

COBB NEWS

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Maintaining The Spirit Of A Free Press

Killers of the Dream

The Cobb County News Bureau takes time out to bring residents of Cobb County a message we feel to be needed and perhaps overdue. It has to do with the nature and function of Cobb News.

Over the past eight or nine weeks we have tried to do the best we could, under the circumstances, to bring to the County a newspaper that would focus on, but not be limited to the black community. So far we have done just that. But with many things being unclear and confused to one looking from afar. Our goal is to communicate.

We started with no investment capital, only an idea. We did have a few committed people. Without money, credit or any certainty of future developments, we began. Our very first issue was paid for with borrowed money from two men who believed in the newspaper. We managed to pay for an issue or two; and another issue was made possible through yet another young man who believed in the newspaper. We stayed on the street.

In an effort to save money on typesetting, we have been trying to secure someone to set type on the machine we are presently renting (\$160.00 per month), but to date we do not have such a person. But we have tried to do that task as best as possible with the skills and expertise we have on the job.

We have the normal expenses of any business: rent, phone, P.O.Box, stamps, office supplies and equipment. One of the things we have not had, but need very badly at this time is a working staff. The issues of Cobb News you have seen on the street are the results of work by people who, to this date, have been paid no salaries. Those who have had full-time jobs elsewhere have pitched in and helped when they could, and Cobb News owes them a debt of gratitude. The editor, to date, has had to try to take pictures, write news stories, proof-read, type, lay-out, and organize support for the paper. The way we have had to do it is getting to be too much to carry forever. Cobb News needs some help from the community of which it is attempting to serve.

We certainly are not asking anyone to give money to a business venture, but we are asking for the full support of the community to make a business venture such as a paper possible. Wit businesses in the black community at an all-time low, we need to develop and expand business ventures in the community instead of sitting back and hoping that we get failures.

Where are all the leaders who claimed to want a newspaper for our community. Where are those who insisted that we need development in the minority of Cobb County? What has happened to all the interest shown by those who talk very loudly in meetings, but excuse themselves when it is time to produce? What is the meaning of our ranking citizens not making every effort to support and reinforce Cobb News? Why are there those who refuse to help Cobb News, and spend a good deal of time talking-down every effort by those who are trying. YES, COBB NEWS IS IN TROUBLE. Cobb News suffers from the same kind of trouble that every honest effort suffers: the straight way is long and narrow and few travel that route. But that is the route we are going. We think that it is time for people who believe in human beings working and living in peace, harmony and fellowship to come together and solve some of the problems that make us all victims. We need more people to come forth and help us to make this kind of newspaper a reality in the Cobb County community. We know it is possible, because a few of us are doing it, and under the most severe circumstances. It would be easier if YOU would lend YOUR support.

The Housing Mess



WILL THIS LADY...

Additionally, Cobb News has been plagued with the age-old problem of misrepresentation and dishonesty on the part of those who have been trusted to carry its name to the public. Having talked with advertisers and would-be supporters on the field, we have found that the demon of larceny and malice, and just plain I-don't-careness worked both sides of the street for Cobb News.

As a result of the many things learned over the past few weeks, an effort is being made to reorganize Cobb News in such a way that we can continue to make citizens in Cobb County proud and supportive of what the paper set out to be.

We have had our papers taken, sold and the funds kept; we have had advertising funds misappropriated; we have had Cobb News woefully misrepresented; and we have had to suffer the pain of finding these things out after the fact. And, we are presently working to tighten the Cobb News system so that past mistakes will not be repeated. Because we have no malice in our hearts, we are not going to press criminal charges which would be our right, with the evidence we have of wrongdoing on the part of those who misappropriated and misrepresented Cobb News.

THIS MESSAGE NEEDS TO SOAK INTO THE BLACK COMMUNITY. FOR THESE DEEDS I RECALL ARE DEEDS DONE TO AN HONEST EFFORT ON THE PART OF BLACK PEOPLE BY BLACK PEOPLE. AND AS EDITOR I AM NOT GOING TO TRY TO COVER THEM UP. FOR I SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT ONLY THE TRUTH SHALL SET ANY OF US FREE. THE TIME HAS COME FOR PEOPLE TO STOP LYING, CHEATING AND STEALING FROM ONE ANOTHER. WE MUST WORK TO GIVE OUR COMMUNITY, OUR PEOPLE AND OUR NATION THE KIND OF IMAGE THAT REFLECTS HONEST WORK, INTEGRITY, AND MAN' HUMANITY TO MAN. IF BLACKS CONTINUE TO RIP EACH OTHER OFF AT THE RATE IT IS BEING DONE IN OUR COMMUNITIES TODAY, THERE WILL BE LITTLE LEFT TO CALL A COMMUNITY'

We must set ourselves the task of dissolving the internal contradictions in the black community. Brotherhood certainly does not mean that we spend all our time finding ways to rob, steal and misuse one another - or anyone else as for that matter.



