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"Executive Director unavailable for comment"

FORMER KEY EMPLOYEES SUE SPAG HERE THIS WEEK

By Kandis Gatewood

A petition was filed this week against the South Plains Association of Governments and officials within the federally funded organization serving fourteen counties in the Plains.

Plaintiffs G.A. Monasch and Russell Montgomery were employed by SPAG in what Judge Rod Shaw, SPAG board member, termed "key positions."

According to Charles Benson, lawyer for the plaintiffs, the suit is basically a civil rights action. The petition reads that "as a direct consequence and as a result of the acts and policies of the defendants (Judge Henry Heck, fourth vice president of SPAG; judge Glenn Thompson, SPAG president; and Truett Mayes, SPAG director) plaintiffs

suffered, and will suffer, economic loss, anxiety and distress, discomfort and embarrassment, and their professional reputations and credits have been irreparably damaged and impaired."

Monasch sues for damages of \$136,500 and Montgomery sues for \$25,000.

According to the petition, the plaintiffs complain of deprivation by defendants, under color of law, of rights, privileges, and immunities secured by the Constitution and laws in violation of the 5th and 14th Amendments. The plaintiffs seek damages for the loss and deprivation of such rights, the denial of due process and equal protection of the laws.

The petition states that Mayes, acting arbitrarily and capriciously, disregarding organization and personnel administrative responsibilities of SPAG and applicable obligations and regulations of the CETA Program, without just cause and without notice terminated plaintiff's appointment with SPAG, stating false grounds. The grounds stated by Mayes were designed to cover up administrative inadequacies without factual

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LUCKY TWELVE NOT TO MARCH; CHRIST TEMPLE OFFERS CHOICE

While local Browns and Blacks are demonstrating against the fatal shooting of Tommy Lee Davis by a local policeman, members of the Christ Temple Church of God in Christ will have prayers services Saturday, Sept. 2.

Bishop Haynes said he is not discouraging the young people from marching, only offering an alternative.

According to Thomas Sanders, one of the coordinators of the march, the march will begin at 10 a.m. at Mae Simmons Park and travel east to Quirt Ave., north to Broadway Ave., and west to the Federal Building.

Participants in the march include the Brown Berets, the Magnificent Seven Social Club.

Ms. Marie Long, special business chairperson for the Lucky Twelve Club, said that apparently someone that is not a member of the Lucky Twelve committed

us to the march. She said that in a meeting they discussed the matter and that none of our members said they had committed us.

Anyway, she said, one member cannot obligate the organization before bringing the project up before the body and voting on the issue.

Mrs. Long said that the first time she heard of the Lucky Twelve involvement was when she read about it last week in the Lubbock Digest.

Tommy Lee Davis, 27, died after a gunshot wound which apparently came after an incident at his residence. Davis was shot by a local policeman who apparently had dealings with the young man in prior incidents.

Sanders said that to date, 27 Mexican-Americans have been killed by police.

Also, he said he is expecting 1,000 persons to participate in the march.

CLOTHES NEEDED FOR CHILDREN The family of Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Goldsmith lost everything they had in a fire recently in our community. If you can be of any help to this family, your contribution would be most appreciative.

The Goldsmiths have four children. A girl, age 9, who wears size 8; and three boys, ages 5, 8, and 10; sizes 6, 8, and 10.

This family may be contacted at 792-1047 of Mrs. Eddington at 765-7823.

Any consideration given this family will be appreciated, says Mrs. Eddington.

PROTEST MARCH OKAYED BY OFFICIALS Last Friday city officials tentatively approved a three-mile "police brutality" protest march route from Mae Simmons Park, East 23rd Street and Quirt Avenue, to the Federal Building at Texas Avenue and Avenue H.

One of the coordinators of the march, Thomas Sanders, said: "If they can re-open the investigation of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., then we can ask for a complete investigation by the U.S. Department of Justice."

This permit, which was requested by Sanders and members of the Brown Beret, will make it possible for the march to begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 2.

According to Larry Cunningham, city manager, two aides drove the route of the proposed march last Friday and "anticipate no problems with the route."

Brown Beret Prime

Blacks in the News

BON VOYAGE TEA PLANNED FOR LONG-TIME RESIDENT



Mrs. Mae D. Simmons

The Bethel AME Church is planning a 'Bon Voyage' Tea for Mrs. Mae Simmons Sunday September 3, 1978, the Bethel AME Church Fellowship Hall from 4 to 6 p.m. All friends are invited.

Mrs. Simmons will be moving to make her home in Las Vegas, Nevada, September 5.

Mrs. Simmons has been a resident of Lubbock since 1939. She became an active member of Bethel AME Church at that time. She is presently a member of the board of trustees and a member of the Ma Jones Missionary society, as well as being an active supporter of the

total church program.

Mrs. Simmons has been an active participant in many civic projects of the Lubbock Community. Among these have been the Community Planning Council; 15 years as Section Chairman for the March of Dimes; 10 years as section chairman for Cancer Drive; 22 years as section chairman for the United Fund; a member of the provisional board of the YWCA, and then of the permanent board; a member of the board of directors of the Boys' Club, of the City Welfare Board, of the Texas State Coordinating Board for colleges and universities, Title 6 program and of the State Man Power Board; a charter member of the Lubbock Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta sorority.

