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

REPORT FROM THE CAPITAL

Reception for Indian Ambassador tops week

By PEARLIE COX HARRISON

WASHINGTON

No need to check and recheck the list of last week's events to find the top-scoring social moves. Heading the partying, of course, was the reception in honor of the Ambassador of India and Mrs. M. C. Chagla, Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Chancery of the Indian Embassy, 2107 Massachusetts Ave., N.W. But a lot o'folks know by now that bringing more in-towners OUT and more out-of-towners IN were the following three big affairs: The Shriners and their Annual Ball at the Armory; the Pigskin Club and its 21st Annual Awards Dinner; and the Derby Club and its 30th Anniversary Celebration.

—Let's peep at the Indian Chancery first, with its rich furnishings; and its pictures and statues of the beloved Mahatma Ghandhi here and there on wall or mantelpiece.

The Chancery is really on Q St., but it's posted "Massachusetts Ave."

Anyhow, 'twas crowded Saturday from 5 to long past 7 p.m., as the officers of the Information Service of India (Embassy of India), entertained in honor of the handsome Ambassador and Mrs. Chagla.

Pretty Indian ladies were everywhere in silken saris, pink, red or blue-bordered, often gold-threaded; and their black hair, low-coiled on their necks.

Their jewels are pretty too, as is the handsome gold set worn by Mrs. Mildred Bell to compliment her off-white dress.

Mrs. Bell, an American colored aide, who has been with the Embassy more than two years, assisted in receiving.

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AMONG THE GUESTS were Dr. Felimnie P. Kittrell, head of the Department of Home Economics, Howard University; also young Mr. Rauf, a student at Howard and a native of India. Dr. Kittrell has spent much time teaching in India.

The State Department's Lincoln White was on hand; also Frank Mitchell, British Information Services; Ted Koop of CBS; John Secondari of ABC; Bruce Rothinell representing a London Newspaper; J. Russell Wiggins of the Washington Post and Times Herald also; Mrs. Wiggins; Miss Fannie Granton, president of the Capital Press Club, the AFRO AMERICAN simply had to be in it so that's how I got in.

At the party too was the Ambassador's son, Jehangir; also India's Commissioner General for Economic Affairs, B. K. Nehru and Mrs. Nehru.

Attracting much attention at the party buffet was a large platter filled with neatly sliced turkey. And standing near the dish was tall "Mr. Turkey" himself, as Lyndon Johnson, his breast, pointed directly at the platter, and reading, "I escaped Thanksgiving Day to end up here."

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THE SHRINERS, MY, MY! Hardly had room to dance away in that vast Armory, what with so many guests and so many tables piled high with good things to eat.

Turkey brought to the hall, un-carved; chickens, (eg sections mostly), new-fangled salads, and other menu-toppers.

At Raymond Banks' table it seemed that Christmas had already come. For serving as a Evans center - piece was a gaily-decked tree three feet high.—And around the brightly-lit table were Messrs. and Mesdames Jesse Atkinson, Marion Lester, Henry Only; Mrs. Evelyn Richardson and others.

L. Harold Gray, extra-high-ranking figure in the craft, came from Philadelphia for the occasion, bringing Mrs. Gray with him.

'Twas a brilliant scene with many a head in a fez, some red, some white, all be-jewelled, with gold regalia shining on potentates, priests, masters and other top-notchers' dark - hued suits; with white chiffon and satin and lace a - sparkle on "Daughters of Isis" and other outstanding ladies; and with the colorful garb of the guests, the crowd made an ever so interesting picture.

There was music and song; a grand march and a "Can't we stay longer" cry from some when 'twas time to go home.

Seen here and there were Grand Master George A. Farrar; Grand Worthy Matron Pearl G. Lindsay; Grand Worthy Patron Lawrence Little; Commanderess Bertha Bragg; and Mesdames Mollie Travis, Thelma Corbin, Ruth E. Highley, Bessie Green, Gertrude Johnson, all high-ranking ladies at the 10th and You street.

Also noted were the new Most Excellent Grand and Mrs. Priest, Thomas C. Cope, and Mrs. Cope;

Messrs. and Mesdames Edmond Chaplin, Hugh Kirksey, James Tyler, William H. Westray, Sylvester Mason, Clarence Reed, David Crosby and his Philadelphia kinsmen, Mr. Eddie Crosby and his pretty wife;

Messrs. Lynn Coombs, Carl Stewart, Herbert Bates;

Mesdames Mattie Curtis, Pinkie Adams and a thousand more.

