"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

PRAYER OF WEEK

Our Heavenly Father, we pray that loving kindness may abide in this house. We pray that at work we shall find strength, joy in achievement, and finally we pray that in our relations with others we shall demonstrate a knowledge of Thy presence. Amen.

We Shall Have To Picket Congress

President Kennedy's five point Civil Rights program sent to Congress this week is on the same level with the great pronouncements of Roosevelt and Truman.

However, the President, one of the finest this country has produced, misreads the times when he suggests all agitation cease while Congress debates the Civil Rights measures and filibusters to prevent their enactment.

Once embarked on the road to freedom, there is neither stopping nor turning back.

Every school child has been taught the immortal words of Patrick Henry for the last hundred years.

How do you think people can halt peaceful picketing and street meetings, or petitions for full citizenship, when they believe that liberty is more important than death?

A minority of the Congress has blocked all consideration of essential civil rights measures in times of peace for 100 years.

Congress has done little properly to implement the 14th and 15th Amendments or the Supreme Court's 1954 school decision.

The President's proposals should have the support of all good citizens whether they picket at home or demonstrate in Washington.

No member of the Congress or the Senate should be permitted to delay vote on these essential recommendations of the President.

At the first sign of the usual filibuster, Congress should be picketed for the duration.

Salute To Cambridge

The people of Cambridge, Md., can be viewed with pride.

Dorchester County wins our respect and admiration because of Cambridge freedom fighters.

Cambridge will win this fight. It already has scored many points.

The city will never forget martial law, stores closed at 10 p.m. and city-wide excitement because Cambridge is unwilling to end racial segregation.

The Question Of Employment

Ten per cent of colored workers are out of jobs.

The figure for whites is five per cent.

The job discrimination is not only in numbers, but in promotions.

Everywhere the little jobs are reserved for colored workers and the top jobs for whites.

No one has done more to remedy this than President Kennedy and his cabinet.

Kennedy fact-finders walk into some federal departments and there is an immediate flurry to promote some colored workers.

Of course, this is not enough.

If promotions have been withheld from workers because of color for 100 years, the imbalance can only be corrected by promoting some people because they are colored.

For example, it might be necessary for the next two years to limit all promotions made in that period to colored workers.

How else can we catch up?

Let's recognize that the country's race relations are in a mess and Uncle Sam can't afford internal discord of such huge dimensions at this time of world crisis.

We durn near lost the Civil War because Lincoln had to detach troops from the Gettsburg battlefield to put down an Irish rebellion in New York City.

Today, the Irish and the Catholics are on the side of freedom.

This leaves us to deal with Cambridge, Md.; Jackson, Miss., Oxford, N.C., and way stations in between.

Race prejudice is America's No. 1 handicap.

It can not move forward with the ball and chain of segregation clamped firmly to both legs.

EOC And The Record

The AFRO is hopeful the addition of a new chairman and four other new members to the Equal Opportunity Commission will result in more dedication and progress by this body.

H. Warren Buckler Jr. should make a good chairman. The same goes for new members, the Rev. Alfred E. Starratt; Mrs. Katherine B. Massenburg, Hural Thompson and Marshall W. Jones Jr.

A letter in Friday's AFRO from EOC executive secretary, David Glenn, indicates why so many people are concerned about past efforts of the agency.

Mr. Glenn wrote to set the record straight. He complained an AFRO story and editorial implied the agency was derelict in not being aware of "white only" job ad listings in local papers and/or in making no attempt to correct it.

He went on to say, as did the AFRO, that only firms hiring 15 or more persons are covered by the EOC law and that some of the ads are placed by firms outside Baltimore.

He also pointed out that his agency has had the cooperation of the papers involved and that EOC has ordered covered firms to end the practice.

Elsewhere in the story Mr. Glenn complained of EOC being called a pretty secret agency.

EOC has issued no annual report for 1962. The 1961 report does not indicate, as Mr. Glenn says, that daily checks were made in this area nor did it say how many employers were ordered to cease running the "white only" ads.

To us it would appear the running of such ads would be the best possible evidence of racial discrimination in the hiring of employees. But the EOC report does not indicate it ordered any of the companies to make any changes along this line.

Before, as Mr. Glenn pointed out in his letter, we only implied that the agency was not taking proper actions where this type ad was involved.