The worth of Mrs. Simmons' contribution to the progress of total civic program of the entire community is attested in the Mae Simmons Park and Community Center which was named in her honor.

Mrs. Simmons is looking forward to her new home in Las Vegas where she will join her sister and niece.

completed her freshman year at Baylor University, Waco, was initiated into Alpha Lambda Delta,

freshman honor society and was immediately elected secretary.

Marjorie, an honor graduate of Dunbar High School in 1977, was involved in many activities while a freshman at Baylor which included violinist in Baylor Symphony Orchestra, member of sideline freshman spirit organization, member of Baptist Student Union, and an active member of Toliver Chapel Missionary Baptist Church.

During the spring semester she made the dean's distinguished academic honor list signifying she had made a 3.8 grade point or better of a possible 4.0 while enrolled in at least 15 semester hours.

Marjorie returned to Baylor University on August 23rd for another exciting year.

DUNBAR GRADUATE HONOR STUDENT AT BAYLOR



Marjorie L. Robinson

Marjorie L. Robinson, daughter of MSGT (USAF, RET) Bennie

Robinson, Jr. and Mrs. Thelma Robinson, 2626 Globe Ave., having

Baylor University on August 23rd for another exciting year.

BLACK STUDIES AT TECH

Students at Texas Tech University with an interest in Black Studies should contact Professor Charles Chandler in the Sociology Department. Chandler is the chairperson for the Ethnic Studies program in the College of Arts and Sciences. Through the Ethnic Studies program students can have a minor in Black Studies while they have a major in traditional fields such as history, political science, or sociology.

Freshmen who are

interested in Black Studies should enroll first in an interdisciplinary course entitled Ethnic Studies 131 - Ethnic Minorities in the Development of American Culture.

Students above the freshman level may enroll in courses such as Economics 332 Economic Problems of Ethnic Minorities, History 3321 Major Issues in Black History, and Sociology 3321 American Minority Problems.

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Bishop W.D. Haynes, the presiding supt. will bring his official message. We're expecting guests from other states to be present.

Bible study session nightly at 6:00 p.m. Come and learn more about god's Word. On September 17, the Christ Temple choir will be in a recital, at 3:00 p.m. Plan now to be part of these special events.

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

Louis George Griffin, son of Mrs. Lila Griffin and a Dunbar High School graduate, stopped by Lubbock to say hello to his friends last week. He is presently employed with the Kenneth Spencer Research Library, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

Mrs. Earnestine Childress enjoyed having her brother and wife of San Francisco, California, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bates, visit with her last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Neal wish to thank all the people who have been so nice to her during her recent illness. She was hospitalized and is at home now. "There are some beautiful people in Lubbock and their kindness will never be forgotten," says Mrs. Neal.

Blakemore a patient in the Veterans Administration Hospital at Amarillo, Texas. He is in room 251. He is the husband of Mrs. Clara L. Blakemore.

Mrs. Mattie Beaty received word of her daughter, Katy Gregory, who is in the Baptist Memorial Hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

Mrs. Minnie Curry of Fort Worth, Texas is visiting her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Beaty.

Patricia Beckwell of Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada came for her children, Sharon and Angela, last week. They have been here during the summer with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Blakemore. They have enjoyed their stay here.

Mr. Raymond Biggers is a patient at Methodist Hospital, room 603.

Everyone is talking about how happy they were to see Mrs. Sarah Riddle at her church, New Hope Baptist, last Sunday. She has been shut in for some time.

Charles Terrell and Rufus Meyers, employees of Atlanta Life Insurance Company of Lubbock, stopped by the Veterans Administration Hospital in Amarillo, Texas last week to visit Damon Hill, who has been a patient for several weeks. They learned that he had recently amputation of another leg. He was in good spirits, according to Mr. Terrell.

LABOR DAY MAIL SERVICE

The U.S. Postal Service will operate on a normal holiday schedule on Monday, September 4, in observance of Labor Day. No residential, business or rural delivery will be provided. Special delivery and collection service will be provided on normal holiday schedules.

PROMINENT CITIZENS TO APPEAR ON JERRY LEWIS LABOR DAY TELETHON

Leaders from various sectors of Lubbock's civic life will appear, along with Jerry Lewis and many of the biggest names in show business, on Jerry's 1978 Labor Day Telethon to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Jerry Lewis, MDA National Chairman, said, "Support from local communities is the backbone of the Telethon and what has made our show such a success. Every dollar that comes in during the Telethon means that we are one step closer to finding the causes of and cures for muscular dystrophy and related neuromuscular diseases. I know that community support of our programs will continue and, I hope, increase."

