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AMONG THE following 25 cases, you may find a new owner for your married son's bicycle. There are many things that could make these people happy at Christmas time.

Case 51

A friend writes of a lady with three children. "She is such a nice mother. . . . the only thing she wants for the children is a Christmas."

Case 52

A mother of six children writes that she cannot help her own sick mother this year. Her mother has been ailing since her husband became mentally ill. She is under the doctor's care and has very little to eat.

Case 53

A friend writes of a family in Glen Burnie that a lady has three children and one is crippled from cerebral palsy. She is supporting the children on a $23 - a - week job. There is a 14-year-old daughter in the family who goes to school. The mother is home only on Sunday and Monday.

Case 54

An invalid mother whose husband is estranged is trying to care for her three children: twins, aged nine, (one boy, one girl) and a ten - year - old girl.

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Case 55

A reader writes of a family "in need of everything." In the family are four boys aged 12, eight, seven and four, and two girls aged ten and five. They need food, clothes and toys.

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Case 56

In the family of a seasonal worker are seven children. Two boys, aged 11 and ten, are out of school because they have no shoes. The family needs food and clothing and things for the house like blankets, sheets.

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Case 57

The father of four children works for 75 cents an hour. There are three girls in the family, aged seven, three, two and one boy, one year - old.

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Case 58

A mother of two children writes, "My children are naked." Her husband is not able to work in bad weather and they would appreciate any help offered. The children range in ages from 3 - years so 18 months.

Case 59

A blind man and his wife would like a basket for Christmas.

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Case 60

The mother of ten children whose father is away from them asks for help at Christmas time. There are five boys in the family aged 13, 11, ten, four and seven months, and five girls aged 17, 16, nine and five - year - old twins.

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Case 61

A father writes: "I have a wife and three kids, seven, three, and seven - months -old. I have been out of work nearly nine weeks . . . most of the time we just half eat. I have gone all day without a bite to eat to give the children something to eat."

He says: "One of the greatest things to come to us for Christmas would be if our gas and electric could be turned on." He also asks for a job.

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Case 62

A friend writes of the children of a Henryton patient. The children's ages are eight, four and 18 - months - old. At present the children are staying with different friends of the mother. They could use a Christmas basket.

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Case 63

Another friend writes of a family in which there are five children, aged ten, nine and six (boys) and seven, and four (girls). The friend writes that both of the parents have heart conditions and the father has asthma, too.

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Case 64

A reader writes her brother has four children and he has been unable to get a job since March. There are three boys in the family aged ten, nine and four, and one little girl, 11 - years - old.

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Case 65

A mother writes that she would appreciate any help given her to make her children happy for Christmas. There are four girls aged nine, seven, four and 11 months, and a three-year-old boy.

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Case 66

A little girl writes that she is one of seven children. A pupil in the fifth grade, she says her four brothers are 12, ten, five, and two - years - old.

Her sisters, she says, are seven, five and four - years - old. The little girl says, "I could you bring a little toy or food or clothes — it doesn't have to be toys."

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Case 67

Another little girl writes, "My father has been sick and out of work all year." In her family are three children: she is nine, a brother is six and another sister is ten - years - old. "My mother is very good to us," she says.

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Case 68

A friend writes that the father of a family in which there are seven children is out of work. The children's ages are ten, nine, seven, four, two-years and two - months - old.

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Case 69

A mother of six children writes that her husband is a ward of the state and she can work only a few hours a day. The mother says she would appreciate a basket, or shoes or books for the children.

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Case 70

A lady writes that her friend is the mother of two children who need everything. The children are two boys, aged two-years and 11 months. They would like at least one toy.

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Case 71

The mother of nine children writes that she would like to have some shoes and clothes for her children.

Her husband works, but his salary is not enough. The children, six boys and three girls, range in ages from 16 - years, to one year.

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Case 72

A young girl writes that she wants Santa to visit her brother who "won't get anything because my mother was in the hospital for a month." The young girl says she wants to make this a nice Christmas for her brother.

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Case 73

A young girl writes that she would like to have a nice Christmas for her mother. The daughter also asks for work so that she can give her mother things for Christmas.

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Case 74

Another daughter writes that she wants aid for an ailing mother.

The daughter has three children of her own and cannot afford as much as she would like for her mother's Christmas.

