Dr. Boddie commends AFRO's coverage of Baptist session

Dear AFRO:

"I have read with close scrutiny the recent issues of the AFRO AMERICAN covering the activities of the National Baptist Convention, Inc., which convened in Memphis, Tenn., from Sept. 7 through the 11th.

The various articles concerning the convention were written under the signature of Mr. James Hicks, reporter.

"This is to commend him for the full and complete coverage of the important doings of the convention, the space given and the written style employed.

"Never have I read a more comprehensive, impressive and complete account of the salient features of our convention than in these issues.

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"NO ONE can read these accounts without feeling that some helpful and constructive steps were taken by the convention so that some good was realized under the capable and qualified leadership of President J. H. Jackson.

"In fact, a delegate could use these articles as a basis for making his report, for they represent an accurate resume of the important activities.

"In these articles the absent public is really informed of the important transactions carried on at the convention.

"The analysis of President Jackson's address, his press conferences, his recommendations, the general decorum and conduct of affairs are all very clearly expressed in the articles.

"What the reporter wrote about really happened, and though many of us wished that some things had not happened, yet the way they were reported brought no embarrassment or humiliation upon our convention.

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"ALL OF US know the power of the press, that it is the medium of crystallizing sentiments, making impressions and mould public opinions.

"So often the impressions conveyed through the press are unfavorable, the major activities are either minimized while the minor ones are magnified.

"There should be a very close relationship between our church and the press for though they differ in the methods employed they are alike in the ends attained — 'building a better world.'

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"OF COURSE it is utterly impossible for a hundred Baptist preachers to come together (each preacher a bishop in his own right), without there arising some sharp differences, opinion and clashes in thinking.

"However, Dr. J. H. Jackson showed the genius of his leadership ability by successfully keeping to a minimum confusion and disorder.

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"SINCE I HAVE heard so many members of our faith vocal in their criticisms and reactions when the press failed to get adequate and satisfactory coverage, I felt as a delegate, representing the Presidency of the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Baltimore, that I should go on record in commending the reporter and the management of the AFRO for the space and prominence given to the articles written about our recent convention.

"I am sure in these sentiments I express the gratitude not only for the thousands of Baptists who attended the convention, but for the greater number who did not attend, but nevertheless, have a genuine interest and concern in the know what transpired in Memphis, Tenn.

J. TIMOTHY BODDIE
President
United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland

A Baltimore delegate reports on the Baptist Tennessee Convention

Editors note: Last year at the Baptist Convention in St. Louis, James L. Hicks, AFRO correspondent, asked Mrs. Bernice Kinard, a delegate from the Wayland Baptist Church of Baltimore, to write her impressions of the National Baptist Convention.

Mrs. Kinard was a delegate again this year and again Mr. Hicks asked her to write her impressions for the AFRO. The following is her report:

By Mrs. BERNICE KINARD

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — I suppose that the way in which I am beginning this article is very unethical but I feel deep down inside that it must be done in order for me to convey to you the impression that this session of our National Baptist Convention made me.

Those of you who traveled with me through your AFRO, can recall the happy moments and experiences I told you of while en route to St. Louis, Mo., last year and of the perfect setting these for holding the convention.

I also told of the great musical that was presented us on our first night which was the Pre-Convention Musical and which left a lasting impression on all who attended.

Maybe, at this point, I really should not make a comparison, but I feel that the opening of any convention has an effect on the days to follow.

The Pre-Convention Musical here in Memphis, Tenn., was nice but yet, there seemed to be something missing. This group was unable to give one the lasting impression that we received last year.

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I WAS SENT to represent the Young People's Department of the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland, and before I go further may I say "thank" to our Young People for thinking enough of me to send me as your representative.

Due to the fact that it was very hard to visit the sessions of the Male and Female departments, due to the distance between us, and being a delegate to the Young People's Department, I will give you excerpts from our Young People's Department.

THE YOUNG People's theme was "Committed to Christ." Our main speakers were the Rev. Thomas Kilgore Jr. of New York and the Rev. Charles Dinkins of Tennessee.

This year a member from each state told of the accomplishment of the state and Maryland was represented by Mrs. Bernice E. Kinard, of the Wayland Baptist Church.