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Orange Juice, Ind. Cereal-Sugar Corn Pops, Buttered Toast & Jelly, Milk

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Thursday
Corn Dog, French Fries, Green Beans, Fruit Cup, Milk

Friday
Fruit Punch, Batter Fried Fish, Buttered Potato, Cole Slaw, Cornbread-Butter, Peanut Butter Cookies, Milk

Monday
Holiday
Tuesday
Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Pork and Beans, Pear Half, Cookie, Milk
Wednesday
Burrito with Chili, Whole Kernel Corn, Tossed Salad, Cranberry Crunch, Milk


LISD SECONDARY
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Police Happenings



PARENT WITH A PROBLEM

as this writer was going through the offense of the Lubbock Police Department, which has been this writer's bear for over fifteen years, a young woman came into the police station complaining about her car being stolen. When asked who had the car, she replied: "My son has stolen my car."

This is something which happens, from time to time, and we as parents should give more attention to our children and perhaps they will not steal our hard earned properties.

This mother, who was quite sad, told the desk sergeant that she didn't want to file against her son. "I just want my car back," she said. Apparently the child was no older than age fifteen.

BURGLARY
BEVERLY ANN

JOHNSON, 2444 East 30th Street, reported to Lubbock Police that persons unknown broke into her house one day last week by prying a screen off a window and then pried the window for entry.

Taken from her residence were a color television set, a black/white television set, a tape recorder, and a camera.

These items were valued at approximately \$590.

"I don't know why someone would want to break into my house and take my property," said Ms. Johnson.

BURGLARY

BESSIE M. HENDRIX, 3408 King Avenue, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown gasin entry to her house one day last week through a window.

Once inside the residence, a reel to reel tape was taken. There was nothing else missing from the house.

It was not determined as to the cost of the item taken.

ROBBERY

MARSHALL W. COOK, 1601 15th Stret, #7, reported to Lubbock police that he was just minding his own business walking down an alley near Avenue N or O, near 17th Street, one after-

noon last week when he had a problem.

He told poleice that two men stopped him. ONE OF THEM ASKED HIS WHERE WERE THE girls at, and before he (Cook) could answer, they were on him. They took his wallet, containing \$15. This wasn't wnough, so one of the men put his hand in Cook's pocket and took another \$27.

After taking his money, the pair ran from the area.

BURGLARY

JOHN L. PARKER, 2911 Parkway Drive, reported to Lubbock police that persons unknown entered his house by removing a screwdriver lodged in a hinge on the back door.

The door could be opened for about an inch allowing an instrument to reach into unlock the door.

Alter entry to the house, the unknown persons took a brown jar, containing about \$8 worth of pennies. Also in that jar were an undetermined amount of assorted coins, according to Parker.

It is believed that kids in the area were responsible for breaking into the house and taking the money.

BURGLARY

IRIS E. CAGE, 2915 Parkway Drive, reported to Lubbock police that he had a problem one day last week. He told poleice that persons unknown did enter is residence by

breaking the back door. Once inside the house, the unknown persons, at the time of the report, did take a custom jewelry box with a lady's watch and \$15 worth of pennies. It is believed that kids were also responsible for

this burglary. **BURGLARY OF VIOLENCE VEHICLE**
KATIS MAE HICKS, 3413 East 17th Street, reported to Lubbock police that someone raised the hood of her car

one day last week while the car was in the driveway and removed a battery. This battery was valued at approximately \$53. The sixty-six year old woman told police she

couldn't understand why someone wanted her oattery.

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Editorials

BROTHER BRITT NEEDS OUR HELP!!

For several months, this newspaper has been watching the developments of the proposed radio station by Brother William H. Britt, a local citizen, who has put his heart and soul in this effort. Since the beginning, this man has had to hurdle many obstacles here and the only assistance he has received from the local Black community, in our opinion, is nothing negative criticism. But, at the same time, all would say: "Man, we need a Black owned radio station."

Brother Britt will tell you that it takes a lot of an effort to secure a frequency from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). They (FCC) just don't give away frequencies because you happen to be of ebony pigmentation. You must show justifiable cause for the securing of such a frequency. We know, Britt, has done so! He's showed why there needs to be one here in Lubbock and the South Plains of Texas.

It appears as though local white radio stations believe they are meeting the needs of the Black community when they play a "rock and roll" or "disco" tune. Black radio programming is much broader than that. There has to be some means of communicating with Blacks in their own language so the attention can be obtained.

True, Blacks in west Texas don't pronounce their words like their white brothers and sisters. Blacks get down to their own basic grammar so those in their community can relate to what they are saying. At the same time, the language spoken by Blacks is not foreign to the business community of Lubbock.

Instead of criticising Brother Britt of what he is not doing, let's put our arms around him so this frequency may become a reality. This could be done by starting a letter writing campaign to FCC complaining about the lack of Black radio programming in this part of the country. Without positive input, those persons in Washington, D.C. can't feel the pulse of what we feel is important for us. As you may note, anytime a local white owned radio station files his renewal application to FCC, they always come by the Black community looking for the "so called Black leaders" and say: "We need to interview you about the problems of the community." Why can't we, on our own, write our own letters, and let FCC know that we are unhappy with what is going on down here and request that more consideration be given to the efforts of Brother Britt.

If this is done now, we'd get some fast results. Can you imagine several thousand letters addressed to the Federal Communications Commission about the importance of this Black owned radio station. After making this appeal to FCC, then we can start a financial drive to raise the proper capital (money) to operate this station for three (3) years, allowing local Black citizens to receive dividends on their hard earned money invested. While awaiting for their money to grow in the area of communications, think of the benefits we (Blacks) would receive for something owned by us.

