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"We are Americans and as Americans we would speak to America." — Frederick Douglass

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Prevent Fire And Live

Unless great care is taken, the winter's long cold spell is going to push the fire death toll for Baltimore City considerably above the 48 recorded in 1960.

On Jan. 7 the AFRO concluded that at least 50 men, women and children are likely to lose their lives in fires this year in Baltimore. Nothing has happened since to change the outlook.

Thursday, Michael Horan, chief of the city's fire prevention bureau, reported that the death total for the year had climbed to 15 and serious injuries to 37.

This compares with the 12 - month totals of 48 deaths and 208 serious injuries for 1960.

The prevention bureau has found that over the long haul of a year it is the careless smoker who causes the largest number of fires with those started by electrical current No. 2.

The third cause, the one which is being overworked this winter, is the heating system, especially in the homes of low-income families.

Another reason for fires is the fact that too many parents continue to leave their children alone at home.

Carelessness, taking chances with defective heating systems and leaving children unprotected are unnecessary dangers.

These things add up to gambling with your own life, that of members of your family and neighbors.

With the cold weather assuring a higher death rate, it is time every one of us took action to help limit the number of fires.

Now is the time to start. Right in your own home is the place.

Unfinished Business

The 1960 annual report of the Baltimore Equal Employment Opportunities Commission not only cites the progress made in removing racial barriers to employment, but focuses attention on the unfinished business facing minority group leaders.

Though handicapped by its inability to summon witnesses, subpoena records and seek court enforcement of its orders, EEOC has managed to make progress.

EEOC succeeded in persuading Local 734, Baltimore Fire Fighters Association to admit colored firemen, though it still wants to impose a $25 penalty on them.

The Commission was responsible for a large drug chain raising salaries and extending benefits to many of its colored workers.

After a series of conferences with insurance company executives, the Commission received assurance from the companies that they would hire on merit.

In another case, a colored bricklayer claimed that a Baltimore contractor refused to hire him because of race.

EEOC investigated the complaint and the company agreed to hire the complaining bricklayer and has since employed other colored bricklayers.

But not all efforts have been successful and the effectiveness of EEOC is seriously hampered by failure of citizens to file complaints. It is imperative that citizens who are denied employment because of their race make the proper complaint so that an investigation may be conducted.

Moreover, it is important that colored leadership here — civic organizations, churches and fraternal groups —launch a massive program designed to break down the color bar in employment.

Colored citizens comprise thirty-three and a third per cent of the total city population but have only a small fraction of the jobs. This is the challenge facing minority group leaders.

In its annual report, EEOC summed up this challenge with this paragraph:

In summary and conclusion, the keys are skill and determination —determination to knock on any door and the skill to open it. For, in the last analysis, even a law that is vigorously applied cannot help someone who is not able or willing to help himself."

Stymied by a toothless EEOC law and a board that was something less than forceful, Philip A. Camponeschi did a commendable job while executive secretary of the EEOC.

We trust that his successor will attack the momentous tasks facing EEOC with the vigor and imagination displayed by Mr. Camponeschi.

Why Not In Baltimore?

The appointment of a colored police lieutenant to the rank of captain in the Kansas City (Kansas) Police Department, points up the lack of high ranking colored officers in the Baltimore Police Department.

Kansas City promoted Lt. Boston Dunnes to a captaincy, following his 17 years outstanding service.

Baltimore badly needs a colored police captain in districts in which the majority of our 313,000 population lies, if it wants to reduce crime in these areas.

While Baltimore limits colored officers, regardless of qualification and experience, to patrolmen and sergeants, other more civilized cities promote them to administrative posts in accordance with their ability.

Morale in the Baltimore Police Department is at an all time low, while crime rates continue to climb. Yet, the Department has integrated only four of its 83 divisions. It has refused to assign qualified colored officers to these vital posts.

Thousands of citizens support the city faithfully for more than 20 years, they have failed to get promotions which should reward meritorious service.

The picture is not a pretty one.

With more than 200 officers on the force, only four policemen, and one policewoman, hold the rank of sergeant.

There are no colored officers above that rank, though some are college trained men with nearly a quarter century of experience.

It would be well for Baltimore to take a cue from Kansas City, where color is not a factor in police department promotions.