Names that counted much in the big affair included Warren King, Robert Gray, Rudolph Stewart, Clarence Reed, William Alston, Walter A. Barnes, William L. Bennett, L. D. Dullard, James Edwards, Richard C. Brinkley, Samuel M. Graham, John C. Gaskill, William J. Haney, Pres Johnson, Edward B. Minor, Robert O. Johnson, James M. Moore, David T. Normand, Clyde Ford, Samuel J. Perry, Hugh L. Russell, Charles Taylor, Colen S. Hawkins, Fred Hall; Paul Cooper, Louis Jones, Lester A. Gaynor, William J. Hill, E. B. Carter, Ralph T. Jones, John McKelvin, Porter A. Neal, Carl Stewart, John Wallace, Irving V. Woods Sr., Ernest Peinaud, William Henry Campbell, Eugene Bailey, Dickerson Jr., William Bailey, Hugh C. Kirksey, Edward C. Evans.

MISS LORETTA LUCINDA WARREN

Miss Warren, H. E. Barnes Jr will have campus wedding

BALTIMORE

Miss Loretta Lucinda Warren, Jessups, Md., and Hubert Edward Barnes, Jr., Raleigh, N. C., both June, 1958 Morgan State College graduates will be married in a campus wedding on Sunday, December 21.

Vows will be said at 3 p.m. in the Morgan Christian Center with the director, the Rev. Howard Cornish, presiding.

For her wedding the bride-to-be has chosen a trail-floor-length white satin gown. The waist length veil is caught with a tiara of pearls and Miss Warren will carry a white prayer book.

Her attendents will be gowned in Christmas green balloon fashioned dresses with velveteen bodices.

THE newlyweds will greet their friends at a reception to be held at the Christian Center immediately following the ceremonies.

At five p.m. another reception will be held at the Jessups home of the bride.

Miss Warren is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Warren of Jessups. She plans to enter the University of Pennsylvania graduate school in September, 1959.

Mr. Barnes is the son of Mrs. Catherine Jeffers, Washington, D. C., and Hubert E. Barnes, Sr., Raleigh. He will join the Armed Forces in April.

Attending Miss Warren are her sister, Miss Adele Warren, maid of honor; and bridesmaids, Misses Edna Young, Josephine Holland, Cooksville, Md.; Barbara Curtis and Mattie Fountain, Montclair, N. J.; Joyce Stern, Washington and Mrs. Catherine Wright, Baltimore.

Best man is Joseph Carter. Ushers are Vernon Keller, Ernest Middleton, John R. Risher, Jr., Donald Bailey and Walter Kershaw.

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HERBERT BROWN will sing "O, Promise Me." with Walter Fisher, a Morgan professor, at the organ.

MISS JOAN DISTANCE, soprano, who is studying at Peabody College of Music, was featured in a final concert, last Friday, under auspices of the Baltimore Bureau of Music.

Cotillion diamond cross will go to courageous Daisy Bates

PHILADELPHIA

When the Philadelphia Cotillion Society presents its Diamond Cross of Malta to Mrs. Daisy Bates of Little Rock, Ark. on Dec. 26 it will honor a woman called "one of the most courageous persons in America."

As head of the state NAACP in Arkansas Mrs. Bates has marshaled the battle against continued segregation in the public supported schools.

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SHE HAS been vilified, threatened with bodily injury, shot at and exposed to all the machinations that proponents of segregation could think up.

Nevertheless she has persevered in the campaign to bring democracy to her state in line with the laws of the country.

Mrs. Bates will receive the Cotillion's award at the annual Christmas fantasy to be presented at Convention Hall.

"Island of Fire" is the name of the brilliant production that again will present to the audience the talents of young people from all over the city and neighboring Pennsylvania sections.

Written and produced by Dr. Eugene Wayman Jones, executive director of the Society, the ballet fantasy incorporates in colorful spectacle the opposing forces of Christendom and pagan life in a scene laid in the days of the Crusades.

The evening will also feature the world premiere of the Saint Saens Symphony No. 3, played by the Men 8 of the Philadelphia Orchestra conducted by Henri Ern.

Gilbert Martin, young pianist just back from Europe; Blanche Burton, talented pianist, John Dangerfield Cooper, a ranking organist; and Helen Colbert, soprano also recently returned from a concert tour in Europe, will be also featured.

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RAYMOND Pace Alexander, newly elected chancellor of the Society, will officiate over this tenth anniversary program.

It also includes a diplomatic reception for Mrs. Bates, the Christmas Tree lighting ceremony; the presentation of the Cross of Malta, the ballet and finally the dancing in the several ballrooms.

IF YOU ASK ME

Former Baltimore policeman now has own detective agency

By B. M. PHILLIPS

BALTIMORE

More people in new jobs: Remember Patrolman Avon E. Cooper who served at the Northwest Police Boys' Club? **He now has his own detective agency — with headquarters at 614 N. Eutaw St.**

Says he specializes in all kinds of detective work — security patrol etc.