Think about it! The next time you see Brother William H. Britt, who is a local policeman, patrolling around town, tell him: "Man, I am behind your efforts and will get my letter off to FCC today."

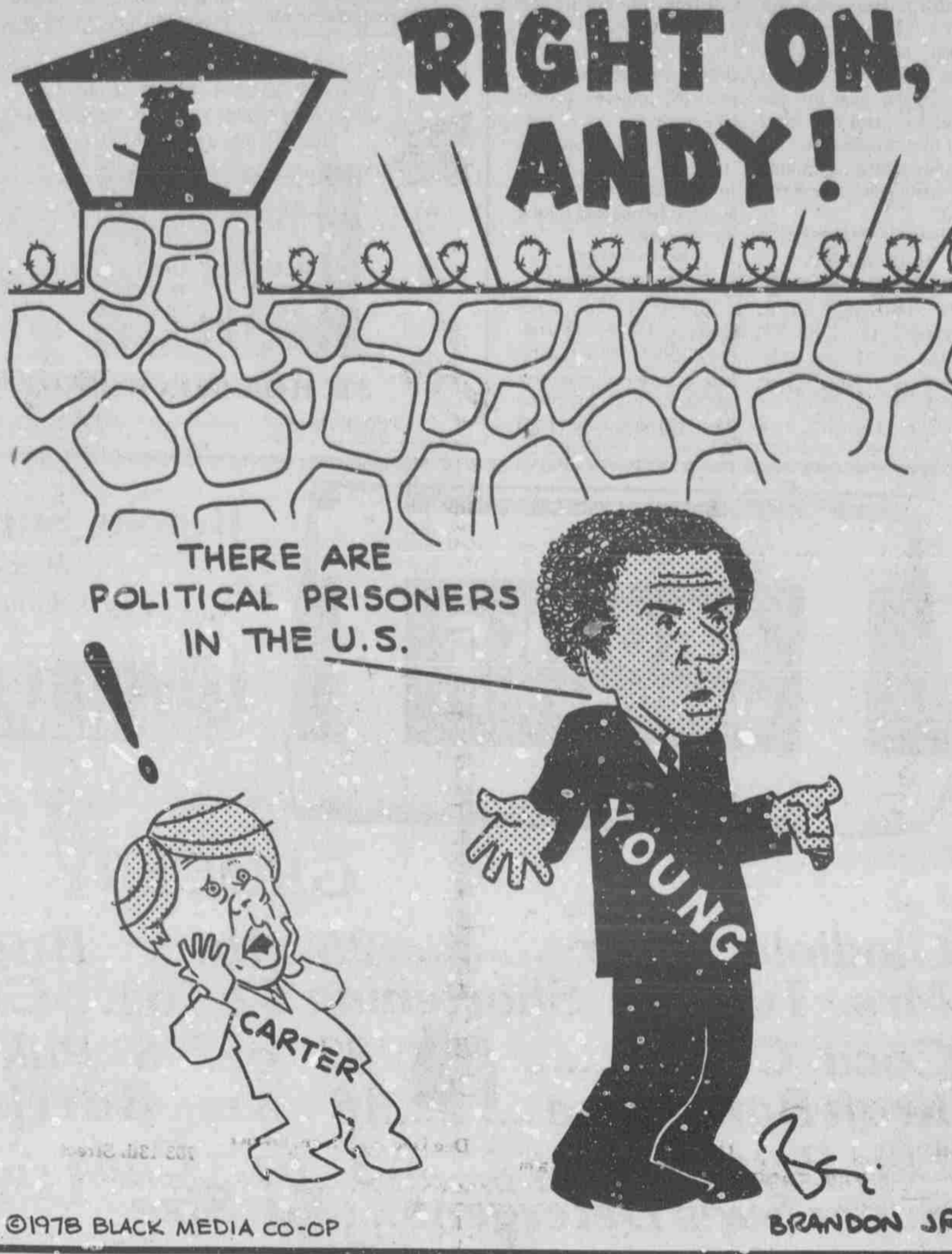
The in results would be great. The Black community would benefit greatly as well as the city of Lubbock and the South Plains of Texas. There's no doubt in our minds, a Black owned radio station is needed here!!!

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BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.

Human Rights Activist

AFTER THE BAKKE CASE, WHAT NEXT?

A look at the headlines and follow-up discussions regarding the so-called "landmark" Bakke Graduate School Admissions case suggests, in retrospect, first that the case was in no respect a landmark.

The high court of the United States has the two-fold historic task of interpreting the letter of the law and of enunciating the "fresh spirit" of the law, as evident in the prevailing thought of our continually or ever-changing times.

The prevailing thought of our present time has been clearly "to do nothing to rock the boat" or not to change conditions so that things are different from what they have been and are.

Both of these tasks of the U.S. Supreme Court must be borne in mind, if one is to assess the fizzle called the Bakke Case which had promised to be one of the major decisions in the 200 year history of the high court.