The Late Mr. Tydings

The newspaper said J. Millard Tydings, U. S. Senator for 24 years, was defeated for re-election because opponents trumped up charges he was soft on communism.

Tydings died last week and the past is forgotten, but we shall set this record straight.

Tydings lost his seat in the Senate by 43,111 votes to John Marshall Butler.

The votes Tydings lost for 24 years to defeat opponents were there when he needed them for one simple reason.

Tydings refused to vote for an anti-lynching bill despite many promises.

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Glenn Beall came along from Cumberland with a good record on liberal measures.

He promised he would vote against lynching.

Colored people voted for Beall — giving him the margin Tydings so sorely needed.

Millard Tydings of Harve de Grace was a decent enough individual.

He was a regular party member, a regular attendant at gatherings at the home of political boss Thomas R. Smith.

In those days the bosses told citizens how to vote. Such days ended with the death of Tom Smith and the defeat of Mr. Tydings.

The change caught Tydings unawares.

He was against lynching, but he thought the states should stop it, not the federal government with federal law.

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The stupid States rights' argument cost Tydings his seat in the Senate. He hadn't learned that human rights are more important.

Politics is like that. It rewards humble people whose minority vote is a pittance today, and tomorrow worth a million dollars. Tydings needed that colored vote like Nixon needed 150,000 in some key areas last November.

Nobody was more surprised than the colored voters when they discovered that they had defeated Tydings.

People With Open Hearts

Generous Baltimoreans have freely of their sympathy and their cash following recent public appeals for assistance from two families in distress.

The steady flow of food, clothes and money was heartening to the stricken families and reassuring to veteran AFRO reporters, who were reluctant to believe that the cold, impersonal city had a heart.

The first appeal came from the family of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Green after fire swept their Anne Arundel County home, killing seven of their children and an uncle.

The fire occurred while the parents were away making funeral arrangements for another member of the family who had died of natural causes.

A shocked Mrs. Green said shortly after the tragedy: "Right now we just don't know which way we go next. . .

Mrs. Green didn't realize it, but there were thousand of others who were concerned with her plight and willing to do something about it.

They responded after reading of the fire deaths in the AFRO.

The second appeal came from the seven children of the Rose family whose mother, Mrs. Grace Virginia Rose, died of bulbar polio in a Cleveland hospital.

This touching appeal said the children "need everything." There was no money for food, clothing, rent or for burial expenses for the mother.

Once again Baltimoreans came through with more than enough aid to meet the crisis.

These cases demonstrate that even in these chaotic times, there is still the Good Samaritan who stands willing to help a fellow human being who is in trouble.

As Alexander Pope said in his "Essay on Man,"

"In faith and hope the world will disagree
But all mankind's concern is charity."

How normal are you in comparison with the average American male?

While little girls may be made of sugar and spice and all that jazz, facts indicate that the average American male is something else.

I'm an American and I consider myself normal and average, but darn if I can believe that my blood is six times thicker than water.

That my body contains enough fluid to fill a 10 - gallon barrel, enough iron to make one nail, enough carbon to make almost 1,000 lead pencils and enough sulphur to rid Fido of fleas.

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I FEEL SHEEPISH when science tells me I am one of 34 million Americans who would like to reduce, but chances are one in four that I'll never do anything about it.

I know for sure I'm normal when I am told that Mr. Average American consumes 157 pounds of meat a year, 35 pounds of poultry, 91 pounds of sugar, three pounds of potato chips and 25,000 inches of spaghetti and 17 pounds of coffee.

Now I know why we Americans can't close the missile gap, we are too busy living it up.

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IN 1960 Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson of the NAACP was nominated by Pagent Magazine as one of 10 Americans who did the most "to enrich the world of tomorrow."

This year Pagent has selected Dr. John H. Fischer, former Baltimore school superintendent, as one of 10 Americans to watch in 1961.

Dr. Fischer, now dean of Teachers College at Columbia University, received the Hollander Award in 1955 for his contribution to racial relations in Baltimore.

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RICHARD HALEY of the music department at Florida A and M University is also on the list.

Mr. Haley is a leader in the passive resistance movement for equal rights in Florida.

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IT'S AMAZING the miracles man can perform.

It seems strange however that man can send a rocket to Venus but it takes him forever and a day to clear the streets after a snowstorm.

