CORE hits SS; hints direct action

James M. Griffin, chairman of Baltimore CORE, accused Commissioner James Ball today of failing to end discrimination at the Social Administration complex at Woodlawn.

Although the agency admitted that a year ago discrimination existed in job assignments, Mr. Griffin declared, "Social Security gives complete silence and continued abstenance from any form of community involvement."

The CORE official also called on the Social Security Advisory Board to "..... discharge its responsibilities to the employees and the public."

Pointing out that the board was created last May in wake of threatened demonstrations from the NAACP, Mr. Griffin said it has failed to release a follow-up report to assess promised progress.

This board, he added, made an initial finding of "documented proof of the exclusion of colored workers from better jobs," but has been inactive since.

With a thinly-veiled threat of protest demonstrations, Mr. Griffin leveled 10 charges of discrimination. They were:

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1. Exclusion of colored workers from higher grade jobs.
2. Exclusion of colored workers from supervisory positions.
3. Exclusion of colored workers from district offices and public agencies in Southern and border states.
4. Exclusion of colored workers from class after class of training sessions for computer programmers and operators.
5. Exclusion of colored employees from liaison jobs with outside agencies and groups.
6. **Indifferent and evasive enforcement of Title VI of the Civil Rights Acts, thereby permitting public agencies using Social Security funds to perpetuate discriminatory practices.**
7. Exclusion of colored workers from skilled crafts in building maintenance and concentrating them in low-paying labor jobs such as gardening, janitorial and chauffeuring.
8. Exclusion of these workers from white collar jobs (cashiers, and supervisors) in the cafeteria and confining them kitchen and clean-up jobs.
9. Exclusion of colored workers from the operation of newsstands and vending machine services.
10. Utter disregard of the feelings of colored employees who are excluded from all housing and many public accommodations in the shadow of the SS office complex.

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MR. GRIFFIN declared that colored workers can drive to work through Baltimore County, but cannot live there. They can take out food from a nearby tavern, but cannot eat or drink there. They can cash their pay checks in the bank across the street, but that bank has never employed colored persons, he added.

Asked to comment on the charges, Mr. Ball told the AFRO:

An agency spokesman told the AFRO the letter arrived at the commissioner's office on Thursday while he was attending a conference in Washington.

Mr. Ball would, upon his return, the spokesman said, reply to the charges after he has an opportunity to study them.

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Are registered to vote in Baltimore? Are you?

28 per cent of the colored persons eligible to vote in Baltimore were not registered for the past November general election.

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When — Mondays through Wednesdays, and on Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

A good citizen is registered as an eligible voter.

Next election is the gubernatorial primary in the spring of 1966.

Judge Brune to receive merit award

Frederick W. Brune, retired chief judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, has been chosen to receive the first American Trial Lawyers Association "Award of Merit" to be conferred on a Marylander, it was announced by Bill Colson, Miami, national ATL president.

The presentation will be made Saturday, May 29, 2:30 p.m. in the Stephens Hall Auditorium of the Towson State College, York Road, in conjunction with the "How To" trial practice seminar being sponsored by the national bar association.

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GUS KNOX

Gus Knox, GOP official, dies

Persons from all walks of life are in mourning at the death of Augustus David Knox, 624 S. Paca St., widely known Republican Party official, Baltimore political and civic leader.

Among them are local and national figures including Mayor McKeldin who said, "My life is sadder because I have lost an old and dear friend."

Mr. Knox died at Provident Hospital Thursday after an extended illness.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday at 11:15 a.m. from St. James Episcopal Church where he was a member over a quarter of a century.

Masonic and Elks fraternal rites will also be held for Mr. Knox who was a 32nd degree Mason, a Shriner; a member of the IBPOE of W Past Exalted Rulers' Council No. 27; the Spirit of Chesapeake Lodge No. 1107 and the Tri-State Elks.

Friends may call at the George Kelson Funeral Home 1358 N. Calhoun St. Monday evening until 10 p.m.

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AT HIS death, Mr. Knox was in the bailbond and real estate business but had been ailing over two years. He also worked at the warehouse run by the Supervisors of Elections.

He died at 8:40 a.m., May 27.

However, the night before, despite his weakening condition, Mr. Knox talked with members of his family and close friends present during hospital visiting hours.

