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

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Disappointing Advice

Attorney General Robert Kennedy did a swift and commendable job in dispatching 600 federal marshals to Montgomery when Alabama officials, incited by the governor, looked the other way as the mob did its bestial work.

Not only did the marshals prevent a tragedy of monumental proportions when they held at bay hoodlums seeking to attack a mass meeting being addressed by Dr. Martin Luther King, but the FBI moved with dispatch to arrest four men suspected of burning the bus at Anniston.

But Mr. Kennedy with the issuance of his statement Wednesday appears bent on taking on the role of a man who kicks over the pail after milking the cow.

In so many words, young Mr. Kennedy asks American citizens to abrogate their Constitutional rights to the rednecks and ruffians of Alabama and Mississippi.

"Delay traveling through these two states," he asks, "until the present state of confusion and danger has passed and an atmosphere of reason and normalcy has been restored."

This is disappointing advice. It is especially so coming from the nation's top law enforcement officer.

If there were a series of bank robberies Mr. Kennedy would not dare ask the banks in any given section to close. He would see that they were given protection.

A statement which admits the federal government cannot protect citizens in their right to travel peaceably under the law is evidence of weakness and an incomprehensible surrender to mob law.

Mr. Kennedy seems assured that Alabama and Mississippi law enforcement officials are meeting the test today. But we remain unconvinced. We do know that they have not met the test in the past.

The federal government has obligations under Section 333 of the U.S. Code and however distasteful it might be, Mr. Kennedy and the Department of Justice should stand firm in requiring compliance in all states with the statutes.

Not A Toy

This week, two youngsters were badly burned when they attempted to pour gasoline into a power lawn mower, and the fuel spilled to a cellar floor, where it was ignited by a nearby water heater.

The accident points out vividly that care has to be exercised where these machines are concerned.

Children are quite understandably fascinated by mechanized grass cutters. However, they fail to realize that these things are not toys, but potentially dangerous machines that can easily maim a person for the rest of his life.

Gasoline used in the operation of the mower, should not be left where children can get their hands on it.

Neither should the cords used to start the mowers be left where children can find them, and succumb to the temptation to set the machine in motion.

Ideally, if space permits, the mower itself should be locked up where inquiring fingers can not reach it.

The increasing number of injuries inflicted by power mowers on adults, indicates that this segment of the population also needs to exercise more care.

Mowers should never be operated in wet grass, since the operator could very easily slip and have his foot or leg mangled by the whirling blade.

Anyone cutting a lawn should make it an ironclad rule to watch out for holes, and objects, such as rocks, which might be struck by the blade and hurled out of the side of the machine with tremendous force.

Just as on the highway, the exercise of common sense on your own lawn is the best way to prevent accidents.

School Needed Promptly

We are glad to note that residents in the area of Presbury and Payson Sts., raised no objection to a new public school planned on the site of their homes.

At a City Council hearing on Ordinance No. 1153 which would permit condemnation, they expressed concern, and properly so, that they would get reasonable prices for their homes.

Their objection that the January, 1963 deadline for vacating properties, comes too soon, is without foundation. Residents in the neighborhood have known for several years that their property was in the Master City Plan for a public school.

Last year, the PTA also alerted them, as pointed out by PTA representatives in our letters to the editor column.

The proposed school, bounded by Payson, Presbury, Baker and Pulaski Sts., will relieve overcrowding at Coleman School No. 142, now at Walbrook and Smallwood Sts.

It has been forced to conduct part-time classes for the past five years.

The school is in one of the city's most congested areas with two annexes insufficient to meet the needs. As of now, 500 pupils in 14 classes must still attend on part time.

If original plans were to start construction of this new school in 1961. It is to be hoped that approval for condemnation will come swiftly from the council.

And we hope that residents will cooperate in vacating the premises so their own children may enjoy a full day of classroom instruction, not in 1963, but within the next 18 months.

New Honor For CIG

A signal honor went to Baltimore's Civic Interest Group Saturday when it received the American Veterans Committee's Americanism Award.