Other young people from Maryland who played important roles in this convention were Miss Marlene Wallace, of the Fountain Baptist Church, who directed the music and also gave a rendition of the "Lord's Prayer;" and Miss Carolyn Tate, also of Fountain, who participated in the morning worship by giving a short talk on the theme.

Mrs. Bertha C. Winston, Eastern Director, was also present.

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ON THURSDAY evening we had our All State's Tea which was held at the Owen's Junior College.

That night we had our Queen's Review which was held at the Queen's Rally and the money raised from this project goes to the scholarship fund.

The State of Michigan won the first prize, Arkansas, 2nd, and Tennessee, 3rd.

The Queen will be crowned in the Women's Department.

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TO ME THE greatest inspiration came when we sat and listened to a report of the World Baptist Alliance which was held in London, England coming from Mrs. Rita Vera Fryer and Miss Primrose Fuller.

It seems to me that we traveled every inch of their trip with them.

We were informed of the amazing side tour trip and the serious side and our two directors painted for the trip ahead of such a fashion that we all felt that we, too, had traveled with them, and had shared some of their fears, joys, and the wonderful experiences they had.

But best of all, Mrs. Fryer's impression of the Holy Land, deep down within, will dwell with us for days to come.

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AT THE CLOSE of this article, I must tell our readers this: I wonder whenever, I sit and listen to a group of young people sing who are directed by Mrs. Grace Burt, how it is that in such a short time can bring the music out of those young people.

What would they sound like if she just could be there for two weeks instead of three of four days?

You should have been here on this bright Friday morning as some of your daughters blended their voices to sing "Lead Me, Guide Me."

That was beautifully done and it touched the hearts and souls of everyone, young and old, who sat in this our place of worship, the Greater Whitestone Baptist Church.

Thanks to Jimmy Hicks, for allowing me home to you for the second time my views on the National Baptist Convention.

Baptist convention sidelights

Lighter moments also present at Memphis parley

By JAMES L. HICKS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The official headquarters for the National Baptist Convention were in the Nelson Baptist Church, but most of the "out of session" activity at the convention centered around the Plaza Hotel which is convenient-ly located down on Calhoun Street near the Union Station and where President Jackson and most of his aides and the convention lived.

On the first day of the convention, the Plaza's efficient management sent out word that all windows in the building should bear signs welcoming the Baptist convention and an efficient laborer set about painting the signs on the windows.

Now it so happens that there is a liquor store located in the very center of the Plaza Building between the hotel lobby and the one side and the restaurant on the other.

The sign painter placed signs on the hotel lobby window and restaurant window while a group of preachers stood by and gave their beaming approval.

Then he dutifully began to paint the same welcome sign on the window of the liquor store.

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BUT THE more he painted the more worried the preachers became. Finally when he was just about through with the sign the preachers could stand it no longer.

First they went to him and told him to leave the words Baptist Convention off his welcome sign on the liquor store window. But when they got back and looked at the big word welcome between the two "Welcome Baptist Convention signs on either side they felt the word welcome was too much too on the liquor store window. So they insisted that the painter strike out the word welcome also.

Said one of the ministers as the sign was finally painted this way: "It wouldn't look just right for a liquor store to be welcoming us to Memphis — and besides we know we are welcome there and we are going to give him plenty of business anyway.

And believe me they did!

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THE HAZARDS of the newspaper profession were much in evidence at the convention when an angry group of ministers decided not to let the pro segregationist, the Rev. H. H. Humes, speak at the convention.

The situation came so near to approaching a brawl that many of the churchmen decided they did not want it in the paper. So they began picking on the press.

When ex-policeman and now photographer Ernest Withers took a picture of the near fracas — all battle shouts rang through the audience of "Throw that photographer out of here."

The nearest man to Ernest was the aging but active Rev. S. D. King of Florida who walks around with a walking cane the size of Willie Mays' favorite bat.

The Rev. Mr. King walked up to Ernest and waved his big cane pointed like a bayonet at him and so out of here. I've fought all my life to help such cracks — them and they came in here and try to embarass us by putting us in the paper in an embarassing light."

To which Withers replied: "You admit then, that it's embarassing?"

