"We are Americans and, as Americans, we will speak up for America." —Frederick Douglass

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1. *Fair employment practice (FEP) laws and enforcement power. Begin with city, county, state and federal governments.*
2. *100,000 registered voters in Baltimore City.*
3. *A judge on the Supreme Bench and in the Federal District Court.*
4. *Integration in the state's reform schools and penal institutions.*
5. *Public hotels and restaurants open to all well-behaved citizens.*

The board's opportunity

In ruling that Philadelphia's 126-year old Girard College could no longer restrict its enrollment to "white male orphans only," the United States Supreme Court cited its unanimous school decision of 1954.

That opinion held that segregation is discrimination, an offense that is forbidden by the Fourteenth Amendment.

Significantly it was in July of this same year that the fight to make administrators of Girard comply with the Constitution began.

And more importantly it will be on May 17, the third anniversary of the school decision, that the Board of City Trusts meets to discuss future policy in the operation of the school.

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ALREADY THERE have been those who profess to see a legal loophole through which the board may evade the clear intent of the Supreme Court's ruling and continue to operate Girard as a segregated school in an integrated community.

We think the suggestion should be promptly brushed aside as base and unworthy of the City of Brotherly love.

The coincidence of the May 17 meeting date provides the honorable men who sit on the Board of City Trusts an excellent opportunity to demonstrate a renewed dedication of their faith in America as a government of laws, not of men.

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WE ARE CONFIDENT they will promptly open the doors of Girard College, not only to the youngsters who were plaintiffs in the suit, but to all other orphaned boys who otherwise qualify.

Time is being wasted

In stubbornly limiting recruits to white cadets only, officials of the Maryland wing of the Civil Air Patrol, whether they know it or not, are siding with Russia in America's desperate race for airpower superiority.

They not only are thumbing their noses at clearly stated Air Force policy and defying explicit orders of the President of the United States, they are also playing fast and loose with the nation's security.

This alarming fact was detailed in Washington this week by Robert Dewey Allred, a flight instructor from Raleigh, N.C.

Mr. Allred was pleading with Congress for a Government-financed flying program, not just for white youths as the foolhardy Maryland officials insist, but for ALL qualified youngsters.

Only a recruiting program that ignores such superficial differences as creed and color will keep American aviation ahead of that of Communist Russia, he wisely points out.

In recent years the United States has issued only about 40,000 student pilot licenses annually.

Russia as long ago as 1946, before her program reached full stride was issuing 173,000 student pilot licenses a year.

This figure now has been stepped up to around 250,000 per year.

"Valuable time is being wasted," warns Mr. Allred.

It is a warning, which for the sake of America's future, we hope is not lost on the recalcitrant heads of Maryland's Civil Air Patrol.

This is most shocking

The Evening Sun, replying to a letter by Clarence Mitchell, director of the NAACP's Washington Bureau, says it remains unconvinced the Eisenhower proposal for righting grievous wrongs is the proper one.

This hardly comes as a surprise.

The Evening Sun would never be awarded the Pulitzer prize as a strong advocate of human rights.

But what disturbs us is the obvious fact that the editors of the Sun are actually taking seriously the phony Dixiecrat outcry that the civil rights bill now before Congress would deny the right of trial by jury.

Southern officials, who defiantly persist in denying colored citizens their constitutional right to vote, should not be dealt with under equitable procedures, where historically a judge presides without a jury, they say.

There are no criminal statutes under which such offenders can be punished after a trial before a jury of their peers, they argue.

But in so arguing the Sun takes a completely unrealistic view.

Its editors need only to look back through the Sun's files to find case after case where Southern juries simply will not punish accused white persons for any offense, no matter how heinous, committed against colored victims.

Thus, in siding with the Eastlands, against the use of equitable procedures, the Evening Sun is saying in so many words that it, too, believes such offenders should not be held accountable for their crimes.

Such a position would be expected of the Jackson (Miss.) Daily News or the Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser.

But when it is also assumed by a great evening newspaper in the more civilized climate of Maryland, the effect is nothing less than shocking.

No rush, Senator!

Senator Cole is being considered for an executive position in the State Department. It had been rumored that the young Republican leader was being approached for the ambassador-ship to Ghana but the latest report is that Mr. Cole is too young for such a post.

Senator Cole has made a very impressive record during his short time in Maryland politics. He was the first member of his race to win an election to the State Senate and he has demonstrated an unusual ability to get things done since he has been in that position.

