplane!" (you've probably noticed the upside-down advertising for the show in the newspaper) and it is intended and comes out as an irreverent jibe at all the "Airport" movies and a slew of other "disaster" movies along the way, as well.

Based loosely on a 1957 potboiler called "Zero Hour," this film bears relation to any other, in fact. What it does is to tell the story of an airplane flight from Los Angeles to Chicago that seems doomed from the "Jaws" take-off beginning to an utterly devastating comic finish. We have a zany bunch of passengers, a former, boring war pilot who carries the guilt for a supposed fatal error during the service and harps on it ever since, his girl friend the stewardess whom he is trying to win back, some wild passengers ranging from an odd-ball, num to a funny stricken lady, to the cockpit crew, a sexually deviant pilot, a basketball star copilot, a navigator, and on the ground a quartet of totally nutty control tower personnel trying to talk the plane down as the hapless onetime pilot has to take over the controls.

All this makes little sense in plot telling. The laughs in this one come thick and fast as every well-known hung of "Airport" dialogue is said straight, and funny, interpreted with sight gags that give literal meanings to the colorful jargon. The film is chock full of one-line jokes and sight gags and is the funniest piece around.

Summer 1980 has brought a raft of so-called "big" films to the screens but the exception of one or two ("Fame" is a winner most have proved disappointing. But, "Airplane!" popped up as a "sleeper," meaning a little known, unheralded film that latched on to public fancy, and has provided the summer days highlight.

The leads are unknown by name, Robert Hays and Julie Hagerty, and they do very well. Basketball player Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is the co-pilot, while Peter Graves is the questionable pilot. You'll find Lloyd Bridges, Leslie Nielsen and Robert Stack playing with straight faces and funny antics in the cast.

"Airplane!" is a PG-rated film and it is a corker. If you haven't caught this one yet, do so by all means. Laughter is good for the soul, they say, and mine was feeling 100 percent better when I emerged from the theatre than it was when I went in.

There is a program coming up on August 14 through 16 at the Lindsey Center for the Performing Arts (formerly Lindsey Theatre downtown) that should brighten the dog days on summer. It is the performance of two one-act plays written and directed by two of the brightest and most talented of the young players that graced the Texas Tech and Lubbock Theatre Centre stages (and the Haycraft Dinner Theatre) that it has been my fortunate experience to associate with in my long tenure as theatre reviewer in these here parts.

The two young men are G. W. Bailey and Barry Corbin and Corbin is the author of the two one-act plays. They are entitled "The Whiz Bang Cafe" and "The E. Z. Snooze Motel," and both have met with favorable response in the Los Angeles area. Bailey is directing the enterprise.

Both young men, highly talented, have been in the Hollywood area recently and Corbin plays Uncle Ned in the current film, "Urban Cowboy."

Bailey is seen frequently on national TV and both young men have done extensive stage work in the East since they departed the Lubbock scene.

The recent Pure Love Praise Gathering, the Gospel music program put on at the Civic Centre Theatre by Radio KLLL and the Caldwell Studios, was a pleasant, low-key performance of Gospel favorites by a team of very talented area singers and musicians. Emcee by favorite Jim Fillingim, the program delighted the audience and carried out the theme of praise and the reassurance of Gospel promise admirably.

The week's sad note was the passing of that fine comedian and actor Peter Sellers in London, England, following a massive heart attack, the last in a long series of

health problems. With a long line of totally individual characterizations down through the years including "The Mouse That Roared" wherein he played three roles, all different, to the wonderful, bumbling Inspector Clouseau of the "Pink Panther" series to his Academy Award nomination gem, the gardener in the superb "Being There," in last season, Sellers has left an incomparable record of untouchable comic and witty portraits. What a pity to lose such a man! He was only 54 when he died recently.

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HISTORY-MAKING BLACK HAPPENINGS:

(For your continuing calendar of major black events. Please cut out this column and keep it in your own notebook. Please mark the date of each entry.)

International...

Zimbabwe — Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's government has been assessed by observers here as having the possibility of no less than "phenomenal success." The ingredients which suggest this appraisal are several. (1) Mr. Mugabe's election was by a clear majority and seemed to have been fair. (2) The Mugabe government has consolidated a number of alliances with the nation's white leadership, particularly in the crucial areas of agricultural and military affairs. (3) The new government has accommodated much of its former guerrilla army with secure places temporarily in an expanded army. (4) Economic measures, such as immediate land use adjustments, promise a quick show of economic progress for large numbers of the black population.