Don't know who's happiest—the Tom Wallaces (Madessa) or their friends who have just learned they are expecting their first heir after so many years of marriage. Baby is due in early spring. Both are city teachers and both are lovely persons.

It is a girl (Constance Elizabeth) for the William Edmondsons (Augusta) of 1016 Appleton St. Baby arrived Sunday Sunday evening at City Hospitals, weighed eight pounds, one ounce.

It is another boy, their fourth, for Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Young (Mary Helen) of Guilford, Md. He weighed in at 8 pounds, 7 ounces Thurs-day at the Montgomery County Hospital and has been named Gregory Allen. Dad's older youngsters are 6, 7 and 8.

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The Percell Turners (Barbara) mark their second wedding anniversary Saturday evening with a party at their Eutaw Place home. (2309).

Happy birthday cards by December 13 to John H. Hampton, the attorney, 1227 W. Lafayette Ave.

Howard H. Murphy, AFRO compositor, celebrates, on December 14 — his address 2410 Montebello Terr.

Birthday cheer to Mrs. Mordphelia B. Winston, 2504 Woodbrook Ave., by December 15.

Mrs. Viola C. Jackson — she's principal of Alexander School No. 112 and wife of the Rev. Kelly Jackson (1710 Barnum St., NW, Washington). celebrates on December 15th also.

The Lewis Grey family of 2230 Druid Hill Ave., has birthdays in this month:

Son, Harrington, celebrated on December 9. Hellos to him and to Mrs. Grey Sr. (Goldie), who marks her natal day on December 12. Mr. Grey should get your cards by December 15.

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Damita Frances Ridout will be one year old on December 18. She is the daughter of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ridout (Frances.)

Wedding anniversary greetings — their 36th — to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Holley, 2436 Woodbrook Ave.

Belated hellos to Mrs. Helen F. Chamberlain, 2307 N. Monroe St., she observed her birthday on December 9.

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Early birds: First Christmas card to reach AFRO city desk — a pretty one embossed with gold from the Parks Sausage Co.

More early birds cards already received: from the Miles Harrisons (Bernadine) and the Samuel Blackwells (Pauline.)

Mrs. Alice Gittens, Mrs. Alice Mead and Mrs. Anna Dabney, all of York, Pa., visited in our town on Saturday as guests of their cousin, Miss Irene Blay.

They were special guests when Mrs. Alma Harris entertained the SSS Club.

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Working in the veterans disabilities claims department at the Social Security Chandler Building are O'NEIL KOGER, Llewellyn Woolford, and Miss Lorraine Cephas, a University of Md. Law School grad.

New businessman around town: James B. Huntley, an architect, who is associated in the office of Truly Hatchett. Mr. Huntley is a native of Bessemer, Ala., and holds degrees from Tuskegee and Howard.

About this and that . . .

New cars about: Henry Parks, president of the sausage firm which bears his name traded in his Chrysler Imperial for a Chevvie.

And, add foreign car owners: — Dr. I. B. Higgins.

Visitor around town; Chick Smith, vice president of Packard Motors, was in town as guest of his schoolmate, Lt. Tracy. They attended Boston U. together.

Remember, Doug Sands, the 155 Morgan grad? He has served his Army stint and is back on the home hearth.

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Dr. Sidney Burnett hosted the Monumental Dental Society which held its dinner meeting on Tuesday evening at Wilson's.

Also dining at Wilson's the same evening —several members of the We Wives Club.

Member Adelle Foreman was taken suddenly ill and their meeting scheduled for her house was postponed.

But speaking of We Wives there have a story.

For a number of years, members of this club have made an annual contribution to the Mental Hygiene Society of Baltimore.

Since most of the members are business and professional people, they have not found time in the past to join in the Christmas gift- wrapping project.

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However, this year, when a request came from the Society, it was decided to lend a helping hand. Two hours on this past Tuesday evening saw the time they selected to serve.

Eight of them turned out . . . helped gift - wrap boxes which will hold Christmas gifts for patients at the various mental hospitals.

Just as the task was coming to an end, Mrs. C (let's not use names) spoke up, a woman-in charge of volunteers felt called onto inquire what members of the club did for a living.

Here is what Mrs. C said to a school executive who is a member of the club:

Mrs. C — Well, you're the We Wives. What do you do? Are you all in the same profession or what?

Ans. — Oh no, we're just friends.

Mrs. C — Well, if there are we wives, there must be we husbands. Where are they,-out shooting craps?

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This is to report that the school executive was so shocked. She made no reply, just looked at Mrs. C.

And, this is to report further, that there is proof that sometimes it doesn't pay to do good deeds.