We feel that Mr. Cole has a brilliant future ahead of him in Maryland politics and we certainly would not want to see his talents stifled in some minor executive post in the State Department or any place else.

We hope the Senator will take a good, long look at any and all offers that may come from Washington before deciding to leave the Maryland political arena.

An unfortunate decision

A City Council committee this week rejected the idea of combining the Baltimore Park Police and the City Police Department and Mr. Liss told his associates that not "one scrap of evidence" had been advanced to justify such a merger.

Presently, there is an admitted duplication between the duties of the Park Police and the City Police.

Under the circumstances it would appear that the question of economy alone would justify a merger of the two units.

We think the special committee of the City Council made an unfortunate decision and we hope an informed public opinion will persuade our lawmakers to reconsider this matter.

Headed For A Crackup

Speak Your Piece

Contributors to this department must sign their names and addresses to their letters if they wish them published. The AFRO will withhold publication of names if requested to do so by the writer.

Civil Rights

Dear AFRO:

The present efforts of the leaders in Congress to bottle up the civil rights bills are so obvious until it amounts to an insult to the intelligence of the American people to pass this off as "regular business."

An informed American public will have to be sold the idea that the extension of civil rights to all citizens is not so much a racial matter as it is a matter of whether the democratic system of government will fail or succeed in the commonwealth of nations.

HARRY GREEN

Worthy Case

Dear AFRO:

I have been following the case of Bill Worthy and I think it clearly shows attempts on the part of the State Department to determine what news the American people may or may not get.

You have done a job for the freedom of the entire American press by insisting that Mr. Worthy have his passport renewed.

PERCY VALENTINE

Colored cashiers

Dear AFRO :

Why don't we have colored cashiers in the Pennsylvania Branch bank. It's located in a colored section. We have business firms that support the bank and we have qualified people who are alert, reliable and trustworthy.

I would like to read the opinion of others who are interested.

(Mrs.) P. FAUNTLEROY

On Easterwood

Dear AFRO:

I certainly agree that something should be done at Easterwood Park. The place is neglected by the city and mistreated by many users, too. It could be such a lovely spot with whole musicians union contributing toward her support from time to time.

Occasionally she would disappear for a week or so, and upon her return she would say that she had been to New York or California.

Other citizens who seemed prone to gossip would hint that Miss Jazzy had been nursing a blackeye and other sundry bruises and abrasions.

These were inflicted by some paramour who objected to her habit of occasionally placing their horns, drums and other paraphernalia in the pawn shop —when he fell down on his domestic obligations.

Now Tony, the Stick took a very dim view of all this kind of goings on and considered people who did these things beneath him socially.

Tony the Stick's main stock in trade was a very profound knowledge of astrology which he talked at all times especially to waitresses and serving people in restaurants carrying on a very animated conversation while he is stowing away vittles to which the waitresses pay very strict attention.

This is because Tony, the Stick, finds out what the waitress's birthdate is and he starts to telling her a lot about her love life which most waitresses seem to have a great deal of.

If they are married he tells them how to handle their husbands, a subject which intrigues most women whether they are waitresses or not especially if the information will help them to get more of their hubby's pay check.

And if they are single Tony, the Stick, tells them how to win the man of their heart which they eat up especially if the man of their heart is paying them no mind whatsoever.

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THE UPSHOT of it is that while they are starry eyed and dreaming about how to put the things which Tony the Stick tells them into practice Tony wipes his mouth and disappears leaving them to pay the check, a fact which they do not discover until it is too late.

By this method, covering a wide variety of eating establishments Tony the Stick lived very well indeed for a long time until one very bad chef who had no interest in astrology and had a sneaking suspicion that Tony, the Stick, was more interested in his pretty wife, than he was in chisling a meal let it be noised about that if ever Tony showed up in his place again he intended to slice him in many parts and Tony, the "Stick" decided it was time to disappear for nearly a month and when I see him again he is very thin and wan, and looks like he is going into bad health.

That is why I am very happy to read on this post card that Tony the Stick has a job and is eating regularly without giving advice to waitresses about their love life.

I am very fond of Tony the Stick and do not want to hear of him dying either from starvation or from being carved up by jealous chefs.

THE AFRO'S CREDO

A newspaper succeeds because its management believes in itself, in God and in the present generation. It must always ask itself—

Whether it has kept the faith with the common people.

Whether it has no other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future assured;

Whether it is fighting to get rid of slums, to provide jobs for everybody;

Whether it stays out of politics except to expose corruption and condemn injustice, race prejudice and the cowardice of compromise.

