"I am a man of peace; God knows how I love peace. But I hope I shall never be such a coward as to mistake oppression for peace."
—Hungarian Freedom Fighter Kossuth

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No Shouting

How do we feel about the public accommodations bill which the City Council passed and Mayor Grady signed?

We feel somewhat like we felt twenty years ago when leading department store executives downtown cancelled all of the accounts of colored persons and advised them that their money wasn't wanted.

At a called meeting storekeepers suggested that colored people would be allowed to trade at the downtown stores, but the women must agree not to try on hats or lingerie and all items would be purchased on a non-returnable basis.

That was in the 1940's. The chief negotiator was Walter White. He rejected any compromise.

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WE HAVE NOW an equal accommodations bill which requires restaurants to accept diners, but under certain circumstances permits them to reject those who wish to buy alcoholic beverages.

Half a loaf they say is better than no bread, but back of any compromise of this character is the image of the Ugly American. He demands certain inequalities or reservations for himself.

So if you see no shouting in these columns about the public accommodations bill, you will understand why.

Dr. Jenkins Is Right

Dr. Martin Jenkins' minority report objecting to that part of the Curlett Commission plan affecting Morgan State College is sound and wise.

This minority report, signed by John H. Murphy, 3rd, another member of the commission, rejects the commission's proposal to do away with Morgan's Board of Trustees.

The Curlett plan is to put Morgan and state teachers' colleges under a federated trustee board.

Morgan does not belong in the class of teachers' colleges.

Its development and traditions are more similar to the University Maryland which the Curlett Commission would continue as independent under its own board.

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TWO SYSTEMS of state colleges administration have developed in this country:

(1) The California Plan, which puts all state colleges under one board.

(2) The other is the Ohio Plan, which provides independent trustee boards for state colleges.

Pope, long ago, found no virtue in methods of control. He said: "For forms of government, let fools contest.

"What's best administered is best."

So what are the facts about administration at Morgan College?

Under its own independent Board of Trustees, it has grown from 600 to 2400 students since 1939. It is accredited. Some other state schools are not.

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FOR SOME disadvantaged high school graduates it admits, Morgan has developed a remedial education program which is the equal of any in the country and superior to most.

Two presidents—Dr. Dwight O. W. Holmes and Dr. Martin D. Jenkins—have been, and are, superior in their field of education.

The administration of the college has not only been educationally advanced but functionally, appropriate to the community needs.

Wherever Morgan graduates have gone out into the world to work or to further their education, they have carried the spirit of a dynamic and progressive institution.

If there were mistakes and weaknesses at Morgan which some new system could correct, there would be reason to consider Curlett's California proposal.

As it is, we think Maryland doesn't need to borrow from California and we can do better on our own.

The Visitors Noticed It

The Baltimore Police Department is in the news recently because a group of officers from Ethiopia have been studying the operation of the *Crime Bureau here.*

As good as it is, there is one thing wrong with the Crime Bureau in the Baltimore Police Department, and that whether they took public note of it or not, the visiting policemen did not overlook the absence of colored officers in the crime lab.

Had they bothered to ask, and as guests here it would have been unexpected if they had, the answer would have been somewhat embarrassing for the Police Department here.

The facts seem to be that the Crime Bureau is but one of a number of divisions to which no colored officer has been assigned.

This situation has been brought to the attention of the top brass time and time again.

Nothing casts a shadow over the administration of justice more quickly and in a more dangerous manner than questions about the fairness and honesty of the administering personnel.

Before these — or other guests — come to study with us, it would be a worthwhile move for the Police Department of Baltimore to complete the job of integrating its personnel which has been started.

Commissioner Bernard Schmidt could see that it happens.

Who Is On First?

An old baseball wheeze is based upon the fact that one of the players was named "Who."

So in answer to the question, "Who is on first base?," the answer was, "Who is on first."

At a recent AFRO Cooking School, the AFRO polled its women guests and discovered that:

1,301 bought ten brands of bread. The largest number preferred one of these brands.

The purpose of the survey was to find which bread is "first."

While we were surveying breads we found our women's preferences for other food items.

1,262 bought soap powders
1,257 bought soups
1,204 apple sauce
1,279 flour
1,266 fresh sausage
1,218 frankfurters
1,232 ice cream
1,246 canned milk
1,226 coffee
1,212 tea
1,009 beer

In each food category, these women named the product they preferred. For example, they used 19 different brands of soap powder, but one brand was found nearly 2 to 1 over the soap powder in second place.

