EDITORIAL COMMENT

The Park Board Needs to Clean House

The Park Board, which we have long felt needed to clean house, will now undergo a complete investigation by order of Mayor D'Alesandro.

Issues of the board's policies and practices were raised last week by Robert Garrett, the president, who resigned in protest to the re-instatement of a park official formerly charged with defrauding the city.

Mr. Garrett, whose own record on matters involving civil rights is anything but good, has promised to reveal several "irregularities" on the part of the board.

Meanwhile, a resolution has been introduced in the City Council demanding that the Mayor remove J. Marshall Boone from the board because he supported the procedures which led to the charges against the park official.

Both Mr. Boone and Mr. Garrett long have been recognized as enemies to civil rights, and citizens have begged both the Mayor and City Council to remove them.

Now, however, it would appear that by its own hand, the board will undergo the changes, both in practice and membership, that it needs.

The charges that are bringing about the investigation are that politicians tried to place laborers on the payroll regardless of qualifications; that park officials live in city houses without charge; that regulations were modified to permit appointment of a park superintendent, and that one official was allowed to remove the department symbol from his automobile.

But nobody thought it necessary to investigate our charges of injustice and maltreatment at the hands of the board.

Knowing that the board has been practicing "irregularities" for years by its segregation policy and unequal facilities we will not be surprised to find that other "irregularities" also exist.

Not Worth A Human Life

It is difficult to understand why it was necessary for Officer Jerome Glass to kill a man in his attempt to recover a stolen automobile.

An automobile is not worth a human life. A policeman who cannot shoot out the tires of a car or damage its engine without striking a passenger should not be entrusted with a revolver.

In England, policemen preserve the peace without the aid of firearms.

Human life must be considered cheap when a policeman kills the occupant of a stolen car even though he has the facility to overtake and to arrest the offenders without the loss of life.

We hold no brief for automobile thieves and reckless joy riders, but, in our books, a policeman who finds it necessary to kill people, instead of arresting them, is a pretty poor representative of the law.

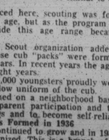
The passenger in the automobile is dead. He cannot be brought into court and proved a thief or an accomplice to a theft. He might have been innocent of any wrongdoing. There is no evidence that he stole the car or even that he knew it was stolen.

In Boston, thieves who got away with a million-dollar holdup are still at large, to the chagrin of that city's police department. In Baltimore, a man is killed for riding in a stolen car.

We Hope Wells Will Run

J. Bernard Wells is toying with the idea of running for his fifth term as State's Attorney for Baltimore.

Mr. Wells's record in office since he first became associated with the State's Attorney office in 1920 supports his contention that he represents all the people and is partial to none.



Mr. Wells has often demonstrated his belief that the government should function for the week and underprivileged and the public should concern itself with the problems of these people in an understanding and obligatory manner.

His democratic administration has often won the commendation of judges, grand juries, the Criminal Justice Commission, the Monumental Bar Association and outstanding citizens.

J. BERNARD WELLS

His public service has been a credit to all of the people of the city, and we hope that he makes up his mind to run for re-election. He will get our sincere support.

2,000 Scouts to Observe 40th Year of Founding

Baltimore's 2,000 Boy Scouts and Cubs will join with over two million Scouts throughout America, next week, in observance of the 40th anniversary of the founding of their organization in this country.

Highlighting the week-long celebration will be a banquet at Enon Baptist Church on Feb. 9, at which Dean George C. Grant of Morgan State College will be guest speaker.

Every Scout troop and cub pack in Baltimore will hold special programs. Since most of the units are sponsored by churches, these programs will be held at their sponsoring organizations.

Theme of Year

Theme of this year's national celebration will be "Strengthen the Arm of Liberty." Scout leaders will attempt to bring the boys of their organization to more boys than ever before.

On Feb. 12, Scout Sunday in most churches, uniformed Scouts will appear at morning services and in many instances special sermons will be delivered in connection with the Scout program.

Introduced in America in 1910 with only 40 members, the Boy Scout movement has constantly expanded and today its American membership totals 2,720,000. Some 400,000 adult leaders are working in the Scout program.

World-Wide Organization

Though America has the largest single family of Scouts, the organization is actually world-wide. In 62 different countries, the Scout movement boasts of 4,140,000 members.

Once every four years Scout representatives of these nations meet at a world Scout jamboree to help promote peace and mutual understanding. The jamboree was held in Paris. This June it will be staged at Valley Forge, Pa.

Scouting was formed in England in 1907, when Lord Baden-Powell discovered that many Army recruits lacked dependability, resourcefulness and self-reliance and other traits necessary to young manhood.

Scout Experience in London

In 1910, William D. Boyce, a Chicago publisher, was seeking an address in fog-shrouded London without too much success. Out of the misty darkness came a unuformed lad who offered to assist the visitor.

