What The AFRO Stands For

Equal justice, not only in theory, but in fact before courts of the city.

Adequate black representation on all public boards and commissions of Maryland cities, counties and the state well, including colleges and universities

Extensive and untrammeled black political power.

Equal job opportunities in fact as well as theory.

Equal housing opportunities in fact as well as theory.

Black judges on all benches of the city, county and state court systems, except those constitutionally authorized.

A black owned and operated taxicab company.

A black owned and operated bank.

A black majority on Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

Shape of Things To Come

As Baltimore enters into the final days of jogging, persuading and pleading to determine who is going to run the city, there appears to be emerging two major candidates for the top pot of Mayor.

The gloom that covered the black community when it became known that two old Baltimore families would be squaring off against each other on September 14th no longer is giving voters a problem.

For the sophisticated voter is now weighing only the candidate and his record, not his mother, father, or the history of an organization. We believe this is good.

The "I don't know where to go" attitude of many voters has been replaced by "let's pick out the best man and work for him."

Thus all of Baltimore may be faced with a choice between George Russell and Donald Schaefer for Mayor; James Lacy, Walter Orlinski, John Hubble and Paul Chester for President of the City Council.

Frank Conaway and Hyman A. Pressman for Comptroller.

In the First District Barbara Mikulski and Hans Goebel are showing surprising strength against the machine.

The Second District is being a race develop between Robert Douglass, Clarence Burns, Robert J. Fitzpatrick against Titus Garnett and Walter B. Burrell.

In the Third District, Frank X. Gallagher and J. Joseph Curran don't expect too much trouble from the two Johns, John T. Nolan and John J. Douglass.

In the Fourth District the incumbents, Victorine Adams, Robert C. Marshall, and Dr. Emerson Julian may be in for a surprise if daishiki wearing Russ Johnson and young Norman Brailey have their way.

For in the Fourth, the king makers around Willie Adams are sure to come up with some last minute jogging to save Victorine Adams, or are they the reason Mary Adams is running so strong in the race?

Also in the Fourth Dr. Emerson Julian, a typical example of the television image of a cranky, beloved-by-a-few-but-respected-by-many, country doctor still has to be heard from.

Both the Fourth and the Fifth have more than enough good people.

In the Fifth, top candidates appear to be Alexander Stark, Eugene Ruane and Sen. Clarence Blount's Pinkney Howell. Appearing to be in trouble are Norman Reeves and John Ferron.

Out in the Sixth Councilmanic District, Sarah J. Bundy is creating more of a stir while hope is being held out for young Arthur Murphy and LeRoy St. Thomas.

The AFRO slate will be announced in the Friday, September 11th edition and again in the Tuesday, September 14th edition, on the same day as the Primary. Watch for it!

Today And Tomorrow

The AFRO-AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS' first annual awards day held last Sunday honored the present with its awards to its own employees and men and women on the 1970 Honor Roll, and at the same time got a look at the future as the newspaper presented cash prizes to 80 young captains who had spent the summer helping their neighbors clean up their blocks.

This three-fold affair, unique in nature, was saying to our community that not only is the city moving ahead with its leaders of today, but also here is a good sampling of the leaders of tomorrow.

The prettiest sight of all was the arrival at Mondawmin Mall of whole families and their neighbors, all carefully carrying window boxes filled with flowers. Sons and fathers, mothers and daughters were seen painstakingly arranging the flower boxes on and around the stage.

Then the various groups, with an air of togetherness, stood back to look at their handiwork or to give some direction as to how to place the blocks' sign.

The quiet "put it there," or "no, it looks better over there" came from both young and old until the whole group seemed satisfied and took their seats.

The Mondawmin Mall has never looked prettier.

One hour before the awards ceremony was to begin, the first group had arrived and they kept coming with their flowers up to the 2 p.m. starting time. The flower boxes, like the one in the 900 block Bethune Road, which had a flower in it from each family in the block, were symbols of cooperation.

If there ever is any doubt about the strength within the black community, ceremonies like this easily dispel any fears.

Congressman Parren Mitchell, who was among the persons given an honor roll plaque for "superior public service without thought of gain," summed it up when after saying "thank you" for his citation, called to the platform Clean Blocker Willard McCoy and said:

"We need continuous movement, until all black Americans are free, socially and economically.

"If this little brother (Willard McCoy) has this kind of inspiration given here, he might become the first black senator from Maryland. He won't have to limit his sights."

Next Time Call A Hippie

"Police officers must cope with the hostility, bitterness and anger in our city, most of which is not of their making."

Mayoralty candidate George Russell makes this comment in his position paper, "Crime In The Streets."

