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

—Bathtub law

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properly installed, are maintained in safe and good working condition and are properly connected to the bathtub or shower, sink and lavatory basin, as required in these regulations.

"Such water heating facilities shall be capable of heating water to such a temperature as to permit an adequate amount of hot water to be drawn at every required outlet."

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THE REGULATIONS were promulgated by the Health Department on the basis of the City Council Ordinance on the Hygiene of Housing adopted in 1941 which empowers the Commissioner of Health to make and adopt such rules and regulations as he may deem proper and necessary for the enforcement of this ordinance for the better protection of the health of the city."

It also provided that violation of such regulation and rule constitutes a misdemeanor punishable by a $50 fine with each day's violation being a separate offense.

The validity of the regulation on bathtubs was upheld by Judge E. Paul Mason on Oct. 22 in Circuit Court when he ruled that such a regulation fell within the province of the Health Department.

Despite the fact that the regulation has been deemed valid and despite the fact that it has been in force for two years, the AFRO survey showed that at least in some sections of the city bathtubs are still not found in every home.

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THE SURVEY covered the 600 block Jasper St., the 500 block St. Mary's St., Tessier St., the 500 block Moore St., and the 500 block Orchard St.

Homes in this area are generally designated as blighted.

The tour of the neighborhood began in the 600 block Jasper St., where at 622 the family had no bathtub, no bathroom basin and no hot water.

Members reported that they had lived at the same location for 20 years. When asked how they wash they reported that they use an old fashioned wash basin or the kitchen sink. For bathing purposes they said they use a pail.

"I have to heat water to give my grandchildren a bath," a resident of the house reported.

In this same block houses at 630, 619 and 608 were listed as not having tubs.

Homes that did report bathing facilities were at 644, 623, 610, 606, 604, 602, 605 and 603 Jasper St.

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THE 500 block of St. Mary's St. revealed two homes without bathtub facilities at 560 and 562.

In one of them, 562, the mother of three small children said they have no hot water, basin or bathtub facilities.

"The only hot water I get is when I heat it myself," the mother said.

Houses where the residents said they had bathroom facilities were 520, 518, 536, 538, 552, 556, 564, 566, 563, 574, 578 and 582.

In the 800 block of Tessier St., three were the homes that reportedly had no bathtubs or hot water, 809, 815, 832, 830.

At 830 the couple has eight children. There is a water closet located in an upstairs rear room and a kitchen sink.

The water closet was reported not to be working at the time of the visit and the couple said they had to carry water to it from the kitchen.

Bathtubs were found at 703, 589 and 802 Tessier St.

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IN THE 500 block Moore St., these were the homes that reported no bathing facilities. Numbers 544, 536, 537, 575. 575.

At 575 Moore St., the water closet is located in a rear bedroom, at the head of a bed. The family of three has no hot water and have to use a tin tub for bathing purposes.

Ten houses in the 500 block Orchard St. were reported without bathtubs or hot water. They are 559, 557, 538, 534, 539, 541, 525, 526, 503 and 501.

At 503 Orchard St. the water closet is located in the bedroom. The kitchen sink offers the only wash basin in the house.

One house at 562 Orchard St., reported a bathtub.

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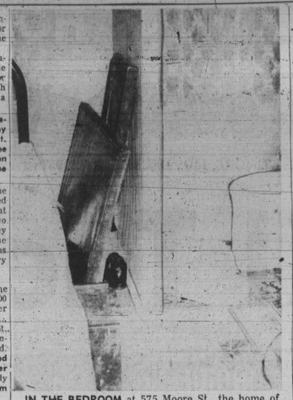
AND WHAT DO these people do without bathtubs and running hot water?

Most of them without such facilities said they had to use wash basins, tin tubs or pails and they had to heat their water on a stove.

This is the situation in at least "part of Baltimore" almost two years after the Bathtub Regulation went into effect.



IN THE BEDROOM at 575 Moore St., the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clay, a retired Fort Holabird employee, the water closet is located in the rear bedroom. The couple have nine children, three live with them. Mr. Clay pays $8 weekly for the four-room apartment which does not have a bathtub.

—Wrighten

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vided largely among the white candidates.