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Case 75

A mother writes asking aid for her married son, his wife and five children. Her son cannot get steady work and his wife is unable to work because of illness.

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Zoning Board hears appeal 3 years late

The Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals on Tuesday denied a request to house three families at 1622 E. Preston St., made by Clarence Isler, who was scheduled to appear in the case three years ago.

Mr. Isler failed to appear when the hearing on his application was set on October 26, 1954, and the Zoning Board dismissed the case. He explained Tuesday that he had been sick.

In other action, the Zoning Board issued these decisions:

1. 1601 Retreat St. — Disapproved an application to house six families at this location, made by the owner, Mrs. Kay Schweitzer.

2. 3404 Alto Rd. — Approved a request to house four families at this location, made by Sol Lehner, owner.

Next Tuesday, the Zoning Board will have these requests to consider:

1. 2545 W. North Ave.—Request to house three families on the premises.

2. 1200 W. Mosher St.— Request to house three families and two stores at this location.

Pedestrian hurt on North Ave.

Herbert L. Parker, 30, of the 100 block of Adam St., NW, Washington, D.C., suffered a fractured left leg Monday evening when struck by a car as he was crossing North Ave., report Northwestern police.

A reckless driving charge was placed against James Lloyd Jr., 22, 1500 block of Harlem Ave., in connection with the accident.

Mr. Parker was treated at Lutheran Hospital.

The incident occurred about 100 feet west of Longwood St.

Another man

Sammy Davis Jr., was sentenced by Judge Reuben Oppenheimer in Criminal Court Tuesday to 18 months in the House of Correction on charges of desertion and non support of his wife, Mrs. Lula Davis, 400 block N. Parrish St., and their four minor children.

Mr. Davis is not the singer who bears the same name.

Crownsville employee granted divorce here

A Crownsville State Hospital attendant, Wilbur Harris, 29, was granted a divorce on Dec. 10 from his wife, Mrs. Arlene Harris, 29, 423 Baltic St., Brooklyn, N.Y.

Terms of the divorce require that Mr. Harris pay a weekly sum of $20 for the support of their two children, Wilbur Lacy Jr., 7, and Debra, age 4.

In his petition for the divorce Mr. Harris who has been residing at the Crownsville location of his employment since June, 1955, stated that he and Mrs. Harris were married in Brooklyn on July 3, 1948.

Represented by his attorney, Milton B. Allen, he told the court that the final separation came on Aug. 6, 1954 when he left their Brooklyn home to visit other relatives in the town and returned to find Mrs. Harris, her clothes and the children gone.

He said: "She took her clothes and the children and left and although I found her at 691 Madison St. in Brooklyn and asked her to return to me, she refused."

Mr. Harris added: "I tried four times to get her back since Aug. 6, 1954."

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Monumental Bar election set

Election of officers of the Monumental Bar Association will be held at the Club Rooms 1008 W. Lafayette Ave., on Saturday, Dec. 14.

Reports will also be accepted from the various standing and special committees, will be heard for consideration of members, it was announced.

The present officers are Dallas F. Nicholas, president; Mrs. Lena K. Lee, vice-president; George L. Parrish, secretary, and William H. Murphy, treasurer.

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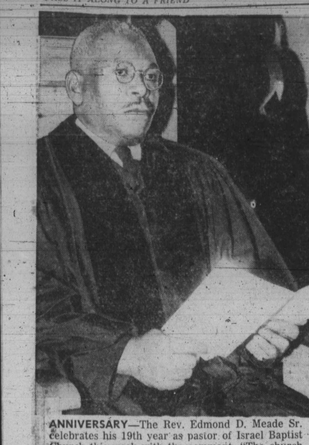

ANNIVERSARY—The Rev. Edmond D. Meade Sr. celebrates his 19th year as pastor of Israel Baptist Church this week with the comment, "The church to me is more like the home, you get out of it what you put into it."

Rev. Meade marks 19th anniversary

"What gives me the greatest joy is that I was called from another church in the city. Another angle of enjoyment is that I've had the good fellowship of the other ministers of the city."

These were the comments Sunday of the Rev. Edmond D. Meade Sr., of 1413 N. Central Ave., who this Sunday will mark his 19th year as pastor of the Israel Baptist Church, Chester and Preston Sts.

Looking back over the nearly two decades in which he has led the destiny of the Israel Baptist, the Rev. Mr. Meade said another joy of his 19 years there has been "a crew of good loyal members."

