WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

Father Admits Placing Bomb, Sending Notes

Launch new ADC probe

"The city administration is determined to guard against the payment of public welfare funds to ineligible persons.

"I feel that the re-investigation program which the department is about to undertake will be a very effective safeguard."

Mayor J. Harold Grady issued this statement Tuesday, in announcing that an intensive re-investigation of the entire aid to dependent children caseload of the Department of Public Welfare is to be launched this month.

Miss Esther Lazarus, director of the Department of Public Welfare, has set up a schedule under which one-sixth of the families receiving such aid will be notified each month that they are to be re-investigated, and they must re-establish their need for assistance.

This means that those who will soon be notified will not receive their January check, unless they have re-established their need for assistance.

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THIS PROCEDURE will be followed in subsequent months until the entire aid to dependent children rolls have been re-surveyed.

The re-investigation will consist of:

1. Visit to the home to determine who is living in the home and the conditions prevailing, with emphasis as to the kind of care that is being provided for the children;

2. Written statement from the landlord as to who is included in the rent, amount of rent paid, and by whom;

3. Where the father of the children is not in the home:

A.—The mother must make every effort possible to locate the father;

B. The mother and the agency must be sure that the necessary court action has been taken;

C. There must be a follow up with the police to see that action is taken in relation to the information given, and all clues followed to locate the father and necessary court action taken.

4. Re-investigation of all possible resources, such as social security, veterans pensions, military allowances, workmen's compensation, etc.;

5. Review of possibility of employment and rehabilitation towards employment for the mother or disabled father.

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TO AID IN implementing this program the Department of Public Welfare will add to special investigators to its staff, men with police or special investigation experience.

Aid to dependent children is the type of assistance granted to children deprived of parental support because of death, incapacity, or the absence of a father.

This new investigation is a further step in a program which began with a recent review of the general public assistance caseload, those persons under the age of 65 years who are partially employable and receiving welfare assistance.

Talking not of this prior investigation, Mayor Grady had this to say:

"Miss Lazarus has assured me that the department will keep control of the general public assistance caseload on a current basis to insure that only eligible persons receive this type of assistance."

TWO ALARMS were turned in when fire swept through this two-story frame dwelling at 2324 Annapolis Ave., in Mt. Winans Tuesday morning and claimed the life of James Brown. 4. Six persons escaped. When the fire plug at left failed to operate firemen had to attach their hoses to a plug two blocks away. Robert Cole, left, and his brother Donald left the burning house after they had tried without success to save their little nephew.

Rev. Raynor estate is $15,667

The Rev. Jodie McKinley Raynor, who died at his home, 907 W. Franklin St., left an estate of $15,667.71, according to an inventory filed in Orphans Court, this week.

The Rev. Mr. Raynor who was pastor of Concord Baptist Church, and active in Baptist ministerial circles, died July 1 at the age of 60.

The clergyman left $2,968.93 in cash; $1,578.27 in insurance; and $11,120.50 in property.

The personal properties included an automobile valued at $500 and furniture, $620.50.

The real properties included those at 1927 Edmondson Ave., value, valued at $5,500, and 603 N. Pulaski, $4,500.

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THE ESTATE is being administered by Mrs. Minnie Holmes of Washington through an agent, James McAllister, attorney, of this city.

Mrs. Holmes is one of four sisters and four brothers who survive the clergyman. His wife, Mrs. Virginia Raynor, died in Jan. 1959.

Other survivors include Mesdames Mamie Manley of Mt. Olive, N.C., Armentio Chance of Dunn, N.C., and Ethel McKethen of Washington, and Richard Raynor of Chicago, Nancy Raynor of Newark, N.Y., and James and Theodore Raynor of Fayetteville, N.C.

The Rev. Mr. Raynor is also survived by five nephews and nieces, including Odell Bennett of Newton Grove, N.C., Henry Raynor, Mrs. Mary H. Campbell and Miss Louise Raynor of Washington; and Mrs. Christine Cole of Newton Grove, N.C.

Testifies he tried to scare daughter

One year ago Wednesday neighbors in the 500 block Archer St. tremblingly called police when they noticed a mysterious man lurking in the shadows had placed a suspicious looking object in front of a certain home on their street.

Residents of that certain home said the 14-year-old daughter of the family had also received a threatening letter signed, "The Gang."

On Tuesday in Criminal Court the girl's father admitted placing the 'bomb' and writing the threatening note.