—JOHN MURPHY SR., 1920.

Sightseeing

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

When the Committee for Downtown Baltimore stages a banquet at one of the downtown hotels, among the missing guests will be Councilman Walter T. Dixon.

Mr. Dixon is turning thumbs down on the banquet since the hotel does not admit colored guests to its rooms.

It is perfectly okay for Mr. Dixon to eat at the hotel, but if he were to show up and ask for a room the answer would probably be a flat no to the Councilman.

Mr. Dixon feels, and rightly so, that if he can't stay there he doesn't want to eat there. Makes a lot of sense.

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SINCE EVERYONE else has offered suggestions, good, bad and indifferent, as to a possible site for the much disputed Civic Center, I might as well offer mine, though I doubt that it will get even halfway to first base.

First of all build the center on a platform, attach hellum filled balloons, large ones of course, to said platform and float the whole danged contraption into the wild blue yonder.

That way no park land will be used, no buildings will be torn down and the only parties that could possibly complain would be the birds and since they can't vote let them yell their little heads off.

Just think we would be the only city in the nation with a floating civic center. It might be a bit difficult to reach, but you can't have everything.

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YOU CAN'T blame a guy for flinching a bit when he hears the word "redevelopment." The idea is excellent, but it looks like everytime they start redeveloping something we get left holding the bag.

When they redeveloped the area over at Johns Hopkins Hospital what did they do but redevelop us right out of the section. The same thing took place in Waverly.

Now redevelopment is moving right ahead in Area 12 and what will you be willing to bet that we don't get redeveloped right out of the whole place. The only way we will probably be able to get back in is with a pass.

Progress is a wonderful thing but in a number of cases the people who get hurt by progress are those who can least afford it.

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RETURNING TO the question of the Johns Hopkins area: Not only were we eased out, but to add insult to injury, the new apartment building are "protected" by a high wire fence that gives the site the appearance of a beautiful concentration camp.

Goodness knows what the residents are being "protected" against but whatever it is I sure hope they don't catch it, not after going to all that trouble.

REMINDS ME of the brick fence they put up when they built a housing development opposite Morgan State College. It developed that the only thing the wall was doing was preventing the residents from enjoying the lovely view offered by the Morgan campus.

For some reason or the other I always get a kick out of people when they cut their own throats in such a manner.

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The proper care and attention. Please keep up the fight for a well kept Easterwood.

DANIEL ROBINSON

Will help

Dear AFRO:

All of us should get behind the citywide campaign and help get all of the unregistered citizens on the books. I plan to help with the work in my church even though I do not have as much time as I would like to have.

(Mrs.) DORIS ALLEN

—REPORTER'S REPORT—

Yes, it's true

By GARFIELD HINTON

What's with these bald-headed guys anyway? I am not referring to the naturally bald guys, but to the pseudo balds, the shaved noggins.

Pace - setter, Yul Brynner, who has been dubbed, "the most exciting male since Rudolph Valentino," takes it all in good stride.

In fact his bald dome is now shining in three box office hits, "The Ten Commandments," "Anastasia," and the film that brought him an Oscar, "The King and I."

This box office idol, who says he is part Mongolian, part Romanian Gypsy, and part—you name it, takes a fiendish delight in parading his nude, lumpy, flattop.

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THEN, THERE is that other clean head, tall, willowy, 6' 6" Geoffrey Holder, the dancer from Trinidad. He danced a few seasons back in "House of Flowers," the broadway musical featuring Pearl Bailey.

A very talented and beautiful dancer in the same show, Carmen de Lavallade, was apparently enchanted by his egg head; she became his wife.

The thing is getting out of hand, though. It has now spread to the nation's colleges. At its present rate of spreading, soon this will be known as the "age of nude nogging."

Of course, this makes the barber's work, disgustingly easy. When a good customer plops down, he can doze right off, without worrying whether or not the barber will take off too much from the top.

Geoffrey Holder and Yule Brynner are really behind the times. Ages ago Rex Ingram donned a shiny dome for his role as the genie in "The Thief of Baghdad," starring Sabu, the Indian boy.

Also, saxman, Eddie (Mr. Cleanhead, Cherry Red) Johnson, was sporting a nude crown years and years ago. I guess he was just showing the shape of things to come.

Along the way

By STEVE DUNCAN

Functional criminal justice—if I may turn a phrase—is, at the song's description of a woman, a "something thing."

The whole theory of punishment for those who run afoul of the law is to make payment, sometimes on the installment plan, to a wronged society. It is necessary to have such rules and regulations in an orderly community.

