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THREE CANDIDATES SEEKING ELECTION TO CITY BOARD

Three candidates will be seeking election to the Community Service Board of Directors. They are Perry Clark, Carey Childers, and Gertrude Hawkins.

Mr. Clark will be seeking to represent the area between East 4th Street and East 19th Street; Mr. Childers is vying for the area between East 19th Street and East 34th Street; and Miss Hawkins, the area between East 34th Street and the City Limits.

Mr. Clark is a 1973 graduate of Lubbock High School. He has served in the United States Air Force Reserve, from 1976 to 1977. He is employed by the Great Plains Distributors. He is 24 years of age. Mr. Childers, also 24



Carey Childers

years of age, is a 1973 graduate of Dunbar High School. He is employed by Furr's. He and his wife have two children. They are members of the St. John Baptist Church.

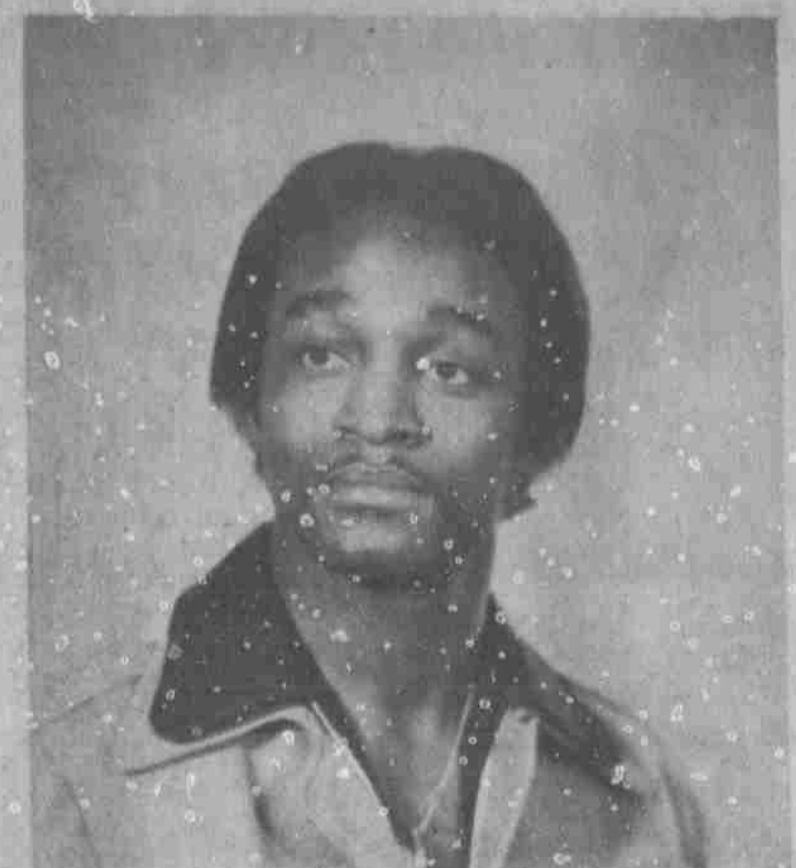
Ms. Hawkins is employed by KCBT-TV, (Channel 11). She is in charge of teleprompter and teletext polling system. Her duties include working with Brenda Morris formulating teletext questions and actually conducting the surveys. Her teleprompter duties include assembling teleprompter copies and actual teleprompter operations for all Eyewitness Newscast. She and her family are members of the Greater Saint Luke Baptist Church, but she is



Gertrude Hawkins

presently serving as Minister of Music for St. Matthew Baptist Church. She is a graduate of Dunbar High School, and has also attended Texas Tech University.

All three candidates are seeking the support of the community, and want the community to know they will represent the people of their tract area who elect them.



Perry Clark

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DUNBAR-STRUGGS STUDENTS ATTEND SCIENCE RECOGNITION DAY RECENTLY



Bell Labs speaker Jack Hooke (center) explains phone company technological advancements to six Dunbar-Struggs High School students and their teacher Henry James. The students attended Southwestern Bell's Science Recognition Day in Lubbock on March 14. The event was attended by 93 outstanding math and science students in the Lubbock area.

Pictured from left to right are: Jill Smith, Dana Johnson, Michael Brassfield, Gregory Loggins, Jack Hooke, Jay Williams, Thomas Braxton, and Henry James.

SENIOR CITIZENS AT MAE SIMMONS HERE

First of all, we would like to say we are glad to know about Mrs. Halie Johnson and Mrs. Fannie Young. They are charter members of the Lubbock R.S.U.P.

A country party was held in their honor with others at Hodges Community Center. Mrs. Johnson received her membership certificate, ribbon and pen. We are glad for this accomplishment.

Mr. Newman has been ill for sometime. We are hoping for a him a speedy recovery. We are also hoping for a speedy recovery for others who are ill.

Happy birthday to those Seniors who were born in February and March.

We really have missed Mrs. Bailey who is out-of-town.

We want to welcome several new participants who have come to take an active part in our center. Welcome new members to the center.

We enjoyed Mrs. Jean Wilson who had lunch

with us. ***** The Barbara Jordan Club invited Zenith Senior Citizens to a memorial program with us on Thursday, March 22. Those who didn't attend, missed a treat. It was beautiful. We were glad to see Mrs. Mary Sterling who cleared the air with a lovely solo. Our guest were Rev. A. L. Dunn, Rev. Adolphus Cleveland, and Rev. J.

Mooring. Mrs. Mae Pearl Jackson was our pianist. Most of all, we had lovely songs from all. We just had a wonderful family reunion. Refreshments were served after the diner.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowell Johnson and their son, Rev. Charlie C. Johnson of Louisville, Kentucky, visited us.

We do want to thank our C.E.T.A worker, Dorothy Rivers, a Dunbar High School senior. She is a member of the Dunbar CVAE; and Joseph Moore, a graduate of Estacado High School. Both are beautiful young people.

REV. M. G. SHEPHARD APPOINTED TO BOARD



Rev. M. G. Shephard

Rev. M. G. Shephard was appointed to the Tax Equalization Board for the City of Lubbock. He received his appointment at the City Council meeting held on Thursday, March 22. Rev. Shephard has announced as a candidate for the Texas House of Representatives (75-B) for the 1980 election.

OLTON WOMAN LOVES TO WRITE

An Olton, Texas Black woman, Mrs. Willie Mae Brown, loves to write. Recently, she sent two of her poems to the Lubbock Digest to be published for the readers to read. In this issue, these poems are published this week. The names of the poems are: "Jesus Will Stay With You," and "Living On Your Love."

A mother of seven children and a happy grandmother of one, she has been writing lyrics for twenty-seven or more years. "I've always been told I could sing and write well," says the 39 year old lady. "When I write, the words just pour out of me," she says. She admits that it means so much for her, because as she puts it: "Music is one half of my life." Mrs. Brown has had two records made from the words she's written. "You know, I just need someone else to sing them or sing them myself. I know they will sound good." The records made from her lyrics were: "Bright Star" and "Don't Walk Away." For those of you who would like to contact Mrs. Brown, you may write her at: Rt. 1, Olton, Texas 79064. As Mrs. Browns explains, "It's just so hard to let people know about the talent you may have."



Mrs. Willie Mae Brown

SERVICES PENDING FOR MRS. STERLING

Funeral services are pending at this report for a longtime resident of Lubbock, Mrs. Mary Sterling. She passed Tuesday evening, March 27, at 10:30 p.m. at Methodist Hospital. She was a member of

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church where she sang in Senior Choir Number One. She was also an active member of the Barbara Jordan Senior Citizens.

EXAMINATION OFFERED FOR POSITION HERE

Elmer J. Reed, Jr., Postmaster, Lubbock, Texas has announced that the Automotive Mechanic Examination will be open in the Lubbock Office from April 10 through April 19, 1979.

