CRITICISM 'SHOCKS' GARMENT LOCAL

Baltimore Notebook

By MAX JOHNSON

Mr. Johnson, a regular member of the panel of the Maryland News Conference TV program, will be seen this Sunday over WBAL-TV at 5 p.m. This week's guest is Philip H. Goodman, president, City Council, who becomes Mayor next month. Mr. Mr. Johnson's column appears in this space every Friday.

We have just gotten through one election — and now comes time to give attention to another.

Baltimore voters are now facing the all - important mayoralty primary in March — and the subsequent general in May.

Voters here will elect a mayor, president of the City Council, a comptroller — and city councilmen in their respective districts.

Deadline for prospective candidates to file for these offices in Dec. 26 — a short four weeks away.

And this is a firm indication of just how close that March primary really is.

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SO — I should like to turn attention to the prospective Democratic City Council candidates.

For this is the overwhelmingly majority party where the fight will be.

Concern here is with the three districts where colored citizenship representation in the Council is most likely — and where their voter strength can make such a reality.

These are the Second, Fourth and Fifth Districts.

Let's examine the situation in each — in this order:

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THE SECOND District has quietly gained considerable colored voter strength in recent years — and now is an area to be reckoned with in this respect.

This district has no colored councilman.

Yet, there was, as of the past July 26 this Democratic voter registration there — 9,467 colored, and 15,880 whites.

This district's three present councilmen won in the March, 1959, Democratic primary with from a low of 5,015 votes — to a high of 3,376 votes.

Just 6,000 colored Democrats voting for a representative of their own race would have placed him first among those nominated.

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TUCKER R. DEARING, attoney and lone member of his race running at the time, garnered slightly more than 800 votes.

Colored voter strength in this district is such now — their organized efforts should place their own candidate on the ticket of either the district's Mach-Valis political group, or the rival Weiss-DePetris faction.

Both are vying for the colored vote — and neither can produce winning candidates without it.

If the 15 boys of both factions take a dim view of such a proposition — there is sufficient colored voter strength there to nominate their own independent Democratic councilman.

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THE FOURTH District presents a vastly different picture.

Here those July 26 Democratic registration figures showed — 19,647 colored, and 16,139 whites.

The question here is not whether colored citizens can get more than the one colored councilman they now have — but a matter of deciding on the right candidates.

Here, the independent Democratic forces of Senator-elect Verda F. Welcome are bent on further destruction to the district's long - ruling Pollack faction.

Reports are the Welcome forces are strongly considering fielding for the district's three Council seats:

THE ASTUTE and highly qualified Henry G. Parks Jr., president, Parks Sausage Co.; Royal Randolph, close ally of Gov. J. Millard Tawes and top political leader of his race in the state; and Louis Pucci, young attorney and former Pollack faction member, who greatly aided Mrs. Welcome's campaign.

Then, too, the very able James W. McAllister, assistant state's attorney, is saying he strongly considers resigning his position — and running for a Council seat.

Now — these four in the primary race are about all the independent Democratic forces in this district can really afford — if they hope to upset the Pollack candidates.

So — the problem here is how best to discourage from filing the sure - to - be - ready, several other colored candidates who will serve only to confuse things.

Candidates who have no chance of winning — but merely enter the race hoping to make a "deal" with somebody for personal gain only.

These type of folks crop up at every election.

Public office filing fees ought to be scaled out of the reach of this type of small - time, political hustler.

They have contributed a tremendous setback in the advancement of colored citizens here.

Anyhow, colored citizens in the Fourth District are in the majority vote - wise — and can elect whom they desire to the City Council.

IN THE Fifth District, the Democratic registration on July 26 showed — 25,481 colored, and 61,997 whites.

This is the domain of the Goodman - Kovens combine — and the rival Pollack faction also.

Those March, 1959, primary figures show that the lowest of the four councilmen nominated received 12,164 votes — and the top man got 14,829.

Set this beside the 25,481 colored Democratic voters in this district — and it's readily apparent they can nominate, and quite possibly elect, a Democratic councilman of their own race.

Here, too, some sense should be used — in not flooding the field with such candidates.

And here, also, there is sufficient colored voter strength to demand a council place on the Goodman-Kovens ticket.

Philip H. Goodman, City-Council president soon to be Mayor, is going to run for that office surely — and just as surely will need all the colored votes city - wide he can get.

