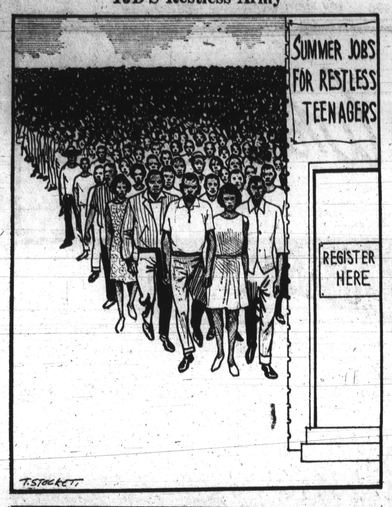

Our Readers Say:

Let Mr. Dixon Know

Readers are invited to submit letters for publication. All letters must be signed, but signature will be omitted if requested. Letters should be no more than 300 words in length. Address them to "Our Readers Say," Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1837, Baltimore, Md. 21203.

Dear AFRO:

It is a sin and a shame for a man like Walter Dixon to inject himself into the 7th District Congressional race.

Parren Mitchell has been an an-

Rev. Jackson Missed

nounced candidate here since the last election and Mr. Dixon's last minute entry is going to do nothing but split the black vote in the district at a time when we need unity. I agree with your editorial comment of July 4 and like the way you told it like it is — that Mr. Dixon "jumps when Mr. Pollack pulls a string."

I think black people in this city should organize a campaign and write or call Mr. Dixon and tell him point blank he is doing a disservice to this community.

Mr. Dixon lives at 1933 McCulloh St. He conducts the Cortez Peters Business School at 1208 Eutaw Pl. The phone No. is 669-0323.

Please urge readers to let him know they don't like his tactic. — (MRS. M.L.P.)

Zoo Fence Depresses

Dear AFRO:

To many Baltimoreans, Druid Hill Park, with its grassy acreage and public zoo, is not just a place for an occasional visit but the only summer resort that they can afford. Now the tax supported zoo has forced part of their reach and the grass is slowly being substituted with asphalt for parking areas.

The fence around the zoo which is totally lacking in esthetic value is symbolic of the cryptic evils that are gripping our cities today.

Depressing to look at, this pipe and wire wall is also a classic example of just what can be done for any group that has influential leadership.

The animals had the Baltimore Zoological Society to advance their welfare. So they were given permission to enclose a tax supported institution and permanently exclude those who are unable to pay.

If 86 other cities have adopted this policy of fencing in the zoo and its paying patrons, then there are 86 more reasons why segments of our population feel alienated.

It could also be a contributing factor as to why many of the disadvantaged score lower on intelligence tests.

Why should a poor couple be charge a dollar for strolling through a publicly supported institution?

Why should their children aged 14 and over, who have had little opportunity to broaden their horizon beyond the inner city, pay a punitive fee of 50 cents a head to do the same?

The Baltimore Zoological Society must know that the average poor kid is not going to spend a half dollar to stare at caged wild animals. His parents, for reasons of indifference, work, etc., will seldom visit the zoo with him.

That fence may represent exclusiveness for the patrons, more protection for the animals, but to that wide eyed curious poor youth who is not bent on unlawful acts of any kind, it represents one more barrier in his escalating his hostility toward society.

The zoo should be able to protect its animals without thumbing out the deprived.

CHARLES E. THOMAS

Perfect Squelch

Dear AFRO:

We publicly thank Warden Preston L. Fitzberger for having our panel at the Maryland Penitentiary on July 9, as part of its 7th Step Foundation program.

In the question and answer period an outsider accused us (?) of being bigots and asked: "Are you telling us there's nothing right in our country?"

The perfect squelch came from an inmate: "There's no sense talking about what's right — let's talk about what's wrong and hopefully correct the wrongs."

DONALD R. MALINOSKY
Executive Secretary

Prejudiced Anonymous

Baltimore Afro-American

"Let us not seek to satisfy our thirst for freedom by drinking from the cup of hate and bitterness." — MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

May we let our light so shine that it will illuminate that which is good and beautiful, and magnify our Father which is in heaven. May we stand strong and firm against despair, falsehood, rudeness, hatred, pessimism and prejudice.—Carl Murphy, Editor-Publisher—1889-1967

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Nice Going, Tommy

During his news conference Friday, Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, III was asked by an AFRO reporter if he had had very much support from other big-city mayors in his efforts to nullify the Nixon Administration cutbacks in the Neighborhood Youth Corps pay rates.