The un - called-for remark Mrs. C left a bad taste in the mouth of a group of busy matrons who were doing a voluntary job.

Wonder why people think they have to say something smart — insulting to make conversation!

And wonder oh when will our white neighbors learn that all colored people do not shoot craps for recreation! Ho hum!

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More baby news: Elizabeth Ann Bernice Michelle, small daughters of Dr. and Mrs. Emerson R. Julian, were christened on Sunday morning by the Rev. Robert T. Newbold.

The children's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John White, are godparents for Elizabeth; and Mrs. Vivian Pack Parker and Henry C. Johnson, stood with Denise.

Proud as a punch — the babies' paternal grandmother — Mrs. Elizabeth Julian.

After church, the family received friends and relatives who toasted the babies in champagne and stayed on for supper.

In addition to the parents the grandmother and the godparents, others about were: Mrs. Henry C. Johnson, Dr. and Mrs. James Julian Jr., Miss Carole E. Johnson, James and Sylvia Julian, Nannette Johnson, Betty Jean McLeod, Mrs. Mary A. Peck, Miss Emily Peck, Miss Emile and Roseari Julian and Emerson Julian Jr.

Miss Barbara Patterson, just back from Liberia where she was a missionary, will be the speaker Sunday at 4 at the 18th anniversary of the Woman's Society of Christian Service meeting at Metropolitan Methodist Church.

REPORT FROM RICHMOND

Local Guardsmen stage series of social events

By GRACE M. PLEASANTS

The Guardsmen's Inc., of Richmond entertained local and out - of - town guests this weekend with a series of gala events.

The annual "weekend" opened with a "winter" dance at the Binga Gym. The affair was held in a setting of red and white, with the orchestra stand encircled by white and lighted with spotlights. Everyone of the men's emblem revolved in the middle of the floor, with the names of the chapters spotlighted.

Johnny Sparrow of Philadelphia provided the dance music.

Saturday afternoon from three to seven, cocktails were served at the "open house" at Club Binga.

The climax of the week's activities came Saturday night with a cabaret at Market Inn.

Numerous small parties were held following the dance. Drs. and Mrs. Everett C. White and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Nickens entertained their guests at breakfast at Slaughter's Hotel.

The B. T. Gillespie's of Lancaster Rd. were hosts to Dr. and Mrs. Bishop Merritt of Danville.

Dr. and Mrs. Ferguson Reid were hosts to Mrs. Reid's sister and her husband, Dr. and Mrs. Parker H. Word of St. Louis and Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bland of Washington.

TEACHER IS BRIDE — The former Miss Rubye Christine Richardson became the bride of Alexander M. Wilkerson recently at the Calvary P.E. Church. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Charles Richardson of Rome, Ga. and teacher at the Terrell Junior High School.

PHILADELPHIA REPORT

Alpha convention, cotillion Christmas season sparklers

By BARBARA PRIGMORE

PHILADELPHIA

Christmas Activities socially focus on elaborate preparations for the 10th anniversary Christmas Cotillion, Dec. 26th at Convention Hall; and for the 44th convention of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., which will meet Dec. 28-30 at the Sheraton Hotel.

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CHRISTMAS CASCADE at Wanamaker's store is a breath-taking spectacle, featuring water falls, multi - colored lighting effects, the grande organ peel of Christmas Carols, huge, lavishly dressed figures in tableau of the Nativity scenes.

It is a magnificent Christmas atmosphere of sounds (water music, singing) of multi-colored designs of lights, matching the glorious Christmas Carols.

An inspirational fervor fills the air; and all around about you, there is an exhilarated feeling of the brotherhood of man, of "Peace on Earth," and "Joy to the World."

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority met on Saturday evening at the Parkside YMCA to make plans for Founders' Day celebration, which will be presented in early January.

Basileus Helen Townsend presided over the meeting and Soror Althea Lott was appointed chairman of the celebration.

Mrs. Ethel Hall, associate regional director and Miss Nan Fletcher gave reports of the regional conclave held in New York; and the American Council on Human Rights meeting in Washington, D.C.

A cheerio Christmas gift and cards were sent to Soror Virgie Burrell.

Other members of the popular sorority present were: Mesdames Cleopatra Nelson, Helen Goines, Sedalia Gaines, Barbara Williams, Betty Riley, Esther Wilson, Pearl Crayton, Annette Wilson, Addie Miller, Opelia Lott, Ernestine Faunt.

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PHILADELPHIA Bridge Unit featured a two-session benefit for the NAACP during their Thanksgiving week - end of Bridge at the Southwest YWCA. **Some 200 guests and members of the American Bridge Association enjoyed the "fascinating Double A" Tournament.**

Out-of-town members attending the tourney included: Victor Day, national president, Washington, D.C.; Kenneth Shorter, NYC, the Eastern second vice president; Kenneth Ross, Washington, D.C., national secretary;

Leonard Jefferson, president of the Metropolitan Group, NYC; Mesdames Rosa Reed, Goldie Saunders, Edna Perez, Vivian Lewis, Estelle Hill, Dr. and Mrs. Conrad Edwards, New York.