He was William Miller Jr., 43, unit block Pleasant St., Annapolis, Md.

Before announcing the verdict on the assault charge would be withheld pending a medical report, Judge Joseph Allen said, "This just doesn't sound normal."

Since the 'bomb' was found to be a dud, charges were not pressed.

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MR. MILLER, a tall, handsome man, dressed in a dark gray striped suit, black socks and white shirt, told the court he used the tactics of the note and the 'bomb' in an attempt to scare his daughter out of Baltimore.

He testified he thought she would be sent back to him in Annapolis, if he made her and her mother believe it was unsafe for her to stay in Baltimore.

After hearing the testimony of the defendant, the priest asked, "How do you explain writing to her things like this:

'Here is a birthday present. Your last birthday you will have on earth...?'

Mr. Miller answered:

"I love my daughter and I wanted her back."

Question: "If you wanted her back, why didn't you write her in your own name instead of signing it, 'The Gang.'"

Answer: "I didn't know any other way to scare her."

Q. "Don't you think there was way to scare her or to show her great affection and love?"

A. "I tried to show her great affection and love, and she seemed the father-star with her mother ... I realize now I was wrong."

The letter introduced into court, testimony by assistant State's attorney Thomas C. Nugent, read:

"ON OCT. 15, 1958 we went (sic) you a warning letter telling you that we didn't want you to stay in Baltimore overnight anymore. But you ignored our warning.

"We have been looking for you to going (sic) to school or coming back from school but you haven't been to school as yet.

"Here is a birthday present. Your last birthday you will have on earth. My friends, who has been in prison going on two years now.

"How do you feel? Real big, don't you? All I can say is happy landing. Because this is a bomb (sic).

signed: **The Gang"**

Giving a background for the note police said the girl was assaulted in 1956 by three youths in a school yard near her home.

Two of the youths were convicted on the girl's testimony and sentenced to 10 and 12 year terms.

After the trial, the child was first sent to live with her father and his second wife.

At first, the note was thought to have been sent by the third youth involved in the criminal assault who had not been yet caught by police because the note named the two convicted youths as "my friends."

A warrant was later obtained for the third youth, and he was also sentenced to ten years.

SOON AFTER the note was received by the family, the girl's mother told the AFRO:

"We are afraid to death. My daughter is afraid. They intend to hurt us all. They intend to blow the house up. Including my eight children."

While police were working on the case, the girl traveled back and forth to school under police guard, before she was sent back to Annapolis— last Oct.— to stay with her father as a safety measure after receiving the threatening letter and bomb threat.

In the meanwhile, police used handwriting experts to trace the note to Mr. Miller, a foreman in the Transportation Terminal at Fort Meade— the same camp where his 'bomb' was sent for analysis.

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THE BOMB, produced as evidence in court, looked like the harmless dud police reported it to be.

About the size and shape of a 12-ounce beer can with a spout for a cap similar to those on beer cans, the 'bomb' weighed between three and five pounds.

Police reported they found it was filled with BB's, gun powder taken from a gun shed and about half a teaspoon of lighter fluid.

In place of the cap, was a five cent candle and a piece of rope— like clothesline— about seven inches long.

Neighbors told police the "modern man" didn't light the 'bomb' because he noticed he was being watched.

Nearing the end of the trial, Judge Allen said: "I'm just wondering if there is some quirk in his mental make-up because it just doesn't sound normal ... I'm wondering if he needs some psychiatric examinations."

Invite Dr. Allen

Dr. W. W. Allen has been invited by former Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, U.S. representative, United Nations, New York, to attend the Community Leaders Program for 1959 on Friday, November 20th. The program is sponsored by the World Affairs Center for the United States.

IN DIVORCE COURT

Voluntary separation pleas figure in divorce actions

With one suit already filed in Circuit Court No. 2 charging desertion, Mrs. Catherine Mueller filed a second bill in Circuit Court 1, this week saying that she and her blond husband, John Mueller, voluntarily separated.

The second bill, as did the first, states that she and Mr. Mueller, whose address is given at 2001 Park Ave. were married on March 12, 1955, in Washington, and that there are no children.

The latter bill differs from the first by stating that they voluntarily separated and have voluntarily lived apart for more than three consecutive years prior to the filing of the bill.

The separation, says Mrs. Mueller, is beyond reasonable expectation of reconciliation.

She gave her address as 2206 Rosslyn Ave.