At his bedside were his wife, Mrs. Leana Bowser Knox; her son and daughter, U.S. Army Capt. Philip J. Thomas and Mrs. Peggy Ann Jackson; Board of Supervisors of Elections Republican member, Arthur W. Sherwood; Mrs. Kathleen Buffington, of the Supervisors of Elections office and William Chew, Elections Board registrar.

Also present was Walter E. Black Jr., chairman of the Republican City Committee of which Mr. Knox was secretary seven years. The two men were also closely associated as Mr. Knox served as a delegate to the Republican National Convention 1960 and 1964.

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MR. BLACK issued this statement on Thursday.

"The Republican Party in Baltimore suffers a great loss at the death of the secretary of the Republican City Committee, Augustus D. Knox.

"His leadership both in the 6th (South Baltimore) District and city-wide will be sorely missed.

"As chairman of the Committee, I shall never forget his loyalty and dedication and particularly his courage as exemplified last year at the San Francisco Republican Convention when he stood firm in our fight for the traditional principles of the Republican Party."

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MAYOR THEODORE MCKELDIN personally dictated this statement early the morning of Mr. Knox's death:

"Today, my life is a sadder one because I have lost an old and dear friend. Officially, he was known as Augustus D. Knox, but I have never known him to be called anything other than "Gus."

"It is hard to remember when I first met Gus because it seems that I have always known him. As a Republican, Gus Knox has been through the thick and thin of politics, always willing and ready to do any job for the party he loved so well.

"As Secretary of the Republican City Committee, as well as the chairman of the 6th Legislative Committee of the Republican City Committee, Gus has worked untiringly to promote the ideals of the Republican Party and to keep both party officials and workers busy whether it was an election year or not.

"Because of his integrity and high ideals, he was appointed to the Board of Supervisors of Elections by the Governor.

"But I know Gus best from our personal association. Without men like Augustus D. Knox, in either political party, men cannot hope to attain high office.

"His dedication and sacrifice on my behalf, and on more than one occasion, will always be remembered. Indeed, he was one of a vanishing breed of men, seeking only good government, and willing to work hard for it.

"It is a sad day, becase I have lost an old friend. He is deserving of the highest praise one man can pay to another: he will always be missed."

When Mayor McKeldin was the Governor of Maryland, he named Mr. Knox as a state Liquor Board Inspector, a post he held from 1951 to 1959.

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AT HIS death, Mr. Knox had been employed at the Supervisors of Elections Board two years. He was also secretary and political advisor to the City-Wide Republican Organization, Inc. which he founded; chairman of the 6th Legislative District Republican Party; member of the local Urban League board of directors; the local Selective Service Board; convention delegate and Sergeant-At-Arms of the National Frontiers of America and member of the Baltimore Frontiers chapter.

Mr. Knox was active in civic, community and political life in the city since early youth.

He was born in East Baltimore, March 15, 1900, the son of the late Mrs. Hattie

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Smoke stack on Wilson St. to be demolished

Negotiations are finally under way for the removal of that towering smoke stack on Wilson St. near Madison Ave., standing alone on property long acquired by the Baltimore Urban Renewal and Housing Agency where all other structures have been demolished.

The stack is owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad and once served as a smoke vent for its long tunnel en route to Washington.

While no timetable was given, a spokesman for BURHA said Tuesday "progress is being made toward its removal."

Rehabilitation plans call for the erection of a junior high school and an adjoining playground on the site.

Councilman Walter T. Dixon (4th), who has long urged demolition of the stack, noted this in a recent letter to Richard L. Steiner, BURHA director.

He asked that the stack be removed before the school and playground are built, for safety measures as well as its unsightly appearance.

Beaches, parks ready for long holiday weekend

Weather conditions for the long holiday weekend are described as hot, sunny, ideal, except for scattered showers.

The Baltimore City beach facility at Fort Smallwood on the Chesapeake Bay in Arundel County will open for the summer on Saturday morning.

Picnic facilities and bathing are free, however, parking charges are $3 for buses; 50 cents for cars and 25 cents for motorcycles. Bathouses are 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children.

Concessions observe beach open and close hours, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

State parks are also open to all persons.

Park pools will not open until school closes, June 19. All other city park facilities, including the Children's Zoo, are open. All golf courses observe holiday schedules on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays with the reserved starting time system in effect. Reservations must be made a week ahead of time.