Now, unless Mr. Glenn has some more secret information about what EOC has done about the hiring policies of the companies which ran "white only" job ads, we say flatly that EOC has been derelict in this area.

We'd like to hear from Mr. Glenn again, real soon.

Miss Hermione Wharton

Some 250 persons lauded Miss Hermoine Wharton as teacher and administrator Monday night.

Miss Wharton, principal of Lemmel Junior High School, retired after 44½ years in the public school system.

Two other Wharton sisters were on the platform. One spoke, and the other wrote an original poem for the occasion.

In this city the Wharton sisters are a trio to be reckoned with. Just a few years ago, their mother made it a quartet of women prominent in education, music, community and church life.

Miss Hermione Wharton has another distinction. She is the only bachelor girl in the family—a worthy successor of Fannie Barbour, Edyth Cooper, Emma Bright, Frances Murphy, Ida Cummings, Ella Brown, Lucy Stowe, Mary and Molly. Miss Bright is the only living member of this nonet.

No city has had any finer women in the past 50 years. Thank God we still produce them in Baltimore.

Vice President Nixon

Former Vice President Nixon said this week that segregation is not an exclusively Southern problem.

Who said it was?

Guys who make this statement usually are apologizing for something particularly outrageous or brutal in the South — maybe Wallace, of Faubus of Eastland.

We are quite fed up with fellows who want to talk about segregation, analyze it, compare it North and South, and do everything else but abolish it right now.

Will He Do It In Time?

Sightseeing

Why We Have The Black Muslims

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

One of the most noticeable phenomenons on the American scene in recent months has been the enormous amount of attention devoted to the Muslim movement.

There is nothing objectionable in any group's receiving publicity, but in the case of the Muslims, white America seems not so much interested in attempting to learn why the Muslims think as they do, as it is in trying to portray them as members of a lunatic fringe who have been rejected by the rest of America's colored population.

While the actual number of practicing Muslims is relatively small, they apparently exert a disproportionate influence on white America which seems to see a Muslim behind every tree.

In the Muslim movement, America beholds the first real internal threat to its posture as the richest, the strongest, and the most moral nation on the face of this earth.

America has learned to face the enemy from without, but it has shocked her almost into a nervous breakdown to discover there are voices within her own borders that have grown so distrustful of her that their owners would take a scapel and sever themselves from her.

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IMAGINE, if you can, the owner of a house, who has always been its master. Suddenly he discovers that the tenants in the basement, instead of being satisfied with the way that he runs the establishmint, are so dissatisfied that they want to move out.

They are not interested in trying to settle their difficulties, so that they may both continue to live in the house. Instead, these tenants say that the only answer is to move.

Reduced to its simplest terms, this is what the Muslims have said, and in saying this they have destroyed the illusion that everyone wants to be white and wants to be an American.

In a land where we boast that we have never lost a war, and where we gauge our standing in the world not by the number of scholars and intellectuals that we produce, but by the number of television antennas that we can count — this is a tremendous blow to the pride.

If our own people are not sold on the superiority of America, then what can we expect from the rest of the world?

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THIS IS the dilemma that the Muslims have presented to America, and she has reacted by trying to shove them out of the pale of respectability into the limbo of fanatics.

There have been other all - black movements like the Muslims before. One has only to look at Marcus Garvey to see a connection.

But where Garvey and the rest advocated a return to Africa — which is really a very silly idea — the Muslims advocate staying here in this land, but away from the white man.

Here then is crux of the problem. The white man has been rejected, but instead of fleeing to distant lands, the colored man says that he will stay here, but that he will disassociate himself from his white brethren.

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NOT EVEN yet adjusted to the growing militancy of the sit - inners, America has had to face the spectre of a movement that says the dreams of this land are false and that salvation only lies when white and black go divergent paths.

Instead of praying and accepting the blows of intolerance, the Muslims stubbornly refuse to turn the other cheek.

This is something new in the experience of America and she has reacted by attempting to discredit the movement and to drive a wedge between its supporters and the rest of black America.

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FOR MYSELF, I could never become a Muslim — not with their mish-mash of religious hocus pocus, their outlandish theories on evolution and their rejection of Christianity.

I must also turn away from their advocacy of violence, their cries of black supremacy and their insistence on calling all white men "devils".

But in doing this, I can not bring myself to see evil in all that they do.

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I HAVE seen them take the rejected and give them hope. I have seen them build businesses, I have heard them teach that we too have a history and we have nothing to be ashamed of in the color of our skin.