Competitors will be required to take a written examination designed to test the knowledge necessary for performing the duties of these

positions and a performance test to test their skills and abilities by working on motor vehicles and vehicle components.

Starting salary is \$15,174 per year with increases to \$17,979 per year. Persons who are interested may fill out application blanks in Room 202 of the Main Post Office, 1515 Avenue G, Lubbock, Texas

during this period only. Further details may be obtained at that time.

ELSLI MET THIS WEEK

Members of the East Lubbock Savings & Loan Investment Company met last evening, Wednesday, at Mae Simmons Community Center.

According to its president, David Sowell, "Things are going well for the new organization." "We invite people of

RUBY JAY'S CORNER



Michael and Shirley Anderson, children of Rev. and Mrs. S. Ray

WHAT'S GOING ON

Anderson, who are students of Estacado High School, took advantage of the spring break on last week by flying to Dallas to visit relatives there. They got in on good church services, shopped at several of Big D's

shopping malls, and rested and relaxed. They returned to Lubbock on Friday and reported a smooth plane trip and a nice spring break.

This writer was happy to see and visit with her Sisters of the Order of the Eastern Stars No. 125 of Amarillo, Texas. They were here last Saturday attending the twelfth annual meeting of the Western Region. It was a wonderful meeting.

Mrs. Mattie Beaty went home Sunday from the University Hospital where she had minor surgery last week.

Mrs. Judith Struggs Newton is recovering from being in a car wreck. She is home from the hospital. We hope and pray for her speedy recovery.

The Hub City Beautician League president, Mrs. Opal Robinson, left for Houston, Texas Sunday morning to attend the big show and clinic to learn and learn. Among other members who made the trip was Bernice Kelly.

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Dunbar Booster Club Will Meet Monday

Members of the Dunbar High School Booster Club are asked to meet Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the Field House. Important business to discuss pertaining to the upcoming "Spring Banquet" for athletes at the school.

Mrs. Callie Howard, president of Nurses Guild of New Hope Baptist Church, wishes to thank everyone for appearing on her program on March 18th. She says that without you, it would not have been a success.

The Barbara Jordan Senior Citizens held their memorial services last Thursday morning at the Mae Simmons Community Center. It was learned that seventy-five persons were in attendance. Among the special guest were Rev. Adolphus Cleveland, pastor of the New Jerusalem Baptist Church who was the high noon speaker; Mrs. Mae Pearl Jackson, member of the Community Baptist Church; Rev. A. L. Dunn, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church; Re. J. Morris, Mr. D. Dancy, his son, and members of the Zenith Senior Citizens. Mrs. Corine Fair, vice president of the Barbara Jordan Senior Citizens, wishes to thank the many ones who brought donuts for the coffee break. Special thanks to Ms. Rose Wilson and her group for the wonderful cake and punch. God bless you all. This is the kind of love we must show each day of our life.

The Running Rose Court No. 448 will meet Monday, April 2, at 4 p.m. at the home of Ms. Jonathan Tennison, 4219 East 65th Street, Yellowhouse Canyon.

OUTREACH BREAKFAST CLUB NEWS

Members of the Outreach Breakfast Club met at 9 a.m. last Saturday morning at the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Slaton, Texas.

Devotion was led by Sister Elnora Coleman. It was taken from the Gospel of St. John 15:1-2. "I'm the true vine, and my Father is the husband. Every branch is me that beareth not fruit he taketh away, and every branch that beareth fruit he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit."

Thought of the morning: "Those of us who are Christians, God expects us to show some sign."

Breakfast was served by the hostess, with each dish mixed with love.

Are you physically or spiritually hungry. Come by, we specialize in both. We want our guest to come again.

Prayer was offered for the sick. Those on the sick list include Sisters Willie Mae Bradford, Vina Williams, Dorothy Owens, Mary Sterling, Savannah Goodie, and Brother M. E. Collins.

Our next meeting will be at the same location, the Mount Olive Baptist Church, Rev. C. C. Peoples, pastor. The church is located at Geneva and Flint Avenue.

For more information, call 763-2966.

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

COMMUNITY SERVICES ELECTION SATURDAY

The Community Services Commission of the City of Lubbock is holding neighborhood representatives elections this coming Saturday, March 31. Three areas are involved, all south of Fourth/Parkway, and east of Avenue Q.

Candidates and the areas which they wish to represent on the Community Services Commission are:

* Area III/IV, between Fourth/Parkway and Nineteenth, Annie Mae Jones, 1515 East 10th Street, and Perry Clark, 402 Walnut Avenue.

* Area V, between Nineteenth and Thirty-Fourth streets, Mrs. Jimmy Walker, 2602 Globe Avenue, and Carey Don Childers, Sr., 2603 Date Avenue.

* Area VI, between Thirty-Fourth street and city limits, Mrs. Froy (Olivia) Salinas, 1306 49th Street, and Gertrude Hawkins, 3606 Aspen Avenue.

Voting places will be Posey Clinic, 1602 Vanda Avenue, and Copper Rawlings Center, 40th

Street and Avenue B, between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The elected representatives will serve two-year term, beginning April 1. Community Services Commission is the advisory board directing the Community Services Department's activities to help low-income people in Lubbock.

WELL KNOWN MUSICIAN COMES TO LUBBOCK



Vernard Johnson

Vernard Johnson, who is well known for his monumental contributions in the field of Gospel instrumental music and is referred to as the foremost gospel saxophonist, will be presented in a musical on Sunday, April 8th, at 3 p.m.

This will take place at the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, 2512 Fir Avenue, Rev. A. L. Patrick, pastor.

Mr. Johnson has a personal testimony about how he came from the "Night Spot" to the "Right Spot" which makes his audiences go into a spiritual frenzy. He is a recording artist with Glori Records who has electrified gospel audiences throughout America, the Republic of Liberia, and other foreign countries. This musical is sponsored by the Young Matrons of the church. The public is invited to attend.

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CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

EULA FEARCE, 5213 Acuff Road, reported to Lubbock Police that she was visiting a friend one night last week in the 2000-block of Parkway Drive when she had a problem. She told police that someone, whom she suspects, put sugar in her gas tank.

The 20 year old lady told police, "I have been going with the same fellow that this lady is trying to go with." She told police that this lady is trying to get even with her.

Anyway, the price of love really cost. There was approximately \$70 to \$80 worth of damage done to her car.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

JOHNNY PAYNE, 3304 East Cornell Avenue, reported to Lubbock Police that he was out driving during the hail storm last week. When he arrived home it was too dark to notice any damage to the 1975 model car.

The next morning he found that his car was covered with small dents that appeared to have been caused by the hail.

When he took his car to the insurance claims adjuster, he was told that the damage was not caused by the hail, but by a small hammer. He did not take the word of the adjuster. He did, however, take his car to several body shops and they told him it was the works of a hammer.

Damage to the car was apparently caused by

was the same person who shot their watch dog last week.

It is believed that the windows were cut with a sharp knife.

Damage to the windows was \$30.

BURGLARY OF HABITATION

WANDA P. GREEN, 1927 East 1st Street, reported to Lubbock Police that she was home in bed when she heard someone knock on all her doors. "I could even hear him walking," she said.

She told police that she did not answer the knock, because she was home ill.

She heard a glass break. Then she got up and went to the window and saw a man running from the house.

Damage to the house was \$25.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

BETTY TURNER, 1917 East Cornell Avenue, reported to Lubbock Police that someone cut the screens to the north side of her house one day last week. She told police that it

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

TERRY JO FININEN, 2920 East Baylor Avenue, reported to Lubbock Police that someone unknown fired two shots in the passenger side of her 1977 car one day last week.

