AFRO Features, Columns, Schools, Coming Events

Things Little

By JESSE H. WALKER

It's Christmastime and I'm playing Santa Claus!

I've got a twinkle in my eye and gifts for everyone — friend and foe alike — and to all my friends I say I'm planning to give me expensive gifts. I'll repeat a line I lifted from a New York columnist:

Mr. Walker

... I'm a man who has absolutely nothing.

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THE PRESENTS I'm giving out are going:

To the Hotel Associations of Baltimore and Maryland, a set of "lily-white" sheets to cover their heads with when they hide in shame over their segregated policies.

To the all-white Grand Jurors and Bar Association, a set of the same.

To the Fireman's union, a tall ladder and enough rope with which they can hang themselves over their anti-Democratic practices.

To Mayor Tommy D'Alesandro, a two-track railroad set — on one which he can run his senatorial aspirations and on the other his hopes to become Governor of Maryland.

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TO EARL OMARA, the deep-voiced vocalist with the Lou Bennete Trio a record of Tennessee Ernie's "16 Tons," a present he actually doesn't need since he sounds enough like the original already.

To Joe Louis and Rose Morgan, best wishes for a successful marriage but one question: On future Christmas Days will Joe have to buy both an anniversary present and a Christmas gift, or will one be enough?

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TO THE SLIM MYERSES (Club Tijuana), Dixon freres (Comedy Club), Askew Gatewoods (Casino), George and Reba Foxes (Red Fox) and all the other nightclub owners of the other nightclub owners on the AVENUE, some business over the holidays so their books won't be written in red ink this year.

To Mrs. Lillia M. Jackson and NAACP lawyers, Bob Watts, Linwood G. Koger Jr., Juanita Mitchell, Tucker Dearing and Willis R. Teadvine, more victories in 1956.

To AFRO foto'g, I. Henry Phillips, a Chrysler station wagon with windows yet.

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TO GOVERNOR Marvin (I Goofed) Griffith of Georgia, photo of Nat King Cole and Debbie Reynolds holding hands at the end of that "I Hear America Singing" TV show last Saturday night. Also a free Blue Cross membership to see him through the sick spell he'll have when he receives the first gift.

To Elk leader Lloyal Randolph better health for the rest of 1956 and a heavy registration in his district.

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To AFRO branch managers, Ruth Jenkins (Philadelphia), Samuel Hopkins (Washington), Rubye Wells (Richmond) and Samuel Haynes (Newark), more circulation.

More of the same to Editor Cliff Mackay, Managing Editor Art Carter and Assistant Managers Arthur Randall and Joseph Simpson.

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TO SAM LACY, erstwhile sports editor, a gift for picking the right winners and for the fellows on the Copy Desk — Al Sweeney and Jack Hodge—some legible copy from out-of-town.

To area columnists Marjorie (Cherry Hill) Ward, George W. Epps (South Baltimore) Hill, Samuel (Catonsville) Torsell, Bob (Annapolis) Pinckney and the Rev. Mr. T. (Frederick) Snowden, more juicy column items.

To Woman's Editor Lula Jones Garratt, more relaxation on her auto.

To the secretaries in the office (Odessa Dyson, Kitty Peck, Gainor Rayford) and to Mrs. Suzie Clark on the switchboard, less trouble from yours truly.

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TO THE LOCAL reportorial staff the following:

To Shirley (Front Page) Kyle—more hours for teaching bridge; Herb (Used Car) Mangrum—a set of golf clubs which shoot lower than they cost; Jimmy (Breathless) Williams —some neat - collapsible auto tires; Joe (Spot News) Shoebard—a hearty welcome on his return to Baltimore and Ed (Rewrite) Peaks — a master dream guide to the city.

To Senator Harry Cole, Delegate Truly Hatchett and Emory Cole and City Councilman Walter R. Dixon, a bagful of votes and some more of their brothers seated alongside them.

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TO BILL ALEXANDER and Biddy Wood movie entrenpreneurs, more bylines on their "Byline" contracts.

To the colored policemen in Baltimore City and Baltimore County, some promotions.

To all the barmaids around town, heavy Christmas boxes of do-re-mi. (We split for this plug.)

To City Editor Franklin Wood and Assistant to the President B. M. Phillips, a couple of top notch stories for the Baltimore AFRO and 10,000 new readers.

