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—Frederick Douglass

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
To build a business you have to build men.
HARRY SIMMONS.

No Need To Delay

A committee of Maryland school superintendents has recommended that integration in county schools should be effected gradually at the discretion of local authorities.

An "abrupt" discontinuance of segregated schools, they argue, would create unrest and confusion.

What do they mean by abrupt?

All units of the armed forces were completely integrated in less than a year and improved their striking power in the process.

Several Catholic dioceses in Texas, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and Missouri effected integration in parochial schools forthwith with an attendant uplight of the Christian spirit everywhere.

The Democratic gubernatorial candidate who took the same position as the committee of county superintendents, was rejected by Maryland voters in the recent election by a 61,000-vote majority.

The committee, we believe, would be wise to pay attention to this clear mandate of the voters expressed on a statewide issue.

Even if the vote had been the other way, compliance with the Supreme Court's interpretation of the law is not debatable.

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THE SUPREME COURT handed down its momentous public school segregation decision on May 17. Since then Maryland has had six months to do all the planning needed to bring county schools in line with this ruling.

The county superintendents knew then what they had to do to get in step with the law.

They were fully aware of the necessity to:

1. Make up a single list of teachers, abandoning as outmoded the old practice of keeping a colored teachers' list and a white teachers' list;

2. Open all public schools and colleges in the counties to all citziens without regard to race.

And every school in the state can do that by next September if law-abiding superintendents start planning for it now.

If we read the signs of the times correctly, the Supreme Court on December 6 will order the immediate end of segregation in public schools and require the various states to begin the job by September, 1955 and complete the task no later than September, 1956.

Maryland's school superintendents need to convince themselves that the Supreme Court means business and that the actual enforcement of the Constitution is not going to be left up to the individual county or city.

Segregation of colored people has been perpetuated since the passage of the 14th Amendment. Many states, including Maryland, have violated this basic law, with court approval, for 68 years.

Actually, no one can foretell how long it may take to eliminate prejudice based on race or color.

The May 17th decision does not compel any citizen to lose his racial prejudices.

However, it does require him in the use of public schools to behave as though he were not prejudiced.

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THE MAJORITY of the 48 states (34 to be exact) have integrated schools without compulsion. The appeal of the county superintendents for "gradualism" so people will have time to change their attitudes is contrary to all legal precedent.

When the Supreme Court ruled that colored people must be allowed to travel on railroads and buses without segregation, eat in dining cars, serve on juries, vote in Democratic primaries, attend state universities and buy property wherever they were financially able, the calamity howlers of the South predicted that "blood would flow in the streets."

But time has proved these dire prophecies to be false.

The Supreme Court ordered these reforms to be effected immediately and they were so effected.

Usually, those who talk of gradualism are seeking to delay compliance with the court's decision or to find some way of evading it altogether.

The smooth and efficient manner in which Baltimore schools were integrated indicates that the counties could do likewise once the leadership in the county boards of education and county superintendents understand that the high court's decision to quote Judge Cullen is "final and enforceable."

Motion pictures and censorship

The Legislative Council this week was asked to retain and strengthen the Maryland Board of Motion Picture Censors.

Out of 80 persons who appeared before the legislators, only two represented groups which are against the retention of motion picture censorship in this state.

In New York State the law defines that motion pictures can be censored because of immorality or inciting to crime. The New York law, an ammendment to the education law, includes in it definitions of what constitutes immorality and what incites to crime.

In addition, the AFRO favors the elimination of epithets which apply to racial groups. We think such language should be forbidden — by law.

Immorality, incitement to crime and the use of such epithets are already included in the Motion Picture Code. If they were obeyed and the code enforced, there would be no need for any state censorship.

What's wrong

An alarming piece of news appeared on page one of Tuesday's AFRO.

It was the disclosure of the high percentages of failures among ROTC students preparing to enter advanced training in colleges and universities.

At Morgan, of 186 students tested, at the end of the sophomore year of ROTC, 92 or 49 per cent failed. At Howard, of 86 students tested, 39, or 45 per cent failed.

In other institutions the percentage of failures ranged from 34 to 71 percent — while the general average of failures is only 14 per cent.