Mr. Boyce accepted the unsolicited aid and when he had found the address, offered the lad a tip.

"No thank you, sir," came the reply. "I am a Scout . . . a Scout never accepts a tip for being helpful."

The publisher became interested in this Scout movement. He gathered additional information while in London and on his return to America, began raising funds to organize the Boy Scouts of America.

Incorporated Charter 4 Years Later

Six years later the new group gained official recognition when Congress granted it a charter similar to the one issued the Red Cross.

When first introduced here, scouting was for boys from 12 to 15 years of age, but as the program gained momentum, boys outside this age range became interested.

In 1930, the Boy Scout organization added Cub Scouts to its units. These cub "packs" were formed for boys from nine to 12 years. In recent years the age limit has been lowered to eight years.

And today, some 17,000 youngsters proudly wear the distinctive blue and yellow uniform of the cub.

Cub packs are formed on a neighborhood basis and the program calls for parent participation and teaches the boys to make things and to become self-reliant.

Explorers Formed in 1935

The Scout family continued to grow and in 1936, Explorer Scouts were organized. This is a branch of senior scouting which stresses the pioneer spirit.

In 1942, Air Scouting was added, and boys were taught the theory of flight and given flight instruction under qualified leaders.

Another branch of Scouting is the Sea Scout which is built around the lore and tradition of the sea and a boy's natural love for sailing.

Baltimore's 2,000 Scouts and Cubs are members of the Monumental Chesapeake and Southshore districts. William Rand, supervisor of the three districts is assistant Scout executive of the Baltimore Area Council. He [illegible] Monumental district field scout executive. [illegible] Whittaker is field scout executive for the [illegible]ct, and Raymond M. Hollingsworth, for [illegible] District.

Boy Scouts Observe 40th Anniversary

Typical of the young men who will observe the 40th anniversary of the founding of Boy Scouts of America next week are the Baltimoreans shown above. Left to right are Edward Cummings, 11, Cub Scout of Pack 283; John Wright, 13, Boy Scout of Troop 279; James Parker, 16, a Sea Scout of Ship 290, and Robert Moore, 14, an Explorer Scout of Troop 257. These youths represent the four branches of scouting, each of which is designed to interest boys of a certain age group.

Working Women Face Many Complex Problems

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fourth in a series of articles about special courses designed to give information and counsel in finding and keeping jobs. The main emphasis will be on jobs in Baltimore, but some space will be devoted to employment on a national scale.

By CHARLES K. ANDERSON
Howard U. Field Work Student
Baltimore Urban League

Modern inventions and changing times have forced more women to enter the employment field. According to material distributed by the Women's Bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor in Dec., 1947, almost 17 million women were working or seeking work.

Women of all races have had to combat the attitude on parts of the public and of employers that certain types of work were not appropriate for them. This attitude also has restricted their opportunities.

It has been considered by some employers that men were more suitable to deal with the public, to work on jobs that require considerable traveling, or to supervise a group of male workers.

6. Various Groups

For the most part it is thought that a majority of women work because of economic reasons, not for realization or recognition of the groupings of working women was revealed in Ordway Tead's speech at the Women's Bureau Conference in 1948. He grouped them as follows:

The unmarried, younger woman—usually under 25 years of age—who is working in the expectation of marriage which will allow her withdrawl from the labor market;

The self-elected career woman, sometimes married, who remains in the labor market;

The single woman over 25 who continues to work, usually from necessity, either to support herself or her relatives;

The childless married woman who works for various reasons: The married woman with young children up to 15 or 16 who usually avoids leaving home to work if there is adequate family income;

The married mother with grown children who works to have something to do, and the widowed or divorced mother who, whatever the age of her children, is forced by economic necessity to continue indefinitely in the labor market.

Works Hardships

It is needless to enumerate at this time the many industrial and commercial fields which are barred to colored women and men of this city. It is enough to say that this system of setting aside only certain jobs for the men has worked an added hardship on both sexes.

In many cases the take-home pay of one wage-earner does not adequately provide the necessities of life for the family. It is this situation which forces many colored persons to enter the employment field.

The last census showed that colored women made up 38.3% of the labor force of the race for the city, whereas white women made up 27.7% of the labor force of their group for the city. Comparing these figures with the percentage of women in the labor force in the city are higher for both races. The national percentage of women engaged in the labor force was 37.8% while that for white women was 24.1%.

Keen Competition

These figures can lead to much speculation. One can assume that there would be much more competition among the women of both races seeking jobs since there are more women in the labor force.

The Baltimore Urban League, realizing that the problems faced by colored women in employment are of such a complex nature, has had a worker on the staff of its industrial department since 1943. Her duties are to work for better jobs and working conditions for women workers. She and a committee have been working with the Pilot Placement Program of the National Urban League in this area.

This program has as its aim to register all colored workers with professional training, skilled and semi-skilled ability. Duplicate application forms are filled, one in the local League office and one at the national office. From these applications workers have been placed on jobs that previously had been closed to colored workers.