His answer was that he had not and that he had been surprised that more mayors of large cities have not attempted to put pressures on the national administration as he and his teen-age followers did last week.

Of course, one of the reasons some other mayors have not taken this kind of initiative is that they think the attitude of the Nixon Administration is already a lost cause.

This is all the more reason that we congratulate TJD, regardless of the fact that what he did was good personal politics, for understanding the harsh difficulties a proposed wage cut from $1.60 per hour to .85 per hour for NYC enrollees would have, and for trying, in the face of political odds, to do something about it.

As he further noted, on these meager sums, some families depend on for their main source of income.

The mayor is also to be congratulated for not being satisfied that an interim administration response with funds for 2500 additional jobs is not a final answer, and for planning to continue his fight to get truly adequate federal help in this area for Baltimore's deprived youth.

What We Stand For

During the 78 years the AFRO-AMERICAN newspaper has been in business, it has always made a point of standing for progressive programs in and for the Baltimore community.

For a long time, we worked for such improvements as black policemen, policewomen and firemen; for black representatives on city, county and state boards of education; for equal salaries; for union organization among black workers; a university and agricultural college for black people supported by the state and other things that seem to youthful eyes rather mundane.

But even though this generation would scoff at such goals, if it pauses a moment to consider its history, it will realize that much suffering, toil and pain has gone into the realization of those old aims.

We say "realization" humbly and at the same time proudly, because most of the goals expressed in our forward list have been accomplished with the help of our readers and of other organizations and individuals dedicated to fairness and justice for all.

No public institution — and especially newspaper — can fill a vital service to the community unless its goals are forward-looking.

That is why, with this issue, the AFRO presents a new list of changes in the community for which it stands — changes which we believe would add to the continuing growth of freedom and democracy for all.

The new list of progressive ends for which we stand are these:

1. Equal justice, not only in theory, but in fact before the courts of the city and state.

2. Adequate black representation on all public boards and commissions of Maryland cities, counties and the state itself, including colleges and universities.

3. Extensive and untrammeled black political power.

4. Equal job opportunities in fact as well as theory.

5. Equal housing opportunities in fact as well as theory.

6. Black judges on all benches of the city, county and state court system.

7. Open and free election of judges, except those constitutionally authorized.

8. A black owned and operated bank.

With this list, we believe we have revised our goals so that they relate to current circumstances and serve as guidelines for future progress.

As we think about the future more deeply, we may find the need to make additions or revisions.

If we do, we shall not hesitate to do so and to fight for them as though they were on this 1970 charter list.

State's Attorney Race

There are some important questions that need to be answered publicly and firmly in connection with the candidates who have filed for the office of State's Attorney.

Are Milton Allen and Arthur Murphy Sr., both serious candidates, prepared to run a hard-hitting campaign? Leroy Carroll already has dropped out and endorsed Mr. Allen.

Is Gov. Marvin Mandel once again meddling in the choice of candidates in the black community, this time in a manner that would split the black vote and assure election of a man he already has helped make interim State's attorney in a smelly political deal that seriously damaged the image of the Supreme Bench?

Youthful Howard Cardin, known to be part of the political deal that saw Gov. Mandel appoint State's Atty. Charles E. Moylan to a judgeship, faces formidable opposition.

Many do not like it because Cardin was chosen by the Supreme Bench judges over George Helinski, the deputy who now has resigned and is a candidate. Former Mayor Philip H. Goodman also is among the candidates.

The black community, woefully underrepresented in the dispensing of justice in Baltimore, has a chance to elect a State's attorney. It should not let this opportunity slip through its fingers because of wheeling and dealing politicians.

One thing all three of the black candidates seem to agree on is that none of them has a chance to win if more than one remains in the race.

That leaves the questions of which of two men has the better chance of winning, which has the necessary financial backing, which is independent enough to run a successful campaign and which has the better chance of avoiding the tag of being part of a deal?

While assessing these factors, it seems to the AFRO that Mr. Murphy, if he is going to ask the support of the black community in a serious candidacy, must first publicly explain away some doubts.

He has attended meetings of the Metro Democrats. That group supports Gov. Mandel. The governor made it possible for Mr. Cardin to be interim State's attorney and obviously hopes he'll be elected, even if he denies it. Mr. Murphy is an aide to the governor who got permission to run in the last hours of the final filing day after other black candidates had become candidates.

Does Gov. Mandel want his aide in the race to split the black vote so that Cardin will be sure to win? Can Metro play the same game, that is, work for Murphy with the full understanding that the black vote split will get Cardin elected?