Out of 17 coffees marketed, one brand is universally approved. The other 16 got only scattered votes.

By preferences, then, we found bread, flour, sausage and soap powder are the top items purchased by women.

Canned milk and ice cream are ahead of tea and coffee, with apple sauce and beer bringing up the rear.

The AFRO's survey, when printed, will indicate which brands are first among AFRO women.

But the top food item, of course, is bread, as if you would not have guessed that already without our survey.

Repentance Corps

A program called "Operation Penance" has been launched by the Lutheran Church of Germany.

It is sending volunteers, age 16 to 25, to some Nazi-held areas.

For example, a Repentance Task Force of 16 Germans just built a youth center in a once-held Nazi-occupied town in Holland.

Another group of Germans built a similar center in Coventry, an English town mercilessly bombed during the war.

Biggest monuments of repentance are to be built in Israel. Thousands of young Germans are being enlisted for it, remembering that 6 million Jews were tortured and murdered by the Nazis in the last World War.

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WE NEED some monuments of repentance in Baltimore and other parts of the U.S.

The other day, a British chemist who had taken land from the Africans in Kenya and occupied it en force for 50 years, said Europeans in Kenya were not going to give back the land.

Would Americans, he asked, give North Dakota back to the Indians, from whom they stole it?

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IT MIGHT be better for Americans, if we give N rth Dakota back to the Indians, Texas back to the Mexicans and the Panama Canal back to the Panamanians.

We need to atone for our sins.

Congressman Adam Powell is in the habit of saying that there are more psychiatrists in the United States than in all the rest of the world put together. The reason is the mass sense of guilt in this country.

We ought to be ashamed of the wrongs done to Indians and to colored persons as well. The consciences of white Americans can never be free until, like the Germans, this nation has erected monuments of repentance all over this broad land.

16,000 Children In Clean-Up



The 28th annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign opens this week. Over 16,000 children and adults will enroll in this markedly successful drive to clean and beautify their neighborhoods. Before the contest ends, many blocks in Baltimore and the surrounding areas will be pretty like this.

What Our Readers Say

From Father Dorsch

Dear AFRO:

I was very pleasantly surprised and delighted to learn from one of my parishioners that the AFRO, in its edition of May 29th, had named me as one of "The Ten Outstanding Citizens" of Baltimore.

I hasten therefore to express to the Baltimore AFRO - AMERICAN my deep and genuine appreciation for this honor.

The Archbishop has given me, as Director of the Associated Catholic Charities, Inc. the opportunity to promote and implement in the community Catholic social principles that apply equally and without discrimination to all the children of God.

I am, therefore, only discharging my duty under God when I speak and act in behalf of inter-racial justice and the welfare of all the citizens of the city and the state.

It is, however, encouraging and gratifying to learn from such a thoughtful and generous gesture as yours that my efforts are recognized and appreciated in the community.

I assure you that the AFRO's testimonial will serve to encourage and inspire me to continue to do all that I can, with the help of God, to advance the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God.

With grateful good wishes

RT. REV. MONSIGNOR
DAVID I. DORSCH, Director
Associated Catholic Charities, Inc.

CORE asks support

Dear AFRO:

For the past ten years, the Baltimore Chapter of CORE has been demonstrating to break restaurant bias in this city. Last week, members of CORE, including some members who have been in the fight since CORE was organized here in 1952, got their first chance to eat in many Baltimore restaurants.

Pinpoint

Councilman Tries To End Gas War

By GEORGE W. COLLINS

It's a good thing for City Councilman George W. Arthur (D., 3rd) that the city's motorists — all 281,427 of them—do not have to decide whether he remains in office.

For the first time in a great while, motorists have been given a break in the overworked pocketbook through the on-again, off-again gas war.

In some areas where the competition is fercest, gasoline — including the super premiums —has dropped as much as 10 and 12 cents per gallon.

Now the councilman wants to spoil it all.

The Third District lawmaker on June 11 introduced an ordinance which will kill off the only war I've found beneficial.

Fortunately, his colleagues have not taken action on the measure yet and I hope they don't. Frankly, I'd like to see it go on and on and on!