Said the Rev. Mr. King: "Yes, and that's why we don't want you in the paper!"

The Rev. Mr. King was not the only one who wanted the scalp of photographer Ernest Withers of the Rev. Mr. Offutt I think some of us reporters or photographers should have at least got hold of whipping for simply trying to do his job.

THE BEST address at the convention was the annual message of Dr. J. H. Jackson. Before he took the platform his future in the convention was in doubt. When he finished even his most bitter enemies admitted that he had annihilated them all with one stroke!

The most stirring "fire and brimstone" sermon was delivered Saturday afternoon by the Rev. B. F. Paxton of Hillside, Oddly enough it was the shortest sermon of the convention. But the way the Rev. Mr. Paxton whooped and hollered and shouted no one could expect him to go for long.

Makes you wonder what a sermon like that does to a man's voice.

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PREACHING TO a convention must be a difficult task. One is faced with a critical audience composed almost entirely of preachers. It is amazing to sit back and watch the other preachers concentrating on delivering the sermon with such phrases as "Come on down the middle aisle!" "Don't let up" and "Don't stop now—you got 'em."

I suppose it's about the same feeling as a football player sitting on the sidelines gets from watching another player play his position.

The most dignified man at the convention was not President Jackson as you might suppose — but the Rev. T. J. Jemison, convention secretary. This is not to say that Dr. Jackson was undignified in any respect. Far from it. It's just that Dr. Jemison is the perfect picture of calm reserve.

Best dressed minister of the convention was the colorful Rev. Russel Roberts of Atlantic City who just has that habit of wearing clothes well.

One of best dressed women at the convention was Bernice Kizzard of Baltimore who changed dresses for every session. Most popular night spot with delegates was "tony's" a nice little nook with excellent food out near the airport.

MOST SOUND proposal laid before the convention was presented by the Rev. William H. Gray of Philadelphia. Best international resume was that of the Rev. E. L. Hardmond, the Rev. Mr. Hardmond said working with individual pastors he hopes to set up UN units in Baptist Churches to which the Baptists will join certificates and send information on world affairs.

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$ Million babies'

GAINESVILLE, Ga. — The McClellen 5 and 10 Cents Store of this city recently hired two JOAN YVONNE CARTER and MISS BAILEY PEET as full fledged clerks in the store. This is the first time that colored women have been used as clerks in Gainesville.

DIVINE

● Father says 'I have no dead to bury'

RICHMOND

"I have no dead to bury"—declares Father Divine this week in an open letter addressed to the press.

The letter was prompted by an AFRO story which pointed out that the body of Celestial Realm, 52, a follower of Father Divine lay at the city morgue for five weeks without burial.

During this period of time, morgue officials kept pressuring the Divinites by letter, by phone and in person to make burial arrangements rather than have the body committed to Potter's Field and been done in several other instances.

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MISS REALM, who died on July 22 was finally buried on August 26 in Interior Memorial Park. No services were held but the interment was handled by the Irvin Funeral Home, 143 W. 47th St. through arrangements made by St. Mary Bloom after it was decided that the woman should have a Christian burial.

Of this case, Father Divine's letter says "I mean to stop every lying and perjured tongue and way for that is why they have been doing when they say I do not bury MY dead.

"I have no dead to bury."

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HE SAID further, "Many come to the Peace Mission Movement in order to get something for nothing and try to make the church and homes under the jurisdiction responsible for their obligations, without even so much as donating for their meals and sleeping accommodations.

"That was the experience of the one in question," he declared.

He points out that:

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"NONE of the pastors of any denomination are required to pay for all of the burials of their members of their churches.

"I am sure the Pope in Rome is not required to bury every one of the Catholics that passes, even if they are in good standing, as long as he is the pastor of the church.

"The pastors and the bishops and founders of the church are not required to be responsible for the burials and the care and funeral expenses for the members of the church.

"THOSE OF whom are members of our churches donate to the church of their volunteer volition, without the church or members doing any soliciting or requesting any member to give anything.

"We do not ask a collection or request any remuneration for Spiritual Work and Service; for The Peace Mission Movement is an independent enterprise and it does not request or require anyone to donate anything, only as they feel free to voluntarily do so.