Safety Rules Decide Which One

What Our Readers Say

Calls Article 'Sarcastic'

Readers are invited to submit letters for publication. All letters must be signed but signatures will be omitted if requested. Letters should be no more than 300 words in length. Address them "Our Readers," AFRO-AMERICAN, 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore 1, Md.

Dear AFRO:

Your slanted and sarcastic article appearing in a recent edition titled "Minimum Wage Proposal - But Who's Covered?" must give you a degree of satisfaction when you realize this kind of reporting may very well represent continued failure for the causes you so rightfully espouse.

So long as you continue to degrade the efforts of those who desire the bringing about of better standards and a greater degree of equity for all workers, you will totally destroy any plan we might have.

For your information the Federal Fair Labor Standard Act covers about 24 million workers. Today the labor force exceeds 66 million workers. Of this 66 million, at least 20 million need and should be protected by a minimum wage.

Do you know that thousands of laborers, thousands of retail sales employees, thousands of textile workers, thousands of gasoline station workers, laborers and building trades people generally in the state of Maryland have no minimum wage protection?

Do you know that the proposed new law exclude those workers involved in inter-state Commerce, are protected by a minimum wage — and thousands of these people are Maryland residents?

You are right in stating that many age intended in the Minimum Wage Bill. However, many thousands more would be protected through the passage of the proposed Minimum workers are excluded from the coverWage Bill. Progress is slow, patience will however have resulting rewards.

W. F. STRONG, pres.
Maryland State and D.C. AFL-CIO

Dear AFRO:

Thank you very much for the article on my hobby.

I hope that it will serve to inspire some of our youths to pursue a pastime that will guide some of their energy in the right channel.

EARL ANDERSON

(ED. NOTE: The writer refers to a recent article on the AFRO's feature page which told of his hobby—Model railroading.)

The Ultimate Goal

We are the first to admit that our city is far from perfect. Prejudice and intolerance, hate and fear — all the various forms of bigotry exist here, either dormant or active.

But nevertheless Baltimore is growing up to Brotherhood.

Baltimore has a long, long way to go and yet, as we observe Brotherhood Week, Feb. 19 - 26, we may rejoice in the knowledge that painfully, slowly but surely we are moving inevitably toward the ultimate goal.

And there is something every individual can do to bring about the full realization of the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God.

You can begin today by treating other people — rich and poor, Christian and Jew, colored and white — the way you would want to be treated.

More than ever before we must rededicate ourselves to the principle of Brotherhood.

In this way, each of us can help bring about an awareness of its importance to each of us individually, to our city, our nation and the world, which has become too small for anything but Brotherhood.

Noteworthy

Things I Never Knew Until Now

By Herbert Mangrum

Sightseeing

Please Maestro Play a Waltz

By James D. Williams

No sooner had I mastered the intricacies of the Madison, then I discover, much to my sorrow and undistinguished chagrin, that the Madison is as dead as General Robert E. Lee.

To refresh your memory a wee bit, let me remind you that the Madison was a dance that zoomed in popularity last year, and then crashed to earth in a shower of dead ashes.

I've been accused of several things, but never has anyone had the audacity to allege that I am a dancer.

Notwithstanding this fact, however, I decided that I would master the Madison, and one happy day I would be the hit of the ball.

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TO THAT LAUDABLE end, I practiced diligently, in secret of course.

I could almost feel the tense air of expectancy that would hang over the dance floor, as I walked into the spotlight and proceeded to go into the Madison.

"Gee," I could hear the audience cry out, "isn't he magnificent."

And so I practiced, but there was one thing that disturbed me . . . It seemed that a lot of people had stopped doing the Madison.

However, I attributed this to the weather, and went right on with my practicing.

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CAME THE NIGHT that I ventured out on the dance floor, and cried out:

"Let's do the Madison."

A deadly hush fell over the place and a friend walked up to me, led me by the arm to a corner, and gently whispered the facts of life in mine ear.

"The Madison is dead," he said, "everybody's during the shimmy."

"Are you pray tell," said I, "what is the Shimmy?"

For several long seconds he looked at me, as if he was deciding whether it was worth the trouble.

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"JIMMY," he said, at long last, "just imagine a cold plate of jello."

"With or without fruit," I asked?

"What difference does it make," he asked, with growing impatience?

"It might not make any difference to you, but I like fruit with my jello," I told him.

