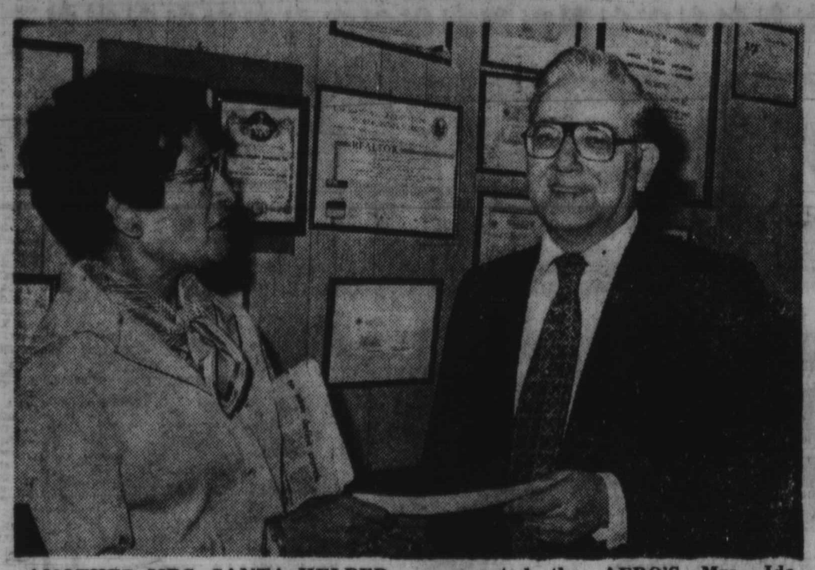
'Poor more needy than ever': Mrs. Santa



ANOTHER MRS. SANTA HELPER is the M. Goldseker Co., who through Sol. C. Grossman, officer manager, presented the AFRO'S Mrs. Ida Peters with a check for $300 to kick off the 1975 campaign.

Families across the nation in general and in Baltimore in particular suffered severely from the effects of a crippled economy during 1975. Unemployment, sky-rocketing prices and shortages in food and fuel have taken their tolls.

Baltimoreans witnessed even greater tragedies due to deaths by fire and other calamities. Combined, these facts make the need to contribute to Mrs. Santa's Fund more important than ever. Please help!

At AFRO presstime the total of the Mrs. Santa Fund stood at $936. In 1974 the fund raised more than $14,000 for Baltimore's needy families. Mrs. Santa is urging all of her generous contributors to surpass that mark this year.

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The total was $709 ending with last weekend. This week's efforts brought the total to the near-$1,000 mark.

Heading this week's list of contributors is the Myra Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star who, at their 79th Annual Convention presented Mrs. Santa with $150. The presentation was made at the Masonic Temple on Wednesday.

Present at the affair were delegates from Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and Maryland. Other organizations which received contributions at the convention were: The Anna Mae Hunter Home for the Blind, $200; NAACP, $500; Provident Hospital, $300; Baltimore Urban League, $200; Baptist Aged Home, $200; N.M. Carroll Home for the Aged, $200; Kewick Nursing Home, $200 and the United College Fund, $150.

Mrs. Lillie M. Askew is Grand Worthy Matron and

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Help feed 1,100

Each day scores of citizens find welcome and good food at the House of Hope, Eutaw Place and Robert St., a free service sponsored by the congregation of city Temple Baptist Church. The Rev. W. W. Payne, pastor, says the need today is greater due to unprecedented unemployment.

AFRO Staff photo by Roman Hankewycz

Some 1,100 persons will be present at the City Temple Baptist Church, Eutaw Place and Dolphin, for Thanksgiving Day dinner, Nov. 27.

You can make someone's holiday a little bit better if you help feed the 1,100 needy who arrive each year. They're welcomed by the pastor, the Rev. William W. Payne who presides at the Annual Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner, 12 noon to 4 p.m.

He and his congregation and hundreds of volunteers have served for five years all those who are needy, lonely and elderly, regardless of race or creed. You can give cash or food for the non-profit effort. Call Rev. Payne, 462-4800, office or home, 947-2538.

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U.S. smashes mail order drug ring

Famed Greene sister is new Baptist minister

"I have been called into the ministry by God. He has given me a gift to reach out and help others find the way to Christ."

This statement was made by Rev. Mrs. Edna Isaac lead singer of the famed Greene Sisters.

More than 800 persons heard the Rev. Mrs. Isaac preach her trial sermon recently at Mount Moriah Baptist Church.

The Greene Sisters, known as "Baltimore's Sweethearts of Songs," have traveled on gospel tours throughout Southeast Asia, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Philippines, Hawaii and Alaska.