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OUR FIRST guess is that the failures reflect the deficiencies of the jim-crow elementary and high schools from which come the great majority of our college students.

In the mad race to stave off integration, the South has built up many fine institutions of higher learning — but sound early training in basic subjects like English and mathematics is still impossible in the excuses for school buildings which continue to exist in many cities and rural areas.

The lack of such training shows up when a student reaches college.

Whatever the cause, serious consideration must be given to the report which has just been published.

What's wrong with our ROTC units and what can be done to change this picture?

Hollander Award

Here within our midst are two organizations, composed of dedicated people, who are ever striving without fanfare to better the lot of minority groups in the city.

The organizations are the Baltimore Fellowship and the Committee on Racial Equality (CORE).

On Sunday, the two groups meet when, at the mid-year meeting of the Baltimore Fellowship, the Sidney Hollander Foundation Award for 1954 will be presented to CORE.

This award, bearing the name of the late local philanthropist, was won this year by CORE for the organization's work in opening up various places in the downtown area where colored citizens may now eat.

THE BALTIMORE Fellowship and the Maryland Commission on Interraciail Problems and Relations won honorable mention certificates this year from the Hollander Foundation.

The awards will be made on Sunday at 5 p.m. in the Homewood Friends Meeting House, 317 N. Charles St. Judge William H. Hastie will be the principal speaker.

For such an occasion there should be an impressive turnout. Homewood House should be packed, an indication that the people of Baltimore are appreciative of the work done both by the Baltimore Fellowship and the Committee on Racial Equality.

And, lest we forget, these organizations do not exist on sufferance alone. They must have financial aid if they are expected to continue their good work.

It would mean much if each of us remembered this as we make our yearly contributions to the various appeals.

Hodge-Podge

By ROBERT MATTHEWS

Halloween has come and gone, but I can't let it slip completely away without relating an incident that occurred during the "trick or treat?" siege.

One mother, who has four children of her own, aged 13, 11, 9, and 3, had just completed what she thought was a particularly exhausting day, when the doorbell started ringing.

Fortunately, she was able to send one of her children to answer the doorbell. The report is as follows:

"MAMA, THERE'S some trick or treaters out here, what shall I give them?"

"Give them some of those cookies there on the table," Mama answered patiently.

This little routine continued for about three hours with Mama becoming more and more exasperated every second.

But the doorbell continued to ring, the trick or treaters came on and on in a seeming never-ending stream.

Her own children seemed to get a kick out of answering the doorbell and doling out the cookies, until at last the cookies were all gone.

The doorbell rang again. This time the nine-year-old child answered the door.

GRITTING HER teeth Mama waited for the inevitable report. Sure enough, in came the nine-year-old:

"'Mama, are there any cookies left."

"NO!" Mama fairly screamed "Tell those kids that there's absolutely nothing left in the house."

Expecting to see the nine-year-old melt away with the information, Mama received her greatest shock when the nine-year-old stood his ground and blandly announced:
nounced:

"What kids, I'm not worried about them—I'M HUNGRY!"

Speak Your Piece

Contributors to this department must sign their names and addresses to their letters if they wish them published. The AFRO will withhold publication of names if requested to do so by the writer.

On election

Early returns

Dear AFRO:

The defeat of Harry A. Cole in the November 2 elections is, indeed, to be mourned by all intelligent people of the community.

It is a sad commentary on the colored voters, and sadder still on the "rival politico" — Mr. Douglass — who allowed himself to be used by the demagogues (not Democrats) to split the colored vote, and who so cleverly deceived his unwitting friends into voting for him.

To what more lowly levels can we stoop to gather up the crumbs?

What will it profit Mr. Douglass?

He is no longer even good bait for the politically naive. He was merely an expendable in this political war.

Now having become a casualty of his own ambitions he will go the way of all others who have lent themselves to so degrading a task — to the discard — having neither friend, nor colleague, nor self-respect.

Whether one succeeds or fails, it is a good feeling to believe within oneself that one has done the right thing. It would have been better had Mr. Douglass lost his job (the token political appointment he holds) than that he lose face and friends.