Black African leaders have been especially pleased at the implied message of Mr. Mugabe's election which is being sent to South Africa. South Africans must know now that there can be no protective political, economic and military barrier placed around the borders of South Africa. One possibly negative outcome of the new developments in Zimbabwe is that South Africa may be hesitant to permit free elections in Namibia, where a similar black majority government may emerge.

Liberia — The government of Master Sergeant Samuel Doe announced, following the coup earlier this year, that there would be very little change in Liberia's relations with other nations. This policy has continued, despite some clear need for reform in terms of Liberia's receipts from U.S. and other investors in Liberian raw materials.

The U.S. has had the greatest stake and involvement, as a foreign government, in Liberian affairs. The U.S. has maintained the Omega communications and monitoring site in Liberia, which is the most substantial of its kind in Africa.

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RUBY JAY'S CORNER

Darrell Edward Berry left Lubbock, via Braniff Airlines, for Pittsburgh, Pa. to attend the Berry family reunion. He remained in Pittsburgh until Saturday, July 26, and flew to Dallas, via American Airlines. He was met there by his mother, Mrs. J. A. Newton. He reports a wonderful trip. Aside from meeting grandparents, other relatives and friends, he attended the Pittsburgh Pirates baseball game and visited many beautiful historic places as well as the Museum of Natural Science.

Darrell made this trip alone. He was received a huge family welcome when he returned to Lubbock safely.

This writer is looking forward to attending a meeting in Fort Worth this week. More about it next week. Pray for me.

Mrs. Mattie Dye, 2626 Globe Avenue, celebrated her 84th birthday last Sunday, August 3, at Mae Simmons Community Center. Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Quinney, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and family, Mrs. Mary Newton and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Reed and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chill Walker and family, Mr. Freddy Wasington and friends, Mrs. Mae D. Simmons, Mrs. Eula Lois Love, Mrs. Willie Mae Herford, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Walker, Mr. George Woods, Mrs. Mary Reynolds, Mrs. Sug Johnson and husband, and many others.

Those who attended the West Texas District Baptist Association this week in Fort Worth,



Texas are Rev. A. L. Dunn, moderator of the Association; Mrs. Bernice Kelly, Mrs. E. Dyer, Mrs. R. B. Thompson, Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin, Mrs. C. Howard, and Mrs. Ruby Jay and granddaughter, Chantell.

This writer and Chantell will visit relatives in Morgan, Texas before returning home from the meeting in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Mami Black is home from the hospital after having eye surgery. She is doing nicely at this report.

Let us continue to pray for Brother C. Lang.

Mrs. Hannah Lee Patterson, mother of J. J. Patterson, was a patient at St. Mary's Hospital this week. She is doing nicely at this report.

Mrs. Lillie Cork motored to Dallas, Texas last Saturday to witness the "Miss United Teenager" pageant of which her granddaughter, Chartress Kelly, was one of the participants. Chartress won first place in the essay contest which included 162 other young girls from throughout the state of Texas. Congratulations, Chartress, for a job well done.

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The 1980 exposition boasts virtually all-new lineup and ticket sales by mail have been well ahead of last year, Lewis said.

The shows include: Merle Haggard, with Susie Allanson, 5 p. m. and 8 p. m., Sept. 21; the Oak Boys, 5 p. m. and 8 p. m.; Sept. 22; Marty Robbins, with Little David Wilkins, 5 p. m. and 8 p. m., Sept. 23; Eddie Rabbitt, with Susan Raye, 5 p. m. and 8 p. m., Sept. 24; the Golden Years of Country Music, by South Plains

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by
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The hatred that is felt motivates blacks and whites to attack each other in their minds even when no fighting is taking place. So, although the riot is not now in the streets, make no mistake about it: it is taking place in the minds of most blacks and whites.

When the street violence subsides, the public, generally, thinks that the frustration and hatred that perpetuate the riot subsides, also, but nothing is further from the truth. The dynamite-like frustration and hatred are constantly present, just waiting to be ignited by an act of racial insensitivity.

The factors in this society that cause racial antagonism are many: television violence; television portrayals of blacks in secondary roles; minimal black representation on police forces, on court benches, in legislatures and in viable businesses; constant black awareness of these activities which portray whites in superior roles and blacks in inferior roles, thus reinforcing the black negative self-image; and the secondary black role in society which reaffirms, psychologically, white positive self-image and racial antagonism.