For years, the Rev. Mrs. Isaac has dreamed of becoming a minister and "spreading the word of God." She states, "My father's prayers are now answered because he has been praying for this to happen."

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The Rev. Mrs. Isaac, 33, is now attending Virginia Seminar Baptist School of Religion but will continue to sing with her sisters.

Mother of three children, the Rev. Mrs. Isaac is described as a "lovely lady with a magnificent voice."

"Since I have been called by the Lord, I feel I will be able to encourage more young people to become active in the church," the Rev. Mrs. Isaac states.

Reared in Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, the Rev. Mrs. Isaac has constantly received inspiration from her father, the Rev. Albert Greene, pastor of Paradise Baptist Church and mother, Mrs. Catherine Greene.

Despite the fact the group is constantly trav-

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REV. EDNA ISAAC
lead singer of Greene Sisters

$20,000 heroin shipments covered by GIs in Germany

U.S. drug enforcement agents and German Customs officers in Kaiserslautern, W. Germany have arrested two U.S. soldiers and one former GI turned restauratuer in what they describe as "A most unique drug smuggling ring whose take could have run into the millions."

According to indictments handed down by the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, James Wilkins, 51, of Philadelphia, "Provided a system wherein individuals in West Germany wishing to ship heroin into the U.S. could do so with guaranteed delivery."

Wilkins, a former GI owns and operated the L'Aperitif Restaurant in Kaisseslautern.

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Wilkins charged his customers $3,000 to ship samples and once the customer was satisfied the system worked he, charged $20,000 per kilogram, per shipment, agents at the Drug Enforcement Administration said.

According to agent-in-charge, Washington District office, Marino H. Milano, "We have been working on this case since around January 1975."

Affidavits filed with the U.S. District Court of Maryland show that "Between May 14, 1975 and Sept. 16, 1975, on approximately nine separate occasions, James Wilkins met with special agent William Hutchinson in various cities in the Federal Republic of Germany (West Germany).

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"Hutchinson was acting in an undercover capacity posing as a dealer in heroin who had quantities of heroin available to him in Germany but no channels for importation of said heroin into the United States.

"Wilkins indicated to

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THIS CARTOON was published in the AFRO on Dec. 5, 1964.

FBI admits harassing Dr. King

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following J. Edgar Hoover's senseless attack on Dr. King and an equally bitter speech he delivered at Baltimore's Loyola University the AFRO published an editorial on Dec. 5, 1964 from which the following excerpts were taken.

"After licking bruises received as the result of his absurd contention that Nobel Peace Prize winner Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is the nation's most notorious liar, J. Edgar Hoover was back on the attack last week.

"His diatribe against "pressure" groups in a Chicago speech gives further credence to the belief the FBI chief has a foggy notion that where Goldwater failed he can succeed in tearing down public sympathy for the civil rights revolution and its dedicated leaders."

WASHINGTON — A top FBI official said Wednesday there was no legal basis or justification for the bureau's seven-year effort to discredit and harass civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

James Adams, assistant bureau director in charge of intelligence, testified before the Senate Intelligence Committee that King originally came under investigation because of fears of communist connections.

"There were approximately 25 cases" of FBI actions against King, Adams said under the glare of television lights. "We would lump them all together — there was no statutory basis for justification."

Adams said, however, that the late attorney general, Robert F. Kennedy once approved surveillance action against King.

Referring to one anonymous FBI letter to King which suggested "there is but one way out for you," committee chairman Church, D-Idaho, asked Adams if the letter "was improper and grotesque?"

"Certainly it was improper," Adams said.

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The partial contents of a letter, received by King 34 days before he was to be awarded the Nobel Prize in 1964, were made public during a hearing by the Senate Intelligence Committee on FBI domestic intelligence activities.

The letter told King, "There is only one thing left to do. You have just 34 days to do it. You are done. There is but one way out for you."

Chairman Frank Church, D-Idaho, stopped committee counsel Fred Scwartz, who was reading portions of the letter, and asked, "This was suggesting suicide?" Scwartz replied, "Yes, sir."

The commtitee did not release the information which the letter threatened to expose about King. Copies of the letter were sent to both King and his wife.

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The letter, the committee staff said, was part of a concentrated effort by the FBI to discredit the black leader, who was described in a 1962 memo by J. Edgar Hoover as "no good."

Scwartz said, "The FBI had a paranoia that the American people couldn't deal with Martin Luther King. In one memo, they called him, the most dan-

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AFRO Bucks mean cash for holidays

Remember, each AFRO Lucky Buck is good for the duration of the contest. Be sure you check the AFRO each week to see if you will share in the weekly $230 prize bonanza. The holidays are coming and you can use cash.