Looking at the problem another way is an auto sticker which reads, "If you don't like cops, next time you are in trouble call a hippie."

These two statements, which on the surface might appear to be at odds, truthfully describe the problem the city of Baltimore is now having. This means simply that it is all well and good to complain about the police until you need help.

As Mr. Russell put it:

"The policeman's job is even greater than protecting the people against crime in the streets. To a large degree he is also protecting the public against crime in the hearts of men. He must match strength of body with strength of character and mind for there will be times when people will be calling upon him, not as a policeman, but as advisor, confessor, judge, good neighbor, and friend. All of that, involving a sense of fairness, understanding and compassion, is also part of being 'the law.'"

The next time you hear sounds in the night and think there is a robber at the door, or your child is hurt and you need an ambulance right away, or someone hits that family car, and you don't have faith in the policeman, DON'T — don't call the police, but call your favorite hippie.

Return To School

We are near the close of the summer vacation period. The fun is over and soon the school doors will swing open and the campuses, virtually deserted during the vacation period, will be the mecca for bustling, anxious students, new and old.

It is time for the young among our population to re-evaluate the past year. If you were not in school, you should consider switching and go back to school. One year in the streets most assuredly has taught you that you cannot make it big if you do not have the educational qualifications.

You learn in school today, so that you may earn tomorrow. How much you earn depends upon how well you learn, so back to school it should be for any who dropped out recently.

For some the new school term will mark the end of the particular college life or school life; for others it will be the beginning — an orientation to the campus life and to the life of a school community. Whatever this new term will mean to you, it should make you want the next term to be better.

For freshmen, it is a looking-forward, a glance into the future, with their eyes on 1974 when they should receive degrees. For juniors and sophomores, the new semester brings them one step closer to their immediate educational goal, and for seniors it means only one more year before they walk through the gates of their Alma Mater to enter the competitive world of industry, business or whatever profession they have pursued.

To all, it should be a time for renewal of a real collegiate spirit, both academically and socially, and a rededication to make it big this year. Happy studying to all.

AFRO Credo

A newspaper succeeds because 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 and prejudice, and the cowardice of compromise.

John H. Murphy Sr.,
1929

78 YEARS AGO — "The interests of the AFRO-AMERICAN population of Baltimore are identical and any faction of the race which fosters strife to gratify its own selfish ambition should be classed with the enemy." — The AFRO-AMERICAN, April, 1893.

Baltimore AFRO-American

May we let our light so shine that it will illuminate that which is good and beautiful, and magnify our Father which is in heaven. May we stand strong and firm against despair, falsehood, rudeness, hatred, pessimism and prejudice. — Carl Murphy, Editor-Publisher — 1889-1967

Will One Get Out?

See Crabbing Open Letter On This Page

OUR READERS SAY

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," Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN, P. O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Maryland 21203.

Let's Not Go Crabbing

Dear AFRO:

Heretofore, quite a few of our leaders have written open letters to the two black candidates. In my opinion, the ones that I have read have been rather lubricous, or too generalized. The time is here when we must put aside likes and dislikes, and even friendship, and tell it like it is.

I have chosen to speak to the electorate who must, in the final analysis, make the choice. So let me "talk sense to you." One thing for sure, we, according to the law, must elect a mayor of this city this year. Whomever we elect will not please everyone nor will anyone whom we elect please us in every sense of the word. However, we must elect one of these imperfect men that is running.

The City of Baltimore has been a city for more than 200 years. During the past centuries, the mayor of this city has been a white man. While I'm not a racist, I do think in this age of freedom and justice, in a democracy, we should and can have for once in the history of this city, a black mayor, since the population of blacks is almost half that of the white population. Any black person who isn't ready for a black mayor should hang his head in shame.

Now we have two black men running. We should put aside friendship, or bury the hatchet, or whatever is to be done; banding together our forces and elect the man who has the best chance of being elected. Or would we rather sit around and play the fiddle while the Black Rome burns? Mr. Schaefer and Mr. Pressman don't have to make one speech; all they have to do is just sit steady while we, in this intelligent age, act like people of Medieval times and destroy the chances of the black community.

Now, according to the polls that I have seen, the persons I have spoken with indicate Mr. Russell is in lead. If this be true, why don't we have guts enough to tell Senator Mitchell to pull out and let us have a chance that we haven't had for more than 200 years?

Lets you and I (black people) tell Senator Mitchell to his face, if we hadn't loved him, we wouldn't have sent him to the State Assembly twice.