When they speak of the injustices that the black man has suffered, I cannot shut my ears to them for the words that they speak have a ring of truth about them.

If the Muslims have done nothing else, they have made both white and black America think about the past, and ponder on the crimes that have been committed against us.

The only reason that the Muslims have gained as many adherents as they have, is the fact that America has failed the dark man. If there had been justice and equality in the past, there would have been no Muslims.

Now, instead of wasting time trying to paint the Muslims as the epitome of all that is evil, America would do better to correct the causes that have spawned this group.

What Our Readers Say

Supports Bible Decision

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

Dear AFRO:

Colored people should be acutely aware of the rulings of the Supreme Court. This is the Institution which has supported our right to be citizens under the constitution of the United States.

It behooves us to understand what this court has ruled about religious ceremonies in school. The First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States forbids the state to establish any religion in schools.

The King James version of the Bible is the Holy book of the Protestant religious group. It is not the Douay Bible of the Catholics.

Its new testament is not a holy book for Jews. Neither the old nor the new testament is regarded as sacred by other people: Many have to try to understand that there are millions of good people in this world who do not accept Christianity or Judaism as their personal choice of religion.

Therefore those who want the Bible or prayers for their children have the obligation to provide both of these experiences outside the public school.

There is no shortage of churches to meet the religious needs of children and adults.

We can not teach our children respect for law, we can not establish a moral code for honesty when we refuse to accept a valid court ruling and seek ways of evading the Constitution.

If colored people participate in evading the court ruling and support voluntary prayers in schools, then they support evasion of the Fourteenth Amendment as well.

Either we support the Constitution of the U.S. or we all perish with its destruction.

It behooves colored people to watch the loud criers for religion in schools. However ardently these lovers of their unseen gods may be, one will find them less ardent in their love and respect for their fellow men whom they see daily.

Baltimore schools do not need the controversy of religiosity. Our schools need to teach skills for learning and earning. The morality which we need does not come from Bible reading ceremonies. That morality is based realistically on improving man's relationship to man.

We need a lot more intelligence and courage for that morality to be fully developed in Baltimore but we can all pull together for a morality which we and our children can all understand and accept as a right way of living.

Mrs. GILBERT L. BANFIELD

Bible Reading Rule

Dear AFRO,

It is painfully regrettable to have lived in a fine thought of the Christian training that has been enjoyed more than three score and ten years and suddenly awaken to find that one who chooses to serve the adversary has completely disturbed and disrupted the peace and harmony of the community by the objection to the Holy Bible and the Lord's Prayer being a part of the program in our public schools.

Proverbs 22:6 reads: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." In our PTA meetings we are urged to cooperate with the school and thereby lend our support and create better citizens.

Please help to keep the program of Christian training in the schools. What will happen if our children do not have the Christian program?

In Ps. 119:105 we learn: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." In Matthew 5:18 we read: "Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled."

MRS. ANNIE E. S. WELLS,
president, Maryland-Sojourner Truth W.C.T.U.

School Engineer

Dear AFRO:

In answer to a letter published in the AFRO last Friday about schools being cold on Mondays, please allow me to answer the writer.

We have some engineers good as any anywhere, and some poor ones. Prior to 1948 there was no such a thing as a cold school.

That year (1948) under pressure, the Operation Division started paying a very small amount for overtime and stopped the engineers from going to get the burners started except one day before it opened for classes.

One can only stay there for three hours in a medium size building and six hours in the larger ones. Another thing is the time clocks.

The engineers have to waste time walking, sometimes one or more city blocks, sometimes to the second floor, to punch in before going to work. Then there is the janitorial work, he must do after the boilers have been started.

He just doesn't have time to keep checking the boilers and do his other jobs in a three-hour time limit.

Another thing, they are trying to force the older men out of service by not giving them a regular school and keep them running around the city doing the hard work.

Most of these men have proven themselves capable for many years, and this is the treatment they receive.

There are only two colored supervisors of engineers in the Department of Education, who know what they are doing, and neither of them has any power.

There are a few hoodlums working in responsible positions over other fine ladies and gentlemen, in the operation division sections where decisions are made.

They asked the engineers to give their personal leisure on Saturday, give up their church on Sunday, and ordered them to catch a taxi to work. The operation division of the public school system is at its lowest level right now.