GET THIS HOUSE...?

Mrs. Lillie M. Weaver, unless corrections are made, will be still another victim of the lion in sheep's clothing called "progress". Under the Urban Renewal Program, she was made to believe that she would be the recipient of a new home. Having made a \$500.00 deposit on the assumption that a local real estate would build her a house within her income bracket, she is now holding the bag - at present.

From January 17, 1974, \$500.00 of this working woman's money was being held and at this late date July, 1975, after the story began running in Cobb News, the real estate company has returned the check.

The real estate company stated in its letter dated June 27, 1975, with the returned check, that it "regretted" that the "deal did not work out". It is very strange that it took a real estate company more than a year to find out that "a deal did not go through". It is also strange that the project manager, Mr. James Guber decided to write Mrs. Weaver a letter as late as May 12, 1975, to tell her repeatedly that she is not entitled to any federal assistance under relocation.

Well, Washington and other proper authorities are being contacted, and unless something is done about the kind of obvious injustices that have been perpetrated upon an innocent citizen, citizens throughout Marietta with housing problems, that are not being addressed by the Marietta Housing Authority, have the right, and ought to, do something to reconstruct a housing program for residents - especially residents in public housing who want a better standard of living. Mrs. Weaver, from her personal testimony, has been made to suffer unduly in the housing mess, that suffering must now be passed to the appropriate persons who are hired to do a job, but for whatever reasons have abdicated that responsibility.

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THE SPIRIT OF A FREE PRESS

BLACK HERITAGE

SOJOURNER TRUTH

Sojourner Truth was born about 1797 to a Dutch-speaking family in up-state New York. Isabella, or Bell as she was then called, was the 11th child born to her parents, and the 11th sold into slavery. She belonged successively to five families, and, although each left a mark on her, none could remold her. One was coarse and profane; from them Isabella learned to curse and smoke. One master was sensuous; by him Isabella bore children. She remained, however, herself. Although she had no surname of her own, she would not take the name of any of her masters.

In 1827 Isabella became free under New York State's gradual emancipation Act. She came to New York City in 1829 and joined a religious cult which eventually disintegrated.

Slowly, she felt something rising within her; she felt reborn. She said that she felt that she was so tall that she thought the power of a nation was within her. It was the spring of 1843. She told her employer that the Lord was going to give her a new name. Isabella went East, renamed herself Sojourner Truth, and hiked slowly through Massachusetts and Connecticut.

She walked the land, preaching and lecturing. The first winter found her in Northampton, Massachusetts, where she was received by a group of abolitionists as one of their own. In the spring she journeyed West, turning her religious fervor into antislavery pleadings. Sojourner had become the first black woman antislavery speaker. For this distinction, she was beaten many times and finally lamed for life.

Although Sojourner was illiterate, she had a quick and incisive mind. And on a platform she was unforgettable: huge, gaunt, with a scarred face and a deep voice. Once, in 1858, at an antislavery meeting in Kansas, an opponent of abolition interrupted Sojourner's speech to ask: "Is the

speaker man or woman?...I demand that if she is a woman she submit her breast to the inspection of some of the ladies present". When the confusion subsided, Sojourner stepped to the edge of the platform and pounded her cane on the floor. "My breasts," she said, "has suckled many a white baby when dey shoulda been sucklin' my own. I dar'st show my breasts to the whole congregation. It ain't my shame dat I do dis, but yourn. Here den," she said, ripping her clothes from neckline to waist, "see for yourself".

On another occasion when someone praised the Constitution, Sojourner said: "Children, I talks to God and he talks to me. Now I hears talking about dis Constitution and de rights of man. It looks mighty big and I feels for my rights, but dere ain't any dere. Den I says, 'God what ails dis Constitution? He says to me Sojourner, dere is a little weasel in it'".

By 1858 this great woman, who had become a renowned orator, was beginning to feel the wear of the years. Her wounded leg gave her much pain and required periodic treatment; but she refused to stop for long. She went back into Illinois, Kansas, and Indiana, and out into New England. She was received by Lincoln at the White House, and told the President that he was the greatest man of all times, a Daniel in the lion's den of treason and suppression.

Sojourner eventually settled in Battle Creek, Michigan where she lived until her death in 1883.

Our children need to know Sojourner Truth and the value of such a character in the struggle for a better way of life for our people. Hers is a lesson for what a woman can and will do to help humanity.