This was only the second time the AVC has presented the award—the first time was to the Little Rock Nine who went through the school integration fiasco in that Arkansas city.

Earlier this year, the CIG had received the Hollander Foundation Award, and a place on the 1960 AFRO Honor Roll for its activities.

Organized over a year ago by a Morgan College student, Randall Merriweather, the CIG launched a frontal attack on segregation in the eating facilities of downtown department stores and restaurants.

For their roles in sit-in demonstrations, a number of CIG'ers were arrested, but this did not dissuade them from their goals.

In time, the bars crumbled at the department stores and at a number of other public facilities here in Baltimore.

More.

The campaign was distinguished by careful planning, and the manner in which the CIG'ers handled themselves, so that even their most vehement enemy respected them.

Later, the CIG turned its attention to the Register and Vote Campaign. Working with the NAACP, the CIG helped give the city a record number of colored voters.

When Mr. Merriweather entered the Army, he was followed by Levin West, and more recently by Clarence Logan the current chairman.

The CIG is still in the thick of the fight for equal rights and human dignity. In the months ahead, we feel confident that it will continue the work it has begun so auspiciously.

These young people, filled with determination and devotion, deserve a vote of thanks from their own community for what they have done to make this a better city in which to live.

A Welcome Precedent

A welcome precedent has been set by Mayor J. Harold Grady in the appointment of George L. Russell Jr. to the Jail Board.

Approval of Mr. Russell this coming Monday by the City Council will give the seven-member Jail Board two colored members for the first time. The other is David T. Mason, also an attorney.

Usually the appointment of one colored member to any board, no matter its size or influence, means that the door is slammed shut to all others of the race, no matter their qualifications or availability.

Token representation in the policy-making bodies of city and community agencies is not a satisfactory arrangement for a full one-third of the population.

It is better to vote or speak by proxy than not vote or speak at all, but when there are capable persons willing to shoulder the responsibility, artificial limits on the opportunity to serve are a disservice.

Baltimore will be a better city if the Jail Board precedent just set by Mayor Grady is made the rule rather than the exception.

Music In The Park

The riffle of drums, the slam of cymbals and the roar of brass instruments will echo this Sunday in Druid Hill Park as the curtain goes up on the 1961 season of the Park Concert Band.

There, neath a canopy of what we hope will be a blue sky, as gentle breezes drift over the green landscape, Baltimoreans will once again be treated to a free open-air concert.

The selections will range from popular songs to the light classics, with something for just about every musical taste under the sun.

We suggest that this Sunday when 3 p.m. rolls around, you visit the park and experience again the thrill of listening to the music of a live concert band.

If you have children, take them along, too, for at the park they will learn that rock and roll is not the only type of music in the world.

Invitation To A Disaster

What Our Readers Say

Favors New School

Dear AFRO:

For the past five years, the overcrowded conditions at the Robert W. Coleman School No. 142 has been a matter of deep concern to the PTA.

After a great deal of effort, the wheels were finally put into motion to alleviate this condition. A site was picked, upon which a new school is to be built.

Unfortunately, 52 homes will have to be demolished to make room for the new building. This has been public knowledge for over three years.

It is understandable that the residents in the school site area are anxious to get top prices for their properties. But we fail to see how there can possibly be any objection to the length of time they are being given to find new homes.

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THIS MATTER is not new. The residents have known for fully three years of the projected plans. Even now, they are given until 1963 to relocate.

At present, there are 1,456 pupils attending School 142. The school's capacity is 906. Some children have been on a part - time basis through the entire first four grades.

To block the ordinance (No. 1153) up for approval in the City Council on Monday will mean a delay in relief for School 142 for another three years.

In times of progress, it is inevitable that some will be martyred. We do not condemn those residents who seek a fair price for their properties, except to say that the proper place to raise the question is the Real Estate Commission in City Hall.

It is vital that Ordinance 1153 be approved by the City Council. We strongly urge that every parent in the area interested in his child's education bend every effort to help, rather than hinder passage of this ordinance.