Two spent rounds were found by her fence. Damage to the car was believed to be \$50.



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Editorials

GUEST COLUMN

(Editor's note: This column appeared in the "The Courier", San Francisco's Fillmore District. We want Black men to move about what is really going on in the world. At the same time, it will help our young people look at the role of the Black man.)

The New Generation Of Black Men

by Aaron Vance

The biggest unreported story in the field of race relations and one of the most momentous developments in the history of Black America is the emergence of a New Generation of Black men with new perceptions, new values, and a new and different orientation of blackness and whiteness.

With little fanfare and almost no public notice, this New Generation, a generation that has never known the more brutal aspects of segregation, has moved to center stage in Black America. One can scarcely emphasize the importance of this little-noted development, for it seems likely now that the Black future of young men will be determined, in large part, by the responses of new Black men shaped and molded by a strange new world of monolithic technologies and shifting racial boundaries.

To grasp the significance of this development, it is necessary, first of all, to understand the depth of the great divide that separates the worlds of the old and the new generations. The strange new world inherited by the young is a world their fathers did not experience in childhood. It is therefore a world that will never be the world of the fathers who are, like their sons, prisoners of their own generation and who vibrate, and will always vibrate, with a secret resonance to the music, images, dreams and dangers of their time, which is not, strictly speaking, the same time or the same reality of the New Generation. A generation is a group of people who came into the world within a certain time frame, usually 30 years, and who have, by virtue of that fact, a certain social physiognomy. In simple and not exact terms, a generation is a mood, a destiny, a wall, a window, a door. And the individuals defined by that particular wall, and that particular door, recognize and resonate in turn with other individuals defined by the same wall and the same door. They have the same social smell. They see through the same social lenses. They have the same memory, and the same destiny.

Ordinarily the difference between sons and fathers is small, so that what predominates is the common nucleus in which they coincide, and the sons can see themselves as continuing and perfecting the type of life which their fathers live. But at times the distance between them is enormous; the new generation finds hardly any community of interest with the past.

The three million young men in this analytical caravan, taken as a whole, are arguably the most remarkable and the most problematic of our history. In one generation, they have crossed more Jordans than their forefathers dreamed of. The 367,000 Blacks at the older end of the spectrum—those who were born in 1948—were six years old when the Supreme Court banned school segregation and changed race relations, perhaps forever. They were seven when Montgomery exploded, 11 when the Sit-in Age began, 15 when the March on Washington unfolded, and 20 when Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated. The 18 and 19-year-olds at the other end of the spectrum were three or four when the March on Washington was staged and were eight or nine when King was assassinated. What links Montgomery and Martin Luther King in a completely new world of microelectronics and macroeconomics, a completely new world of exploding possibilities and hopes, a world of Black mayors and Black TV stars.

Many people of the old generation recognized the new context; and although they may realize that they were young once and had to make adaptations, they do not recognize that being a Black youth today is a different and yet, somehow, the same. For the constant factor in the two equations is "being a Black youth" and that has always been a difficult and dangerous enterprise and what makes this enterprise even more dangerous today is that the age of science-fiction made facts has created new instruments of mystification and pacification that have increased the real sway of institutional racism while hiding and even eliminating the visible manifestations of institutional racism.

New and yet old, powerful and yet powerless, the New Generation of Black men is a generation looking for a purpose, a theme, and a unifying idea. It has no voice yet.

Although there is a lot of old in the new, and although there are significant continuities between the old and the new, the New Generation is marked off from preceding generations by four major characteristics. First and most important of all, the New Generation has a new and different and profoundly ambiguous orientation to the roots and archetypes of Black experience. For more than 400 years, the objective mind of Black America has been organized around the common set of assumptions embedded in the Black Folk Tradition and in particular modes of tradition, such as the blues, jazz, and the spirituals. It was on the ground of this style that all conscious thinking was done. It was against the background of this style that all dreams and desires unfolded.

Since time immemorial, Black music has been a prophetic force, anticipating and foretelling the deeper stirrings of the Black psyche. The natural generational progression from Louis Armstrong to Duke Ellington to Charlie Parker, occurred within the same geometric plane and told anyone with ears to hear that Black people were changing inside. The generational progression from Funk to Soul to Rock to Rock-Jazz is a new line leading God knows where. There is a said somewhere that if your Companion fails to keep step with you, perhaps he hears a different drummer. Like it or not the New generation of Black men hears and moves to the sound of a different drummer and is characterized by a new and different coefficient of blackness.

Secondly in the past, outstanding Black leaders identified with the plight of the Black masses. These Black leaders came essentially from the NAACP the Urban League, the Black press, and Black colleges. They had to live in the Black community and were not dependent of White clientele. Now there has been a turnabout. More and more leaders are coming from or being trained in the white press and predominantly white colleges are associated with or dependent on white bar associations and white medical associations. More and more leaders are living outside the Black community and are not connected with the Black community and Black values. And these Black leaders, generally speaking, are much more concerned with success, American-style than the plight of the Black masses.

The New Generation is more aggressive and militant "in an individual sense" but lacks or seems to lack the sense of collective militancy that marked earlier generations. There is a personal, individual aggressiveness that we didn't see five years ago. "Unfortunately it is less collectively oriented than I would like to see. As a matter of fact, I sense a certain cynicism about the political process and the possibility of collective struggle." Members of the New Generation seem to see racial discrimination as something that is vague and impersonal. They recognize the problem. They look back on the same history, but they don't see it in a personal sense as something that affects

them. The fact that this generation has never dealt with the physical and immediate signs of segregation, has made it difficult for them to perceive reality. It is difficult to communicate with some members of this generation. I have a memory they don't have.

A third and no less controversial area of difference and distinction is that the New Generation has or seems to have an electronic sensibility the older generation doesn't have. More than any other generation, this generation is a child of the media. This means, on one level, that the New Generation was raised not on reality but on images masquerading as reality. It means, at a deeper level, that constant exposure to flickering images, electronic sounds and disjointed slices of space and time has given rise to a sensibility that is markedly different from the sensibility of the old. This process has deeply affected all Americans. This had alarmed a number of observers, who say that TV has pacified many Blacks and detached them from reality. The grand outcome, is that large sections of the new generation, particularly in the underclass, have become "drug addicts, TV addicts, and media addicts."

The fourth and final major characteristic, growing out of the third and out of the whole climate of the times, is that young Blacks have a different relation to their bodies and to sex and to drugs, particularly pot. The whole question of the new morality, which has affected the whole of society, has been exhaustively discussed, and there is no need for detailed comment at this point, except to say that some students of the Black social scene believe that the New Generation is more open and more honest than their parents.

It should also be added that the changes under discussion are functions of institutional changes—changes which should not be attributed solely to personal faults but to a combination of forces and circumstances that is steadily pushing the New Generation and the older generation into a new undefined world.

Beyond that, it is important to note that the tides are still drifting, and that the pattern is far from clear.

The jury is still on the young generation: they are a very complicated generation. They are a better educated generation. They have more skills, and they are a more sophisticated generation in one sense. The problem is spiritual fiber, and the fact that this generation has been seduced by mysticism, astrology, and drugs. And everything depends now on whether they rise above the seductions of this society and do what they have to do with what they have.

And to tell the truth, the jury is still out on my generation, and the generation before me. And in the end, everything depends on whether the older generation do what older generations are supposed to do, and that is to ease the social passage of a new generation which is struggling desperately in a white and troubled night, trying to give birth to itself. There is a desperate need, in this connection, for new institutions to link the generations and to make available to the young the accumulated lore of the past. There is at the same time a desperate need for the older generation to do something—anything, whatever is required—about the terrible social problems (unemployment, the drug traffic, deplorable housing) we have handed down to our young.

