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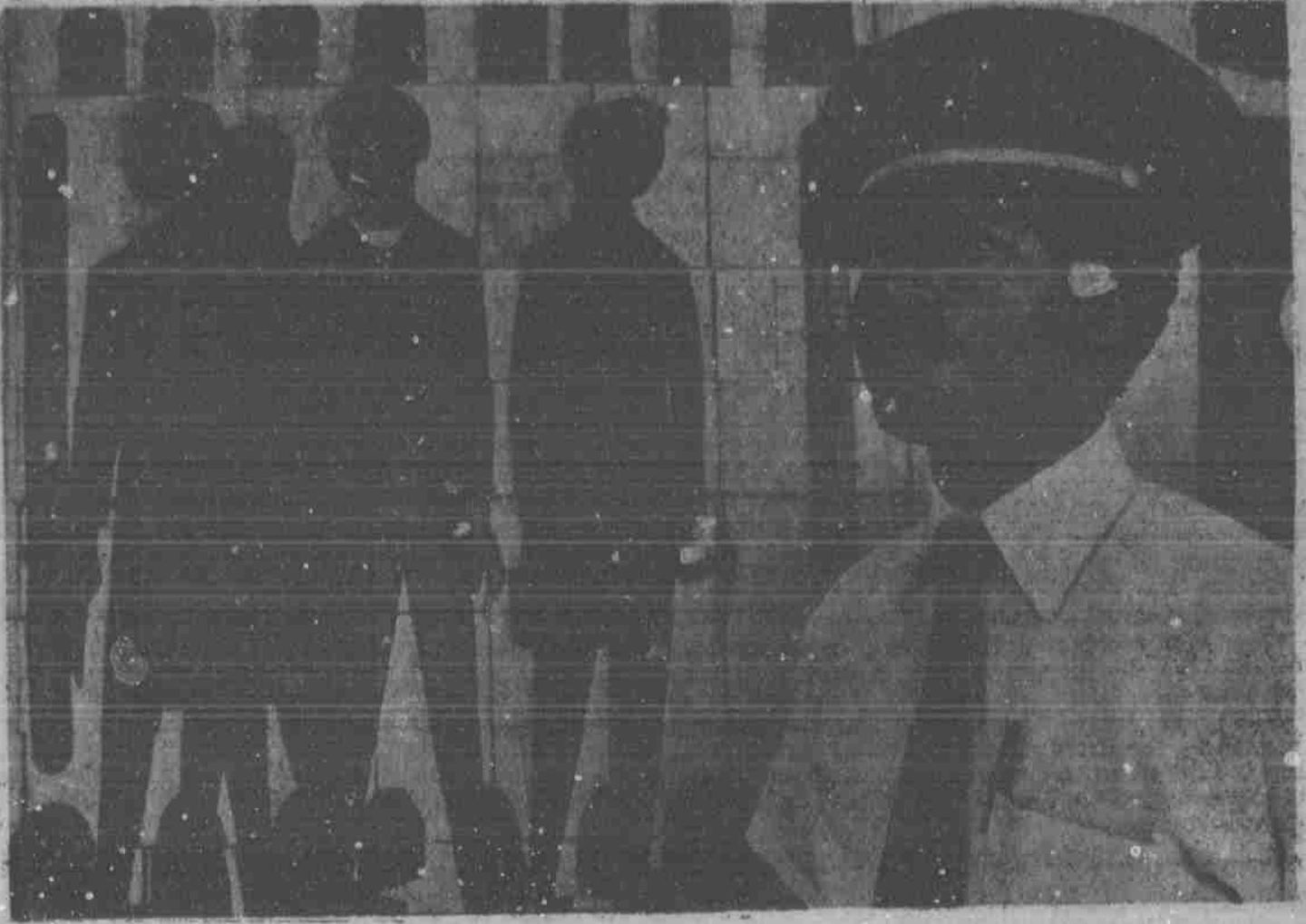
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**WANTED A CHANGE** -- Lee Howard, a former graduate of Dunbar High School, is standing in front of the mural at the John Wayne Airport in Los Angeles, California about which he took a complaint to authorities and to the press. Ethnic slurs were found painted on figures in the mural.

## Dunbar Graduate Helps Remove Racial Slurs In LA

Nobody in county government is quite sure why the artist who did the mural for the John Wayne Airport 11 years ago decided to use the word "darkie" and another racial epithet on one of the black figures in his work. In fact, county officials are not even sure whether he was the one who did it.