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HE RECALLED that five years ago when the church was ready to move from the Orleans and Bethel Sts. address that the members put forth a mighty show of devotion by raising quickly a large sum of money.

"I asked for $100 from the members and a great number gave that full amount," the Rev. Mr. Meade stated with understandable pride.

"The church to me is very much like the home, you get out of it what you put into it," the Rev. Mr. Meade said.

The Rev. Mr. Meade was born 51 years ago in King and Queen County, Va. and came to Baltimore as a boy on March 17, 1917. He attended the public schools and the Rappahannock Industrial Academy in Virginia and the old Jones Williams Institute here in Baltimore.

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BEFORE BEING called to Israel, the Rev. Mr. Meade had served the Mt. Sinai Baptist church for seven years.

He says he delivered his first sermon at Israel on Sunday morning, Dec. 18 in 1938. The march to the present church site was on Dec. 14, 1952.

Thus the pastor's anniversary and the observance of the march to the new location are celebrated together. Israel's congregation purchased the present church from the St. Andrew Episcopal Church congregation for $60,000.

They burned the mortgage on August 28, 1955.

Since moving in they have developed the basement area at a cost of $12,000.

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THE REV. Mr. Meade, a minister for 28 years, has seen the membership at Israel increase from about 200 when he became the pastor 19 years ago to the present 600.

Among the church's loyal members, the Rev. Mr. Meade said, are a number who were there when he arrived and "are still going strong."

Two of these are Junius Lipscomb, 2003 N. Wolfe St., chairman of the board of trustees, and Frank Norris, 1837 Orleans St., chairman of the deacon board. Advice they both held when the Rev. Mr. Meade took over the church.

Another staunch church worker is the minister's wife, the former Miss Bernice E. West, of Baltimore. They were married Oct. 29, 1936 in Washington, D.C. by Dr. C. T. Mercury.

She was chairman of the successful Mile of Dimes March sponsored by the church a few years ago.

THE REV. Mr. and Mrs. Meade have two living children, Bernice Durretta, 14, and Edmond Jr., 11. Their first child, Vashti, died May 10, 1946 at the age of eight years.

For Sunday's observance, the Rev. Joseph Culp, pastor of New Friendship Baptist Church with his choir and congregation, will worship with Israel Baptist at the 3 p.m. hour.

Other churches are joining with Israel in nightly services this week.

John Jeffries is chairman of the program and Haywood Musgrove is secretary.

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COMING EVENTS

DEC. 13-29

Unforgettable photographic studies of human beings from many nations of the world by Peter Fink, one of America's foremost young photographers at the Baltimore Museum Art.

DEC. 13-31

Book illustrations through five centuries — selections from fifteenth woodcuts to drawings by Picasso — at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

DEC. 13 — JAN. 5

Exhibition of early American folk sculpture at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

DEC. 13 — JAN. 12

Exhibition of history of bookbinding, including about 700 rare bindings from the chief collections of this country and also from private and public collections abroad. Exhibit is at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

Early Greek art on exhibit at the Walters Art Gallery.

DEC. 14

Taul Gamma Delta Sorority banquet at the Union Baptist Church Memorial Center, 1219 Druid Hill Ave., at 6 p.m.

DEC. 15

Zeta chapter of Theta Nu Sigma Sorority presents a beautician's cocktail hour at the Las Vagas Club.

Arthur H. Parsons Jr., head librarian at the Enoch Pratt Free Library, will be guest speaker of the Baltimore Ethical Society, 19 E. North Ave., at 11 a.m. He will discuss "The Library and the Community."

Dunbar High School will hold its Annual Choral Service at On Sunday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 located at Caroline and McElderry Streets. The public is cordially invited to attend.

DEC. 16-20

Committee meetings of the Baltimore area Girl Scout Council at the YWCA, 128 W. Franklin St.

DEC. 18

Christmas Musical featuring the Morgan State College choir, band and dance group at 10 a.m. in the Hurt Gymnasium.

Area B bopscotch contest at Fannie L. Harbour Elementary School No. 161, Saratoga and Schroeder Sts., under the direction of the Department of Education.

DEC. 27

National Teachers Examination will be given in Baltimore at Eastern High School. You can register at the Department of Education on 25th St.

JAN. 13

Miss Marian Anderson, world famous contralto, will appear at the Lyric Theatre in a concert presented by the Baltimore Fellowship, Inc.