From Baltimore came Mrs. Dorethea Marchant, Florence Dannis, Atlantic City, Miss Pat Yates, Hubert Bryant, and William Robinson;

Washington, D.C., Mesdames Barbara Allen, Katye Gibbs, Carlisle Pratt, Oliver Cassell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dullard, M. J. Dillard; Portsmouth, Va.; Howard B. Waxwood Sr. and Howard B. Waxwood Jr., Princeton, N.J.

Awards were given to Philadelphia members who had the largest number of master points. They were: Mesdames Anna Waples, Marjorie Jarvis, Lily Nims, Doris Bullock, Laura Blackwell, Evelyn M. Oliver;

Miss Ida Gilmore, Mesdames Louis Putri, Willie Baker, Kenneth Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hudson.

Senior Life Master Pins awarded to: Mrs. Lily Nims, Mrs. Eva Lightfoot, Robert McGee, Philadelphia; and Carlisle E. Pratt, Washington, D.C.

The pins were presented by National President Victor Kelly. Mrs. Evelyn M. Oliver was chairman of the hostesses, assisted by Miss Barbara Henry, daughter of Robert Henry, president of the Philadelphia Bridge Unit.

MISS NIETTA NEWTON, chairman of the World Fellowship Committee of the Southwest YWCA, was guest speaker at a meeting of the California Club at the home of Mrs. E. Marable, in Germantown.

Miss Newton spoke of her experience as a student training in Human and International Relations at the University in San Francisco.

Mrs. Marable was assisted at the dinner meeting by co -hostesses Mesdames Carolyn Perry and Henriette Dingle.

Guests present were Mesdames Louise Best, Ruth Gowary, Mary Flood, Jessie Smith and Thelma Broddus.

REPORT FROM BALTIMORE

Angel of Mercy is busy as Christmas spirit increases

More than ever, the true spirit of Christmas is evident this year. Everywhere Baltimoreans are concerned with how their fellowmen will enjoy the Yuletide season.

Prices of gifts to benevolent gifts which twice bless the giver are going out far and wide to the needy for lo, the Angel of Charity swells the hearts of all mankind at Christmas.

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ALL AGLOW with satisfaction of such a duty well done are the members of the Women's Auxiliary of the Medical Society as their president Mrs. J. Douglass Sheppard announced they had already completed their Christmas project.

The organization's Dec. 4 meeting saw the ladies busy as bees wrapping gifts under the expert guidance of Mrs. Mary Bailey, who really knows how to fix a pretty package.

Tying the boxes with ribbons of good will and stamping them with the happiest of the season's greetings were Mesdames Reynold B. Lighston, chairman, and J. E. T. Camper, John Coasley, Preston Grant, Louis Harmon, Robert Jackson, Mansell Lawrence, Jerry Luck, and Talmadge Pinkney.

As representative of the club Mrs. Berkley Butler, hurried off to deliver the gifts to Provident Hospital patients while Mrs. Carter took a carload to Crownsville State Hospital.

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SCAMPERING ABOUT, deliberately and quietly for months have been the members of the Maryland League of Women's Clubs, Inc. Santa's official helpers, they are.

And now it comes, the Annual Invitations Bazaar given under the leadership of the Institutions Committee with Mrs. Isolene Cromer, chairman assisted by Mesdames Malinda Wyatt, Elizabeth Dickens, Ruth Brown, and Juanita Hill.

The affair opens at the Madison Avenue YWCA at 1:30 high noon and the whole town has been invited to shop until 9 p.m.

THE SETTING for the bazaar is entirely Christmas. The second floor of the YW has been transformed into a Winter wonderland for shoppers whose gift-buying will help the needy.

The gifts were made by pupils at the Maryland School for the Blind, Henryton Hospital, Boys' Village, Barrett School for Girls, Crownsville State Hospital, and the Maryland State Reformatory for Women.

As you shop, consider that the gifts you buy were made by those whose hands were helping them to live and learn to enjoy life again.

With this thought in mind, buy all you can.

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During the bazaar members of the Maryland League of Women's Clubs will be holding their quarterly meeting in another room at the YW.

—LULA JONES GARRETT

After the brief business session there will be special Christmas music. Mrs. Flozella Clark and Mrs. Gillam will speak on child adoptions.

Finally, the league will present the new yearbook which has just been completed under the direction of Mrs. Cora Gibson, publicity director. Mrs. Beryl Williams, president of the group, will preside.