In trying to track down the real story behind the treatment of Mrs. Weaver, in her quest for a home, Cobb News called the Atlanta HUD office and had a conversation with one Mr. Brookins, who did not know anything about the situation, but took the names and numbers of those involved: Mrs. Weaver, the Marietta Housing Authority, and the real estate company. He said that "he would need to get the details on the case". He also gave Cobb News the name of his immediate supervisor, a Mr. Hartmon.

Cobb News is following the case with an investigation into the very beginnings of the housing drama that has been played out on Mrs. Weaver. She has received no relocation payment, no house and no consideration for her housing welfare.

As this story is being written Mr. Coffee, Relocation Specialist from the Atlanta Regional office of HUD has called. He pointed out that Mrs. Weaver needs to "follow grievance procedures by filing a complaint with the Marietta Housing Authority", and then, he says: "the complaint, if not appropriately adjusted, will go to HUD in the regional office. Mr. William Hartman, area director for Atlanta has not been reached at this time.

In talking with Mrs. Weaver, the official complaint to the Marietta Housing Authority will be sent off today, and the red tape followed until something is resolved one way or another.

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From this point of view

By Rev. H. "Ken" Kenner

When we look out on a city street we see the signs of our future: the young. But the signs are not good ones. For if we are to become what too many of our children are, then woe be unto us, for as a nation we have truly failed. All around there are signs of dope, drugs and prostitution. Even in the lower grades of our schools there are those regularly buying and taking drugs. We are also able to tell something about the children who are taking drugs and involved in crime.

We find that most kids into trouble are those who have not been reared in an atmosphere with the proper religious and moral teachings that are needed to give a person a stable hold on life in the midst of adversity and even severe hard times. Too many young people are left to form their own value systems, and, as a result, they have none. From this point of view parents need to have Christian values.

THE ROLE OF A BLACK PREACHER

By Rev. Isaac Richmond

The black preacher, being a "natural" leader, in the words of E. Franklin, then, must begin to do some leading. For in the black communities all over this land the people are in desperate need of leadership. Not just someone to be Lord over them, but honest, serious and competent leadership. The kind of leadership that plans with the people, sets goals and objectives, and develops ways and means of accomplishing those goals and objectives.

The black preacher in this era has an awesome responsibility to his congregation for at least two basic reasons: they are "sinful", but they are also socially depressed. His task then becomes one of freeing and saving. Freeing the mind and body and saving the soul. It is the same kind of task that God assigned to Moses when he took on the leadership of a people in bondage.

The call to lead a people in bondage is a special calling. It is not the same as being called to tend a flock, as is often the false assumption. The flock in bondage does not need tending it needs leading to freedom. And freeing a people means that one is, of course, willing to take on the whole armour. Part-time is not enough.

Moses tried to tell God that he would not be able because of certain things that he could not do, but when it all boiled down the Lord told him to take the job as a full-time liberator and bring the children out of Egypt.

Moses would never have done his job unless he had decided to take it on as his entire life.

There are too many part-time soul-savers in the black community. Too much hustling off the people. Too little service provided for the community. Too much preaching and too little doing. We must not only be hearers of the word, but doers also. For until the word becomes flesh and dwells among men, nothing has really been said. For any man who says something that he will not do has not in fact really said anything of value. Words must be backed with deeds or they become empty phrases, full of sound and fury signifying nothing. As the Apostle Paul would have it, they become as meaningless as sounding brass and tinkling cymbals.

The role of a black preacher, then, must be that of a doer of the word.

The black preacher should be the model for the community; the person who provides counseling service, consolation in the

times of strife and solace in times of distress. Someone to talk with when the ways of the world bear down and material comforts fail to bring inner serenity. He needs to be present when men and women are on the verge of making decisions that they are uncertain about; he needs to be present when trouble arises in the home and a comforter is needed; he needs to be on hand when the people need someone to speak out against injustices; he needs to be present in case the Christian army has to go into battle - FOR HE IS THE LEADER OF THAT ARMY'

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By Myrian Richmond

"Female Power?"

MYRIAN RICHMOND is Editorial Writer and Director of Community Affairs at Radio Station WAOK—Atlanta

It has given little encouragement to see the power possessed by females so little used. Being over half the population, only a very small fraction of women constitute any part of any power structure at any level. With most of the wealth in the hands of women, as a result of being widows, it is seemingly not used to further the freedom of women.

Everywhere we see women being the backbone of this movement and the foundation of that movement, and the forever "behind every man there is a...." It should be remembered that "behind" is not a very enjoyable place to be for anybody, for any purpose, for any length of time. Anyone disputing that very real claim, should also be ready to take that position for the rest of their life, otherwise truth remains truth.

