Sees shift in voting from Democrats to GOP

"We have come a long way in the direction of giving what Sc. Van Woodward, political analyist and author in a lecture at Johns Hopkins University That was the comment of Dr. Friday afternoon.

Dr. Vann Woodward spoke on "Desegregation and the Future of the Colored American" on a program sponsored by the Hopkins chapter of Students for Democratic Action.

He also said that colored voters are returning to the Republican party.

Approximately 35 persons, including students and faculty members, heard the former Hopkins lecturer trace the progress of the colored American from the days of slavery up to the present.

IN OPENING his talk Dr. Vann Woodward told the audience:

"To get a perspective on this problem of the colored man in politics, I suggest that we imagine that we are looking through a time telescope.

"As the perspective changes the outlook changes.

The speaker then proceeded to trace the political progress of America to the year of the Dred Scott decision which he described as a "controversial decision that announced that the colored man was void of rights that the white man was bound to respect."

He described the year 1857 as a "high water mark", in that one tenth of the colored population was in bondage and those who were free had few rights.

"Our time scope for that period," the speaker continued, "indicates that the period of 1857 didn't look so good because colored people were far from political participation.

"The year of 1877 marked a period of re-adjustment and by 1907 the movement was complete.

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"THE SHORT perspective may be the most significant of the future.

"The year 1944 was the year of the "Allright decision." The decision that struck at southern laws excluding colored people from the primary.

"The figures show that in the southern states, 150,000 colored people were eligible to vote in the general election but not in the white primary.

"In 1956 the best available figures of the Southern Regional Council indicated that one million two hundred and fifty thousand colored people are eligible to vote.

"The figure is a remarkable increase.

"The colored American has participated in a meaningful and important way in the politics of the south.

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"FOR THE PRESENT day, there is a so-called new colored man in the south and the situation has changed considerably.

"I'm no political scientist, but I have read that the lowest rate of vote participation is among the low income and low education group.

"This applies not only to colored but to white as well.

"To stir this group to action requires a vigorous effort by colored leaders. There is a shortage of that type of leadership.

"The future change of the colored man in America I believe will be slower from now on.

What will he do with his vote? The indications are far from clear.

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"In the south, and in Virginia in particular, the case is indicative of the diminish of the two party system for that state but no drastic upset is pending.

"What about the colored man's political situation?

"He's voting with two groups of whites in the south. The state's right group and the upper income group."

THE SPEAKER was asked ssa than ten questions at the conclusion of his talk. Some of the questions related to the following:

Q — Would the division among colored people in respect to candidates on the local level best suit the ends of the south?

A — No, because there are various changes in candidates and issues.

Q — Is there any direct evidence that the Arkansas incident is responsible for the colored people shifting their political affiliations?.

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Q — Will about Maryland where in Baltimore the colored people have become strong politically while on the Eastern Shore its like the deep south. Will it have an affect on the state?

A — It's bound to have an affect, but I can't say too much on that because I am not familiar with the situation here.

Q — Is it possible that a colored congressman may come from the south?

A — It's possible from some districts where they are in the majority.

Q — Won't that be distasteful to congressmen from the south?

A — Yes, and to some from the North also.

Parker new potentate of Shriners

Jerusalem Temple No. 4 of Shriners held its annual election of officers n Wednesday evening at the Masonic Temple.

H. Calvin Parker was unanimously elected potentate to succeed Fred Z. Nichols, who now becomes the junior past potentate.

James E. Denkins was elected to the post of chief rabban formerly held by Mr. Parker.

Stetson D. Wilson was re-elected to his second term as treasurer; and Frank W. Philips was re-elected to his ninth term as recorder.

OTHER OFFICERS named are: John A. Craven, assistant rabban; Richard Washington, high priest and prophet; John T. Stokes, oriental guide;

And, James R. Parker, 1st ceremonial master; Arthur L. Hatcher, 2nd ceremonial master; E. Jerry Williams, captain of the guard; Lewis G. J. Dean, outer guard; and Travis Vauls, marshal.