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MRS. VIOLET WILLIAMS of 3400 Bateman Ave. was granted a divorce from Horatio Williams, and given custody of their two children, the youngest of whom is 11 months.

Both children are boys, the older being four.

In testimony before an examiner, Mrs. Williams said that she and Mr. Williams were married August 21, 1954, and that the marriage ended on March 21, 1956 the first time.

She said that she left him at that time because he had been unfaithful to her and that she did not feel she could remain in their home with him in safety to her health and self-respect.

In January, 1958, she said, they met and she resumed the marriage on his promise to improve. But, she added, he failed to provide a home for her and they separated a second time.

Mr. Williams is to provide $20 a week for support of children.

ALSO WINNING a divorce on grounds of voluntary separation was Mrs. Alice Lee Small of 1909 E. Preston St. from John Sue Small.

Mr. and Mrs. Small were married June 21, 1947 and separated in July, 1953, according to testimony.

Mrs. Small was represented by Josiah F. Henry.

She said that her husband wouldn't work and became involved in some sort of trouble. "I paid his fine and we voluntarily separated after that," she added.

Thus spoke 19-year-old Donald Cole as he told of how he tried to save the life of his young nephew when fire destroyed their home at 2324 Annapolis Ave., in Mt. Winans, Tuesday morning.

The two-alarm fire claimed the life of four-year-old James Brown.

Fireman found his body in a second floor bedroom where he had apparently crawled on his hands and knees. He was dead on arrival at South Baltimore General Hospital. Death was attributed to suffocation.

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SIX PERSONS escaped unharmed from the two-story frame dwelling which "burned like a torch" shortly after 3 a.m.

They included the boy's grandmother, Mrs. Ida Cole, 52; Brenda Cole, 14; Donald, 17, Edmond, 12, Melvin, 24 and Robert Cole.

The child's mother Mrs. Mary Jane Patterson was working on the night shift at the Maryland Glass Company and had left the boy with her mother, Mrs. Cole.

Firemen who fought the blaze at Annapolis Ave. near S. Paca St., for one hour, said the fire may have originated in defective wiring.

DONALD COLE told the AFRO:

"Everyone was asleep and I was getting ready to go to bed when I smelled smoke.

"I went upstairs to tell my mother about it. Before we could get out a big ball of fire shot up. Edmond and Melvin jumped out of the window.

"When we got out front mother asked where James was. When we found out he was still inside I crawled up on the roof and Robert and I went to find him. When I got inside he (James) had left his bed.

"By the time I got back outside the firemen had arrived. They hooked up their hose but the plug didn't work. They had to find another fire plug down the street."

According to Southwestern District Police, Sgt. Louis A. Brandt and Patrolmen Carroll Brown and James Cannon saw smoke coming from the first floor rear of the house and turned in an alarm.

The officers reported that before firemen arrived they assisted several members of the Cole family to safety, some down a ladder on the front porch.

Boy dies in fire

"I crawled and crawled around on the floor but I couldn't find James.

"The smoke started choking me and I had to come out. The house was burning too fast."

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Another miracle for Susan King—she's better now

Susan King, 9, 2317 Poplar Grove St., who has been confined to Johns Hopkins Hospital with the return of a brain condition, is improving at home and her parents say she will return to school on Monday.

Susan suffered the first attack of what physicians termed an incurrable brain disease in 1953. They gave her but five weeks to live.

She recovered, learned to walk and attended school until two weeks ago when she was stricken while playing.

Rendered unable to walk and paralyzed in the lower part of her body, Susan was reported in a serious condition.

Physicians said the tumor covered one side of her head.

On Thursday, Mrs. Doris King, her mother, jubilantly told the AFRO: "We think it is miraculous."

26c tax rise; EEOC hard hit in city's budget next year

By MAX JOHNSON

If you own your home and it is assessed at $5,000, your present property tax of $167 will be increased $13 to a total of $180 for the coming year.

In addition, your water bill will go up 50 percent; a license for your dog will be $3, rather than a $1 renewal; registration of your child's bicycle will rise from 50 cents to $1.

And if you try to pay the city any bills with a bad check, it will cost you $5.

A property tax rate increase of 26 cents— from the present $2.34 per $100 assessment to $2.60— and a host of "nuisance" taxes are proposed in the city's budget for the coming year.

It has been estimated that these new taxes will raise the additional funds of $8,202,408 needed to meet city expenses now seen totaling $251,210,003 for 1960.

This new budget made public Tuesday afternoon is both tight and unique.