"All right," said he, "just imagine that someone has just dumped a plate of cold jello, with fruit, down your back. What would you do?"

"I imagine that I would shake and try to get it out."

"You've got it," said he.

"Got what," asked I?

"The Shimmy," said he.

I turned to look at the dancers who were doing the shimmy, and my friend was right. A cold plate of jello down your back and anyone can do the Shimmy.

The chief object of the dance seems to be to get as much sideway motion in your body as you can, without moving your body.

SEVERAL WEEKS after this incident, when I had added the Shimmy to my repretoire, I returned to the dance floor and asked:

"Anyone for the Shimmy.

Same friend grabbed me, took me to the same corner, and whispered in the same ear:

"The Shimmy is dead, the Pony is now the thing."

"What's with the Pony?" I asked

"Everybody now is seen prancing around the pasture, and that's the Pony."

So I suffered through the Madison, survived the Shimmy, only to be faced with the Pony.

There seems to be only one way out of this vicious circle — they tell me television is getting better every day and what's that thing they say about home, sweet home?

Hodge-Podge

What If Venus Rockets To Earth

By Robert W. Matthews

Did you notice how bright the evening star seemed right after the announcement that the Russians had sent a rocket to the planet Venus?

But then, maybe the stars looked so bright because we hadn't been able to see them for so long.

It's really comforting to know there's something else up there in the sky except snow.

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Strange thought occurs to me.

Suppose the Venusians don't like the idea of a rocket flitting around their planet and decide to send one here to earth — don't laugh—Columbus once thought the world was square.

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WEEKLY REPORT of the Baltimore City Health Department shows that 827 people were born during the week of Feb. 11, and 345 died.

Nothing to get too alarmed about unless you happen to realize that if things continue at this rate, we'll have to hurry and get to the moon so people will have a place to live.

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NEWS RELEASE from one of the local television stations says singer Jackie Wilson is to appear on a disc jockey TV show February 18.

While waiting for the cancellation to come in, note in passing that Jackie's million - seller recording "Night," was barred in England.

Seems the English thought it akin to sacrilege for a rock and roller to do classics.

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COLTS CORRAL No. 954, a loyal group of Colt rooters is located in the Maryland Penitentiary.

Speaking of penitentiaries, the age-group to watch seems to be the twenties.

A look at the commitment statistics for 1960 shows that of 368 men committed, 168 were between the ages of 21-30.

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HARRIED PARENTS who dread school holidays when the children are undergoot all day, might note on their calendars that the spring holiday is scheduled for March 31 - April 9.

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IF YOU have been worrying about how you were going to get those kids of yours through college, take heart.

The PR office at Johns Hopkins University says that almost half of the undergraduates enrolled during the 1959 - 60 school term received some sort of scholarship aid.

Average grant was $777. Tuition at the school is $1,200.

All of which goes to say that help is available at almost any school you wish your child to attend — provided his grades allow him to qualify.

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THOSE INTERESTED in religion who like to get up early in the morning will enjoy a college course on Christianity consisting of lectures which begins February 23 on a local TV station.

It will be shown at 6:30 a.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays, and you can get credit for it. Details available through the Maryland Council of Churches, SAratoga 7-8550.

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NOTE FROM the C and P Telephone company says they spent 49 million dollars last year.

Only comment we can make is, if this included transferring the old Madison exchange to the dial system—twas worth it.

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DID'N'T KNOW that Maryland tobacco farmers were fined if they grew too much tobacco.

'Tis a fact. They are supposed to measure how much they will grow, and are allotted only so much.

The fine names apply for wheat and other grains if they produce more than the allotment says.

Wonder how in heck we get all those surpluses we're always hearing about?

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JUST AS we suspected, people are drinking more, betting more on horse races and smoking more.

Found all this out by looking at the report of the State Comptroller on how much money was collected from state taxes.

Biggest increase was in taxes on horse racing, which was up by 15 per cent.

A good thing too, 'cause poor Bowie bids fair to put the state in the hole.

As for alcohol, biggest increase was in the sale of beer. Distilled spirits showed a drop and — strangely enough—so did wine.

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WEATHER PROPHETS are predicting that we will have 30 days of good weather, but in the small print, they say we will have three more snowstorms before spring.

If you are worried about your tire chains lasting out the season, get a package of monkey links at an auto parts store.