What the court did was to give a sop to black Americans in affirming, for the first time, the validity of the hitherto sadly and largely ineffective—and grossly subverted—affirmative action programs. The U.S. Supreme Court left an opening for the continuation by black Americans of the "endless litigation" which has been our hallmark, in pursuit of this time of "goals, not quotas."

This particular action caused many blacks to suggest that the Bakke decision represented no setback whatever. It simply perhaps gave another "go-ahead signal" for blacks to proceed, as in the past, toward elusive goals which—when spelled out carefully—read "Nowhere"

or "Same Station, Same Place."

White liberals and conservatives, according to most reports in the white press, were in an affably sober and reflective mutual agreement that the high court had been "judicious," "fair," "true to the Constitution" and "working to keep America on a course in which fair play prevails."

Now to many largely closed-minded white Americans—and especially to the white males who were quoted almost solely—"fair play" means taking from them nothing which has come their way, whether through fair means or foul.

That all white Americans, either directly or indirectly, have correspondingly benefited from every deprivation suffered by black Americans is said to be a truism or a fact of American life from which none of us can presently escape.

The roles into which our common history has cast black and white Americans are seen as those of the oppressed, on the one hand, and of the (conscious or unconscious) oppressors on the other.

For any white American to say that they should not have to return some of their partly ill-gotten inheritance to blacks is largely gratuitous, since not only the past represents inequities from which all whites potentially have gained but also the present life circumstance of every white male American in particular may reflect a portion of an unwitting, even if beneficent, predator. This is simply the American situation as we find it.

Back to the high court, few legal or religious scholars were quoted in the white press regarding the glaring omission by the court in regard to a confrontation with what many saw as the "central issue" of equity.

As black Americans, we may have been making a strategic mistake or blunder in buying into the language of "equality of opportunity." Do we really want an "equal chance" with someone who already has the unfair advantage of claiming much of our due birthright?

"Equality" does not address itself implicitly to past inequities—and effective "thievery." In our courts of equity, when a person or group proves that it has been bereft of whatever it should lawfully claim, the tradition of equity is that of the granting of "triple damages."

Thus when blacks press for equity, nothing short of a moratorium on the admissions, hiring and upgrading of all white males would be in order...until blacks catch up on at least a substantial part of what they have been denied. This kind of action would be seen as far less than equity, and as infinitely less than simple justice.

Years before the coming of Christ, the ancient Greek or Mediterranean world philosopher Aristotle posed the issue of the ludicrous nature of "an equality so-called between equal and unequal alike." His answer: Equity is required. So it perhaps must be for black Americans today.

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When State Department matters arise the Congressional Black Caucus person to contact immediately is Congresswoman Yvonne Braithwaite Burke. Her address is below; and she may be reached through 202-225-1691, the Caucus office.

Mrs. Burke should also be contacted when we need more black federal judges in any area. These are among her many areas of concern. But she has a primary responsibility within the Congressional Black Caucus for these areas.

The following is a full-word picture of Mrs. Burke as the ready and brilliant resource, open and available to serve your needs.

Yvonne Braithwaite Burke was elected to the House of Representatives from the Twenty-eighth (then Thirty-seventh) Congressional District in Los Angeles, California, on November 7, 1972. Mrs. Burke, former Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, was the first woman to be elected to Congress from California in twenty years, and the first black woman ever elected to the House from her state. She presently serves on the House Appropriations Committee with assignments on subcommittees handling HUD-Independent Agencies, Department of State, Justice, Commerce, The Judiciary and Related Agencies, and the District of Columbia. Mrs. Burke also serves on the Select Committee on Assassinations and as the Chair of the Select Committee on the House Beauty Shop.

A native of Los Angeles, Mrs. Burke graduated from Manual Arts High School, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of California at Los Angeles and Juris Doctor's degree from the University of Southern California School of Law. She holds honorary Doctor of Law degrees from Virginia State College and Atlanta University. Mrs. Burke was admitted to the California

Bar in 1956, soon after she received her law degree.

From 1966 until her election to Congress, Mrs. Burke represented the Sixty-third District in the California State Assembly. She served as Vice-Chairperson of the 1972 Democratic National Convention in Miami Beach. In the 1976 Democratic National Convention, Representative Burke served on the Drafting Subcommittee of the Democratic Platform Committee and was very active in drafting the Party's Platform.

Since assuming office, Mrs. Burke has personally introduced over twenty bills and major amendments. The "Burke Amendment" bound federal pipeline funds to the enactment of an affirmative action program. The bill introduced by Mrs. Burke that has stirred the most national interest is the proposed Equal Opportunity for the Displaced Homemakers Act.

Mrs. Burke serves on the Board of Directors of the United Negro College Fund, The American Civil Liberties Union, Americans for Democratic Action, and numerous other organizations.

Mrs. Burke has received many awards for her varied civic and governmental works. She has been selected "Woman of the Year" by the Los Angeles Times and the National Association of Black Manufacturers. Time Magazine selected her as one of America's 200 future leaders. She has also received Achievement Citations and Merit Awards from a variety of organizations.

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BLACK ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF IS A GOOD IDEA HERE!!!