And what happens if Mr. Allen pulls out of the race? Will Mr. Murphy, then the only black candidate left who can pull votes, be able to run a bluff campaign that also would get Mr. Cardin elected?

Finally, if Mr. Murphy — who says in mid-July that he still must work for the governor two more weeks before going on leave — stays in and loses the race, will he be of any value at all to the black community as an aide to Gov. Mandel thereafter?

Could he back the black community's fight to keep electing judges when Gov. Mandel is pushing a scheme to have him appoint judges who would never face the voters?

Not too long ago, the black community had to impress upon Gov. Mandel that a handpicked aide was not a satisfactory representative. As a replacement for that individual, Mr. Murphy must have a sensitiveness about this entire matter.

What the AFRO is saying in this first mild look at this situation is that the State's attorney's office is one we should strive to win this year. It must not be lost through chicanery.

Charles R. Law

Charles R. Law, who died last week, served this community well.

His talents, abilities and characteristics were most clearly demonstrated by the fact that he was reelected by his fellow morticians nine times to serve as the president of his professional organization.

In 1955, when he was the first black man to run for the state legislature from the 5th district, he showed courage upon which younger men could draw as they have since tried their political spurs.

The fact that he lost that election is, in our judgment, irrelevant. The main significance is that he set a precedent which others could follow and improve upon.

Mr. Law has worked hard; may his rest be abundantly peaceful.

Perspective

Soul Squirrel

By DAVID E. SLOAN

In the community of those people who think deeply about the overall conditions of society in our time, there is a growing feeling that all sorts of groups have lost their feeling of power and suffer from a definite syndrome of powerlessness.

As blacks, of course, we have for a long time recognized our limitations of power, and we have learned how to cope with the situation in ways that many others still have to learn.

The Jewish people, before us, knew this sense of powerlessness, and through hard efforts, unity and internal resourcefulness — not to mention an editorialized version of history which aligned with an Unseen Deity — have become adroit at dealing with the phenomenon of powerlessness.

Lately, those who have lacked power for so long — such as the American Indian, the Mexican-American and the Black American — have realized that the only way to cure their condition is to seize the instrumentalities of power.

And always, in their seizure, they take unto themselves what someone else has had or claims as possessing excellence.

This has led to an increasingly large grouping of persons who feel the pangs of powerlessness.

Since blacks are taking jobs formerly reserved to the whites, working class whites are beginning to feel powerless.

Since Catholics and Jews have adopted the philosophies of ecumenicity, white Protestants — traditionally the powerful majority — are commencing to be aware of what it means to be powerless.

This matter of powerlessness and the seizure thereof even runs over into the field of foods.

All Americans have taken over the Chinese love of exotically-cooked vegetables and fish.

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And even the black man's institutionalized soul food — fried pork chops, chitterlings, red beans and rice, corn bread — has been taken over by the Caucasians — thus, perhaps, contributing further to the black syndrome of powerlessness.

I did not realize until the other day that this tendency to seize power by taking from one species that which another has cherished and called its own extended even into the animal kingdom.

You, of course, know that the squirrel is a nut and acorn eating creature, and I had always thought that all squirrels were of such gustatory inclinations.

But apparently there are a minority of these animals, who like humans, have adopted their own thing in the food line, perhaps, like humans, out of the awareness of the powerlessness syndrome.

What leads me to this conclusion is that a friend of mine called Sunday to tell me that he had just observed one of the fluffy-tailed beasts high-tailing it down the alley carrying between protruding lips a pork chop.

My friend even suggested that the fur on the animal's tail seemed more fuzzily fluffy than most and that its nostrils seemed to spread flat and wide as it used them to the fullest while keeping its mouth closely shut over the pork chop.

My correspondent is a friend and protector of animals, and so he just happened to have a tamed rabbit living at his home at the time.

He said the rabbit, seeing the squirrel with the pork chop, ran into the alley and tried to take it away from him.

But the squirrel reacted very much like a human in the same situation; dropped the chop, bared its teeth and offered to give battle — at which show of strength the rabbit made a fast retreat.

The only way I could explain this apparent paradox to my friend was on the ground of the powerlessness syndrome.

It is affecting everybody and everything. And you never can tell where you may see the powerless turning up.

The Judgeship Scheme

C. Stanley Blair, the Republican candidate for governor of Maryland, is right when he says Gov. Marvin Mandel's constitutional amendment scheme for appointing judges is a way "to plunge Maryland's courts more deeply into politics at the very moment the people want their courts out of politics."

The people, who elect the governor and state senators, are smart enough to elect their judges. The people deserve a voice in the selection of the men who serve as their judges.