The female in society must become productive. Not only for her own good mental health, but she must become productive because there is no longer any need for "housewives" as such. Additionally, men do not seem to be very interested in "housewivvs". One hardly ever reads or hears of a man eloping with or taking much time with a so-called "housewife".

Since working is everybodys business, housekeeping is also everybodys business. Further, the social stigma of being feminine because a man does work "prescribed" for a woman is absurd. Working in the house no more makes a man feminine than working outside of the house makes a woman masculine. What the interchanging of roles and relationships will do, when approached positively, is bring about a better understanding of what it has meant to live under social "orders" for males or females.

Too long have we satisfied ourselves as a society to say that the mild and "natural" antagonisms between males and females were "battles of the sexes. It has not really been a "battle" as such. For a battle assumes that two sides are at war with each other. This has not been the case with men and women in our society. The male-oriented prescriptions have been more or less taken without question, as if they were divine orders. Some even say they are. In reality it has been a case of the strong dominating the "weak". A truth only so long as the weak remain weak.

PEOPLE

Miss Barbara Byrd, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Byrd of Kennesaw is among those we call outstanding. She has a compelling smile and a radiant personality, and character that effortlessly distinguishes itself wherever present.

Barbara is a 1973 graduate of North Cobb High School, where she was very popular and involved in student affairs. She was soloist of the stage band, a member of the marching band, and she traveled with the band this spring, to South Carolina and sang at the stage band festival at the University of South Carolina.

Miss Byrd's singing career goes way back to the early days when she sang in her church, Sardis Baptist, the church of which her father is the minister. There she also taught Sunday School and Bible School and sang in the choir.

Barbara has a natural love for art. Though having no formal training in art it has become one of her favorite hobbies. So much so until she is considering making it a future career.

This talented young lady is in her third quarter at Kennesaw Junior College and there works in the College Library.

Reflections

KEEP ON TRUCKIN

When cheap talk is aimed at your head,
Bricks of hatred thrown at your bed
By people who manage to keep you afraid
Of winning the fight and getting ahead.

Be touched by nothing!
Cease the duckin!
Just look straight ahead
And keep on truckin!]

THAT'S LIFE

No matter who you are,
No matter what you are,
No matter where you are
When you are who you are-
Somebody will still say...

YOU AIN'T!

IN A DAY'S TIME

Everyday we seek to find
Life's path that leads to peace of mind.
Everyday we sing a song
That says, Black friend, it won't be long.

Everyday we search for love
Here on earth and from thee above.
Everyday we adjust our minds
To a new day, yet a typical time.

Everyday we shed a tear
When on the road we get so near,
To that open gate where lies a life
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The above poems are originals and were written and sent to Cobb News by Patrice Johnson of Ripley, Tenn. Her poetic expressions, when submitted, will appear in Cobb News each week.