Elected to the board of trustees were: Dr. Robert J. Hill, E. Jerry Williams, Robert Lee, U. Theodore Hayes and Frederick T. Hicks.

Re-elected to the banking committee were: Alfred A. Dix on, Charles T. Gilles and Robert B. Croxton.

Arthur R. Brooks was re-elected captain of the patrol and the Rev. Julius C. Carroll was elected mutic director.

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Fathers meet at School 132

The second meeting of the Fathers' Club of Coppin Elementary School No. 132 was held recently at Carver Technical Vocational High School.

The Rev. Harold L. Dobson, president of the club, presided.

Previous to this meeting, a committee appointed by the president visited the school to inspect the physical plant and to formulate recommendations for improvements.

The committee was very favorably impressed with some recent improvements on both the interior and exterior of the building.

However, they felt that the space provided for play on the school grounds is grossly inadequate, dangerous and unsightly. They also felt that there is a definite need for additional rooms to house the large numbers of boys and girls who are now on part-time schedules.

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THE SECOND part of the meeting consisted of a talk by Officer Elwood Brown of the Northwestern Police Boys' Club. Officer Brown discussed some of the causes of juvenile delinquency and what steps are appropriate for combating this problem.

Fathers present at the meeting were:

Chester France, Wilbur Johnson, Theodore Gwaltney, Thomas E. Hines, Solomon Baylor, Jasques Leeds, J. Laws Nickens, James Faulk, George A. Carroll, Vernon Dennis, Allen Meacham, W. M. Kendrick, Julius S. Flemming, Irvin K. Lindsay, Charles Lynch,

Nathaniel Mackel, Lonnie Hill, Leonard Quickly, Lawrence W. Boyd, Samuel T. Daniels, Jesse Thomas, Frank Bass, Placido C. Jasmin, Johnnie Royster, Thomas Cousin, Hezekiah Bunch, Anthony Porter, HasStory Branch, Leroy Taft, Julius Joyce, Mack Jones, Charles C. Mason.

AN INTERESTING VIEW — The Josiah Diggs Elementary School No. 162, Barre, Warner, Lee and Greene Sts., was the scene this week of an art ideas exhibit representing the work of the pupils. Here are, left to right, Barbara Matthews, 9; Joyce Mitchell, 9, and Gwendolyn Christy, 10, examine one of the articles on display.

'We have lost the love and are decaying'—Dr. Johnson

"True religion is a religion with a great respect for the human being wherever he is found. There is about it a radical, universal ethic. It is a love for every human being.

"We have lost this love and we are lost, we are decaying, our candle is going out and God is hungry for our souls."

Dr. Mordecai Johnson, famed president of Howard University, brought this message to students of Morgan State College at Wednesday's assembly in Hurt Gymnasium.

Dr. Johnson's talk was a feature of the fourth renewal of the "Religion in Life Week" at Morgan. He was presented by Miss Delores Shears, a senior, who with Louis Boston, are student co-chairmen for the week.

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DR. JOHNSON said that religion in this country has weakened to the point that "we are deserving of the contempt" Russian leaders hold for it.

"There is no unimportant person in the world. There is no unimportant place in the world. Wherever there are human beings, God is there," he said.

Dr. Johnson told his listeners that:

"To live is to love; to live a great life is to love to the greatest of one's capacity."

He said that in his opinion the late Mahatma Gandhi of India was the greatest religious leader of the last 100 years.

"He preached do no violence to anyone . . . all of us can do that," Dr. Johnson declared.

In encouraging the students to seek to develop a love and respect for every human being, Dr. Johnson told them:

"The man who has this love is often a man who has little else. When Jesus died, they didn't have to litigate his property. He didn't have any."

