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The National Council of Negro Women, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the Inland Empire Chapter of the NAACP have formed the Black History Month Committee to see that the events of the civil rights movement are remembered.

The committee has planned a series of events that will help maintain the memory of the history of African Americans.

The events include:

- A reception on January 20th at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Statue, located on 19th St. W. at 7:30pm.
- A breakfast on Friday, January 24th at 6am at the Mid-City Chamber of Commerce.
- A panel discussion on February 1st at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Center.
- A film festival on February 1st at Bobby Bonds Park.

For more information, please call Sharon Cooper at 885-3238. The breakfast will cost $3.00.

San Bernardino Earns Two Cash Rebates From Edison

The City of San Bernardino Water Department has found new ways to improve the efficiency of its operations while at the same time reducing its overall energy consumption.

The city earned two rebates—one for $6,800 and another for $1,713—from South California Edison Company, according to San Bernardino area manager Noreen, SCC energy manager.

Accepting the Edison rebate checks on behalf of the San Bernadino Water Department were Hermas Wright, general manager, and Margaret Chardoner, president of the board of directors.

The largest of the two rebates was awarded after the water department installed a new equipment to improve the efficiency of the city's general facilities.

The city-dwells have been buying hardly hot water out of the local buildings from its naturally occurring geothermal water supply.

The new device permits more efficient use of energy for the city's needs. The city is expected to result in a net savings of more than $1,300 in energy costs each year, or about $12,000 in energy costs per year. She estimated the additional financial support would enable the project around.

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Miss Coleman is an entrepreneur and the founder of Coleman Rent-A-Car, located in Los Angeles. She is vice-president of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and a member of the NAACP, the Black Public Relations Society of Southern Calif.

Amos Temple CME Church
Rev. Chester B. Tollette, Pastor Rev. Alvin H. Hill, Associate Pastor

Even though Christmas has passed, joy must be given to us through our Board of Christian Education for our church and through the breathtaking and meaningful Christmas program. All departments of the church from kindergarten to the adults were represented. Another program that was very special was the celebration of the animals that were displayed on the stage during the program. All the children and guests were very happy to see the animals that were shown. The program was very beautiful and it was enjoyed by all ages.

Pastor Tollette’s message on Sunday last was taken from St. John 3:16 where the King of Kings, forgave the sins of the world and the Father sent His Son, Jesus Christ on the Cross to die for our sins. The message was a reminder that we need to be saved and that we need to be born again.

Amos Temple Church will again be offering Evangelistic classes during the weekdays. These classes will be held every Monday and Wednesday from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The classes will be open to anyone who desires to learn more about the Bible and the things of God. All classes are free and open to the public.

Sunday Service
11:00 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

New Year Service
1st Sunday of the New Year
1:00 p.m.

The Family Affairs
Barbershop & Beauty Center
1321 W. 40th Street

You are hereby invited to visit our campus during this special week. We do ask that you check the campus during the week Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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North Wins Another  

**Title**

Huskies Come Alive To Beat  
Morrison Valley, 56-40  

For three days, North High's basketball coach Mike Barre maintained that his team wasn't performing up to its capabilities, even though the Huskies were王者 toward the finals of the  
Brisbane Holiday Basketball Tournament. The Huskies came alive after  
a slow start and won over Morrison  
Valley, 56-40, before a packed house at Brennan Square. They did it by unleashing an explosive fast-break attack that had been inconsistent during their first three tournament victories.

The victory brought North its second straight tournament title in two weeks. But the Holiday Tournament finals will be particularly delightful, because they came against four of the best prep teams.

The Huskies open their 14-game league schedule next Tuesday.
March AFB Commander's Sport Trophy Presentation and Recognition Awards Ceremony Friday January 17, 1986. Presentation will be in the recreation center ballroom. Base personnel are invited to join in honoring the participants of the base athletic program. Recognition will be given to the male and female athlete of the year. The coach who won may enjoy the same recognition. March AFB Commander's Sport Trophy Award will be given to the most outstanding athlete of the year.

1986 Brought a Turkey to Work Day. The seemingly random assignment to the first day of the year is an annual event that started in 1980. It was started by the Forest Service to draw attention to the environmental impact of the holiday and to encourage the public to take action to protect the natural resources.

During the excitement I forgot to have such fine groups of young people living in Moreno Valley. We live in America for a leaf Deaf World.