"And this is not contributed to me; for I refuse to receive donations, love-offerings or gifts or presents of any kind. Hence, when anyone says I do they, know they lie!

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"NOT EVEN in any of our churches do we take up a collection or accept of any remuneration, even though it is for the church and the organization. Those who donate, they do it voluntarily to the church and for its connections.

"The love of the members voluntarily get together and pool their savings and invest in the purchase of personal and real property for the benefit of themselves and others.

"When the church itself finds itself in possession of surplus funds or that the church has need for the church proper, they turn such finances into personal and real property to supply homes, food and shelter for the members and others.

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"THIS IS how and why they have acquired millionk and millions of dollars' worth of personal and real property, sufficient for all of the members to be cared for and to provide workers and operators together;

"And that is why not and of MY followers are on the relief rolls or taking the doles or doing any soliciting or begging; for each of them I have made independent, for I did come—

"As the poorest among men, yet I make many rich.

"All of themillions and millions of dollars' worth of personal and real property which are owned and operated by the church members and followers, IS ALL FREE AND CLEAR. WE do not encourage nor allow members of OUR CHURCHES or followers of MINE to buy anything on credit or on the instalment plan.

"They pay cash for all purchases if they do and they own no man! They do not even so much as allow the grocery merchant or any other dealer to deliver merchandise without it being paid for in advance. C.O.D.

"Even though properties are purchased running up into the hundreds, or thousands, or even millions in some places, they pay cash for whatsoever they buy.

And to further verify the fact they also pay all of their taxes; their city taxes and sales taxes, school taxes and all of their obligations, are taken care of as fast as they come due.

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"EVEN THOUGH they are not MY obligations, I encourage them to meet such obligations promptly and be independent, even as OUR Country declared her independence as a Nation.

"Therefore, you know when anyone says different or tries to insinuate or infer anything to the contrary, in the act of trying to accuse or condemn ME as one of those who do not pay their debts — you may know it is a lie!

"It matters not who they are, they are liars and the truth is not in them!

"May I will that all who are harmonously concerned, may take cognizance of what I have written, that they may be even as his leaves are.

As I am well, healthy, joyful, peaceful, lively, loving, successful, prosperous and happy in spirit, body and mind and even in every organ, muscle, sinew, joint, tissue, vein and bone and even in every atom, fibre and cell of my bodily form.

Barristers Wives head denies report

WASHINGTON

In a statement to the AFRO this week, Mrs. Dorothy Atkinson, president of the National Association of Barristers Wives, termed the report that a wife of a prominent barrister was denied admission to a local affiliate "untrue."

Mrs. Atkinson said that the only requisite for membership in the barristers wives is "that the applicant be married to a member of the bar."

"We have no racial restrictions," she said.

The AFRO checked with the individual reported to have been refused membership. She said that she had never applied for membership in the organization.

Brooklyn church slates jubilee

BROOKLYN (ANP) — Mount Lebanon Baptist Church here will conclude the year-long celebration of its 50th anniversary with special events during the last four months of 1955. The Rev Dr. C. L. Franklin has been pastor for 17 years.

The golden jubilee celebration week for September will open Monday, Sept. 26, with Rev. Carter Pope and the Universal Baptist Church, choir and congregation as guests for the occasion.

Miss Burroughs nixes styles, says paint-clad women depraved

By JAMES L. HICKS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A dress is the best advertisement a woman can wear and women who wear pants on the street are simply advertising their willingness to help them on the downward road, Miss Nannie Burroughs the nation's number one Baptist church leader, declared here, last week.

Miss Burroughs, who last year censored the manners and morals of women at the National Baptist Convention, took another look around this year and still did not like what she saw.

As a result, in her annual address to the Women's Auxiliary of the Convention Miss Burroughs let fly with another blast at the nation's women and as usual she did not pull any punches:

SAID MISS BURROUGHS: "It is a dark and unpromising evil foreboding time in the life of any people when its teen age girls parade the streets in pants, overalls, slacks, trunks, dungarees and halters, scanty coverings for their bosoms, no covering on their heads and a hair down in boyscaut fashion.