And on the other side of the balance — when will we as colored citizens become aware of the age-old device — divide and conquer? When will we realize the importance of the greatest endowment of democracy — the ballot?

When will we learn to use it, and use it effectively?

In my humble opinion, this is not the time for colored partisan politics. It is a time for colored voters to support principles — not parties. When we shall have learned this, we can become the "balance of power."

(Mrs.) EVELYN P. BURRELL

Editor's note: This letter was posted Nov. 3 before errors in the voting tabulation showed unofficially that Mr. Cole won.

Praise for Cole

Dear AFRO:

In all of my political experiences I have never met a cooler and more resourceful candidate than Harry A. Cole, our next State Senator.

When the tears were flowing freely in the headquarters, Harry predicted that, "I shall be your first State Senator next January."

The odds then seemed 100 per cent against him. That kind of faith was manifested by this young lawyer. That is the reason that I supported him and I am deeply proud.

CRESTON L. WOINGUST

Cole vs. Douglass

Dear AFRO:

Calvin Douglass could not have been thinking of the advancement of our race when he ran as Cole's rival for State Senator.

He knew that he wouldn't have a chance against Harry Cole. The votes that Calvin Douglass received would have been just enough for Harry Cole to win by an overwhelming majority.

It seems that we will not have progress until we realize that as a minority race we must work together, earnestly, to support the progress of our race.

MYRA HARRIS

Thanks for support

Dear AFRO:

I wish to take this opportunity and this means to thank you and your subscribers for the support given me in the recent election.

Although defeated by the in-gan, it was most gratifying to me to learn that I had received over 73,000 votes, and I know that your endorsement of my candidacy played of large part in this excellent showing.

JOHN . FULTON

More thanks

Dear AFRO:

It was with a great deal of encouragement that I read of your endorsement of my candidacy for membership in the House of Delegates from the Third District of Baltimore City. My desire is to thank you for your cumbent Sheriff Joseph C. Deeduring the past campaign.

Membership in the State Legislature is a tremendous responsibility and I assure you that I will be looking forward to the benefit of your views during my term of office.

EDWARD J. McNEAL

Hits Byrd, Della

Dear AFRO:

Your editorial in a current issue does not go far enough although every word should be eagerly digested by all races, colors and creeds.

Neither Curley Byrd, Senator Della, Senator Turner nor any others like them should be elected to public office. Particularly Curley Byrd who once said, "I will do more for the colored people than any governor of Maryland."

"I don't believe that he meant what he said nor do I believe any of the office seekers who try to get our votes on such a basis.

The Eastern Shore of Maryland was flooded by Byrd's opponents with hate literature against the colored people. You know and I know who was responsible for all that.

It could have caused many unhappy people and much trouble. Yet we are saps enough to let both sides get away with it.

The point is that both Byrd and Mahoney people tried to work all ends against the middle. They underestimated the good white people and colored people. They did not get away with it. They ate each other up with weasel words and double talk.

Honestly, I really believe that he who sews the wind reaps the whirlwind. The fact is that neither Byrd nor Mahoney got away with it. Della will never get a higher office and Turner is a dead pigeon.

Remember, seek the truth and you will be free.

JOHN WELLINGTON JONES

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School employees

Dear AFRO:

I am shocked at some of the people working in our schools.

I was passing the high school No. 180 when some of the workers were leaving the building, two men and five women.

One man was cursing and swearing in a terrible way at the women as they came out the door.

Who can this be reported to? This person has no right to be in a school around our girls and boys. This happened Friday night, Nov. 5 at 7:10 p.m.

(Mrs.) N. TAYLOR

Dunbar hoodlums

Dear AFRO:

There should be special police protection around Dunbar High School where juveniles are always loafing and stopping people and asking them for money. The police in East Baltimore should be extremely strict.

The police should stop this loafing on the corners. If they did there would be a drop in juvenile crime.

The police should make it so that people can go through East Baltimore without being attacked or robbed by juveniles.

A MOTHER

Legion and vets

Dear AFRO:

There has been a lot of hullabaloo about the hospitalization of Veterans with non-service-connected disabilities. The chief snipers have been certain tightly-knit professional groups who have been raising the cry of socialized medicine.