Whether or not they are accurate in their assessment, many blacks believe that whites get a sadistic pleasure from seeing blacks squirm in an uncomfortable, racial situation; and, even deliberately plan such situations.

Blacks hold great antipathy toward whites because of the constant indignities received from whites and because of the frequent, aggressive and obvious pleasures that many whites receive from abusing blacks and observing blacks in psychologically untenable situations.

Whites dislike blacks because of their need to have a societal group whom they can perceive as inferior to themselves.

Until a massive effort is made by the Federal Government to eliminate every vestige of racism in this society, blacks and whites are likely to be just inches from each other's throats and just seconds away from a physical expression of violence.

Racism is institutionalized. It is found in every area of American society from the public school system to jobs in the Federal Government and from public golf courses to private clubs and discos.

Whites need blacks in order to be able to uphold their own self-esteem. Blacks serve as a psychological crutch for whites. Everyone needs some other human being to feel superior to. Blacks are easily identifiable and readily available to fill this inferior role.

It is for this reason that racism is likely to be around for the foreseeable future. It is likely also, that instances of outward racial violence will recur. It is likely that stress, hypertension and, unfortunately, suicide will claim more psychologically destroyed blacks. It is also likely that the Government will look at racial violence as "just another Saturday night drunken spree that will be forgotten the next day." But, will it?

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- 1 (6-oz.) pkg. stuffing mix with wild rice

- 1/2 lb. sliced Swiss cheese
- 4 eggs
- 1/4 tsp. seasoned salt
- 2 cups milk

Thaw crabmeat. Sauté mushrooms, celery and green onions in butter 2 to 3 minutes.

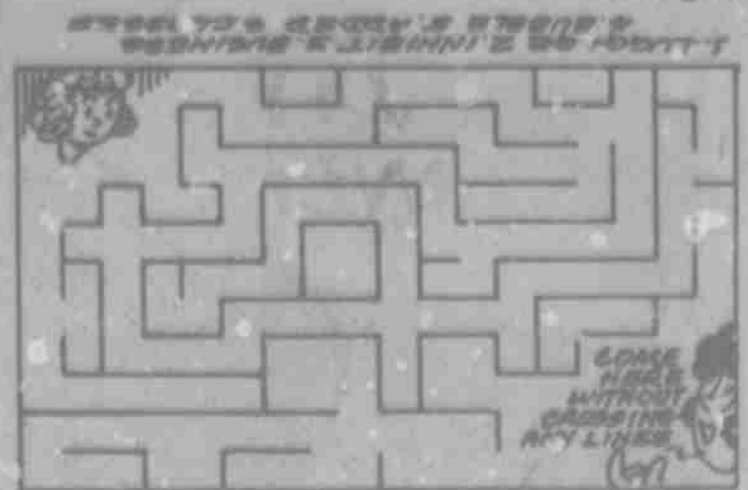
Combine, in 1 1/2 quart casserole, with stuffing crumb, wild rice and diced cheese.

In bowl, beat eggs with seasoned salt to blend; add milk and liquid from thawed Wakefield Crab; mix thoroughly.

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For dessert, offer a fruit crisp that's made with summer's fresh fruit. Add raisins and top with brown sugar, cinnamon and pecan halves. Serve it warm or cold. Either way, it's a special treat.

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3 cups diced cooked or smoked ham
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1 can (16-oz.) sliced carrots, drained, or 1 lb. fresh carrots, cooked and sliced
1 can (17-oz.) condensed cheddar cheese soup,

undiluted
1 tablespoon instant minced onion
2 cups grated sharp cheddar cheese
Salt and pepper, to taste
1 package (8-oz.) refrigerated crescent rolls

Thoroughly drain all vegetables.

In a large bowl, mix ham, broccoli, carrots, soup, onion and cheese.

Season to taste with pepper.

Our mixture into 2 1/2-quart heat-resistant glass casserole.

Bake 15 minutes in a preheated oven at 375°F.

While casserole is baking, separate crescent roll dough into triangles.

Fold each triangle in half.

After casserole has baked 15 minutes, arrange biscuits around the outside, leaving center of casserole open.

Bake at 375°F. for another 20 minutes, or until bubbly and

dough is richly browned.

Cover casserole and place in fabric carrier.

Serves 6 to 8.