In the meantime, it is incumbent upon the old and the young to remember that we are all, whatever we may think about it, in the same boat, and that we are oppressed in America not because we are young and not because we are old but because we are Black. In this sense, the task before us in this new age of microelectronics is the same task we faced in the age of cardies and coal oil: the task of realizing in concrete acts that the old and young are members of the same social body and complementary aspects of the same reality.

One of the things, that the old generation learned that has been quite beneficial to them and to us was the capacity to endure. Black colleges did a beautiful job of teaching us how to endure and how to transform and, if that wasn't possible, how to transcend danger and difficulty. That's what the old generation learned. But the young generation hasn't had many of our experiences and may be inclined to give up too quickly when obstacles come. On the other hand, the young people have experienced some real victories and have had more experiences of acceptance than the old generation. And so while the young generation may not have the capacity to endure it does have the experience of trust. Thus, the two generations have different kinds of experiences. And this is important, for the two generations complement each other and can teach each other.

It is with that hope that we present these images of a new and vital dimension of our national existence.

A generation dancing on hot and shifting ground, a generation searching for a name and a destiny, a lost generation, a found generation, shapeless, amorphous, threatened by new and old dangers and confronted with new and unparalleled opportunities; this is the New Generation of men, this is the Black future.

WORDS OF LIFE

Biblical Inspiration For The Week

1. Riches are godly. While not all those who possess riches are godly, God is the source of riches. He wills for all of life His riches, His plenty.

Black Americans, to enjoy the fullness of God, must be open to and expect... and receive... God's riches. Those who are poor and who do not seek to command the riches which God has in store are only partial in their adherence to God's will and plan... for them.

2. Honor comes from God. We obtain the honor of God by seeing and revealing the honor of God in us.

This means that we must

carry ourselves as kings, as queens, as the royal breed that God's creation and adoption of us indicates that we must be. Corrupt yourself, then, as a person of honor who reveals in one's life the Person of God in Christ.

3. Our call is to greatness. Our text continues with the words, "...and in thy hand it is to make great." God's riches and honor are awaiting our acceptance. So also is the goodness which we must see in ourselves as children of God, as creatures made by God's hand... and in His likeness.

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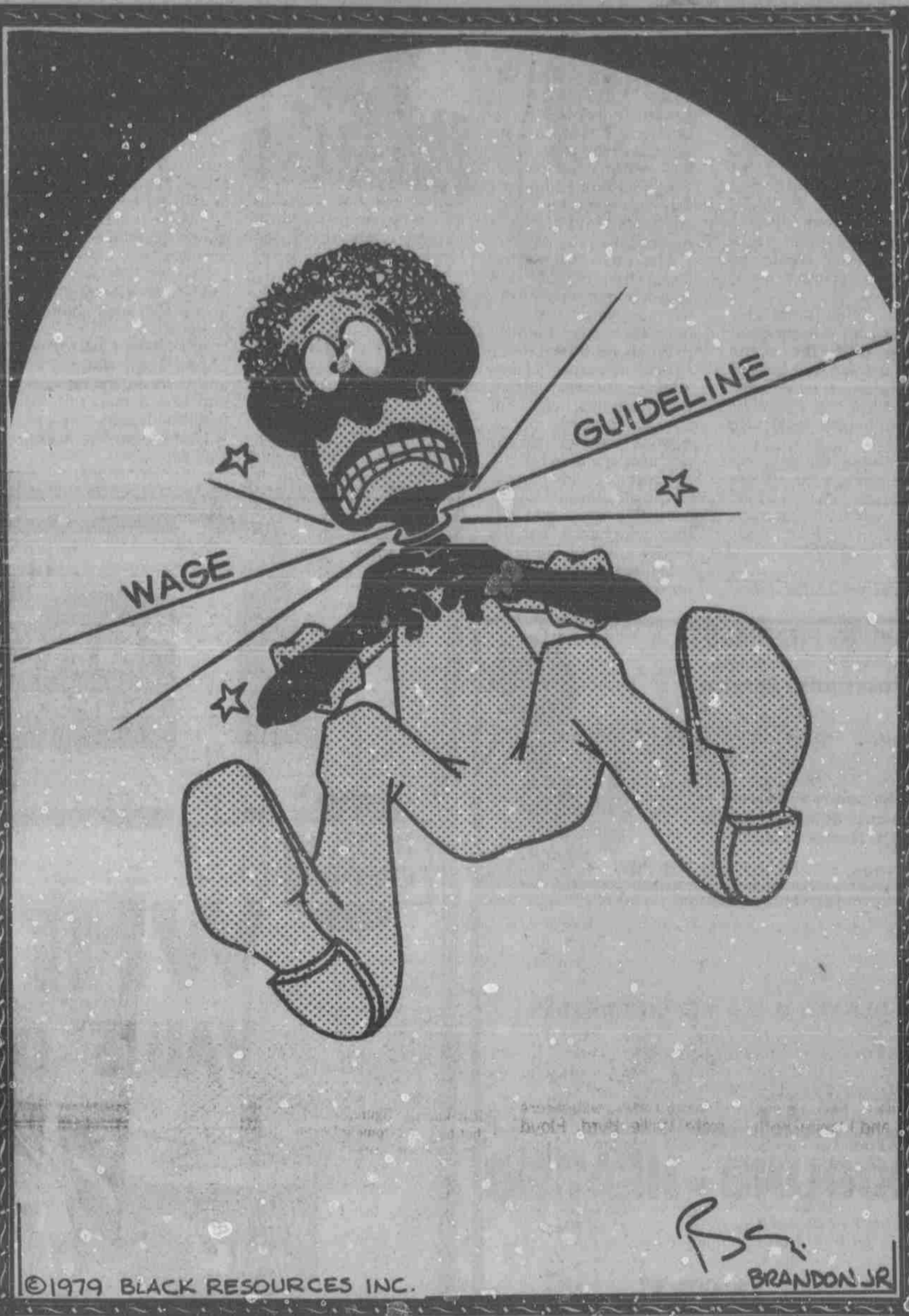
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WHY ARGUE? THE FACTS ARE HERE!



BLACK EMPOWERMENT

By Dr. Nathaniel Wright, Jr.
Human Rights Activist



THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AMENDMENT

Black Americans have before them, over the next seven years, no more important legislative concern than that of the ratification of the proposed District of Columbia Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

This past year, the Congress passed enabling legislation for an Amendment to the Constitution which would provide for voting Representatives and Senators from the District of Columbia as from the 50 states.

The process of ratification by state legislatures has seven years to be complete, and 38 states must ratify the proposed Amendment for it to be added to the U.S. Constitution. On the day that Congress passed the enabling legislation, the State of New Jersey became the first state to vote to ratify the proposed Amendment.

Subsequently, the State of Ohio voted for ratification. But major efforts have already begun in Ohio to vote to rescind the approval given to the proposed Amendment.

Those promoting the proposed Amendment thus far suggest that the major support presently anticipated is from heavily Democratic states. But ever here the support will come perilously far from that needed for ratification.

Clearly a bold and aggressively winsome strategy must be devised, if ratification of the D.C. Amendment is to become a reality.

But first a word about the tremendous importance of this proposed Amendment to every Black person in America.

Black Americans clearly need a sustained political power. The recent defeat of Massachusetts Senator Edward W. Brooke leaves blacks without a seat in the most powerful legislative body in the land. No one effectively presents our cause from outside of our own group.

The D.C. Amendment, if ratified, would almost certainly mean that there would be two Black members of the Senate permanently and that these Senators could hope to remain long enough to build seniority, meaning powerful committee chairmanships.