But whoever did it, those words and others apparently scratched in later were painted over last month after a protest by former grauate of Dunbar High School -- Lee Howard.

The 16-foot-long ceramic tile mural has been near the terminal's main entrance -- its characters only a foot or so above the eye level of passers-by -- since 1970. But it wasn't until last month that anyone even noticed the racial slurs written on two of the characters in the artwork, which is supposed to be a history of Orange County. A black man depicted in the mural had the word "darkie" and another epithet written on his shirt just below the collar. Another black character had a racial epithet, an obscenity and the words "love" and "peace" scratched in his hair.

According to a story written in the Los

Angeles Time -- by Staff Writers -- Jerry Hicks and Doug Brown (July 21, 1981), the offensive words were first noticed by Howard, who is a skycap at the airport. He (Howard) was explaining the mural to some visitors. At this point, he learned of the situation and took his complaint to airport management. When officials took no action after five days, Howard told reporters.

County Supervisor Thomas Riley ordered the objectionable words removed after he learned of them.

Riley, according to the story, took care of the matter as soon as possible.

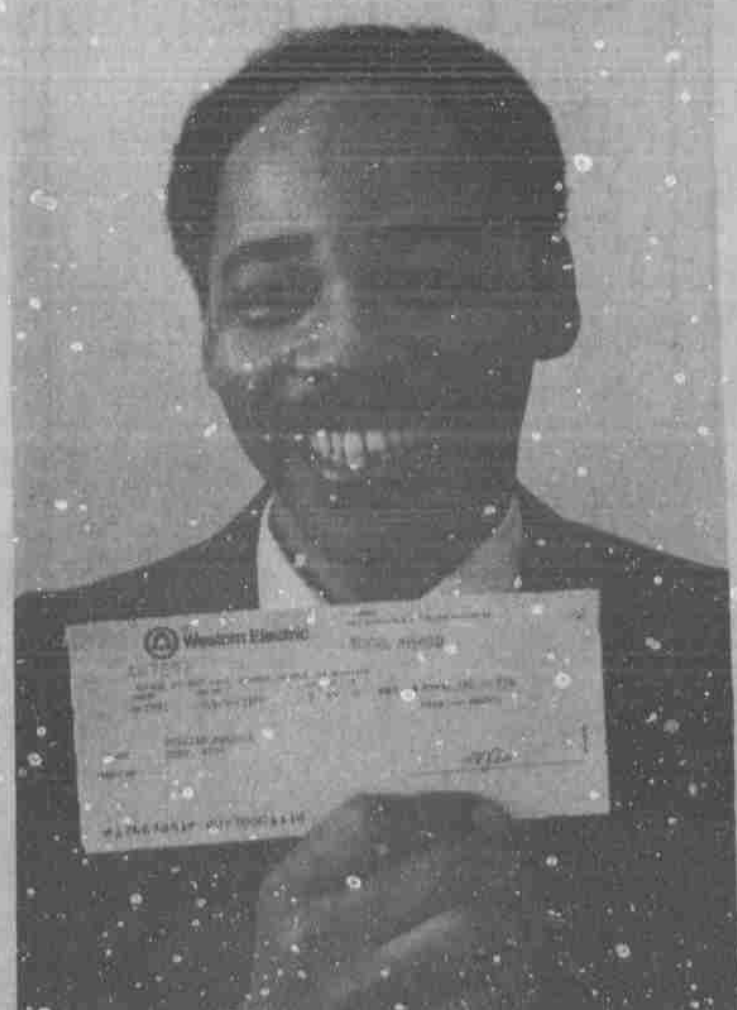
"I don't care if it was part of the artist's work or not. Those words don't represent the people of Orange County. I didn't have time to contact the artist to ask his views. When you have a problem, the best thing to do is solve it immediately," said Riley.

How could the words go undetected for more than 11 years? That is a good question to be asked. But it didn't take long after the young man from Lubbock, Texas saw them. He got involved!

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Howard of 1502 East 24th Street.

## West Texas Legal Services Warns

The imprisonment of a poor person solely because he is too poor to pay a fine for violating a



**YOU'D SMILE TOO!!** Bill Randall submitted an idea through Western Electric's Employee Suggestion Program and came out a winner. He received the maximum \$10,000 award (less taxes) for his suggestion. Mr. Randall is a material handler at the company's Baltimore Works, working in the Apparatus shop there.