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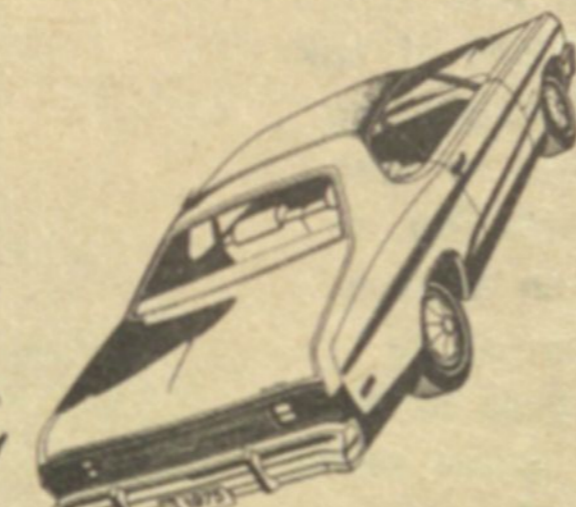
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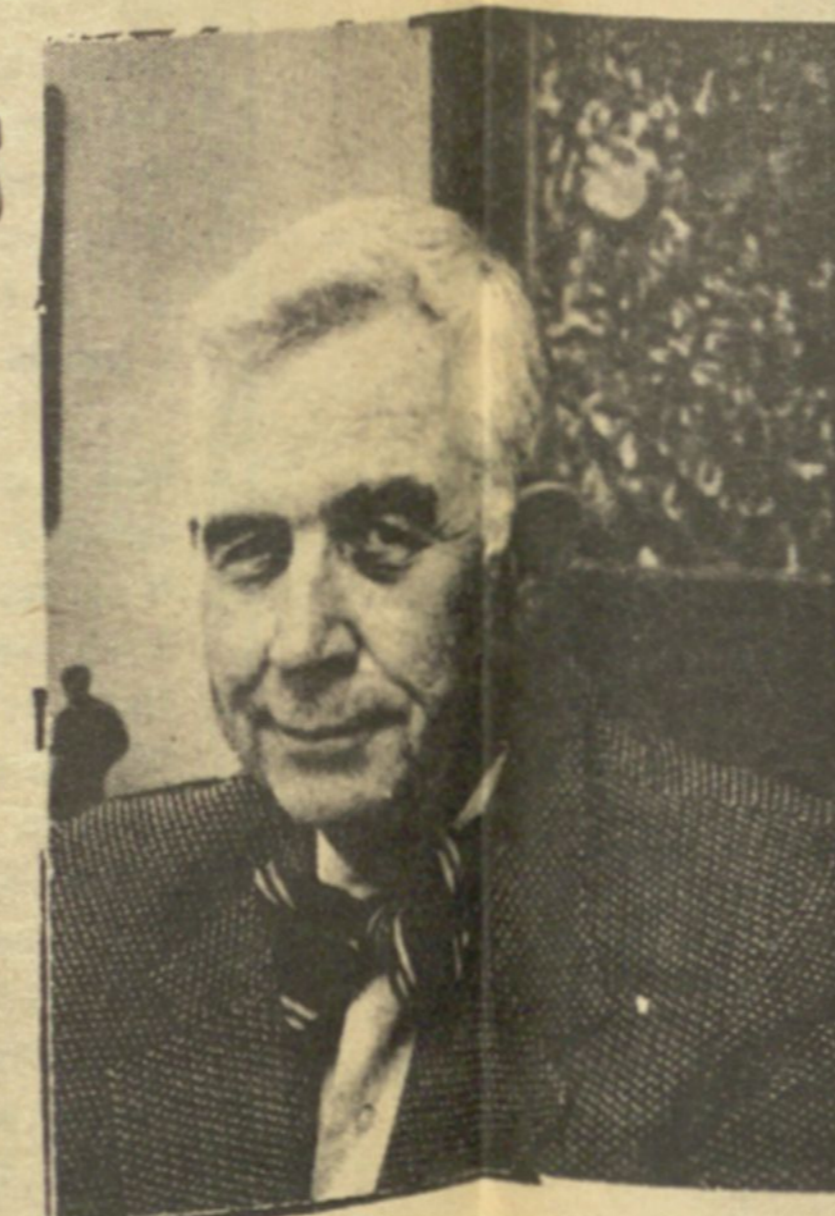
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Nixon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Richard M. Nixon says he installed the extensive White House taping system at the urging of his predecessor, Lyndon B. Johnson, who he said also had such a system.

"President Johnson said that the recordings he had made of his conversations while president had proved to be exceedingly valuable in preparing his memoirs and he urged that I re-install the recording devices," Nixon said in an affidavit filed with the U.S. District Court.

"Thereafter, I consented that this be done, having the expectation that I, like President Johnson, could retain during my life exclusive control over access to the recordings ..." Nixon said.

The affidavit was filed late Monday in connection with Nixon's suit challenging a new law giving the government custody of his records, including 880 reels of tape.

Nixon said he planned for the tapes to be placed in a presidential library after his death "with restrictions prohibiting access for a sufficiently long period of time (so) that no participant in conversations with me would incur any adverse effects."

He said he would have deleted conversations containing purely personal discussions.

The tape recordings, which included conversations bearing on the cover-up of White House involvement in the Watergate break-in, played a major role in the fall of the Nixon administration and Nixon's resignation last Aug. 9.

Nixon said installation of the microphones in the White House, on his telephones, and at Camp David, Md. "stemmed in large part" from Johnson's recommendations, made through a mutual friend. The friend was not identified.

When the existence of the taping system was disclosed to the Senate Watergate committee in 1973 by Alexander Butterfield, then-White House lawyer J. Fred Buzhardt said the system "is similar to that employed by the last administration."

But Johnson intimates denied any wholesale bugging.



NAACP MEMBERSHIP/VOTER REGISTRATION

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The longer the perspective, the greater the progress looks. An American born after World War II has seen the first black generals and admirals, the first black Supreme Court Justice, the first two black Cabinet officers, new black superstars in the theater, motion pictures, the record industry, and television—and, of course, the emergence of black stars in all major sports. The number of black lawyers, accountants, college teachers, and other members of the professions almost doubled in a decade.