If Black Americans do not get behind this proposed D.C. Amendment in the most massive and vigorous way, chances are that it will fail, meaning that we shall have lost the greatest single opportunity for political power in a century.

In this light, blacks throughout the nation should be placing all other legislative priorities second to efforts to secure the ratification of the D.C. Amendment. The D.C. Amendment should be on our lips daily, and the most intensive, sustained and astute political drive in the history or experience of Black Americans should be initiated for this overwhelmingly important cause.

In every local community and state in the nation efforts will be made to organize committees to work for the ratification of the District of Columbia Amendment. A National Coordinating Committee for the Ratification of the District of Columbia Amendment is being developed under the able leadership of Dr. Calvin Rolark who is the national chairman of the BMI Cooperative, to which this newspaper belongs.

The BMI Cooperative represents more than 65 percent of all of the black newspaper in America. With the power and prestige of our newspapers and their forthright publishers behind it, the work for ratification of the D.C. Amendment will receive the most substantial and significant boost.

But more is needed. Blacks must secure the fullest possible support from the Republican Party; and the votes of some Southern states will be required. This means that the work for ratification of the D.C. Amendment calls for new alliances on the part of blacks and the development of the greatest political sophistication in our history.

It is power where power counts is what Black Americans need most and must seek above all else, we shall all be in taking care of the necessary business right now. As Frederick Douglass might say to us all: "Organize! Organize! Organize!"

WHY NOT?

by Eddie P. Richardson

"We Had better Think; And Act!"

This is the shortest column this writer has ever written, but probably the most important. Remember last year on June 28th at our first annual Market Seminar, the BAKKE DECISION? As we approach our second Market Seminar, the U.S. Supreme Court has heard another argument on "Reverse Discrimination" charges.

The cast involves a white worker's complaint that he was barred from a training program in order to make room for minorities. You remember last year that such discrimination was ruled illegal in the Field of Education. What about the past abuses and misuses. Will they be considered? What about catch up?

We (Black people) had better think and act before we go back to the back of the bus. We as a people MUST get it together and go for self, love, trust, respect, resources, and energy to survive and share a piece of the American Dream! WHY NOT??

OBSEQUIES

ROBERT LEE JOHNSON

Funeral services for Mr. Robert Lee Johnson were held Saturday at the Community Baptist Church with Rev. Tony Williams, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens Cemetery under the direction of South Plains Funeral Home.

Mr. Johnson was born March 28, 1921 in Galveston, Texas to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Johnson.

He and family moved to Lubbock in 1953.

He passed away March 17, 1979 at 8:25 p.m. in the Health Science Center Hospital.

Survivors include ten sons, Robert, Willie, Don, Darrell, Lonnie, Timothy, David, Charles, Alfred, and Leonard; six daughters, Mrs. Tommie Bradshaw, Mrs. Dorothy



Lewis, Ms. Margaret Johnson of Lubbock, Mrs. Janie Baker, Ms. Paulette Johnson of Sherman, Texas, and Mrs. Al Jewel of Houston, Texas; thirty grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

Friends of the family served as pallbearers.

SYLVESTER KILPATRICK

Final rites were held for Sylvester Kilpatrick, 37, of 1810 3rd Street, were held Saturday at the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church with the Rev. Charles Tanner officiating. He was assisted by the pastor, Rev. A. W. Wilson.

Burial was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of Sedberry Funeral Chapel.

Mr. Kilpatrick died in Methodist Hospital of a gunshot wound he received on March 17 in front of a club in the 2300 block of East 37th Street. Justice of the Peace L. J. Balack ruled the death a homicide.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Wilma Kilpatrick of Compton, California; two sons, John L. and Danny, both of Compton; his father, Mr. Dan Kilpatrick; two daughters, Wilma and

Dener, also of Compton; seven sisters, Audrey Lee Brightman of Carson, California, Aubrey of Denver, Colorado, Ella Joyce Flora of Portland, Oregon, Teresa Hayden of Albuquerque, N.M., Carol of Compton, California, Myrtle Williams of San Diego, California, and Mrs. Robbie Branch of Almagorda, California; two brothers, Dan of Oklahoma City, Okla. and John Lewis of Albuquerque, N.M., and a host of other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were Tommy Ray Martin, Curtis Smith, Jessie Lee Wilson, Frank Jones, Jr., John T. Thompson, and Robert Hood.

Honorary pallbearers were Willie Byrd, Floyd Jenkins, Jeffery Manahans, and Delton Lee Green.

Media Reviews:

(For lovers of black life and love)

POEMS BY PAUL LAWRENCE DUNBAR

A review of *I Greet the Dawn: Poems by Paul Lawrence Dunbar*, edited by Ashley Bryan, Atheneum Publishers, New York, 1978, 170 pages, Hardcover, \$7.95.

Not since Dunbar's own *Lyrics of Lowly Life* was published in 1896 had any truly fresh insight been offered, through poetry, into the life and spirit of Paul Lawrence Dunbar. This circumstance ended with the publication in 1978 of *I Greet the Dawn*... a selection of Dunbar's works in standard English.

As Ashley Bryan explains in his beautifully and concisely written introductory biography of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Dunbar himself disdained the use of the dialect which had made him world-famous.

He knew of no one personally in his upbringing who characteristically spoke that way, and Dunbar himself found it difficult to express his most serious thoughts except in the clear and correct language forms on which he had been reared. The white readership of his day, however, would only authenticate his reality as it appeared in dialect. If he was to be read and accepted, it must be for something other than what he really was.

How Dr. Paul Lawrence Dunbar—who was honored with well-deserved degrees by several schools—would smile today to know that at long last his more serious thoughts will gain a thoughtful and respectful audience in this fine collection under the title, *I Greet the Dawn*...

Prayer Poem

St. Bernard of Cluny is a little-known figure, except that he wrote some celebrated hymns or prayer poems which have illuminated the life of the Church and blessed countless lives. In his "Jerusalem the Golden," he speaks of the riches and honor to come which also are to be ours each day.

*Jerusalem the golden,
With milk and honey blest;
Beneath thy contemplation
Sink heart and voice
Oppressed.*

*I know not, O I know not,
What joys await us there;
What radiance of glory,
What bliss beyond compare!*

*They stand, those halls of
Zion,
All jubilant with song,
And bright with many an
angel.*

*And all the martyr throng,
The Price is ever in them;
The daylight is serene;
The pastures of the blessed
Are decked in glorious sheen.*
—Amen

WINNERS IN BABY PAGEANT HERE



John C. Smith, Jr.

Little John C. Smith, Jr., 12 months old and son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Smith, won first place in a beauty pageant in his age group which is 9-12 months.

Winning first place in the 12-18 months age group was Syreeta Nicole Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Blanche Taylor. She is a niece of Smith. Both will be awarded a 1st place loving cup at the Coronation Pageant on Sunday, April 8th, at 2 p.m. at Texas Texas auditorium.