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I'VE GOT MORE presents in my bag for all the many wonderful guys and dolls who have aided us during the year with news tips or eased our way in getting information for news stories.

Last but not least, a special

"LORD HEAR OUR PLEA"—The Mixed Ensemble of Carver Vocational Technical High School sings at the recent NAACP meeting held at Sharp St. Methodist Church Dec. 11. Choir gave annual carol sing in school auditorium last Thursday.

Carver poet marks season

From Ernest R. Johnson, a 12th grade pupil at the Carver Vocational Technical High School, comes the following Yuletide poem.

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME

Christmas what does it mean to me?
Religious freedom and liberty
Christmas to me is a joyous thing
The wonderous season of the carol sing;
A time when there is peace toward all man
At home, abroad in every land
Christmas Day, the birth of the Christ child.
As He lay in a manger so tender and mild
His thumb in His mouth, a halo above His head
The angels were watching as He lay in His bed.
With His wondering eyes He was full of mirth
Not knowing that He was sent to save the earth,
The religious aspect and feeling so mild
Remind me always of the Beloved Christ Child.

Glee clubs at 101 stage yule program

The primary and intermediate glee clubs, of the Elmer A. Henderson School No. 101, under the direction of Mrs Eleanor Hughes respectively, presented a short Christmas program for the PTA meeting, Thursday.

The white robed choruses formed a background for the dramatic tableau of the "Birth of Christ" by pupils of Miss Mabel Harris' fourth graders and James Matthews fifth graders.

Mrs. Mary Carter, sixth grade teacher, read the Bible verses which were interspersed with appropriate carols from the chorus sec accompanied with instruments and the autoharp.

Two plays, one by the primary grades and one by the intermediate grades were presented with both choruses participating respectively.

Miss Gwendolyn L. Nichols is the elementary teacher of music and Miss Abia Jackson is the music specialist.

Mosher group studies diet

By MONTERRY K. CLAY

Pupils, parents, and the staff of the James Mosher School No. 144 have been working intensively on a health program with special emphasis on foods and nutrition.

Pupils at all levels have been guided to devote attention to the essentials of a balanced diet. Charts, bulletins, pictures films, filmstrips, and a variety of books have been used to obtain needed information.

MRS. MARJORIE MOSES and members of the parent education class have considered a variety of menus and the importance of making meals appealing as well as appetizing.

MRS. JOSEPHINE BAKER, and Mrs. Josephine Clark, who compose the cafeteria staff, have been working hard to have everything in readiness for the Jan. 5 opening. Parents are invited to join their children at lunch.

Mrs. Nettie H. Page's class of third grade pupils recently held an "Indian Cook Out" at Patapsco State Park.

Participating pupils were:

MICHAEL GREENE, Ronald Harper, Eric Kimbrough, Johnson, Joseph Savoy, Ronald Watkins, Maureen Bowley, Marian Davis, Casandra Fallin, Betty Holt, Linda Lewis, Hestine Moore, Kathleen Press, Joan Williams.

Joyce Beaver, Alan Grier, Arthur Johnson, MarcusMoore Earl Robinson, Lynn Simon, Rodney Williams, Sheila Brooks Barbara Eaton, Erica Fry, Sandra Jones, Shirley Lewis, Cornithesis Perry, Ava Watkins.

Yvonne Taylor, Samuel Hardy, Jerald Kerr, Carl Pitts, Barry Rogers, Darral ville, James Hall, Delores Clark Antionette Evans, Marsha Fleming, Eva Lassiter, Beatie McKoy, Karen Pinderhughes, Barbara Watkins, Margret Meyers.

Fifth grader from No. 161 cops hopscotch laurels

By F. EVELYN DOUGLASS

Juanita Williams, fifth grade pupil of the Fannie L. Barbour Elementary School No. 161, won the sectional hopscotch tournament held in the gymnasium of the school recently.

Runners-up were Lawrence Hale of School No. 126, Le-Verne Cook of School No. 129, and Geneva Ruff of School No. 137.

Honorable Mention went to Diane Richardson School No. 156; Alice Thompson, School No. 147; Jeanette Blandford, School No. 121; and Eden High, School No. 135, who reached the semi-final.

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THE TOURNAMENT in which 18 schools participated was sponsored by the Division of Health and Physical Education of the Department of Education.