ROBERT W. MATTHEWS, President
MRS. MILDRED YATES, Secretary
PTA, Coleman School No. 142

Wants More Letters

Dear AFRO:

In our fight for equality we are not taking full advantage of a powerful weapon which is at the hands of every American who can write, or get someone to write for him:

I refer to the weight of correspondence.

Every person should write the President and/or his congressman each time he is dissatisfied with any particular condition or proposed legislation.

In fact, he should also write if he is merely dissatisfied in general.

The letter or postcard need not be eloquent or even well written. It need only express his feelings or opinions as best he can.

Let's let our lawmakers and policy makers know when we are dissatisfied, let them know what we want, and demand a different approach or condition, and also let them know when we are satisfied with what they have done.

I suggest that the AFRO repeat to its readers over and over, write your President, your governor, your mayor and your congressman — tell them how you feel about any particular issue.

To grumble or praise only to your friends and neighbors, has little, if any, effect. For our lawmakers to receive tons of correspondences does have some effect—more than most of us realize.

I believe it would also be beneficial to the goals of those who are actually "sitting - in" for your paper to carry a slogan in each issue to the effect that—

"We won't carry out, where we can't eat in" or

"Don't carry out where you can't eat in."

Too many colored persons are still unaware that they are helping to perpetuate the very inequalities against which CORE, NAACP, etc., are fighting.

PHYLLIS M. WOODS

On Cooking School

Dear AFRO:

This is to inform you of your misinforming the public as to the "AFRO Cooking School" at the Coliseum.

I am greatly disturbed with the idea that you spent the time to write up such a splended thing, yet left out the very important fact about no children.

After all, children eat. Not only that, some of the products which are advertised by companies are things which are only bought by parents because of their children's insistence.

Yet no children were allowed.

Not only am I angry because of the great distance we traveled to attend the show, but the carfare which my husband, son, and I spent, could have been donated to some worthy cause.

MRS. WILLIAMS.

(ED. NOTE — We regret the disappointment suffered by the writer, but it was necessary to limit attendance to adults only because of the seating capacity of the Coliseum. Further, smaller children presented a supervisory and disciplinary problem).

Likes Clean Block

Dear AFRO:

As an insurance inspector, on the street in East Baltimore daily, I have admired your yearly "Clean Block Campaign" with its fine results.

I thought, the other day, why repeat this year after year, especially after these neighborhoods have caught on and throughout the year there seems to be a constant clean block.

I thought of the integrated areas, such as the Mt. Royal one, in which I reside.

I recall very vividly the children over in East Baltimore, with brooms in their little hands, hustling along the streets and pavements, as busy as little bees, and then I see the children of this particular section, with bottles in one hand and sticks in the other.

Here is fertile ground for your admirable civic improvement.

HERBERT FINK

(ED. NOTE: Residents of all areas in the city are invited to enter the Clean Block Campaign. This year's campaign will begin shortly.)

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

Hodge-Podge

Cut Your Grass Or Be Fined $50

By ROBERT W. MATTHEWS

Hay fever sufferers, arise! Just found out that the law is on your side.

Believe it or not it is unlawful for any owner, occupant or person in control of any lot or lands within the City of Baltimore to have ragweed, poison ivy, wild mustard and noxious weeds growing on their property.

Sa Truth. Section 176 of Article 12 of the Baltimore City Code also states that you've got to keep your lawns cut too.

Of course, they will allow you to let it grow a foot tall, but after that —you're against the law.

Getting back to the ragweed stuff, the code makes provision for an assessment of $50 fine if you fail to comply with the law.

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BY NOW, guess you know that the new state sales tax goes into effect on June first.

So you can be fully aware of how it will operate, here are the new tax rates:

25c to 33c — 1c tax
34c to 66c — 2c tax
67c to $1 —3c tax

This applies to non-food items. Or did you know that there will be a tax now on restaurant meals and carry-out foods?

That tax rate goes like this:

Food at $1.00 — 3c tax
$1.01 to 1.33 — 4c tax
$1.34 to 1.66 — 5c tax, etc.