Miss Velma T. McEwen is serving very capably as assistant director of the industrial department at the local league. In a conference she listed the following jobs as providing employment for colored women in the city:

Professional — teaching, social work and nursing; clerical—file clerk, switch board operator, stenographer, receptionist and cashier; service occupations — cooks, counter girl, salad girl, sandwich girl, parlor maid, elevator operator, chamber maid, practical aide, nurse's aide, diet worker, stock girl, stock maid, wripper, receiving clerk, hand presser and alteration hand;

Garment industry — single needle operator, double needle operator, examiner, inspector and packer; laundry and dry cleaning—shirt finisher, folder, shaker, marker, checker, wrapper and bundle weigher. The list isn't all inclusive but it gives a general idea of where large numbers of colored women work.

Problems Confronted

Certain problems enumerated as confronting colored women in employment are:

1. There are no special counseling services given colored women while working on jobs;

2. There are wage differentials in certain industries in the city that employ men and women doing the same job; —and

3. Women of other races are taking jobs in some industries that were formerly staffed by colored women.

The following suggestions are offered women workers.

First, get adequate training and experience in order to more effectively compete with women of other races; and second, ask for counseling services on jobs where there are large numbers of women workers.

Next week I will review briefly the counseling services offered in the school system and list 16 points on how to make good on your job.

Speak Your Piece

No Tears for Coppin

Dear AFRO: Because of years of protest over the inadequate and poor training of city public school teachers, Coppin Teachers College will open its doors in June.

Its work is ended not because of prejudice or discrimination, but it has borne the stamp of disapproval as measured by the highest ranking authorities for many years.

The instructors and director of Coppin performed their duties as directed by the Department of Education, without dissension as to educational standards, and accepting their salaries without misgivings or qualms.

Rejoicing is certainly in order over the closing of any inadequate seat of learning where the future of the young is concerned.

—JEROME ALSTON

Grace Inspires Pastor

Dear AFRO: "Great souls do not, pose for distinction—they serve."

I am very grateful for your consideration of me on your 1949 Honor Roll. I feel that you were exceedingly gracious in honoring me when there are so many well established citizens of valorous achievements over a long period of time.

The grace I have received from the Lord Jesus Christ, the coaching from the Holy Spirit, the way opened through Divine Providence, yes, and the unselfish prayers and support of the members of the "household of faith" account for my standing today.

—(Rev.) EUGENE T. GROVE,
Pastor, Grace Memorial Baptist Church.

Knew Death in Offing

Dear AFRO: I knew Officer Jerome Glass was going to wind up killing somebody.

His belligerent attitude and his cocky manner also make me wonder why some of those bullets that seem to be on hand whenever he comes around, haven't struck him.

—Manner Presaged Slaughter

All one has to do is watch Glass's manner in testifying in criminal cases to see that he is one of those know-it-alls who will either hurt somebody or wind up getting hurt.

I certainly want to hear him explain how he killed a back-seat occupant by shooting at automobile tires.

—JEROME ALSTON

Jury Selection Query

Dear AFRO: Will somebody please explain to me the system of selection by which either the prosecution or the defense can eliminate all colored persons from a jury.

Seems to me that the process of a fair trial could be raised by any defendant involved in a jury trial where the State sets out to and succeeds in drawing an all-white panel.

There seems to be nothing in the law to prevent the State from challenging all colored persons called for a panel which the prosecution wants to keep white.

Maybe members of the lawyers should raise the point sometimes.

At least it would be interesting.

— (Mrs.) MARGIE WATERS

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

People are plain funny! This actually happened to me the other day when I was having difficulty getting a phone number:

My call to a party line kept going astray.

The party at extension R indicated that something was wrong because the operator was giving her all calls designated for J. We called the special operator.

Voice With Racial Tone

"Just a minute, Hon," she said, "I'll try it."

The party on R explained the trouble and asked that because there was sickness in her home, the company get the calls straight.

Said the operator to me: "She sounded like a colored lady, didn't she?"

Flabbergasted, I didn't think of an answer immediately. Finally, I said: "That's not necessarily true, and what difference does it make? I'm colored too."

There was a moment's silence on the other end. Then she added: "But you don't sound like it."

Turnabout Not So Good

"That's what I'm trying to tell you. You can't tell a person's race or color by his voice."

"By the way," I added, "You sound as though you are Jewish. Are you?"

There was no immediate reply on the other end. Except . . . "Would you like me to dial this new number for you, or will you get it yourself."

poet's nook

BE YOURSELF

It's much easier to be what you are,
Than try to be what you are not;
For if you are not what you are,
Confusion will always be your lot.
Don't try to be somebody else,
There'll be a breakdown somewhere;
Be just what you are and let it lie,
And there will be no deception to fear.
What others think are not your thoughts,
And the way you act are not their ways,
So find out who you are before you start,
And life for you will hold no empty days.