We have heard a lot of charges flying about of the abuse of this VA hospital privilege. But to date, we have seen no actual facts based on VA records presented by any of the critics when called upon by the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The American Legion, which is championing the VA hospital privilege as provided by law enacted more than 20 years ago, has come up with some definite statistics which fair-minded citizens should consider because they present a pertinent aspect of this problem.

After making a bed-to-bed check of 5,000 veterans hospitalized in VA institutions for non-service-connected disabilities, the American Legion says that less than two per cent of these cases come within the area of suspicion of abuse in that they might be able to pay.

In most cases, the American Legion asserts, such veterans have exhausted their private means before going into VA hospitals.

Under present law, veterans suffering from non-service connected disabilities, are admitted into VA hospitals only if, as and when beds are available.

The federal government is handling this problem far better than the states could ever do it. We should consider all aspects of this problem very carefully before we are stampeded in to any hasty action.

We believe that VA procedure can be tightened administratively to eliminate even the small number of chiselers who get a disproportionate amount of publicity.

Whatever is done, this rich country must not let the sick and broke veteran down.

ROBERT A. DENNISON Jr.,
Asst. Adjutant
The Robert H. Brooks Post No. 165

Morgan games

Dear AFRO:

After listening to Bill Stern broadcast one of the college football games last week and urging the listening audience to get out and see a college game for a real treat, I began to think how poorly Baltimoreans support Morgan College's sports program.

Most people say it's too far, but actually it's less than one half hour's ride by car or the slow Baltimore Transit from Pennsylvania Ave.

Sparked by two of the country's greatest coaches, Hurt and Hill, Morgan has been one of the few colleges — white or colored or mixed — to hold such a victorious record in football and other major college sports.

Shamefully enough, however, over half of the alumnus and professional people never attend games unless it's Thanksgiving or Homecoming.

These people should feel ashamed of themselves to let the institution down the way they have.

The people of Baltimore owe themselves the enjoyment of a football game at Morgan. Professional football has its talent, but it will never compare with the color, cheers and spirit of a good college game.

PHILLIP B. VAUGHAN

Speculation ends

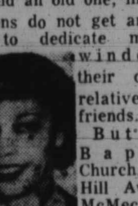
WASHINGTON

Appointment of Joseph C. McGarraghy, District GOP head, as a U.S. District Court judge, Wednesday, ended the speculation and rumors that George E. C. Hayes, James M. Nabrit or some other colored colored lawyer might be given the post.

IF YOU ASK ME

By B. M. Phillips

Trinity is 66 years old . . .



Mrs. Phillips

Unless they build a new church or rebuild an old one, most congregations do not get an opportunity to dedicate memorial windows to their deceased relatives and friends.

But Trinity Baptist Church, Druid Hill Ave., and McMechen St., by reason of two disastrous fires, has an opportunity on Sunday to honor its founder and first pastor, the Rev. Garnet D. Waller, and others more recently deceased who have given service to the church.

Thirteen stained windows on either side of the church's main auditorium and in the front of the church were unveiled on Sunday.

This dedication coincided with the 66th birthday of the church and the 25th anniversary of the pastor, the Rev. V. V. K. Stokes. A window also honored the memory of the Rev. James R. L. Diggs who served from 1914-1923.

As a visitor, I was intrigued by the dedication service — so many churches I have visited have unfamiliar names of people who had no relation to the present church.

Trinity, hovever, was destroyed by two fires in November and December, 1945. Its entire church property has been rebuilt at a cost of $125,000.

The Rev. Mr. Stokes played a big part in the rebuilding program. He is a skilled builder and architect as well as a minister.

Thanks to his leadership and skill, the $125,000 improvements were paid for in cash and the church does not owe a cent. You can't match that in many churches!

And thanks to him, the rebuilding costs were kept down. For example, original estimates by a contracting firm said cost of rebuilding the damaged north wall of the church would be $8,000.

The Rev. Mr. Stokes said he could restore the wall without removing a brick. He did and the contractor cut the price down $4,000!