To most whites, this seems quite remarkable progress, a reaffirmation of the System's noblest ideals. But whites do not have, as blacks do, a profound sense of having been defrauded in the first place by the hypocrisy of a government that proclaimed all men equal and kept some locked in slavery. Even the great national drama of the Civil War, fought with so much bloodshed and passion, brought no permanent improvement in the lot of blacks, whose status was the central issue.

As laborers and skilled artisans, blacks tilled the land and built the mansions of the South but were condemned to live as second-class citizens. A "peanut gallery" was reserved for them in movie theaters. They could not try on clothing in department stores or reserve a Pullman berth. Newspapers did not use courtesy titles for blacks. "Your first name becomes 'nigger,' your middle name

becomes 'boy' (however old you are) and your last name becomes 'John,'" Martin Luther King wrote in his famous "Letter from Birmingham Jail."

This train of searing humiliations has, understandably, left a bitter residue. Some blacks sound even angrier than they did ten years ago when the breakthroughs were just beginning. Many educated blacks today, particularly younger ones, vent an almost paranoiac distrust and even hatred of whites. The alienation of the black underclass, if less vocal, is no less profound. It has produced almost unfathomable social and financial problems in the ghettos of the nation's cities, where blacks have been locked in a seemingly inescapable cycle of poverty and crime.

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The C.E.T.A. program that is supposed to be designed to aid young people with employment problems during the summer is apparently, at least in some quarters, during as much harm as good. Young people are complaining that they have been working for weeks and still have received no pay. Word has it that the computers are working slow. Seems that some adjustment could be made to remedy that problem. Already disillusionment has set in because of complaints that the last and worst jobs being given in the C.E.T.A. program are reserved for the poor and minority persons.

Cobb News will be making an investigative report on C.E.T.A. program and funds and will run that series for the benefit of those who have made allegations that they are not being paid; that the best jobs were taken by favorites before the program started; and that the worst kind of jobs are left to the poor and black.

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MARIETTA REAPPORTIONMENT

The reapportionment case that the city of Marietta is being forced to adjust to is a long overdue matter, and, in fact, a matter that should never have been. Common judgment and common sense - and in the interest of monetary expediency - should have dictated action on reapportionment long ago.

Now that it seems a black person will finally be elected to the Marietta City Council, it will do well for the black community of Marietta to focus on the kind of leadership that will be needed during these times. The reapportionment resolution should not end up meaning that just any black man wanting to feed his/her ego will be elected to office. One of the conditions that plague the black community at this time is the lack of leadership of integrity and honesty - and with vision.

It will also make no sense for every black person wanting the limelight to announce for public office with the misunderstanding that being elected is assured.

The leadership of the black community needs to meet and make a decision about the kind of things that are of prime importance to their community. An agenda needs to be set. Those persons with the interest, competence and desire should be given priority consideration. The community should not just let the first self-centered individual that wants to further his/her own nest get elected. For in such a case the whole community will have to suffer from do-nothing leadership.

The black community in Marietta now has a chance to improve its political image, and this chance must not be lost on the inability of the community to come to grips with what that image will be. The main question is: which way will we go this time, MARIETTA?

LOUISVILLE SHOOT-OUT

The shooting in Louisville over the past week end is indicative of how badly our communities are in need of development - materially and spiritually. It is a very sad day to have to witness the shooting at each other by two young women. And it is a very dangerous day when shootings take place and little children are in the line of stray bullets. We must do something to put an end to these senseless occurrences in our communities.

PRESIDENT FORD VIOLENT CRIMES

President Ford said, and rightly so, that those who commit violent crimes should be put behind bars. What the president did not give is an interpretation of a violent crime. We are aware that face to face attacks are violent crimes, murder, rape, muggings, assault and battery, but that is not the end of the list. It is an act of violence to have large numbers of people trapped in a social condition and unable to live except that they do something that is considered anti-social. Men and women from every race, social class and educational level desire jobs and cannot find them. What are they to do in moments of desperation? What are the alternatives? How do we as a nation reconcile the difference between crime and need - basic needs?

It is my feeling that people who commit violent crimes ought to indeed be put behind bars. But I also feel that the president and the Congress should take a serious look at conditions that seem to have some bearing on the increase in crime.

Letters To The Editor

DEAR EDITOR:
The old saying "The early bird catches the worm" may be true for a bird, but not for persons applying for a job with CETA at the State Labor Office. I made application early hoping to get a job, but only got the run-around. Also a relative of mine made application for work at the Couth House over a year ago and has not even received a phone call, yet there are others who have been hired with the same qualifications.

It is about time that something be done to correct the run-around that a person gets when seeking employment in Cobb County. It seems that an employer can let an applicant know of the chances of a job, if not why waste the applicants time?