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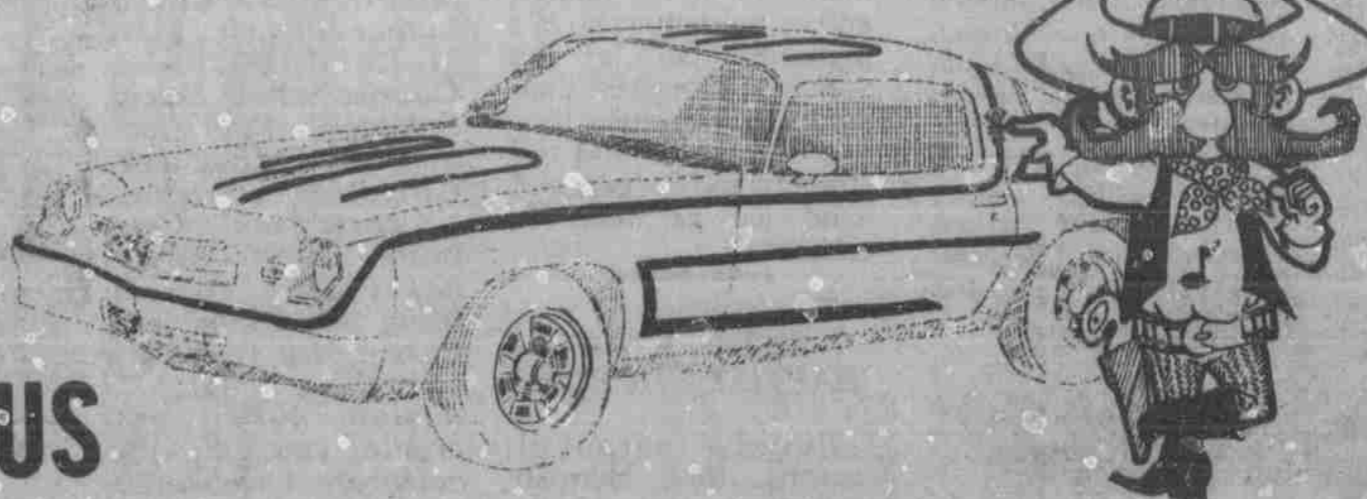
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Come to Church

TWENTIETH & BIRCH STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Our sympathy goes to Sister Ella Ray and relatives on the passing of Brother T. E. Ray recently. Funeral services were held at Twentieth and Birch Church of Christ on Saturday, March 17. Let us be sure to pray for the bereaved family.

The congregation here is cordially invited to join with the members of the Cactus Drive Church of Christ, Levelland, Texas in a gospel meeting Sunday, April 1, through April 5. The speaker will be Gary Bradley of Montgomery, Alabama. Services are at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

Saturday, April 28, is High School Day at Southwestern Christian College. Parents and high schoolers are encouraged to attend and even participate with whatever talent they have.

A Youth Rally will be held at the Parkway Drive Church of Christ, from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday, April 7. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Special speakers will be David Barnett, Wayne Atkinson, and Law Domasig. The young people of our congregation have been invited.

"Wedding Bells"
Mr. and Mrs. John Hollins request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Shelia Marie, to Mr. Lanski Rutherford on Saturday, March 31, at 6 p.m. at Twentieth & Birch Street Church of Christ.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members of the congregation and community.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

We are to worship with the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church on Sunday, April 1, at 11 a.m. in their church anniversary. We will hold an earlier service and then go to Lyons Chapel. Pastor Dunn will deliver the message and is asking that our choirs, ushers, and members will be with us.

Our church anniversary will be held April 18 through 22. It will be our 52nd anniversary. This reminds us how long New Hope has been in the community.

The B. M. & E. State Board will be held April 11 with the Solid Rock Baptist Church in Paris, Texas. Let us attend.

The Pentecostal Holiness Church will use our facilities to host their State Young People's Convention April 26 through 28. Let us be gracious host to this young people convention.

Easter services for our children are underway. Supt. Thompson and the Sunday School is asking for the support of the entire membership in working with our children for the special activities.

Easter Sunrise Services will be held on Sunday, April 15, at 6 a.m. Let us make this a full service with all choir members and ushers on duty and all members in attendance.

The fifth Sunday in April which is the 29th, will be under the direction of the W.M.S. of the church. President Ruby Jay will present her program to us real soon. Let us make sure that the women of the church will have your support.

The wedding of Miss Daphne G. Hall will be

held here at New Hope on Saturday, April 14, at 7 p.m. An invitation has been received by the church for membership attendance. Pastor Dunn will perform the services.

Let us continue to remember the sick and shut in. Among those on the sick list include Ms. Callie Cato, Ms. Lula Virden, Ms. Mattie Beary, Sister Eddington, and Ms. Susie Williams.

GREATER SAINT LUKE BAPTIST CHURCH

Members of the Dorcas and Racial Circles met in the homes of Sister Lucille Richard, 1805 East 25th Street, on Tuesday of this week. A wonderful meeting was held.

Members of the Sarah Circle met in the home of Sister Ida McMorris this week.

Members of the Eunice Circle will meet in the home of Sister Jean Dial, 1526 East 2nd Street, tonight, Thursday, at 7 p.m.

The Junior Mission meets at the church each Monday evening at 8 p.m.

The Brotherhood Union meets at the church each Monday evening at 8 p.m.

Mission Two meets at the church each Monday at 8 p.m.

The Young Adult Brotherhood Union meets at the church each Tuesday evening at 8 p.m.

The Young Adult Choir meets at the church each Wednesday evening at 8 p.m.

Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at the church. Sisters and Brothers, let's meet at seven in prayer meeting.

The risen life is the best testimony to a risen Christ. Welcome visitors come again! The Great White Way - God's Way. Let us pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Sister Arlene Daniels is ill in Community Hospital. Sister Viola McKelvey is in Health Science Center. Brother Dale Ashley is in Health Science Center. Sisters Roxie Reed, Ellen Tillman, Mary Lee, and Dolly Howard are still shut in.

BETHEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Services were well attended last Sunday morning with our assistant pastor, Rev. Jack Robinson, delivering a splendid message.

Senior Choir Number Two, under the direction of Mrs. Bobbie Patterson at the piano and assisted by Gary Williams, was responsible for the music of the hour.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members. Ms. Doris Ragland, Ms. S. Williams, and Ms. Mary McGraw are still on the sick list.

Our spring revival begins April 10. The Rev. Mrs. L. E. Moore of Dallas, Texas will be our guest speaker.

Annual Men's Day Rally will be held on June 10.

We are having an Easter Sunrise Service on Sunday morning, April 15, at 5 a.m. All choirs are asked to participate in this service. After the service, breakfast will be held in fellowship hall. This breakfast is being sponsored by the Sunday School Department and Senior Choir Number Two.

Easter program practice is being held each

week. Mrs. Charlotte Roland is expecting all parents to bring their children to practice at 4:30 p.m. each afternoon.

Parents are asked to bring eggs for the Easter egg hunt which will be held on Saturday, April 14, at 2:30 p.m.

Members of the Golden Rule Circle met in the home of Mrs. Elrud Devenport at 5:30 on Wednesday. The circle meets each Wednesday afternoon in the home of a member.

LYONS CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

To help commemorate our pastor's fifth appreciation service, New Hope Baptist Church, under the leadership of Rev. A. L. Dunn, will be our distinguished guest for Sunday, April 1, at our morning worship service.

We are truly looking forward to a glorious time in celebrating this festive occasion. A fellowship dinner will be served immediately after service. We are sure each and everyone will strive to make this a very successful day.

Sunday, April 8, will be youth day. Once again, we are encouraging each youth to come out for Bible studies and rehearsals on Saturdays at 6 p.m. at the church. For more information, you may contact Sister Roberta Hightower, youth director.

Let us continue to support our weekly meetings. Our Missionary Society is always proud to see new faces in the different circles. The Young Matrons and Nannie Borroughs group meet at the church on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m. The Ruth and Ester Circles meet in different homes of the members. Sister Elnora Jones is Mission president.

The sick and shut members of the church and community need our prayers. So let us continue to pray for their recovery. Hopefully, they will be able to find the strength and the peace of mind we all need to endure.

RISING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

Due to personal reasons, Rev. Herman Phillips was not with us last Sundays. He was really missed.

Standing in for Rev. Phillips was our assistant pastor, Rev. R. D. Battle, who brought us a wonderful message on "Crown in Lay-a-Way."

Our services were well attended with five visitors.

The Rising Star Brotherhood will be having a musical on April 7, beginning at 7 p.m. Rev. Roy Jones and church will be visiting with us on Saturday, April 7, at 7 p.m.