The new cathedral pews were built at the House of Correction but Rev. Stokes and his church members installed them. He also restored the huge stained window on the Druid Hill Ave. side and it is beautiful. This is the window he says he wants dedicated in his memory.

It's a good idea — he certainly saved the church plenty of money and he did a first-class job. In fact, much of the rebuilding can be credited to him — he built the pulpit-choir loft, installed lights in the lecture room and helped church officers with the painting.

And the church is beautiful!

A visitor gathers that maybe Trinity has not been so generous in its praise of its talented minister.

Only 191 persons attended Sunday's dedication service. At least 22 of those present stood to acknowledge they were visitors. And 20 of the 191 were children and 27 others were members of the choir!

And a visitor gets the impression from the minister's remarks that there had been some discussion as to whether to honor him with an anniversary dinner.

He said: "If after 25 years someone said I insisted on an anniversary, I want you to know that is not true. . . . I feel I have done my job here well . . . I won't let anyone or anything disturb me or put me to bed worrying . . ."

Other Stokes gems from his morning talk:

"If there is any place where a man should play fair it is in the church."

"I don't like to see any man who is too big or too stiff to pull off his coat and do something."

"There are too many stuck-up standstills in the world and some of the biggest do-nothings are the poorest payers."

"Sometimes, you know, we do and say things we don't want to see in print."

Trinity and the world need more third class passengers — you know the kind who will get out and walk and push. There are too many first and second class passengers who want to sit and lead or be pushed."

When a church official acknowledged the presence of a friend from Kilmarnock, Va., who was "an expert in handling money" and who would help count the morning collection, the Rev. Mr. Stokes quipped:

"What we need is some expert givers this morning." The morning collection was announced as $106.10.

Among those in the audience were children of the Rev. Mr. Waller: Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Harris (Martha Waller); Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Scott (Rebecca Waller); and Russell Waller, all of Baltimore; and Mrs. Lois Waller Bolden of Springfield, Mass.

Also, Mrs. Estelle Lee and Mrs. Lucille Fitzgerald, who were baptized by the Rev. Mr. Waller.

Other worshippers included: Alma Taylor Thomas and her son, Frederick. Her mother and father, Leroy and Phyllis Taylor, were early members of the church on Aisquith St., her dad being head deacon for years.

Mrs. Ada Veney and her sister, Mrs. Mabel Hawkins, were my seat companions. Their mother, Mrs. Finetta Vessels has been an active member for 40 years. And they are following in her footsteps.

Other longtime members present, Mrs. Muriel Henley, who joined in 1916; Mrs. Minnie Robinson who said she has belonged "over 40 years."; Mrs. Etta B. Churchill, who said "over 30 years;" and Mrs. Elizabeth Orr, "since 1939."

I enjoyed the singing of Trinity's choir. Director is Clarence Beads. Organist is Mrs. Charlotte Small, a Douglass High grad.

Busiest person in the church was efficient Miss Theresa Nickens who is assistant clerk. Also spied Van Story Branch, the housing executive, and Dr. Nelson Williams.

• James and Cora Bond of the 2400 block W. North Ave., former members of a community church, were accepted into membership.

Other worshippers I saw: Lydia Carpenter Wagner and Mrs. Margaret Strange and her two children and Ada Weaver Hall and her husband, John Hall. Mrs. Hall is the daughter of the late John R. and Martha J. Weaver. Her dad was one of the organizers and a former trustee and her mother a worker for 35 years.

Services began at 11 a.m., and were concluded a little after 2 p.m.

This and that of many things . . .

Here's another case of two deaths in one family in a brief period: Frank Dorsey, beloved employee of the Randallstown Bank, was buried Monday following services at Holy Family Church. He was 66.

His brother Walter Dorsey, 77-year-old retired gardener, was buried just three weeks ago.

Both died of heart ailments. They lived next door to each other on Winans Rd., in Randallstown where the family is well known and respected.

Funeral services for Mr. Frank Dorsey attracted residents of both races and over 600 viewed his body.

And speaking of deaths—Baltimore lost a man many have come to love and know as a real gentleman. He is Walter Clark, 79, who was buried Saturday following services at the Katie Williams Funeral Home.