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THE KINGS and Queens Court members are making their contributions to City Hospitals this year.

For the shut-ins they have gathered oranges, apples, candy, cookies and chewing gum, not to forget cigarettes.

Hostess for the gift-gathering meeting held recently was Mrs. Gertrude Patterson, 2826 Walbrook Ave. Milton Dorsey is president while Mrs. Theresa Fronseca is secretary.

THE WOMEN'S Progressive League, Inc., of Patapsco Park has truly exhibited the Christmas spirit.

Their plans are to play Santa to 300 children, aged and sick persons of their community without the next few weeks.

Also off their program is a benefit affair for the Anna May Hunter Home for the Blind.

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

AUGUSTA NEWS:

150 attend the sixth annual scouters dinner

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Approximately 150 persons attended the sixth annual scouters appreciation dinner held recently. Highest honor went to Scout-master Julian Collins of Troop 20 in which he has served as leader for 30 years. Dr. R. S. Weston presented the 30-year-veteran pin.

Other awards were a certificate of appreciation to Macedonia Baptist Church of which the Rev. J. E. Smith is pastor. They sponsored the whole scout family, pack, troop and post.

Certificates for service on dinner committee, chairmen and directors), two years: Mrs. A. L. Terrell, Mrs. L. E. Washington, Miss A. L. Smith, Mrs. Dave Mack Jr., Mrs. E. H. Thurmond and Mrs. Harvey Moss.

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SIX - YEAR service: Mrs. W. S. Hornsby Jr., Mrs. Charles Maffett, Mrs. George Augustus Jr. and Mrs. N. A. Clark.

Den mothers award: Miller Ashley, institutional representative of pack, troop and post of Macedonia Baptist Church.

Scouters Key was awarded to M. T. Swaries, scoutmaster of Troop 84 of the Georgia Street USO, which included a Training School for Boys.

Some 1,200 persons attended the annual Pal Day celebration held recently at the Ninth Street USO, which included a dance at the Ft. Gordon Officer Club No. 4 and a fashion show at the club.

HIGHLIGHTING the event was the buffet luncheon held Saturday at the USO auditorium.

The Cosmopolites, the Ladies Auxiliary, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Victory Matrons Club, Non Priest Club, 13 Centlemen Club, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hogans and Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Blount participated in the affair.

Invocation was offered by the Rev. E. Braxton, while greetings were brought by Sgt. Cecil Moore. The event climaxed Sunday when the November birthday party was observed.

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BETHLEHEM Center observed its annual Christmas program Sunday at the center. Choirs from Curtis Baptist Church, Trinity - on - the - Hill, the Paine College Chorus, Lucy Laney High School Chorus and the Boy's Chorus, appeared on the program.

Others were the Rev. J. Harris, Mrs. Ruth Ellington, Mrs. Ellington, the Rev. Wallace Z. Wiggins and Mrs. O. D. Hall. The Knights of Bethlehem served as ushers. The event was well attended.

Miss Eva Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Thomas of Waynesboro, has been elected queen of the Junior Center of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity at Morehouse College, Atlanta.

Miss Thomas is a senior at the college and a graduate of Waynesboro High and Industrial School.

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JUNIOR members of the 4-H Club at Cousin School for colored children have elected the following officers for the school year:

Boby Wright, president; William Ports, vice president; Miss Carrie B. Lambert, girls' vice president; Miss Melissa Newton, secretary; Miss Ruby Lee, treasurer; Miss Margaret Newton, reporter; and Mr. Louis Wright, assistant, secretary.

Tabernacle Baptist Church held its annual "Candlight Communion" service Sunday. The service was conducted by the pastor, the Rev. C. S. Hampton, assisted by the pastor's wife, Mrs. Lillie Mae Hampton.

A Masonic chapter attended the ceremony in a body.

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LIBERTY Baptist Church observed its 43rd anniversary with special services Sunday. The message was delivered by the Rev. H. H. Smith, pastor of Springfield Baptist Church. He was accompanied by his congregation. The Rev. J. P. Murphy is pastor of the host church.

The junior choir of Mt. Calvary Baptist celebrated its 23rd anniversary Sunday at the church. Prof. Effie Morris was guest speaker. The Rev. B. B. Cantrell is pastor.

The Rev. Mrs. Estella M. White, pastor of Jones Chapel AME Zion Church of Blythe, recently was ordained an elder in the AME Zion Church. The Rev. Mrs. White has been pastor of Jones Chapel for the past two years.

The Rev. J. H. Samuels was guest minister at Second Shiloh Baptist Church at both services Sunday. The Rev. J. E. Freeman is pastor.

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THE JOLLY Four Female Gospel Singers rendered a program at Jordan Stream Baptist Church Sunday.