Participants were:

Jean Levrouney, School No. 110; Diane Richardson, School No. 156; Pattie Drake, School No. 140; George Ruff, School No. 139 Alice Thompson, School No. 147 James Simmons, School No. 108; Alexander Neal, School No. 116; Lawrence Hale, School No. 126; Hilton James, School No. 101;

Jeanette Blanford, School No. 121; LaVerne Cook, School No. 129; Dianna Dennis, School No. 160; Juanita Williams, School No. 161; Ernestine McGraw, School No. 173; Eden High, School No. 135; Dorothy Crawford, School No. 114; James Tabron, School No. 146; and Walter Ruben, School No. 138.

MISS DOROTHY V. HORINE, physical education specialist, was judge of the finals, assisted by Mrs. Hermia Jordan, physical education teacher at School No. 160.

Other judges were:

Miss Josephine Lassey, teacher of School No. 147, Mrs. Sue Branson, teacher of School No. 116; Mrs. Geraldine Jenkins, School No. 110 and No. 162;

Mrs. Ivora Evans, School No. 161, the host school; Arthur Milburn, School No. 139; Henry Etheridge, School No. 159 and No. 176; and William Dorsey, Schools No. 101 and No. 116.

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CLERKS WHO set up the tournament schedule were: Mrs. Bernita Murray and James R. Forrest, teachers of School No. 161.

Principals in attendance were: Arthur Willian, School No. 101;

Mrs. Mildred Pierson, School No. 135; S. Reginald Watts, School No. 116; G. Albert Wright, principal School No. 161 awarded ribbons to the four winners.

Teachers who accompanied the contestants were:

Elizabeth Fisher, Christine Hill Edna Russell, Anna Cooper, Thelma Anderson, Leroy Cole, John Datcher, Alice Pinderhughes, Wilbert Marchant, Sus Branson, Joseph Lansey, William Pinderhughes, Celonia Walden.

SEQUEL TO DEAR MRS. SMITH

'Christmas? I'm more worried about today . . . we have nothing . . .'

"Christmas? I don't know what we are going to do even for tomorrow . . . we have nothing."

"I work in Towson, but I haven't been able to go to work since the fire.

Mrs. Lillie M. Clark was talking about the December 10th fire which gutted her third floor apartment at 1717 W. Mosher St.

gift of thanks to you, our regular readers, for your continued support of the AFRO and a promise to give you a bigger and better newspaper for the coming New Year.

To all you Baltimoreans and Marylanders everywhere, a Merry, Merry Christmas. And, as you may remember:

"At Christmas play and make good cheer, for your coming dinner draweth near."

"For Christmas comes but once a year."

"It's good it comes but once around,

"Else broke I'd be with mind unsound."

The story of the fire which destroyed "all of the furniture and "every stitch" of clothing she and her son owned, appeared in the December 13 AFRO, under the head, "Dear Mrs. Smith."

It explained to Mrs. Anna Y. Smith, fifth grade teacher at Murphy School No. 119 that the son, Calvin, could not attend school because all his clothes were destroyed.

CALVIN'S MOTHER said on Tuesday: "A lady out on Falls Road gave Calvin a change of clothes so he was able to start back to school today, but he still needs more things. Clothes for a boy of 10 are expensive and I just don't have the money."

Since the fire, Mrs. Clark said she and her son have been "living from one friend to another." Right now, they're staying at 225 E. Lanvale St.

She belongs to Ewen Baptist Church and a church member is accepting help for her and her son. The friend is Mrs. Pauline Ryan, 717 Delaney St. She can be reached at VE. 7-1402 after 4 p.m.

As to the future, Mrs. Clark said things look bleak. She explained:

"We have no insurance, I let the payments lapse.

"My husband, Willie, is in Crownsville. He has been there a year.

"I have a brother - in - law, Jones Clark, but he had a stroke and has been sick for two years.

"Christmas? . . . I don't know what we are going to do even for tomorrow," Mrs. Clark concluded.

Xmas trees can become torches

Box SHC Association, Inc., a group of fire buffs and auxiliary firefighters of the Baltimore fire department, urges the public to use caution for the holiday season. Follow these rules and enjoy a safe holiday.

1. Buy your Christmas tree at the last minute. It should be freshly cut and once brought indoors, should be kept far away from flame and placed in a pail well filled with water.

2. Also remember that there is danger in using evergreens, cotton batting and other inflammable decorations in the home and above all don't use faulty electrical cords.