He will be remembered as the quiet, retiring train porter who worked for over 30 years for the Baltimore and Ohio. He retired ten years ago and made his home in Severna Park until his recent illness when he was at the Lanvale St. home of his sister, Mrs. Edith Edmonds. Friends recall his Severna Park home has many beautiful antiques.

Life is ironical—Mildred Grinage Nicholson, the slain kindergarten teacher, underwent a serious cancer operation last year. Relatives and friends were tickled pink that she was picking up weight and was well and happy and able to return to the classroom.

If she had died of cancer, relatives say they would not have been so shocked, but to die by violence was to them a real tragedy.

Churches which will be in new $50,000 homes soon: Mt. Ararat Baptist and Mt. Pisgah CME.

Mt. Ararat, now at Bayliss and Elliott Sts., has purchased the church site at Gwynns Falls and Longwood for $50,000, will move to its new home in January. The Rev. Samuel B. Redd is pastor.

Mt. Pisgah CME, now at 1323 N. Gilmor St., has bought the church property at North and Bentalou for $52,000, will move to its new home in January. The Rev. John Hammond is pastor.

And Zion Baptist Church, now at Gay and Bond Sts., will move **next year to its new Lanvale** and Caroline Sts. home for which it paid $106,750. The Rev. Matthew Wilkerson is pastor.

A hip ailment caused Thomas Wallace, teacher at School No. 162 to miss his first day from school in over 15 years!

And Erma Dixon, proprietor of Valentine's Dress Shop, is doing nicely at her McCulloh St. home where she's confined following an operation.

People moving: Mrs. Mary Byrd, widow of Smith Byrd, Catonsville, moving to Detroit next month.

And the Harry Gails (Berine) are said to be looking forward to California residence before many months.

And orchids to those residents of South Baltimore Area 7 who are doing an excellent job of neighborhood improvement. They told their story on a television show sponsored by the Department of Public Welfare on Monday evening.

Participating were Father Richard Swift, George W. E. Hill, Mrs. Vivian H. Bundy, James Bundy, Welfare Director T. J. S. Waxter and Miss Frances Morton of the Citizens' Planning and Housing Committee.

George W. F. McMechen marked his 83rd birthday last week. Members of the family, including daughter, Mildred, of Tuskegee, gathered here for a celebration.

Drop a card to Wellington Matthews, 549 Robert St. He's the mattress company manager who is confined to home with a heart ailment.

And Regent Theatre's Henry Hornstein is still having trouble with his ticker.

Ditto Ira Jones, the Regent's doorman for the past 18 months. He's seriously ill with a heart ailment at his home, 1629 Druid Hill Ave.

The auto which struck James Simpson, the war veteran, was going so fast his body was dragged several feet and his clothes were in tatters when he reached the hospital, relatives say. He was hit by an Army car at Fayette and Exeter Sts., last Thursday.

Some Western High parents are burning about a teacher who makes it a point to call their daughters by their first names but calls all other students "Miss."

Here's a typical scene at last Friday's football game between Dunbar and Douglass High Schools as scores of fights broke out. At least two persons were injured. Note one man in this isolated "battle" holding the victim while the other two men are striking him.

The violence—fights by followers of the Douglass and Dunbar High School football teams and/ or students, as evidenced at the city championship game at Morgan Stadium, is a disgraceful display of violence which should not be allowed to continue.

It is welcome news that until such time as the ringleaders can be apprehended, the two schools will not hold athletic meets of any kind.

We think disorders at school games, at or near school grounds, should be handled with dispatch by the police and that those who create such disorders should be punished severely.

We agree with Magistrate E. Everett Lane in Northwestern Police Court that we can not afford to coddle these hoodlums.

If teachers and principals can not handle disorderly students who make a public nuisance and spectacle of themselves, we think they should notify the police and allow them to arrest them.

At the first evidence of any roughness, police should step in. Certainly we are not sending our youngsters to school to participate in or become a part of disorderly mobs which have no respect for themselves or for other people.