"Religion In Life Week" at Morgan is a cooperative effort of the Faculty Committee on Religious Life; the Morgan Christian Center, and the Morgan Christian Council.

Other religious leaders who participated in the week-long observance included Father Chester Michael, pastor of St. Bede's Parish, Williamsburg, Va.; the Rev. Richard F. Vieth, minister of the Wesley Foundation at the University of Maryland.

Also the Rev. Preston N. Williams, assistant chaplain at the Pennsylvania State University; Rabbi Balfour Brickner, spiritual leader of Temple Sinai in Washington, D.C.; Miss Odlie Sweeney, an associate in administration and personnel of the College and University Division of the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association, and the Rev. Edward G. Carroll, pastor of the Sharp Street Memorial Methodist Church of Baltimore.

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Book fair staged at School 135

"Explore with Books" —the theme for "Book Week," was used as a springboard to initiate a Book Fair at School No. 135.

The sixth grade class of Mrs. Ruth Redwine advertised through colorful posters, sales talk and book reviews. All classes in the school as well as parents visited the Book Fair and purchased books.

Sixth grade children sponsoring the Book Fair were Vonzella Bell, Artivee Bellamy, Inez Barnes, Sarah Boyd, Ida Brown, Frances Davis, Wilhemina Gray, Margaret Greene, Nora Harris, Jesteen Harville, Veda Horton, Gwendolyn Jackson, Geraldine Kimbro, Marva Lawrence, Sallie Mills;

Audrey Nole, Leola Parker, Diane Roberts, Gwendolyn Swan, Beatrice Thomas, Joy Thomas, Joyce Thomas, Odessa Wallace, Kenneth Barnhill, Tony Chapman, Samuel Cunningham, James Edmonds, Robert Evans;

Dennis Foster, Ross Hutchins, Wilson Lyman, Alvin McCoy, Douglass Peay, Dennis Powell, Ronald Robertson, Manning Stokes, Edward Sturdivant, Clarence Wilkes and Alvin Winkler.

Douglass unit aids TB drive

BY DAISY WILSON

As one of its annual projects, the Student Council of Douglass has set up a Christmas mailbox whereby pupils may deposit their Christmas cards for delivery to their within the school.

Each card must have a tuberculosis seal on it in order that it may be delivered. The seals are also being sold by the council.

Those working as postmen are: Gussie Sanders, Martha Miles, Leuretta Fuller, Arlene Williams, Brenda Brown, Sandra Oliver, Daisy Wilson, Margaret Lee and Lea Lewis.

Barlette Moore and Martha Douglass on Sunday, December 1 on a local radio station in an interview and discussion directed by Wally Daniels on local and international affairs.

Morgan armory set for inspection

The new Soldiers' Armory at Morgan State College will be open for public inspection Thursday, Dec. 19, Lt. Col. Edward C. Johnson, professor of military science and tactics, has announced.

The open house will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with the ROTC department playing host to members of the Morgan Board of Trustees, the college community, and the general public.

The building, opened for use this September, was constructed at a cost of $380,000 and was named Soldiers' Armory in honor of the more than 8,000 colored officers and men Who fought as Maryland volunteers in the Civil War.

Designed by Albert I. Cassell, the armory houses the ROTC department and classes in geography and reading.

Arena drama this weekend

"The Prisoner," by Brigit Boland, will be presented by the Arena Players on Dec. 13, 14 and 15 at their playhouse, 1308 Warwick Ave.

Four performances of this production will be held beginning with an 8:30 p.m. curtain Friday night. There will also be a 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinee.

The second of five performances this season, the play revolves around the clash of church and state, and the minds of men.

Baltimore airman wins promotion at Truax

TRUAX FIELD, Wis. — A career Baltimore airman was promoted this week to the senior non-commissioned officer rank of Sergeant while serving with Headquarters Chicago Air Defense Sector, Truax Field, Madison, Wis.