The supervisors are not the only ones that do not know how to talk to his subordinates, the man in charge of the work does not know how to fix the amount of work for each individual under him nor does he have enough intelligence to settle minor differences.

A READER

Using National Guard

Dear AFRO:

As a law abiding citizen and parent of a son who is serving in the military service, I would like very much to know why Gov. J. Millard Tawes had to send in a segregated National Guard to enforce the law in Cambridge, Md., after the local government failed to do so?

Was he afraid it would insult the white law violators to have integrated guardsmen enforcing the law in that town?

He gave no consideration to the fact that it would be an insult to the law abiding colored citizens and the colored guardsmen who have pledged and been trained to protect our country.

GORDON JOHNSON

Tribute to Carter

Dear AFRO,

The great tragedy of Baltimore City about the resignation of Walter Carter as chairman of the Baltimore Congress Of Racial Equality is that he worked so diligently, tirelessly, and dedicatedly to the cause of winning freedom and equality for all; while thousands of professional colored persons, teachers, social workers, principals, doctors, lawyers, etc., many of whom I can point out, gave no time to the cause, very little of their money, less than $10 a year on the average, while each of them spent at least $1,000 a year, an equivalent of $20 weekly for his entertainment.

CORE received less than $1,000 a year from colored persons in the past few years, while they spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on whiskey and beer in Baltimore City last year.

A man who is not willing to pay the full price for his freedom is a small man in everybody's eyesight, especially, compared to those children and men who faced the police dogs and fire hoses in Birmingham, Ala.

LLOYD TAYLOR

A Common Destiny

Dear AFRO:

Racism is nothing but the animal instinct of the like to distrust and hate the unlike; men still carry this evil animal heritage within them. For almost 200 years, the white man has crucified the black man in this land of freedom. Freedom for whom? Only for those whose skin has little pigmentation.

When, 100 years ago, the black man was legally freed, he still had no equality, no acceptance, no education, no preparation for living with his white peers. Nor, by intent, does he today. This is the answer to those who say that the time is not ripe. When will the time be ripe? Never, until we accept the results of our own wrongdoing, admit that the colored American is deprived, and provide him with education and opportunity and acceptance. And since the colored people comprise more than 10 per cent of our population, their growth will enrich our country whose greatest resource is its people. We face difficult years because we are paying for the sins of the fathers, as well as our own. But face them we must: Now.

In the past decade there has arisen among black Americans a leader whose non-violence asks that we voluntarily give human rights to black Americans because it is the moral thing to do. But the white supremacists have turned on him and his followers their savage police dogs and their brutal clubs and their violent fire hoses as if the colored were, not human beings, but rabid dogs...

White Americans stand between two groups: that of Dr. Martin Luther King, the great apostle of peace; and the Black Muslims who are sworn to wrest their rights from them in a blood bath if necessary. It has always been our proud boast that in our democracy all progress proceeds, not by the violence of revolution, but in the rhythm of evolution.

This is the moment in history when the President of the United States aided by the churches, the educators, state and local executives should lead the struggle for equality and justice. But whether they lead the way or not, it is for us, as individuals, at last to invite colored Americans to join the human race. For ours is the power to deliver them from evil and ours could be the glory to redeem ourselves from wrong doing to the enrichment of our country and of humanity...

That which is good for colored Americans is good for the United States, and for the world; for mankind has a common destiny.

JAMES M. SWARTZ

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 injustices, race prejudice or compromise.

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POET'S NOOK

SCHOOL GRADUATES

You've done all was required of you,
You've come up to the measure,
Although some subjects that you took,
Were something short of pleasure.
Each little wisdom that you gained,
Each reference book you read,
Are stepping stones, that lead the way
To a brighter road ahead.
Our educators yearn to mold,
Our youth in such a way,
That all their labors will reflect,
The good that's done each day.
So may I doff my hat to you,
And wish you much success,
Keep up the good work that you do,
And always do what's best.

PAUL D. McALLISTER

By B. M. PHILLIPS

If YOU Ask ME

About this and that

This thing of color: When Baltimore's Jean Camper, an attractive brown-skinned girl, and Edmund Cahn, Jewish school friend, were married, many not familiar with the ways of genes were asking what the children would look like. People still do ask questions like this, you know.

If you did not see the photo of the Cahns and their two sons in Tuesday's edition (June 18), go back and look at it and satisfy your curiosity.