I was totally surprised by the attitude of this person whose job is to provide service to the public. It has been my experience to receive very nice people in the 1980's, as I sometimes experience to evaluate in their weight room. As I got out of them as fast as I could because I want to live the life! I sometimes write about. I just turn in the weight room and had a good laugh. I was able to exercise because of the strength that had passed. While I was writing for my desk back in Good Morning, I heard another customer of the gym complaining about the attitude of this same fellow, and the other young man is aware of the writing of this article. It is our opinion that the public does not have to stand for this kind of treatment in our country where it costs nothing to show respect. It can cost you a lot if you don't. We called a friend the night of Jan 6th, 1986 to continue to say in Jan 6th. 1986. Together we will do it.

When men are cast down, their truth shall say, there is lifting up. Jan 6th.

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Riverside/ San Bernardino
Vote For Jack Clarke

If we merely look at qualifications, Jack Clarke would be the winner of the Second Ward seat currently held Tuesday, June 14, 1986, in Riverside County.

What will happen if he wins? The city of Riverside will then enter into the mainstream of American life. Riverside is one of the most promising cities in the United States.

Nearly every city, with a sizable Afro-American (Black) population has representation in the city government. The city of Purple, California has a Black Mayor. Surely it is time for Riverside to integrate city government.

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"Yes," responded Julie with excitement. "Will you buy me something, too?"

"Yes," Tracy said, "but before we can go shopping I will have to go to the bank to get my check cashed."

"Please cash this check for me," Tracy said to the bank teller. "I would like four twenty dollar bills, four ten dollar bills, three five dollar bills and five one dollar bills."

The bank teller counted out the money and handed it to Tracy.

"Thank you," Tracy said with a smile.

"Wow! Tracy, I sure would like to work in a bank some day," Julie said. "What is her job called?"

"Julie, the person who cashed my check is called a bank teller," Tracy explained.

"Tell me everything a bank teller does," said Julie.

"I don't know everything a bank teller does," said Tracy, "but if you like, after we finish shopping, we can go to the library and find some information on bank tellers."

"I would like that," replied Julie. "Tracy you are a nice big sister. You always help me so much."

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BUILDING WORD POWER

BALANCE (bal-unz)—v. To find the difference, if any, between the amount of money that one has and the amount one started with.

CHARACTER (kar-ik-tur)—n. All the things that a person does, feels and thinks by which that person is judged as being good or bad, strong or weak, etc.

CHECK (chek)—n. A written order to a bank to pay a certain amount of money from one’s account.

COMPLICATED (kom-pluh-kay-tid)—adj. Hard to understand or do.

DEPOSIT (di-pahz-it)—n. Something placed for safekeeping, as money in a bank.

DUTY (doot-ee)—n. Any of the things that are supposed to be done as part of a person’s work.

EXECUTIVE (eg-zek-yuh-itive)—n. Any person who manages the business of an organization.

FIRM (furm)—n. A business company.

ILLITERACY (il-uh-er-uh-see)—n. The condition of not knowing how to read or write.

IMPRESS (im-pres)—v. To fix firmly in the mind.

INSPIRE (in-spyr)—v. To cause, urge, or influence to do something.

QUALIFICATION (kwol-uh-fikay-shun)—n. Something that makes a person fit for a job.

RECOGNIZE (rek-uh-nehz)—v. To understand and accept something to be true or right.

RESPOND (ri-spond)—v. To give an answer.

STATUS (stay-tus)—n. The condition or situation of a person; state.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

Always try to work the puzzle without looking at the answers. If you can’t remember an answer, re-read the story before looking at the answers.

1. LAURENS

2. INSPIRED

3. POUNDED

4. CAROLINA

5. EDUCATION

6. ASSAULT

7. AJAR

8. PRESIDENT

9. SIGMA

10. MOTTO

11. FACTORY

12. SERVICE

13. TAYLOR

A Message to Teachers and Tutors

It is important to know that the primary purposes of this “fun to learn” newspaper, known as The ADVANCER, include the following:

1. To serve as a supplemental—not a basal—reading motivational and comprehension-enhancement tool;

2. To help rebuild the pride or sense of worth so deliberately and systematically stripped from Black families generations ago but which still remain unaddressed to such a large degree today that many Black young students and adults have little or no will to learn or achieve;

3. To enable Hispanic students and their parents to better understand that America is their home whether they were born in the continental United States or not...and that they have a rich heritage upon which to build a bright future;

4. To maximize parental and other adult involvement by inserting The ADVANCER within the adult-oriented local cooperating community-building newspaper; And,

5. To assist in gaining a better racial understanding by students (mainly other Whites) in appreciating to a greater degree those aspects of the Black and Hispanic cultures which have been distorted so greatly and which remain unaddressed to this day.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is another civil rights organization you should know. SCLC is a community-building organization, too.