Am not squawking too loudly about the new tax, since it's supposed to keep the property tax down.

If it doesn't, you can count on Hodge-Podge leading the parade to the State House.

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DISTRESSING NOTE in the City Health Department report which shows an alarming increase in venereal diseases.

There were 134 cases reported during the week ending May 4.

Guess it's time to start a new education program, for 90 per cent of the cases are among young people.

Happy note in the same report—NO CASES OF PARALYTIC POLIO.

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WAS AMUSED when the story of an incident that happened on the No. 37 bus reached me.

Seems an office worker boarded the bus downtown, sat down in a seat next to a blonde who leaped immediately to her feet rather than sit next to a colored person.

The office worker merely smiled, and said in a voice loud enough to be heard all over the bus, "Well, now, if you run fast enough, you can catch up with your friends in Alabama."

Needless to say, the bus collapsed in laughter.

Sightseeing

The Long And Short Of Shorty Shorts

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

With the weather growing warmer and warmer with each passing day, it won't be long before the summer phenomena known as the wearing of shorts puts in its annual appearance.

Men, women and children will be seen on our city streets, and in sundry other places, in various stages of nudress.

Their knees will be uncovered in a manner that would shock our grandparents, who believed that knee showing meant you weren't going to heaven, but to that other place which also begins with an h.

As Americans have become more and more informal, with more and more leisure time, shorts have become more and more popular, and shorter, shorter, shorter.

Things have now reached the stage that shorts can't get much shorter, without somebody going to jail.

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THE POPULARITY of shorts might be explained by the desire, that beats within the heart of most of us, to let down our hair and say a pox on convention.

All day long, men and women, garbed in suits or dresses as the case might be, labor in an atmosphere of strict formality.

Once away from the work - a - day world, they kick convention in the face by donning shorts and parading around in broad open daylight, in a manner calculated to give a puritan a heart attack.

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I'VE GOT nothing against this, but unfortunately because people do come in different shapes and sizes, there are some people who should not be caught dead, or alive for that matter, in shorts.

Some of the short - wearers present such terrifying sights, that you feel an almost overwhelming desire to sit right down and write your congressman, asking him to get a law passed preventing such crimes against humanity.

In the most flagrant cases of people wearing shorts, who shouldn't wear them, you sometimes feel like taking them out at sunrise and shooting them.

On second thought, they should be shot at night, so nobody will see them.

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ONE OF THE most unforgettable sights, locked in my memory, is the picture of a young lady, weighing in the healthy neighborhood of 200 pounds, strolling through a shopping center in a pair of stripped green shorty shorts.

I'm afraid I wasn't very gallant when I thought to myself that all the Navy had to do was to mount several 14 - inch guns fore and aft, and voila, another battleship.

The ladies aren't the only offenders, as men can also look horrible in shorts, especially if they have bony legs.

The bonier the legs, the louder the shorts. Instead of wearing long socks to mask their lack of symetrical underpinnings, these males wear short socks which do nothing to hide what should be hidden from the eyes of mortals.

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BUT NO MATTER how revolting a man might appear in shorts, he still labors under the delusion that he's a combination of Frank Buck, Yul Brynner and Harry Belafonte, and as such is simply irresistible to women.

And the ladies also undergo a transformation when they put on shorts.

In their minds they become glamour queens, and they feel that no male can avoid looking at them with admiration.

Of course they're kidding themselves, but as the old lady said, when she kissed the speckled cow — everybody to his own taste.

Think I'll get me a pair of short shorts and see what happens.

Small Car Drivers Butt Of Many Jokes

By HERB MANGRUM

If you can't take a joke, don't drive a small foreign make car.

After having driven a sports car for a week, I discovered that everyone wants to be a comedian.

I don't know what else is wrong with the average American motorist, but I do believe he is dead set against anything that is small and foreign.

Now that's a prejudice of some kind, isn't it?

Anyway, most people seem to get a thrill out of looking down on the small car driver to crack jokes like: "What other toy did you get for Christmas, Sonny?"