His suggestion concerned the repair of station protectors -- units which protect individual telephone lines from sudden voltage surges. The suggestion allowed for a large number of protector units to be salvaged, rather than scrapped.

Mr. Randall is one of only a handful of Western Electric's more than 170,000 employees across the country to receive the maximum award since that figure was increased from \$5,000 in 1973.

Class C Misdemeanor, constitutes invidious discrimination in violation of the equal protection clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.

**Illustrative Case**

Last summer Juan Garcia (not his real name) was arrested and charged with theft under \$5.00 for shoplifting. This is a Class C Misdemeanor. He spent a night in jail. The next day he was brought before a Justice of the Peace. The Complaint was read to him and he plead guilty to the charged offense. He was fined \$30.00 plus \$10.50 in costs. He only had \$4.00 in his possession and could not pay the fine.

The Justice of the Peace then issued a warrant of arrest and ordered the young man to remain in the custody of the county sheriff until all fines and costs were fully paid. He was held in the county jail another day until his family was finally able to borrow the needed money. The young man was credited with the three (3) days he spent in jail to \$5.00 per day. His fine was reduced accordingly.

**Rights**

The Texas Penal Code Ann. Section 12.23 states: "An individual adjudged guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$200.00." As one can readily see, imprisonment is not authorized.

In 1971 the United States Supreme Court in *Tate v. Short* said:

"Since Texas has legislated a 'fines only' policy for traffic offenses, that statutory ceiling can not, consistently with the Equal Protection Clause, limit the punishment to payment of the fine if one is able to pay it, yet convert the fine into a prison term for an indigent defendant without the means to pay his fine. Imprisonment in such a case is not imposed to further any penal objective. It is imposed to augment the State's revenues but obviously does not serve that purpose; the defendant can not pay because he is indigent and his imprisonment, rather than aiding collection of the revenue, raddles the State with the cost of feeding and housing him for the period of his imprisonment."

While the Supreme Court went on to point out some possible exceptions to its rule, the guiding principle to remember is that poor people should not be jailed solely because they are not able to immediately pay their fines.

Persons who believe their rights have been violated may consider the following actions:

1. File a complaint against the judge by contacting the Judicial Conduct Committee, c/o Judge Wayne LeCroy, Lubbock County Courthouse, Lubbock, Texas 79401.
2. Call the County

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## Founder of Black Newspaper Succumbs

Final rites were held at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church last Friday morning for Mr. James Roy Lewis founder of the first Black newspaper in Lubbock -- The Carver Heights News -- with Rev. Larry Polk, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Sedberry Funeral Home.

Mr. Lewis was born in Mount Pleasant, Texas on April 3, 1911. He was the youngest of four children born to the union of Babe and Ida (Peppers) Lewis. All who have preceded him death.

Mr. Lewis attended public school in Mount Pleasant and Lubbock. He continued his academic training by matriculating at Samuel Houston College at Austin, Texas.

After the Lewis family moved to Lubbock, they united with the Mount Gilead Baptist Church. He was active with the church until his death.

A lover of sports, he reorganized the Lubbock Black Hubbers and served as manager. The esteem in which James Roy was held by those who knew and loved him in the city of Lubbock was evidenced by the Alderson Junior High School students on April 3, 1981 when he was honored on his birthday.

Mr. Lewis was credited for bringing the "First Black Newspaper" to Lubbock -- The Carver Heights News.

He is survived by Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Thomas Ross of San Francisco, California and family; Mrs. Gorine Thomas and Mr. Thomas Rutherford of Mount Pleasant, Texas; Mrs. Lucy Turner of Fort Worth, Texas. Mr. and



Mr. James Roy Lewis

Mrs. John Foster and family of San Francisco, California, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Peppers and family of Lubbock, and a host of devoted friends throughout the state of Texas and the United States.

Active pallbearers were the Deacons and Trustees of Mount Gilead Baptist Church. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Lubbock Black Hubbers.

## Bus Service Offered To Health Department Now

Bus service to the City Health Department on North Avenue Q Drive at Jarvis Street is now available.

The new service will allow riders to schedule a special bus to meet them at the Central Transfer point downtown and take them to the Health Department.

