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streamer reading:

"Racism killed our brother."

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A SECOND service, with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., officiating, was set later in Jackson's hometown of Marion, about 35 miles northwest of Selma.

Not since the spectacular funeral of Medgar Evers, Mississippi civil rights leader killed by a sniper's bullet in 1963, had southerners turned out in such numbers to pay tribute to a victim of the civil rights struggle.

Following the formal services at Selma, the hundreds who were unable to get inside the church — many of them young people—stood in a light rain to await their turn to file past the casket.

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A FULL HOUR before the long cortege from Selma was due at Marion for the second funeral huge crowds stood outside the Zion Church on Marion's public square.

Marion police blocked off the square to all but funeral traffic.

As the pallbearers entered the Selma church carrying Jackson's flower-decked casket, members of the crowd rose as a body, linked arms and stood swaying as they sang the Freedom hymn, "We Shall Overcome."

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ONE HEAVYSET woman became hysterical and other women in the audience dabbed at their eyes with handkerchiefs as the choir sang softly and ministers took the pulpit to praise the young farmer who lived out his days earning $6 a day cutting pulpwood.

To the strains of "God Will Take Care of You," the emotional audience heard Jackson praised as a civil rights warrior who "takes his rightful place among Abraham Lincoln, John Brown, Medgar Evers and Emmet Till."

The dark casket was covered by a blanket of pink and white carnations and was placed near the altar of the Selma church. The altar was banked by about 12 sprays of red and yellow flowers.

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MERCY . . . Mercy . . . oh Lord, I can't stand it," shouted one woman when she saw the casket.

Mrs. Viola Jackson, the victim's mother, and Cajer Lee, Jackson's grandfather, sat in the front pew with tears streaming down their faces.

The Rev. Ralph Abernathy one of King's top aides, took the pulpit to say that Jackson "was knocked down standing up for his rights."

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THE REV. James Bevel, another civil rights leader, described Jackson as "a martyr who gave his life for freedom."

The Rev. F. C. Reese, who has led most of the night mass meetings held in Selma in recent weeks prayed

"Oh God our hearts are heavy . . . give us the courage to walk in dignity . . . to walk in the face of fear."

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JACKSON was felled by a bullet in the chest during a night march in Marion a week ago last Thursday. He died last week as the result of a massive infection set up by the wound.

He was trying to protect his mother from a beating at the hands of a state trooper when the shot was fired. Authorities have said they have a statement from the person who fired the shot but have refused to say whether the statement is from a trooper.

King has promised that the footsteps in Jackson's funeral march will be "heard around the world." the Nassau Beach Hotel in Nassau.

Wouldn't that be a nice gift for the favorite teacher in your school? You can make it possible by sending in your ballot TODAY.

However, for the runners-up there are 12 consolation cash prizes: a third prize of $150, a fourth prize of $100 and 10 prizes of $10.

—Teachers

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the last day of the contest March 30

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SO PUPILS can check right now for the winner from your school and cajole teg or borrow a! the ballots you an to send in for the favorite teacher from your school.

Encourage your friends to help also; so that your school might be known as the best when the final winners are announced.

The AFRO will present a handsome plaque to the school whose teacher finishes first.

Final listings for all teachers who were nominated and the numbers of their votes are listed elsewhere in today's paper.

The names of winners from each school are listed in boldface type.

THE TEACHER who corralled the most votes in the nominating portion of the contest was Mrs. Ruth Clever of Lincoln Elementary, Payson and Mulberry Sts. Mrs. Clever had a total of 66,000 votes.

Next in line was Mrs. Floine Brown of Franklin Square Elementary, Lexington and Stricker Sts., who garnered 64,400 votes.

A hot contest, with two teachers ending up with huge vote totals, developed at Fort Worthington Elementary, Lakewood Ave. and Oliver St.

Mrs. Mary Nicholsonne, who had 50,900 votes, finally won over Mrs. Margaret Mitchell with 43,600.

In another spirited race, Mrs. Charlotte Shockley of Cherry Hill Junior High, scored 51,000 votes to edge out Mrs. Bernice Brown, who also had a large number.

An early leader, Mrs. Hazel Bryant of James Mosher Elementary, Mosher St. and Wheeler Ave., tallied a total of 41,700.

IN MANY schools the nominating was characterized by fierce and close balloting. At Western High School, Mrs. Blanche Booker won over Mrs. Charlotte Holt by only 200 votes.

At Booker T. Washington Junior High, Leroy Banks came from second place to beat Mrs. Jacquelyn Hardy by 100 votes.

Harlem Park Junior High's representative in the finals will be Mrs. Mildren Forehand, who scored 8,800 to Mrs. Odaris J. Coleman's 8,500.