Further more, we have been better to the Mitchell family than any one family in this community. For more than 34 years we supported Dr. Lillie Jackson unrelentingly as head of the Baltimore branch of the NAACP. We sent Mrs. Juanita Mitchell to the Constitutional Convention several years ago. We have sent Senator Mitchell to the State Assembly for two terms. His illustrious father has served in Washington as a lobbyist for more than 20 years for the NAACP. We worked like Trojans to send his uncle, Mr. Parren Mitchell, to Congress. Since being there, he has been one of those who helped to form the "Black Caucus" among the black congressmen, while back home the black community is split in a spirit of diversity, which could affect him at the next election. I challenge him to raise his voice here to Help us to elect the first black mayor, since we worked hard to elect him the first black congressman from the state, even if it does involve his kindred.

So, I call upon all the black leaders, let us stop bickering, get together and have unity and not a miscarriage.

I have been told that you can take a bunch of crabs, put them all in a basket without a lid or cover over it, and none of them will be able to get out. Because every time one starts out, the others will pull him back down into the basket.

In this very important election, this enlightened age, let us not go crabbing.

Rev. A. C. CRUMBLEY JR.
Minister, Mt. Pisgah CME Church

For Stark

Dear AFRO:

A councilman who has served the interests of all of Baltimore, at no sacrifice to the district he represents, has earned the admiration, respect and endorsement for reelection of the entire community as well as the vote of the district he represents.

Such an incumbant is Alex Stark, whose record testifies to his unrelenting involvement in the 'gut' issues that plague just about every city in the nation — surely, Baltimore . . . specifically, employment, education, health, housing, sanitation, civil rights and fiscal affairs.

We need more Alex Starks willing to serve in government.

I am confident that the 5th District will assure his return to the Baltimore City Council and trust that other districts will support candidates of comparable stature.

KATHRYN D. BARNETT
(Mrs. CW)

Clean Block Orchids

Dear AFRO:

"We are more than pleased, but not at all surprised, when we found that the George B. Murphy Homes residents in the 800-811 block of George Street had won a top prize in the Clean Block Campaign.

"Though there were many areas within the project limits that were very close in competition to this one, we agree with the experts.

"It might interest you to know that the inhabitants of the prize-winning block are residents who have lived in Murphy Homes for many years, are outstanding citizens that are involved in many facets of our civic life.

"We of the service staff also take this opportunity to express our appreciation of the AFRO.

"We find that the Clean Block Program gives great impetus to our year-around efforts to have the best possible living conditions for our residents.

"It is always a pleasure to visit or pass a Clean Block. The success of your program is dramatic testimony to the power of the people to control and enhance their environment."

JOHN H. LUKE,
Assistant Manager

A Vote For Chester

Dear AFRO:

We, as black people, must come together to help make a change. Yet we must remember there must be a leader — a man who is able to relate to all peoples' problems — a man who is not afraid of challenge — a man who realizes defeat only comes when we give up on ourselves.

When I refer to these rare qualities, I am speaking of Paul L. Chester, a candidate for the position of president of the City Council of Baltimore City.

Mr. Chester is able to deal with the city because he has grown up with it and has an understanding of its problems; and as president of the City Council he will deal with the problems of racism, poverty, ignorance, poor housing and expenditures of your tax dollars.

I ask not that you look at Mr. Chester as a black man for then you would become partial for or against him on a purely racial basis. I ask you to look at him only as a man who is honest, worthy of respect and the council presidency.

I am one who fights for what she wants and believes in. I do want to see Mr. Chester in that office because in a time when things are changing so rapidly people need strong leaders. I firmly believe Mr. Chester will move you to help seek progressive change as he will do when elected.

Understand that he needs your support, your help, your energies to help pull him through. People GYST so that on Tuesday, September 14, 1971, you will be able to say you made it possible for Paul L. Chester, the best man, to win the Democratic nomination for president of the City Council.

(Miss) ANDREA FLETCHER

We Thank You

Dear AFRO:

Thank you for your interest and your efforts towards our Operation Crossroads Africa group last week. They were quite interested in your plant.

We are so pleased that you were able to work with us on this program. We know you are especially interested in our visitors from Africa, and it is so gratifying when we have Africans who can meet with you and benefit from your experience and your knowledge.

MRS. HERBERT HAMMOND
Vice president
Baltimore Council for
International Visitors

SIGN ON AN AUTOMOBILE — If you don't like cops, next time you are in trouble call a hippie. . . .

Political Notebook Choice Is Between Russell and Schaefer

By MAX JOHNSON

With but 10 more days before the Sept. 14 primary — there's a nagging, disturbing aura hanging over the Democratic mayoral campaign that long since should have aroused concern among voters.

Consider for a spell, face the situation squarely — and some annoying facts pop to the forefront.

They are facts to be weighed sharply by the voter — if his choice is to be made on sensible determination, rather than silly emotion.