More important than the looks and color, however, is the fact that the youngsters are healthy, alert kids. (Names: Reubin, 3; and Jonathan, 5.)

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The Cahns, you know, are both Yale University Law grads. She was graduated two years ago and has served on the faculty this past year.

He was graduated last week, standing no. 4 in a class of 178. Because he won such honors, he was inducted in the Honor of Croix.

This Cahn couple is smart smart, smart!

The two of them recently received a Yale grant to do an article on the defense of the indigent. And, he will join the Justice Department staff shortly.

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Jean is also an honor graduate of Swarthmore. She and her husband studied and traveled in England two years ago. Remember?

Baltimore's Dr. and Mrs. J. E. T. Camper, Jean's parents, are beaming over their offspring's achievements.

(Dr. Camper is the physician and veteran civic leader.) The Cahns' two sons make eleven grandchildren for the Campers.

They are the first grandchildren for the senior Dr. and Mrs. Cahn of NYC, where Dr. Cahn is on the Columbia U. Law Faculty.

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Beauty spot: The lawn of Union Memorial Methodist Church at the intersection of Harlem and Warwick Aves. The so - green grass and shrubs make a pretty picture.

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Orchids to Walter Thomas His Kleeco Club was the scene of the Friday evening meeting of Beta Chapter of Psi Gamma Mu Sorority.

Mr. Thomas did himself proud — guests are still raving about the lovely table decor, tasty food and first-class Mr. Wo 1 service.

The sorority's Friday evening meeting featured initiation of new members. They are: Mesdames Lucille Brooks, Josephine Murray, Eunice Gross, Catherine Parron, Harriett Washington and Willard King.

Mrs. Mildred Murphy is basileus, and Mrs. Julia B. Richardson, is anti - basileus and dean of pledgees of the business and professional women's sorority.

Visitors over from D.C. were Sorors Helen Day, basileus of Alpha Chapter; Celeste Bowden, Dorothy Clark, Edith Robinson, Sadie Hamilton and Fantroy Wheeler.

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Add to people being kind to other people: That grand testimonial on Monday evening at the Lord Baltimore honored a lovely lady, whom many of us know as a beloved teacher and counselor.

Miss Hermione E. Wharton was oh so gracious, as she rose to acknowledge the many kind words and gifts.

A Longines watch, hi-fi stereo set and late - model television were the tangible gifts.

But, knowing her, this writer hazards the guess that she valued most the words of appreciation which came from her co - workers, school administrators and former students.

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Bet she was proud as punch to hear Miss Betty Williams, new Lemmel vice principal, speak.

Many of us recall it was Miss Wharton who taught Betty to talk when she was a pupil in her English class.

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Remember Betty had a speech impediment?

And, remember it was 'Miss Herm,' or 'Mother Wharton,' as some fondly call her, who gave Betty and many another youngster confidence and helped them to use the King's English correctly?

Occasion for the testimonial was Miss Wharton's retirement from Baltimore public schools after 44 years service, the last three as principal of Lemmel Junior High.

Isn't it a pity that because of school segregation only children of one race were given an opportunity to sit in her classrooms and listen to a grand teacher like Miss Wharton?

And, isn't it a pity that many of our children likewise did not get an opportunity to know outstanding teachers of other races?

Oh heck, this whole jim crow practice is plain silly. Think there is enough time left in our lifetime to get things right?

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Out-of-towners here for the Wharton testimonial were: Mrs. Dorothy Warring Howard and daughter, Mrs. Carolyn French; Mrs. Jennie Wilder; Mrs. Ruth Shipley; Mrs. Ora Weaver Spivey; Mrs. Madge Hurst, all of D.C.

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From Meyersdale, Pa., Miss Kate Sheppard, former Baltimore teacher, and her sister, Miss Jane Sheppard.

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More people being kind: Cyrus Marshall, outgoing vice principal of Lemmel, was likewise gifted this week, by his fellow faculty members.

He is the new vice principal of Houston Junior High. Gifts included handsome cuff links and a 14 - channel-master FM-AM transistor. How about that?

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Meeting of the week: Maryland State College President, Dr. J. T. Williams was weekend host to the Gamma Chapter, Sigma Pi Phi Boule —that "exclusive" group of gentlemen famed on East Coast.