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ITS TIGHTNESS lies in the proposals to slash 367 existing jobs from the payrolls of 30 city agencies and to grant few funds for expansion programs and fewer salary increases.

The budget is $78,788,500 less than the 1959 city budget which totaled $329,998,503.

Its uniqueness lies in the fact that the new budget has already been approved by the Board of Estimates, and any additional desired expenditures will likely just remain somebody's device rather than become a reality.

The City Council, which has

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Dr. Perkins paid final tribute

Funeral services for Dr. Clifton T. Perkins, who in less than a decade, guided Maryland's mental hospitals from the "shameful" state to a place among the nation's best, were held Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. Perkins, who became commissioner of mental hygiene in April of 1950, died late Tuesday at his Towson home after a lingering illness. He was 58.

High ranking state, county and Baltimore City officials and numerous leaders in the medical field were among the mourners at the Towson Presbyterian Church for the funeral. Burial was to be in Amesbury, Mass.

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DR. PARKINS was a supporter of integration in the state's mental institutions and it was with his backing, in the face of protests from some sources, that colored children were first admitted to the Rosewood State Training School.

In recognition of his efforts in this behalf and his dedicated work in revamping the outmoded mental hospital system he inherited, he was cited to the AFRO Honor Roll in 1953.

The other four mental hospitals are still operated on a basis of one (Crownsville) for colored and three for whites.

Just last week Dr. Perkins had said he planned to resign and Gov. J. Millard Tawes had said he would be retained as a consultant at his $20,000 a year salary.

After his death, Deputy Commissioner Rudolph J. Depner, was instructed by Gov. Tawes to take over the reins in the department until a successor is named.

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BORN IN Auburn, Maine, Dr. Perkins followed in the footsteps of his father in becoming a physician. He graduated from Bates College in 1922 and did his medical study at Boston University.

He fell in love with psychiatry during a six-month stint at a Worcester mental hospital to round out his education after intern and resident duty at Massachusetts Memorial Hospital.

He was commissioner of mental health for Massachusetts for 12 years before coming to Maryland in 1950. Internationally known and recognized in his field, Dr. Perkins passed up many lucrative offers to remain in Maryland.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Annie Perkins, and a daughter, Mrs. James A. Sherar, of Baltimore.

CLIFTON PERKINS

Driver acquitted of manslaughter

James Mankins, 39, 600 block S. Hanover St., was found not guilty of automobile manslaughter Tuesday afternoon in Criminal Police Court.

Police identified Mankins as the driver of an automobile that struck and killed six year old Karen Vogel of the 1300 block W. Cross St. last October.

The child died the day after the accident occurred at Cross and Sergeant Sts.

'They were dressed in women's clothes'

"I am unemployed and I do not have women's clothing."

Edward Dean, 19, 900 block of Fayette St., gave Magistrate Calvin A. Douglass that answer in testifying on a charge of leading a disorderly course of life at Western, Monday morning.

Sgt. Anthony Bizzari told Magistrate Douglass he arrested Dean and three other youths in a car at the intersection of Gilmor St. and Riggs Ave. Sunday.

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"THEY WERE dressed in women's clothing and said they were going to a party in Washington," the sergeant testified.

Dean, Jerome Jones, 21, 900 block of W. Mulberry St. and Eugene Johnson, 20, 1900 block of Fayette St., were all fined $25 and costs.

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CURTISS BRANCH, 21, 2100 block of W. Baltimore St. was given probation before a verdict on the recommendation of the arresting officer.

$1,545,163 caught in probation net

The Probation Department of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City had a caseload of 38,048 at the end of September, says John A. Wallace, director of probation.

Of the 1,133 new cases assigned to the department in the third quarter, 459 involved non-support, 309 bastardy and 126 criminal cases.

Another 154 were concerned with divorce - alimony, 9 indigent parents, 13 juvenile court support of children cases, and 61 involving uniform support of dependents.

From July 1 through September 30 the department collected $1,545,163 in fines, restitution, court costs and support of children, wives and indigent parents.

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COLTS SET FOR BIGGEST CONTEST

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Colts face biggest contest

A collection of the hottest tan players on the football horizon will be on display at Memorial Stadium Sunday afternoon when the world champion Baltimore Colts entertain their most serious rivals, the San Francisco 49ers.

Three of the six colored players on the Colts were all pro last year, evidence that they figured largely in the winning of the title by the home club. But halfback Lenny Moore and tackles Jim Parker and Gene Lipscomb cannot expect to hog the limelight, since the Forty-Niners have a tan trio of their own with considerable luster.