PEACH OR APPLE RAISIN CRISP

6 cups sliced, peeled and pitted peaches or apples, peeled, 1/2 cup sliced apples
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup raisins
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup pecan halves

Combine fruit with lemon juice, sugar, honey and raisins in 2-quart clear heat-resistant glass casserole.

Combine flour, brown sugar, salt, cinnamon and butter in small bowl.

Mix with fingers until the mixture is crumbly.

Sprinkle crumbs evenly over fruit top with pecan halves.

Bake at 375°F. for 45-55 minutes or until bubbly and brown.

Place cover on casserole and place in fabric carrier.

When ready to serve, serve in fabric carrier, or top with fresh fruit.

whipped cream or vanilla ice cream.

Serves 6 to 8.

Note: Three cups (29-oz. each) cling peaches, well drained, can be substituted for the fresh fruit. Omit lemon juice, sugar and honey from recipe and cook for 35 to 40 minutes.

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In summer when temperatures soar, why not toast the sun with a thirst-quenching C-O-O-L-I-N-G tea punch.

This Beach Blanket Punch is easily portable and packable, and therefore makes perfect summertime sense.

It is especially refreshing served with Whole Wheat Honey Bread... a natural two-some for picnics at pool or sea! Beach Blanket Punch starts with convenient Nestle Instant 100% Tea which can be made in a snap! And, no sugar is added, just the natural sweet blend of citrus and pineapple juices for thirst-quenching goodness.

Moist Whole Wheat Honey Bread is quick to make, and has all-around appeal because it is made with wholesome ingredi-

ents such as whole wheat flour, honey, raisins and nuts.

These two summer recipes can be prepared the night before, and the next day packed with fresh fruit to round out an appetizing picnic brunch, lunch or snack fare.

Here are the recipes for Beach Blanket Punch and Whole Wheat Honey Bread as developed by the Nestle Test Kitchen.

BEACH BLANKET PUNCH

- 1 16-oz. can unsweetened pineapple juice
- 1 cup orange juice
- 5 measuring tablespoons Nestle Instant 100% Tea
- 1 16-oz. pkg. frozen mixed fruit, thawed

when you serve Beach Blanket Punch and Whole Wheat Honey Bread. A natural two-some, the refreshing punch combines Nestle Instant 100% Tea with the sweet blend of citrus and pineapple juices, and the easy-to-prepare bread is made with wholesome, healthful ingredients. Easily portable and packable, this duo is perfect to take along on a summertime adventure.

In 1 1/2-qt. pitcher, combine pineapple juice, orange juice, Nestle Instant 100% Tea and frozen mixed fruit, mix well. Chill until ready to serve. Makes four 8-oz. servings.

WHOLE WHEAT HONEY BREAD

- 1 cup unsifted whole wheat flour
- 1 cup unbleached flour
- 1 1/2 measuring teaspoons baking soda
- 1 measuring teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 measuring teaspoon salt
- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 4 measuring teaspoons honey
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts
- 1/2 cup orange juice

Preheat oven to 350°F. In small bowl, combine whole wheat flour, flour, baking soda, cinnamon and salt; set aside.

In large bowl, combine butter, sugar and honey; beat until creamy.

Add eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Alternately blend in flour

mixture with milk, mix well. Add raisins and nuts. Pour into greased 9" x 5" x 3" loaf pan.

Run knife lengthwise through center of mixture, about 1" deep to produce a crack in baked bread.

Bake at 350°F. for 55-60 minutes. Cool 10 minutes; remove from pan.

Cool 30 minutes. Turn bread over, bottom side facing up.

Using fork or skewer, prick holes in bread.

Slowly pour orange juice over bread, allowing juice to seep into holes.

Cool completely. Wrap in aluminum foil. Makes one loaf bread.



By M.A. PETTI, M.D.

If your baby's eyes cross occasionally, this is normal. Forget about it. However, if he still has this trouble after 18 months, see your eye doctor. In this way you'll preserve sight in both eyes.

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BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nataniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist

BLACKS AND ENERGY

The remarkable conservation efforts of the American Association of Blacks and Energy should be a winsome and thoroughly compelling reminder to all Americans that we all have a most important role to play in shaping the direction of our nation's energy program.

The heart of the nation's energy policy, so the group feels, is not with an endless series of governmental regulations. Some major regulations might be required, but it is essentially in the enthusiasm or excitement of the American people that a national energy policy will find the basis of its success.