Or, "Did you get two of those skates: One for each foot?"

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DROVE INTO a parking lot the other day. When I returned the attendant cracked: "Your scooter is ready, sir." That joker is still waiting for a tip.

One driver who saw me backing into a parking space had the nerve to say, "Pick it up and carry it with you."

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USUALLY THE guy who makes the corny joke is driving a monstrosity.

You know the kind of car I mean. One of those big hulking jobs. The kind with enough horsepower to throw a capsule into orbit without leaving the ground.

John Q. Motorist is usually left looking amazed when those little foreign cars zip away like a bat from you know where.

Personally, I have only one objection to driving a small car.

Try as you may, there is no dignified way of entering or leaving the thing.

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SAW A motorcycle patrolman make out a ticket on an automobile owned by the FBI the other day.

I was tempted to tell the officer to save his pen, paper and energy.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT really believes in feeding its guests.

When the Southern District station was dedicated on Tuesday, they had more food than they had use for.

Joke of the week.

Downtown Tuesday a man asked me if I knew why Marshal William (Box) Harris didn't go to Alabama with the rest of the federal crew.

Attack NAACP

No race has a monopoly on stupidity. There are colored people capable of action which, for results, are as detrimental to themselves as the assault on our dignity in Alabama.

Such a recent example took place in Harlem two weeks ago.

At an NAACP rally two weeks ago, a group of "black nationalists" (not Muslims) picketed and booed the speakers so unmercifully, the rally was called off. The rally had been called to commemorate the 7th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision of May 17, 1954 desegregating the nation's schools.

What this little selfish and bigoted pack of gangsters seem to have forgotten is just one thing: they are strictly johnny - come - lately.

The NAACP was on the battleground of racial inequality long before these same black nationalists ever discovered the black man in America was suffering. They are now riding the coattails of progress.

This newspaper knows the NAACP is not perfect. Like any organization composed of human beings, it has made mistakes. There have been times when many of us have felt it should push ahead faster, more vigorously on different fronts.

But, it has been pushing.

And our black nationalist friends appear to have forgotten that without the NAACP, there would have been no Supreme Court decision.

This newspaper deplores and condemns the cowardly, the contemptible and completely irresponsible actions of that minority which disrupted the Harlem meeting. They are living proof that we have enemies among colored people as we have among white people.

AFRO Credo

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

Whether it has kept the faith with the average people;

Whether it has an other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future ensured;

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 injustices, race prejudice or intemperance.

JOHN H. MURPHY SR., 1920.

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

People, places, things

Speakers of the week: Ten-year-old Gwendolyn Forst, and 11 - year - old Barbara Alexander, pupils at the new Thomas G. Hayes School, which was dedicated on Sunday.

Given, who is in the 5th grade stood so straight and tall and talked oh so clearly and distinctly as she extended a welcome to visitors.

Barbara who is in the sixth grade, also was poised. She introduced Edward Stein, deputy superintendent of schools. He gave the dedication address:

Music was enjoyable too. The 61 - voice children's choir sang. Director was Mrs. Delores Stokes, Miss Jean Julius was accompanist.

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Coincidence: It was almost like homecoming for Mr. Stein to appear at the School No. 102 dedication. As a youth, he said, he attended 4th, 5th and 6th grade classes in the school at Bond and Jefferson Sts.

In fact, as a child, he lived in the East Baltimore neighborhood near Hayes School at Central Ave. and Eden St.

Mrs. Enna Payne and Wilbur Merchant are principal and vice principal here. Mrs. Hazel Wood is the young and attractive president of the PTA.

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Treat of the week: The South of the Border Themes —a musical variety show set for tomorrow (Saturday) 7 p.m., at Polytechnic Auditorium, presented by the talented East Baltimore Unit No. 18-32 of Kadets of America.

Shellman E. Johnson is training the singers and the authentic Mexican dances are directed by Bill and Barbara Neelands.

Admission is free — and you're in for a real treat if you go early (2-6 p.m.) you can also enjoy a Mexican Art show in the lobby of the auditorium. It's also free.