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SINCE MEMORIAL DAY, May 30, is Sunday, the national holiday will be observed Monday, May 31.

CLOSED

Banks

Libraries, all branches

City and State offices and courts

Post Office, all branches, no deliveries Monday; city-wide collection Monday beginning 4:30 p.m.

Stores and shopping centers (unless announced as open)

AFRO Advertising Department

State Unemployment checks due Monday can be picked up Tuesday, or, will be mailed on request.

OPEN

Department of Sanitation will make trash collections as usual according to the Monday schedule, but no ashes will be collected.

City Recreation facilities and areas.

All city and state parks.

All beaches, including Ocean City according to a special announcement of the mayor last week.

Put garbage out Monday

Joseph H. McCarthy, sanitary engineer, has announced that regular collections of trash and garbage will be made on Monday, May 31, a holiday.

This service is given as an effort to help make Baltimore the cleanest city in the nation.

Poverty jobs

Dr. Melvin Humphrey executive director, Baltimore's Community Action Agency, announced Thursday Civil Service applications are now open for three posts with the Neighborhood Youth Corps.

They are: Director, Neighborhood Youth Corps — $9,552; program supervisor —$7,104, and assistant program supervisor - $6,168.

Applicants for the director post are required to have a master's degree, the other two positions are open to college graduates.

Father of Year

NEW YORK, (UPI) —Educator Robert M. Hutchins, father of four, was named Father of the Year Thursday by the National Father's Day Committee for his part in indoctrinating the nation's young with democratic principles.

The 55th annual Father's Day will be observed by American families on June 20. Its theme this year is "Juvenile Integrity Starts in the Home."

Tawes seeks aid for 265-youth work project

ANNAPOLIS — Gov. J. Millard Tawes has asked the Federal Neighborhood Youth Corps to assist in financing a $191,000 project to give employment to 265 Maryland youths in the Department of Forests and Parks during a 12-week period.

Under the plan, the Federal Government, under the Economic Opportunity Act, will spend $166,410, or 88 per cent of the cost of the project. The remaining $24,540 of the project cost will be borne by the Maryland Department of Forests and Parks from its 1966 budget.

The state employment service is being asked to recruit the 265 enrollees from 25 communities near the state forest and park properties. They will work under the direct supervision of experienced forest and park rangers in furthering the conservation of natural resources.

They will be recruited from youths 16 through 21 years old, unemployed and in economic need. Working a 30-hour week, they will receive $1.25 an hour.

Many senior citizens find retirement means boredom

By STERLING A. PAIGE

May was designated by President Johnson as Senior Citizens Month. Elderly citizens are getting more consideration these days than ever before.

Senior golden age clubs are encouraged and other activities are promoted to encourage retired individuals to feel they can do useful things with their new - found and often boring leisure.

In Maryland the number of persons over 65 increased by more than 38 per cent between 1950 and 1960. The number in 1950 was 163,514, which went to 226,539 in 1960. The 1963 estimate was over 248,000.

According to Dr. William J. Peeples, Commissioner of the Maryland State Department of Health, these older people have approximately twice the amount of illnesses each year as do people in the age group under 65.

They also spend about three times more time in the hospital than those in the younger group.

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THE AFRO talked to some of these golden agers - to find out what they are doing, what they have done and what they hope to do.

To one thing all of them agree — leisure is a thing to be endured, not enjoyed. Far from all youthful thoughts, days of retirement and days of doing nothing after having an active life can often be days of boredom.

However, one lady, Mrs. Annie Kennedy, 1109 block Ashland Ct., when asked what she planned to do in the future, replied:

"I don't want to do nothing but sit down and look. I mean nothing. I have been a seamstress all my life and a good cook. I worked hard and now I don't want anything to do."

Even so, Mrs. Kennedy admitted that she would travel a lot if she could afford to. She is now 80 and says there has been nothing unusual in here life.

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A FORMER truck driver who worked at it for 35 years is George Bowden, 64, 800 block George St. He stopped work five years ago when his sight went bad.

"My greatest satisfaction in life was my driving," Mr. Bowden said. "I drove rigs all over the country. No, in 35 years I never had a serious accident. I have no plans for the future — just wish I could work."