"This is only a parade of women advertising for somebody to help them on the downward road. When young prospective mothers with brazen shameless abandon parade in pants—mothers who have lost the sanctity, "These parders are soiled, dishevelled and unkempt from head to foot and even if their unfeminine garb is meticulous, women street walkers in pants are a travesty on womanhood.

"Mothers and fathers have either lost control, lost interest or are themselves lost. Somebody is lost! These street parades are a burlesque on common social standards, a flaunt in the face of public decency and a disgrace to womanhood.

"A dress is the best advertisement a woman can wear. Prodigal parents and wide open homes produce these unnatural monsters."

Continuing her blast at women, Miss Burroughs said: "The trend is becoming more general and the number of parders is increasing. Society doesn't criticize—have some responsibility.

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Baptists to organize UN chapters

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Rev. Jackson get 20-pound trout as gift

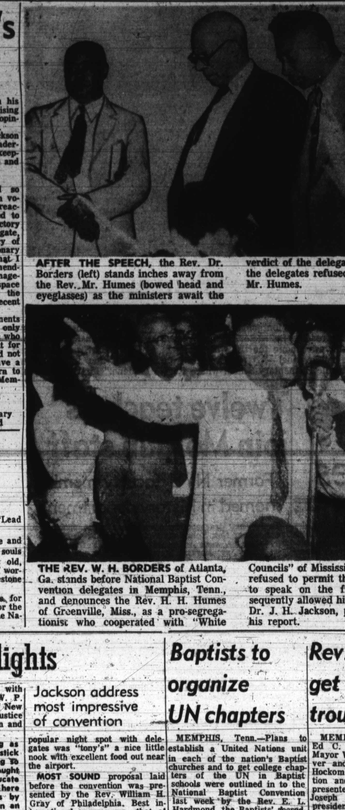
MEMPHIS, Tenn.—A gift from Ed C. Johnson of Colorado, Mayor Will F. Nicholson of Denver and Manager Clarence N. Hockom of the Denver Convention and Visitors Bureau, was presented last week to the Rev. Joseph H. Jackson, Chicago, president of the national Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.

The gift, a 20-pound Colorado mountain trout, was presented by the Rev. H. J. Williams, Denver, who will be host to the convention in the Mile High City in September, 1956.

THE REV. MR. WILLIAMS said he could not guarantee that the trout was caught in the same Colorado stream President Dwight Eisenhower was fishing.

"All mountain trout from our state—are superb," he insisted. "It doesn't matter which stream you catch them."

More than 10,000 delegates attended the convention in Memphis. Plans are being made for the same number to convend next year in Denver.



AFTER THE SPEECH, the Rev. Dr. Borders (left) stands inches away from the Rev. Mr. Humes (bowed head and eyeglasses) as the ministers await the verdict of the delegates. At this point, the delegates refused to hear the Rev. Mr. Humes.

THE REV. W. H. BORDERS of Atlanta, Ga. stands before National Baptist Convention delegates in Memphis, Tenn., and denounces the Rev. H. H. Humes of Greenville, Miss., as a pro-segregationist who cooperated with "White Councils" of Mississippi. The delegates refused to permit the Rev. Mr. Humes to speak on the first day, but subsequently allowed him, at the request of Dr. J. H. Jackson, president, to make his report.

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Freshmen to enter North Carolina U. this fall semester

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.—Chancellor Robert B. Fleming and acting president of the University of North Carolina, Harris Purks, announced today (Aug. 18th) U.N.C. will admit the first colored undergraduates in its history to classes in the fall term.

The announcement, made after a conference here Friday with Attorney General William B. Rodman Jr., sets a precedent in the history of the University of North Carolina. It follows the lead set by other state university in the South to open its undergraduate college to colored students.

Gadabouting in Baltimore

Weddings of Misses Lipscomb, Faulcon, enliven calendar

with Lula Jones Garrett...

Weddings in the immediate future that lead interest to the Autumn social season include those of Miss Mattie Faulcon and Calvin H. Wesley Jr. on Saturday, and Miss Laura Lipscomb and Madison Garrison on the 25th.

Miss Faulcon, who is a Morgan State College junior and a Social Security worker, and Mr. Wesley will be married in St. James Protestant Episcopal Church at 3:45 p.m. He is an employee of the Federal Reserve Bank in Philadelphia.