ARCHIE R. SMITH.

$29,838,000 Paid Out in Job Benefits in '49

Maryland's Department of Employment Security paid out in 1949 approximately $29,838,000 in unemployment insurance benefits, including $827,930 in dependent's allowances to unemployed workers under the Maryland Law, compared with income from employer contributions of $14,354,000.

Employment Security Board Chairman, William H. Mahaney, announced the estimated total as the department summed up its year's operations which set an all-time record for benefit payments, due to high periods of unemployment.

In 1947, benefit payments totaled $10,600,000, with contribution income of $14,267,000; in 1948 benefit payments amounted to $10,150,000, with contributions of $14,756,000.

While benefit disbursements were exceedingly heavy in 1949, Maryland's funds remain in good shape, Mahaney pointed out that deposits to the credit of the State in the Federal Unemployment Trust Fund totaled $115,812,000 as of Dec. 31.

H-Bomb Proposal Makes Faith a 'Must'

By JULIA B. ENGLISH

The fear which is steadily engulfing men of little faith was reflected vividly on Tuesday, when newshawkers blared out the appalling, but hardly unexpected, news that President Truman had okeyed production on the hydrogen bomb.

And persons so afraid of what Russia might do with her block busters (according to America, they haven't sense enough to work on the atom yet), rushed to buy the "Extras" which gave them momentary confidence in their over-all supremacy.

But that fear was quickly restored, even to those who swear by the palliative which Hearst offers here daily. By some oversight, on the page on which the H-bomb story was continued, there was a short article reporting the nation's top atomic energy scientist's reaction to Mr. Truman's action.

Top Scientist Not So Sure

It quoted Dr. Harold C. Urey, the Nobel Prize winner, as saying:

"Any thought that the Russiah scientists have failed to figure out the principles of the hydrogen bomb is utterly beyond my comprehension.

"To any atomic scientist who understands the principles of the atomic bomb, the making of a much bigger bomb should suggest itself without too much trouble."

And so, because a man of intelligence has sense enough to realize that intelligence is not an ingredient reserved for Americans only, fear returned.

An Obsession or Hysteria?

What I am saying is by no means new or different. It has been stated time and time again, but instead of serving as a warning, it only seems to inflame.

It has brought on what former Attorney General Francis Biddle called an "obsession" and what Rep. Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. termed "hysteria" when speaking at the ADA's second Roosevelt Day dinner on Monday.

Obsession or hysteria, the result of fear has already made us practitioners in the art of genocide —Didn't we kill off masses of persons at both Nagasaki and Hiroshima?

It has made us into Frankensteins eager to go outside the realm of sanity and create monsters which will ultimately destroy us. And destroy ourselves we must, unless we stop playing with Russia the childish game of hand over fist. Unlike the children who use the game to decide which team will go to bat, one or the other of us is going to reach the end of the bat and pop off that Hell-bomb.

Revival of Faith Needed

As both Mr. Biddle and Mr. Roosevelt pointed out on Monday, the only solution to the problem is a return to or revival of faith.

Their emphasis was on faith in the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, the Declaration, the professed American way of life. Without that faith, young Roosevelt said, we are doomed to fight another world war.

With that I am in full accord, but I would go still further. We must regain faith in ourselves; faith in others. Not all, but certainly some.

That we have lost faith is unquestionable. Every day we see around us positive signs of that loss. Consider, for example, the number of times you, yourselves, have been asked whether you think that members of other races fighting for civil rights for colored persons are sincere.

He's Sacrificing Tangibles

I had that question put to me twice last Wednesday. The occasion was a mixed gathering at which a young man (whose skin would be classified as colored) was present.

Hardly 25 years old, he has already appeared in concert at Carnegie and Town Halls in New York and has performed in London, Paris and Prague.

He is sacrificing money to appear before small groups. Everything about him attests to his sincerity, yet two of my friends asked with obvious cynicism: "Do you think he is really serious?"

I would not bet my life on it, but I do believe that he believes that he and others like him are sincere. I agree with Tennyson:

"We have but faith, we cannot know;
For knowledge is of things we see,
And yet we trust it comes from Thee—
A thing in darkness, let it grow."

Certainly there are some opportunists, but among all groups. If we let ourselves lose faith in all mankind because of the few or many purely self-seekers we encounter, then we must subscribe to the basic kind of evil.

DO UNTO OTHERS AS—

By what stretch of the imagination do certain groups believe that they can disregard the calls for help of other organizations and keep their own hands out for alms?

City Denies BX Cable is Banned in Baltimore

Despite charges to the contrary, city officials and electricians agree that the electric code increases home-building costs by requiring BX cable in more expensive wiring.