The former tractor - trailer driver told how he drove all the year, then at vacation time he would get in his car and drive some more - to Canada, Chicago and other far away places. If his eyes were not bad he would drive some more to distant places. He just loves to travel.

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MISS LOUIS REEVES, a septuagenarian of the 200 block Dallas St., tries to keep busy by working with the Girl Scouts and Kiddie Club at the Lafayette Rec. Center. She is a member of the Golden Age Club of the Lafayette and Douglass Center.

She loves to work with children and "last year I won a year's subscription to the AFRO for my Clean Block efforts.

"I just wish I could travel."

Exum Copeland, 800 block Harford Ct., is a former barber who owned his own shop in Suffolk, Va. Now 70 years old, his greatest ambition is to reach 72.

"Then I could work again as a barber without having my earnings limited by Social Security," he explained.

The most interesting thing in his life was his work as a barber. "I always liked people and found them interesting. In a barber shop you get a chance to talk with people and know them and their problems."

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EDMUND BRIGGS, 65, 800 block George St.:

"My work has been the most important and satisfying thing in my life. You see, it made the money for me. I would rather be working now but I have a bad heart and the doctor won't let me."

Mr. Briggs worked for one company 35 years as a truck driver and would still like to be driving. "That's all I ever did. Sitting around is the hardest thing I ever did. Who wants to be idle? When I was younger I thought it would be wonderful to have nothing to do — but now ...."

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MRS. FLORA NEAL, 5600 block Dogwood Rd., had no interesting story to tell of her life but finds her joy now in keeping busy with activities along with other Golden Agers.

"I won a prize for some of the Senior Citizens' crafts, and I am an active member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church on Dogwood Rd.," Mrs. Neal said.

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"I REMEMBER a crab grabbing my big toe when I was soft - crabbing. I still have the mark on me," reminisced Mrs. Esther Hall, 1109 block McAleer Ct., a native of Hampton, Va.

Another time she had trapped a crab under a forked stick and reached under the water to pick him up. "It was a hard crab instead of a soft one and did he bite my finger hard."

Mrs. Hall worked in Hampton as a crab - picker and also worked in the Veterans' Hospital at Kecoughtan (then known as the "Old Soldiers" Home).

Mrs. Hall is now 67 and says the most important thing in her life has been her charity and missionary work "to help those who can't help themselves". Her plans for the future are to do even more of it.

She is a member of Martha's Chapter No. 9, Order of Eastern Star, and is treasurer of the Golden Age Club.

DES holiday Monday

All officers of the Maryland Department of Employment Security, with the exception of the Ocean City office, will be closed on Monday, May 31, for the observance of Memorial Day.

High School graduations

Here is the list of dates and times for the graduation exercises of local high schools. All will be held in the Civic Center Auditorium.

CALVERT HALL COLLEGE	
Sun., June 6	2:00 P.M.
DUNBAR HIGH SCHOOL	
Mon., June 7	8:00 P.M.
EDMONDSON HIGH SCHOOL	
Tues., June 8	8:00 P.M.
PATTERSON HIGH SCHOOL	
Wed., June 9	8:00 P.M.
DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL	
Fri., June 11	8:00 P.M.
SOUTHERN HIGH SCHOOL	
Sun., June 13	8:00 P.M.
EASTERN HIGH SCHOOL	
Mon., June 14	8:00 P.M.
BALTIMORE CITY COLLEGE	
Tues., June 15	8:00 P.M.
FOREST PARK HIGH SCHOOL	
Wed., June 16	8:00 P.M.
BALTIMORE POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE	
Thurs., June 17	8:00 P.M.

Tipster richer by $20; first to tell us about fatal highway accident

An alert AFRO reader who first notified the AFRO about the fatal N.C. highway accident which took the lives of the Rev. James Crossen and his two sons is $20 richer this week.

Other tipsters who reported on a variety of events in their neighborhoods, including a 50th wedding anniversary, a fatal fire, and home and street accidents shared the AFRO's $50 weekly newstip prize.

You, too, can win cash for newstips. Just call the AFRO City Desk, Mulberry 5-6015, and say, "I've got a news tip."

Note: Names of newstipsters are held in strict confidence.

Princess Coming

LONDON, (UPI) —Britain's Princess Margaret will pay her first visit to the United States in November, it was announced Thursday. The trip marks the triumphant end of a campaign she has been waging since she was a teen - ager.

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