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AS OF THIS week city drivers have another inconvenience to add to those created by parking problems, traffic tickets, and the like.

Auto owners who, through the force of habit, went to 21st St. and Guilford Ave. to transact business with the Department of Motor Vehicles got a rude awakening.

The visit which formerly required a few minutes from any part of the city has gone the way of the five cent cigar.

DMV operation is now located 10 miles from Baltimore in Glen Burnie.

BENJAMIN L. BROWN, recently appointed assistant state's attorney for Baltimore, bringing the number of colored assistants in the office to a history-making two, scored another first last Friday.

He was prosecutor in a criminal court case that was transferred to Towson, Baltimore County seat, when the defendant was granted a change of venue.

The only member of his race in the proceedings, Ben chalked up another conviction for the state, just as he has consistently done since joining the staff of Saul A. Harris.

It was the first time in the history of the county that a colored prosecutor had represented the state.

The up and coming assistant was also in on another first a few months back. He teamed with the polished veteran prosecutor, James W. McAllister to successfully prosecute the "Windsor Hills Case."

They were opposed by two of the best criminal lawyers in the city—George L. Russell Jr. and Milton B. Allen.

It marked the first time in the history of Baltimore courts that both sides of the trial table were occupied by lawyers of color.

AFRO Credo

A newspaper succeeds because, its management believes in itself, in God and in the present generation. It must always ask itself—

Whether it has kept the faith with the common people.

Whether it has no other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future assured.

Whether it is fighting to get rid of slums, to provide jobs for everybody.

Whether it stays out of politics except to expose corruption and condemn injustice, race prejudice or compromise.

JOHN H. MURPHY SR., 1920

Sightseeing

The Rush Is On To Out-Of-Doors

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS



We humans are a funny lot.

For hundreds and hundreds of years, our ancestors were forced, through sheer necessity, to cook their food over open fires.

There were several disadvantages connected to this procedure...One never knew when the fickle wind would change and blow smoke into the eyes and nose of the cook.

Then too, unable to regulate the fire to any great extent, one could never be completely sure whether the food would be over-cooked or under-cooked.

How our poor ancestors must have longed for a more efficient and easier method of preparing the day's nourishment.

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THEIR NEED was finally answered with the invention of the stove—which has now been developed into such an amazingly complicated device that it does almost everything —except pay the notes at the bank.

The modern housewife has only to open a few packages of frozen or instant food, put them into pans with the proper amount of water, and set the pans on the stove.

Just by twisting a few dials, the stove will cook the food without any burning, and then turn itself off—and the housewife never has to lift a finger.

I understand that the manufacturers are now working on a stove that will take the food out of the refrigerator, cook it, and then put it on the table...When that happens, the day of the complete emancipation of women will have come...and Lord help the males.

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BUT BE that as it may, one would think that we would be content with our modern kitchens...but content we are not.

There seems to be a plot afoot to return us to the cooking level of our forefathers . . . In other words, time marches backwards.

With the arrival of the first of the warm weather, an alarming number of Americans desert their comfortable kitchens, and turn to outdoor grills and fireplaces where they proceed to bar-b-que everything they can lay their hands on.

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NOTHING is safe from some of these people—steak, chicken, lamb, liver, lobsters, and sometimes I think even pieces of garden hoses, judging from some of the bar-b-ques I have eaten.

Just like our forefathers, our bar-b-quers stand in front of open fires, suffering while smoke blows in their eyes and nose.

And just like our ancestors, they usually prepare one of two types of food—too cooked and not enough cooked.

Instead of sitting in their comfortable air-conditioned homes like sensible people, they prefer to suffer the discomfort of standing before a hot fire under a blazing sun.

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I SUSPECT that much of the impetus for the desire to leave the peace of our homes for the primitiveness of the out-of-doors, comes from the women's magazines which during the summer months feature attractive ads extolling the virtue of out-of-doors living.

The fact that the people who write these ads wouldn't be caught dead outside of New York City, doesn'tdetract from the power that they have to mesmerize a reader.

A housewife looks at one of these ads and then turns to her long suffering spouse and suggests:

"Let's have dinner outdoors."

Despite the heat, the ants, and the mosquitoes, they both agree that 'it's fun" eating out of doors—and there you have two more members of the bar-b-que club.

NEXT THING you know, they're inviting friends in to a bar-b-que and boasting about their accomplishments as chefs.