First — This is one of the most lackluster mayoral campaigns this city has seen in years, actually the most colorless in the memory of young old-timers.

It has been up to now a campaign virtually lacking in issues of top concern among the rank and file of city taxpayers.

Nobody has yet told me realistically about halting excessive city costs, muzzling my property tax — or opening up new job opportunities for the unemployed to make my own home safer.

It has been a campaign almost totally devoid of constructive campaigning — despite spots of ballyhoo.

This has created confusion among some citizenry — and quite understandably so.

It has been a campaign that has degenerated to points of black and white — black versus black.

The whole thing got off on a sour note — and it has steadily gotten sourier.

One of the top Democratic mayoral candidates insists on making the campaign a popularity contest — another has publicly said he is ignoring the black community.

Both have for some strange reasons attracted followers.

Neither is remotely qualified to run this city, oversee its growing financial headaches — or cope with its other ills and pains.

Time has come now to face facts squarely — with emotionalism out the window.

Of the top Democratic candidates for mayor — only two have any business in the race at all.

MR. JOHNSON

George L. Russell Jr., city solicitor who has headed Baltimore's Law Department for the past four years, is one.

The other is William Donald Schaefer, who has been president of the City Council during the same period.

The others shouldn't even be running.

This is my opinion solely — and not necessarily the opinion of the management of this newspaper.

The AFRO will announce its slate in the next Friday edition. I don't know at this point whom it will contain.

But — back, if you will, to Messrs. Russell and Schaefer.

Both are key members of the five-man Board of Estimates — the vital city governing body that handles Baltimore's purse strings.

Both know and have had wide experience in the necessary business of budgeting the vast number of city agencies — and are factual as to where the city stands at this point.

It is only fair to say so about both candidates — and I have said it, having watched both on their respective city jobs since they took office.

So, sensibly — the choice would appear to be between Russell and Schaefer.

But while each Democratic voter makes his own choice in the primary nomination for mayor — another point shouldn't be overlooked.

Whoever is ultimately mayor — he needs the backing of a progressive, sensible-thinking City Council.

Primary voters in the city's six councilmanic districts will do well to keep this vital matter in mind — and give some attention to the candidates in their respective districts.

The Black Personality

Part II

By PAUL EVANS

Black compulsiveness and masculine protest have been cited by Dr. Clemmont E. Vontress as the third and fourth components of the "black personality."

He says of black compulsiveness, "Here, 'compulsiveness' is used to refer to an individual's tendency to be perfect, constricted, and 'uptight.'

"Living within the white ideal was at one time a common mode of adjustment for black people. Today, most blacks have learned that no matter how exemplary their behavior is, they are considered just inferior by the majority of whites in this country," it is thought by the scholar.

He continues, "A minority, however, still cling to the idea that if you act right, 'they will accept you.' In the main, there are roughly some twenty per cent who can be roughly classified as middle-class and a handful of 'colored' who are still trying to please their masters, hoping that by so doing, their oppressors will show them some degree of favoritism."

Dr. Vontress speculates that many middle-class blacks find themselves in what he terms a "cultural limbo." He contends, "They identify with whites, who will not completely accept them, and reject blacks, whom they consider beneath themselves."

Speculation is heightened as Dr. Vontress states blacks of this economic status continue to emulate and hunger for the approval of their "white friends" — thus leaving them in a vacuum because "they have nobody but themselves."

Modes of adjustment are numbered as: moving to suburbia; affiliation with churches other than Baptist or Methodist (usually Episcopalian and Catholic; participating in "uplift" activities; expressing disdain for discrimination (but hiring non-black secretaries and maids; and stating scorn for "black racists."

Says Dr. Vontress, "Although they behave in a manner superior to those whom they try to ape, they are still not a part of the white community, of which they want so desperately to be a member."

Finally, it is suggested this kind of black family is insistent their children "will not talk like those kids from the ghetto; that they (the children) will restrain their movements on the dance floor; that their offspring will go to a private school and not to one of those inner-city 'stunting factories'. . ."

In the end process these children are expected to attend the "right" college and marry into the "right" family.

This segment is concluded with: "Many 'colored' people, although not on par with the black bourgeoisie, also live and behave in a manner which they perceive to be acceptable to whites.

"They suppress their hostility and learn to say the right thing at the right place. The effect of all these security operations is insidious and terribly damaging to their self-esteem, spontaneity, freedom of expression, and creativity.

"Constricting their lives so they are middle-age seriously damaged personalities. Resigned and apathetic, colored people live lives which are stereotypic, ritualistic, and minimally expressive of their genuine feelings."

AUTHOR'S NOTE: Part III will come next week.