Newly promoted Technical Sergeant Jerome Bowser, 25, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bowser of 60 N. Bentalou St., Baltimore.

Sergeant Bowser's wife, the former Virginia Taylor, and their two children, Daryl, 2, and Tyra, 9 months, are presently residing at the home of Mrs. Bowser's mother, Mrs. Pearl Taylor, at 1719 Madison Ave., Baltimore.

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SEGEANT BOWSER is a power production supervisor with Headquarters Chicago Air Defense Sector. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in April, 1951, shortly after graduation from Douglass High School, Baltimore.

Following basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, he attended an 18-week power production course at F. E. Warren AFB, Wyo. Upon graduation he was assigned to duty with the Alaskan Air Command.

After a year in Alaska he was again assigned to Warren AFB, to serve there as an instructor in power production for one year. Sergeant Bowser was then selected to instruct airmen studying advanced diesel subjects at the Nordberg Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wis.

In July, 1956, after two years on duty in Milwaukee, Sergeant Bowser received another assignment to Alaska. He returned to the U.S. and his assignment here in July, 1957.

Yule program set for Dec. 17

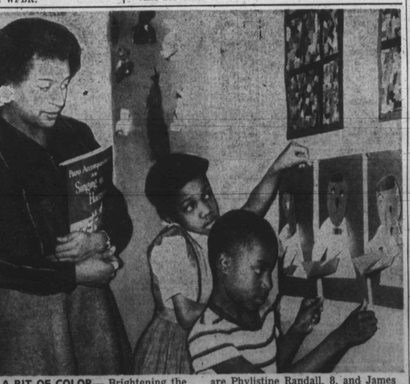
The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra and the newly formed, 54-voice National Chorus of America will be featured in the Fifth Annual Television Christmas Concert from 10-11 p.m. on December 17.

Bailey Goss will act as master of ceremonies for the program from the stage of Baltimore's Lyric Theatre. Television Station WMAR (Channel 2) will originate the telecast of the concert, also to be heard locally on Radio Station WFBR.

A SERIES of exhibits will be on display during the open house. Fifteen of these will be set up and monitored by the Second Army and will include missile displays, model Nike site, aggressor displays, weapons, Russian fuzes and minse, and other models.

Guided tours of the building will be conducted throughout the day. A parade and exhibition by the Morgan Pershing Rifles, Company V-5, will be held on Hill Field from 3:30 to 4 p.m.

SACRISTAN — A familiar figure for many years at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church is James A. Custis, who is a sacristan at the church. He assists with the arrangements of all objects needed for divine services.



A BIT OF COLOR— Brightening the halls at Elementary School No. 135 are these exhibits. Doing the honors are Phylistine Randall, 8, and James Griffin, 8. The teacher is Mrs. Ruth Mills.

Play planned

"A Christmas Fantasy" will be presented by Elementary School No. 107 tonight (Friday) at 7:30 p.m., in the auditorium of the Carver Vocational Technical High School, Presstman and Benfalou Sts.

Edmondson has a tree

The Student Council Christmas Tree Committee at Edmondson High School erected an eight foot Christmas tree in the lobby of the school.

The chairman of this committee at Pat Fitch and the committee members are Dennis Grimes, Stephanie, Gross and Rhoda Williams.

The Edmondson High School band and choir will present a Christmas assembly on Dec. 19 conducted by Mrs. George anna Chester, head of the music department and assembly committee.

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THE NEWSPAPER staff is also getting into the Christmas spirit. The Eagle Staff members will have a chance to refrain from regular duties to have a Christmas party.

The committee planning for the party includes Diane Hankey, chairman; Estelle Daughety, Delores Couser, Johanna Christenson, Jackie Johnson, Phyllis Jackson, Uta Fellechner and Jewel Rawlings.

As a result of the Junior Red Cross campaign carried on here at Edmondson, the total sum of $92.21 was turned in by the school.