Unfortunately, when it comes to culinary skill, their score stands on the other side of zero—but you would never tell them this.

For some unexplainable reason, they all seem to think they are cooking geniuses.

A person puts on an apron, starts a fire, and immediately he believes he's another Oscar of the Waldorf.

Actually, some of the things done in the backyards of our nation under the guise of backyard cookery, would drive a gourmet to strong drink.

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NEVER IN the course of human events have so many people ruined so much food as the American people, since this craze for out doors living began.

In some of our residential sections on the weekends, the smoke from the various fires become so thick, you need a flashlight to find your way home in the daytime.

There is, however, one consolation. It's got to get cold again.

Letters

Readers are invited to submit letters for publication. All letters must be signed but signatures will be omitted if requested. Letters should be no more than 300 words in length. Address them "Our Readers Say," AFRO-AMERICAN, 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore 1, Md.

Favors vote drive

Dear AFRO:

The first thing the colored race has to learn is to become aware of how important the vote is.

Did you know that the colored press reported in the L.A. area that as of 3 or 4 months ago about 25 per cent of the colored people were registered voters?

Did you know that in L.A. there are so few colored teachers registered to vote that a colored male teacher had

Sincerely,
(Name withheld on request)
Los Angeles, Calif.

Hodge-Podge

Police Radar Check Gets The Job Done



By ROBERT W. MATTHEWS

Watched a police radar team operate Thursday morning. They were set up on Dukeland St., between Gwynns Falls Pkwy. and Liberty Heights Ave.

'Twas during the morning hours—just about at the height of the downtown rush. The team was checking on cars headed south on Dukeland.

From a vantage point, watched the operation for about 15 minutes. During this period, only one car was stopped for exceeding the 25-mile-per hour posted speed limit.

Over the years, have heard many complaints about how sneaky this radar speed-check business is, but must confess that anyone ticketed in Thursday's setup has no one to blame but themselves.

For, whether by accident or design, the setup was plainly visible from at least a quarter of a mile away. But it served its purpose. Never have I seen traffic going so slowly past Lemmel Jr. High School.

And you can bet that when the word gets around that the spot is liable to be radar-checked — drivers will obey the speed limits — which is the function of the radar-check in the first place.

MODERN JAZZ and good music lovers really have a tough time in Baltimore trying to find their kind of music. Especially if they work nights or happen to listen to the radio during the wee hours of the morn.

Turned on the radio one insomniac-cursed night recently, and the only thing available for listening in our town was either rock and roll or country and western music.

Actually, there are only three local stations which stay on for 24 hours, although others are licensed to do so. All three of them play rock and roll exclusively.

In desperation, started dial-twiddling and discovered that you can pick up good-music stations in Canada, Detroit, Chicago or New York just as easily as you can the local broadcasts.

Jazz lovers do have their inning in our town—though in limited doses. One show is on at midnight, the other at 6 a.m. Unless you have an FM set, you can forget jazz for the rest of the 24-hour period.

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips



People coming and going

This town is jumping with visitors today and tomorrow — pretty important people too — they are publishers of the nation's largest weekly newspapers. . . .

Mostly male, they have come from as far west as California, as far south as Miami and from other parts of the deep South and East Coast.

They are pretty serious people too . . . they knuckled right down to business on Thursday a.m., at Morgan State College, where sessions will continue today and tomorrow.

Typical of these oh so substantial males in town are:

Leon Washington, publisher, and George Goodman Jr., Los Angeles Sentinel; Al Dunmore, Michigan Chronicle; Balm L. Leanell Jr., Chicago New Crusader; And, J. B. Smith, Atlanta; Garth C. Reeves, Miami; and Norfolk Journal and Guide's Tom Young, to name a few.

Also John Kirkpatrick of the East St. Louis Crusader and Roscoe L. McCray of the St. Louis Argus; Carl F. Morris of St. Louis Union Eelectric Co., a guest; and Birmingham's famed editor, Emory O. Jackson.

Of course, the highlight of the three - day meeting is the banquet tonight (Friday), when Bob Kennedy, U. S. Attorney General comes to speak. . . .

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This is the first time, the publishers (official name is National Newspaper Publishers' Association), has met in Baltimore in eight years.

They are marveling at the changes . . . and there have been many in our town since 1954 B.S.C. (before Supreme Court decision).