Baltimoreans who made the trip to Princess Anne included: Messrs. and Mesdames, D. C. Pennington, Dallas Nicholas, John Berry; Mesdames Phyllis McKinney, Agnese Brown and Irene Templeton.

And, Drs. and Mesdames Leroy Berry, Edward N. Wilson, Saul Perdue, A. A. Smith, Maurice Adams, Fred Adams, Nathan Pitts, I. B. Higgins, George McDonald, Houston R. Jackson, and Martin Jenkins.

People, places, things

People doing nice things for other people: At Grace United Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, members honored 86-year-old William Arthur Jones for 75 years as a member, of which the church is deeply grateful.

The citation, presented by Mrs. Lillian Lottier, was accepted by the honoree's wife, Mrs. Daisy Bailey Jones.

Friends will recall Mr. Jones has been ailing and is confined at home.

Seventy - five years membership in a church is quite a record.

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Orchids to the pastor, the Rev. Robert Newbold, and to members of Grace, for taking time to say 'thank you' to a beloved member.

Mr. Jones, longtime trustee of the church, is also well known as a Prince Hall Mason. He holds a 32rd degree active status and is a member of all department.

Many others may remember his was for 43 years, until his retirement in 1941, an employee of the Baltimore post office. Remember?

Say hello to Mr. Jones at 1219 W. Lafayette Ave.

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People moving about: Mr. and Mrs. Grant Doctry of Geardale Rd., are home. They vacationed in Canada, Detroit and Chicago.

Mrs. Marie O. Goodwyn and Mrs. Grace Pinkney Bennett are preparing for an extensive trip West. Their children, Luke and Melissa, will accompany them.

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In California, they will visit with Mrs. Goodwyn's brother, Steven Gibson. He is a mathematician at the Pacific Missile Range Headquarters.

They will make a leisurely return trip, stopping in New York and Atlantic City. They will attend the annual camp meeting of the Seventh Day Adventists in Pine Forge, Pa., before they reach home.

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Personable Chuck Richards is in a new spot. He has joined the sales staff of Hoffman - Green dealers, Imperial, Chrysler, and Dodge.

Did you see the advertisement invitation to AFRO readers, in this newspaper? Look for it. It's here.

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Living proof that you cannot keep a good man down: Dr. Ralph Young, the beloved physician, is back in his office.

Remember doctor's grounded him a month back after he collapsed with a heart attack?

Usually doctors do not take their own 'rest advice,' and it appears Dr. Young is no exception.

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The studious - looking gentleman who works the cash register at Penn Fruit, Mondawmin, is a part-time employee.

His name Sgt. 1/C Richard E. Robinson, for the past seven years on the Morgan faculty (department of military science). He leaves for a year's duty in Korea in August.

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Met Sgt. Robinson last Tuesday evening at the Eastern High graduation. He was beaming.

Reason: — His daughter, Sheila Darlayna Wyatt, was among the graduates.

She will enter Morgan State, where her brother, Walter Wyatt, is already enrolled. Mother is Mrs. Josephine M. Robinson. Congrats to the grads at 3217 Carlisle Ave.

Send congratulations

June 25th birthday celebrants: Miss Jean Poulson, 1653 N. Appleton, a June grad of Morgan State College; and her godmother, Mrs. Jeannette Palmer, 3827 Bareva Rd.

June 29 birthday cards to Mrs. Frederick Dedmond, (Flossie), associate professor of English and speech at Coppin State Teachers' College.

Same day anniversary cards for Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Donaldson.

The Camak twins —David and Dona, are five years old on July 1.

A thing of beauty

Orchids to Dr. and Mrs. G. Franklin Phillips (Hazel). Their daughter—Anastatia's wedding on Saturday afternoon was a thing of beauty.

To help them, the Phillipses called on colored qualified businessmen of the city — the Allen Caterers, Summers - Norwood Florists, Meredith Birche combo.

"If I'm going to spend that kind of money, I said I would spend it with my own people," commented Dr. Phillips.

And, proof that 'my own people' can do an elegant, first rate job was the exquisitely - decorated Sharp St. Methodist Church auditorium, where the ceremony was held, and the lower auditorium where over 800 guests attended the reception.

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Anastatia and her Jimmy (James J. Benton Jr.) took their vows before an altar decorated with palms and candelabra. The altar rail before which they knelt was an embankment of green and pink carnations.