NOW and THEN

Large Vote Primary Day Big Must

DR. FLEMING

With G. JAMES FLEMING

The worst thing that could happen on September 14, Primary Election Day, would be a small turnout of black voters.

If blacks do not vote, it will be saying to the world that Baltimore blacks do not really care who run their city; they do not really want to get a bigger share of the political pie; that they are not interested in setting up symbols for their children.

The coming primary should draw the largest outpouring of blacks in the city's history — although most primaries usually attract relatively few voters.

This city did itself proud last year in electing Parren Mitchell to Congress, and elevating Milton Allen and Paul Chester to high city offices. But that is not enough. Blacks have it in their power to elect George Russell mayor, but they will have to make an extra special effort.

Each concerned person will have to get in touch with five other persons — including three who usually do not vote in primaries, and cajole and stimulate them into voting this time. If necessary, take them bodily, to the polls.

Let not history show that Baltimore was not stout-hearted or smart enough to join the procession already formed by Cleveland, Gary, Newark and even Fayetta, Miss.!

Harold Laski, the late and noted British political economist, once said: "Those who are excluded from politics are also excluded from the benefits of government."

It is also true that those who exclude themselves from politics are also excluded from the benefits of government.

In addition to everything else, this column believes Mr. Russell to be the best candidate in the race for mayor. It is wasting a ballot to vote for less than the best.

If you believe the time has come to make a giant step, politically, you can also vote for Paul Chester for president of City Council, and Frank Conway for city comptroller.

This is now the time also to select your candidates in the respective districts. Some blacks are sure to be nominated in the Second, Fourth and Fifth Districts, but in the Third District John Douglass needs all the votes possible, if this district is not to remain lilywhite.

Unfortunately, in the Sixth District there are six "soul" brothers and sisters for City Council. It would be better if there were only one this year, in order to be sure of a racial breakthrough. Arthur W. Murphy and LeRoy St. Thomas are running as a team and then there are: Russell Brown, Sarah Bundy, Thomas Seaborn and Richard Conway.

The black representation in City Council will certainly get a boost this year — to seven or eight. This gain can be made without losing any of the "tried and true" whites who are up for reelection.

But, to repeat, most of all, there must be a huge turnout of black voters on Primary Election Day, come what may!

The coming primary will also show what impact, if any, the 18-21-year vote will have. Will these young adults, as vigorous as stallions, really vote? Will they vote in larger numbers than their elders? We shall see.

Those who think "the time is not ripe" for a black mayor in Baltimore, should look towards Mississippi where Charles Evers is a serious candidate for governor.

A Day To Remember

MRS. MUMBY

By MATTIE MUMBY

There's something magic about a fire truck that seems to bring out the "kid" in all of us. One such truck was spotted on Monday morning as I drove leisurely down the Wabash Parkway at Belvedere Avenue intersection.

There at the corner was a fire truck and five firemen. The manhole cover had been removed, one fireman was down in the hole and the others were gathered around.

Behind the busy firemen stood a woman, several small children and a nervously pacing father.

What was the problem?

Could a child have fallen into the manhole?

Was it his child?

The man was dressed in white coveralls resembling those of a painter. Perhaps he had been called from his job.

I, being very anxious, held up traffic in the right lane as I stopped to see who or what was being brought up.

Several times the father tried to see into the manhole. Each time he was asked to move back by the fireman.

Very shortly the head of the fireman in the manhold popped up. As it did, another fireman bent over and cradled his arms to prepare for a bundle.

A bundle he did get— a bundle that was wet and slippery and whimpering — a bundle of the cutest little black puppy that was wiggling with all its might.

The anxious father grabbed the little puppy and thanked the fireman and walked merrily down the street.

An hour later as I drove north on the same parkway, what did I see? The same little puppy strutting happily across the parkway on his leash with his master just as if nothing had happened.

CRIME IN THE STREETS

Policeman Must Do More Than Walk A Beat

(Printed below is part of the Russell-Lacy position paper on CRIME IN THE STREETS. City Solicitor George Russell is a mayoralty candidate and James Lacy is running for president of the city council in the September 14 primary).

To be a successful police officer in a major metropolitan area in the last half of the 20th Century requires much more than walking a beat. As a representative of law enforcement, police officers must cope with the hostility, anger and bitterness in our city, most of which is not of their making.

The policeman's job is even greater than protecting the public against crime in the streets. To a large degree, he is also protecting the public against crime in the hearts of men.

He must match strength of body with strength of character and mind. For there will be times when people will be calling upon him, not as a policeman, but as advisor, confessor, judge, good neighbor, and friend. All of that, involving a sense of fairness, understanding and compassion, is also part of being "The Law."