Here then is a phase of the pending City Council race. It's presented — to aid in sensible planning.

DONATIONS MADE — The Myra Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, made several donations to institutions and organizations, at its convention this week. Shown here, left to right: Aaron Williams Jr., outgoing grand worthy patron; Mrs. Alice Carroll, outgoing grand worthy matron; Mrs. Charles W. Wilkerson, American Cancer Society; Dr. Robert J. Hill, speaker at the group's public relations program; Mrs. Virginia Smith, chairman of Marietta Stewart Nurses Unit, and Theodore Perkins, administrator of Provident Hospital. Story on Page 12.

Views of union are presented

"Why pick on us" was the shocked reaction of Baltimore officials of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union when an AFRO reporter asked for their comment on the current racial controversy between the union and the NAACP.

By way of background, the national office of the NAACP had charged the garment industry union with failure to represent its colored and Puerto Rican members in its top levels of leadership —although these two minority groups now form the bulk of its membership.

Now the NAACP and the ILGWU are in a tooth and nail fight concerning these and other charges of discriminatory policies.

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HEADQUARTERS FOR the ILGWU's Upper South Department is in Baltimore and Mrs. Angela Bambace is manager of this tri - state section of the garment workers union.

When visited by an AFRO writer, Mrs. Bambace and assistant manager Joseph Shane, expressed shock that the NAACP or the AFRO should have doubts about the ILGWU's liberal policies.

It was explained that the newspaper wanted answers to questions in four basic areas:

1. How many workers are in the Upper South Department of ILGWU

2. What percentage of these workers are colored.

3. What positions of union leadership do colored union members hold.

4. How many colored employees had the union hired to work in its recently expanded offices on Howard Street.

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IN A lengthy reply, Mrs. Bambace pointed out "In Baltimore we have two colored members on our Executive Board. The shop steward

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Food recipients must appear scheduled day

The Donable Food Distribution Program, sponsored by the State and City Welfare Departments, urges its clients to pickup foods on the designated day.

Donable Foods has been in operation since April, 1958, and gives assistance to more than 15,000 families.

His purpose is to supplement the financial assistance of persons receiving welfare grants and other families unable to afford a proper diet due to a low income.

The products distributed are government surplus foods, such as cheese, powdered milk, flour, shortening, butter, beans peanut butter and chopped meats.

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AN AFRO reader complained that she had been refused butter because she had not appeared on the day she was designated to pick up her food supplies. She said she had been ill.

Edward Vogelman, supervisor of the Donable Food program, explained:

"The reason the client had been refused butter was not a form of punishment for her failing to come on the right day.

"We have more than **15,000 clients, each is given a day on which to get their supplies. As you can see, with this large number of people, an arrangement of this sort is necessary in order to control the program."**

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"THIS MAKES distribution very difficult," he said. "For example, our butter supply for the day is picked up every morning. We only get enough for the number of clients who have been designated for that day.

"If we were to give butter to people who are not scheduled, someone else, appearing on the right day, would be neglected."

Mr. Vogelman said that all the other foods are kept on hand. He suggested that if the person whose name is on the privilege card is unable to come, he/she should designate another person to do so, in accordance with the program regulations.

Fellowship asks support for Duke Ellington concert

The Baltimore Fellowship, Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to making the community a better place for all its residents, is sponsoring a benefit concert — featuring the talented and internationally famous Duke Ellington.

The affair will be on Thursday, Dec. 6, at 8:30 p.m. at the Polytechnic Institute, North Ave. and St. Paul St.

Fellowship House needs more volunteer help and financial support and is enlisting the aid of all citizens interested in its program.

Fellowship House has helped Baltimore become a better place since it was established here in 1938. It sponsored the city's first interracial choir, the first workshop in human relations for Public School teachers; and the Baltimore Art Center, which was the only certified Art School to accept colored students.

civil rights legislation other states have adopted.

In situations of tension, such as the recent episodes at Riverside Pool, in Glen Burnie last Spring — when the first colored family moved into Sun Valley Homes —and at Hampden when an Indian family was involved, Fellowship House has tried to make its presence and sentiments felt.

The latest project of Fellowship House involves working with a small group of neighborhood children in order to help broaders and extend their educational and cultural horizons.

To date, Fellowship House has operated on a "shoestring", both financially and as far as active participation of too few volunteers.