Lawanda Copeland

DEAR EDITOR:

It seems to me that the city is playing a game with the black community on summer recreation. A swimming pool is supposed to be built. When? By the time a pool is built summer will be over and again the city of Marietta will have jived the black community out of its right to fun and recreation. Where are the so-called leaders who have been working so hard to get things done?

Raymond C. Gaines, Marietta

DEAR EDITOR:

I am a little tired of the black community having only a ball to throw as a form of recreation. There are many, many forms of recreation that could be wholesome and healthy for our children if they were proposed and taken on by the parks and recreation department. Black people can do more than play ball!

Connie R. Rupper, Powder Springs

DEAR EDITOR:

As a parent with three children in school in the school system of Marietta, I would like to know just what will be done about bus fees next school year. My children had to stay home several days because I could not pay the fees for the three of them on time. I do not feel that a child should be made to miss an education just because he cannot pay bus fees. Can anything be done to stop this private bus service?

Marietta parent

DEAR EDITOR:

I have been reading your articles on the black church with much interest. For a long time I have had some of the same ideas but were too afraid of what people would say to express them. I am certainly glad to be able to witness some of the truth that needs to be told about the mess that has been made of our churches.

A Christian witness

DEAR EDITOR:

I heard about the SBA workshop that was held at the Chamber of Commerce. I do hope that the newspaper will be an instrument to organize the black business community around economic development goals that are badly needed in Cobb County - especially in the pockets of poverty in minority communities.

Ted M. Avery, Woodstock

ALL MATERIAL FOR PUBLICATION MUST BE IN BY FRIDAYS

First Cobb County Honor Night August 1, 1975

THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF THE COBB COUNTY NEWS BUREAU WILL HOST A COBB COUNTY AWARDS AND HONOR NIGHT AUG. 1, 1975, AT THE LAWRENCE STREET RECREATION CENTER IN MARIETTA. THE "HONOR NIGHT" WILL HIGHLIGHT THE HISTORY OF COBB COUNTY, AND THE NOTABLE EVENTS, AND PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN A PART OF THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTY"

GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE OCCASION WILL BE COMMISSIONER ERNEST BARRETT CHAIRMAN OF THE COBB COUNTY COMMISSION. THERE WILL BE ENTERTAINMENT, TALENT, SPECIAL GUEST AND REFRESHMENTS. ALL COBB COUNTY RESIDENTS ARE URGED TO COME OUT AND SUPPORT "HONOR NIGHT".

HONOR NIGHT PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARD THE WORK OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF THE COBB COUNTY NEWS BUREAU, A PROGRAM OF COMMUNITY SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF COBB COUNTY. Mrs. Gloria Weems is Program Chairman of "Honor Night" and Ms. Sharon Freeman is Co-Chairman. DONATION: \$5.00 FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE PROGRAM OR TICKETS, PLEASE CONTACT COBB NEWS PERSONS COORDINATING THE PROGRAM OR YOUR LOCAL MINISTER.



[Gloria Weems and Sharon Freeman, Coordinators for "Honor Night".]

MISS BLACK COBB COUNTY PAGEANT

The Progressive Zionettes of Zion Baptist Church have been in existence about 3 years, and have been for all of this time participating in community affairs and sponsoring and supporting church activities. The Zionettes are participating with the coordination of the Vocational Academic Education Fund Raising Project. More recently, the Zionettes are sponsoring a Miss Black Cobb County Pageant. The Miss Black Cobb County Pageant will be the biggest project that the group has undertaken. Miss. Josset Walker, treasurer of the organization remarked:

"It's the biggest project we have ever taken on and hopefully we can make our beauty contests an annual affair for Cobb County.

There will be a scholarship fund set up for deserving young and talented ladies. Girls will be judged on beauty, poise, talent and style, and, of course, personality. Entry fee is \$10.00. Girls must be High School Juniors, Seniors or college coeds who are interested in extending their education.

The contest will be held at Marietta High Fine Arts Auditorium August 23,

1975, at 8:00PM. ANY PERSON WISHING TO ENTER THE CONTEST OR IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO ENTER, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR MINISTER OR CALL Mrs. Durham AT 427-3630, or Mrs. Walker at 422-5064, Cobb News, or one of the Progressive Zionettes' officers' Minister, Rev. R. L. Johnson; President, Cleamontine Durham; Vice-President, Betty Myers; Secretary, Ertha Head; Treasury, Joeset Walker; Business Manager, Betty Williams; Assistant Business Manager, Eva Weaver; Publicity Chairman, Juanita Carmichael.