ROBERT WILKINS JR. — STEVEN A. JONES — SHEENA L. SMITH — MIRIAM COLFIELD — CHERYL L. COLBERT — EDNA V. WRIGHT — CHRISTINE MONROE — REGINALD TILLERY — SHARON WRIGHT — MICHAEL J. BROWN

HERE ARE SOME OF BABIES ENTERED IN HEALTHY BABY CONTEST

Eastern Star sermon to be given at St. John

The Order of Eastern Star will hold its annual sermon Sunday, Nov. 14 at 8 p.m. at St. John AME Church, 810 N. Carrollton Ave. The Rev. I. M. Gray, pastor, will preach.

On Monday the order will hold a half-day business session from 12 to 5 p.m. in the Masonic Temple, Mosher and McCulloh Sts.

On Tuesday, an all-day session, beginning at 9 a.m., will be held at Metropolitan Baptist Church, Mosher and McCulloh Sts.

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DELEGATES will be present from Washington, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland.

Miss Annie E. Williams of Baltimore is grand matron of the order; John H. Davis of Fairmount Heights is grand patron.

Healthy Baby Contest finals Nov. 30 at YW auditorium

The site for the finals of the Healthy Baby Contest has been changed. They will now be held in the Madison Ave. YWCA auditorium on Nov. 30 at 8 p.m.

The deadline for entries in the AFRO-Carnation Milk Co. sponsored contest is Nov. 17. If you haven't sent that snapshot of your baby you may miss the chance to win the top prize of $300 and the many other prizes available.

A top panel of doctors and civic leaders will choose the six top babies in this First Annual Hometown Healthy Baby Contest. Hurry and get your entries in immediately.

All you have to do is get an official entry blank at your neighborhood grocery or at the offices of the Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN (you can also find one in today's newspaper) and mail it in with a snapshot of your baby to Healthy Baby Contest, P.O. Box 911, Baltimore 1, Md.

6,125 join NAACP; pay $13,700 fees

$2,318 contributed to Legal Fund; elect officers Tuesday

The Baltimore branch of the NAACP enrolled 66,125 members and collected $13,700.50 in membership fees, during its recent Membership and Fund Raising Campaign.

In addition, $2,318 was reported contributed to the legal fund and office maintenance, with $491.96 being collected through theatre and church collections, giving a grand total of $16,510.46.

The annual election of officers will be held on Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Sharp St. Memorial Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts. All members have been urged to attend.

ON SUNDAY an NAACP Musical Coffee Hour was held at the Grace Presbyterian Church, Dolphin and Etting Sts., the Rev. Robert Newbold, pastor.

Featured on the program were Mrs. Eula Mae Watts, soloist, accompanied by Shellman Johnson; Clarence Dixon, pianist and dramatic monologuist; Bowen K. Jackson, soloist and pianist; Miss Lillie Mae McDouglass, pianist and soloist.

SET 7 PT.— — —

A total of 198 memberships at $443.50 was reported at the meeting.

N.W. BALTIMORE—Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, 3—$6; Mrs. Beatrice F. Martin, 20—$42.; Morning Star Baptist Church, Mrs. Edith Allen, captain, 127—$260.50; Mrs. Ann Newbold, Grace Presbyterian Church, 14—$32.50; Mrs. Esther Jackson, Sharp St. M. Methodist, 3— $15; Local No. 194, Rev. William Hall, 5—$21. Total for N.W., 172—$376.

South Baltimore—Mrs. Frances Brooks, 3—$7.50.

East Baltimore — Mrs. W. A. Hall, Nazarene Bapt. Church, 7—$14.

West Baltimore, Special Gifts, Mrs. Eula Mae Watts, 4—$12; Mrs. Mary E. Hawkins, 7—$14; Mrs. Marion Wheeler, 1— $2.00; Miss Bertha Greene, 4— $8. Total, West Baltimore, 16—$36.

A resume of legal redress activities was given by Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, remarks by Mrs. Lilie M. Jackson, and invocation by the Rev. William Hall, of Nazarene Baptist Church. Benediction was given by the Rev. Howard L. Cornish of Morgan Christian Center.