But justice as dealt out by some of us, is certainly a "sometime thing."

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AS AN observer of criminal court proceedings for the past several years, I agree that a man should be held accountable for his acts against society.

I'm in as much of a dilemma as many other observers when it comes to the amount that should be exacted for a particular offense.

Some of us in exacting this punishment make a mockery of the very spirit of justice.

Recently, I picked up a newspaper and on a single page were two news items showing the irony of this "functional" justice.

In Birmingham, Ala., a colored man convicted by a jury of his peers for first-degree burglary was doomed to the electric chair.

And in Longview, Tex., a white man who killed a colored youth and wounded two others when he fired nine shots into a cafe was convicted of murder and given a five-year suspended prison term.

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WHERE WAS justice in these two instances? Did the juries hearing these cases suit the punishment to the crimes?

The answer to the questions gets to the very heart of the matter.

Justice, indeed, can be a "sometime thing."

If You Ask Me

By B. M. PHILLIPS

This and that about town...

People and businesses are moving all over the place, what with redevelopment and urban renewal changing the looks of many neighborhoods. Day's Employment Agency at 406 Dolphin St., for 13 years, is still at the old spot, but has opened a second office at the corner of Pennsylvania Ave. and Pressman St. Just in case the 400 block Dolphin is torn down and "Because the trend is uptown . . . so we're halfway between," Owner William B. Day explains.

C. A. Johnson's Barber Shop, for 17 years at 1107 Madison Ave., is now at 2026 Smallwood St., at the corner of Clifton Ave.

And Charlie and Myrtle Burns's Club 1017, for nine years at 1017 Madison Ave., is due to open again soon in a 50,000 refurnished building at 1426 Pennsylvania.

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Trinity AME Church at Biddle and Linden, is due to move soon to its new building at Hoffman and Collington.

Also, Perkins Square Baptist at George and Ogston Sts., moves this week into its new church at Warwick and Edmonson.

York Hotel at Dolphin St. and Madison Ave., is also in the midst of Redevelopment Area 12, and will likewise move to make way for the State Office Building and other improvements. York, however, has not yet found a new spot.

Neither has W. Sampson Brooks Elks Lodge next door at 1202 Madison Ave.

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And Speaking of moving and expanding, Dr. Eugene Byrd, the Turner Station dentist, is readying new offices on Garrison Boulevard near Duvall. He'll still continue his practice in Turner Station.

The J.C. Reaveses (he's the TV-radio store owner) are in their new home on Bateman Ave., near Allendale.

New car department: Southern Life Insurance Co., has a new blue Chevrolet station wagon.

Mrs. Edna Dunton, East Baltimore supervisor, was the driver when I spied it on Wednesday on Mosher St. near Pennsylvania.

People, places and things...

Fondest hopes came true Friday at 7:15 p.m. for Lt. and Mrs. James Stewart Thomas (Audrey Hall.)

It was a boy weighing seven pounds, 12 ounces at Provident. He's been named James Stewart Thomas 2nd.

"He looks just like me," Daddy Stewart said happily. He and Audrey had expected another girl.

It is the fourth grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hall (Eunice) and second for his parents, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. James Black).

Proud father is stationed at the Dover Air Force Base.

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Pretty Doryce R. Johnson and Allen Martin (Imogene King's ex) were married a Sunday ago at Union Baptist.

Her sister, Bettye, one of this year's debs, was maid of honor. Leander Simms was best man.

The new Mrs. Martin is at Social Security.

Bridegroom is employed at Ft. Meade.

More wedding news: The ink was hardly dry on his divorce papers before Mattimore Simpson had taken another bride.

He's the husband whose charge of a love triangle at the Social Security Building' won him a divorce recently from his wife, Amanda Simpson.

Marriage licenses this week show Sp and Mary T. Wilson have tied the knot.

The bride is also a Social Security employee.

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When the Former House Officers Association of Provident Hospital reorganizes here later this month, highlight will be a testimonial banquet.

It is set for May 17, 8 p.m. at Carver High, and will honor Dr. Robert L. Jackson and Dr. Bernard Harris Sr., both of whom have given 35 years service to the hospital and the community.

If you are one of those who believes Baltimoreans don't pause often enough to honor Eugene Jubilee is his assistant.

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If they gave prizes for the proudest fathers at the Melio So's debs presentation—Dr. J. B. Higgins and Dr. T. J. Woolridge Jr., and W. A. C. Hughes Jr. would win.

They glowed and glowed—until they almost burst their vest buttons.