SCLC was founded in 1957 by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This organization believes in the power of love in human relationships. It tries to bring all people closer together in a community where the color of a person’s skin will not matter.
General Guidelines

This guide is primarily to arouse and maintain motivation in the student by continuously highlighting those elements in the articles which focus on issues of major concern to them, address their ego strengthening needs and sense of self and convey productive alternatives to preconceived notions and ways of thinking that have hindered them from realizing their potential. This orientation can help make the necessary mechanical process that follows more meaningful and acceptable to the students—something that they can see as making sense and helpful to them. Accordingly, we suggest that you:

1. Utilize the Who Am I Guide to Learning if you have total non-readers.

2. Motivate student interest by introducing topics in The ADVANCER that show why they should be proud.

3. Highlight for the student the articles and editorials of The ADVANCER that show where they can be proud.

4. In the student’s attention to some role models from their community—building, proud enough to be motivated to want to learn.

5. Guide the reading of each article by posing self-interest questions using words from the text. If necessary, take a sentence at a time. As the student progresses, you can take a paragraph at a time.

6. Here are some suggested motivational and comprehension questions:

Motivational and Comprehension Questions:

- BANK TELLER—Ask: What has Tracy Taylor just received? What did she ask Julie? Why did Tracy have to go to the bank? How much money did the teller give Tracy? Why did Tracy and Julie go to the library? What are the qualifications for a bank teller? What are the main duties of a bank teller? What is Tracy’s dream? Do you have a dream? How can you make your dream come true?

- DID YOU KNOW THAT—Ask: What do the letters SCLC stand for? What kind of organization is SCLC? Who founded this organization? What does this organization try to do?

- JAMES T. FLOYD—Ask: Why do you think James T. Floyd is a true role model for all of us? What is a sharecropper? What two (2) jobs did Floyd’s father have? How many pounds of cotton did he pick a day? What did Floyd’s parents tell their children about education? How do you know the Floyd children learned this lesson well? Of what organization is Floyd the International President? What is the motto of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity? What kind of work does Floyd do today? What organization are the Sigmas working with to help lower the illiteracy level among Blacks? Were you inspired by his story?

- OUR GEOGRAPHY LESSON—Ask: How many Black people live in the state of Wyoming? What city is the capital of Wyoming? How many Native Americans live in Wyoming? To which tribes do many of them belong? How many Black elected officials done Wyoming have there been? What was Fort Washakie Blockhouse used for?

- SOLO VERACRUZ ES BELLO—Ask: What do these words mean in English? Where is Veracruz located? Who was Maximilian? What is a man from Veracruz called? What is a Mestizo? What is a zocalo? What are most of the souvenirs made of? Why did the Spaniards build Castillo de San Juan de Ulua? Who was once a prisoner in this castle?

- BLACK HISTORY LESSON—Ask: Where does the word Pentecostal come from? How many White people joined the Pentecostal churches? Who started the Pentecostal church? Name some places where Pentecostal churches are found. What are churches with “Assembly of God” in their name? What are churches with “Church of God in Christ” in their name? How do Pentecostals heal illness? What is “glossolalia”? Name some African practices that Pentecostals use.

- THE HUMAN BODY—Ask: What are the main parts of the human body? What part of the body controls feelings? Where is the largest bone in the body? What is the nervous system like?

An Important Complement

To help round out the motivational and ego strengthening begun here in The ADVANCER, the teacher or tutor also needs to:

1. Call the student’s attention to some role models from their own community which are featured in the community-building newspaper carrying The ADVANCER.

2. Highlight for the student the articles and editorials of positive community-building happenings in this same newspaper, which serve to reinforce pride and hope in their future in a “real life” way.

3. Encourage the students to share both The ADVANCER and the larger community newspaper with their parents, relatives and friends, who also frequently suffer from similar feelings of hopelessness, despair and lack of pride in themselves.

