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FEBRUARY 15 THRU FEBRUARY 21, 1990

Longtime Black Businessman Succumbs



Napoleon Holmes

Chilton, Texas -- Final rites were read Saturday, January 27, 1990 at the St. Paul United Methodist Church in Chilton for Mr. Napoleon "Beauty" Holmes with Rev. Curtis Hayes, pastor of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church of Lubbock, Texas, officiating. He was assisted by Rev. J. H. Ford, pastor of Greater St. Luke Baptist Church of Lubbock, Texas.

Rev. Gary Bunton is host pastor.

Mr. Holmes was born in Falls County, Texas to the late Mr. & Mrs. Napoleon Holmes, Sr. He united with

the St. Paul United Methodist Church at an early age.

He later moved to Lubbock, Texas, and united with Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church under the pastorate of Pastor T. R. Albert.

Mr. Holmes was a worker for Christ, serving on the Trustee Board, Administrative Council Board, and the Finance Committee.

He was an active member of the community while serving the city as its first Black contractor. He was also a Cub Scout Master, and faithful member and Master Mason in Prince Hall Lodge No. 328.

He was also a member of the Southeast Development Council.

He leaves to mourn his death: two sisters, Hettie Owens of Lott, Texas and Etta Holmes Tucker of Lubbock, Texas; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were relatives and friends of the family.

Paul Funeral Home of Interment was held in Cedar Valley Cemetery of Chilton, Texas under the directions of Paul Funeral Home of Marlin, Texas.

Clarence Carter Will Appear Here



Clarence Carter

Clarence Carter will be in concert at the Palm Room, located on the Idalou Road, Saturday night, March 3, 1990 from 9 p. m. to 11 p. m. Tickets are \$10.00 pre-sale and \$12.00 at-the-door.

Alabama born and raised, Clarence lost his sight at an early age and attended the Alabama School for the Blind in Talladega. His original intention was to become a teacher, but after graduating from Alabama State College in Montgom-

ery with a B. S. degree in music, the doors opened for Clarence to pursue a career in music that has been illustrious to this point.

After starting out with a local group, Clarence hooked up with Calvin Scott to form the duo Clarence & Calvin and they enjoyed some success on record across the southern states. But it wasn't until Clarence went solo and went to Muscle Shoals in 1966 that the fate took a really positive

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"Wants To Be Movie Star"



Brett Johnson

Just thought you would like to know that we know that you are very special. Little Mr. Brett Johnson, age 5, of 2710 Teak Avenue, has aspirations of becoming a movie star after high school. We wish him the very best.

LISD Sponsors Pre-Bidding Conference

The Lubbock Independent School District will conduct an advance bidding and construction conference for interested building industry representatives at 7:00 p.m., February 27. The meeting is scheduled for the board room at the LISD Central Administrative Offices Building, 1628 19th Street.

The purposes of the conference are to promote equal opportunities for contractors, vendors, and other interested parties; to encourage the involvement

of local contractors and vendors; to announce to the building industry the upcoming program of work and to discuss the nature of the projects; to define the legal requirements associa-

ted with the work; and to explain the policies and goals of the school district with regard to this work.

The conference agenda will include the topics of a general discussion of the school bond program; the scope of the work (masonry, painting, concrete, plaster, carpentry, plumbing, roofing, and heating-ventilation-air conditioning); the schedule of actual and probable bid dates and bid package descriptions; architects and engineers instructions to bidders concerning insurance qualifications and performance bond requirements; and questions.

Interested persons representing the building industry are cordially invited.

Sponsored by PTA & LISD Awareness Workshop Set On Gangs & Cults

Parents and other concerned adults are invited to attend an awareness workshop entitled, "Parent Alert: Information on Gangs and Cults." It will be co-sponsored by the Lubbock City Council PTA and the Lubbock Independent School District and will be held from 7:00 - 9:00 p. m., Tuesday, February 20, in the Monterey High School Auditorium.

The speakers for the event will present a broad

overview of information on gangs and cults. District Attorney Travis Ware will open the discussion with background information on the problem in Lubbock.

Pam Bradley, counselor at the Hill Country Middle School in Austin, will present timely information covering the profile of an at-risk young person, signs and symbols of cult involvement, and intervention techniques for parents.

Ben Kennedy, chief adult

Celebrates 100th Birthday



Mr. William Shipp (center) is shown with his family at his 100th birthday party.

Mr. Matthew Shipp celebrated his 100th birthday November 29, 1989 with his family and friends. Mr. Shipp has made his home with his daughter and son-in-law, Rev. & Mrs. James E. Moore of 2921 East Colgate Avenue since July.

Mr. Shipp, a native of Texas, has lived in Texas most of his life. Except for most of his life, except for the nine years he spent in

Los Angeles, California with his youngest daughter and her husband, Rev. & Mrs. I. V. Jones who have moved back to Lubbock, Texas to be near him.

On hand to help celebrate his birthday was his oldest daughter, Mrs. Josephine Yarbough of Albuquerque, N. M. His son, Matthew Shipp, Jr. of Galveston, Texas, was not able to attend the celebration, but sent a gift and called him on his birthday.

Mr. Shipp was born in Jasper County, Texas, November 29, 1889. He is the youngest of his family of nine brothers and three sisters, and is the only one left of the twelve.

Mr. Shipp is a gifted man, and has worked at many trades. In his early life, he worked as a barber, master tailor, and blacksmith. After marriage, he tried his hand at farming. At the time, he was rearing his five children, and as he says, "I didn't want to bring them up in the city," so he spent much of his life on a farm at Winona, Texas. He was very active in the community and the church. He was an ordained Deacon of the New Zion Baptist Church. He also helped to rebuild the church there.

Mr. Shipp moved from Winona to Oton, Texas in 1942; there he helped to build the only Black church in Oton. After the death of his beloved wife of 54 years, he has spent most of his time with his children. Mr. Shipp loves to talk about his childhood days and the only transportation was the oxen wagon. The name of the ox team was "Turk" and "Lep."

Mr. Shipp has seen many changes in the world in his 100 years. He is in good health, just getting younger everyday. "God has been good to me," he says.

Mr. Shipp says he has no secret for living a long life, but he is sure that God has a plan for everyone. His was supporting his minister and the church, and now he is a living witness that God's word is true, and that you reap what you sow.

Praise God, the minister is now taking care of him.