While most delegates are housed on the campus, several are staying at downtown hotels. . . .

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Conventions like this bring out many hidden talents, like the speaking ability of Mrs. John H. Murphy 3rd (Alice), wife of the AFRO president.

She brought greetings at the Thursday afternoon luncheon given by Carnation Milk.

After hearing her speak, Morgan President Martin Jenkins observed:— "I knew she had talent. She was an all A student of mine at Howard University. ."

And, there was no end to the talent of arranging by Mrs. Carl Murphy (Lillian), wife of the AFRO's board chairman. She not only garnered entertainers (Arena Players, a toe dancer, musical trio, and Pauline Brooks fashion show), to occupy the ladies' attention, she also served as fashion commentator. What a gal!

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Among guests at the luncheon: Mrs. Etta Smith Pearsol of Los Angeles, here in Baltimore because of the illness of her dad, 96 - year - old John T. Smith.

Send him sunshine at 3914 **Old Frederick Rd., where he is living with another daughter, Mrs. Howard Wilson (Jennie.)**

Talented young woman going places: Carol Spencer, who did an interpretive dance.

Stunning looker: Mrs. Lena Estrada of Philly, Carnation Milk Co. consultant.

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Luckiest delegate: Rev. Harry Alexander, Cleveland Call-Post business manager.

His car skidded on an oil slick just outside of Frederick.

He and his two children, Anthony, 12, and Marilyn,10, escaped uninjured.

The car, however, is a wreck.

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Off for a weekend conclave of the Moles in Norfolk are a number of Baltimoreans.

By the time you read this, they will be stashed away in the Golden Triangle Motor Hotel in the downtown section of that Virginia City.

Tonight (Friday), there is formal. Saturday a.m., there will be a breakfast and business session and stag for the men. In the afternoon, a luncheon and beach party.

Closed party on Saturday evening for Moles and their escorts and a Sunday brunch and 2 p.m. "on the road" gathering will wind up the sessions which will attract members from Detroit, Pittsburg, Savannah, Richmond, Cincinnati, Columbus, Ohio, and D.C., and other points east and west.

Baltimoreans headed Norfolk way are: Mesdames Florence Bailey, president of the Baltimore chapter and national secretary; Bertha Forte, Bernice McDaniels, Helena Hall, Louise Lockerman, Mary McPherson, Bea Wright, Helen Queen, Emma Dudley.

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Visitors at the Baltimore home of Mrs. Glenford Musselden (Lydia), last week: Major and Mrs. George Haley of Bath, N.Y., who have just returned from Tokyo.

He has been in Japan for the past four years as chief of indication division and director of estimates with the Air Force headquarters, a post he has held for the past four years.

Major and Mrs. Haley and their children, Diane, 6; and James, 7; are now en route to McChord AF Base, Tacoma, Washington, for assignment to Hdqts. 25 Norads Region.

More coming and going

Dr. and Mrs. E. G. McGruder (Madeline), of Bristol, Pa., stopped here briefly with Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lewis.

They were en route to D.C., to deposit his 19-year-old cousin, Elizabeth Nell Irvin of Oakland, California, who will join a student group for a two-month tour in W. Africa. She is a student at the U. of Calif. at Berkeley. After the tour, she will remain abroad to study at the University of Bordeaux.

Out W. Lexington St. way, there is plenty of excitement. Two residents are ready for a glorious overseas jaunt.

Mrs. Helena Sawyer Wright, elementary school specialist, and her next door neighbor, Miss Yvonne Brown, Cherry Hill junior high teacher, will join the European tour sponsored by the Public School Teachers Association.

They leave July 28.

Helena's says she is quite thrilled about the forthcoming trip. Husband Tim, will hold down the fort until she returns.

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Also reading for a trip abroad is Mrs. Rhea Brown.

Mrs. William Lynch and family last week hosted daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Maceo Patterson (Mildred), of Farrell, Pa. With them were their small daughters, Mildred and Susan.

Dr. Patterson, you'll remember, has been quite ill, but is looking and doing much better now.

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More visitors: Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Kimbrough (Mabel) of D.C., their son, Clayton E., Kimbrough 3rd, 16; and year-old daughter, Mary, weekended with his sister, Mrs. Richard I. McKinney (Phyllis) at her Morgan Park home.