If you wish to volunteer your services to work with any phase of the program of Fellowship House, to renew your membership, or to join the organization, contact Miss Ruth Fegley, Executive Director, LI. 2-2695. The building is located at 3200 N. Hilton St.

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D'Alesandro has foes for Council post

"I think I have enough votes to win."

Thomas D'Alesandro 3rd gave the AFRO this brief comment Tuesday evening, as a roadblock appeared in his bid for president of the City Council.

The popular Mr. D'Alesandro, now president of the city's Board of Supervisors of Elections, is slated to succeed Philip H. Goodman to the Council presidency, when the latter becomes mayor next month.

However, Paul J. Reed Jr., attorney and veteran political faction leader in the accommodations, advantage Third District, has just announced his bid for the post.

He is currently the only **announced opposition candidate** to Mr. D'Alesandro.

Mr. Reed, who heads the Third District Democratic Organization, gave the AFRO this explanation:

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"WITH ALL the maneuvering going on, I saw we were getting involved in a lot of intra-party squabbling. I felt if I offered myself, with the understanding I wouldn't run in March, it may stop a blood-bath.

"I have no axes to grind. It's my own idea to run".

Mr. D'Alesandro has been mentioned for the City Council presidency for more than a year now, since reports first started circulating that Mayor J. Harold Grady would get a judgeship post and Mr. Goodman would automatically succeed him in office.

There has developed, however, a reported Pollack faction.

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NAACP asks O'Donnell for more positions

The NAACP has urged William J. O'Donnell, the newly elected Baltimore City state's attorney, to appoint more colored assistants to his staff.

While Baltimore's colored citizens form 26 per cent of the population, only two of 29 assistants in the state's attorney's office are colored, the letter said.

It noted:

"We call to your attention a problem which you have inherited of the inequitable representation of qualified colored assistants on the staff of the state's attorney's office.

"The late Saul Harris responded to our appeal and appointed Benjamin L. Brown and James McAllister Jr., who are presently serving on your staff.

"However, out of 20 assistants on the state's attorney's staff, only two are colored. It is most discouraging to our qualified young men who have trained to serve their city, but who have been denied the opportunity solely because of race.

"We have a number of candidates whose biographical sketches we will be glad to submit for your consideration. That information is already in the files of the state's attorney's office, but we will be glad to renew it."

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ice man."

This service is offered free, by the Baltimore Regional Chapter, American Red Cross. Recording sessions begin on Nov. 26, and end on December 14, between 1 and 6:30 p.m., Monday through Sundays.

Make an appointment by calling HOpkins 7-9905 Extensions 69 or 66.

20 killed in carnage on highways

Twenty persons were killed on Maryland highways during last weekend, according to the Maryland State Police, this represents one of the highest tolls on record.

Among those who lost their lives were eight drivers, four passengers, and eight pedestrians.

A survey by the State Police indicates that alcohol was a contributing factor in seven of these deaths; speed in six and "driver error" in sixteen.

Four teenage pedestrians (16 and 17 years old) were killed, two of whom were walking together when hit. Three elderly victims (72, 75 and 83), were also killed.

The 83-year-old man who was killed, failed to secure his brake in parking, resulting in a runaway vehicle which in-turn ran over him.

Talking letters

A "Talking Christmas Letter" to the service man in your family is being made possible through the American Red Cross.

The recording is made on a small 33 1/3 RPM record and can be played on record players available at military installations and hospitals, according to Red Cross officials.

"Volunteers from the Red Cross will help you plan and record your message and play it back to you," they said.

"Then you address the envelope, stamp and airmail your oral letter to your service man."

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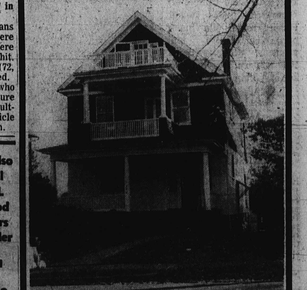

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Wins divorce on testimony her mate left without explanation

Mrs. Emma Towns of 1813 N. Fulton Ave. testified, this week, that her husband, Douglas just got up one morning and went on his way without explanation.

She was granted a divorce on grounds of desertion, after explaining that her marriage on February 22, 1926 lasted only until January 25, 1928.