All right — so you talk about juvenile delinquency—Kadets of America — a national organization — helps youngsters become good citizens — by developing their talents. This is your chance to encourage them, and it is all FREE!!

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Quip of the week: The Rev. D. Bennett J. Sims, rector of the Church of the Redeemer, acknowledging presentation of his wife at the YWCA's annual meeting on Monday: "She's not my pair, she's my plum!"

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Genius of the week: Met at the same YWCA annual meeting: 12 - year - old Emma Jean Jones, shows great promise as a pianist. He is an eighth grader at Dumbarton Junior High.

His piano selections included Macdowell's Hungarian March; Chopin's Nocturne, which he played like a veteran. What marvelous finger control!

Say you read it here first—this youngster's going places. His teacher: Dorothea Ortmann.

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People being kind to other people: Wasn't it nice of Mrs. Wayman Coston of Wilmington, Del., to rush here to Baltimore to be with her chum, Mrs. Louise Dennis?

Mrs. Dennis' mother, Mrs. Geneva Mussenden, died suddenly on Sunday (heart attack).

Remember Mrs. Mussenden was an ardent and faithful worker at Sharp St. Methodist Church for most of her 81 years?

And, she and her husband, John, (who died in 1959), were landmarks of Druid Hill Ave. They lived at 2302 over 50 years. Remember?

And did their associates and friends remember her! The living room of the Druid Hill Ave. home was alive with beautiful floral tributes before the funeral on Wednesday.

Other children besides Mrs. Dennis, (she's the school principal); are Mrs. Allegra Taylor, the teacher; John Mussenden, the electrician; and Dr. Glenford Mussenden, the physician.

Mrs. Crawley's 75

Birthday of the week: May 29th cards to Mrs. George A. Crawley Sr., widow of the longtime pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church. She'll be 75 years young.

The Rev. Mr. Crawley Jr. is carrying on in his father's footsteps as pastor of the church where his dad labored so long.

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Also, May 29th: Mrs. Edward G. Carroll (Phenola), wife the Sharp St. Methodist Church minister.

Same day greetings to Dr. George Pendleton, the physician. May 31, remember, the Rev. Kelly Jackson and Charles E. Thompson, manager of the Morgan State College canteen.

More people and things

Visitors: Mr. and Mrs. J. Delmas Escoe weekended here with the Warren Shaws (of Manning - Shaw).

Mr. Escoe is an attorney with the Senate Sub - Committee on Constitutional Rights. A U. of Kans. grad, he was once city editor of the Kansas City Call.

During the war, he was in Army intelligence with Baltimore lawyer, William H. Murphy, whom he visited while in the city.

Mrs. Escoe — her name's Geneva, but friends call her Gigi— looks like a schoolgirl —pretty and young. But she is the mother of five young ones, ages 6 to 18. Oldest girl, Antoinette, is a Howard U. freshman.

The Escoes are house-hunting in D.C., hope the Mrs. will soon be able to move to D.C. from their Kansas City home.

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Pretty as a picture: Mrs. Amber Taylor, wife of William (Bill) Taylor, was a dream in a cerise frock with matching shoes, at the testimonial for her husband on Friday evening.

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Retirement note: John W. Manning retired from the postal service as of April 30, after 37 years.

He was in the mailing division of the main postoffice.

Mr. Manning is an adopted Baltimorean. He came here from Tennessee, after an Army stint, and after receiving a degree at Knoxville College.

He is married to the former Miss Virginia Ashby. She and their daughter are both city teachers. A son died in 1951 at the age of 22. The family attends St. James PE Church.

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Graduation note: Among members of the 1961 class at Loyola College is Henry C. Johnson, head of the mechanical trades department at Carver High.

He receives his master's degree in education. Loyola exercises are 6 p.m. June 4. Dr. Ralph Bunche is the speaker.

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Progress note: Union Memorial Methodist Church, purchased at a cost of $210,000, now owes only $8,000 on its building at Warwick and Lanvale. The Rev. N. B. Carrington is pastor.