Further, I want to emphasize that the rule of law equally applies to those whose job it is to enforce the law. Nothing breeds contempt for the law more than to witness those charged with its enforcement violating the law. It is the law enforcer's duty to scrupulously observe the constitutional rights of all citizens in enforcing the law, while carefully gauging his own conduct to fall within society's guidelines for personal integrity.

Is this too big an order? Are we expecting too much of our policemen? I think not at all. His is not only the responsibility; and the duty, but also the opportunity, of protecting the most rare and precious privilege in the world today, the right to be an American citizen.

Do you realize that nowhere, so much as in the United States, does the entire body and practice of law concentrate on protecting the dignity of the individual and on preserving his right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness? There is honor, and the satisfaction of rendering a truly vital service to the community whose citizens are co-participants.

Police officers represent different things to different people. Many adolescents and even some adults, feel that they are accused of things they didn't do, or that policemen act too "big shot," or answer sarcastically when they ask questions.

Others who are given traffic tickets for speeding, feel antagonistic toward officers instead of grateful to them for trying to save their lives and the lives of others. And there are, of course, those who dislike policemen simply because they are doing their job.

There are special problems involved in the police-citizen confrontation in the inner-city. There are many hostile confrontations. Most acts of hostility by blacks are directed at other blacks. not at strangers, but at those with whom they eat, drink and live.

It must be remembered that, despite the high crime rate in the ghettos, over 85 per cent of the residents have never committed any offense and have no arrest record. The law-abiding Black citizens desire more strongly than others that the police do their job. They don't want less police protection, but more. They don't want fewer policemen in their neighborhoods, but more. They know better than any people in America that, without policemen, they would be living in an absolute jungle.

Policemen, however, have a grave responsibility here. They must be polite, professional and calm. As with any other citizens, they will incur and hold the respect and friendship of blacks and begin to win their cooperation.

Aside from promoting and encouraging, at every level, community participation and cooperation there are several specific steps which should be taken to assure every citizen equal protection under the law.

Initially there must be a sizable increase in the number of foot patrolmen in all areas of the city in addition to the mobile unit. Not only does the officer on the beat effectively deter criminal activity but he is able to develop a rapport with the neighborhood citizen which eventually serves to develop mutual feelings of respect, admiration and genuine kinship.

In the Spotlight

MRS. HARRIDAY

By PAM WIDGEON

Mrs. Mildred W. Harriday has spent much of her time and training trying to make Baltimore a better place for all to live both black and white.

She has filled her life with unselfish concern for others; and seeks to understand and improve community relations whereever possible.

Mrs. Harriday, is a reading resource teacher at School 112, and mother of one daughter Miss Anita B. Harriday, a senior and honor student at Morgan State College.

Her husband was Littleton M. Harriday, a counselor at school 160, who died last year.

Mrs. Harriday is an active member of Christian Outreach of Maryland, Women Power, Interdenominational Missionaries of America, Phi Delta Kappa, Gamma Chapter, Provident Hospital Auxiliary, Church Women United of Greater Baltimore and other organizations. Mrs. Harriday is also a member of Perkins Square Baptist Church.

She has not been quite as active since an automobile accident, but her work still goes on. Even when she was confined home from her accident, you could find her sending cards to the sick.

Mrs. Harriday graduated from Bowie State College. In 1952 she received her masters degree from New York University. She received an advance reading certificate from Loyola College.

She has served as classroom teacher, supervising teacher, demonstration teacher, and as school representative for various projects.

Mrs. Harriday told the AFRO "I am still learning and growing. "You don't talk love you show it. You can respect a person who lives by this code."

Care of Hearing

If you wonder what it is like to go through life with an unalleviated hearing loss, the Beltone Crusade for Hearing Conservation suggests a simple experiment. Watch a favorite television program with the sound turned too low to hear. The experiment probably will be interesting for a short time but is likely to become irritating as you discover you are cut off from communication.

How To Assure Good Car Repair

Baltimore's Better Business Bureau, which handles thousands of customer complaints annually about automobile service repairs, has pinpointed one factor which may be creating many of the problems. It could be language barrier.

Stepped-up travel and technology have brought along scores of new words, trade terminology and special lingo which have helped contribute toward poor communication.

To increase customer satisfaction and to give full credit to countless well-qualified mechanics, BBB has issued some pointers which are worth your attention.

1. Select a garage known for its reliability record. Check with your BBB or with friends who have dealt with the garage.

2. Avoid the rush. No matter where you go, it's a good idea to call ahead and see if they have time to schedule your car for service.