The Rev. Jessie Colter was the guest minister Sunday at Gethsemane Baptist Church. The Rev. Jacob Trowell is pastor.

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SP3/3 Ernest Hughes, who has been a volunteer worker at the Ninth Street USO since coming to Ft. Gordon on Feb. 21, 1957, was honorably discharged recently from the U.S. Army.

He and his wife, Mrs. Sarah K. Hughes, who was USO's Sweetheart in 1958, left the city Saturday to make their home in Detroit, Mich. Mr. Hughes will enter Wayne State University in the fall of 1960 to complete his studies.

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THE MISSIONARY society of Williams Memorial CME Church rendered a special program Monday at the Church. Mrs. H. L. Dickerson, matron of Paine College, was guest speaker.

Others appearing on the program included Mrs. Georgia Cokes, Mrs. Idell Ford, Mrs. Addie Beavner, Mrs. Nora Jordan, Mrs. Helen Graham, Mrs. Della B. Harris and Miss Martha L. Taylor. The Rev. R. A. Lark is pastor of the church.

A group of local young men recently organized the Lees Garcons Club with the following officers:

Jariah Beard, president; Donald Burton, vice president; William Sweeper, secretary; O. Bryant Kenney, treasurer; Mrs. Willie M. Mays, chaplain, Willie Williams, advisor and Cecil Perry, reporter.

The purpose of the club is to make worthwhile contributions for the benefit of the city.

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LUCY LANEY's Wildcats won their second straight basketball game of the season last Friday by defeating Wilkerson High of Orangeburg, S.C., 90-32.

Laney's Lassies were kept busy in the preliminary, nipping Wilkerson's girls, 26-27 for their second victory in a row.

Changes come to Thurs-bury-ville when the Wildcats included William Holley with 20 points, Gregory Taylor with 18, Nathaniel Wright with 16 and Herbert Dunaway with 12.

Michael Goodman and Alfred Irons with 19 and 13 points, respectively, led the losers.

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THE LASSIES' top scorers were Frances Terry with 16 points and Bessie Bentley with 9. Annie R. Oliver was the Lanegourg team's highest scorer with 19 points.

Laney's next game will be with Martha Schofield High of Aiken, S.C.

Hear church is affected by race issue

ATLANTA (NNPA) — A Christian Methodist Episcopal church bishop stated at the annual Georgia conference that racial tensions in the South have taken an unprecedented toll on church membership.

Bishop P. R. Shy, presiding bishop of the Georgia conference of the CME church, said an accelerated evangelistic campaign will be necessary to bring the members back to the church.

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BISHOP SHY noted that the drop in CME membership may be due to the instability of many colored families who have, through no fault of their own, been uprooted from their homes because of economic pressures, segregation and vote registration, and forced to live in homes in the urban centers of the nation.

The bishop warned that migration from the farm to urban centers would continue unless the rising tide of intolerance is stemmed. Meanwhile he declared that the church cannot afford to ignore these displaced people.

Bishop Shy said the CME membership has grown and has steadily declined since the May 17, 1954, Supreme Court decision against school segregation.

RETIRES — Dr. William T. Bryant, public relations officer at Freedmen's Hospital who retired recently after 20 years of service at the institution.

Former AFROite rejoins the army

WASHINGTON

Conrad Clark, former AFRO correspondent, has rejoined the Army for the third time in 15 years.

In the Pacific Theatre of operations for more than 18 months during World War II, Mr. Clark returned to the U.S. to work at the Pentagon here. One of his assignments is counselling men leaving the service to return to civilian life.

Mr. Clark is a member of the St. Aloysius Roman Catholic Church in New York City and the Knights of Columbus in Massachusetts.

Mother put in jail for her own good

ROXBURY, Mass. — A 20 year-old mother, who has been in jail since Nov. 24 for her own protection, is through with the courts for a while.

Mrs. Doris Frederick of Notre Dame St., mother of two children, was witness in three separate cases. The last one was settled and Judge Harry Kalus in Suffolk Superior Court ordered her released.

Church of God holds its 51st convocation

MEMPHIS, (ANP) — The 51st Holy Convocation of the Church of God in Christ, convening here closed Sunday, Dec. 14, after 10 days and nights of continuous services.

The annual meeting, held at the huge 10,000 seat Masonic Temple, represented 3,000 churches affiliated with the Church of God in Christ.

Speakers and participants during the three week services included Memphis Mayor Edmund Orgill, Bishop Lolis B. Ford of Detroit, Dr. D. L. Hyatt, Mrs. Lillian B. Coffey; Bishop S. M. Crouch, Bishop C. P. Page, Mrs. J. L. Binsley, Bishop L. C. Patrick and Dr. J. C. Mallory.