Even Dale Anderson, Baltimore County's conservative executive who has become chummy with the governor in this election year, declared this week that "the people will demand that they elect sitting judges."

He called the State Bar Association's approval of the scheme to appoint judges "a matter of expediency."

The Monumental Bar Association has come out against the scheme.

The scheme has been petitioned to referendum.

Backers of this scheme who have to face the electorate this year are going to find out that the voters don't want the right to elect their judges taken away from them by selfish politicians.

A Good Program

Awareness, the word as well as the complex thought behind the word, is a theme of our time.

Perhaps it is so because in recent years all of us have seen with our own eyes the tragic results of people not being aware of conditions that they gazed upon daily without really seeing them.

The City Department of Recreation and Parks is to be congratulated on its awareness that there are many youngsters who live in adulthood without ever having seen an animal, and certainly without knowing that they are friends to man.

Out of this awareness, the department has conceived a national news magazine summed up the week's news. It reported the spreading of war protests, the growing threat of recession, rampant inflation, the declining stock market, growth of Soviet power in the Mideast, dissent among presidential aides and other disruptions that appear to be piling one on top of another.

The general tone of much of the comment concerning the happenings of the day is that something had better be done, because people will not accept what they feel to be an intolerable situation. If events turn out wrong, as they well might in Cambodia for instance, present signs indicate that another American President may virtually be run out of office. The President may also fall into disfavor if he does not "cure" inflation and many of the other ailments of the country.

In looking over a single week's news of the discontent and tendency to blame the other fellow or to tear down basic institutions of a self-governing people, it is hard to escape the conclusion that most current problems are the result of trying to take the easy way out of past problems. Continuing to seek the easy way will simply multiply the problems of tomorrow.

'A Breath Of Fresh Air'

Many described the trip of Mayor Walter E. Washington and his wife, Bernetta, as "A Breath of Fresh Air." We agree. The only regret is that more trips of this nature involving black personalities in government, education and the like are not made.

It must have been gratifying to black foreign service personnel in all of the countries the Washingtons visited to see such a distinguished black couple being accorded all of the diplomatic courtesies as Americans — when we look good, America looks good. And foreign women who met with Dr. Washington in various capacities say perhaps for the first time since Ambassador Robert Harris, a black woman who was functioning within the American government society. This was good because, according to Mrs. Washington, in nearly every place that she visited — the people had a distorted picture of crime and of black people in the United States.

For too long this picture has been cemented into the minds of foreigners. The only blacks that high positioned foreigners come in contact with are the members of the foreign service personnel who are stationed at our various embassies around the world. They are very few, and to them these people are exceptions be-

No Easy Way

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TOGETHER

This Is Madness

By PARREN J. MITCHELL

Parren Mitchell

Baltimore City cannot afford free school lunches for all its children. It cannot afford adequate pre-primary education programs. It cannot afford a clinic system to provide out-patient medical care to poor people.

But we can afford to build an East-West Expressway, which will destroy neighborhoods, further clog city traffic, and add to air pollution.

This is not because programs for filling human needs are by their nature more expensive than programs to serve the automobile. If anything, the reverse is the case. But under the "matching fund" system, the city will provide only a tiny fraction of the total cost of building this asphalt monster. Nine-tenths of the money comes from the Federal Government.

The Federal Government gets the money from the highway Trust Fund, a special account which receives all revenues from the Federal gasoline tax. Last year, these funds amounted to more than $5 billion. This vast sum of money can be spent only on roads. By law, highway money is untouchable.

Even from the point of view of transportation alone, this is madness. It results in our building more and more roads for more and more cars while the urban mass transit systems decay, thus forcing more and more people to buy cars for which we must then build more and more roads. And woe betide those so poor as not to own a car. Some form of public transit — subway, elevated, monorail, or bus — is a more pressing need than more roads in ever major American city.

But the Highway Tust Fund does more than result in too many roads and too few subway systems. Important as improved transportation is, particularly in getting people from inner-city homes to available suburban jobs — I, for one, doubt that transportation is our No. 1 domestic need at this moment.

It seems to me that the needs for increased Federal Aid to Education, for adequate housing and urban rehabilitation programs with the emphasis on home ownership, for a decent income-maintenance program to replace the welfare system, and at a level above Nixon's inadequate $1,600, and for a program of national health insurance all have prior claims on our national resources.