JAN. 15

Department of Education sponsoring area hopscotch contest at the following schools: Highlandtown Elementary School No. 215, Pratt and Clinton Sts., Area A; Thomas Johnson Elementary School No. 84, Johnson and Heath Sts., Area C; and Northwood Elementary School No. 242, Area E.

MASTER PLANS are examined by Warren Shaw and M. Manning Bernstein co-owners of the realty company which bears their names. They say they can assure buyers that their property will not be taken by later developed school sites, roads or rehabilitation plans.

LISTINGS in all parts of the city are shown on the blackboard in Manning-Shaw offices. Above salesman George A. Straughn (right) views available properties along with Mr. Shaw who is pointing out a home address which may suit a prospective buyer.

Messrs. Manning, Shaw run thriving real estate office

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

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AT PRESENT there is a force of especially trained men and women which they call "the best in Baltimore," regardless of race creed or color and according to the ruling of the government's Fair Employment Practice Committee.

According to the posted property listings, the company has available for purchase some 100 homes in all sections of the city.

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MR. SHAW also said that their company is able to work out a "little better" financing arrangement because of the company's set-up with lending firms and financing firms.

He also states that the company offers not only town houses but also lots at Arundel-on-the-Bay, on Back River Neck Road as well as farm homes.

In the property - management area, Mr. Shaw cites the estate lands on Wister's Lane in Catonsville.

Under their careful budgeting and guidance he discloses the 40-acre tract of land will soon become the East Coast's most elaborate cemetery.

"It will be the Walter White Memorial Park named for the late Walter White, the noted NAACP leader, The Manning-Shaw firm is managing it for the Rev. George Crawley and other heirs of the estate," he says.

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MR. MANNING is M. Manning Bernstein whom everyone calls "Manning."

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Warren S. Shaw was born with a "real estate spoon in his mouth." He is the son of a Los Angeles real estate broker, Warren Shaw Sr., is married to the former Miss Cecilia Long of Baltimore. They have two children, Robert, 5, and Johnny, 1½.

The spacious offices of the firm are located on Eutaw Place near Robert St. and include the business offices, conference rooms, and the private offices of Mr. Manning and Mr. Shaw.

Carpeted in blond wool wall to wall rugs and furnished with modern blond oak office furniture, the rooms offer comfort and relaxation to the buyer who comes shopping for a home.

The walls of draperies are done in wedgewood blue print with a door-key motif.

Salvation Army opens clearing house for giving

The Salvation Army has set up The Confidential Christmas Clearing House, 3 Centre St., VEnnon 7-4991 for all individuals and organizations who want to give aid to others during the season.

Because of the large number of seasonal lay-offs, the Salvation Army declared that the need for temporary aid is greater this year than ever before.

Through the clearing house, the Salvation Army can make sure that all families which need help can get help.

THREE JUDGES ruling Friday the 13th out as a day of ill omen are Mesdames Elnora Moody, Marion Waters, and Gladys Smith. All East Baltimore matrons and members of Ebenezer Baptist Church, they were born on the 13th of October, June, and August.

Three Ebenezer members see Friday 13th good luck day

Ebenezer Baptist Church has at least three members who have seen Friday 13th birthdays come and go without a "speck" of luck which they would term "bad."

In fact, it's all been good as far as they know. Although not born on that much talked-about ill - fated day, at some-time in their lives a birthday has fallen on Friday the 13th.

The three staunch members are: Mrs. Gladys Smith, 2302 Guilford Ave., born Aug. 13, 1908; Mrs. Elnora Moody, 416 E. Worsley St., born Oct. 13, 1929; and Mrs. Marion Waters, 404 E. Worsley St., born June 13, 1937.

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THEY HAND down a ruling on Friday 13th with firm testimony.

"Friday the 13th, just any Friday that happens to fall on the 13th is OK by me," says Mrs. Smith.

"I haven't found the day unlucky in all my 49 years," she vows.

"In fact," Mrs. Smiths adds, "it has really been good luck for me because if ever anybody has ever had good fortune, I'm one."

Continuing, Mrs. Smith can account for her good luck days beginning at the age of 12 when she was converted at the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Edgefield, S.C., on Friday 13th in 1920.

"The so-called bad-luck day came in May that year," she states," but I've been lucky ever since."