Old Fashion Fellowship Set

The members of the Greater St. James Baptist Church, 117 N. Mulberry Avenue, where Rev. Kado Lang is the pastor, will sponsor an "Old Fashion Fellowship" Sunday, February 18, 1990 at 3:00 p. m.

With the theme of "An Unchanging Fellowship," guest speaker will be Bishop W. H. Watson, pastor of the Ford Memorial COGIC.

Music will be offered by the Greater St. James Baptist Choir, Zion Missionary Baptist Church Choir and Ford Memorial Church Choir.

Rev. Lang will introduce Bishop Watson.

Everyone in attendance is asked to dress in an old fashion style.

The food committee members are Sisters Edna Pine, Virginia McGraw and Cleo Bracy.

Dinner will be served immediately after the services.

probation officer from Andrews, will discuss the influence of films, music, and occult-related games as well as the criminal aspects of cult activity.

The final speaker will be Beni Hemmeline, assistant criminal district attorney. She will focus on gang/cult activity in Lubbock County.

The workshop will be open to all parents and concerned adults in the community. Children who attend should be accompanied by an adult.

RUBY JAY'S CORNER



The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the Church where the people really care. Rev. B. R. Moton is pastor.

Sunday School began last Sunday morning at 9:30 a. m. This being Youth Day, Sister B. Kelly was presiding. The song of the morning was "Oh, How I Love Jesus."

During the morning worship hour, the order of service began with scripture by Deacon and prayer by Deacon Howard. A selection by the choir was sung. It was entitled "Pass Me Not."

Prayer was offered by a youth. It was a real good prayer. Another selection followed and then the Mission and Education offering coordinated by the Deacons and Ushers.

After the doxology, the choir sang another selection followed by the pastoral observation by Pastor Moton. He told the congregation about the retreat the Youth attended in Odessa, Texas. Pamela Moton won in the one of the activities. Several adults traveled with Pastor Moton and the Youth.

The hymn of preparation

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was sung. Pastor Moton preached a beautiful sermon. His subject was "How To Fight The Battle of Life." His text was Deut. 20:1-4.

One of the Youth members welcomed the visitors to New Hope.

Sunday will be the day for

the women of New Hope to show their colors. We are all praying for a good time in the Lord. Sister Billie Russell will speak a few minutes for women. Women choirs will sing on this day after which the services will be turned over to the special guest, Rev. C. C. Peoples and

congregation of Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Slaton, Texas. Churches are welcome to attend.

The goal for this special effort will be \$3,000. So don't forget this date: Sunday, February 18, 1990 at 3 p. m.

Let us not forget our sick and shut in citizens.

It was good to see Mr. Ben Andrews at church last Sunday. He is still ill.

Harrison "Bull" Davis was rushed to St. Mary's Hospital last Saturday night. He is still a patient there at this report.

Our prayers go out to all our sick and shut in citizens everyday.

Mr. & Mrs. Hardin Barrow lost a niece last Thursday. Services were held Wednesday (yesterday) in Slaton,

Texas.

Our prayers, love and sympathy are with the family. Her name was Gwendolyn Cook.

This writer received word

Sunday night that her cousin, Nellie Fuller, died. She was well-known in Lubbock, Texas as a Christian woman. She was a member of St. Luke Baptist Church.

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3022 E. 3rd St.	494-145688-721	3 1	\$15,850	
2409 E. 7th St.	494-124067-203	3 1	\$13,350	
1920 17th St.	494-156895-703	3 3	\$34,000	
4110 B 18th St.	494-156513-203	2 2	\$55,800	
1319 26th St.	494-112231-203	2 1	\$14,050	
2210 28th St.	494-133490-748	2 1	\$22,050	
6325 29th St.	494-096583-203	3 2	\$32,400	
6402 31st St.	494-142695-703	3 2	\$41,750	
2515 33rd St.	494-149465-203	2 1	\$26,000	
2705 33rd St.	494-141216-703	3 2	\$27,900	
410 36th St.	494-159130-703	3 2	\$32,250	
5021 36th St.	494-150847-703	2 1	\$35,700	
2408 39th St.	494-127641-221	2 1	\$22,800	
1502 40th St.	494-154549-703	2 1	\$20,750	
1302 42nd St.	494-120970-203	2 1	\$20,250	
2906 43rd St.	494-130340-703	4 2	\$33,000	
4806 46th St.	494-130472-703	3 2	\$41,750	
1911 47th St.	494-102136-203	2 1	\$21,850	
2210 48th St.	494-121619-203	4 2	\$29,150	
3008 48th St.	494-154672-703	3 2	\$45,700	
2009 49th St.	494-143725-703	2 1	\$23,400	
512 55th St.	494-156922-703	3 1	\$23,900	
1908 60th St.	494-119891-203	2 1	\$23,750	
1902 68th St.	494-134670-703	3 1	\$25,950	
1624 69th St.	494-127809-203	3 2	\$35,000	
2807 69th St.	494-115659-203	3 2	\$53,300	
1939 71st St.	494-132158-203	3 2	\$45,700	
2211 86th St.	494-128726-246	3 2	\$45,200	
5736 93rd St.	494-135683-703	3 2	\$52,000	
805 Ave. S	494-160062-703	3 2	\$18,050	
7711 Ave. W	494-110623-245	3 2	\$40,450	
908 Adrian	494-146789-203	3 2	\$33,900	
9511 Canton	494-119520-203	3 2	\$36,000	
606 N. Canton	494-137651-703	3 2	\$40,500	
1905 E. Colgate	494-157657-703	3 1	\$19,300	
2923 E. Colgate	494-158031-703	3 2	\$20,900	
4610 Fordham	494-109996-235	3 2	\$33,500	
5525 Harvard	494-109230-203	3 2	\$43,200	
603 N. Hudson	494-124065-203	2 1	\$24,850	
4408 Kemper	494-118411-203	3 2	\$33,950	
4610 Kemper	494-124887-235	3 2	\$31,250	
9720 Memphis	494-135468-703	2 2	\$61,800	
2902 E. 1st St.	494-131290-703	5 2	\$20,950	
2713 A & B 2nd St.	494-108141-203	4 2	\$8,200	
2719 E. 3rd St.	494-121880-203	3 1	\$7,800	
2108 8th St.	494-120297-503	3 1	\$14,600	
2024 9th St.	494-124160-203	3 1	\$13,150	
2201 9th St.	494-120656-603	2 1	\$8,550	
3404 E. 16th St.	494-157747-703	3 1	\$10,800	
1410 24th Place	494-145204-703	2 1	\$12,550	
1514 E. 27th St.	494-107139-203	2 1	\$10,450	
2212 29th St.	494-110652-203	2 1	\$18,250	
2314 29th St.	494-106942-203	2 1	\$17,600	
4310 33rd St.	494-145578-703	3 1	\$24,700	
4715 33rd St.	494-117954-203	3 1/2	\$27,950	
4614 39th St.	494-151498-703	2 2	\$26,200	
1309 40th St.	494-108004-203	2 1	\$13,250	
1115 41st St.	494-149388-221	3 1	\$14,250	
2620 41st St.	494-125786-206	3 1	\$17,500	
2002 42nd St.	494-142246-203	3 2	\$25,250	
5120 42nd St.	494-155858-721	3 1	\$22,050	
517 51st St.	494-143714-203	2 1	\$14,700	
1830 E. Amherst	494-156921-721	3 2	\$17,050	
2614 E. Auburn	494-130100-203	3 1	\$9,150	