The reception room was artistically arranged with pink, green and white flowers, colors of the wedding party. The bride wore white, of course, attendants wore pink and the maid of honor, a childhood friend (Linda Hall) was in green: Ditto the flower girls.

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In the reception room, the green and pink flowers were used in profusion. In fact, over 1,000 roses were arranged on tables camouflaged the punch bowls, candy and sandwich trays. Garlands of greens and old-fashioned bouquets decorated the cake table.

And, there was a pond with floating flowers, a handsome hand - made blooming tree . . . . beautiful . . . .

'Twas truly a memorable sight. Orchids are due Mr. Allen (Edgar Allen of Elegante Boogy fame), who did the food - arrangement, and orchids too to Loretta Valentine, Carl Norwood and the Rev. William Hamilton of Summers - Norwood Florists. They did a magnificent job.

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Needless to say, Maestro Ritchie and his group provided appropriate music. Meredith has a knack for playing the right thing at the right time.

Speaking of music, the wedding ceremony tunes were particularly beautiful.

Samuel Tunstall, is the lyric baritone who sang such favorites as 'The Lord's Prayer,' 'Oh My Love,' and 'Through the Years.'

Also — all those of us remembering the last named number was sung at our weddings, and being unable to restrain a tear.

They were several guests in this category.

James Ross was the organist. Doesn't he play beautifully?

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Smile of the ceremony: Three-year-old Allen Stokes, the ringbearer was handsome young gentleman in his white tux.

But, brother, he was not for walking up the aisle. He held the pillow and ring at a rakish angle as he started haltingly up the aisle.

When he reached the fifth row from the altar he balked; and turned around, bewildered and unhappy.

Not even at his father's prying would he go on with his task.

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Another smile, after the Revs. Kelly Jackson and Edward G. Carroll, performed the double-ring ceremony, the bridegroom caused a titter.

He appeared to decide he could lift his bride's veil without help from the maid of honor. He did, too.

Wedding guests liked his gesture.

You know why, of course. All the world loves an attentive lover.

Graduation notes

First grad at St. Mark's Catholic School in Catonsville is Sharon Robinson, 13. She enters St. Francis Academy in September.

Sharon is the daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Robinson (Ramona) of Suter Rd., Catonsville.**

A sister and brother are also St. Mark's pupils: — Ramona, 11, is in the sixth grade. Raymond, 3, is a third grader.

An older brother, Ralph, 15, attends Catonsville Junior High. He enrolled in public school B.S. (before desegregation.)

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Foreign student grads at Hopkins University included Arnold William Wilson of Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

He earned a master of science degree in engineering in the field of sanitary engineering and water resources. He is a 1949 graduate of the University of Haiti.

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Also awarded a masters' of science in engineering in the same field was Hildreth Martin Sanchez of St Lucia, BWI.

Mr. Sanchez's wife, Theresa, was here to see him graduate. They have one youngster, Ian, 2½ years and expect another baby shortly.

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Speaking of new arrivals: It is a girl for Dr. and Mrs. Harry Faggett (Joyce) of Southern University. (Remember when he was professor of English here at Morgan?)

Baby has been named Jocelyn Kay. The Faggetts' son, Harry Jr., and Brian Keith are happy as can be over their now red-faced sister who they say is 'cute as a little pink button.'

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Time marches on: Announcement from Chicago tells of the graduation of William Laurens Gibson from Holy Cross School. Friends call him 'Skipper.'

He is the son of former Baltimorean Dorothy Gibson and of William J. Gibson, public relations man at Bennett College.

Baltimore born Thurgood Marshall, now Judge Marshall of the U. S. Appellate Court, marks his birthday on July 2. Address cards to 501 W. 153rd St., NYC.

July 3 wedding anniversary cards to the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Carroll. He is district superintendent, Washington District Methodist Church, formerly pastored Sharp St. Church here.

Belated: Rush birthday cards to the Rev. W. W. Payne, pastor of Wayland Baptist Church, 510 N. Monroe. His was June 20.

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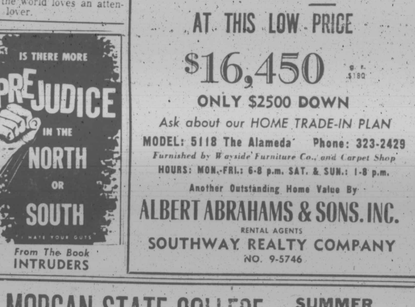

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