They cost only about 30 cents for seven, and can be put on without tools in repairing broken chains. The weight of the car closes them.

AFRO 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 set other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future secured;

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

Whether it stays out of politics except to expose corruption and condemn injustice, regardless of party affiliation.

JOHN H. MURPHY SR., 1840

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

Another Dr. Thurman?

Twenty - five years ago, as a freshman at Howard University, this reporter vividly recalls the Sunday chapel occasions when the speaker was Dr. Howard Thurman, the man with the golden voice.

Then, he was dean of the university's theological school.

Today, he is dean of Marsh Chapel, and professor of spiritual resources and discipline at Boston University.

The Sunday morning service at Walbrook - Trinity Presbyterian Church, took us back to those Howard University chapel services.

Reason: Its pastor is the Rev. Thomas Fraser, a young, personable, dedicated minister with a golden voice that reminds me of Dr. Thurman's in the 1930's.

Walbrook - Trinity is the new congregation formed two years ago.

Its building is at Walbrook Ave. and Ellamont St., just above North Ave.

With a handful of white members who "refused to run," new residents of the area took over the building once occupied by the prosperous Walbrook Methodist Church. It established Trinity as a thriving Presbyterian family.

Today, it boasts 170 members, and there is reason to believe the congregation will double in another two years.

It is likely that the major reason for the congregation's fast growth is the Rev. Mr. Fraser himself.

He wears an elegant black theological garment with red crosses on each lapel.

In the manner of the distinguished Dr. Thurman, he closes his eyes tightly, grasps the lectern....

Then, quietly he announces "Let us pray. . . and, he prays — earnestly, as though God were in the room with him.

He pauses, emphasizes pertinent words and phrases, and he does not open his eyes until he has finished his entreaties.

And, in the fashion of Dr. Thurman, the day's sermon provides additional inspiration by discussing problems we face right here on earth.

As the Rev. Mr. Fraser begins, the lights in the auditorium are extinguished.

A small spotlight is directed on the pupator, his face first, and American Christians next.

"We are steeped in the tradition of first - calss, citizenship — our motto is, have vision, will labor to the setting sun."

A minister who connects today's struggles with the Scripture, gives his congregation support in their everyday struggles.

The young people who predominate in the church should be inspired.

There is also reason to believe a minister who uses everyday experiences —such as his own as a sitdown leader—will attract more new members. (Rev. Fraser is advisor to the Civic Interest Group.)

Especially is this true of Rev. Fraser — his delivery, his manner are fascinating and memorable, much like Dr. Thurman.

You can see it when he leans over the lectern, gestures dramatically with his arms and moves from one side of the pulpit to the other.

People we met

Proudest worshippers in the church: the pastor's mother, Mrs. Maree Fraser, who lends her beautiful singing voice to the choir.

And in a rear seat, looking every bit the proud father, Dr. Thomas Fraser, Morgan State College professor.

Another front seat worshipper — Mrs. Fannie Howard, the teacher, who is an elder of the church.

Flowers on the altar were given by Mrs. Howard in memory of her father, the Rev. W. Edward Williams, longtime Presbyterian minister; and there was a lovely basket by Mrs. Willie Ogles-by in honor of her parents, the Rev. and Mrs. William A. Perry, wed 48 years.

Also, Earl Koger, Sr., the businessman who attends with his family.

The Koger children belong to the Girl Scout troop No. 476. They lifted the collection on Sunday.

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Also at Walbrook Presbyterian on Sunday: Kappa Chapter, Iota Phi Lambda Sorority's annual induction of prospective citizens in the Living Members of History Society by Mrs. Mary P. Bacote, past southern regional director.

Other program participants: Mrs. Vivian W. Young, president, and Mrs. Evelyne D. Wilkey, first vice president.

Although its members are small (just 157), the choir voices are melodious and compelling.

They can sing the old hymns like "What A Friend We Have in Jesus," and "Be Still My Soul."

Choir director, who also provides organ accompaniment, is Mack Statham, a Baltimorean who teaches in DelaWare, commutes home each week to join in the church services.

His organ solo, "Think On God" during the offertory was beautiful.

He is a product of Hampton Institute and Oberlin College.

Pleasant faces about: Mrs. Margaret Young, a choir singer, and one of the new church's first members.

Also, Mrs. Dorothy King of 3014 Mondawmin. She joined the church during the Invitation Hymn "because I like the worship service here," she explained.