Most important to remember: A Christmas tree is surcharged with resin and can not be flame proofed, but it can become a flaming torch in one second.

Enjoy this holiday season without the loss of life and property.

Democratic Viewpoint

By LLOYAL RANDOLPH

On the eve of Christmas It's good to look back and review the good things politically that have happened to us in Baltimore and the state of Maryland for the year 1955.

Among the accomplishments we can vote for the election of Walter T. Dixon to the City Council, Mr. Randolph

Mr. Randolph

1, the appointment of John Hargrove as an assistant U.S. Attorney, the appointment of Magistrate E. Everett Lane to Traffic Court, the appointment of a bailiff in U.S. District Court and the election of Sherman T. Daniels as executive secretary of the Commission on Interracial Problems.

We also have Mrs. Lena K. Bee in the Redevelopment Commission and David T. Mason on the Jail Board.

And there was the directive ordering the omission of color on requests for state positions.

There have been other inroads we have made in various branches of our city and state government this year — each showing that we are making some small progress toward our ultimate goal of complete equality.

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BUT ALTHOUGH I am mindful of these gains, I am all the more mindful of the fact that as Christmas, 1955 draws nearer, the colored citizens of this city and State are still woefully omitted from jobs in the majority of our city and state departments.

We're still looking for someone to be given a job in City Hall, in the offices of the City Service Commission, the City Tax Department, the Bureau of Licenses, in the Sheriff's Office, the Register of Wills, the State Department of Motor Vehicles—there are just a few.

We have to pay the raise in taxes, but as everyone does not we should have an opportunity for these city and state jobs.

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NONE OF THE City courts have bailiffs, clerks, secretaries or stenographers, just to mention some of the jobs available.

These jobs should be open to all citizens.

I would like to know at Christmas time, if the Democratic Business Men's Club of Plumbing had licensed a colored plumber. Here's a group that seem wait for their own business and are prevented from doing so because of Jim Crow.

Everyone can not get on the public payroll, but here again there is evidence that politics is preventing private enterprise.

I hope this Christmas spirit will carry over among our political leaders and when they say "Peace on Earth, Good Will to ALL Men," this year they really include ALL men.

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I WOULD ALSO like to remind all readers of this column that the FEPC bill is to be considered following the holiday session and if you haven't contacted your councilman to see how he stands, you should do so immediately.

A meeting was held at the Elks Home Tuesday night to arrange for the $15-plate dinner next month for Congressman Emanuel Celler, and Friday, Mr. Friedel has already announced he plans to run again in the Seventh Congressional District.

Another for the occasion will be House Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas.

Merry Christmas all.

Republican Viewpoint

By HARRY A. COLE

Each one of us likes to think of himself—as a Santa Claus of a sort—either by being kind to others and sharing their happiness or just

Mr. Cole

by treating ourself.

If I were Santa Claus, I'd like to bring happiness to many many persons this Christmas I'd like to climb down the chimney carrying a big bag of gifts and while all the household is asleep I'd like to decorate the tree with many blessings.

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I'D HAVE the packages all neatly wrapped in red, white, and blue and in one I'd have the "Right to Equal Opportunity for Employment."

In another I'd have the "Right to a free and non-segregated education."

In another I'd have the "Cure for Cancer." In still another I'd have a "Cure for Heart Diseases."

I'D HAVE a larger package which would contain "Self-Help Legislation." In another the "Right to Travel Anywhere First-Class."

In still another I'd have the "Anti-Lynch Law." In the Anti-Poll Tax Law."

I'd have packages which had in them "Lower Taxes," "Better Housing," and "Hotel integration."

ALL THE packages I would leave would give rise to a rich and full life, mixed with dignity and responsibility.

The largest package would be reserved for self, for it would hold the true significance of Christmas; it would be love in its "PEACE."

Yes, I would have these gifts in my bag to offer to you if I could be Santa Claus this Christmas.

But before I could stop at your house I'd have to check my list to determine if you had been good this last year.

And you know the list I'd be checking—the voters' list.

Merry Xmas!

Another Democratic Viewpoint

By ROBERT B. WATTS

Merry Christmas to all those who have had the courage to read what little I have had to say in this column during the year.

During the Christmas season perhaps a few of us will be thinking about political matters, but it is hoped that at the beginning new year we can with renewed vigor, begin the task of stimulating greater political interest.