3. Make a list and take it with you. Listing minor problems or performance questions as they happen will help your memory and serve as a reference and check list for the mechanic as he works. Keep old service records — at least for the past year — in your car so that you can explain work done in the past.

4. Skip the "gyp attitude." Don't go with the feeling that mechanics are out to cheat women ? . . or men either. Most servicemen believe that the average man knows as little about today's cars as his female counterpart. Trust your choice of mechanic.

5. Be specific; use your own words. Don't worry about using correct technical words — the mechanic may have his own pet terms anyway. Call the part, or problem, a gismo or a whoosis if you like. But describe it as accurately as you can.

Is it a noise? If so, does it go ping, whing or ding? When does it happen — when the car's hot, cold, speeding, idling; when the weather is dry or when it is raining? These details may mean only annoyance to you but the good mechanic will find them helpful clues in diagnosing and correcting your problem.

6. Don't diagnose your own problem. When you go to your doctor to tell him you have a pain, you don't tell him what's causing it. Hopefully, you consulted him so that he could tell you the cause and effect the cure.

7. Get a written estimate. If the mechanic cannot give you a repair estimate until the car has been gone over thoroughly, ask him to telephone you and not to proceed with work without your O.K.

8. If you're back a second time, explain. If work done the first time doesn't help your car's problem, be sure that the mechanic knows and doesn't repeat the same corrective measures.

9. Skip the middle-man. At large garages you may be seen only by the Service Manager — which is fine if your problems are simple. If they are complicated, ask to talk direct with the mechanic assigned to your car. Most garages will oblige!

10. Read before you sign. Your signature on the work order commits you to pay for the work described and the parts used. It's your acknowledgement that you understand the dealer has a lien on your car until the bill is paid.

So read the order carefully before you sign.

Who dreamed that the time would ever come when such a man would dare to dream to be such a candidate? But he is campaigning all over the state and no one is laughing him off.

What poetic justice that would be if he should become governor of Mississippi! But there, as in Baltimore, the important thing is to get out a tremendous black vote.

Evers will also have many white votes, and George Russell, candidate for mayor of Baltimore, will also need them. So far, however, no black candidate has been able to win without having the masses of black voters voting for him.

Much has been written about the San Quentin prison break and the killing of six people — three guards, two white inmates and George Jackson, one of the Soledad brothers.

What bothers this corner is the demonstration of sloppy standards and poor training which the escape attempt demonstrates. If the Soledad brothers are as dangerous as the authorities say they are, how and why could a visitor get to George Jackson with such little search?

Reports are that the suspected visitor (not a "brother," incidentally) carried a briefcase, which he was not required to check outside; in the briefcase was a tape recorder, which the guards took at face value; they did not examine it.

As in some police killings, too, it seems that better training of personnel and better pay to attract a higher level of personnel, would help a great deal in all areas of police and correctional work. Better selection — with less "political" dictation — might also help.

Whenever I ride by a prison camp or see chained prisoners (usually black) working by the roadside, guarded by a husky armed guard (usually white), I get the feeling that, by a flip of the coin or change of luck the guard might well be on the chaingang himself.

IF YOU ASK ME

By BETTY MOSS

MRS. MOSS

Prettiest new resident in our town is 21-year-old Nicole Cain. She and her father, Carl Cain, are here from Heidelberg, Germany where he is with the U.S. Civil service. His wife, Mandon, and 17-year-old daughter, Rita, remained in Germany.

Daughter Nicole, who speaks four languages, French, German, English, and Spanish, is looking for a teaching post either here or in nearby Washington.

She would be an asset to any school system. This writer met the Cains on Sunday afternoon at the Pinkney Road home of Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Graham (Jo).

It was an open house held on the spacious lawn. AFRO readers may remember back in January after they first occupied the house, it was gutted by flames. They have done it over and it is saying something.

Mr. Graham, is the staff assistant to the compliance officer at Social Security. Many admire him because he asks quarters from no one. He is able to move around under his own steam, even though he is confined to a wheel chair.

Mrs. Graham is a Spanish teacher in the city school.

CUFF NOTE: Mr. Graham and Mr. Cain are life-long friends. They were born in Pittsburg, Kans.

Among guests at their Sunday gathering were:

Messers and Mesdames James N. Bennett, Elliott B. Bourne, Paul Everett, Everett M. Friedman, O. Morton Harrington, Wilbert R. Hilliard, Alonzo P. Rogers, Robert H. Atkins, Vernon Becks, Charles Brown, Virgil S. Bowser, Willia R. Bowie, Dr. and Mrs. Irvin Cohen, James Crowner, George Cooper, Gaston E. Dudley, Marvin C. Davis;

Also Messers and Mesdames Ben H. Foreman, Thomas Fekete, Otis B. Hooper, Clarence O. Harris, Berman Harrington, Thomas Hasty, William I. Lottier Jr., Henry O. Lynn, Albert F. Pierluissi, Wilbert F. Richardson, Ralph J. Steger, Russell Tarter, Thomas Troy, Norman Wetzler, E. Thomas Williams, David Wiener, Barry Whitman, and Russell Young.