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I therefore propose that the Highway Trust Fund be abolished, and its revenues returned to the general budget. Obviously, 5 billion per year is not enough to solve all our social problems and that there remains needs in the area of transportation. But the $2 billion to $3 billion which might be squeezed from the highway budget would be itself be enough to eradicate hunger from our nation. Along with the cuts I woud like to see made in military spending, agricultural arbadities, public works, and so on, it could well start us on our way to finding effective solutions to the problems, which are tearing this nation apart.

Now Is Time To Elect Black State's Attorney

By ROBERT R. ARCHER

A few weeks ago; this writer spoke of rumors circulating in the local legal community to the effect that another political "deal" was in the making that Governor Mandel was to appoint former State's Attorney Charles E. Moylan, Jr. to a seat on the Court of Special Appeals and that the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City would replace Moylan with Howard Cardin, son of Supreme Bench Judge Meyer Cardin.

As former deputy State's Attorney George Helinski pointed out shortly before his resignation, the rumors have all come true.

With the resultant storm in the white community, the chickens are now coming home to roost.

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The facts of this controversy, coupled with the lineup of candidates who have filed for election to the office of state's attorney, present an excellent opportunity to our community to elect a black State's Attorney.

There are five white candidates for the office of State's Attorney. Phillip Goodman will probably pull some Jewish votes from Howard Cardin (unless he executes another maneuver similar to his Shriver-to-Mandel switch); Joe Raymond can take some liberal votes from Cardin; William Bricker will get law and order votes that may have gone to Helinski and Morgan Amalmo is also in the race.

As far as their possible service in office is concerned, Helinski can be expected to maintain the status quo as will Goodman, if he takes the race; Cardin might make some minor changes, Bricker would facilitate the implementation of a police state and some progress might be made under Raymond.

However, some material and sweeping changes in our law enforcement procedures are needed in order to administer justice fairly, impartially and efficiently to all of our citizens.

This city needs a state's attorney whose office will be responsive to our black citizenry, those who are most seriously affected by crimes.

The need for a black state's attorney is even more critical at this time, when police-citizen confrontations are increasing, along with clashes between black and white citizens.

The police temper is well illustrated by Commissioner Pomerleau's newest crime prevention suggestion. "Cool off the troublemakers," as one terms it. (If one carries this illogic further, why spend money on air conditioning? An early curfew and a few thousand yards of barbed wire should suffice).

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There are two black candidates for the office of state's attorney!

Arthur G. Murphy Sr., worked in the U.S. Attorney's Office for several years and is now a member of Governor Mandel's staff. Milton B. Allen is a veteran practitioner of 22 years experience as a trial lawyer. (Leroy Carroll, a former assistant state's attorney, also black, withdrew this week).

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But, again, one hears rumors of another Cardin - Mandel deal. Faced with the inevitability of black opposition, the alleged strategy is one of no black candidates or two or more black candidates.

Either way, black people lose by the inevitable split in the black vote.

It is hoped that the Monumental City Bar Association and the two black candidates face up to a solution to this situation and field only one black candidate by the time of the election withdrawal deadline date on July 31, and then lead a supreme effort to elect a black state's attorney.

'Wayward Stork'

By AL RUTLEDGE

There's an enjoyable evening in store for you if you make it out to the Oregon Ridge Dinner Theatre prior to July 26 and catch the delightfully funny play, "The Wayward Stork".

The three act play stars Shirley Reinhardt, John Pritchard, Joanna Barclay, Richard Byrd, Bill Cotter and Greg L. Nickerson. Jan Leverenz portrays a dizzy, frilly nurse whose brief appearance is memorable in its utter silliness.

It is the nurse who causes the stork to go astray in an unusual but highly probable situation where a huband, Bob Stevens, (John Prichard,) having been rendered sterile by over exposure to X-rays talks his old friend Dr. Justin Kemp into artifically impregnating his wife, Julia (Miss Barclay).

Mrs. Stevens doesn't know that her husband is sterile and he doesn't intend to let her know, so on the pretext of getting an examination he has her visit Dr. Kemp's office.

She arrives there in the company of her sister, Maggie (Miss Reinhardt). As it happens the sisters had married two brothers and though Maggie is now a widow she is still Mrs. Stevens.

You're right when Dr. Kamp calls for Mrs. Stevens (Julia) the nurse busily chewing gum and filing her nails sends in Mrs. Stevens, (Maggie), to whom he "gave something" which turns out to be an injection of artificial insemination.

Once that feat is accomplished the director, Harvey Rovine and the actors very skillfully resolve the whole mess with some of the most hilarious double-dealing, under-handed trickery you're likely to find in current production.