Your will too. Go and see for yourself.

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All of the above was written Monday morning as our Eastern Airlines DC - 70 cruised 14,000 feet in the air at a 300 mile an hour pace. When we left Baltimore, at 11:30 a.m., the temperature was 33 degrees, and there was snow on the ground.

Here, it is 2:55 p.m., we're coming into Miami where the sun is shining bright, and it is 73 degrees.

Even though this is written 1,200 miles from Baltimore, the memories of Sunday's inspirational service at Walbrook - Trinity Presbyterian is still with me.

Say you read it here first — that Rev. Thomas Fraser is going places.

First-class citizenship

There is hushed attention in the congregation as the Rev. Mr. Fraser begins his message. It is entitled "Citizenship."

The dynamic minister says he will discuss the scriptural basis for first - class citizenship.

And, he does. For example, he explains, the modern day sit-down demonstrations had a forerunner in the bunger strike staged by early Biblical characters.

Further, notes the Rev. Mr. Fraser, a scriptural basis for first-class citizenship is freedom to express one's self positively on current issues.

And, as examples, he noted the successful Montgomery bus boycotts and student sit-down demonstrations as proper "rights of dissent" and a perpetuation of the Bible characters who invoked street fair taxes, etc. in their pursuit of first-class citizenship.

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Since this is History Week, the Rev. Mr. Fraser added: "We should be proud to be colored . . . we are colored everyday people.

Need no heavies

If you plan to visit in the Deep South — Miami and other points, you'll find summertime weather.

In Miami, it was nearing 80 when we landed and wished we'd left all our spring, winter coats and jackets home.

By the time we left the Eastern Airlines check - out point and walked the four blocks outside the terminal to the Walgreen Warehouse, steaming in, we looked like just what we were — weary travellers.

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The British West Indies plane we boarded for the trip to Montego Bay in Jamaica travelled 2100 feet in the air and there was sunshine which ever way you looked from the plane window.

Aboard: A group of 18 members of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith.

Head of the group, bound for a visit with members of churches in Kingston and other British West Indies points, was Bishop S. C. Johnson of Philadelphia.

Bishop Johnson is the famed radio pastor.

His churches — 100 of them — are in the U.S., England and B. W. I.

Washingtonians in the party were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Waller and their daughter, Valada.

Also met: Howard Davis of Philly, aided to the bishop.

And the bishop's secretary, Miss Mabel Ellis, attractive Waverly, Va. lass, who has worked in the church headquarters for 5½ years.

She hopes her sister who is only answer holding down the office while she is away, sees this item.

Another passenger met: The Rev. W. C. Crusoe, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church in Claremont, Jamaica.

He is a product of Fisk and the American Baptist Seminary in Nashville.

His wife, Mrs. Maisie H. Cruscoit, is studying for her doctorate at the University of Chicago.

He had been to Chi to visit her.

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How do you say it?—

When you get in this section of the country, you will see signs and hear announcements in three languages — English, French and Spanish.

Noted the following notice on the Jamaica - bound plane has six words in English, eight in the French and Spanish.

English: Your lifebelt is under your seat.

French: Votre ceinture de sauvetdge est sous votre fauteuil.

Spanish: Su cinturon salvavidas se halla debajo del asiento.

'PARTNERSHIP' ONLY SOLUTIONS FOR FEDERATION

SALISBURY, (ANP) — Sir Roy Welensky, the Federal Premier of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, asserted there were three possible solutions for the Federation: white domination, black domination, and partnership which, in his view, was the only answer.

—Aid under fire

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dent Kennedy, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare Abraham Ribicoff, Secretary of the Treasury Douglas A. Dillon and Treasurer (Mrs.) Elizabeth R. Smith from paying Federal grants to schools practicing racial segregation.

They contend that the payment of such grants is violative of the Fifth Amendment to the Federal Constitution in that it deprives them of property without due process of law.

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THE U.S. OFFICE of Education—in the Health, Education and Welfare Department—administers seven grant programs which would be affected by a declaratory judgment that Federal funds may not be allotted to states, school districts, or institutions which practice racial discrimination.

Included are grants for the promotion and development of vocational education, grants for library services, payments to school districts which are affected by Federal activities;

And also assistance for schools to construct in such districts, grants, loans and payments under the National Defense Education Act of 1958 and grants for colleges of agriculture and mechanic arts.