Ethical Society

Arthur H. Parsons Jr., Head Librarian at the Enoch Pratt Free Library, will be the guest speaker of the Baltimore Ethical Society Sunday at 11 a.m. at 19 East North Avenue.

Mr. Parsons will speak on "The Library and the Community."

TAKING A LOOK— The art exhibit at the Diggs School attracted a number of visitors. To the left is Mrs. Rosalee Geiner, a teacher at School No. 114. Others in the picture are William R. Scott, 8, and Miss Lillian Reid.

PTA aids pupils at BTW High

Needy pupils at Booker T. Washington Junior High School who have not been able to attend school regularly because of the lack of money for carfare, lunch, or clothing, are being aided by the Health and Welfare Committee of the PTA.

Mrs. Margaret Diggs has been collecting articles through individual resources while the Economics Department has taken on the responsibility of cleaning and repairing garments.

Many of the children who have been helped through this program are now attending school much more regularly.

Mrs. Virginia Jones is the president of the PTA. Mrs. Diggs, the chairman, and Harold A. Seaborne, the co-ordinator, have been aided by Mrs. C. Overstreet, Mrs. V. Sloope, Mrs. Mary Smith and Mrs. Christine Boyd.

MEMBERS OF the Junior Red Cross have been collecting articles since Dec. 2 from homerooms to fill Christmas baskets for the handicapped children.

The baskets will contain soap, toothpaste, candy, gum, toothbrushes, and ribbons to cheer the children.

Mrs. A. Pitts and miss I. Johnson are faculty sponsors of the Red Cross.

Last PTA meeting at Johnson High

On Tuesday the last PTA meeting of the year was held at Harvey Johnson Junior High School with Mrs. Rosa Dingle, president, presiding.

The Rev. George Thompson delivered a prayer. Carols were sung by the girl's glee club directed by Mrs. Robyn Gill.

During the first part of the meeting physical education demonstrations directed by Miss Dorothy Ganges and Edward Forrest entertained the parents and teachers.

Girls participating in the demonstration were:

Ninth grade — Sandra Anders, Gwendolyn Ricks, Vivian Turner, and Bertha Sturdivant.

Eighth grade—Charlotte Ellism, Isabelt Johnson, Wilma Lofton and Mary Owens.

SEVENTH GRADE — Sandra Brooks, Sarah Champ, Mattie Clowney, LaVerne Cooke, Olivia Jones, Sandra Lemon, Barbara Wilson and Peggie Dingle.

Boys who participated were: Lawrence Bushrod, Willie Britton, Stanley Keaton, Major Lawson Jr., James Moss, Sylvester Coner, James Commodore, Clarence Garnett, Henry Cheesboro, Vernon Harris, Timothy Jackson.

Archie Adams, Leon Wallace, Robert Powell, Leroy Hammond, Allen Patterson, Edward Westmoreland, James Taylor, Philip Blanding, Halton Moore, James Dingle, Robert Harrison and Rufus Sturdivant.

Following these activities, Mrs. Gill, chairman of the Tag Drive, thanked the pupils, parents and faculty for their participation. Through their efforts 12 uniforms will be purchased.

Mrs. Gladys Sims class raised the highest amount, $60. Remarks by the principal, James R. Hite, concluded the first part of the meeting.

Parent - teacher conferences followed. Mrs. Gladys Sims is PTA president and Theodore Gross is the treasurer.

Morgan choir will present holiday airs

The Morgan State College Choir will give its first annual concert of Christmas music, Sunday, Dec. 15, 7 p.m. in the Morgan Christian Center.

The Choir will be directed by Denis M. deCoteau, a new member of the department of music faculty, and will be accompanied by Judith Ann Murray, student of Baltimore.

The concert is being sponsored by the Morgan Christian Council and will feature a variety of Christmas selections including the traditional "Cantique de Noel," Deems Taylor's "Yuletide" and the "Late Book Lullaby" by Harold Friedell.