From Douglass High School, Miss Isabelle Waters gained the finals with her total of 20,600.

Dunbar High School's representative will be Norman Rose.

ALL 121 teachers who appear in today's AFRO will be hoping for one thing — the glorious week - long cruise in the Bahamas with a stay in Nassau.

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Voter re-registration in Balto. may get okey

ANNAPOLIS — A general re - registration of all eligible voters in Baltimore loomed as a strong possibility here Wednesday, following a hearing on the matter before the Senate's Judicial Proceedings Committee.

Senator Joseph V. Mach (D. 2nd D. Balto.) is sponsor of S.B. 306, which would authorize this general registration sometime before the 1966 election.

Four of the city's six senators are supporting the measure with him. Only Senator Verda F. Welcome (D. 4th D.) is opposed.

Since this is purely a local bill, the wishes of the majority of Baltimore's senators will push it through that chamber.

What will happen when it reaches the House is not known. Murray Abramson (D. 4th D. Balto.), chairman of the city's House delegation, told the AFRO he would not seek its approval by that group.

MRS. Betty M. Silbert, chairman, and Lloyal Randolph, assistant chief clerk, Baltimore's Supervisors of Elections, appeared at the hearing Wednesday to give an estimate of the cost of a general re-registration.

Mrs. Silbert told the committee the cost for a two-day registration, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., would be approximately $225,300.

She said this would be done, should the bill pass, at precinct polling places throughout the city so that citizens would not be too inconvenienced by having to travel a great distance.

Under questioning, however, Mrs. Silbert said she did not believe two days would be sufficient for the general re - registration, thus indicating that a greater cost would be necessary.

OPPONENTS of the bill, appearing before the Judicial Proceedings Committee, were Mrs. Vietorine Q. Adams, head of Baltimore's Womanpower, Dr. Lillie M. Jackson and the Rev. John L. Tilley of the NAACP.

They pointed out that this would undo the long, costly efforts of organized registration drives in the city.

Also, they questioned whether such a re - registration was actually necessary because a mail-out canvass had recently been held, and the cost was greater than use of a professional staff to check the books.

Senator Mach argued the registration was necessary because one had not been held for 25 years.

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NEITHER SNOW NOR . . . — Fifteen Post Office employees were sworn into new supervisory positions by Postmaster William F. Laukaitis (left) during ceremonies Tuesday. Laukaitis presented each with letters of congratulations. The newly-created supervisors are: Solomn Levy, tour superintendent of mails, PFS-11; Edward Zaccaro, assistant tour superintendent of mails, PFS-10; Page Bell, general foreman, mails, PFS-9; Clyde C. Hammond, superintendent, Middle River Branch Post Office, PFS-9; James M. Johnson, general foreman, mechanics, PFS-9; Joseph B. Locklear, assistant superintendent, Clifton Station, PFS-8; Lawrence W. Armstrong, foreman, mails, PFS-7; Kenneth E. Cameron, tour foreman, PFS-7; Garth W. Coleman, foreman, mails, PFS-7; Edward O. Cook, foreman, automotive, PFS-7; Frederick G. Hofferbert, foreman, mails, PFS-7; Charles W. Saylor, foreman, mails, PFS-7; Sheldon Scher, foreman, mails PFS-7; Francis J. Jacobs, foreman, mails, PFS-6 and Joseph L. Schwarzkopf, mechanic-in-charge, PFS-6.

Knights decide to end marriage

Mrs. Latanya Knight of 1627 E. Lafayeete Ave., and Clarence M. Knight, were divorced in Circuit Court, Tuesday, after she testified that they voluntarily separated in August, 1959.

Mrs. Knight said that they had decided earlier that they could not get along together while they were living in Puerto Rico during his tour of service in the Army. But, she said, they waited until they returned to the States and talked it over with her the union ended on August mother.

The couple had been mailed on June 18, of the pevious year.

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ALSO WINNING a divorce was Mrs. Miriam Crowder of 2023 W. North Ave., who charged that Albert Crowder deserted her.

Married on Jan. 14, 1956, the union ended on August 15, 1961. Mr. Crowder lives at 2023 W. North Ave. He is a steel - worker.

The wife said that he beat her, that she had him arrested, and when he came from court he took his clothes and left.

CPHA plans tour of littered alleys

A house and garden tour is one thing — a trash-littered alley tour is another. It is this latter type of tour that the Neighborhood Sanitation Committee of the Citizens Planning and Housing Association will conduct on Monday, March 8.

The tour will run from noon until 3 p.m. beginning and ending at 330 N. Charles St.

Further details about joining the bus tour can be obtained by calling Miss Jeanne Baesch, CPHA assistant executive director, at LE 9-1369.

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