Bishop Charles H. Mason, 92-years-old, is senior prelate and founder of the denomination. He was honored during the convention.

SAVANNAH NEWS:

College dean gives speech

SAVANNAH, Ga. — Student members of the YMCA have maintained a full schedule of activities thus far. Their activities have included installation ceremonies and radio programs.

The Monfieth School recently conducted a program that featured the collection and distribution of gift baskets for needy persons.

A recent Cuyler Junior High School Tri-Hi-Y assembly featured the play, "Father we Thank Thee."

Appearing in the play were Betty Gordon, Sally A. Jackson, Clyde Johnson, Constance Heath, Carolyn Baker, Lu Ethel Hall, Betty Manning and Marjorie Smith.

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MARY McCLAIN is president of the club and Mrs. Ruth Scott is adviser. Mrs. C. V. Clay is school principal.

Dean Nelson R. Freeman of Savannah State College was key speaker at the recent installation services at George De Renne Elementary School.

George Williams, YMCA youth secretary, conducted the services for the school's Gray Y Clubs. Advisers of the clubs are:

Mrs. D. Hargrett, Mrs. Grace Jenkins, Mrs. C. Marion, Miss N. Graham, Mrs. R. Bryan and Mrs. G. Keith.

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THE TRI-GRA-Y Club of the Pearl Smith Elementary School had the Rev. F. Emanuel Talley, St. Phillips Monumental AME Church as its featured speaker during its recent installation services.

Officers were installed by Miss T. M. Denson. Mrs. S. L. Cartledge is school principal.

Some 23 local businesses participated in the recent "Queen of the Coastal Empire" contest.

Joseph McFadden, a resident of Philadelphia, Pa., was a recent visitor here. He is a nephew of Sidney McFadden and the late Mrs. Lucille McFadden.

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FRANK INGRAM III was recently appointed to the city police department. Mrs. Maggie Shellman has been appointed chairman of the forthcoming anniversary program of Second Baptist Church.

Rev. C. C. McAllister was guest speaker recently at Tanner AME Church.

The Laurel Grove Cemetery recently received a new South Gate, compliments of the Savannah Sugar Refining Company.

The new gate was dedicated during ceremonies recently where Mayor W. L. Mingledorff and other prominent officials were present.

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THE FOREST City branch, NAACP, National Association of Letter Carriers, recently elected officers for 1959:

Jenkins Jr., was chairman of the nominating committee; Mrs. Ruth Ford, secretary and Richard Singleton. Officers elected and re-elected are: Jenkins, president; Mrs. Ezra Johnson, vice president; Mrs. Ruth Ford, recording secretary; James O. Meyers, treasurer; Woodrow C. Smith, sergeant at arms; Rev. Ezra Johnson, chaplain; Marion T. Bailey, chaplain; Poyer, trustees.

John Richards spoke on "Improvement of the Service."

Juror goes out to lunch and cop hauls

HOUSTON, Tex. — A jury selected for a trial here recessed for lunch. But the luncheon break only to find that its lone colored juror was arrested during the lunch hour.

Howard Gray Jr., 42, was separated from the group because the county courthouse refuses to serve colored citizens. He walked across the street to a segregated bus depot lunch counter.

But instead of eating his meal and returning to jury duty, he was arrested and hauled off to jail on charges that he was sleeping in a public place.

Mr. Gray denied that he was sleeping. He said he was only "nodding."

As a result, the trial was delayed about an hour before the juror was released — minus his colleagues in the jury box.

Civil rights body finds segregation

CONCORD, N.H. — The New Hampshire Advisory Committee on Civil Rights received a report last week that it had discovered that Jews and colored people are widely discriminated against in the state.

Richard Upton of Concord, committee chairman, said that discrimination in resort areas is practiced to a "painful" extent. He said resort operators said they would rather not practice bias, "but we have to keep our regular clientele."

It was also noted that colored airmen at Pease Air Force Base have trouble finding lodging for their families and that persons of Greek ancestry as well as Jews and colored people, find it difficult to rent property in the Hampton Beach area.

The committee further charged that 20 of the 25 hotels in a six - mile radius of Portsmouth practice discrimination.

Motorist is killed in 2-car collision

ROXBURY, Mass. — A 29-year - old man was killed and another jumped a curb and plowed into a parked truck.

Edward Pina of 17 Crawford St., driver of the car, was pronounced dead on arrival at City Hospital. Edward Edwards, 17 Intervale St., who was held for treatment of head and rib injuries.

Matthew Davis, 24, of 104 Bartlett St., another passenger, was not injured.

Joseph A. Willoughby, 16, of 16 Harold St. was driving the other car. Neither Willoughby nor his three companions were injured.