The Choir will also be presented at the college on Wednesday, Dec. 18, 10 a.m., Hurt Gymtasium, when the music department presents its annual Christmas concert.

The String Ensemble, the Wind Ensemble and the Dance Group of the college will also participate.

Blind group sings on Sunday

The Blind Association of Baltimore will be featured in a concert Sunday, Dec. 15, 3 p.m. at the New St. Mark's Institutional Baptist Church, Bentalou and Lanvale Sts.

The Rev. Spencer Dobson is pastor. James Schockley is president and Miss Anne Mae Hunter is business manager.

The group will appear in a musical concert at the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Poplar Grove St. near North. The Rev. W. Williams is pastor.

Founder's Day program by local Alphas

Two general officers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., will be guest speakers here Sunday morning at a Founders' Day breakfast celebrating the 51st anniversity of the fraternity.

They are Brooklyn Judge Myles Paige, general president, and Sidney Jones, Chicago attorney, acting general secretary.

The breakfast, sponsored by the Baltimore graduate chapter, will be held at St. Johns AME Church, 810 Carrollton Ave., beginning at 9 a.m. Following the breakfast fraternity members will attend morning services and hear a sermon by the Rev. L. M. Gray, pastor.

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AMONG THE guests at the breakfast will be Henry A. Callis, one of the fraternity's founders, and approximately 50 members of the Washington graduate chapter.

The affair here will climax a weekend of fraternity activities in the area.

All of the fraternity's national officers and delegates from chapters around the country will attend an all day conference in Washington Saturday at the Alpha House, 18th and S Sts., NW. Theme for the meeting is "Re-evaluation of the Alpha Phi Alpha Program."

The conference will be followed by a smoker sponsored jointly by the Baltimore and Washington chapters.

Baltimore delegates to the Washington meeting are Frank Ellis, president, Clifton Jones, secretary, Henry G. Parks, Charles P. Howard Jr., and Cliff W. Mackay, AFRO editor.

ALPHA SPEAKERS— Judge Myles Paige, Brooklyn, national president, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and Sidney Jones, Chicago, acting general secretary, will be principal speakers Sunday morning at 9 during the annual Fonders Day breakfast sponsored by Delta Lambda chapter at St. John's AME Church, 810 Carrollton Ave.

Fortune smiled as winner waited for cab

Someday while waiting for a taxi or even a bus, fortune may smile on you.

That is just what happened to Miss Vivian Tongue, 503 Robert St., last Sunday.

Fortune smiled as she was photographed by the AFRO photographer who was taking a picture of the Southern Life Insurance building at Pennsylvania Ave. and Robert St.

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THE PICTURE appeared in Friday's AFRO with a circle about the head of Miss Tongue, indicating that she was entitled to a $5 check as the latest winner in the AFRO's Lucky Picture Contest.

Each edition of the AFRO contains a Lucky Picture. In order to collect the $5 prize the person whose head is encircled must appear at the AFRO office before noon of the next publication date.

Look for the Lucky Picture, you may be a winner.

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MISS TONGUE, who was waiting to hail a cab when the picture was taken, is employed at a local sugar plant.

She is Past Daughter Ruler of Great Southern Temple No. 20 of the Elks and a lifelong member of Union Memorial Church.

She is the granddaughter of the late Rev. W. C. Tongue, who was pastor of Whatcoat Methodist Church.

Dr. Jenkins in panel discussion

Morgan State College president, Dr. Martin D. Jenkins participated in a panel discussion at the recent annual conference of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The conference was held at Virginia Union University, Richmond, Va.

The Morgan president served as a participant on a panel which discussed "Educational Challenges to Member Institutions of Low Comparative Scores on Standardized Tests."

THERE'S A LUCKY picture in this and every edition of the AFRO. Look for it. If your head is circled, you can collect $5 cash by calling at AFRO City Desk before the next edition is out.