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THE ANNUAL appropriation for endowing land-grant colleges, plus the permanent appropriation for the same purpose, supports college instruction in agriculture, the mechanic arts and related fields in the 68 land-grant colleges.

Each State and Puerto Rico receives a minimum of $50,000, the balance being distributed on the basis of population.

Grants also are made to the states, Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands on a matching basis for the promotion and further development of public library service in rural areas.

Each State and territory receives a minimum of $40,000 ($10,000 for the Virgin Islands and Guam), the balance being distributed in proportion to rural population.

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PAYMENTS ALSO are made to assist in the maintenance and operation of schools in areas where enrollments are affected by Federal activities.

These payments are made primarily to local school districts. But, where such districts will not assume responsibility for educating Federally connected children because of a policy of racial segregation, payments are made to commanders of the armed services for direct operation of schools under their auspices.

This program authorizes assistance to school districts in 1962 mainly for Federally connected children whose parents both reside and work on Federal property.

Portions of the law expiring in 1961 also provide assistance to school districts for children whose parents work on Federal property but do not reside on such property.

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IN THE Federal Budget sent to Congress by President Eisenhower, recommendations July 1, payments will be made to about 1,000 school districts, a good proportion of which are in the South, on account of the attendance of approximately 274,000 Federally connected pupils in all states, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam and Wake Island.

This compares to some 4,000 districts and 1,633,000 pupils in the current fiscal year.

Payments also are made to assist in construction of schools in districts where enrollments are affected by Federal activities.

From 1951 through 1961, $1,026,000,000 has been appropriated for this program, aiding in the construction of an estimated 53,350 classrooms, housing about 1,600,000 pupils in the states, Puerto Rico, Guam and Wake Island.

Walbrook Library is Beauty spot

The new Walbrook Branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library is among the city's most beautiful and functional.

It has been built so that all departments are located on the same floor which lends to better and easier supervision.

Being single storied also makes it very convenient for those using the library's facilities. It is spacious, well lit and quietly decorated and seems to enhance the relaxes one and gives the impression of quiet efficiency.

A varied program is offered that appeals to both adults and children alike. Of particular interest to the children is the weekly "Story Hour."

Every Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Dungey, children's librarian or her assistant Miss Hafer tell stories and show films to children in the six to twelve age bracket.

Each Saturday morning at 9:15 Walbrook's teen - age readers meet with pupils from other branches participate in the program "Book Fair" over radio station WEBR.

The program is conducted by Miss Anna Anthony, Young Adult Librarian, Pennsylvania Avenue Branch. The teen-agers pick topics of particular interest to the teen world and discuss books pertaining to these topics.

There is no script as the teen-agers ad lib their views and opinions on the topics of the day.

Special films of interest to parents are shown from time to time. These films cover the problems of being a parent and adult. Such a film was shown on Feb. 16, and usual was well attended.

Traditions Day set at Morgan

All alumni of Morgan State College are invited to attend Traditions Day to be held in the Carl Murphy Fine Arts Center auditorium Wednesday, March 1, beginning at 10 a.m.

The principal speaker for the occasion will be the Rev. Levi B. Miller, Jr., pastor of James Methodist Church, Brooklyn, N.Y. Not only is the Rev. Mr. Miller an alumnus of Morgan, but also is his father, the Rev. Levi B. Miller Sr.,

Morgan dean on committee

Dr. Albert N. Whiting, dean of Morgan State College, has been appointed to the Resolutions Committee of the Association for Higher Education.

The 16th national conference of the Association will be held in Chicago March 6, 7, and 8 in the Morrison Hotel.

The association is a part of the National Education Association.

It was made for legislation to redefine the Federal responsibility in assisting these affected school districts.

In the fiscal year beginning July 1, payments will be made to about 1,000 school districts, a good proportion of which are in the South, on account of the attendance of approximately 274,000 Federally connected pupils in all states, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam and Wake Island.

This compares to some 4,000 districts and 1,633,000 pupils in the current fiscal year.

Payments also are made to assist in construction of schools in districts where enrollments are affected by Federal activities.

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Mrs. Barrick goes on to say that, in addition to these savings, "Some things just couldn't have been done if we didn't have a telephone . . . we'd certainly be lost without it."

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