To hide the fact that his sister-in-law is miraculously pregnant, Bob Stevens devises a scheme designed to make her think she was seduced by one of two suitors, Roy Bailey, (Greg L. Nickerson) or Stanley Carter (Bill Cotter). Much wild fun results the "donor" of the sperm used to make Maggie pregnant in the first place.

What makes "The Wayward Stork" tick is its lack of polished pretentiousness so evident in many dinner theatre productions.

The actors, most with many years experience behind them, mesh their talents perfectly with that of Bill Cotter who is still an apprentice.

So well are the roles portrayed and with such freshness that the theatre atmosphere disappears into laughter and one finds onself viewing the players as if they were friends having fun at a party.

POET'S NOOK

Meditations

Give me the strength, O' God on high
To do your work, the best that I
Am able to, in these stormy days
Till I conform to godly ways.
Give me the wisdom that I need
To seek the truth, perhaps to lead
For often, on some earthly quest
The course I took, was not the best.
I went after material wealth
Until I lost my friends, and lost my health
But wisdom comes to some, so slow
The clock strikes twelve, and it's time to go.
I've taken my final joy-ride
I have the good book by my side
And as the sheep, on an open range,
Now is my responsibility to change.
And while I'm aware of my plight
I'm gonna go to sleep tonight.
And tomorrow I'll be free of the past
And it is it your wish
I'll be free at last.

PAUL D. McALLISTER

George Barrick The Pied Piper

By BRENDA WRIGHT

For the past 20 years, George Barrick has led a life overflowing with paints, plays and children.

Mr. Barrick, portrait artist and Art department head at Harlem Park Jr High School has painted, taught art to promising young students and acted with the Arena Players since coming to Baltimore in 1950.

Since his graduation from The Tyler School of Fine Arts of Temple University in Philadelphia this talented artist has completed over 150 portraits.

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"I only paint portraits" he said explaining that his work is usually commissioned and not available for group exhibit.

"I use a mixed tempera technique once used by the masters like Rembrandt."

He called the style "underpainting" and said although it was once widely used very few artists have continued with it.

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Using this imprimatura approach Mr. Barrick did a portrait of Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan State College. The painting which hangs in the campus Soper Library was presented to the college at commencement exercises by this year's graduating class.

Since painting Dr. Jenkins' portrait, Mr. Barrick has finished a bronze patina bust of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"I was so thoroughly disappointed in the busts I've seen of him. None was representative of him" the painter said.

"My wife has taken complete ownership of it," he said but added, "I'm thinking of doing another bust of him."

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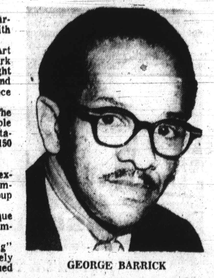
Finding time to do that sculpture may be difficult since Mr. Barrick is now painting a portrait of the Frances Gales family of Denton, Md.



GEORGE BARRICK

when he isn't teaching his art students.

"I can see the changes taking place. That's the part that's gratifying about teaching them," he said.

Even with teaching and painting Mr. Barrick found time to take an active part in the performances of the Arena Players.

During the past 16 years with the acting group Mr. Barrick has painted the set designs as well as performed in many leading roles of plays like "Candida" "On Borrowed Time" and "The Death of a Salesman."

"I've had to relax on acting to take more time with the set designs," he explained.

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Seemingly the busy artist would have little time left to spend with his wife, Mrs. Nancy Barrick, and his two daughters, Rebecca and Brooke, but painting and acting have become the main interests of the entire family.

Mrs. Barrick, a teacher at Model School No. 32, also acts with the Arena Players. She performed the leading role in the group's production of 'Wait Until Dark" and co-starred with her husband in "Mary, Mary."

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Marylanders may also remember Mrs. Barrick as the starring actress in the plays, "Heiress" and "Our Town."

Rebecca and Brooke have shown an early interest in painting. Mr. Barrick called them "very creative."

This summer, 5-year-old Brooke is enrolled in an art class at School No. 21 with fourth graders.

Mr. Barrick, like his young daughters, has been painting since his childhood in Rodnor Township, Pa.

His portraits can be seen in prominent Maryland homes.

His painting of Miss Hermoine Wharton, retired school principal, hangs at Lemmel Junior High School, and a portrait of Charles Brown, who was the first principal of Harlem Park Junior High, hangs in the school's library.

In the Spotlight

If YOU Ask ME

BY BETTYE M. MOSS

People, places and things

Prayers, please, for Mrs. Clarissa Marshburn of Bolton St. She is critically ill at Md. General Hospital.