Mesdames Barbara Ramirez, Velma Butler, Edythe O. Cawthorne, Betty Dudley, Ruth DeGrafenreid, Melvina Jackson, William I. Lottier, Clarence Langfeld, Verner Marble, Christina Mason, Lillian Murphy, Louise Robinson, and sons, Tony and Byron, and Dr. and Mrs. Josh Mitchell and son, Robin, and daughter, Vicki, and Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Owings and sons, Richie and Kerry.

Richie marked his birthday aboard ship. Candles, cake and all.

PEOPLE MOVING ABOUT

The Women's Guild of Heritage United Church of Christ jetted Pan Am to San Juan where they were headquartered at the Sheraton. Leading the group were The Rev. and Mrs. Wendell Phillips (Doris).

It was a lively group as many took their youngsters along. They were Councilman and Mrs. Marshall Jones and family, Messers and Mesdames James Norris (Ruth); and Lonnie Harris and family, Henry James (Lucille), Zipha Thomas, James Knight, Harry Hill,

Mesdames Laura Waller, and daughter, Eleanor Mitchell and daughter, Josephine D. Brown and children, Florence Pulley, Lucille Williams, Samuel and Kevin Hobbs, Miriam Brown, Louise K. Hines, Essie Banks, Mary Wall, Ramona Gaskins, Delores Handy, Ida McLean, Vida Cordin, Rosa Taylor, Geraldine Griner, Iris Mapp, Rovena Tatum, Frankie Hinchen, Beatrice Nixon, Mary Quinn, Esther Harcum.

Also in the group Mrs. Sarah Buncan who flew from California to join her aunt Mrs. Hinchen. Their trip was arranged by Herb Brown of Mondawmin.

Still another group is in from a trip which took them to the Dominican Republic, Haiti, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. They were in a party led by Walter Amprey of the Aristocrat Travel and included Omega Psi Phi men and their friends.

Among them were Mrs. Blossom Salde and daughter, Janice; Messers and Mesdames Joseph Amprey, Joseph Spell, Dr. and Mrs. James Priest and children, Robin, Amie, Janine Priest.

Mesdames Elizabeth Gaskins, Ann Temple, Lareese Matthews, Phyllis Brown, Mabel Brooks, Marjorie Williams, Shirley Napier, Mrs. Walter Amprey and James Chambers.

CUFF NOTE:

Marguerite and Bill Carroll were at Dulles Airport last Saturday waiting the return of their teenage daughter, Shirley, who has spent the past five weeks in Paris, France as the guest of Mitra Pitts, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Nathan (Mary) Pitts.

Spied in Miami Airport Saturday, headed for a Florida vacation: Police Capt. and Mrs. Dennis Mello.

Special sunshine please for Mrs. Carl Norwood (Sarah) who has been ill for several months.

She is back in the hospital, North Charles General, as of Monday. Many know Mrs. Norwood as the wife of the kindly owner of Summers Norwood Florist.

AfroLine

AFRO LINE is an AFRO community service to help you solve problems, whatever they may be. All you have to do is write a post-card to AFRO LINE, AFRO, 628 N. Eutaw St., P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21203. In addition to stating the question you want answered, include your name, address and phone number. Then watch for the answer to the AFRO LINE each week because that is where the Action can be found.

1600 BLK. GILMOR

QUESTION: In our 1600 block Gilmor St., there are houses that are not boarded up. It is a public nuisance because there is trash all over. What can we do about it? We have appealed to our community representatives but nothing has been done about the trash.

ANSWER: Call city customer service (539-5111) Department of Public Works, for houses to be boarded up. For the trash in the street call Department of Sanitation.

QUESTION — I am requesting some help in getting an awning replaced on the balcony on the apartment in which I live. Into March of this year we had a storm and the awning on the apartment blew off, and this has been approximately (five) 5 months.

After repeated calls to the management, all they can say is as soon as the company fixes them I will have the awning replaced.

I would like to know if there is any way that I can hold the rent payments or put them into escrow, until the matter has been taken care of? They are increasing my rent in the amount of $5 on October. — M. A. A.

ANSWER — In this case you need the intricate rent-law advice of an attorney. If you do not have a family lawyer and can not afford one, ask for the services of Legal Aid attorneys. Tell them, AFRO LINE asked you to call.