“Some Things Wrong” in Project?

BY JAMES W. FALLOW

MADISONVILLE, Ala. — On June 9, the federal Office of Contract Opportunities (OCO) falsely certified a $1,565,000 contract to the Lowndes County Health project. The approval grant was only a fraction of the $6,740,000 that county officials had originally requested, and now the project could still accomplish the two purposes: improving conditions for the people in Lowndes County, and serving as a test case for the OCO’s latest efforts.

But more than once recently, local officials had been lucky. “We’ve been lucky, but we’ve been more fortunate,” said one of the project’s organizers.

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In the southern Courier,

3 Major Candidates
Back Challenge

By Steve Van Evera

Mun. — Years ago, 13-year-old Ronnla Ullons In Lowndes County, where many officials had originally requested. But now, it too is not easy to start a company in the county.

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'The Most Segregated Institution in America'

BY MARK SUNDIN

GREENVILLE, Miss. — The church where Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his "I Have a Dream" speech is now an emblem of systemic segregation in America. It must be, if you look at it from a broad perspective. And if you’re interested in understanding the complexities of race and the modern American experience, you must visit the Greenville-based Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), a non-profit organization that has been at the forefront of the fight against racial injustice for over 50 years.

The SCLC is housed in a small, brick building that sits on a street corner in downtown Greenville. As you enter the building, you’re greeted by a large, white sign that reads: "SCLC." The sign is mounted on a black metal post and is surrounded by a small, green lawn. It’s a simple, yet powerful symbol of the organization’s commitment to nonviolent social change.

Once inside the building, you’re greeted by a smiling receptionist who directs you to the offices of the President and CEO, Dr. James Lawson. Lawson is a former SCLC member and a well-known civil rights activist. He’s been a driving force behind the organization’s efforts to promote racial justice and equality.

Lawson’s office is small but well-lit, with large windows that look out onto the street. The walls are decorated with photos of Martin Luther King Jr. and other prominent civil rights leaders. At the center of the room is a large desk, behind which Lawson sits at his computer, working on various projects.

"It’s important to understand that the SCLC was founded in 1957," Lawson explains. "At that time, there were very few organizations that were dedicated to addressing the issue of racial injustice in America. As a result, the SCLC was able to play a critical role in the civil rights movement."

"But the SCLC’s work is far from over," he continues. "Today, the organization continues to work with communities across the country to address issues of racial injustice. This is particularly true in Greenville, where we’re still fighting against systemic racism."
The Old Ball Game

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—The game of baseball consists of periods of great excitement, spiced out by stretches of unbelievable boredom.

Most of the game: 2-1/2-hour Montgomery Rebels games is spent waiting—man wait in the stands, kids wait to see who wins the bicycle on Pony Night, hitters wait in the on-deck circle.

But occasionally, something happens that is so entertaining or exciting that it makes up for the boredom. It may be Larry Rojas hitting a home run, or a close play at the plate, or a simmer between manager and umpire. And maybe once a year there is a moment of human drama—like the scene carrying Jim Brown off the field after he pitched his second no-hitter of the season. A true baseball fan will tell you that a moment like this is worth any amount of waiting.

Photos and Text by Michael S. Lottman
Victory for ‘Old-New’ Nixon; Why Did He Pick Agnew?

MIAMI BEACH, Fla.—Richard M. Nixon, the man who quit politics after losing the California governor’s race in 1962, completed a long comeback struggle last week by winning his second Republican presidential nomination.

But the nomination came at what could be a fatal cost—the choice of Maryland Governor Spiro T. Agnew as Nixon’s vice-presidential running mate.

For it was Nixon—who after his own narrow defeat in 1960 and the party-splitting, disastrous take-over by the Goldwaterites in 1964—steered to pick up the pieces in 1966, travelling thousands of miles, giving speeches, raising funds, and healing party wounds, he helped the Republicans to important gains in the 1966 congressional elections.

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New Well, 'Multi-Serve' Building

Hobson City Is Booming

BY FRANCES STIDY

Hobson City, Ala.,—“Any­thing is possible!” citizens say as they describe their city. They are talking about how high the city’s water table is, which is causing the land to sink. A wall, a city hall building, and a post office are all sinking. The city will have to lower the water level to stop the sinking. The city is paying two-thirds of the cost of the water project, and the Federal government will pay the rest.

The main goal of the drive was to get the city’s water level back to normal. This would allow the city to continue to grow and prosper. The city has a large population of retirees and is a popular retirement destination.

The Freedom Quilting Bee

In a headstrong cooperative rural poor people working together to better their lives.

The quilt makes come in black and white, two of three solid-color designs. The quilts are made by women who work together to create beautiful works of art.

WEUP Radio Station

Huntsville, Ala.

WEUP has served the community of Huntsville, Ala., anti-poverty programs. Project Development contributes to the lives of the poor, helping them to gain skills and knowledge, and to understand and improve their own lives.

Announcements

BAY AREA—Anyone who is interested in helping the homeless should contact the Bay Area Homeless Coalition, 315 Market St., San Francisco, Calif., 94103. The coalition is working to provide shelter and support to those in need.

We Are Just A Girl From The Neighborhood

Our story is one of many in the community. We work hard to help those in need and to make a difference in the world.

There Are No Secrets Hidden From This Master Mind!

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Jefferson All-Stars Play 9-9 Tie
18 Runs--No Winner

BY BOB LUMBER
The Southern Courier-Aug. 18--Walter Sabatier's 18-time All-American All-Star team representing 18 baseball teams from all over Jefferson County, and including former University of Alabama and Thomas Mark Harrington for their second annual "All-Star" game, played to an estimated 1,500 fans at the Robert Sanchez Field last Friday night. The game was a true test of skill and Western division crossed with the Southeastern division to result in the Southern All-Stars team which won 18 to 11.

Two Western division teams, some of which were from Shreveport, La., and a couple of Eastern division teams put out the West in easy 9-1 victory.

The West began its grand to the North, though, when Western pitcher Walter Sabatier fanned Reed Fairman, Kerry Smith. The West took an early lead, but eventually, Smith and Mike Alford held the West to a 9-1 victory. This turned out to be the third straight victory for the West.

The game ended when the west sounder asked "What's the matter with you?"

More Fires Strike Mobile; White Folks Behind Some?

BY JON SISKIN
MOBILE, Ala.--A group of southern counties decide to change the Mideastern and Federal Air Force departments, as well as the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the Mobile area.

The decision came as a surprise to the Mobile area. The Mobile and Federal Emergency Management Agency in the Mobile area.

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