It would appear it would make a lot of cotton pickin' sense if the Lubbock Police Department would hire someone from the Black community to be an assistant police chief. When we say, hire someone from the Black community, we are talking about hiring someone who would be qualified to perform a positive job for the department and citizens of the city of Lubbock.

The hiring of someone from the Black community would be a positive move, and it would bring the Black community closer to the duties and goals of the Lubbock Police Department. Citizens of the Black community would become more aware of the problems which would face a policeman, and would create a positive relationship with the police department.

Since a great percentage of those persons who are arrested by the local police department are Black, it would be of great importance to have someone (Black) high up in the department.

If there was no one local, in the police department's opinion, then let's go outside the community and find someone who would meet the qualifications.

The most important thing to do now is to start an effort to see that Lubbock has someone from the Black community who is in a position to give positive input to the Black perspective.

Therefore, an assistant Black police chief would be the beginning for something great for our city and police department. We think some serious thought should be given about this kind of move here.

WE STILL NEED LIGHT IN EAST LUBBOCK!!!

The Lubbock Digest has addressed this issue several times, but as of now we still need light. We are still in darkness. The powers that be have been checking out the situation and we still have to work in the dark. Nothing has changed as far as people coming to our office after dark. There is one thing that has happened since our last editorial "Let There Be Light". We have one less light. The light on the corner from our office on E. 23rd and Fir is now out. There is no doubt about it. Instead of things getting brighter, they are getting darker. We need help. Can somebody up there help us? City Hall and The Powers That Be!!!

Media Reviews:

(For black Americans, young and older)

A POIGNANT STORY

A review of *Roll Of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor (Dial Press, New York) 276 pages — Hard cover \$7.95

Mildred D. Taylor is a gloriously beautiful young black woman who writes with both engaging style and a winsome passion. These gifts, she claims, were bequeathed to her and instilled in her in countless and wondrous ways by her father whose tender companionship and nurture make a story in and of itself.

In *Roll Of Thunder, Hear My Cry* Mildred Taylor tells a joy-filled and tearful story of how one black family—as with tens of thousands and many more like them—sought to retain their sense of dignity and humanity during the depths of the Great Depression.

Cassie Logan, the black heroic figure, did not win every battle. Yet that she "won the war" there could never be a doubt.

Here is an award-winning novel told with beauty, charm and grace. Recommended for all, from junior high to retired adults. A great piece of writing!

Obsequies

ALEXANDER WARD

Final rites were held last Saturday morning for Alexander Ward, 3603 Beech Avenue, in the South Plains Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Roy Davis, assistant pastor of the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church, officiating.

Interment was held in

the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of South Plains Funeral Home.

Ward died last Thursday in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Big Spring. He moved to Lubbock twenty five years ago from Matador.

Ward had no known survivors.

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED

Baptist Training Union of New Hope sang Happy Birthday to Mrs. V. Frances and Ruby Jay Sunday at 6:00p.m. Each received a token cake and ice cream was served in the fellowship hall. Mrs. Frances is director of the Training Union. We had to do something to cheer Mrs. Frances up. Her last daughter left for Alaska. All three are together now. Glenn and Charles her sons say they love their mother and will stick around. We got a smile out of her. She has a new granddaughter. Her son and wife are in Denver, Colorado.

Anyone who would like to help the family that lost everything in the fire call this number-792-1047. Two boys size 10 and 8. One boy 6 and one girl 8.

Prayer Poem

RE-CLOTHE OUR MINDS

In 1 Kings 19:12 God speaks through a still small voice. In the previous verse we are reminded that in quietness and confidence shall be our strength. God does wonderful things for us in myriad ways.

John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892) wrote this poetically in "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind." He writes:

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Teddy Duane Sims, son of Ms. Glenda Sims of 1808 East 27th St., celebrated his seventh birthday last month at the Pizza Hut. "I had a good time," said Sims.

He invited his friends and relatives to join him in this occasion. Sims received many gifts and a savings account. He also received a new wardrobe for the new school year.

Teddy decided when he turned seven, he would get baptized and join the "Midget Usher Board of New Hope Baptist Church."

*Forgive our foolish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind;
In pure lives Thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise.*

*Breathe thro' the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak thro' the earthquakes, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm!*



Teddy D. Sims

BARBARA JORDON SENIOR CITIZENS ATTEND CHURCH

Members of the Barbara Jordan Senior Citizens attended church services at the Unity Baptist Church, Rev. H. Adams, pastor, Sunday morning, August 20. All enjoyed the sermon brought by Rev. Adams. One member said that they had a spiritual service, and truly was inspiring. A solo was sung by Mrs. Mary Sterling. The group meets each third Sunday at a church in the community. Next month, they will be guests of the Mount Olive Baptist Church, Rev. W.L. Grimes, pastor. Mrs. Coraine Fair is president; Mrs. Mary Sterling is reporter.

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MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST

Mount Gilead Baptist Church is sponsoring a Social Dinner next Sunday at 1 p.m. (Sept. 3)

The dinner will follow the regular worship at 10:45 a.m. Church School is 9:30 a.m., BTU 6 p.m. and evening worship is at 7 p.m.

The Choirs meet on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. and Prayer Band is held at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

ST. LUKE BAPTIST

We are to go to Denver, Colorado to the National Baptist Convention September 5 through 10.