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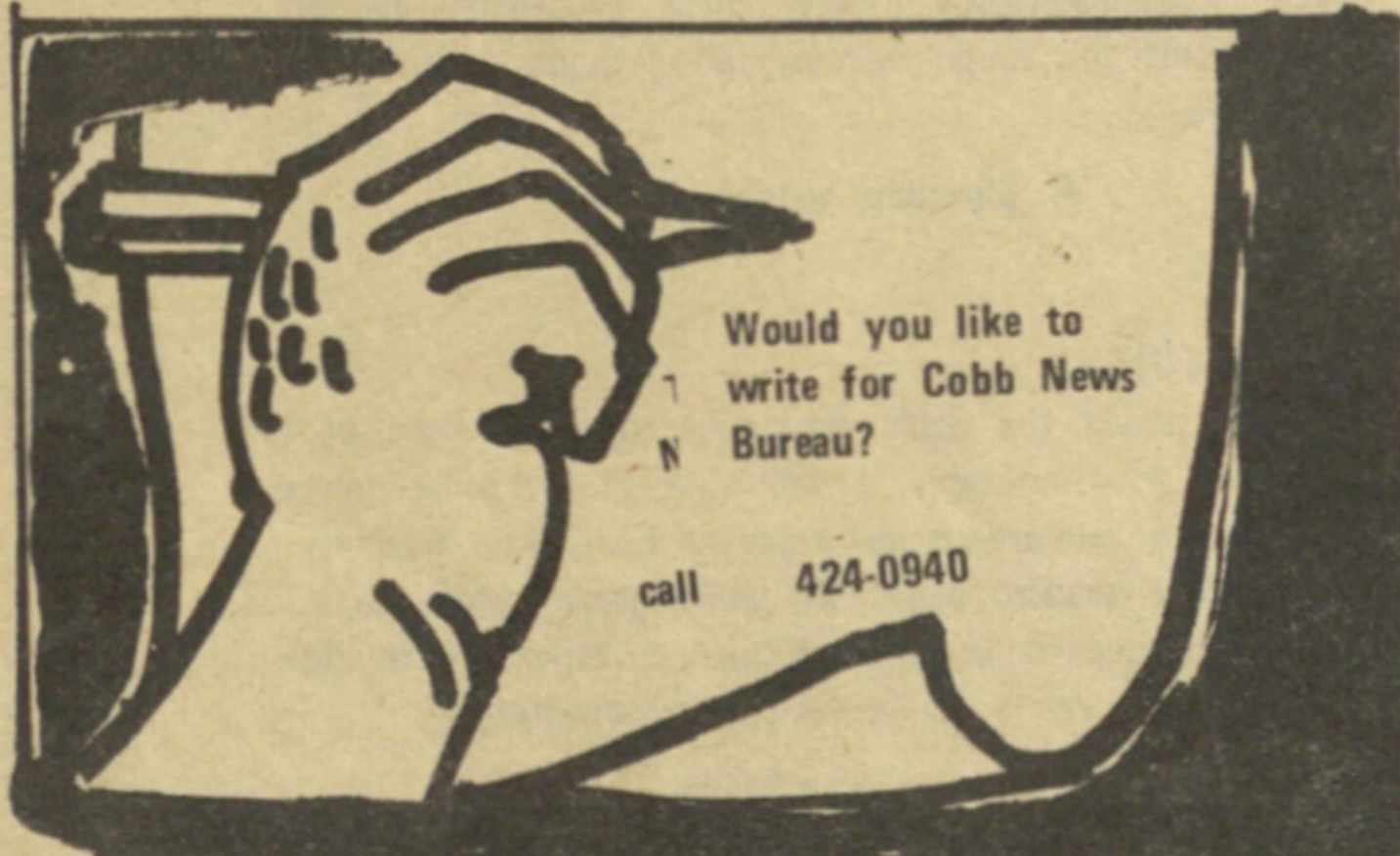
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Marietta Jaycees Sponsor July 4th Parade

MARIETTA JAYCEES ARE SPONSORING A FOURTH OF JULY PARADE TO BEGIN AT 9:00AM, AT SEARS ON ROSWELL STREET. THOSE WHO ARE TO BE INVOLVED ARE REQUESTED TO LINE UP ON TIME' AT 10:00AM THE PARADE WILL CIRCLE THE SQUARE. Young Mr. Perry Price is in charge of parade operations. SEE YOU THERE.



AME Youth leave for Washington, D. C. The North Atlanta Youth group will depart July 5, 1975, to witness sixty years of Youth progress and development in the AME Church. Delegates from the North Atlanta Conference are: Loujuana Atkins, Joannetta Hunnicutt, and Ruben Sands. Other youth are involved from all over the United States, the Caribbean, South America, Africa, and London.



News Boys-Girls Wanted Call 424-0940