Parents, relatives and friends who have been blessed with strong egos and a sense of hope still need the exposure to these communication vehicles so they can better relate to the students outside the classroom-type setting and be inspired to do an even better job of role modeling and building our communities. In these ways, our literacy victims will become even more secure, hope filled and proud enough to be motivated to want to learn.
There are 8 Rocky Mountain States: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming.

Wyoming comes from the Delaware Indian word *Maughwaumawe*, meaning "a large prairie place." The name was used for the Wyoming Valley in eastern Pennsylvania where the tribe of Indians once lived. Wyoming became the 44th state on July 10, 1890.

The area of the state of Wyoming is 97,203 square miles. The state ranks 9th in size (Alaska—1st; Rhode Island—50th).

More than 470,000 people live in Wyoming. The state ranks 49th in population (California—1st; Alaska—50th).

Only 3,000 (0.7%) Black people live in the state of Wyoming. The state ranks 44th in the size of Black population (New York—1st; Vermont—50th). Wyoming ranks 42nd in percentage of Black population (Mississippi—1st; Montana and Vermont—50th).

There are more than 24,000 Hispanics in Wyoming. This includes less than 500 Puerto Ricans; 16,000 Mexicans; and less than 500 Cubans.

There are about 7,000 Native Americans (American Indians) in the state of Wyoming. Many of these Native Americans belong to the Sioux, Blackfoot, Shoshone and Arapaho tribes.

Many of the other ethnic groups also live in Wyoming. There are about 400 Chinese, 300 Filipinos, 600 Japanese; 200 Asian (East) Indians, 200 Koreans and 200 Vietnamese.

Cheyenne is the capital of Wyoming. The other major cities are Casper, Laramie, Rock Springs and Sheridan.

There are only 3 Black elected officials in the state of Wyoming. This includes 1 state representative; 1 member of a city council; and 1 member of a local school board.

Fort Washakie Blockhouse was the headquarters of the 9th and 10th Cavalry, two Black regiments. These soldiers also started the building of Fort Duchesne.
This is the story of James T. Floyd. James Floyd is a successful man. He is a true role model for all of us.

James T. Floyd once worked in the cotton fields of Laurens, South Carolina. His father and mother were sharecroppers. A sharecropper is a person who farms land owned by someone else and gets part of the crop in payment for the work done.

When there was a lot of work to do in the fields, everyone in the family pitched in to help. They got up earlier in the morning. They worked late at night. Floyd tells us that his father worked a full day in a factory. He still picked 250 pounds of cotton a day.

Education was very important to the Floyd family. Floyd’s parents told their children that “education is something that nobody can take from you.”

“A motto is a short saying that is used as a rule to live by. Floyd tells us that he was impressed with the motto of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. The motto is ‘Culture for Service. Service for Humanity.’ The last part of that motto was the personal motto of Abraham Langston Taylor, the founder of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

James Floyd doesn’t pick cotton anymore. Today, he is a chemist and group leader for a large company. He also owns a building firm and a video/photography company.

President Floyd and the Sigmas want to do something about the high rate of illiteracy in the Black community. They are working with the Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP) to help lower the illiteracy level among Blacks.

Floyd says, “I guess I’m a living example that education is the key to helping improve your economic status.”

Floyd also says, “I like to use myself and my family as examples to other Black kids so they will not be discouraged.” He hopes that all of the readers of The ADVANCER will be inspired by his story. He hopes that all of us will say, “If these people can do it with no money, then we should be able to do it.”
The title of our story is "Solo Veracruz Es Bello." It means "Only Veracruz Is Beautiful." You will see this slogan (word used to get attention) in shop windows, on posters and in stores all over Veracruz.

Veracruz is one of the oldest towns in Mexico. It is Mexico’s most important port. It is located on the Gulf of Mexico.

In 1864, Maximilian landed at Veracruz. He wanted to become the Emperor of Mexico. The French troops sailed from Veracruz when they left Mexico. In 1914, U.S. troops held the town for a short time.

Veracruz is the name of the state and the town. The people of Veracruz are called Veracruzano (man) or Veracruzana (woman). Most of the people of Veracruz are Mestizos (Indian and Spanish parents) or Mulattoes (African and Spanish parents).

Let’s begin our tour of Veracruz with the beautiful zocalo (public square or plaza). Look at the five fountains. At night all the fountains light up. This is the main fountain. The lights are pink. The lights in the four smaller fountains are red and green.

Let’s walk a couple of blocks to the waterfront. Look at all the souvenir stands. Most of the souvenirs are made of seashells. There are many beautiful things here. Would you like to stop and buy some souvenirs?