And they had cause to be proud — lovely daughters were lo-v-e-l-y.

And so were all the debs presented this year.

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"The" party for debs was the Higgins at home for daughter Audlyn at the club on Saturday.

Everybody — I mean everybody—was there!

Milford Jefferson was the caterer who kept guests well supplied with champagne, punch and all the other delicacies you'd expect at a party which must have set the hosts back a cool one G (that's thousand to you.)

And it was worth every cent. People will be talking about it for a long time.

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Boy, but don't these kids grow up?

Seems like only yesterday when Audlyn was a kid with a near-bald head.

Today—she's a very attractive, poised and talented young lady who's destined to go places.

When this prediction comes true, remember you read it here first!

More people and things...

Senator John Marshall Butler (R-Md.) received members of Baltimore Branch, National Alliance of Postal Employees on Friday.

He has given assurance that he will work with them in opening up jobs in the Baltimore Post Office which heretofore have been considered "white jobs."

If you don't know what I mean—white jobs' have been, and still are, window jobs downstairs and upstairs in the main postoffice building.

Colored postal employees perform the same work, inside the rooms, but never 'work' the windows.

And, the Alliance says jobs in the following offices are reserved for white only: district manager, postmaster, inspector, general superintendent of mails, motor vehicle service, training unit, finance and the office of the superintendent of carriers.

With fair - minded William F. Laukaites in the postmaster's chair and Senator Butler on their side, NAPE members should be able to end this practice soon.

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Reginald Holt, a Morgan sophomore, and Earl Booker, a Carver High senior, are the young men who instruct sisters in swimming classes at the Druid Hill YMCA.

They are very patient with the young fry.

Walter Freeman, who has been on the job since last February, is the Y's new physical director.

Thoughts of the week...

I like this poem entitled, "For the Defense," by Marva Baird, which appears in the current Ladies Home Journal:

It was inspired by the question—do you work—or are you only a housewife?

"Here it is:

Change the baby; feed the cat,
How dare she ask a thing like that?
Pick up scattered clothes and toys,
(Oh, shades of easy office jobs
With coffee breaks at ten and two)
Shopping now, and beds to do.
Change the baby; sweep the floor.
(Darn it! Someone's at the door.)
Laundry's washed — one hour flat.
Put out dishes; burp the cat.
(Oh, I'll not spoil a good digestion.
Brooding over her stupid question!)

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From Luke 6:38—"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over . . .

"For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again . . ."

—Iona Watson

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out 'any promises" at the trial of Dr. Blake.

At that time Mrs. Watson said she and Dr. Blake "had an understanding" about abortion victims she sent to him for treatment.

In a reference to the other two, Judge Tucker said:

"As I said awhile ago I think Iona Watson got these two in it. That doesn't excuse them."

Fred Bladoher, attorney for Mr. Spicer, told the court his client was under suspension from the Fire Department "pending the outcome of this case."

The jurist ordered Mr. Spicer to pay his fine off at the rate of $10 per week through the Probation Department.

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IN ORDERING Mr. Parrish to pay his fine at the rate of $15 a week, Judge Tucker said:

"I consider his case somewhat worse than Spicer. He was closer to the situation."

Mrs. Watson's husband, Ubell Watson, is currently serving a life term in the Penitentiary. He was convicted of the murder of an infant two years ago.

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Sports at a glance

Baseball

Dunbar 11, Forest Park 4
Dunbar 14, Calvert Hall 9
Patterson 7, Carver 3

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday Baseball

Mervo vs. Dunbar at Clifton
Carver vs. Poly at Poly
Poly JV vs. Carver JV at Druid Hill

Friday Track

Mervo vs. Dunbar at Clifton
Carver vs. Forest Park at Forest Park

Monday Baseball

Carver vs. Dunbar at Clifton

Monday Golf

Carver vs. Mervo at Clifton

Tuesday Baseball

Dunbar vs. Douglass at Druid Hill

Tuesday Track

Dunbar vs. Forest Park at Clifton
Mt. St. Joe vs. Carver at Druid Hill

ON WAY TO JAIL — Leaving Pine St. on Wednesday was Mrs. Iona Watson, 1520 N. Bond St., who was sentenced to ten years in prison on abortion charges.

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—To chair with smile

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26, at the District jail.

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SENTENCED to die for the slaying at Patce Pet, George Cassells, who was shot after a gas station robbery in 1953, Carter's execution was delayed for 10 minutes Friday, upon the order of Federal Judge Henry A. Schweinhaut.