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2612 E. Baylor	494-151259-203	3 1	\$15,500	
2820 Cornell A & B	494-153966-703	4 2	\$12,000	
210 David	494-152461-748	3 1	\$11,750	
220 David Ave.	494-163651-203	3 1	\$13,550	
315 N. Flint	494-114757-203	2 1	\$10,500	
101 Waco	494-120645-203	3 1	\$14,850	
2601 Ave. K	494-109754-203	2 1	\$10,350	
2019 Ave. M	494-123930-203	2 1	\$8,200	
223 Ave. T	494-154481-721	3 2	\$15,500	

ABERNATHY

309 Ave. F A&B	494-162125-703	5-2	\$24,900	
301 Ave. F A&B	494-163759-703	6-2	\$24,000	
311 Ave. F A&B	494-147890-703	5-2	\$24,550	
401 Ave. M	494-118284-203	4-2	\$19,950	
903 6th St.	494-135241-703	3 1	\$18,250	

BROWNFIELD

712 Lanny St.	494-121643-203	3-2	\$26,250	
1202 E. Broadway	494-132632-703	3-1	\$15,350	
508 Cactus	494-099847-203	2-1	\$13,550	
707 E. Lake St.	494-102341-203	2-2	\$18,300	
601 E. Lons	494-100628-203	3-1	\$11,700	
1305 North A	494-112508-203	2-1	\$13,300	

CROSBYTON

427 S. Crosby	494-168307-748	2-1	\$18,250	
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EARTH

604 3rd	494-085967-203	3-1	\$12,250	
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LEVELLAND

1005 10th St.	494-165116-521	3-1	\$14,700	
116 E. Adams	494-111569-203	2-1	\$20,500	
107 Elm St.	494-166419-721	3-1/2	\$21,200	
113 Elm	494-126086-203	2-1	\$20,000	
113 Popular	494-157136-203	4-1	\$24,500	
1210 Ave. A	494-154425-703	3-2	\$35,650	
1207 Ave. B	494-151502-203	3-1/2	\$19,300	
1721 Ave. I	494-149526-703	2-1	\$18,800	
510 A&B 9th St.	494-123266-221	4-2	\$14,600	
113 Cedar	494-125618-203	3-1	\$22,750	
1219 Ave. D	494-128638-203	4-2	\$21,850	
223 Pat	494-104484-203	3-2	\$19,800	

LITTLEFIELD

724 E. 16th St.	494-130591-203	2-1	\$15,700	
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MULESHOE

1212 Ave. B	494-128614-203	3-1	\$19,900	
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RALLS

1220 Ave. L	494-125052-203	3-1/2	\$22,400	
1017 Ave. G	494-107750-203	2-1	\$9,450	

ROPEVILLE

612 Carson	494-118679-203	2-1	\$11,700	
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SLATON

215 S. 3rd St.	494-152808-721	3-1/2	\$16,500	
235 Binion Rd.	494-119349-203	2-1	\$16,800	

SUNDOWN

110 W. Magnolia	494-138148-703	3-2	\$35,650	
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TULIA

614 E. Broadway	494-116411-203	4-2	\$13,550	
219 N. Dallas	494-151506-203	3-1	\$15,000	

WOLFFORT

829 9th St.	494-116396-203	3-1	\$32,250	
711 7th St.	494-123306-203	4-2	\$44,450	

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OBSEQUIES

Mrs. Nancy Scody



Final rites were read for a longtime resident, Mrs. Nancy Scody, at the Greater St. James Baptist Church Tuesday, February 6, 1990, with Rev. Kado Lang, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the directions of Adams Plains Funeral Home.

Mrs. Scody was born to the parentage of Mr. & Mrs. Elijah Dire on March 9, 1910 in Jackson Parrish, La.

Mrs. Scody, who was the Mother of Greater St. James Baptist Church, became a Christian at an early age, and she served her Lord and Master well until her death. She was a member of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church where she was church secretary. Later, she and her family moved to Lubbock in 1946, and united with the St. James Baptist Church. While there as a member, Mrs. Scody served as the President of the Senior Mission, President of the Pastor's Aid, Sunday School and Baptist Training Union.

Because of her loyalty and respect that she had for her fellow sisters and brothers, the Junior Mission Circle was named in her honor "The Nancy Circle." During her journey, she continued to serve as the General Church Secretary and Secretary of the Building Fund for many, many years. Sister Scody was a faithful member to all the church

Overeaters Anonymous Sponsors Effort

Participants in Lubbock area meetings of Overeaters Anonymous will join some 150,000 members in 50 countries to celebrate Unity Day on February 17, 1990. A moment of silence will be observed worldwide at 1:30 p.m. to reaffirm the love and understanding shared by recovering compulsive overeaters and to reflect on those persons who continue to struggle with the disease of compulsive eating.

The Lubbock OA has also planned a Unity Day Traditions Study for all 12 Step organizations on February 17 at Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 7702 Indiana from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. For more information contact Jo Paul, 745-2373.

Currently in its 30th year, OA is a fellowship of men and women finding recovery from compulsive eating through a 12 Step Program patterned after that of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Unity Day is in its fifth year. Previous events have served to strengthen the bond among members throughout the world, reminding them of the recovery possible through the OA program. For more information call Jo Paul, 745-2373.