The accusation was made by a writer in a recent issue of a national digest magazine under the title: "How to Lower Your Cost Housing." The author, Holiman Harvey, said one of the basic reasons for less money while selish interests block reforms in building codes which city authorities enforce.

Said Mr. Harvey:

"1. Flexible electric cable, which can be bent around corners, is barred from most homes in Baltimore—although the National Electrical Code has recognized it for years.

Increased Expense

"2. Here, and in some other communities, rigid metal conduit, or electrical metallic tubing, requiring hand-fitted joints, is demanded at this early increased expense."

Asked his opinion of the charges, Charles Armiger, chief of the Electric Division of Inspections, said the writer's statements on the Baltimore code are incorrect.

He maintained that, with the exception of churches, flexible electric cable is allowed in all Baltimore buildings up to four floors. This also applies in all outlying districts, except the Fourth Fire Zone, he said.

Improved Version

The cable in question is called ABC, an improved version of BX cable although both names are still used. And, according to Mr. Armiger, it has been used here for some purpose for about 25 years.

John J. de Cecilio, newly licensed electrician, also felt the author of the Digest article made an error when he linked Baltimore with cities barring flexible or BX cable.

"BX (flexible) cable is barred only in basements or where it would be exposed," said Mr. de Cecilio, "but it can be used wherever it is concealed." He added:

"In those sections of houses where electrical metallic tubing is required it is not much more expensive, and the slightly higher cost is justified because it is safer and better looking."

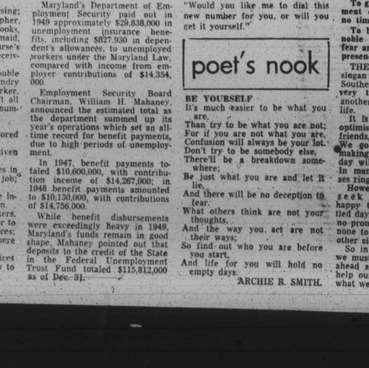
Other Reasons Given

There are other reasons, the electrician said, why metallic tubing is better for certain purposes (basements and non-concealed areas).

First, it can't be tampered with as easily and therefore, isn't as much of a safety hazard; and, secondly, if something goes wrong, wires can be replaced without having to tear out the wall.

Mr. de Cecilio further explained that since cable is still run into the wall and since metallic tubing is required only in basements, the saving of time and labor costs by substituting BX cable in basements would be negligible.

They Led Ninth Grade Grads at Douglass



When the 30th annual graduation exercises of the ninth grade "A" classes from the Douglass High School were held Tuesday, two male members led the class. They were Donald Gywin, left, valedictorian, and Edward Waters, salutatorian.

Diplomas Given 144 at Dunbar

American Legion Award to Nathaniel Fleshman

One hundred and forty-four graduates received diplomas at exercises held Tuesday morning for 9A classes at the Dunbar High School, in the school auditorium.

The program included a skit presented by 13 of the graduating students, awarding of certificates by Dr. Stanley J. Pawelek, supervisor of industrial education, and presenation of awards by Milton R. Branson, vice-principal of the school.

Nathaniel Fleshman, who led the class, gave the valedictory. Edward Waters was salutatorian.

In addition to leading the class, Nathaniel Fleshman also merited the award given by the Walter Green Post of the American Legion.

Miss Shirley Newby was given the Sons of American Revolution award, and Miss Lenora Brown was honored with the East Baltimore Citizens Association award.

144 Graduates

The invocation and benediction were given by Father Daniel Cassidy, Houston R. Jackson is principal. Earl Mello was class president. Other graduates were:

Erma Adams, Melma Alford, Mary Allen, Helen Anderson, Phyllis Bailey, Nellie Baker, Bertha Barnes, Audrey Blackman, Shirley Booker, C. Brownes, Leon Brown, Leandra Brown, Mattie Bryant, Doris Bryant, Ella Carter, G. Crutchfield, Viola Dickey, Martha Ellison, Mabel Ervin, Shirley Fitchett, Frances Fludd, Dorothy Foster, Sylena Foster, Esther Fowlkes, Irene Futado, Anne Garrett, Gwendolyn Giles, Delma Graves, Harriett Griffin, Joan Harris, Virginia Hatten, Phillip Horne, Christine Jackson, Mary Jackson, Sarah Jackson, Shirley Jackson, Shirley Johnson, Clarice Jones, Nina Jackson, Laura Jones, Virginia Kerne, Carolyn Lewis, Dorothy Lewis, Mamie Livingston, Jacqueline McCoy, Lula McQuiggs, Marie Miller, Curley Moore, Betty Moore, Delvia Myers, Evelyn Nesbit, Shirley Newby, Jessie Newson, Delores Nixon, Lavesta Phillips, Janet Pettaway, C. Pollock, Sylvia Purvis, Shirley Read, Linda Reed, Shirley Rhodes, Roberta Rice, Mozelle Roberts, Lenora Robinson, Clara Robinson, Carrie Rose, Shirley Russell, Valiere Salters, Delores Scott, Evelyn Scott, Doris Sewell, Jewell Smallwood, Esther South, Sophia Smith, Carrie Simpson, Dorothy Stokes, C. Summerville, Cleo Tabb, Elizabeth Thomas, Olga Thomas, Sabrina Thomas, Mary Thornton, Mildred Townes, M. Washington, Louise Watson, Bernadine Webb, Edwin Wheatley, Dorothy Williams, Peggy Williams, Audrey Wilson, Elaine Winegan, Goldie Wright, Doris Walker, Marlene Wallace, Fannie Williams, Fannie Williams, Sallie Young, Elmer Banks, Raymond Banks, Eugene Brown, Donald Bowser, Thomas Carey, Wilfred Christian, Clinton Coleman, Eugene Crawley, Cecil Daniels, Walter Dean, Raymond Dudley, Thomas Fegan, Norman Gay, Donald Foster, Joshua Forrester, Thomas Fottman, Claude Green, Laurence Griffin, Maxwell Grady, Elijah Harris, Claude Hall, George House, Walter Hunter, Charles Johnson, Arthur Jones, Thomas Justice, Linwood Jennings, David King, Earl Mello, Jaime McIntyre, Benjamin Randall, A. Raymond, Joseph Reed, John Scott, Alston Robinson, Harry Singleton, Aaron Stanley, Ronald Tinson, Leroy Thornton, Remco Tillery, Paul Turpin, James Tyler, Earl Wallace, James Webb, John Wood, Arthur Williams, Henry Williams, Florina Nelson, Urbana Outten, Shirley Owens, Celesta Parker, Joseph Peck, Audrey Pickard, Marlene Pokey, William Price Jr., Muriel Randall, Thelma Rawlings, Connie Rice, Rosalind Reeves, Mary E. Rush, Agnes Scott, Susan Smith, Melvin Smith, Rita Soden, Aaron Stewart, Verna Stewart, Delores Stith, C. Street, Marion Talley, Edward Tilghman, Mary Turner, Clarence Tyson, Russell Tyson, Carter Waddy, Mariam Woolridge.

Dunbar Junior High School Graduation Exercises

Miss Florine L. Brown, honor student, receives her certificate from Dr. Stanley Pawelek, supervisor of industrial education, at graduation exercises of Dunbar Junior High School, Tuesday. At right, Miss Shirley Newby, honor student, who received an award from the Sons of American Revolution, is talking with Earl Mello, class president, after the exercises.

Holiday Enjoyed at Barrett School

The co-operation of a number of religious, civic, business and fraternal groups helped provide "the best holiday celebration we've had," according to Mrs. Muriel B. Johnson, superintendent of Barrett School for Girls.

Among the groups donating gifts to the girls were the Council of Churches, Baptist Sunday School Union, Medina Temple of the Mystic Order of Shriners, Sigma Wives and the Hendler Creamery Company.

Epsilon Sigma chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority gave a birthday and holiday party with gifts for girls born in December, and refreshments for all.

Other Donors Listed

The school gave each girl the usual gifts of a dress, socks, handkerchiefs, cosmetic kit, nuts, candy and fruit. The Unity School of Christianity gave each girl three cards to send to relatives or friends.

Library books were given the school by Dr. John Wilson of Penn Dol Pharmacy.

There was a free in the center of the school grounds, and one in each cottage, as well as special decorations and meals. A special musical program also was held.

Girls were given holidays. Five were taken by case workers for one day, as a family setup would not permit them to return home. Three other girls came with workers because they had no families.

26 in Midterm Class at PS 176

The Francis M. Wood School No. 176 held mid-term graduation exercises, Tuesday, when 26 received certificates.

Mrs. Louise M. Hannh, principal of the school, made the closing remarks with Miss Mary Gregg as parents and friends attending the ceremonies.

Members of the class of '50 were: Gladys Brown, Vernon Boardley, Cecelia Chapman, Melvin Bowman, Joey Dubose, M. Hedespeth, Catherine Hughes, Armetta Jackson, Helena Jones, Ella Lenger, Doris Mairne, Dorothy Phillips, Winifred Randall, Carolyn Warden, Curtis Bacote, Clifford Sparrow, E. Thompson.

DENTON CHOIR FESTIVAL DRAWS MANY MD. GROUPS

DENTON, Md.—A choir festival was held Jan. 22 at Bethel AME Church sponsored by its choir. Mrs. Mildred Birth, chairman, outlined the events presided. Participants were: Mrs. Jessie Phillips Gregory, Mrs. Turner Brothers Quartette, Federalsburg, Bell's Chapel Church Choir, Mrs. Alma Hopkins, pianist; Harmony Mission Church Choir, Sagers, Mrs. Rosa Lee Hurley, pianist; Mt. Zion Church Choir of Bridgeville, and Allen AME Church Choir of Thomastown. The Rev. Joseph Garner is pastor of the church.