Many know Mrs. Marshburn as the crossing guard at School No. 11, where she is also active in the PTA. Also, as a member of DAM, the neighborhood organization and the police citizens' committee.

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Two 14-year-olds boarded a TWA Jet at Friendship Wednesday for a trip to the West Coast.

Yvette Britt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Britt, and Lynette Ray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ray.

They will be vacationing in Los Angeles with Mrs. Ernestine Brown Palmer and daughter Rita, formerly of this city.

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More people moving about: Dr. and Mrs. Vernon Pemmington (Frances), send hellos from Honolulu.

Mrs. Virginia Kiah is here from Savannah, Ga., with her mother, Dr. Lillie M. Jackson.

She is wife of Calvin L. Kiah, dean of faculty at Savannah State.

Postcard from Mrs. Virgie M. Walls who finds Hong Kong "so very interesting."

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Willie Adams dashed from the Metro Democrats' fabulous party at Martin's West on Friday evening to the airport to catch a plane for Mexico to join his wife, Vic, (City Councilwoman, Victorine Adams), who is vacationing there.

More visitors in our midst: Dr. and Mrs. George Little (Simone), out Pimpton Rd. way, had distinguished persons as special guests for their lovely cocktailer on Saturday evening.

They were: Mr. and Mrs. Virgile Tevoedjre, Minister Counselor of the Dahomey-Embassy; Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Yamecojo, Administrator for African countries at the International Monetary Fond.

Also Dr. and Mrs. Jean-Elie, from Ivory Coast visiting the States, and Dr. and Mrs. Louis Diakite, Ivory Coast.

Cuff note: If you go to a party with persons like those mentioned here and listen to their beautiful voices and perfect English you realize that it is true that too many of us here in the States talk American not English.

You feel so inadequate when you miss what they are saying so beautifully. Honest.

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Baltimore's Dr. and Mrs. Martin E. Jenkins were among guests at that party Wednesday evening in D.C. hosted by Senator and Mrs. Edward Brooke of Mass.

It was a benefit affair for Wilberforce University . . . seeking $27 million for its new campus.

Sumptuous looking Leslie Uggams was among benefit sponsors in attendance.

Other Marylanders about at the affair held at the Decor House on H St., were:—

Dr. J. T. Williams, former president of Princess Anne College; and Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Myers of Bowie State College.

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Mrs. Ethel Rich, who has been in a Harrisburg hospital with a broken leg ever since that Mother's Day accident, returned home to Baltimore two weeks ago.

But she's to go back to Harrisburg for a second operation next week, hopes she won't be in too long this time. Let's hope not.

More about people, things

More good news: Mrs. John E. Stokes (Marietta), is doing just fine in Lutheran Hospital. (Room 103). It wasn't a heart attack after all.

She's having tests to find out what floored her.

Many know Mrs. Stokes as physical education teacher at Booker Washington Junior High.

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"All girls, no boys" for the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Olin Moyd. Mrs. Moyd (Marie) welcomed a baby girl at Sinai Hospital on Tuesday.

Baby weighed 9 lbs. is still unnamed because the family was expecting a boy.

The Rev. Mr. Moyd is pastor of Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, 2320 Reisterstown Rd.

Other daughters are Marlene, Angeline and twins, Olivia and Linda Moyd.

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People being kind to others: Fellow funeral directors associates and friends let his family know in many meaningful ways how much they loved Charles R. Law.

The huge floral pieces which banked the casket at the Thursday noon funeral, the dozens of funeral cars which joined the procession, the kind words, beautiful music and genuine concern so many expressed . . . let you know that Charlie was, as the Rev. Marion C. Bascom said, a small guy with a great, big heart.

A bit about this and that

In a busy, hectic week, sometimes, you see or hear something which warms your heart.

It happened Wednesday evening shortly after midnight. We called the number where our 14-year-old was attending a teen party to instruct her to be at the door, we were on the way.

The voice on the other end of the wire was a familiar one, invited us to come in when we arrived.

We did and that's how we had a chance to renew old friendships. We have known the Albert Hawkinses (Barbara and Buck) for years, but we'd never had a chance to relax in their home.

See how children bring people together!

The Copley Rd. home of the Hawkinses was full of warmth — their backyard had 75 teens sitting around listening to a teen singing group. They call themselves by the name of "The Flesh."

Members are Ray Thomas, 16, Forest Park High student; Alma Adams, 18, Eastern High grad; Sylvia Blackwell, 18, freshman at University of Md. and Wilbur Adams, 20, Morgan State student.