Mr. Watts

We have come a long way during the year, the most notable achievement being the election of Walter T. Dixon to the City Council and the appointment of John Hargrove as the first assistant U.S. Attorney.

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WE HAVE seen and been happy because of the continued growth of that dynamic group of women known as the Colored Women's Democratic Organization, headed by the equally dynamic Mrs. Victorine Adams.

We have witnessed the continued work of the Citizens' Democratic Organization, headed by Lloyal Randolph.

We know and are aware that the 4th District Organization headed by Senator Harry Cole, and the Theodore McKeldin Club are still in existence and very active.

We know or should know that men like Joe Neal, Truly Hatchett, Emory Cole, Dog Welbourn, Thomas (Jr. Mc.) Perkins, Calvin Douglass, U. Theodore Hayes, Willis Adams, and many others, too numerous to mention are constantly working in the field of political action.

Mindful of all these facts, we can be assured that we shall move forward in our efforts to attain a greater measure of political strength.

So long as we have these groups and these men, we can also be assured that there will be much political activities in the year of 1956.

AS THE year ends, we should be mindful of the fact that there is still much to be done and that we have much to be thankful that could have been done, to slip by.

When we consider that in places like Mississippi, South Carolina and Georgia, every effort of the colored citizen to vote is met with strong resistance even by those who are sworn to uphold the law, we should redouble our efforts to say that each and every person in our community is a registered voter.

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NO MAN or woman in Maryland who is a qualified voter should be ashamed, and every person who has failed to take that step to say that we have increased registration is failing those who are working under such great obstacles in these southern communities.

Let no one sit idly again now and reflect on what we have done during the year to help increase the voting potential of our group.

If we have done something, let's go on to more and if we have done nothing, let's be sure that come December '56 we can look back and know that we have done our part in this great fight.

Again I say Merry Christmas to all but most of all I say let us begin now in a unified effort directed toward political strength in every ward in the city.

WORK BENCH:

From hell's front window

WASHINGTON

By CLARENCE MITCHELL

Even if there had never been a Karl Marx, there still would be a revolution in Asia because people there are tired of colonialism and want to be free.

On the platform at the Sharp Street Methodist Church in Baltimore with the Rev. J. Harry Raines as he said those words were Bishop Edgar A. Love and the Rev. Edward G. Carroll, pastor of the church.

Each could testify on first hand knowledge that the Rev. Mr. Haines was right.

THE REV. MR. RAINES works in an area of Asia about the size of Alabama. If you drank fruit juice out of a can at breakfast this morning and rode to work in your own car or on a bus the place he comes from figured in your day.

About 40 per cent of the world's tin and rubber comes from the land where Preacher Haines is busy in the business of saving souls.

It is Malaya, whose seven million souls and their rule are the subject of a big enough prize to make the Kremlin decide on holiday in the salt mines, if the Communists won it.

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BUT, THE Communists are not in any position of special favor in the Far East. Mr. Haines said it very aptly when he told his listeners, "Communists didn't start the revolution in Asia, they are just trying to lead it."

Mr. Haines is the kind of missionary that Hollywood likes to portray in its pictures about the Orient. He is an Air Force veteran with the rating of master sergeant and a man who would be equally at ease running a church nursery or hailing out of an airplane with the marines on fire.

He sees country the people he visited were so full of the liberty-derive the telephone operators said "Communist" in anyone trying to get a number instead of using the customary word "hello."

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BOTH BISHOP LOVE and the Rev. Mr. Carroll have been part of the West's struggle against Communism in Asia when they visited it.

As colored men they were good advertisements for Christianity and Democracy — even if they just sat on a platform after proper identification.

The people of Asia, searching for a government and religion that will guarantee freedom from slavery and oppression, look with kindly eyes on those faiths and institutions that hold the loyalty of colored Americans.

In the hands of men like those who shared the platform at Sharp Street Church, Western religion can do much to play a vital role in the cold war.

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IF THE spiritual battle between the forces that believe in God and the cohorts of godless Communism is lost by the West, it will not be because those who preach religion lack courage, resourcefulness and intelligence.

There is a real possibility that the battle may be lost, or may even now be lost, already in spite of the fine qualities of the religious men of the West.

Surely, the people of Malaya must sometimes wonder why we send missionaries to them when Mississippi and a few other places are over here look just like hell's front window.

Unless we get that front window to look a little more like the one Haines said it should look, we may find ourselves in the same trash basket where Asians are now putting colonialism.