Rev. E. D. Toines will preach at 3 p.m. Our special guest will be the Soul Seekers of Lubbock.

MOUNT GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

We enter to worship, and depart to serve: *The church where everybody is somebody.*

Sunday, April 1, at 3 p.m., we are scheduled to worship with St. James Baptist Church, Rev. Ke-lo Lang, pastor. It is their youth day celebration. Let us all go and help these brothers and sisters.

On Saturday, April 7, at 7 p.m. in the S. R. Roberts Fellowship Hall,

the Youth Department will have a fashion show. They will have a drawing for a black and white portable table television set. Tickets for the drawing are \$2.00. They are asking all members to please support this effort.

Sunday, April 8, at 3 p.m., Vernard Johnson will be here at Mount Gilead. Let us come out and support this program.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members of the church and community.

MOUNT VERNON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our pastor, Rev. Nathaniel Johnson, delivered a splendid message last Sunday. It was enjoyed by all.

WORDS FROM THE PASTOR: Looking at Yourself-Do you ever feel that you have very little to offer? That people don't need you? That you don't need other?

Look at yourself from three points of view. First, try to see yourself as you think you are. Then, try to see yourself as other people think you are. Finally, try to see yourself as you really want to be.

Did you find these three points of view the same? Are two of them alike or are all three different? After you have thought about it, you know that no one is just exactly what he or she thinks, or what other people think, or what he or she really wants to be. Deep within each of us is something wonderful. We need to share that good news about ourselves. That's the way we get to be Christian pilgrims.

Think of Abraham, Nicodemus, Martin Luther King, Jr., Mary McLeod Bethune, Charles Schulz, David, Solomon, Paul, you and Jesus. They were Christian pilgrims. Create and Celebrate: Every person has a talent. You can bring something into being by making something. Make a design. When you create, you can also celebrate. Celebration means having a good time - like sending up jny rockets. When you share your feelings, you help other people celebrate and feel wonderful as a human being.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members of the church and community.

FREE BUT RESPONSIBLE

CORINTHIANS 10:23 - 11:1

I Corinthians 10:23-33

23 "All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up.
24 Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.
25 Eat whatever is sold in the meat market without raising any question on the ground of conscience.
26 For "the earth is the Lord's and everything in it."
27 If one of the unbelievers invites you to dinner and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you without raising any question on the ground of conscience.
28 (But if some one says to you, "This has been offered in sacrifice," then out of consideration for the man who informed you, and for conscience' sake -
29 I mean his conscience, not yours - do not eat it.) For why should my liberty be determined by another man's scruples?
30 If I partake with thankfulness, why am I denounced because of that for which I give thanks?
31 So, whether you eat

or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.
32 Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks or to the church of God, 33 just as a I try to please all men in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved.

I Corinthians 11:1

I Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

MEMORY SELECTION

Though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all that I might win the more." I Cor. 9:19.



If it's Borden, it's got to be good.

Let us continue to pray for and visit our sick and shut in members of the church and community.

PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

The public is invited to come out to our new building at 6111 West 19th Street. Worship with us this Sunday and every Sunday. Our pastor is Rev. Leon Anderson. Sunday School begins

at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship begins at 11 a.m. and Church training begins at 6 p.m. Evening worship begins at 7 p.m. Prayer meeting is held each Wednesday evening at 7 p.m.

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The KITCHEN BEAT



In today's black American home, cooking is no longer the responsibility of one person. Because of busy and varied schedules, usually every member of the family at some time or another has to prepare personal meals or meals for other members of the family. The Kitchen Beat is designed to meet some needs of the various cooks in the modern black family.

for this menu is that the dinner can be on the table within two hours. Once the meat loaf is in the oven, prepare and refrigerate the salad, set the table, bake the muffins, and put the corn on the fire—in that order. By this time the gentleman in the kitchen can begin slicing Barbecue Meat Loaf.

Barbecue Meat Loaf
Courtesy General Foods

- 1 cup soft bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 2 pounds ground beef
- 2 tablespoons minced onion
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1 egg
- 1 cup all-purpose barbecue sauce, any flavor
- 1/2 cup water

Gentlemen in the Kitchen

Whether he's an uncommitted bachelor, or his wife is away with the children—whether his hobby is cooking, or he has to cook, gentlemen are increasingly finding themselves in the kitchen among the pots and pans.

There's no reason why this can't be the artful and skillful experience that it is for the womenfolk. Especially when it's applied to simple and well-seasoned dishes like this Barbecue Meat Loaf and Barbecued Corn. The use of Open Pit barbecue sauce in these two foods brings out that spur of creative cookery in the male cook.

Men have been considered masters of outdoor cookery—camp fire and barbecue. There's no reason why they can't also capture this title in the kitchen, that of "master of the meal"—a meal that is colorful, tasteful, palatable and well-balanced.

When the meat loaf and corn are served with a fresh green vegetable salad and dressing, hot bread and butter, and fruit for dessert, the value of nutrition plus the imagination (and courage) of the male cook is on display. This colorful fare provides several minerals and vitamins which are essential for good body function. And would you believe that one serving of the meat loaf alone provides 50% of an adult's U.S. Recommended Daily Allowance for protein?

One other big plus factor:

Soak bread crumbs in milk for about 5 minutes. Add ground beef, onion, salt, egg and 1/2 cup of the barbecue sauce; mix well. Shape into a loaf in shallow baking dish. Combine remaining barbecue sauce with the water. Pour about 1/2 cup of the sauce mixture over the meat loaf. Bake at 350° for about 1 hour, basting frequently with the remaining sauce mixture. Makes about 8 servings.

Barbecued Corn

Courtesy General Foods

- 1 can (12 oz.) whole kernel corn
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped green pepper
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose barbecue sauce, any flavor
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento (optional)

Combine all ingredients in saucepan. Heat thoroughly, stirring occasionally. Makes about 1 1/2 cups or 3 servings. Note: recipe may be doubled.

POEMS BY WILLIE BROWN

JESUS WILL STAY WITH YOU

Jesus will stay with you,
No matter what you may do,
Through all of your troubles
And all of your pain,
Jesus will stay with you.

When something tries to pull you down,
Jesus will always be around,
When your way gets too hard to bare,
Just remember there's someone who cares.

When your way gets dark and dreary,
There's no reason for you to worry,
If you need someone to carry you through,
Just remember, Jesus will stay with you.

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LIVING ON YOUR LOVE

Look at me now,
I'm just serving somehow,
The scars that you see
Are from the way you treated me.

I can't stop loving you,
No matter what you do,
I can't stop loving you,
No matter what you do.

You said we would never part,
That you would never hurt me,
And that you would never break my heart.

But just look at me now,
I'm just serving somehow,
And the scars that you see,
Are from the way you treated me.

I can't stop loving you,
No matter what you do,
I can't stop loving you,
I can't live without loving you,
I won't stop loving you,
No matter what you do!

Took away his pride
Nailed him to dreaming
Made his worst look best
This enslavement unbounded
Makes Death colorless.
—James D. Stephens

(Which death is worse?
That of the body? Or that of

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The eyes, they cut him
The looks pierced his soul
Memories were revolting
Humility's goal.

No cries he uttered
His mind was not enslaved
Those who watched muttered
Their silence hurting
Progress in its stride
They stomped him while he
was down

WHAT YOUR STARS SAY

March 28—April 3



APRIS — March 21-April 20

If an opportunity presents itself which allows the slightest chance or the remotest possibility for you to recover love, friendship, status—take hold. Through the baptism of tears, you can re-establish the Ego's alliance with the Heart if you truly "am" what you are.