Halfbacks J. D. Smith and Abe Woodson are big wheels in the San Francisco machine. And fullback Joe Perry is never to be lightly regarded by the opposition.

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IN ALL, twelve tan athletes will be part of this head-to-head clash for leadership of the Western Conference in the NFL race.

Helping defend the laurels they won last year will be defensive halfbacks John Sample and Milt Davis and tackle Sherman Plunkett, of the Colts.

Aligned with the Forty-Niners will be halfback Red R. C. Owens, tackle John Thomas and halfback Lenny Lyles, one time member of the local fraternity.

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MUCH OF the 'Frisco strength is embodied in these tan stars.

Smith, a product of A. and T. College, and the CIAA, is second only to the redoubtable Jim Brown among the league's ground gainers. Perry is fourth in this department. Between them, they have rushed for a total of 1,335 yards—exactly the same as the ability-laden trio by Cleveland's brilliant pair, Brown and halfback Bobby Mitchell.

Smith also has scored eight touchdowns during the Forty-Niner scramble to remain atop the standings. Only Brown, with ten, and teammate Tommy Davis (9) have tallied more.

Woodson, aside from boasting the year's longest kickoff runback—a TD gallop of 105 yards—is second among the NFL's punt return specialists.

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BALTIMOREANS ARE familiar with the tremendous

See COLTS, Page 2

Harris named

Willie L. Harris, physics teacher at the Douglass Senior High School, has been appointed head of the Science Department at the school replacing Herbert M. Frisby, who has retired.

The appointment was approved by the Board of School Commissioners on Thursday. It becomes effective today (Friday).

A tuition fee of 40 cents each class hour in all non-credit informal adult education courses was also approved. This does not include parent education classes.

These rates start after January, 1960.

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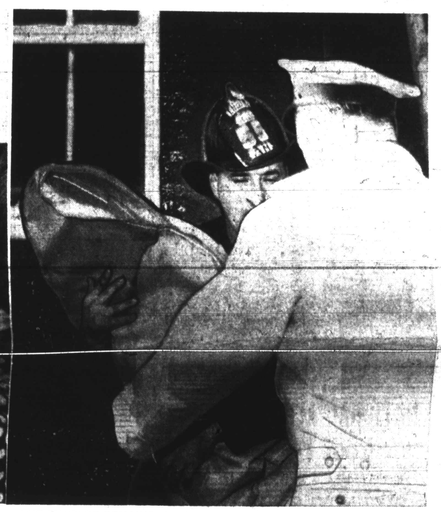
'Get My Babies!'

AFRO PHOTOG ON SCENE WHERE 3 INFANTS DIED

THE TRAGEDY of Burgundy St. is etched in Mrs. Virginia Roberts' young face as her husband, an ambulance driver, and her mother try to console her.



THE BUNDLED REMAINS of a child, a fireman and an ambulance driver tell the story of Wednesday's fatal fire. Three children perished.

"Get my babies, get my babies, my babies are in there."

Nineteen-year-old Mrs. Virginia Roberts, 942 Burgundy St., screamed this frantic plea to everyone within hearing distance on Wednesday as she stood helpless and paralyzed with horror while flames and smoke poured out of the windows and doors of her two-story home.

Inside the house, trapped in a second floor bedroom, were three of her four children—Virginia, four months; Leroy, one year, and Leray, two years.

As the mother screamed her pitiful pleas, firemen battled the blaze for 45 minutes and at last brought it under control.

Able then to enter the gutted building they found the three children.

They were dead.

Leray and Leroy were found in a crib and the body of Virginia was taken from the bed.

Virginia was a partial cripple who had never been able to walk.

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THE TRAGEDY was staged before a group of stunned spectators who crowded the narrow street and were unable to do anything to save the lives of the children.

Once the fire started, it spread with such rapidity that no one could have survived a trip into the blazing interior.

The closest attempt at a rescue was made by Officer Wilbur Langville of the Southwestern District who heard Mrs. Roberts' cries for help and ran into the building.

"When I went into the front room, the couch was on fire and the ceiling fell in," the officer said. He was forced to run back into the street.

There he notified other residents in the block of the fire and helped evacuate them, in case the blaze spread.

(See other photos, Page 5)

THE CHILDREN were pronounced dead at South Baltimore General Hospital and Mrs. Roberts, near hysteria, was taken to University where she was treated and released.