Also here, Mrs. McKinney's mother, Mrs. Mary Jane Kimbrough, and sister, Mrs. Mary K. McDade, both of Charleston, W. Va. They will be here a good bit of the summer to keep Mrs. McKinney's company, while her husband is away.

Dr. McKinney, you know, heads the philosophy department at Morgan State College, and is teaching this summer at Southern University.

Incidentally, Mrs. Robert Kimbrough mentioned above, is a registered nurse. She runs the Woodridge Day Care Center in D.C. Mr. Kimbrough is an aircraft machinist.

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Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Quarles' daughter, Roberta, is joining the Peace Corps.

She is the Pembroke College honor grad, who received her M.A. in English from Columbia University this month.

As of July 7 she will be in D.C., to begin training to teach English in Ethiopia for two years.

Her father, Dr. Quarles is the noted author and historian, whose new book on Abe Lincoln, is drawing raves. He heads the history department at Morgan State College.

Her mother, known professionally as Dr. Ruth Brett, is coordinator of student personnel services at Morgan.

Announcing . . .
MARY MERVIS
Delicatessen-Salads
Just Inside Eutaw St.
Located in
New Lexington Market

People, places, things

You have to hand it to those men of the Phalanx Club. They really know how to entertain their wives and guests.

This is the club composed of men of all ages who play cards together one night a week, have been doing it for 25 years.

Once a year, they roll out the carpet for their ladies.

This year's affair was a 'way out' picnic on Sunday, a beautiful summer day, at Johnson's Farm.

Guests arrived to find the usual picnic fare — hot dogs, hamburgers steaming on the grill; hi-fi piped through loud speakers which were placed strategically in the trees.

And, of course, there was plenty of good fellowship.

Before the sun went down, there was chicken supper with all the trimmings.

Members of the club are: Harvey Seay, David and Avon Wright, Richard Washington, Eugene Atkinson, Albert Hawkins, Benjamin Foreman; Willard Pinkney, Ellis Deans, Jesse Fox, Roland Harris, James Murray and Charles Howard.

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Speaking of delightful outings: there was one on Saturday at Elizabeth and Ed Williamses.

A month or so ago, Elizabeth confided she had never had a surprise birthday party. We decided she would have one this year.

Thursday was her birthday, nothing was cooking, not even a card, so she was most surprised to return home from a shopping trip to be greeted with our 'happy birthday' cheers.

She was, as they say, 'all shook up;' she just couldn't believe it.'

To add to the joy of the afternoon Sam and Pauline Blackwell brought along their portable stereo set, complete with speakers. And that, my dears, is real entertainment!

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More men entertaining for their ladies, the husbands of members of Baltimore's newest sorority, Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority are putting the big pot in the little pot tonight (Friday).

They have turned Winchester Armory into a passenger ship, and invited a few select guests to join their wives and sweethearts at a Hawaiian Cruise Party. This should be the greatest!

And, they do tell me, the men went overboard on this — decorations, food, sippables costing well over four figures!

Captain of the ship tonight will be William L. Brown. William B. Dixon is treasurer of the group, and Carlton C. Douglas, chairman of entertainment.

Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority is the same group which canceled its conclave here in Baltimore, and moved to D.C. because of restaurant 'jim crow' downtown. The husbands' affair is the only Baltimore event.

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A real looker is the new Mrs. Howard Dixon, who visited our office this week. She shied away from the cameraman, however, so you'll have to rely on my word that she is indeed a charmer.

She is the former Lillian Watkins of Fairmount, W. Va., where she attended high school and business school.

She was living in D.C. and working at the Smithsonian Institute, where she met and married Mr. Dixon on May 9.

P.S — And the pretty diamond she wears on her tiny left finger is about as big as a dime!

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Orchids to women of the new Provident Hospital Volunteer Group.

They raised $500 in their souvenir program for Cornerstone Baptist Church.

They turned the money over to the hospital's superintendent, Theodore Perkins on Tuesday.

Mrs. Ruth Tibbs is chairman of the group.

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Baltimore relatives of the Branch twins are rejoicing in the good news about them.

Out in Denver, Col., Melvyn and Milton C. Branch Jr., have turned out to be grand athletes and scholars.

They are the 18-year-old sons of M/Sgt. and Mrs. Milton Branch, formerly of D.C., now stationed in Germany. The parents returned to the States to see their sons graduate.