Judge Schweinhaut ordered the brief delay to hear a last-minute plea for a stay of execution argued in his chambers by Carroll Tyler, attorney.

Although Tyler was not the defense lawyer in the case, he asked for the stay on undisclosed legal grounds which he expects to raise again, in open court if necessary, in the cases of two other men now under death sentences.

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THUS WHEN Carter, head cleanly shaven, dressed in blue prison garb, burst impatiently through the chamber door, he was already 10 minutes late for the proceedings.

He entered with Father Breitfellow, who baptized him in the Catholic faith two years ago.

Carter's eyes sought those of the priest who had been his constant companion throughout the night. He repeated after the Father:

"Hail, Mary, full of Grace. The Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death."

He said the words as attendants strapped him to the chair and fitted the helmet over his head. Although they covered his face with a mask, Carter continued to murmur the "Hail Mary."

Capt. Joseph H. Camden gave him a reassuring pat on the back and ordered the electric switch turned on.

The prayers ceased, Carter's fingers drew close together into fists. Otherwhile, he remained motionless. When the electric current was turned off, his body slumped heavily in the chair.

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DOCTORS RICHARD V. MATTINGLY, senior medical officer, District jail, and A. Magruder MacDonald, District coroner examined the body several times before pronouncing dead.

The body was unstrapped; the face, immediately covered with a towel as the mask was removed. Then in the chamber, including Curtis Reed, superintendent of District jail, left.

Father Breitfellow told reporters "Carter never broke down once."

During the night, he worked crossword puzzles with the priest and slept about an hour at 3 a.m. He said the Rosary, and was given absolution, Holy Communion and the last rites.

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JAIL ATTENDANTS reported Carter ate his dinner heartily on Thursday, consisting of fried chicken, corn on the cob, hot rolls and butter, ice cream, fried potatoes and a beverage.

His last meal was breakfast, Friday morning. He drank coffee, juices, and milk but refused eggs and toast.

Carter was the 44th person electrocuted in the District since the first victim, Philip Jackson, died in the electric chair on May 29, 1928. Records, some of which were destroyed by fire, show that 62 persons were hanged here dating back to 1853.

Carter was visited by his family Thursday. His wife is Mrs. Ruby Vick Carter, a native of Goldsboro, N.C. Their three children's ages range from four to seven years.

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FORMERLY employed as a truck driver for a coal company, Carter stated during his trial that he committed the robbery which resulted in the off-duty policeman's slaying because he "needed money to feed his children."

At the time, he had been unemployed for six weeks and had no previous record.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. William Carter, he was born in Sandy Springs, Md., and was one of four brothers.

His education was limited to the fifth grade in elementary school. Carter served in the Navy as a volunteer from 1947 to 1949.

He marked his eighth wedding anniversary on April 7.

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CARTER ADMITTED shooting Private Cassells, but told the court he did not intend to kill him. He said he meant to fire over the officer's head.

At the time of his conviction on the first-degree murder charge three years ago, his wife told a reporter:

"He was a very good husband. I couldn't have had a better one."

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CARTER'S CASE had been appealed to the Supreme Court which refused to review it. His attorneys, William J. Kelly and Fred Somkin also asked President Dwight Eisenhower for clemency which was denied.

"We think we had very good grounds for a clemency plea," Mr. Somkin declared.

"The jury which heard the case found Carter guilty, but it recommended mercy."

"Federal Judge James W. Morris, who heard the case, instructed the jurors that death is mandatory under District law on a first-degree murder conviction.

"The jury then returned a second verdict without the recommendation.

"We feel that, if the jury which represented people from all walks of the community, did not want Carter to die, the pardon should have been granted."

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CARTER'S attorneys also had him examined by a psychiatrist, last week, in the hope of entering a plea of insanity. But Carter was found sane.

Father Breitfellow, speaking of Carter's last hours, said:

"I explained to him that he should not allow his life to be taken from him.

"Instead, he should offer his life to the good of society. He should give it, freely.

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Army to play host to Scouts

The Second United States Army on Saturday will sponsor an orientation tour for upward of 250 Explorer Scouts and their leaders from the Baltimore Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Saturday's program will be divided between Fort Meade and the Fort Belvoir (Virginia) United States Army Engineering Center, with the Fort Meade tour first on the agenda.

For the trip to Belvoir, the Scouts will be divided into two groups—one flying in helicopter to Fort Belvoir, the other making the journey in Army busses. The undergoing transportation will be reversed for the return trip to Fort Meade.

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