Kiss For Little Bear

The puppet show "Kiss for Little Bear" will be featured during Kidstuff on Thursday, February 15 at the Mahon Library, 1306 9th Street. The program which is geared for children age six through twelve, will begin at 4:00 p.m.

"Kiss for Little Bear" is based on the book of the same name by Else Minarik. It is the story of Little Bear who receives a picture from his grandmother. He sends back a kiss which passes from the hen to other animals. He refuses to pass the kiss on when two skunks

pass the kiss repeatedly to each other.

Housing Authority of the City of Lubbock
Bids are being accepted for yard maintenance at the following locations:

- * 96 West Apartments, 2410
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- * 36 South Apartments, 1308 C 52nd Street
- * Green Fair Manor, 2807 Weber Drive
- * Hub Homes, 323 Avenue F

All grass mowed every 2 weeks, grass trimmed around all buildings, fences, sidewalks, water meters, etc... Trash picked up before mowing.

Closing date for bids March 1, 1990 at 2:00 p.m. Bids accepted at 515 N. Zenith, telephone (806) 762-1191, Wayne Carson.

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Carter G. Woodson "Father of Black History"

Many people call Dr. Carter G. Woodson the "Father of Negro History." They believe he has done more than any other individual to prevent the obliteration (doing away with) of Black history.

It is because of Dr. Woodson's hard work that we observe Black History Month each year.

Carter G. Woodson was born on December 19, 1875 in New Canton, Virginia. His parents were former slaves.

As a boy, Woodson was not able to attend school regularly because his parents needed him to help with the work on the farm. Woodson's family was large and very poor.

Young Carter Woodson did not let anything keep him from learning. He went to school when he could. When he had to stay home and work on the farm, he taught himself. When he was seventeen, he knew the subjects that were taught in public school. He was mostly self-taught.

Woodson wanted more education. He worked as a coal miner in Kentucky to pay for his higher education. Later when he was qualified, he taught grade school and later, high school students. During his summer vacations Woodson continued his education.

Carter Woodson was a good student. He was educated at Berea College in Kentucky. He later went to the University of Chicago where he earned his B.A. or Bachelor of Arts degree in 1907 and his M.A. or Master of Arts degree in 1908. He earned his Ph.D. or Doctor of Philosophy degree at Harvard University

in 1912. He also studied at the Sorbonne in Paris.

In 1922 after teaching for ten years, Woodson decided to devote all of his time to study and writing on the subject of Black history.

Dr. Woodson's studies and his experiences as a teacher made him decide that someone had to carefully gather the

information and then write an accurate history of the Negro.

In those days White historians wrote books on American history which either left out the achievements of the Negro or which spread untruths and myths about the Negro. White historians said the Black man had no history.



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CONSUMER ALERT

by
Jim Mattox
Attorney General

Toy Safety

Now that the holidays are over and children are enjoying the gifts that they received, parents should inspect all toys to make sure they are safe. Supervising children at play will also assure that they have safe play habits.

Without parental supervision, play tends to become rowdy and rough, which later can result in an accident. Therefore toy safety and play safety become extremely important.

The Consumer Product Safety Commission does set safety regulations, but some toys by their very nature remain dangerous. Although most toys come with instructions and warning labels, accidents still occur. It is estimated that children under the age of seven account for more than 50 percent of toy related injuries.

INSPECT ALL TOYS

Parents should check old and new toys for specific dangers, such as:

- sharp edges, or broken or loose parts
- rust or weak parts
- peeling paint
- wooden edges that have become sharp or splintered
- flammable materials

Be especially watchful if the toys are manufactured outside of the United States.

KEEP PLAY AREA SAFE

Outdoors

Parents can teach children how to play safely outdoors by teaching them the following:

- watch for other children, especially in front of swings, slides, etc.
- be especially careful when playing on or above hard surfaces
- refrain from rock throwing
- don't attempt to retrieve balls or toys where animals are loose or near roadways.

Indoors

Parents can "child proof" a home with the following techniques:

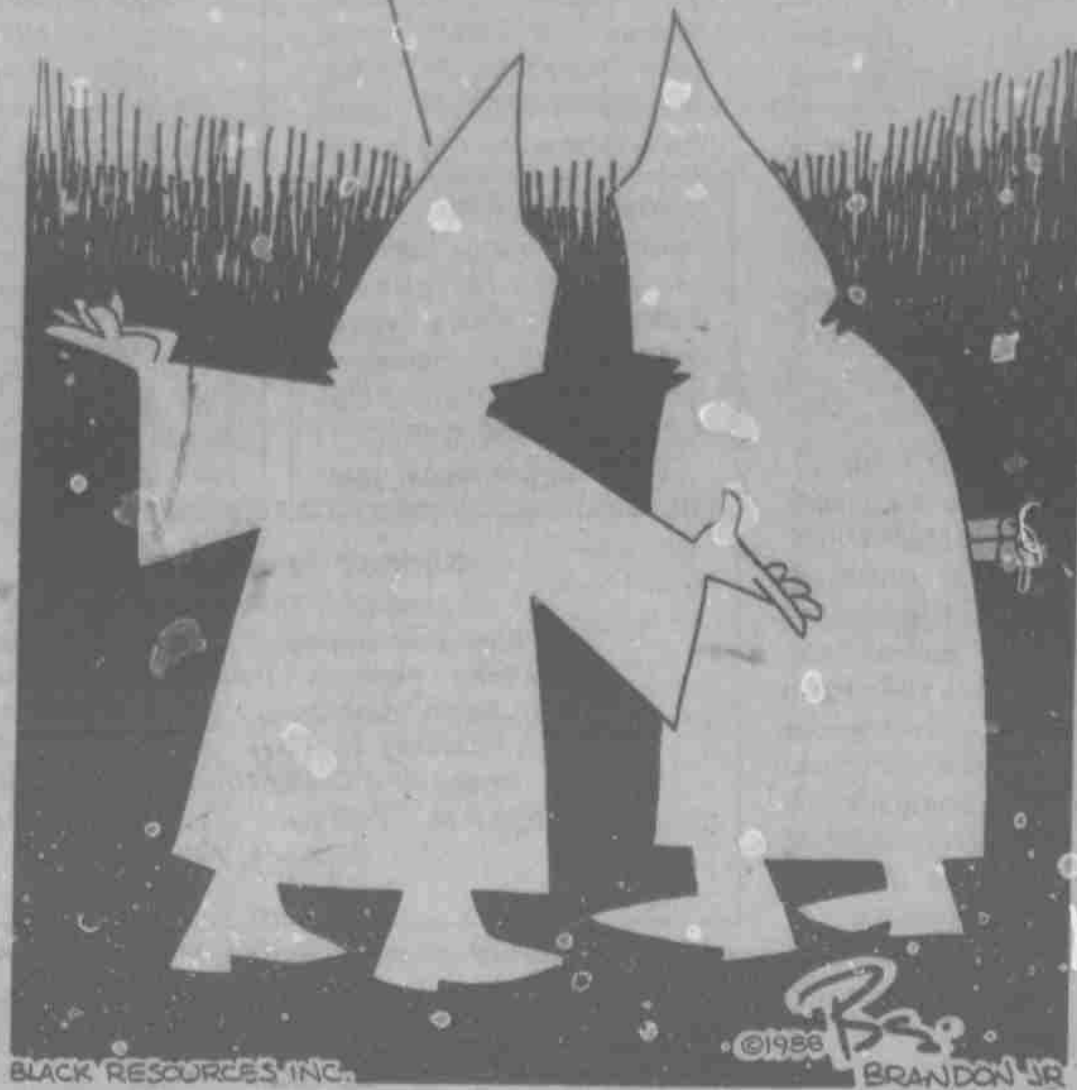
- use safety latches to lock all medicines, household products and other toxic items in a secure place
- store scissors, knives and tools out of reach
- move dangling electrical cords
- put away all toys to prevent toddlers from reaching them and possibly putting items in their mouth.