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Carlton Jeffress 2000 Pulaski St., said that he and Mrs. Viola Jeffres "just couldn't get along" and so separated.

The marriage which took place on Nov. 22, 1951 ended on August 1, 1959, he said. A divorce decree went to the husband.

Also granted a divorce on grounds of voluntary separation was Mrs. Tinnie Grace of 1812 Dukeland St., from Fred Grace.

This couple was married on January 13, 1933 and separated on April 15, 1942.

Mrs. Loretta Price won a divorce from James Price on grounds of voluntary separation. They were married April 18, 1953 and separated January 10, 1956. They are parents of three daughters who are in custody of the mother.

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MRS. MARION HAWKINS of 1043 W. Fayette St. testified that her marriage to Lee Roy Hawkins lasted only seven months, all of which were filled with "ups and downs," said she.

They decided to end the marriage on March 27, 1951. Along with the decree she will be allowed to resume her maiden name, Clinton.

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JAMES HOUSTON was ordered to pay Mrs. Dorothy Houston $15 per week for the support of their son, following the granting of a divorce to her on grounds of voluntary separation.

Mrs. Houston, 538 N. Carrollton Ave., and Mrs. Houston, 305 Berlin Ave., were married April 11, 1952 and separated Dec. 1, 1954, according to the records.

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A DIVORCE, on the same grounds, went to Mrs. Melinease Hutchinson of 1710 Warwick Ave. from Leon Hutchinson.

The mother was given custody of two children and he ordered to continue to provide $20 per week for their support.

2 men held on morals charges

Kenneth Hamber, 19, 900 block of W. Fayette St.; and Vernon W. Hawkins, 22, 900 block of W. Fayette St., are being held for grand jury action in $1,000 bail each.

They are charged with carnal knowledge of a 14-year-old girl. The men were arrested on a warrant sworn out by the girl's mother.

Mr. Hamber told police that he was a painter and Mr. Hawkins said that he was unemployed.

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MRS. SANTA

Festival Will Help Her Answer Pleas of Needy

(STORY IN COLUMN 6)

WEATHER

The weatherman predicts a sunny and mild Friday, temperatures in mid 40's, tonight with lows in the 40's. Saturday through Wednesday, continued mild with temperatures in the mid 46's. There will be little or no precipitation.

SOMEONE KNOWS, BUT NO ONE TELLS

Where Is Mrs. X?

Poly 11 promised 'red carpet'

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

School Superintendent George Brain told the AFRO yesterday (Thursday) that he has been given "concrete assurance that the players on the Poly football team will be accorded equal treatment when it visits Miami, Fla., next weekend for an Orange Bowl game with Miami High School.

The School Board, at a special meeting, Nov. 24, asked Dr. Brain to ascertain whether or not there is likely to be any form of discrimination in force at the game or during the Poly stay in Miami.

Six colored players are members of the Engineer squad. Three halfbacks Ernie Torain and Alvin Lee, and tackle Clyde Mason are starters. The others are Gary Burgess, Melvin Locks and Ron McKee.

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IN GRANTING its approval of the post - season trip, the board set forth a 6-point provision which it urged Dr. Brain to exercise.

The provision held that:

1. All members of the team must be housed and entertained together; with equal accommodations for parents or fans who might accompany them; and in hospitals should medical attention be required.

2. There must be adequate insurance of players.

3. There must be no fund-raising activities in connection with the game during school hours.

4. There can be no expense to the city or the School Board for the trip.

5. No publicity may be given to the persons who have underwritten the trip (The Board was advised that $10,000 had already been subscribed by private industries.)

6. All legal arrangements must be cleared through the office of the City Solicitor.

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"I HAVE received concrete assurance that our wishes will be respected," Dr. Brain told the AFRO.

"Early this week, I sent a telegram to Dr. Joe Hall, superintendent of schools in Miami.

"I asked him whether there will be any question with re-

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JOB SEEKER — Young Eugene Conaway reads the want-ads in his search for work. Mr. Conaway, like thousands of other men in Baltimore, has been unemployed for several months. He had worked as a porter but wants training in a skilled trade. SEE STORY THIS ISSUE ON THE DEPT. OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY. (AFRO photo by I. Henry Phillips Sr.)