CITED—A/3C Norman W. Upsher, of Baltimore, received a citation last week at Walker AFB, Roswell, New Mex., newspaper as The Airman of the Month. He is stationed at Walker AF Base as a laboratory technician in a biophisal unit. He recently returned from service in Japan and the Philippine Islands.

Diggs pupils stage Christmas program

The pupils of Josiah Diggs Elementary School No. 162 presented a delightful Christmas program this week. "Christmas in Many Lands." Participants included:

Eulaya Richardson, Theodore Mercer, James Price, Lindwood Scott. Pupils and teachers were invited from Schools Nos. 161, 114, 121 and 170. Also present were Mrs. Ahla Jackson, music supervisor, and Mrs. Elizabeth Wright, former music specialist.

The program was sponsored by the Special Days Committee. Mr Audrey May, chairman, and Gwyndola Logan, music. Mildred Stanley was stage director and Mrs. Ethel Hall was in charge of dramatics.

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Coming Events

DECEMBER 24
Christmas party for children in the Northwestern Police District courtesy of the men in blue. At the Royal Theatre, 9:30 a.m.

DECEMBER 25
Christmas Day in the Christian World.

DECEMBER 26
Cleveland Browns meet the Los Angeles Rams for the pro championship. On television.

Mental Hygiene Society's Christmas party at Crosswinds, 7 p.m. Chuck Richards is master of ceremonies.

DECEMBER 27
The Calvert Distillers stage a party for Provident Hospital's Children ward.

DECEMBER 31
New Year's eve and a time to exercise caution while driving.

JANUARY 2
The annual Old Folks Dinner sponsored by the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Maryland, Pr. and A.M., at the Masonic Temple, McCulloh and Mosher Sts., 11 a.m.

JANUARY 9
42nd Anniversary of Emancipation Proclamation Celebration by Prince Hall Masons, Bethel AME Church, Druid Hill ave. & Lanvale St., 2:30 p.m.

JANUARY 15
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Comm. Hepbron

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block Lexington St. after the Deases moved in.

Vandalism at the Dease home included rocks thrown through first floor windows.

On Friday night, a length of iron pipe was thrown through the living room window splattering glass over the floor, radio and sofa.

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POLICE IN patrol cars and on foot have kept the Williams home under surveillance since the Monday night visit of Commissioner Hepbron.

Officers from the Southwestern District have been assigned to the community to prevent the white neighbors from stoning their attractive two-story home.

And at least one neighbor has expressed the opinion that the family should remain in the community.

One sent Mr. Williams the following typewritten and unsigned letter this week. To occupant:

"Stick to your guns. Don't let anyone intimidate you. You have your rights. Not everyone feels the same way as a few hoodlums do. Good luck."

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THE WILLIAMS home is located in a block where an angry crowd gathered last summer when a colored police officer and his wife went to inspect a home.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Mt. Olivet lane is a five block street which runs beside Gwynns Falls Park. It runs north from the 3100 block W. Baltimore St. to Phelps Lane.

The street is behind the Gwynns Falls-Park Junior High School which is located at Hilton Ave. and Morley St.)

Neighbors started throwing bricks around the clock the day after they moved from 398 N. Fulton Ave.

Every window, with the exception of one in the bathroom, has been broken.

On Saturday, after Mr. Williams had replaced previously broken windows, his neighbors stepped up their attack.

With bricks and glass littering practically every room, he was forced to cover the broken windows with cardboard.

After filing a complaint at Southwestern Police Station, he went to the Baltimore Branch NAACP.

As a result of his visit, the NAACP sent a telegram to Commissioner Hepbron who took immediate action.

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SPEAKING FOR the NAACP on Wednesday, Bowen Jackson, executive secretary, stated: "The NAACP wants to congratulate the commissioner on taking prompt action."

Mr. Williams has reiterated a statement made earlier to the effect: "I'm going to stay here as long as I'm able."

Sgt. Scott

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ing for the late future."

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SERGEANT SCOTT was the second one to put in a call to his home after Sgt. John W. Laughlin Jr., who has also been assigned to the Northwestern District.

When Sergeant Scott reported that the line was busy, Commissioner Hepbron quipped, "See there. News travels fast. She's on the phone already."

In making the promotions, Commissioner Hepbron reminded the men that "it is the sergeants who make the Police Department function. They are the most important men."