Melvyn, who stands 5 ft. 10 inches, finished Denver's Manual High, with flying colors, excelled in basketball, track and tennis. He had four scholarship offers, has accepted the one from Princeton, where he plans to specialize in aeronautical engineering. . . .

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His twin, Milton Jr., stands 6 ft. 7, won varsity letters in basketball, track and golf. He has a full scholarship to Phillips University in Enid, Okla.

These youngsters are definitely Baltimore bred.

Local relatives include two cousins, Johnson T. McClerkin and Mrs. Mary L. Houston.

You can send congrats to the Branch twins by addressing your cards to: 2803 Gaylord St., Denver, Colorado.

About this and that

June is busting out all over for five members of one well known Baltimore family.

Mrs. George Kelson (Juanita), wife of the mortician, had a birthday on June 16. Her daughter, Phyllis Diggs, birthdayed on June 19.

Mrs. Kelson's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young (Alice), marked their 24th wedding anniversary on June 18; and Mrs. Young (Alice) has a birthday on June 24!

She is director of Truth Dormitory at Morgan. He is office manager of a Mt. Winans apartment development.

Belated, but happy birthday cards to Mrs. Gladys Dixon, a personable matron in our town. It was June 17. Her address: 1803 Walbrook Ave.

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Get well cards to Mrs. Elsie Minor, 618 N. Carrollton Ave., she suffered a stroke, recently, is paralyzed on the left side.

Isn't life peculiar!! Mrs. Minor's grandson is 15-year-old Guy Lane Cottman, the Lemmel High School grad who was critically injured in that Bentalou and Presstman St. car crash. He is in Lutheran Hospital.

Friends had tried to keep the news from Mrs. Minor as she was doing so well, but you know how it is, some nosey body had to call and tell her.

So do cheer Mrs. Minor up. And, send sunshine to young Cottman's parents — Drunell and Alphonso Cottman at 904 Wheeler Ave., please.

Glad-you're better cards to Emmett Davis, 1310 N. Carrollton Ave. He was seriously ill in Provident Hospital, but is doing much better now. He is in room 410.

Mr. Davis is the father of Curtis and Marvin Davis and he is a retired steel worker.

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Continue your prayers for Mrs. Florence Murray, still critically ill.

She was transferred from Freedman's Hospital to D.C. to one in Hopkins Hospital (Marburg 229), where she had surgery on Wednesday.

Mrs. Murray collapsed (cerebral hemorrhage), while attending the Howard University graduation of her niece, Linda Hall.

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Looking back: Local high school graduates don't know how lucky they were to have had the mayor of the city attend their closing exercises, and remain to shake their hands and award them diplomas.

In our high school days, the mayor rarely came, and if he did, he did not think it important enough to remain after the exercises. Fact is, in those days, you did not even get the right diploma.

After it was all over, you scurried to the principal's office or some other designated spot, and hunted around until you found out the graduate with your diploma.

Then the great exchange was on.

Today, the grads receive diplomas with their own names on them and to top it off, the head of the city, Mayor J. Harold Grady, awarded them the coveted piece of paper. Time marches on.

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More looking back: Members of the 1952 class of Douglass High School worshipped on Sunday at St. James P.E. Church. Ten years ago, this same class held its baccalaureate service at the church.

Which reminds me to mention that nineteen members of this parish were graduates this month.

They were: — Wesley R Haiston, Charles Thompson and Roland Williams, City College; Arnold Sampson and Kenneth Veney, Douglass; Mayme Bryan and Joyce Patterson, Edmonson; Henry Collins, Gloria Forte, Carolyn Holland and Laura Judge, Forest Park; Sheila Biddle, Western; Ian Gray, Southern; Doris C. Arvin and Barbara Finney, Coppin State Teachers;

And, Leroy W. Carroll, University of Maryland; Ivan Higgins, Phillips Academy; Daniel Murphy, Phillips Exeter; Preston T. Johnson, Carl E. Smith and Robert L. Young Jr., Morgan.

More this and that

Interesting event coming up: Baby contest sponsored by the Genial Wives Club to benefit Provident Hospital's pediatric clinic.

Members are: Mesdames Clara Coulbourne, Mary Patterson, Gertrude Wicks, Elsie Harris, Belle Campbell, Lucille Williams, Helen Bennett, Lucille Gibson, Blanche Augustine, Dorothy Koger, Sarah Jones and Agnes Williams.