Mrs. Smith counts one of her lucky stars as having brought her 31 years of happy wedded life.

When she was 16, 31 years ago, she was married to her sweetheart, a young man who worked in the corner drug store and whom she had known but six months.

He is Robert Smith who has been working now for 15 years as a Baltimore and Ohio Railroad trackman and they're still in love.

They have six children of whom they are mighty proud, Mrs. Smith says.

The oldest son is Robert Jr., who is a master sergeant in the Air Force stationed in Topeka, Kan. His wife is Mrs. Lola Mae Smith.

The oldest daughter is Mrs. Udell Wyche, 2627 Federal St., a City Hospitals dietician and the wife of George Wyche, a steel worker.

The next daughter is Miss Ruby Smith, a Union Memorial Hospital dietician's aid.

CHARLES, the youngest son, is a steelworker, resides at 1920 Castle St. He and his wife, Mrs. Lenora Smith have four children.

A daughter, Mrs. Gladys Gardner and her husband, James Gardner, also have four children.

Gloria, the youngest child, is presently confined to the hospital.

The Smiths have been members of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Guilford Ave. and 23rd St., where the Rev. Logan Kearse is pastor, since 1921.

MRS. MOODY quite agrees with Mrs. Smith.

She has been in Ebenezer membership for three years and in her 28 years has had nothing but good luck.

She says: "I've never been ill in my life.

"Now, don't you call that good luck?"

Mrs. Moody is a housewife, and married to Edward Moody a factory worker. They have an eight-year-old son, Glen who was born on Valentine Day, Feb. 14, 1949.

He reads books, sews does a little typing and insists "Life just goes on in the same fashion" for him.

"Nothing much happens."

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MRS. WATERS is the younger of the three Ebenezer members who can count up 20 birthdays which came on the 13th day of June and once or twice, it has been her lot to have celebrated a Friday the 13th birthday.

"But," she states," it's been good luck all the way.

"I haven't had what you would call bad luck."

Mrs. Waters has been married for two years to Vernon Waters. They have a small daughter, Darlene, age one, who was born Oct. 31, which is the number 13 turned backward.

Mrs. Waters is now a toy stock clerk in a downtown department store and has been a member of Ebenezer Baptist for seven years.

KEY EMPLOYEES of the Manning-Shaw Realty Co. (left to right) William E. Taylor, James E. Jenkins, John Warden, J. Leonard Underwood, Aaron R. Moulden, Mrs. Virginia Groff, Hezekiah Williams, Jr., and George A. Straughn. Others not shown are Roland Hayes Holmes, Lea W. Sohmer, Demetrios Peter Loomis, J. Bernard Sohmer, Herbert Duckett Rice, Jas. Crockett.

I remember ole Baltimore winters

The front man usually had on the ice skate. He sat flat on the sled and the others were higher above him on the bench part sitting behind each other.

It was considered very daring to do this type of sled because if the pilot was not efficient the sled would easily turn over, causing injuries.

We haven't been getting any of those good old Baltimore winters.

"Remember about the good ole days? Write your thoughts to I remember, City Desk, AFRO, Baltimore 1, Md.

"I remember the old Baltimore winters. When I was around nine years old I lived at 905 Myrtle Ave. opposite Perkins Square," writes Leland R. Fleming of 307 Main St., Dundalk; who adds:

"I remember the sleigh riding on George St. The boys all big and little would make a mound the hill by packing it with snow, and smoothing it out by pouring water on it so it would freeze and become almost like glass.

"We would start at the top of the hill above Pine St. and go down across Myrtle Ave. and up to Ogsten St. before the sleigh came to a stop. We used to race with the sleds to see who could travel the farthest.

"We would run with sled in hand and at a certain line drop the sled and fail on it and guide it by the cross piece. This was called "belly wopping."

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MR. FLEMING also recalled:

"Then there was the big double decker sled, the forerunner of the present bobsled. It was sometimes made with two sleds fastened together with a stout fence plank about six feet long, and with the other part built like a bench.

Sherwood named

John R. Sherwood, Division Manager - Sinclair Refining Company — took office as Chairman of the public relations activities of Maryland's petroleum industry on December 10.

He and his staff of Maryland oil company executives were installed for a two-year term at the Middle Atlantic Oil Information Committee Meeting in Pittsburgh, Pa. The OIC is the public relations arm of the American Petroleum Institute.