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Norm Carter
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- Lloyd Barber - 6th Assembly
- Bishop Wallace (my Wallace)
- Rev. Taylor
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REMARKS BY SENATOR HUMPHREY

North Duncan Hi-Chair

RALLY AT 12TH STREET YMCA

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