A person wishing bus service to the Health Department may schedule a trip 24 hours in advance by calling the City of Lubbock Community Services Department, 762-6411, extension 2395. They will take the regular routed bus to the downtown transfer point where the Citibus van will meet them and take them to the City Health Department. The charge for the van service to the City Health Department will be 50¢ each way in addition to the regular bus fare.

Various clinics are scheduled at the Health Department daily. Two of them require appointments made in advance. Once an appointment has been made at the clinic, the special bus to the Health Department can be scheduled at least 24 hours before the appointment is scheduled.

**Maternity Clinic**

appointments can be made by calling City of Lubbock at 762-6411 and asking for extension 2916.

Appointments at the Dental Clinic can be made by calling City of Lubbock and asking for extension 2904. The Dental Clinic primarily serves persons under age 18 who are members of families who meet the state financial guidelines.

Other City Health Department clinics are scheduled as follows:

- \* The Pre-Natal class for expectant mothers is held from 9 a. m. to 11 a. m. each Friday.
- \* Pediatric Clinic for infants up to age 18 months whose mothers previously attended the maternity clinics is scheduled from 9 a. m. to Noon each Tuesday.
- \* Post delivery and Family Planning Clinic is scheduled from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m. each Friday.
- \* Immunization Clinics are scheduled each Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m. and each Wednesday from 10 a. m. until Noon.
- \* V. D. Clinic is held from 1:00 p. m. to 2:30 p. m. daily and from 5 p. m. to 6 p. m. each Thursday.

## LAA Conducts Survey Here

The Lubbock Apartment Association conducted their semi-annual occupancy survey of their membership in mid July, 1981. LAA has been conducting occupancy surveys since 1975 on an annual basis and semi-annual surveys since November, 1980. The city of Lubbock Apartment Inventory (dated 9/24/80) records 15,243 apartment units in Lubbock, Texas. Membership represents over 12,000 units of the 15,243 recorded.

The LAA has been conducting occupancy surveys semi-annually in July and November since November of 1980. Questionnaires were sent to the entire owner membership (12,000 units) of LAA. Figures used were from those responding.

The survey was tabulated by rental rate and unit size. The survey did not include units in initial leaseup or those undergoing major renovation. The total number of units surveyed was 7,223 and total vacant was 1050 units. There are approximately 500 apartment units under construction at this time and over 200 under renovation not included.

Units surveyed were also divided into four areas with vacancy factors as follows: Southwest Lubbock (South of 34th Street and West of Indiana) 7.00%, Southeast Lubbock (South of 34th and East

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## Directory Assistance Unit Will Open Soon

Skyrocketing increases in the number of Directory Assistance calls in the 806-915 number plan areas is prompting Southwestern Bell to open a New Directory Assistance unit in Lubbock late this year, according to District Manager-Operator Services (DA) Dorothy McCandless.

The new unit will create 110 new jobs in Lubbock by June, 1982, when the office is fully operational. Included are 97 operator positions, five service assistant jobs and one central office clerk in addition to a few supervisory positions.

The new unit, which will use modern Directory Assistance System Computer terminals, will be located on the third floor of 1426 Broadway, across from the company's long distance operator office.

The computer system allows nightly updates of directory assistance records and improves response time for customers.

"Besides bringing many new jobs and a \$1.5 million payroll to Lubbock, Southwestern Bell will invest more than

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**NEDRA HARDAWAY** - This young black sister was caught riding her bicycle to attend the "Third Annual Regional Talent Show" last Thursday evening at Mae Simmons Community Center. Nedra is a student at Lubbock High School. At age 14, Nedra wants to become a registered nurse one day. (Photo by Ufok Etukudo)

## The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

The members and friends of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met last Saturday morning in the home of the president, Mrs. Mary Ward. This was a terrific meeting. Vice President C. E. Fair opened the meeting with such encouraging remarks.

Participating in devotion were J. Ervin, C. E. Fair and C. E. Brown. The scripture was Psalms 100.

The morning lesson was taught by Mrs. Annie Day. The subject was "Duties Required of Us." Scripture was taken from Romans 12:1; 9-17.

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice; holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

"Don't just pretend that you love others; really love them, hate what is wrong, stand on the side of good love each other with brotherly affection and take delight in honoring each other. Never be lazy in your work but serve the Lord everlastingly. The speaker said: a good attitude is very important. Serving the Lord does not stop at the church but continue on your job. Community - home, present your bodies a living sacrifice. This lady truly took care of the ground work of our christian duty and that's good teaching. Thank you, Mrs. Day, and we love you. Touching remarks were given by Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin and others.