Miss Lipscomb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lipscomb of Institute, W. Va. and Mr. Garrison will be married in the parsonage of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church at 5 p.m. They will have a wedding reception following the ceremony in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ruffin of Oako Lane.

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POT-POURRI: When you see Virginia Mannino strutting through town in that long, low, new green motor, these days, she's en route to Washington where she's holding down a brand new teaching post.

Richard Long, of Morgan State College faculty, came in from Haiti, last week, in time to welcome his daughter, Mary Sue onscessed in Roland Park that he's already plotting a return.

Anne Wood is home and back at her post at the Federal Security Agency, after a cross-country trek. Elaine Carter, of the Madison Avenue Branch YWCA, also made the trip. On Friday evening, Mary Fairfax had a group in to hear of the travelers findings in Chicago, Kearney, Neb., Salt Lake City, Utah, San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, Tiajuana, Mexico, the Grand Canyon, Colorado Springs, and St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. and Mrs. Simon (Kay) Carter, Jr. have a seven-pound son, who arrived on Wednesday at Provident Hospital. They have named him Michael Alan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Finney are also proud new parents, this week. Their second, a baby girl, arrived at Woman's Hospital, Saturday. Mother is a German war bride.

Mrs. Henry Welcome is sharing her time between Baltimore and Philadelphia, this week . . . what with serving with the ladies who are registering guests at the annual sessions of the College of Surgeons in the Pennsylvania City, and visiting her daughter, Mary Sue. She is interested in the country

SILVER ANNIVERSARY—Shown at the 25th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. George Other, 614 Appleton St., Baltimore, are, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Other, Mrs. Pearl Robinson, Mrs. Elsie Brown, Miss Ida Johnson and Miss Matilda Dent.

Catonsville News

By SAMUEL TORSELL

Miss Violet Cecilia Johnson and Sgt. Raymond Williams were married at Grace Church Sept. 8 by the Rev. C. C. Brown.

Miss Elvira Allen played the wedding march and Donald Allen was soloist.

Her maid of honor was her sister; Mrs. Marjorie Dorsey and the best man was Russell Dorsey.

The newly weds will reside at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Johnson, 6004 Old Frederick Road.

THE REV. MRS. Flora Terrell conducted devotional service Monday at the opening of the preachers meeting of the Baltimore Conference of the AME Churches at St. Luke Church Ellicott City, Mrs. Ida Torsell furnished the music.

A variety supper, benefit of Grace AME Sunday school, will be held at 4 Milbert court Sept. 24 Mrs. Muriel Coggin is chairman and Miss Claudette Hall, assistant chairman.

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EDWARD MATTHEW, Ellicott City, has returned home after spending several days in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mrs. Alverta Jenson is recovering after several weeks illness.

Mrs. Rosa L. Fields and Samuel Hardy are serving on the grand jury of Baltimore County at Towson.

Mrs. Carrie Brown of Philadelphia visited her sick brother, Gary Fields.

Misses May Ester and Anna May Coe spent the week-in New York visiting relatives.

Mrs. Laura Bush Cannonburg, Pa., was the Sunday guest of Mrs. Daisy Bush, Mrs. Mrs. Grace, 327-B Melvin Ave.

NATHANIEL ENNIS is a patient at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Henry Marshall is home after spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Knox of Homewood, Frederick County, Md.

Mrs. Roseann Roberts is home after spending the summer in Ocean City, Md.

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MRS. LENA BACON gave a family dinner her brother-in-law, Mr. Clarence Hutchinson, of Philadelphia.

Guests were Remus Bacon, Catonsville, Mrs. Clarence Hutchinson, Philadelphia; Mrs. Lillian Carter and Mrs. Frank Bacon, Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Nelson and Miss Alice Bacon of Catonsville.

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IN CATONSVILLE in 1923, Gustave Schnitz Jr. his wife, Mrs. Gus Smith a range with all of the cooking utensils on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Also in 1923 John W. Greene ran a grocery and confectionery store on Winters and Edmondson Ave. and Mrs. Edna Lewis ran a beauty salon on Winters Ave. She was assisted by Miss Jeanette Richardson.