79 Ninth Grade Pupils Bid Druid School Adieu

On Tuesday afternoon, 79 ninth grade pupils bid farewell to the Druid Junior High School, at graduation exercises held at Union Temple Baptist Church.

The Rev. R. W. Lewis, pastor of the church, gave the invocation and the benediction, and Frank Sorrell, principal, made presentations to honor students.

11 Top Pupils

Among the top 11 in the class were:

Misses Julia Govans, Eva Blackwell, Jean Edmonds, Irene Talley, Shirley Gordon, Icelean Outlaw, Thelma Rawlings, Mary Turner and Audrey Pollard; Joseph Peck and Joseph Henley.

Other members in the class were:

Barbara Adams, Loretta Adams, Mazie Bailey, Clarence Bennett, Catherine Bell, Elsie Blackwell, Veronica Johns, Edwin Johnson, Herbert Jones, Beverly Kelly, Delores Mallory, Shirley Mason.

11 Graduates Enrolled in Dental Health Day Class

Among the 11 graduates enrolled in the dental health class, which was held Monday, Feb. 6, will be celebrated here with television and radio programs on Monday and Tuesday.

The programs are being sponsored by the City Health Department; City Dental Society, the Department of Education and the Bureau of Catholic Education.

Baby Teeth Care Stressed

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126 Mid-term Freshmen

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Health and Physical Education.

Directing services for the fresh men will be Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Christian Center with the Rev. Howard Cornish, presiding. Classes begin on Wednesday.

In the new group are 62 men and 64 women. Staff and faculty members who explained the various fields to them Wednesday included: Dr. Nick Ramos, biological sciences; Dr. Frederick H. Dedmond, modern languages; Dr. Virgil A. Clift, education (teacher-training); Dr. Earl R. Moses, sociology; Dr. Clarence Stephens, mathematics; James O. B. Moseley, music.

Home Economics Teacher

Miss Mamye T. Kennedy, home economics; Dr. Clarence L. E. Monroe, biological sciences; Dr. George H. Spaulding, chemistry; Edward P. Hurt, health and physical education; Dr. K. Williams, psychology.

Dr. Edward M. Coleman, history and political science; Dr. Winfred O. Bryson, economics and commerce; Miss Samantha Lewis, art; Major Clifton R. Burke, military science and tactics; Julius Taylor, physics; and Mrs. Amy Atkinson, business-education and administration.

Douglass High '40 Class Reunion Set

The Douglass High School class of 1940 will hold its reunion programs the week end of Feb. 10.

The first will be a dance on Feb. 10 at the York Hotel Blue Room. The following night, a banquet will be held, with school officials among the invited guests.

On Feb. 12, a memorial service for deceased members will be held at AME Church, where the class had its baccalaureate service 10 years ago.

Dental Health Day to Be Noted Here

National Dental Health Day, Monday, Feb. 6, will be celebrated here with television and radio programs on Monday and Tuesday.

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P-TA Sees Movie on Rat Control

A movie on rat control was presented at the P-TA meeting Tuesday at the Joseph H. Lockerman School No. 236.

The picture was presented through Officer Timothy Moran and guests included Officer Maurice Cochran and Policewoman Carolyn L. Smith.

Mrs. Rosie Holley, president of the association, presided. William H. Proctor is principal.

William Rawlings, supervisor of adult education, will be guest speaker when the executive council meets at the Lockerman P-TA celebration of National Negro History Week at Mt. Herman Baptist Church, Sunday, Feb. 12, 3 p.m.

Also on the program will be the Grace Girls' Choir under the direction of Mrs. Mercedes Douglas.

Bid Druid Junior High School Farewell

The 1950 graduates of Druid Junior High School, Francis St. at Clifton Ave., whose exercises were held Tuesday at Union Temple Baptist Church. Frank Sorrell is principal.

3-Part Skit Given During Junior High Exercises

Commencement exercises were held for the graduating class of Booker T. Washington Junior High School, Tuesday afternoon in the school auditorium.

After the Rev. Levi Miller gave the invocation, members of the class presented a three-part skit entitled, "I Find My Vocation."

The three parts were titled: "I choose my vocation," "I work at my vocation," and "I succeed in my vocation."

John N. Cotton, principal, made announcements, and William V. Lockwood, veterans counselor, awarded certificates.