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Reunion note: The 1961 commencement dinner June 8 at Howard University, will honor classes of the years ending with one. The 1911 graduating class will celebrate its 50th anniversary.

Cleveland's Dr. Charles Garvin, of the 1911 college class, is directing the effort to call all 50 - year grads to the campus for the half century celebration.

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Convention: 24th annual District 2 convention of National Alliance of Postal Employees meets June 10 - 11, Lord Baltimore Hotel.

IT WAS fourteen years ago that the Evans triplets (Wilbur, Warren and Walton), were born. Remember? They celebrate May 30.

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More birthdays: May 29, Mrs. Ethel Covington; May 30, Mrs. Walter Paige; Mrs. Gladys Shepherd on June 1. Dr. Eugene Byrd, June 2. Also, June 1: Mrs. Edna D. Johnson, 3655 Wabash.

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Belated birthday helloes—to Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the Baltimore NAACP and our town's most dynamic woman. She was 72 on May 25. Cards to her at 1320 Eutaw Place.

BILL TAYLOR CITED — Photo made Friday evening at testimonial for William S. (Bill) Taylor. Melvin C. Roy, left, Employment Service Consultant and vice president of the Eastside Community Committee which Mr. Taylor served for 17 years, presents him plaque. Right, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Phillips, AFRO vice president, presenting special distinguished service award from this newspaper.

INSURANCE MAN Earl Koger has been named a member of the Maryland Crime Investigating Committee. Mr. Koger is the first member of his race to sit on the board of the anti-crime group. The appointment was announced by Alvin Zumbrum, director.

Six from Maryland get Hampton awards

HAMPTON, Va. — Six Maryland youngsters, including four from Baltimore, were among 132 varsity athletes who received awards at the annual Hampton Institute sports banquet last week.

Baltimoreans in the group were James Brown and William Brown for basketball, Joseph Pullum for track and field, and Daniel Winston for football.

Also cited were Richard Herbert of Marlboro, and Martin Bailey of Seat Pleasant, both for football.

—Blame dad

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police were called.

The officer stated that when he asked Marks, "Why did you say your son fell down the steps?" he didn't answer.

Detective Goe declared that in a later statement, Marks said his story about the boy falling on the steps was not true.

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THE OFFICER summed up the second statement in these words:

"The boy was not behaving. He was in the living room playing when the phone rang. The boy tripped him (Marks) and he fell and struck at him.

"When the boy fell against the wall and laughed, he gave him a chopping blow.

"He (Michael) was given cold compresses when it was found that he had trouble breathing," Detective Goe concluded.

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IN ANOTHER homicide case, Raymond Chavez, 25, of the 1100 block Watson St. was found not guilty of stabbing to death James Carey, 21, of the unit block N. Eden St.

Witnesses testified that Carey was stabbed in the chest last April 15 in an altercation in the 1400 block of E. Fayette St.

Testimony was given that Carey cursed Chavez, followed the defendant out of a restaurant and down the street, and then struck him with a chair and pulled a knife.

Witnesses said Chavez was cut on both hands, his teeth were knocked out and his eyes blackened before he took the knife from Carey to protect himself.

Chavez and Carey had words over a crap game police said.

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PAUL DAVID King, 45, of the 1000 block N. Mount St. was held for action of the grand jury in connection with the death of a neighbor, Mrs. Mary Richardson.

The 35-year-old woman was shot in the chest and arms last April 23.

Police said King signed a statement in which he declared he shot Mrs. Richardson when she refused to go out with him.

In the statement Mr. King allegedly declared "I don't know what happened.

"After I shot her she called for her son. I told her uncle I had shot Mary and then I gave myself up."

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WHEN LLOYD Richardson was asked, "What do you know about the death of your wife?" he testified:

"When I woke up she was in bed calling, 'Lloyd, Loyd call the doctor. Paul shot me.'

"When I got myself together," Mr. Richardson declared, "I held her in my arms. I couldn't believe it. I got a hand full of blood and I said sweetheart, you are hurt."

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