Remember, all toys are fun, but can be dangerous if used in the wrong way. Inspecting toys can limit accidents along with teaching play safety.

FOR MORE HELP

If you have a complaint about a particular toy, contact the Consumer Product Safety Commission at 1919 Smith St., 7th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002. If you have a consumer complaint, call the nearest Consumer Protection Office in Austin, Dallas, El Paso, Houston, Lubbock, McAllen, and San Antonio. The Attorney General's Office is the people's law firm. We're here to help you.

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The Census Is Coming; Temporary Jobs Available

The 1990 Census of population and housing takes place on April 1, 1990. The Lubbock District Office of the Bureau of the Census is currently recruiting local personal for temporary positions during this time. Although most of the jobs are outdoors, there will be

some office positions available. A dependable car is required for most jobs. All interested applicants must take a general aptitude test. The next test will be given on Tuesday, February 20th, at 1 p.m. at the Mae Simmons Community Center. Applicants should

bring with them their Driver's License and Social Security Card. The entire application/testing process takes about two hours. For additional information, visit or call the Census Office at 1202 Jarvis, 742-8605. This testing session is being hosted by the Lubbock Branch, NAACP.

AT ISSUE

Change Our National Anthem?

Erich Kunzel is conductor of the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra and a nationally renowned guest conductor. He has won two consecutive Billboard Magazine Classical Crossover Artist of the Year awards.



YES

Should we change the national anthem to "America the Beautiful"?

Absolutely. First, the music of "The Star-Spangled Banner" was not written by an American, but is an 18th century English drinking song. Second, the text of our national anthem written by Francis Scott Key is about war (the War of 1812 against England). In fact, the third verse of "The Star-Spangled Banner" actually implies hatred for the British, long since one of our closest allies. Moreover, musically speaking, it is almost impossible to sing well, covering the range of an octave and a fifth.

In what ways is either song more appropriate?

"America the Beautiful" was written by the American musician, Samuel Augustus Ward, in 1882. The words are by our fellow citizen, Katherine Leo Bates, written in 1893. The melody is so beautiful and easy to sing. And the text is about the beauty of our land, not about war and hatred. It emphasizes the love we have for our country, brotherhood and pride in accomplishment.

Are there other alternatives?

There are always alternatives to anything. If we want a loud, boisterous national anthem, we could use the grand finale of John Philip Sousa's stirring march, "The Stars and Stripes Forever," with text by Sousa himself. We could, of course, ask our leading popular composers and songwriters to give it a try; such as, Marvin Hamlisch, Henry Mancini, John Williams, Jerry Goldsmith, Neil Diamond, Bruce Springsteen or Quincy Jones, to name a few.

We should not be afraid of change. "The Star-Spangled Banner" only became our national anthem in 1931, when Herbert Hoover signed it into law. It really is a relatively recent part of our historical heritage. Let us sing about peace and the beauty of our land, not "rockets red glare, bombs bursting in air."

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Governor William Donald Schaefer has been the governor of Maryland since 1986. A lifelong Maryland resident, Gov. Schaefer served as mayor of Baltimore for four consecutive terms.

NO

Should we change the national anthem to "America the Beautiful"?

No. No. No. A thousand times no. The very suggestion that "The Star-Spangled Banner" be replaced as this country's national anthem is ridiculous. Our stirring anthem was written by Francis Scott Key, a Marylander, when he was held prisoner aboard a British vessel during the bombardment of Baltimore in the War of 1812. It represents to all Americans the courage, honor, heritage and, above all, hope of our great nation. "The Star-Spangled Banner" was created during a heroic defense of the nation. What words or music could be more appropriate as a reminder that the price of freedom is the willingness to defend it?

In what ways is either song more appropriate?

For 175 years, "The Star-Spangled Banner" both unofficially and officially has been this country's national anthem. The words and music are woven into the fabric of our patriotic heritage. The circumstances surrounding the attack of Fort M'Henry, the defense of Baltimore and the heroic survival of our young nation are an intricate part of American history and of "The Star-Spangled Banner." The symbolic importance of "The Star-Spangled Banner" in 1812, as a young nation defended itself against foreign tyranny, is proudly recalled each time we sing our national anthem. The words of Francis Scott Key are as significant and appropriate today as they were when he wrote them.

Are there other alternatives?