Officers of the American Association of Blacks and Energy met earlier this year in America's energy industry's heartland, Houston, Texas. While almost all of these men

and women were in the employment of energy-producing corporations, they demonstrated an impressive independence of thought and sensitive concern for what they saw as the emotional as well as physical needs of the American public.

"We make a sad—and strategic—mistake," explains Luddy Hayden of Gulf Oil Corporation, "when we simply or primarily urge the American people to engage in self-sacrifice. Psychologically, that kind of approach simply cannot work. But the main point is that we do not need to act other than excitedly—and even self-interestedly—to effect, in many instances, up to 50, 60 or even 70 percent or more in our fuel savings."

"We need to mount, in the most urgent and immediate

way, a positive national campaign which 'accentuates the positive,' which helps the poor to help themselves, and which enables all of our people to think of 'savings rather than sacrifice' and of 'comfort rather than conservation.'"

Hayden continued: "Our country can, in fact, be energy sufficient. The crucial ingredient is the attitudes of our people. Without an eagerness or a tremendous sense of excitement, any public policy which must be sustained for a long period of time is doomed to certain failure. We should all be starting with this elementary and sane assumption."

"I do not believe that we, as blacks in energy, have upon ourselves the primary responsibility of developing

or of demonstrating the sanity or the workability of this assumption. We want to offer this view which must stand or fall on its inherent merits, since no one can absolutely prove what future results may be. But our belief that enthusiasm is required to sustain any important commitment seems consistent with the best that we know of human nature."

When asked for specific practical examples of the lines which an excitement-generating energy policy might take, Hayden replied: "We must begin by stressing comfort. Comfort is the apparent reason for our energy 'spurge or waste in the past. What we must do at this point in time is to let the American public see just how they can be more comfortable—and even infinitely more comfortable in some instances—while consuming much less fuel."

"One small example which is simply suggestive of the spirit of what I have been trying to say is that families may in tall—for about \$15 to \$20 a degree—a 40 degree minimum thermostat. This would enable them to make a 50 to 60 percent fuel savings regularly every night and, even more savings, when they are away from home for any substantial period of time, such as for a full day or a weekend."

"At night, for instance, with the use of an energy-efficient blanket, fresh air may be brought into the family's bedrooms and family members may be more snug and comfortable than ever while the furnace is consuming much less than half the energy it might normally consume or waste at night."

"All of us must get into the 'energy savings excitement' process. There are dozens, if not hundreds, of other simple and effective ways that only a little of the enormous storehouse of imagination of the American people could come up with to add excitedly to our new fuel economy's way of life."

"In the kitchen, cooks can become tremendously enthusiastic about the new 'contact heating' concepts, where the pan or pot itself becomes the stove's or oven's extension."

"The generous and almost cost-free use of humidifiers or of humidification would save many of our poor families seemingly staggering amounts of money. Most of the colds and other membrane discomforts of poor blacks and poor whites are directly related to the 'winter dry air' syndrome in the households of poor people."

"Most people who are recommending fuel subsidies for the poor—and subsidies in many instances are needed—are completely unaware that many of the poor keep their thermostats at between 80 and 82 degrees during much or most of the winter. This is absolute waste. These poor families—with their only having a low simmering pot of water constantly on the kitchen stove—could be infinitely more comfortable at 65 degrees or even 62 degrees."

"Well, these are just a few examples. But we must have excitement—and I think we can."

Perhaps Luddy Hayden has given all of us enough of an energy lesson for one reading.

Would You Believe...

President William Henry Harrison served the shortest term in office (one month in 1841).

The fastest selling book title in Britain ever is the Guinness Book of World Records.

The longest Presidential convention was held in 1924 and lasted for 17 days.

The average American consumes about 85.9 pounds of beef, 57 pounds of poultry, 86 pounds of pork, 2 pounds of veal and 1 pound of lamb and mutton yearly.

More beer — per capita — is drunk in the Northern Territory of Australia than anywhere else.

At a wedding, the bride's knife signifies the new wife's readiness to be keeper of her own household.

Let's Not Kid Ourselves

by Eddie P. Richardson, Jr.

Where do we really stand? Just look around! The census enumerators miss counted and omitted us from the census rolls which will cause cut backs in our limited elected representatives and federal funds.

The 1975 report of the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, titled: "Social Indication of Equality for Minorities and Women," points out: "For every indicator reported in this study, women and minority men have a long way to go to reach equality of majority men and, in many instances, are relatively further from equality in 1976 than they were in 1960."