3 Top Graduates

The top three graduates and the order in which they finished were Misses Joanne Ambers, Marva Dates and Rosanna Coleman. Others in the class were:

Bernice Allen, Jacqueline Anderson, Isabelle Anderson, Lillian Bryant, Fannie Bell Bennett, Juanita Brown, Marie Brown, Earlene Burton, Clarence Jackson, C. Cahaley, Irene Chambliss, Betty Coleman, Charlotte Colona, Delores Cooper, Agnes Dunn, Bertha Durham, Ann Fowlks, Shirley Franklin, Jerome Gary, G. Gatewood, Frances Green, Shirley Gladden, Delores Glanew, Mary Harris, Raymond Harrison, Earl Harris, Andrew Harvey, Edward Hayes, Delores Hughes, Eliza Jackson, Mary Johnson, Audrey Johnson, Mildred Johnson, Lonnie Jones, Dorothy Jones, Georgia June, Erma Kellum, Marjorie Lee, Carol Lewis, Shirley Martin, Shirley Merritt, Lillie McCoy, Clementine Mills, Audrey Neale, Beatrice Parker, Grace Parker, Jean Patterson, Edna Pitt, Anne Redd, Frances Richards, Alice Rivers, Velma Robinson, Sheila Shields, Georgia Small, Lilly Smith, Marion Stamper, Veatura Terry, Viola Thurlopeed, G. Waddy, Sarah Wade, Harold Hayman, Lewis Jackson, Thomas Jones, Thomas Jones, Alfred Joyner, Jesse Kenner, Charles Keys, Robert Lewis, Claude Ligon, Glenn Manning, Levi Miller, Lawrence Mosley, Peter Newton, Bernard Parson, Edward Payne, Morris Wright, Chauncey Poulson, Vernon Robinson, Elijah Sanders, Thomas Shipley, William Smith, Ray Stafford, Carl Staples, Morris Utter, A. Warrington, Major Watkins, Robert Wheatley, Eugene White, A. Wilkins Jr., Charles Williams, Walter Williams, Junius Winbush, Harry Woods, Walter Woodson.

Mid-term Exercises Held for Douglass 9th Graders

Douglass Senior-Junior High School held its 30th annual exercises for the mid-term ninth grade graduating class, Tuesday.

The class was presented by Ralph Reckling, principal, and certificates were awarded by Mrs. Lillian M. Parrott, special assistant.

The Rev. Benjamin F. Jackson of Fulton Baptist Church, conducted devotionals.

Two male members of the class walked away with top honors. They were Donald Gwynn, who was valedictorian and Edward Waters, salutatorian.

Graduates Named

Other graduates were:

Selma Adams, Gloria Adams, Delores Barnes, Augustine Bragg, Katherine Brodie, Constance Brown, Sarah Cannon, Mary Congress, Geraldine Cook, M. Crawford, Shirley Dantrige, Mary Dargen, Dorothy Davis, M. DeGafaretter, C. Diggs, Ermestine Evans, Delores Engle, Louella Evans, Almetta Fields, Dorothy Green, Delores Green, Elbert Green, Betty Hamlet, Regina Hayes, Shirley Hicks, Delores Hill, Theresa Holman, Vera Howard, Norma Howell, Lythia Jackson, Inez Jefferson, Betty Johnson, Janet Johnson, Cecelia Manuel, Gladys Montague, Juanita Neely, Sharon Newton, Gloria Robinson, Rose Saunders, Rosa Saunders, Vivian Scott, Inez Jefferson, Lillian Smith, Blanche Smith, Minnie Stewart, Bertina Taylor, Betty Thomas, Anna Thompson, Lillian Thompson, Dorothy Torrens, Louise Travis, Miriam Williams, Thelma Williams, Catherine Young, Ashburn Bailey, Arthur Bradford, William Bell, Ernestine Berkley, Earl Brown, Vernon Brown, Elbert Butler, Harold Clark, Walter Dabney, Edward Green, Reginald Freeman, Richard Freeman, Samuel Frye, Charlie Gales, Clyde Graham Jr., Clifton Johnson, Norman Jones, Lloyd Jones, Howard Kelly, James Little, J. McDouglass, Bernard Lyles, Kenneth Michie, Julius Moore, George Muldrow, James Parker, John Purdie, Joseph Richardson, Joseph Robinson, Verona Adams, Antoinette Brown, Christine Bouldin, Cortelha Bowie, Justine Brown, Joyce Carky, Georgia Davis, Edith DeLeath, Rosalind Hope, Willard Hansley, Ronald Henderson, James Kerr, Judith Kerr, Wesley Jenifer, Diana Jones, Annie Lee, Mary Saddler, Barbara Smith, Donald Randolph, Rosalia Snowden, Mary Stanley, Mary Stanton, Ann Watkins, Carol Whitehead, Connie Whitehead, Paul Wiley, Virgil Williams, John H. Thomas.

Harvey Johnson School Honors 60

Sixty pupils were in the mid-term 8A class of the Harvey Johnson High School, as graduation exercises were held Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Vivian E. Cook, principal of the school, made remarks, and the Rev. Charles E. Johnson gave the invocation and benediction.

Dr. Lucius W. Leeper, resident physician at Provident Hospital, was guest speaker.

Class Leaders

Top pupils in the class were Misses Ar