No. The lyrics we now sing as our national anthem mean something. They have a history and a patriotic message that cannot be found in any other piece of music. This patriotic hymn is Maryland's shining gift to this nation's rich traditions of freedom and independence. To even suggest that some other song replace "The Star-Spangled Banner" as our national anthem borders on sacrilege. **Ed**

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Health Editorial:

Lichen Planus



Dr. Heenan Johnson, III

Lichen Planus is an itchy skin rash of unclear origin. It is either small, shiny, reddish spots that appear suddenly, often on the wrists, or patches of thickened, discolored skin that gradually fade and leave a brown mark. Lichen Planus can also make fingernails and toenails ridged. Lichen Planus is most often found in middle aged person. There is another form of Lichen Planus which is Oral Lichen Planus.

In this disorder, changes occur in the lining of your mouth that often cause minor discomfort. It occurs as a number of small, pale pimples that gradually join to form a fine white line of slightly raised tissue. These changes can also be in the form of slightly raised red patches. These changes occur on the inside of your cheeks and the sides of your tongue. The cause of Oral Lichen Planus is unclear. It can be brought on by emotional stress, by patches of irritation in the mouth such as those caused by poorly fitting dentures.

In the treatment of Lichen Planus, a dermatologist may biopsy a sample of skin to diagnose this disorder. Steroids ointment usually relieves the irritation and reduces the rash. But the

rash often returns and needs further treatment. In any color changes or texture inside your mouth that does not clear up within ten days should be seen by your dentist or physician. Oral Lichen Planus can be treated or prevented by keeping your mouth healthy by brushing your teeth and gums thoroughly twice a day. If this disorder is

caused by ill-fitting dentures see your dentist to insure proper fit and elimination of rough spots. If irritation persists, your dentist may prescribe a ointment or rinse which will cause the patches to shrink and then they will disappear within a few days.

This is National Children's Dental Health Week, and on February 17, 1990, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at

the South Plains Mall (near McDonald's) the South Plains District Dental Society will host a dental health fair. There will be demonstrations, drawings for gifts, puppet shows, and a free tooth brush swap when you bring in your old toothbrush. Hope to see you there!

THIS N THAT

SOMETHING TO WATCH HAPPEN!! THIS N THAT ... as well as ... **MILLIONS OF PEOPLE** ... from around the globe saw the steps made by a man who had been in prison in South Africa for ... **ONE-THIRD OF HIS LIFE** ... walk in freedom last Sunday morning... He was ... **NELSON MANDELA** ... a man who is a legend in his country ... and no doubt ... there will be many ... **BLACKS** ... in the free world ... who will wear a portion of his name... **NELSON** ... or even ... **MANDELA** ... For he has demonstrated that ... **ANYTHING ONE BELIEVES IN STRONG ENOUGH** ... he will go through all lengths to see that that belief will become a reality... Now what has to happen is for the ... **PROBLEMS** ... in South Africa to ... cease ... and it will become a ... **NATION OF PEOPLE** ... with the inclusiveness of all of its people of color... This is a dream that ... **NELSON MANDELA** ... suffered for all those many years... and yet ... he got out of ... **PRISON** ... a folk hero ... and man of great stature ... and it was vividly revealed of his commitment upon his few steps to freedom... **THIS N THAT** ... hopes that his ... **POSTURE** ... will be reflected throughout the world ... as he did what he had to do ... and for that ... today ... **YOUNG BLACKS** ... who has never seen him ... will have a more equitable opportunity ... to move up in that country of racism ... and for the efforts of ... **NELSON MANDELA** ... a positive signal has been sent around the ... **GLOBE** ... that you just can't keep ... **GOD'S PEOPLE DOWN** ... forever... **THIS N THAT** ... is constantly praying for the outcome of ... **SOUTH AFRICA** ... to be a most positive one ...

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT!! THIS N THAT ... would the day would come ... when ... **BLACK HISTORY MONTH** ... will be replaced by ... **BLACK HISTORY DAY!**

GOOD TO TRAVEL THIS N THAT ... who served as ... driver for the members who traveled to ... Amarillo, Texas to support their pastor ... **REV. A. L. DUNN** ... had an ear full of information ... Actually ... the conversation ... became very interesting ... as the person present began to talk about what they did when they were ... **KIDS** ... and how well ... **DISCIPLINE** ... was an order of the day ... when ... **BLACK YOUTH** ... took at heart what their parents said ... and what they should not do ... If they would refuse to obey ... then the hammer was let down ... In hearing ... **OLLIE COLEMAN** ... **BUELAH WINTERS** ... **DOROTHY NASH** ... **RUBY PHENIX** ... and few others ... with ... **BROTHER WALKER** ... smiling ... one can't help but be most appreciative of what our ... **OLDER BLACK CITIZENS** ... did to see that their offsprings ... would come up in a positive posture... And ... **THIS N THAT** ... heard what they

were talking about ... one couldn't help but ... think about his past ... and wonder what has happened that the ... **GOOD OLD DAYS** ... are not here anymore ... and that we surely need those kind of ... **DISCIPLINES** ... in order to help the upcoming ... **BLACK KIDS** ... No doubt about it ... **THIS N THAT** ... will attest ... that in those days ... **PARENTS** ... did pay more attention to what their ... **BLACK KIDS** ... were doing ... and even went to the public schools ... to see if their own had ... **LESSON** ... to do at home... Just the other day ... **THIS N THAT** ... an educator tell a group of parents that ... **WE DON'T GIVE OUR KIDS LESSON ON THE WEEK-ENDS** ... and ... **THIS N THAT** ... thought about the lesson he had to turn in every morning ... or go to the chopping block ... and for that ... **THIS N THAT** ... is most thankful... Anyway ... **LADIES OF ETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH** ... **THIS N THAT** ... is glad to have had an opportunity ... for it gave one an opportunity ... to reflect back ... and thank those parents ... **WHO MADE ME MIND** ... and ... **PUT THE BELT ON THE SIT DOWN** ... when it was necessary... There are those ... who may recall ... those days ... and don't think ... **IT'S ABOUT TIME THAT WE GO BACK** ... in order to save our ... **BLACK BOYS & GIRLS??**

St. Matthew Baptist News

The Sunday School was called to order at 9:50 a. m. last Sunday morning with the superintendent at his post. The lesson was the "Image of The Servant." Adult topic: "Chosen To Serve." Pastor R. S. Stanley reviewed the lesson.

The Sunday morning services were kicked off to a great start and the Holy Ghost took control. The choir, both Junior and Senior, sang until the Lord's poured out His spirit upon the membership. Pastor Stanley spoke on the subject: "See What The Lord Has Done." His scripture was Matthew 11:1-5 and background scripture was Isaiah 35:5-6.