What a difference a day makes. Each of you made all the difference in the world. Come again. Our sick and shut in list include: Mrs. Bertha Hood, who is at home; Mrs. Ophelia Smith, Mr. Sam Waites, a patient at Parkway Rest Home; Mrs. Luella Johnson, Mrs. Mary Blake and Sugar Baby Fair. Mark 9:23: Anything you ask is possible if you have faith. And just believe. If you have a prayer request, call or come by. The numbers are 747-7326, 763-1333, 765-6831 or 765-8623. Continue to

Thought for the day: "God is not so much concerned about how much we give to support his work, but how we give it." Think about it. Guest were welcomed by Mrs. Clara Cagle. Breakfast was served buffet style on large platters. Just as we serve spiritually on large platters, we have plenty any way you want to eat. Come, we will make it. These words are for real. Our guest list include Rev. and Mrs. Tony Williams, Mrs. Rose Burris of Newark City, Mrs. Joan Y. Ervin, Mrs. Iwilla Moore, who is back with us; Miss Phillis Gant, and Mrs. Edwina Romos.

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## Installation Services

The members of the First Progressive Baptist Church invite the citizens of Lubbock to join them in the installation services of their pastor, Rev. Homer Avery, September 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1981 at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street. Rev. C. D. Collins will

fast and pray. The only way to face the tough problems.

Morning prayer was offered by Rev. Tony Williams.

The Children Outreach program is still working nicely, because a woman with a vision keeps on praying. Mrs. Donnie M. Graves is directress. Come by and bring your children or call and have them picked up. For further information, call 744-5602.

Can any good come out of Nazareth?? The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Isiah Newman, 1712 East 24th Street. Come and see.

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



Rev. Homer Avery serve as conductor of the services.

Closing services will be held Sunday afternoon, September 6, at 3 p. m. Guest ministers will include Rev. Mitchell, Rev. Stanley, Rev. V. Baughan, Rev. Gipson, Rev. Thomas, Rev. Anderson, and Rev. P. E. Armstrong.

Dinner will be served after Sunday afternoon's services at the Progressive Baptist Church, 4207 East 63rd (Yellowhouse Canyon).

The public is invited to attend these services.

## Faith First Baptist Church News

Sunday School started at 9:30 a. m. with Supt. Roosevelt Portee, Sr. at his post of duty. The lesson was "Choice and Its Consequences." The scripture was Deuteronomy 30:11-20. The background scripture was Deuteronomy 30:11-20. The lesson was enjoyed by all.

The sermon of the morning was "Stay on Board." Acts 27:1-14; 15, 27-31.

Brother Wallace is still in Highland Hospital. Let us pray for him.

The marriage service of Patricia Ann Whitley and Jimmy Wayne Williams was held Saturday, August 22, 1981, at 6 p. m. in the Faith First Baptist Church.

Patricia is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Hallie Lewis of Lubbock. She is

a graduate of Estacado High School, and is a junior in the School of Nursing at Prairie View A & M University. Patricia is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Jimmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie B. Williams of Fort Worth, Texas. He is a graduate of Fort Worth North Side High School and Prairie View A & M University. Mr. Williams is a teacher/coach at Dean Junior High School in Houston. He is also a

member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Rev. G. B. Coleman, pastor of Faith First

Baptist Church, officiated the wedding.

Maid of honor was Beverly Williams of Houston. Bridesmaids were Bobbie Williams, Paula Jefferson, Dorita Prince, Joyce Maxwell and Alisa Henderson.

Best man was Julius Hill. Groomsmen were Benny Smith, Lawrence Whitley, Hernion West, Fredrick V. Roberts, Kenneth Henderson, and Rickey Gaines. Flower girls were Demisha Austin, Kanisha Scott, Monica Peadgraft and Tonia Curry. Ring bearer was Damien Smith. Singers were Teresa Ellison and Daryl Harris. Solist was Sadie Mosley.

Rev. F. B. Bell is pastor; and Ms. Alisa Henderson is reporter.

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Night Service ..... 7:30 P.M.

And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is: But exhort one another; and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. Hebrews 10:24,25

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