Orchids to these energetic ladies who are also holding a bake sale June 30 at Lafayette Market Stall No. 54, also to benefit Provident's children's ward.

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Peabody Conversatory of Music has until the end of the year to find a new director.

Its present director, thirty - nine - year - old Dr. Peter Mennin, leaves November 1, to become president of the Juilliard School of Music in New York.

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More about Boy Scouts: It will be held 2 p.m. Sunday at Grace Presbyterian Church. Special feature will be a panel discussion on facts for parents about child care. There are 1,012 scout units sponsored by 695 institutions with a total membership of 30,000 in the Baltimore Area Council.

The Council is composed of six districts in Baltimore City, Baltimore, Howard, Carroll, Harford and Anne Arundel Counties.

Largest pack in Maryland is No. 580, based at the Mary E. Rodman School No. 145, Poplar Grove and Lanvale Sts.,

Organized in March, this Pack has 118 active cubs, 10 den mothers, a cub master and two assistants.

Sponsoring school principal, George E. Simms, his administrative assistant, Edgar P. Lansey, and members of the PTA and neighborhood groups are credited with getting Cub Scout Pack No. 580 organized. Orchids to all of them.

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Graduation item: Mrs. Pattie Hodges, 707 Radnor Ave., has graduated from Coppin State Teachers College. Thursday with the second-highest average of her class, 3.31.

Mrs. Hodges is the wife of Dr. James Elmer Hodges, who was the first to graduate from the University of Maryland's School of Pharmacy in 1957. He is now at Hopkins Hospital.

They are parents of a son, James Elmer, Jr.

Mrs. Hodges is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Green of 953 Ellicott Drive; and the daughter - in - law of Mrs. Leanna Branford, one of our city's well known beauticians. The family belongs to Payne Memorial, AME Church. .

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New Look: Take a ride in the vicinity of what was once the 1000 and 1100 blocks of Myrtle Ave. (near George St.)

You wouldn't know the place. The houses where we were born and grew up, are no more.

Instead, the frameworks are rapidly being assembled for brand new homes for the elderly. They'll be called the George E. Murphy Homes.

Only those who lived in the area can appreciate what a difference a day makes.

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Young Renold Lighston, son of Dr. and Mrs. Renold Lighston of Cherry Hill, is off to Denver, Col., June 28.

He was top ticket salesman of the Old Glory District for the recent Boy Scout-O-Rama show.

The four - day trip was arranged by the Scouts' Baltimore Area Council, Martin Marietta Corp and the Denver Hilton Hotel.

Special attractions will be visits to Pike's Peak, the Garden of the Gods, Air Force Academy and the Martin Marietta plant.

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The Bureau of Music continuing its series of summer concerts, will honor Druid Hill Park Sunday, June 24.

Weldon J. Irvine Jr., conductor, and the Number 2 Municipal Concert Band will present a special program honoring this, the largest park in the park system, at Grove 10 from 3 to 5 p.m.

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Prayer of the week: The following benediction was offered by the Rev. Frank Williams, pastor of Metropolitan Methodist Church, at the Morgan State College commencement . . .

"Eternal God, our Father, Thou Who art the light of all our days, the source of life's values, the truth of our seeking, the fulfillment of our deepest longings and without strong . . .

We thank Thee for the joys of this hour; the privileges of this day, and the opportunities that now open before us. Grant us hope for the fulfillment of the years of their strivings here:

"Set our feet on holy places; gird our lives that they may be armored with all Christ - like graces, in the fight to win men free:

"Grant us wisdom; grant us courage, that we fail not man nor Thee."

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Laugh-a-while:

A seventh grader, suddenly smitten by a classmate, announced on Friday afternoon that he was going to phone her and ask her to go to the movies with him that night. His older sister was horrified. "You just don't call a girl in the afternoon and ask her for a date that night," she said. "You call her at least a week ahead of time."

"A week!" he groaned. "Well," she said, relenting a little, "at least not any later than the Monday before the date."

Monday," he protested. "But I didn't even like her until Wednesday."

—Capper's Weekly

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Gems of wisdom: Opportunity seems to have an uncanny habit of favoring those who have paid the price of years of preparation. From: Highways of Happiness.

Length of service is not as important as breadth of service.—Telegraph

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