Royston Jackson of South Morley St., won $5. You too can be a winner of $5, $10, or $20 in the contest.

The certificate number and cash value will be published Tuesday and Friday in the AFRO. If your number appears, you are a winner.

Tuesday winners will have to collect their winnings not later than 4 p.m.

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All display (block type) ads for Friday, Nov. 28th should be in this office before 4 p.m., Tuesday, November 25th. All classified reader (per word) ads should be in this office before 10 a.m. Wednesday, November 26th.

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Hundreds of Baltimoreans slated to attend Sunday events for worthy causes

Slave church fete at 7

Alex Haley, a noted author and scholar, will be principal speaker at a benefit affair for the restoration of the Orchard Street Church in Baltimore at the Wilde Lake High School, Columbia at 7 p.m. on Nov. 23

Mr. Haley gained international prominence when he became the first black American to trace his family tree to a tribe in Gambia.

As a result of his findings, he wrote the book, "Roots" after which the Sunday benefit program is entitled. Mr. Haley is also the author of several books including the Autobiography of Malcolm X.

Mr. Haley is contributing his services to the program without benefit of a fee.

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The program will also include Mary Carter Smith, a folklorist who will give readings and music from American Black literature and African folk tales. Mrs. Smith is well known in the Baltimore area and is currently Griot-in-residence at Morgan State University and is featured on the Children's Hour on WHUR-FM in Washington.

Also on the program are James Walker, historian, genealogist and lecturer from the National Archives in Washington and Ellen Conroy Kennedy, Writer and editor of the recent publication, "The Negritude Poets." Other performers include Freddie Green, dancer and the choir of Holy Trinity Church.

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Tickets are $5 and may be obtained at Pauline Brooks, Mondawmin; Stop and Grow Book Nook, Wilde Lake Interfaith Center; Potters House, 1658 Columbia Rd., NW Washington; U.S.A. Cultural Arts Office, 1400 Orleans St.; Dunbar Community High School, Norman E. Ross, coordinator.

The Committee for the Preservation of Orchard

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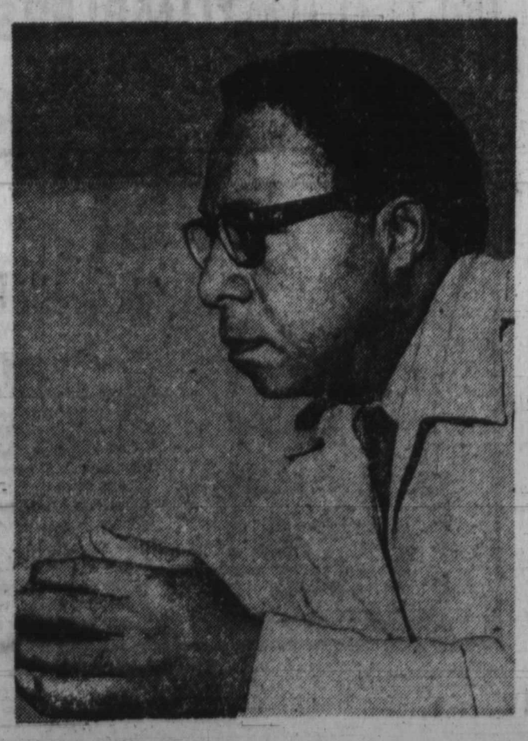

ALEX HALEY
church benefit affair speaker

NAACP banquet at 5

Margaret Bush Wilson, national chairman of the board of directors, the NAACP, will be the principal speaker at the ninth annual Freedom Dinner of the Baltimore branch, at Blue Crest North, beginning at 5 p.m. Sunday.

Mrs. Wilson, a St. Louis lawyer, literally grew up in the NAACP. Both her parents were active in the St. Louis branch, her mother serving on the executive committee. Her father was leader in a lawsuit which reached the U.S. Supreme Court and overturned restrictive real estate covenants as unenforceable under law.

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Mrs. Wilson, herself was the first female president both of the St. Louis branch and of the Missouri state conferences of branches. She was elected to the national board in 1963, served on several of its committees, and was permanent chairperson of the national convention in 1973.

Mrs. Wilson's many experiences include being assistant attorney general of Missouri; U.S. attorney, legal division, Rural Electrification Administration; acting director, St. Louis Model Cities Agency; and instructor, St. Louis University School of Law.

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Mrs. Wilson is a graduate of Talladega College, with honors, and holds the LL.B. from Lincoln University School of Law, St. Louis. She has one son, Robert E. Wilson, III, a junior at Harvard Law School.

Mrs. Enolia V. McMillan is president of the Baltimore NAACP branch.

MRS. MARGARET B. WILSON
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