Cherry Hill News

By MARJORIE J. WARD

The P. T. A. Executive Committee of Cherry Hill School No. 160 located in Cherry Hill will be held 7 p.m. Monday, at the school.

The Cherry Hill Community Presbyterian Church will have its All Christian Education Conference, Saturday at the Morgan College Christian Center from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cars will leave the church at 9:30 a.m.

Mrs. Marie McFadden of 438 Roundview Road is ill and confined to her home.

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THE CHERUB SCHOOL of the Cherry Hill Community Presbyterian Church will open Monday, September 26, 1955 in the Community Building, 2700 Sedan Road. The fee is 30 cents weekly.

Mrs. Maggie Johnson of 608 Hillview Road is convalescing at her home after under-going an operation at Provident Hospital last week.

Mrs. Geraldine Polk of South Hill, Va. visited Mr. and Mrs. John Spencer, 2518 Terra Firma Road this week. Mrs. Polk was returning from Philadelphia, Pa. where she had set up a new Beautician's Chapter of Alpha Chi Pi Omega Sorority. Mrs. Polk is the owner of the Gerry's Beauty School in South Hill, Va. and also third vice-president of the Beautician's Association of the State of Virginia.

The Junior High Westminster Fellowship of the Cherry Hill Presbyterian Community Church held its first fall meeting at 2516 Terra Firma Road last week.

Officers for the year elected are:

Burnett Davis, moderator; Jane Quarriel, vice moderator; Bernice Dixon, stated clerk; Gloria Weaver, treasurer; Sherman Beal, membership chairman.

The William Day's of 2522 Terra Firma Road accompanied their daughter, Miss Virginia Day, to New York City on Sunday, where she plans to enroll at Harlem Hospital for nurses training. Miss Day is a graduate of Douglass High School.

Mr., Mrs. Other wed 25 years

Mr. and Mrs. George Other celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a reception at their home, 614 N. Appleton St., Monday evening.

Joining a large number of local relatives and friends at the reception were the following out-of-town guests:

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Robinson, Henry Dorsey Sr., Henry Dorsey Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. Irene Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Robinson and Miss Delores Johnson, all of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Oliver of Washington, and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Coleman of Orange, N.J.

MODERN LIVING

Today in Maryland, seven out of ten families have telephone service compared with five out of ten in 1946.

WEDDING SET — The wedding of Miss Gerrinda Sewell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Sewell, to Leroy A. Green, will take place at the home of her parents, 4220 Edmondson Chapel Road, Sundsy at 5 p.m.

In and around Annapolis

By ROBERT PINCKNEY

ANNAPOLIS — Nineteen-year-old William Blunt of Eastport was among the four youths escaping serious injures when the car in which they were riding burst into flames after running off the road into a tree near the Annapolis Road golf course Saturday.

Blunt, the only colored passenger in the auto driven by James Graham, 22, said the car smashed into the large locust tree off the sandy road when it went out of control while rounding a curve near the golf ing grounds.

Blunt suffered only minor injuries of the back, arm and leg

ANNAPOLIS 15 once again won football tremendous.

Over at Morgan State College, where Coach Eddie Hurt is training his huskies for the oncoming campaign, Eugene Jacobs, is prominent in the Bears line, while Caralk Kumbrue, a 1954 graduate of Bates High School, is trying his hand at a tackle position.

Jacob, also a Bates graduate, holds down a center position.

Down Winston-Salem, N.C., way, Fonda Bowman and Frank Brown, a pair of fine linemen are shooting for regular jobs at the school.

THE CIRCUIT grand jury reconvened on Tuesday and Wednesday considering action on a total of 17 criminal indictments.

Among the cases heard was that of Bobby George Reed, 20, of Baltimore, charged with attacking a 13-year-old Arnold girl.

Reed, a Navy steward, is accused of criminally assaulting the girl when she accepted a ride in his car from Arnold to Annapolis.

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THE PAROLE Elementary school held its first PTA meeting of the year Monday at the school.

The program was based on "Meeting New Responsibilities in the Changing Society." That subject will be its theme for the year.

A shout business hour in which parents became acquainted with teachers was also on the agenda.

Wilbur Wells is among the eight county men to be inducted into the Army by the local draft board this month.