Most so called modernization has hurt Black people, especially Black males, i. e. automatic elevators in public buildings, self-service gasoline pumps, and automatic toll and parking machines. Jobs such as operating elevators would "increase the quality of life for Black people by putting real people in those inhuman caverns we call office buildings. Self service gas pumps have not lowered gasoline prices, and how many people have caused costly damage to their cars by failing to check their oil regularly? Or the water?"

Getting out and voting now is key and crucial, from the presidential all way down to the state and local levels. We should make every politician work for and earn and respect our votes. We should not let any ignore us and get away with it; nor should we allow any to take us for granted and assume they have us in their hip pockets.

We are strung out on integration. If we integrate the money and the economy, all else will fall into place. If the money is integrated, the social aspects will automatically fall into place. We struggled in the 50's to integrate the schools and buses. We struggled in the 60's to integrate the lunch counters and ballot boxes.

And we've got to struggle in the 80's to integrate the money. Welfare and social action has drastically failed.

The message of several Florida and Tennessee clerics, and the message of the 80's, is nothing we are doing on the level of public policy is remote relevant to the structural problems of Black America. The problem now is not that we need to do more; the problem is that we need to do something entirely different! We need, in short, to create and implement a comprehensive development plan of a magnitude never before attempted in this country. (Next week that plan). Will show ways of stopping the erosion of the gains of the turbulent 50's and 60's, and prevent a worse situation in the 80's.

Black Happenings

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nations registered in Liberia and representing one-fifth of the entire world's shipping fleet. Liberia derives some \$12 million yearly from this type of "easy-access" registry. Admittedly, this has resulted in far too little supervision of ships which increasingly have polluted and

otherwise endangered both foreign ports and international waters.

National News...

Washington, D.C. — A variety of intensified efforts have been launched here to have agencies of the federal government and agencies

funded by the federal government cease their highly discriminatory hiring and contract services policies.

One of the major agencies where "there is substantial evidence to indicate willful exclusion of blacks from prestigious and better paid jobs" is Conrail, according to the office of Congressman Parren J. Mitchell.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) has had complaints before it of discriminatory practices by the Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail) for quite some time.

Various groups have joined in the intensified efforts for fair play to minorities. They have noted that the federal government and private industry have clearly recognized the need for equitable treatment for blacks in all phases of the nation's economy. "Where new efforts are made, the signs of hope seem always to be offset by the foreshadowing of traditionalists who will discriminate persistently out of a diaphanous deference to outworn traditions of the past," one spokesman said.

Atlanta, Georgia—A statement of support was given earlier this year by six Southern bishops to the nationwide boycott of J.P. Stevens products. The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Atlanta, assessing that statement, pressed firmness and faith on the part of the leaders of his church.

The J.P. Stevens Company, since 1976, has become perhaps the biggest corporate target of religious and civil pressure groups nationwide because of its allegedly discriminatory racial and social practices.

The six Southern Bishops had noted that the J.P. Stevens Company—with major plants in North Carolina and Alabama—had been blatantly racist and shamefully anti-union in its continuing policies and practices. "We feel compelled to endorse the consumer boycott of all J.P. Stevens products," the bishops' statement said.

Earlier the National Council of Jewish Women and the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council

had backed the nationwide boycott.

In an unusual move, the Common Council of the City of Utica, New York, passed a resolution that the J.P. Stevens "cease and desist from the use of the honorable name of 'Utica' in the labeling and advertising of its products."

The J.P. Stevens Company products include such labels as Utica.

BLACK EVENTS QUIZ

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

1) Why did some observers term Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's government a possibly "phenomenal success" of the very start? What do the current signs seem to suggest regarding the prediction?

2) Do you feel that we are learning—in our schools and in the press—as much as we should be learning about Liberia, especially with our close social, political and economic ties (and advantages)?

3) How do you feel about the persistent use of taxpayers' monies to subsidize discriminatory policies and practices by public and publicly supported agencies? Since such funding has gone on in the past to support and entrench discrimination, what corrective and other adjustments should be made to overcome these past injustices and inequities?

4) What lessons do you feel black Americans should learn from the largely union-sponsored nationwide boycott of a large Southern textile manufacturer? Why do you feel there is such widespread support? Are blacks presently ready for this kind of "coalition politics" or confrontation?

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