"Under the present circumstances, the colored vote turned out nicely and I received about 500 votes from white persons despite published articles in the local press against me," Mr. Wrighten said adding:

"A member of the U.S. House of Representatives spoke out against my being elected and there was chicanery and vote-stealing at the polls."

He said he caught one person stealing votes and said he was told that numerous other persons were voting two and three times at different polls.

Mr. Wrighten said a fifth candidate for election, dropped out of the race because of his nomination and threw his support behind Stevenson.

"I received letters from people all over the world wishing me luck in the election. Two particularly sincere letters came from two white women in Australia, one of whom had lived in America, but returned to Australia in protest of the racial condition."

Mr. Wrighten advocated legislation that would allow women to serve on juries in South Carolina State courts; the study of the state tax structure, the enlargement of jurisdiction of magistrate's courts and other measures aimed at attaining rights for all citizens.

A native of Edisto Island, S.C., he attended Avery Institute and Morgan State College in Orangeburg. He was admitted to the South Carolina Bar in 1953.

In 1947, he was instrumental in bringing about court action leading to the establishment of the law school at State A. and M. College for colored persons.

He also pressed for integrated facilities at Edisto Beach State Park.

JOHN WRIGHTEN

The General Assembly seat became vacant as a result of the death of C. R. Burbage.

—Hotel bars

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tion for a reservation at The Homestead was rejected because of her faith.

Mrs. Kpalan applied for a reservation for herself and her husband at $34 a day for July 22 to Aug. 4. Mrs. Valerie Courtenay, also of New York City, made an identical application at the same time. Mrs. Courtenay, who had never before patronized The Homestead, was accepted. Mrs. Kaplan was rejected.

—AMEs

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statement and no bishop would speak for publication.

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HOWEVER, word of the council's action spread quickly among visiting clergy, some of whom are here from long distances.

One spokesman said, "The bishops have spoken for the general church and their decision in this matter of another general conference will be fully approved.

"After all, we met only last year, 1956. The next general conference will be held in 1960.

"Our new Judicial Council and budget ought to have an adequate trial period before we make changes."

All Bishops were reported in attendance except Bishops H. Thomas Primm of Texas and Bishop E. L. Hukman of Rhodesia and Central Africa.

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—All they had'

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AFRO Thursday: "All of us leave our keys with the others and ask them to keep an eye on our children."

She said she learned of the fire when another neighbor screamed.

"I went upstairs and called my husband. He put on his pants and ran out and broke the door. Another man was with him and they tried to get in a second story window after there was too much smoke on the stairway," she said.

She said that in the excitement, the key was forgotten.

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THE REPORT on the fire at Northwestern Police Station said that the parents of the children came to the hospital at 2:37 Tuesday morning.

"They stated that they had left the house in the late evening after putting the children to bed, and they had then gone out and visited some taverns," the police report read.

Mr. Lewis told the AFRO Thursday: "The policeman should not have put that down. It was said in a state of shock."

He explained to a reporter that he was referring to other times when he and his wife had gone out and left the children when he thought it might have been better for them to have stayed at home.

Asked why Mrs. Dunaway did not contact them earlier about the fire, Mrs. Lewis said: "She didn't know where we were going. We just told her we were going to a friend's house."

Mrs. Lewis gave a reporter names and addresses of two other women she said also looked after the children when she and her husband were away.

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EXCEPT FOR the lingering smell of smoke in the home and the burned paint places on the living room wall where the sofa was, on Thursday there was no indication that such a fire tragedy had struck the home.

Funeral services for the children will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. from the Pennsylvania Avenue AME Zion Church with the Rev. G. M. Edwards officiating.

Burial will be in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

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AMONG SURVIVORS attending the funeral services will be:

Mrs. Mary Cooper, of New York City; Lewis Cooper, James Valentine, Mrs. Mary Lewis, grandparents; Mrs. Delcy Valentine, step-grandmother; and a number of other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Lewis is a 1950 graduate of Carver High School.

Mr. Lewis, who is with Fire Company No. 30, attended Douglass High School.

He has been with the fire department for 18 months.

Mary E. Elbert Child Care Bureau newcomer

PHILADELPHIA

Mary Ellen Elbert has joined the casework staff of the Bureau for Child Care, 321 N. 41st St. She received her bachelor's degree from Morgan State College last June.

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