Late Thursday, she was still numbed by the shock and hor-

See 3 BABIES, Page 3

'Couldn't see for the smoke'

3 Roberts infants found dead in their bedroom

THE DISASTER ROOM on second floor of the Roberts family home is marked by arrow. Three members of the family's six survived.

$50 is the total set aside each week for News Tips and News Photos. For News Tips, call MU. 5-6015, 6017, 1812 and 1813. If no answer, call LA. 3-3824 or WI. 5-2522. Bring your Photos to the City Desk.

AFRO ALMANAC

TODAY: Friday, Nov. 20.
The 324th day of the year.
The 11th month.
4 more days in the year.
36 more days until Christmas.

WEATHER: Today, Friday, sunny, high near 50. Low 32 tonight. Saturday, partly cloudy, warmer. Sunday, rain, clearing afternoon or night. Monday, clear and cold.

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WINDS TODAY will be swift, 15 to 20 miles per hour. The sun rise tomorrow (Saturday) at 6:56 a.m. and sets at 4:47 p.m. The moon is on the wane, and is approaching the last quarter and will reach the last quarter at 8:03 a.m., Nov. 23.

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THANKSGIVING DAY, Thursday, Nov. 26, is six days away. This holiday always comes the 4th Thursday in November and is celebrated in all states, territories and possessions as a national holiday.

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IN BALTIMORE, Thursday, Nov. 26

Offices; city, state and federal; closed
Schools: closed
Banks: closed
Courts: closed
Post Office; holiday schedule
Trash: no collection
Stores: closed

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WORDS OF WISDOM FOR BUSINESSMEN: Keep vitality up; keep insurance paid; keep sober, keep cool. Be wary of dealing with unsuccessful men. Do not tell what you are going to do until you have done it.

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MEMORABLE DAY FROM HISTORY: Hilliard B. Alexander, who established the first delivery and riding academy owned and operated by a colored man, died in Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 22, 1950 at the age of 93.

Man elected 'by mistake' is sworn in

RICHMOND

James L. Carter, 33-year-old barber elected "by mistake" as a justice of the peace in Farmville, Va., will take office unchallenged on Jan. 1.

Mr. Carter last week was sworn in by the Prince Edward County clerk and posted his surety bond.

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IN THE Nov. 3 election, Mr. Carter was a write-in candidate for a seat on the County Board of Supervisors.

Some voters mistakenly wrote his name in the justice of the peace slot, thereby electing him to that office.

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QUADS GAIN

1st of Graves quads able to leave hospital

Kim Marie Graves, the oldest of the quadruplets born to Mrs. Lorraine Graves, Oct. 10, left Johns Hopkins Hospital for her Annapolis home on Thursday.

She weighs 6 pounds, 3 ounces will be one month and 11 days old tomorrow, (Saturday).

As she left the Johns Hopkins Hospital Harriett Lane Children's division nursery, hospital authorities said, "She's simply fine and dandy."

They added: "They are all in good health — fine babies — or else we would not allow any one of them to go home.

"They have showed continued progress since they were born and with good care, there is no reason why they should not grow up to be fine, strong children."

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THE GRAVES quads are Maryland's only living quadruplets.

Remaining at the Harriet Lane Nursery are the other three members of the quartet, Karen May, Kevin Mark (boy) and Katherine Mary. They each weigh a little over four pounds.

Hospital authorities explained that each one of the quads will

See 1st QUAD HOME, Page 2

Mrs. Santa prepares for another joyous Yule

"Last year I was too late to get a ticket. This year please send me one."

This brief message reached the desk of the AFRO's Mrs. Santa this week thus serving notice that the Christmas season is just about at hand and it's time for the hard working lady to get busy again.

The note was from a ten-year-old youngster who last year couldn't attend Mrs. Santa's Christmas Eve party at the Regent Theatre.

This Christmas Eve Mrs. Santa will have another gala party at the Regent and she's going to see to it that this youngster gets a ticket.

But more about the Christmas party later, right now, let's take a look at the tremendous task that is facing Mrs. Santa this year.

LAST YEAR Mrs. Santa received close to 2,000 pleas for help from needy families and this year it looks as if the number of requests will be even larger.

Through the generosity of AFRO readers and advertisers, many of these families received food, clothing and toys last year and had a Christmas that otherwise they never would have known.

This year Mrs. Santa will again be appealing for help for

See MRS. SANTA, Page 2

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