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THE ASBURY Methodist Church of Annapolis will hold its annual homecoming day on Sunday morning and all members are urged to attend. The Rev. Isaac R. Berry is the pastor.

Bates High School, which was slated to play William Henry High at Newport, Del., November 18, has changed its date to September 25.

The schedule which appeared on the sports pages of last Friday's edition of the AFRO is correct all except the William Henry contest which will be a home affair.

The Nov. 18 date will be an open one for Bates.

Clubs

YOUNG MOTHERS — After a vacation of two months, the Young Mothers Club met Saturday with Mrs. Tranmie Murdock of 2825 W. Lanvale St.

Attending the session were:

Mesdames Mary Chapnelle, Ollie stead, Rosa Carr, Jean Saunders, Rosabelle Freeman, Dorothy Mosley, Marian Hall, Elaine Hockstall, Roberta Moore and Trannie Murdock.

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CARIBBEAN — The club will celebrate its 30th anniversary on Sunday at 8 a.m. at Emanuel Christian Community Church, of which the Rev. Wilbur Walker is pastor. The program is open to the public.

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SOCIAL RIGHT — The club was entertained Sunday at the home of Mrs. Gus Smith a range with Townsend of 1605 Longwood St., this week.

Joining Mrs. Walker of 1909 Mosher St. will be hostess at the next session, Mrs. Lawson is president of the group.

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THRIFTY — The sewing club met with Mrs. Pearl Bamberton of 1104 Russell St. on Monday evening.

Attending the session were Mesdames Mary Pitts, Viola Lee, Marie Wooley, Waters, and Mesdames Thelmon Brown and James Garrett; and Sephen Mathis.

The next meeting will be with Mr. Mathis in Furnace Branch.

Miss Doris Reed is winner in Beauticians' beauty meet

Miss Doris Reed took first place, recently, when the Master Beauticians Association sponsored a bathing beauty contest aboard the Steamer Tolchester. Miss Reed received a trophy, $25 in cash, and will be given a modeling course at Miss Chic Studio of Modeling. Trophies also went to second and third place winners, Miss Thelma Suitt and Mildred Goudh, respectively, and a consolation prize of perfume to Miss Betty Jones, who placed fourth.

The other contestants, each of whom received a cosmetic gift, were Misses Ann L. Young, Cecelia Ford, Elaine Dates, Lois Smith, Ann Taylor, Hazel Hurtor, Julia Boyle, Barbara Hopkins, Queenie Washington, Alesane Floyd, Veronica Lucas, Shirley Covington, Joan Stewart and Juanita Arnold.

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JUDGES FOR the contest were Mrs. Beatrice Louis, Miss Gerry Chapman, Hal Wright, Del Shields, Milton McFarland, Mrs. Florence Knox was chairman of the contest committee. Co-chairmen were Mrs. Rosalie Hackett, Alfred Brown, Richard Thomas and Paul Towns.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hall celebrate silver anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. William Hall of 1927 Payson St. celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Sunday.

The affair was held on the lawn of their summer home in Howard County, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall are parents of one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Coleby, and two grandchildren.

THEIR GUESTS included:

Messrs. and Mesdames Arthur Standsbury, Charles Lyles, William Mack, Henry Thomas, Orin Poulsom, William Thomas, John Spencer, Freddie Jones, Alvin Hall, Luther Williams, Linwood Cole;

Messrs. and Mesdames Leon Chesley, Russel Carrington, [illegible] Thomas, Rogers Thomas, Marshall Anderson, Elmer Wise, [illegible] Nicholson, Frank Wilkens, Wardie Lee, William Holland, John Thornton, Laurence DeShields, Jerome Press, Samuel Coleman;

Messrs. and Mesdames Berna Johnson, Charles Love, Jessie Thomas, Ellis Lamb, Cleve Thompson, David Tillman, William Bailey, James Cooper, Tate Henderson, John Wilson, Samuel Brown, Charles Johnson, Charles Turner, Alvin Hall, Mrs. Frank Thomas, Milburn Matthews, Theodore Harris, R. Reddick, Willie Adams;

Mesdames Lillie Jefferson, Christina Anderson, Viola Milburn, June Trusty, Doris Odom, Evelyn King, Wanda Queen, Mae Lancaster