At 3:00 p. m., the St. Matthew Church Family traveled over to join the New Zion Church Family in the installation of their pastor, Rev. T. C. Collins. Rev. B. R. Moton, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, preached a dynamic sermon. His subject was: "Tell Men I Am Sent You." His text was Exodus 3:13-14.

During the 6:00 p. m. services, the associate



Sister Imatha Isaac

preacher, Rev. D. Johnson, spoke on the subject: "What Is This Thing Called Love." His text was John 15:9-13.

At 7:00 p. m., the Interdenominational Ministers Fellowship Alliance met at St. Matthews, and Rev. Herman Phillips spoke on "Roots." His text was Isaiah 11:1-3.

Remember to pray for the sick and shut-in. Brother David Brown is in the hospital.

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AGENDA

- ★ General discussion of the school bond program
- ★ Scope of work-masonry, painting, concrete, plaster, carpentry, plumbing, roofing, and heating-ventilation-air conditioning
- ★ Schedule of actual and probable bid dates and bid package descriptions
- ★ Architects and engineers
- ★ Instructions to bidders-insurance qualifications and performance bonds
- ★ Questions

The purposes of the conference are to promote equal opportunities for contractors, vendors, and other interested parties; to encourage the involvement of local contractors and vendors; to announce to the building industry the upcoming program of work and to discuss the nature of the projects; to define the legal requirements associated with the work; and to explain the policies and goals of the Lubbock Independent School District with regard to this work.

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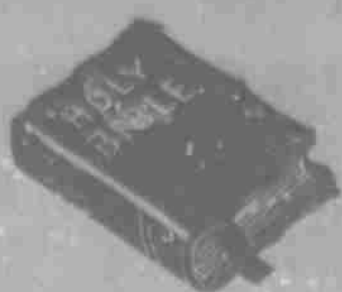
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The Outreach Prayer Breakfast

Members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast met in the lovely home of Delbert and Dorothy Hood last Saturday morning. Opening scripture was read by Sister Christine Burleson, president. Her scripture was Psalm 90. Prayer for the speaker was offered by Sister Elnora Jones.

The morning scripture lesson was taught by Sister Margurite Dixon. Her text was I John 1:1; St. John 1:1; and Genesis 1:1.

(I John 1:1) Christ was alive when the world began, yet I, myself, have seen him with my own eyes and listened to him speak. I have touched him with my own hands. He is God's message of life.

(St. John 1:1) Before anything else existed, there was Christ. With God, He has always been alive and is himself God. Jesus did not come into being when he was born, because He is eternal.

(Genesis 1:1) When God began creating the heavens

and the earth, or in the beginning God created the heaven and earth.

The simple statement that God created the heavens and the earth is one of the most challenging concepts confronting the modern mind. The vast galaxy we live in is spinning at the incredible speed of 490,000 miles an hour, but even at this breakneck speed, our galaxy still needs 200 million years to make one rotation, and there are over one billion other galaxies just like ours. Some scientists say that the number of stars in creation is equal to all the grains of all the sands on the beaches of the world. Yet, this complex sea of spinning stars function with remarkable order and efficiency. To say that the universe "just happened" or "evolved" requires more faith than to believe that God is behind these amazing statistics. God did create a wonderful universe. God did not need to create the universe; he choose to create it. Why?

God is love and love is best expressed toward something or someone else. So God created the world and people as our expression of his love. We should avoid reducing God's creation to only scientific terms while forgetting that God created the universe because he loved us.

This speaker spoke about three beginnings: God is the creator of everything; eternal life is in Him; and this life gives light to all mankind; His life is the light that shines through the darkness and the darkness can never extinguish it. God gave us a free gift. If we receive into the Lord, we have not fellowship with Him.

This lady truly teaches with power. You should have been here to hear this

speaker. We love you, Sister Dixon.

Thought of the week: Faith acts on facts; not feelings.

Breakfast was served physically and spiritually. Come eat with us. We love you!

If you have been thinking about visiting the Outreach Prayer Breakfast, all you need to do is come. You are welcome. We will go to the Parkway Nursing Center, 114 Cherry Avenue, on Saturday at 10 a.m. Meet us there!

Write to us if you want prayer about your problems, and you pray for us. The address is: P. O. Box 1223, Lubbock, Texas 79408.

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FROM THE OF
PARSON D. A. SMITH

One may be aroused with excitement when they read the stories of ancient monarchs visiting their subjects. However, exciting these stories may be, they are incomparable when placed alongside the story of God visiting the world that He made -- "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name" (John 1:10-12). It is incomprehensible that He who created the universe would live in that universe at a time and place in history. Yet, Jesus did just that. The sad part is that His own people did not receive Him.

Israel is certainly signified in this rejection. They had been chosen as His special people and had been told about His coming throughout their history. The prophets had talked about Him and the psalmist had sung about Him. All of Israel's history had been training to know and receive Him when He came. But Israel slammed the door in her King's face, accused Him of doing His mighty works by the power of the devil and finally crucified Him.

Israel's rejection of her King is no more serious than our rejection of Him. Churches today are filled with people who have not received Him. It is not that we so much do not know Him, or disclaim Him with our lips, but it is a rejection from our hearts. We have a tendency to live out our lives by our own plans, depend upon our own resources, make our own decision, worry about our own failures, and become engrossed in our own fears, as if there were no Jesus. That same Jesus who visited His world nearly 2000 years ago is with us today by His Spirit. He wants us to receive Him and believe in His Name.

We Thank God For Jesus

"Lord, The Blind Is Leading The Blind"

Part I

Isaiah 1:4-5 -- Ah sinful nation, a people with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger. They are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? Ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.

Lord, the blind is leading the blind, heading for the ditch. "Lord, please send workers into your vineyard; so the blind can switch.

Isaiah 56:10-11 -- His watchmen are blind; they are all ignorant. They are all dumb dogs; they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, everyone for his gain, from his quarter (anniversary).

Lord, the leaders of this country, telling the children what is right. You said in your word: "The Bible, You were the way, the truth and the life."

Some of these top leaders, get together to discuss drugs, "and the No. 2 killer while they're talking, is in their drinking mugs." (Lite Beer & Scotch)

They're enjoying themselves. Think they're having a good time. It's that "lie they show on TV." It's blind leading the blind.