The Sunday School and Baptist Training Union promotion will be held on the fourth Sunday in September.

We will celebrate our pastor's anniversary on the second Sunday in October. Let us keep this date in mind.

We are to attend the General Baptist Convention in Lubbock during the month of October.

Mission Two meets at the church each Monday evening at the church a six.

Also meeting on Monday evenings are the Junior Mission and Brotherhood Union at eight.

Members of the Eunice Circle will meet in the home of Sister Dolly Howard tonight, Thursday, at 7 p.m.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday night at seven. The church and family that prays together stays together.

The youth Choir meets at the church each Monday evening at 7 p.m.

The Young Adult Choir meets at the church each Wednesday evening at eight.

Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut in member. Those on the sick list include Sisters Dolly Howard, Roxie Reed, Mary Lee, Ellen Tillman, Lillie Hall, and Maryland Cook. Brother Damon Hill is also shut in.

MOUNT VERNON U. METHODIST

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with our pastor, Rev. Nathaniel Johnson, delivering a splendid message.

Church school begins at 9:30 a.m. each Sunday morning. All of our members are invited to come out and participate

with us.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. All members are asked to be present and on time.

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

Inform your neighbors that the children, from age 3 to 7, may be left at the church while mothers go shopping. Please remember the Mother's day out program is held every Saturday from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

If you have an announcement that you would like to appear in the weekly church bulletin, we would be happy to include it. Just call us at 744-0777 no later than Thursday of each week.

20TH & BIRCH CHURCH OF CHRIST

A cordial welcome to our visitors. We hope you will enjoy visiting with us each Sunday. Visitor being present adds to our joy. Please feel welcome and at home in all our gatherings. Come again soon.

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut in members who are in the hospital are at home

Sister Ruth Benton is a patient in West Texas Hospital. The seriousness of her illness warrants our prayers. She is in room 435B. Also is Sister Vivian (Lilly) Dixon who was admitted to Methodist Hospital, Room 382. She underwent surgery last Wednesday, and was recovering well. She is expected to be released this week.

Those of our young people who made the trip to the Teenage Christian Conference in Denver, Texas had a wonderful time. The messages were stirring and very challenging. Every young person (and older ones as well), was touched in some way. There were four baptisms.

Many thanks to brothers Steve Williams and Howard Gibbs for carrying on the preaching during the absences of our minister, Brother L.A. Walters

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: "A short prayer will reach the throne of grace -- is you don't live too far away."

NEW HOPE BAPTIST

The National Baptist Convention will convene with the Baptist Churches of New Orleans, La. September 4 through 10. We are happy to have one of our member, Mrs.

Ruby Jay, who was awarded a trip to this convention. May God bless her as she travels to New Orleans.

The B.M. & E. State Convention will be held in Beaumont, Texas October 9 through 13.

Annual Choir Day will be observed September 17. Let us give our support to our choirs.

A bake sale will be held on Sunday, September 10, at the close of worship services. This sale is sponsored by the Pastor's Aid.

Junior Ushers meeting will be held on Saturday, September 2, at 4 p.m. All members are asked to attend.

Ushers will meet on Friday, September 1, at 8 p.m. All members are asked to be present.

BETHEL AME

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with Brother Edwin Scott, Sr. delivering the morning message. He warned everyone to do his or her best and put trust in God.

Senior Choir Number Two was responsible for the music of the hour. Let us continue to pray

for and visit our sick and shut in member. The granddaughter of Mrs. Oma Lee Holiday is to have surgery. Brother J.H. Wilson, who was in church Sunday morning is still ill. Let us pray for him and his family.

Members of the "M. Jones" Missionary Society meets at the church each Monday

evening at 5:30 p.m. Who not come out can take part in this Mission?

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. You'll enjoy coming out and having prayer meeting with us.

Members of the Golden Rule Circle meet Thursday evening in the home of Mrs. Mary Johns.

Senior Choir Number Two will practice on Thursday evening at 7:30 in the church auditorium. Our Presiding Elder and wife, Rev. and Mrs. A.L. Davis, will be here with us in our First Quarterly Conference. All auxiliaries are asked to have their written

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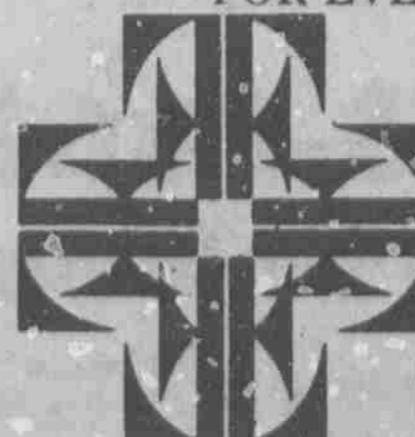
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LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
RE: City of Lubbock request to UMTA for a Section 5 Capital Grant in the amount of \$1,183,200.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City of Lubbock in the City Council Chambers located in City Hall, 916 Texas Avenue at 2:30 p.m., Thursday, September 28, 1978 for the purpose of considering a project for which financial assistance is being sought from the Urban Mass Transportation Administration, pursuant to the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, generally described as follows:

A. Description of Project: The project consists of the purchase of 15 buses to replace 16 buses presently leased from Lubbock Transit Corp.