DES exec admits job prejudice

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of articles on racial discrimination in state government agencies. Last week, it was reported that out of a total of 1,020 employees, the Md. Department of Employment Security had only 136 colored. This state agency is supported entirely by Federal funds. Last year its budget topped $6 million in tax money. Although DES operates in the area of employment, a sensitive problem with colored Marylanders, no colored employees were in top planning and policy jobs. The executive director said 7 colored workers were supervisors. As shown in this week's article, this is not the case. The DES director also reported that to his knowledge no DES employmen service workers practiced by-passing of citizens seeking job placement. But as what follows reveals the employment service division has not accorded colored Marylanders their full and deserved share of this public agency's services.

By RALPH MATTHEWS JR.
(Third In A Series)

Stephen C. Cromwell, director of Maryland's Department of Employment Security (DES) says he is "proud" of his agency's racial policies.

Proud? Why?

Listen to what one DES official said occurred in DES offices:

"Sometimes, the workers seeing an applicant's address or high school etc. will by pass some one they feel is colored.

"I have found that they (DES employees) do mark job orders.

"Sometimes, they will use numbers such as No. 1 on a

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If YOU Ask ME

By B. W. PHILLIPS

People are talking about the grand job the Rev. Kelly L. Jackson is doing at Sharp St. Methodist Church.

Under his leadership the church is undergoing a major face - lifting.

Old lights, fixtures and equipment are being modernized. "It said you will not know the church when the job is finished. Look in and see for yourself. Church is located at Dolphin and Eutaw Sts.

Which reminds me to mention that Women's Day contributions here are nearing the $8,000 mark!

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Reunion: Mr. and Mrs. J. Percy Bond (Pauline), met their new daughter - in - law for the first time last week.

She is Mrs. Carol Sawyer Bond of D.C., wife of 1st Lt. J. Percy Bond Bd. They were married in July.

Also here: the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence S. Sawyer (Bessie), of Winston-Salem. He is director of distributive education in the N.C. city schools.

Coming up on Dec. 5: The Business and Professional Women's Annual dinner meeting, 7 p.m., at the Elegante Room, 3908 Forest Park Ave. Members will bring yule gifts for mental hospital patients.

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IN A NUTSHELL

- **Racial discrimination and Maryland's Department of Employment Security**
- **DES official says "Sometimes, the workers seeing an applicant's address or high school, etc., will by-pass someone they feel is colored"**
- **DES director had said such racial coding was "inconceivable"**
- **DES worker says promotions for colored employees are slow and workers leave in disgust**
- **DES personnel director says aggressive action to integrate an agency at all levels is "poor policy."**

Jackie raps Meany on unions

WASHINGTON

Jackie Robinson virtually blew the whistle on AFL-CIO President George Meany and accused him of attempting to "blackmail colored citizens."

Mr. Robinson, Washington AFRO columnist and vice-president of Chock Full O'Nuts, sounded off on the AFL - CIO president in a Tuesday speech before the Equal Opportunity Day Luncheon at the Statler Hotel.

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He said it is one thing for labor unions to sign equal opportunity agreements with the Federal government, but still another for Mr. Meany to threaten to withdraw AFL-CIO support from the NAACP because of action by the organization against union discrimination.

Clerics fight death for youths

By EDWARD BEAL
WASHINGTON

A group of Washington ministers this week started a national campaign to save three young men from the Maryland gas chamber. They face death on a charge of raping a white girl.

Bishop Samuel L. Kelsey of the Church of God in Christ serves as chairman of the national move seeking clemency for James and John Giles, who are brothers, and Joseph E. Johnson, all natives of Montgomery County, Md.

The national effort ties in with work by the Giles-Johnson Defense Committee, which was established several months ago in the year-old case, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Howard F.

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Suspect shot in Turner hold-up try

A man shot five times Thursday night in an attempted holdup of the Town Liquor Store in the 100 block Main St., Turner Station, has been identified by police as a Baltimore resident.

Dundalk police Capt. Edner Story said Friday morning the suspect apparently would live and is under guard in City Hospital.

Capt. Story said police still had no lead on a second man who accompanied the wounded suspect into the store but escaped during the shooting.

Joseph Adams, 52, 300 block Main St., member of Baltimore County's well-known Adams family, told police he pulled his .38 revolver and fired at least five times after the two men came in and asked for wine, then put a gun on him and demanded money.

The wounded man crawled out of the store and was found less than two blocks away. Capt. Story said. No charges will be placed against Adams unless the suspect dies, the officer said.