Look over there across the water. That is the Castillo de San Juan de Ulua (Castle of St. John of Ulua). The Spaniards built the castle to protect Veracruz from pirates.

Castillo de San Juan de Ulua was also used as a prison. Benito Juarez was once held in this prison.

BANK TELLER

At the library, Tracy took Julie to the "Career Corner."

"Here is a book on bank tellers," said Tracy. Let’s see what it says about the qualifications for a bank teller."

"On Page 3, it says a bank teller must have a high school education, must pass a general test given by the bank and must get three character letters," Julie said.

"Here are the main duties of a bank teller," said Tracy. "Let’s see, a bank teller counts the money in his or her drawer at the beginning of the day. A bank teller cashes checks, makes deposits, sells traveler’s checks and money orders, and makes sure that her drawer balances at the end of the business day."

"Tracy, do you think it would be a good idea for me to become a bank teller?" Julie asked.

"Of course," replied Tracy. "All you have to do is finish high school. The rest is easy."

"Good," Julie said. "I wonder what I would have to do to be in charge of the whole bank."

Tracy smiled. She thought to herself that maybe one day her younger sister will make her dream come true. She could see Julie as a successful executive of a bank.

"Keep dreaming, Julie," Tracy said to her sister. "Work hard and you will make your dream come true."
Black Cat's FABLES

MRS. HEN, YOU SPIT OUT SOMETHING THAT IS VERY VALUABLE! THIS IS A DIAMOND!

DIAMONDS ARE NOT VALUABLE TO ME... "CORN IS!

MORAL: JUDGE THINGS BY THEIR TRUE VALUE

GRANDPA MACK TELLS THE STORY OF THE FALL OF GREAT ZIMBABWE BY KOFI TYUS

IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL WINTER DAY AND GRANDPA MACK DECIDED TO TAKE AN AFTERNOON WALK.

THE OLD MAN ESPECIALLY LOVED HIS WALKS DURING THIS TIME OF THE YEAR, BECAUSE THE COOL CRISP AIR WAS SO REFRESHING.

AS HE TURNED THE CORNER, HE SMILED AS HE NOTICED THAT ONE OF THE BOARDED UP HOUSES WAS NO LONGER VACANT.

IT GAVE HIM A CHANCE TO VISIT HIS NEIGHBORS AND GET IN A LITTLE EXERCISE AT THE SAME TIME.

HE WAS GLAD! IT WAS ALWAYS EXCITING TO MEET NEW NEIGHBORS.

NEXT WEEK: THE NEIGHBORS
BLACK HISTORY LESSON

THE BLACK CHURCH

The Pentecostals

The word *Pentecostal* comes from the "Day of Pentecost." It is described in the Bible. The Book of Acts says: "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come...they were filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues...."

The Pentecostal churches are the only Black churches that millions of White people joined. The Pentecostal church began in 1906. It was started by Rev. William J. Seymour. Rev. Seymour was the Black pastor of Azusa Street Mission, a Black church in Los Angeles, California.

By 1925, the Pentecostal churches had more than 40 million members all over the world. In the countries of Central and South America, most of the Protestants are Pentecostals. In Africa, most of the native religions are called Pentecostal.

Today, more than 3 million White people belong to Pentecostal churches. The White Pentecostal churches broke away from the Black Pentecostal churches. Many of the White Pentecostal churches have "Assembly of God in Christ" in their name. These Pentecostal churches have more than 3 million members.

Pentecostals believe that every human person can become perfect. They believe that any disease or illness can be healed by the laying on of hands.

During services at a Pentecostal church, the people speak in strange tongues. This is called *glossolalia*. Some of the African practices that Pentecostals use are drums, tambourines and other musical instruments, dancing and loud chanting.

Pentecostal churches own housing projects in most of our big cities. They also own shopping centers, supermarkets and youth centers.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had his headquarters in a Pentecostal church in Memphis, Tennessee.

The human body is a marvelous thing. The human body has many parts. The main parts of the body are the head and brain, the mid-section and the arms and legs.

The brain controls the body. It does more things than any machine can do. The brain controls feelings. All the feelings of joy, anger, spite, friendship or humor start in the brain.

The body has many bones. The largest bone is in the leg. The smallest bone is in the ear. Muscles are stretched over the bones. The skin covers it all.

The nervous system is like a complicated telephone system. The nervous system sends messages to and from the brain.