Chief Inspector Fred Ford urged the men to get in touch with their new superior officers immediately. "We need you men and we need you right away," he said.

The other officers who received promotions are:

Sgts. Edgar Steinacker, Eastern; Herman McCubbin, Southwestern; Nicholas Manfredo, North Eastern; John Cunningham, Central; Francis Wood, Northwestern and Hiram Keney, Northeast.

Officer Charles Jenkins, who was absent at the time, received his promotion later in the day and has been assigned to the Northwestern District.

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SERGEANT SCOTT, who was 51 years old on Oct. 16, is married to a Howard County, Md., girl, the former Miss Edith Smith. They will mark their 30th wedding anniversary on March 16.

The family lives at 1602 W. Lafayette Ave.

There are seven Scott children and five grandchildren.

The children are: Charles Stanley, 28, postal employee; Theodore Lewis, 27, postal employee; Philbin Leroy, 26, a teacher at Junior High School No. 181; Mrs. Edith Adele Davis 24, Cherry Hill housewife; George Eugene, 21, Marine sergeant stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C.; Leonard Sylvester, 18; and Carolyn Ann, 15, both pupils at Douglass High School.

Edith and Charles have two children each and Theodore has one.

The family belongs to Metropolitan Methodist Church where Mrs. Scott sings on the senior choir and is active in the Miriam Flower Circle.

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SERGEANT SCOTT was one of the first three colored men appointed to the force on July 20, 1938. Others appointed at that time were J. Hiram Butler, who later became the first colored sergeant, and Milton Gardner, now assigned to the detective bureau.

The appointment of the three men came after a lengthy campaign waged by citizens and civic groups.

The men were prepared for the examination at the Baltimore Police Training School, organized by the late Lorraine Calloway, GOP political leader.

Following his appointment, Scott was assigned to plainclothes work and was later placed in uniform and assigned to the Northwestern Police District where his beat embraced the area bounded by Laurens, Gilmore, Baker and Carey Sts.

On May 28, 1946, Scott was assigned to the Northwestern Police Boys-Club on Gold St. In March, 1952, he was sent to the Pine St. Station, his current assignment.

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THE NEW SERGEANT is a graduate of Douglass Senior High school. He lives at 1602 W. Lafayette Ave.

Sgt. Scott took the examinations for sergeant a number of times, and as recently as Jan. 1955, he stood third on the list of possible appointees to the post.

However, the late Commissioner Obey skipped over Scott's name and appointed 17 sergeants, all of them white.

Of the men who were appointed to the force at the same time as Scott, at least three are now lieutenants and three are sergeants.

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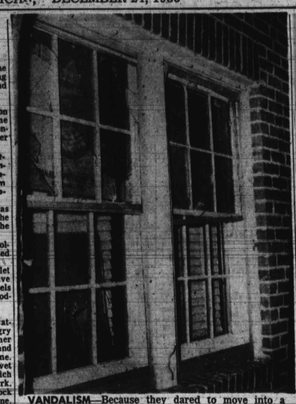
COMMENTING ON the promotion of Sergeant Scott, Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the local NAACP, had this to say:

"I'm very, very happy over the promotion. Sergeant Scott has been waiting a long time for promotion that was overdue.

"We didn't ask for his promotion, to sergeant because of his race, but because he stood high on the appointment list and deserves it. We thank Commissioner Hepbron for showing that a man is judged by his ability and service."



VANDALISM—Because they dared to move into a former all-white neighborhood, this home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Williams at 12 Mt. Olivet Lane has been under an almost constant brick barrage. With every window in the two-story building broken, police have been asked to keep an around-the-clock vigil on the premises.

Sailor jailed

Pleading guilty to carnal knowledge, George Bobby Reed, 21, a sailor attached to the Naval Academy, was sentenced to 18 months in the Reformatory for Males on Tuesday in Baltimore County Circuit Court. He had been accused of criminally assaulting a 15-year-old girl in a car parked off the Governor Ritchie Highway near Annapolis.

UNDAUNTED—Jimmy Dease, Curtis Bay Army Depot employee, holds a length of iron pipe which vandals threw through the living room window of his home in the third attack upon it since the Dease family moved in a week ago to become the only colored family in the 1000 block S. Carey St. "I'm staying right her," Mr Dease said after the series of attacks. Police have arrested one man in connection with the incidents.

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