What impressed us and their parents who came to call for the youngsters is that those 75 kids out in the backyard, dancing, listening to other teens and enjoying themselves, didn't make half the noise we've heard at some grown-up gatherings. Honest some grown-up gatherings. Honest.

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By the way, the Hawkins teenage gathering was really bon voyage affair for their daugnter, Carol, 16, a Western High student, who's going to California to visit with her brother, Albert Jr., a computer specialist in San Francisco.

Another brother, Dr. Robert Michael Hawkins, has completed his internship at Md. General Hospital and accompanied them to California (San Bernardino) where he'll practice.

Other Hawkins children are: Anthony, assistant manager at that Cherry Hill, N.J. Mall, the Rose Co. spot; and Bruce, a June graduate at Cardinal Gibbons High.

Mr. Hawkins Sr. is in the ballistic lab at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

GEORGE L. RUSSELL JR.

Board of Estimates (of which Mr. Russell is a member) Wednesday to build an access road across city because of its alleged policy of racial discrimination; Mr. Diven said he did not.

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QUESTION: I am an inmate of Baltimore City Jail and have been since October, 1969, at which time I was brought here "for further action."

I have been charged with resisting arrest, assault and homicide, but no further action has taken place as yet.

I am neither represented, nor have I received an arraignment or indictment.

J. R. JR.

ANSWER: You are always at liberty to write to the judge that heard your case and bring to his attention any problem or injustice you might face.

It is unconstitutional for you to be held without receiving as speedy a trial as possible; however, on a homicide charge you may be denied bail.

We are sure the judge would like to hear from you if you have some complaint about further proceedings. If he, himself, will not be able to take direct action, he will put you in contact with an attorney who will.

QUESTION: I want to call your attention to an outright discrimination against black people by a man who is now employed in the same office under City Solicitor George L. Russell, Jr.

The man, Louis H. Diven, is a former president of one of the golf clubs in Baltimore County. He is also a member of the board of governors of that club.

When he is asked what he would do if Judge Russell asked to take him to his club for lunch, he boasts that Judge Russell and no n——r will ever enter his club.

I think that if there is a such a club and that this is the attitude of the membership its liquor license should be suspended. — A. F.

ANSWER: The AFRO quizzed City Solicitor Russell on this letter and his response was that he does not consider that he is running a brotherhood association or an Elk's Club, but rather an official city law department.

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"I believe that each person on my staff possesses the professional qualifications that I think are necessary to perform the task assigned to them," he said.

"I would hope that each of my staff also holds personal views consistent with the highest forms of the democratic tradition, but I do not make the private personal prejudices of my staff members my business as long as the quality of their work and the overt treatment of others, on a business basis, is not affected."

When the AFRO asked Mr. Diven about the accusation, he denied unequivocally that he made any such remark at any time.

"I work for a black man I have black employees and friends. I did not say that, and I do not feel that way. I am willing to confront anybody who says that I made such a statement in your office and call him a liar to his face."

When asked further whether he was affiliated with the Towson Golf and Country Club, denied approval by the

Mr. Cardin's Views

Dear AFRO:

The new Baltimore States Attorney Mr. Howard L. Cardin, is quoted in The News American of Wednesday, July 15, as saying he was not looking for any more female prosecutors for his office because "he does not think they have that much to offer."

His statements reveal an astonishing lack of sensitivity to the problems women encounter each and every day in the work world. Women still occupy the majority of low-paying, routine, deadend jobs. They still face resistance in trying to acquire education and training for more lucrative occupations such as doctors and lawyers.

The participation of American women in professional and political life is well below that of many other countries. Women constitute only 5 per cent of our engineers, 3 percent of our lawyers, 7 percent of our doctors, 8 per cent of our scientists. Although 70 percent of elementary and secondary school teachers are women, women make up only 22 per cent of the faculties of universities. Of 320 Federal District Court judges, 3 are women. No women sit on the Supreme Court bench. In our Congress, out of 435 representatives, 10 are women; out of 100 senators, 1 is a woman.

Many women who are the heads of families work and still live below the poverty level. In 1968, 16 per cent of the white families headed by a woman who worked during the year were poor — and 35 percent of the black families. Even where women do the same work as men, they make less money at it.

Most American women work because they have to, and contrary to Mr. Cardin's belief, they have a lot to offer. This country needs all of the capable qualified women it can find to make a contribution in all fields, especially law. Business, industry and some professions are suffering from a literal "brain drain" and women are the untapped resource.

The bluntness of Mr. Cardin's statement also indicates an apparent lack of concern for the voting power of women in Baltimore City.

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