ON TUESDAY, a post-campaign report meeting was held at the NAACP office, 402 Dolphin St. A total of 209 memberships were reported at $547. Reports were as follows:

West Baltimore—Mrs. Margaret Hall, 8 — $17; Mrs. Owney Vance, 12 — $24; Mrs. Maude Jones, 4—$31; Mrs. Lucille Custis, 2— $4; Mrs Louise Hines, 3—$6; Mrs. Bessie Thomas, 2—$4. Total, 31 members, $86.

East Baltimore—Mrs. Emma Epps, Mt. Sinai Bapt., 2 — $4; Mrs. Mamie Barnes, 8—$16; Addison Warren, Mt. Ararat Bapt., 3 members, 1 NAACP Pin, $7. Total, 11— $27.

South Baltimore — Rev. Mrs. Lillian Thompson, St. Ann's Spirtual Temple, 4—$8; Mrs. Katie Allen, Apostolic Faith, 14—$28. Total, 18—$36.

N.W. Baltimore — Mrs. Della Myers, 1— $2; Mrs. Joan Rainey, 3—$6; Mrs. Ida Russell, 47—$97; Miss P. E. Holloway, 11—$20.50; N.A.P.E.—John White, 47—$98; and Richard Peed, 38—$85; Mrs. Victoria Ridgely, 2— $2.50. Total 149— $310.50.

On Sunday, Nov. 21 at 3 p.m., at the Bethel AME Church, Druid Hill Ave. and Lanvale St., a special thanksgiving meeting will be held featuring Roy Wilkins, administrator, NAACP National office, New York City, as guest speaker.

Invocation by the Rev. Kelly L. Jackson of Metropolitan Methodist Church. Thanksgiving meditation by the Rev. Harrison Bryant, pastor of Bethel AME Church. Special music by the senior choir of Metropolitan Methodist Church.

'Miss Mary' dead

Neighbors are trying to locate relatives of Mrs. Mary Cotton, 56, who was found dead in her bed Friday morning at 1106 Thomsen St. She apparently died of natural causes.

Her mother, Mrs. Mary Platter, is believed to live in St. Michaels, Md., and several sons and daughters are believed to be residents of Baltimore.

Dr. C. Y. Trigg Sunday speaker

Dr. C. Y. Trigg, pastor of Salem Methodist Church, NYC, will be guest speaker Sunday at Baltimore's Metropolitan Methodist Church which he pastored for 14 years.

Dr. Trigg will be presented at 5 p.m. by the Kelly L. Jackson Reading and Writing Circle, W.S.C.S. of Metropolitan Church, Carrollton Ave. and Lanvale St.

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THE MINISTER will give his impression, as an American tourist of present day missions around the world, especially in India, Pakistan, Japan, China, Korea and Africa.

Program chairman is Mrs. Lillian S. Tingle; Mrs. Addye T. Smith, secretary; the Rev. Kelly L. Jackson, pastor.

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THIS CONTEST is restricted to Baltimore and suburbs. It is one of more than 40 being conducted at the same time from coast to coast.

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"Where can I get a blank to enter my baby in the AFRO-Carnation Milk Healthy Baby Contest?"

That's the question many mothers in Baltimore are asking this week as they learn the deadline for entries in this First Annual Hometown contest is Nov. 17 at midnight.

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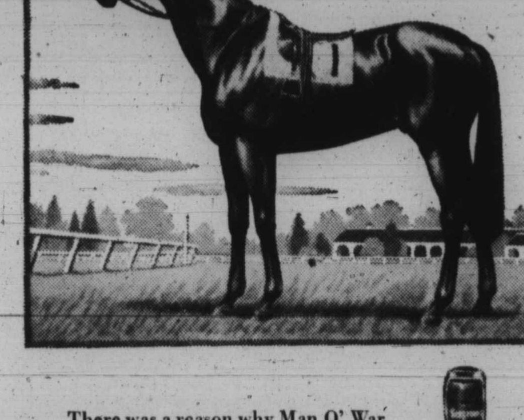

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2. Baby must have been fed Carnation Evaporated Milk.
3. "Snapshot" of baby must be enclosed with each entry. Write baby's name and address on back of "snapshot."
4. Entries must be postmarked before midnight, November 17, 1954.
5. There is no limit to the number of babies three years or younger (in one family) who can be entered. Each "snapshot" must be accompanied by an entry blank.
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