TAURUS — April 21-May 21
For a brief period you may experience a confused state of mind, an indifferent attitude, or a blurring of psychic vision. Since you can't turn back on life, you must deal with the circumstances of life. If you have nothing, then you have nothing to worry about.

GEMINI — May 22-June 21
Just because you may seem smarter than some people, you are not exempt from the human tasks of maintaining cleanliness and order. So if you can't dream and run the vacuum cleaner at the same time, determine a priority. Be careful that you don't throw out something valuable when getting rid of old papers and magazines.

CANCER — June 22-July 23
Small and irrelevant factors would not loom like a world of chaos if you would take time to examine how you see things. Also, be soothed by the fact that truly there is neither right nor wrong, only what is. Lovers and loved

ones may be hard to handle. Keep the Peace!

L.E.O.—July 24-August 23

You keep expecting something, but you're hard-put to say exactly what it is you're waiting for. During the lull, perhaps you should look around you and be thankful for Spring. Your feelings of well-being will grow and expand during the coming months.

VIRGO — August 24-September 23

Most of you have come up with your own rendition of the "How Long Blues." Like how long does it take, and how long will it last...? Everything happening in your life depends upon your acceptance and grasp of the lessons you're asked to learn. So "it" lasts until it's over, and "it" ends when you see.

LIBRA — September 24-October 23

If you feel compelled to go out in the society and make others see and appreciate the refined and sensitive creations of the artists of the time, you also may be considered a bit off. Whatever it is that's pushing you to do this or that, without revealing to you a perfect reason,

could be a vision left over from a past life. Today and Tomorrow are the same Now.

SCORPIO—October 24-November 23

If you're standing in the Light, and if the Light feels good to you, you have nothing to worry about. However, if you're in the dark, and if the dark seems interminable, search memory for cause and effect; and maintain a silent stillness. Thoughts inside your head create your personal heaven or hell.

SAGITTARIUS—November 23-December 21

Luck is a positive energy which can attract all the things you desire along with things you don't absolutely need. Luck is earned and accrued; it is not related to fantasy and idle wishes. So if you've sown the right seeds, you'll reap well-deserved Luck!

CAPRICORN — December 22-January 20

Your rigidity and inflexibility is not due to stubbornness; it's due to a sincere inability to think and feel along certain lines. As you advance in age and experi-

ence, you will be come less fearful; therefore, more pliable and thus you will appear younger with age. Be Happy!

AQUARIUS — January 21-February 19

If Love has recently inspired you towards great thoughts and great achievement, you are indeed blessed. If you want Love to be an eternal inspiration, don't neglect the thoughts and feelings of the ones who inspire you, and who look to you for mutual support. The more you give, the more you have to give.

PISCES — February 20-March 20

There has been an almost startling conversion of your Self into the Real Self. And no... you don't look any different when you see yourself in the mirror, but you feel almost light and enchanted—as if an angel of grace had come to serve and protect you. God is Good!

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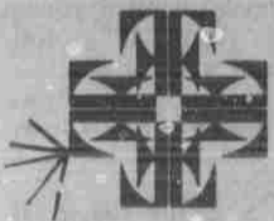
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STYLE SHOW CANCELLED
 The New Hope Baptist Church's Style Show will be cancelled until Friday, April 20, 1979. All stylist should get in touch with Ms. Glenda Sims, 762-1685 or 743-3542; Linda Polk, 765-6948; Shirlev Williams, 763-7281, or Ms. Joan Y. Ervin, 763-0853. Advertising should contact Mr. Jerry Colquitt, Ms. Winnie Morgan or Mr. John T. Cameron.

Across The Nation
 News From Home Folks

This feature is a news compilation from more than 100 black-owned and oriented newspapers across the nation. It deals with what blacks, who are all-too-often little read, are doing to promote participation in American life by black Americans. It is thus a salute from all of our readers to unsung heroes... and is designed to be a challenge for all of us to keep on doing our very best.

The Greensboro, North Carolina Peacekeeper tells of a representative response of black Americans to the criticisms of Andrew Young. We are appreciative of the intrepid Peacekeeper's sharing this response with our readers: Although he says he did not overstate the number of political prisoners in jails across the U.S. ("hundreds, perhaps thousands"), U.N. Ambassador Andrew Young declined this week to elaborate on his definition of "political prisoners."

But A.S. Webb, the only black member of the defunct state Commission of Correction, who is currently the executive vice president and secretary of American Fed-

eral Savings and Loan Association may be able to help Ambassador Young explain the definitive nuances of the term "political prisoners."

"We have a deplorable prison system in this state," declares Webb, who served on the commission three years before he was removed by the Republican Holshouser administration.

As an example, Webb cited the Odiam prison unit in Jackson, one of 30 units he visited while a commissioner.

Many blacks who equated farm labor and slavery refused to work in the fields and were confined in "little cubby holes," recalls Webb, "like animals at a zoo. And some of them had been in so long they didn't even remember when they had been placed in."

Webb contains, "becomes a political retention of someone under those conditions--and the state permits this."

The Lubbock, Texas, Texas Digest's editor, T.J. Paterson, has an arresting commentary on the Bakke Decision which should be read with interest by our

readers across the nation. The Texas notes: Nixon is gone, but we have another Nixon legacy--the Supreme Court that gave the Bakke decision. We wonder if this will make you see how important your vote can be with just one more black vote in each precinct that we voted for H.H.H. We would not have had the Nixon Supreme Court with its evil decision. Blacks need not be despairing because of the wrong Supreme Court decision in the Bakke decision. Bakke was doing what he thought he had to do to get into the school that had already denied him several times along with 37 other schools denying him admittance, but the decision of the Court was Grossly Wrong--but the Court has been wrong before.

The Court's Dred Scott decision state that blacks were just three-fifths a person; the Plessy decision stated that separate but equal was okay; later all of this was changed by another Court.

However, when one considers the Cu-Ar. racism and racist attitudes within the U.S.A. only 16 of 100 decisions were for all minorities, but no provision was allowed for all the other 84 slots being changed from whites advantage only; consider also that because of the past, the ratio for black doctors is only one for 6,000 compared to the national rate among whites, one doctor for every 700 residents. You can see, we have a long way to go.

The Meridian Mississippi Memo Digest recently contained a sterling example of "home town boosting," as our readers will see from the following engaging story. Are you proud of your hometown? Are you working to make it worthy or deserving of such pride. The Memo Digest notes:

This week's photos were made in Washington, D.C. at the Annual Meridianites Picnic held in Kenilworth Park. We are reprinting comments made to Henry Mitchell of the Washington Post. "I was riding to Meridian in a plane with three white businessmen," said Matthew Louise Barnes of Maywood, Ill., a restaurateur, "and one of them said I should move back. He said that now I could go anywhere in Meridian."

"But I said, 'You want me to come back and spend my money, now that I've made it. But when I was 16, there were places I wanted to go in Meridian and I couldn't. "If all the people here had stayed in Meridian, and been able to do there what they have done elsewhere, we'd have been a fantastic city. A city should hold on to its own, keep it own. I left in 1949, as soon as I finished high school."

Hazel Bolton of Milford, Conn., a gray-haired woman in an orange brocade dress sprigged with flowers said: "When you're young, you don't realize you can build it (a successful life) anywhere." Barnes said, "The opportunities were not there."

Bettye Morton of Chicago seemed typical of the young women who left Meridian. She teaches children who do not hear well, in Chicago schools. Jewel Morgan of New Haven, another young woman, works as a cost accountant at a hospital. Margaret O'Neal of St. Paul is editor of a newsletter for the Twin Cities chapter of Meridianites: "All we needed was announcements of the monthly meetings," she said a trifle sheepishly, "but I always wanted to say something else, so it grew into a full-fledged newsletter."

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