The total project cost is currently estimated at \$1,479,000. Of this amount, it is proposed that the City of Lubbock contribute land of sufficient value to provide the \$103,530 local share, with \$192,270 to come from the Texas Department of Transportation, and support transit services throughout the present service area, generally the City of Lubbock.

Pursuant to an Opinion of the Comptroller General of the United States, LTC Buses are available for incidental charter service within the designated service area. This service will not interfere with regularly scheduled mass transportation services. The City of Lubbock agrees that neither it nor any operator of mass transportation equipment on its behalf, will engage in any charter bus operations where points of origin or destination will be outside of the designated service area.

B. Relocation: No persons, families, or business will be displaced by this project.

C. Environment: The proposed project will not have a significant environmental impact upon the urban area.

D. Comprehensive Planning: The proposed project is in conformance with comprehensive land use and transportation plans for the area.

E. The City of Lubbock will participate in the vehicle pool system serving the needs of the elderly and handicapped with half fares on all regular transit routes.

At the hearing, the City of Lubbock will participate in the vehicle pool system serving the needs of the elderly and handicapped with half fares on all regular transit routes.

At the hearing, the City of Lubbock will afford an opportunity for interested persons on agencies to be heard with respect to the social, environmental, and economic aspects in planning and implementing the project. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing evidence and recommendations with respect to said project.

A copy of the application for a Federal Grant for the proposed project, together with an environmental analysis and the transit development plan for the area, is currently available for public inspection in the City Secretary's Office at City Hall, 916 Texas Avenue, Lubbock, Texas.

renovation of facilities, the purchase of office equipment, office furniture, washing/cleaning equipment, ship tools and equipment, miscellaneous spare bus components, two (2) wheelchair equipped vans, four (4) support vehicles, one (1) maintenance vehicle, seven (7) fareboxes and related equipment, six (6) bus stop shelters, fifty (50) bus stop benches, one hundred (100) bus stop information signs, passenger amenities, the acquisition of radio communications equipment, and the development of a management information system.

This project will be located on Texas Avenue North of 9th Street, Lubbock, Texas. This property is legally described as Lots 12, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, and 18 of Block 72 Original Town Addition, Lubbock, Lubbock County, Texas. This project will support transit services throughout the present service area, generally the City of Lubbock.

The total project cost is currently estimated at \$1,857,857. Of this amount, it is proposed that the City of Lubbock contribute land of sufficient value to provide the \$130,050 local share, with \$241,521 to come from the Texas State Department of Highways and Transportation and \$1,486,286 to come from UMTA Section 3 funds.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
RE: City of Lubbock request to UMTA for a Section 3 Capital Grant in the amount of \$1,486,286.

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A. Description of Project: The project consists of the acquisition of professional appraisal services, real estate, architectural and engineering services, the

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Bid Opening At Reese Air Force Base SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED PROCUREMENT

No. 9
Construction services to relocate bottle gas storage facility Bldg. 533 at Reese Air Force Base, Texas. Bid opening date (tentative) Sept. 14. Invitation for bids will be issued Aug. 28. The estimated cost of the proposed procurement is under \$25,000. Request for Invitation should be received not later than 10 days from the date of publication of this synopsis.

No. 10
Construction services to correct dust infiltration system in building 930. Bid opening date Sept. 20. Invitation for bids will be issued Aug. 31. The estimated cost is between \$25,000 and \$100,000. Request for invitation should be received not later than 10 days from the date of publication of this synopsis.

No. 11
Construction services to furnish all equipment, labor, materials, and supplies to provide storm drains and repair "B" Street at Reese. Bid opening date Sept. 14. Invitation for bids will be issued Aug. 24. The estimated cost of the proposed procurement is between \$25,000 and \$100,000. Request for invitation should be received not later than 10 days from the date of publication of this synopsis.

CHURCH NEWS...

BETHEL A.M.E.
financial reports ready for Monday evening. We would like to see many of our young people in Sunday School each Sunday morning, 9:30 a.m. Parents are encouraged to see that their little children be in attendance. Mrs. Louise Reese is waiting for the Primaries to come to Sunday School.

days from date of publication of this synopsis.

BLACK POETRY

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Who's your fool? Surely, you don't think I am?

You can't tell me one thing

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Cool your double standard bull. Who's your fool? Surely, you don't think I am.

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Who's your fool? Surely, you don't think I am? —Kathy Fittz

GREATER FIRST BAPTIST LITTLEFIELD

Greater First Baptist is on the move for Christ. Our pastor, Rev. Wilson

Baldwin, delivered a dynamic message last Sunday morning. Mrs. Ada Bell Moore of Itasco, Texas was our visitor last Sunday. We are always honored to have you come again soon. Friday, September 1st, at 8 p.m., the Zion Jubilee of Bryon, Texas will be at the Greater First Baptist

in Littlefield. Let us make plans to go to Muleshoe, Texas on Sunday, September 3, to worship with the St. Matthew Baptist Church. Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members of the church and community. Remember God loves you and we do too.

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