The suspect was shot in the leg, chest, neck and possibly the back.

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Do You Know Him?

WHO IS HE? — This is an artist's conception of how "Baby X" looked before his body was found in a ravine in Mt. Winans last week. Anyone who thinks he knows him and hasn't seen him in the past six weeks is urged to call Southwestern District Police.

Boy's body found in woods

By GEORGE W. COLLINS

Where are you Mrs. X?

We do not know your real name, we do not know what you look like, but we do know that you exsist.

You have to exist because you had a son, and on Saturday four youngsters found him in an isolated ravine at the end of a deadend stree in the Mt. Winans area.

He was dead.

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HE HAD been in the woods for about a month, and had probably been dead three weeks.

Nobody knows his name, and so we call him Baby X.

We call you Mrs. X because you are his mother. Perhaps you can tell why this chubby face youngster was thrown away like a broken toy.

All week long police have been trying to find you, to solve the riddle of your son's death . . . but they have had no luck.

Your son's body is still in the City Morgue...unclaimed ed.

Perhaps by now, the conscience that all of us have, is beginning to make itself felt within you.

We hope so — for no child should die without a name.

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THERE ARE no promises that we can make as to what will happen to you Mrs. X, but for the sake of your child, won't you, or someone who knew him, give this baby a name.

We want to find you Mrs. X — won't you come forth? Now that we have made our plea, we'll tell you more about the case of your son.

At AFRO presstime Thursday, we were around-the clock investigation, Southwestern District police had found no clues leading to

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Mrs. Santa begins holiday program

Festival

"The Show With a Heart" This is the title that has been given to the AFRO's Mrs. Santa Festival of Music scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 9, 6 p.m., in the Polytechnic Auditorium, North Ave. and Calvert St.

The reason is not hard to understand.

Through the Festival, funds are raised to help hundreds of needy families at Christmas.

Baskets of food, wheel chairs, eye glasses, toys and fuel, are but a few of the many items that the Festival makes possible.

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A GLANCE at the accompanying story on some of the pathetic letters that have already reached Mrs. Santa, will give an idea of how much needs to be done to help these destitute families.

By supporting the Festival, AFRO readers will not only help these deserving families, but will also spend an unforgettable evening listening to magnificent music of the holiday season.

Appearing on the program will be the Youth Choir and

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TICKETS ON SALE AT:

CAPLAN DRUG STORE, 601 N. Carey St.
CHARM CENTRE, 1811 Pennsylvania Ave.
HILTON COURT PHARMACY, Hilton and Liberty Hgts.
PAULINE BROOKS, 2137 W. North Ave.
SUPER MUSIC, 570 N. Gay St.
PRESSMAN BROS. SUPER MKT., 601 Cherry Hill Rd.
YWCA, 912 Madison Ave.
ROBINSON DRUG STORE, 2837 Pennsylvania Ave.

Letters

One of the world's greatest tragedies comes when a mother is forced to watch her children suffer from hunger and a lack of proper clothing, and feel that she is helpless to ease their plight.

And Christmas is when this suffering is most cruelly felt.

Already the AFRO's Mrs. Santa is being flooded with requests for aid from needy families. The letters clearly indicate that despite the increasing prosperity of some Americans, there are still far too many struggling for a meal and trying to find fuel and clothing.

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CITIZENS can do much to alleviate some of the sadness which will fill the homes of many unfortunate people on Christmas Day by playing Santa Claus to some needy family.

That is, a citizen may adopt a family for Christmas Day.

Individual cases may be picked from the pages of

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Here's How You Can Help

- **Purchase a ticket and attend the Festival of Music on Dec. 9 at Polytechnic auditorium**
- **Make a cash contribution to the Mrs. Santa Fund, 628 N. Eutaw St.**
- **Adopt one of the cases appearing in the AFRO. Call MUberry 5-6015 from noon until 5:30 p.m. and you will be given further information on the family and its name and address**

ELECTED vice-president of the 1966 graduating class at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy was Merle J. Smith Jr. of Aberdeen Md. Cadet Smith was chosen by his classmates. He won appointment to the Academy through competitive examination. He has a fine record at the Academy both academically and professionally, and is a member of the JV football squad and the Protestant Chapel Choir. He is the son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Merle J. Smith of Aberdeen.