Isaiah 5:20-21 -- The Lord said, woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!

Lord, even these leaders let the "devil take prayer out of school." Now the children are "wild like heathens, and we all them the fools."

Romans 1:20-22 -- Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God. Neither were thankful; but became vain in their imagination, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise; they became fools.

Lord, even today Christians are marching on "abortion clinics, thinking it's your will." They say "The Bible says: thy shalt not kill." (Then march on the liquor stores).

Isaiah 58:1 -- The Lord said, cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression.

Matthew 28:19 -- Jesus said, go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

Matthew 13:30 -- Jesus said, let both grow together until the harvest; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, gather ye together first the tares, and bind them; but gather the wheat into my barn.

Hosea 4:6a -- The Lord said, my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because thou has rejected knowledge, I will reject thee that thou shalt be no priest to me.

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Black History In The U. S. Navy -- A New Chapter

by
John F. Brindley

Washington -- When Samuel E. Barnes was a young officer in 1944, he wasn't allowed to carry a gun, recruits would cross the street to avoid saluting him, and he couldn't be trusted to stand watch alone.

"It was pure hell to be the first black anything," is the way Barnes recalls being one of the Navy's first black officers.

Even today, despite leaps and bounds in the area of equal opportunity, the Navy still suffers from an image problem within the black community brought on by past years of discrimination. But the Navy is determined to turn that around and the top brass has launched an all-out effort to attract the brightest and most talented young blacks -- both men and women.

Leading the effort alongside the chief and vice chief of naval operations is Vice Adm. J. Michael Boorda, the chief of naval personnel.

"I feel good about an organization that has the courage to stand up and do what is right, to conduct a tough, hard-nosed assessment of its equal opportunity program, to acknowledge that much remains to be done, and to hold ourselves accountable for getting it done," said Boorda recently. "But our efforts will be for naught if the young black people of this nation are not made aware of the opportunities in today's Navy."

Boorda is getting plenty of assistance and insight. Capt. C. A. "Pete" Tzomes, a 1967 graduate of the U. S. Navy Academy and the Navy's first black submarine officer, is the admiral's special assistant for minority affairs.

"I'm a very vocal proponent that the military employs more successful black Americans than any other organization," said Tzomes, a decorated 22-year veteran.

"Whether those Blacks stay in and make a career or get out, they are learning how to work in an

organization that is primarily white with institutional procedures to help deal with racism when identified. The lessons you learn while working and succeeding in that kind of environment stay with you the rest of your life."

According to Tzomes, 3.7 percent of today's Navy officer corps is black. To meet the current goal of six percent requires commissioning a minimum of seven percent blacks annually until the proper balance is reached. He says this opens career opportunities across the board in every officer specialty.

"With current Navy leadership, if you're qualified or have potential to be a naval officer, the Navy is reaching out and wants and needs you," said Tzomes.

That includes aviation where the Navy's goal is three percent black pilots by 1996, and in submarines where Tzomes says the hatch is wide open for blacks with technical degrees.

Tzomes says that much of the Navy's success in recruiting black officers is a result of a "very pro-active approach" in the way it screens and processes applications for the Naval Academy and ROTC, as well as offering innovative programs to help educationally disadvantaged students prepare for college and officer candidate schools.

Although naval history is replete with examples of blacks serving proudly, having fought in all of America's wars including the American Revolution, there have been dark chapters. As the Navy's own 1989 equal opportunity study pointed out, blacks in particular were subjected to "inconsistent patterns of exclusion" during periods of peace while being readily accepted during war.

"What you saw years ago were black enlisted men serving primarily as stewards," said Tzomes, who notes that today there are seven retired black flag officers and four (one selectee) black admirals on active duty. "There was a



COMMITMENT TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY -- Capt. C. A. "Pete" Tzomes is currently Director of the Equal Opportunity Division at the Naval Military Personnel Command in Washington, D. C. Tzomes, the Navy's first black submarine officer and former commanding officer of fast attack submarine USS Houston, says, "the submarine force intentionally did things to make sure I had every opportunity to succeed."

(U. S. Navy photo by Pat Toombs)

preception that if you went into the Navy all you were doing to do was shine shoes and not be able to develop yourself -- essentially a slave on active duty.

"We're still fighting that image. But as we get more successful black officers and senior enlisted people out in the black community, more people are now finding out that maybe the Navy is the best place to send their son or daughter if they want them to get the best education or have the best opportunity to develop."

Although today's Navy is proud of its achievements in equal opportunity, it also admits it has a way to go. But it's a Navy that Dr. Samuel Barnes, today a retired educator living in Washington, D. C., could not have imagined 45 years ago.

"I'm happy to see there are so many blacks in the Navy

"I'm very impressed -- awed," Barnes reflected.

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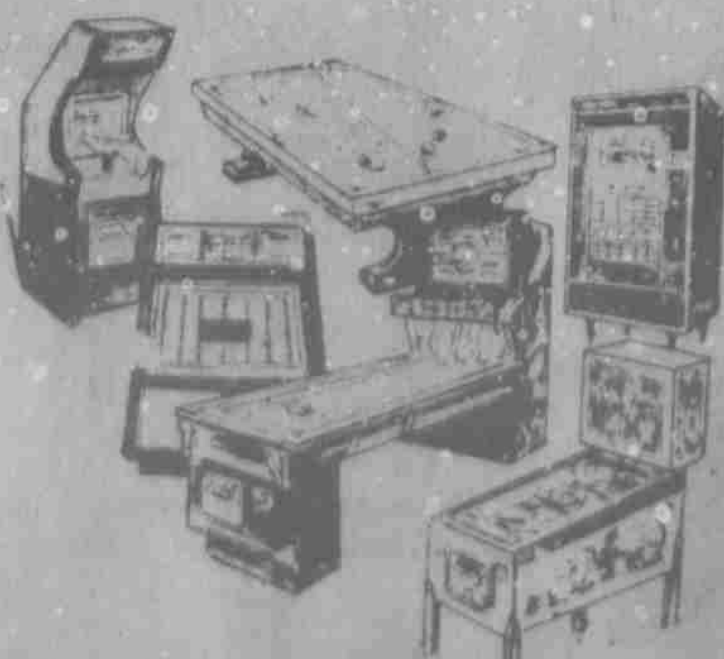
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