Coming Events

Jan. 27

Dr. Moses S. Koch, president of Essex Community College and Mrs. John E. Woolley, director of the college's Urban Development Assistance Curriculum, will join a select group of educators and city planning officials, drawn from various parts of the country, for an invitational conference in Washington, D.C. to discuss city planning.

Feb. 12

"The Red Shoes" will be presented by the Children's Theatre Association as its mid-winter production, opening on successive Saturdays at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. It will be presented at the same times at Catonsville Senior High School, Feb. 19, at Pikesville Senior High School Feb. 26, and at Mergenthaler Senior High School March 5.

Jan. 23

The Zeta Sigma Chapter, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity will observe their 52nd Anniversary Founders' Celebration and Banquet at the Sheraton-Baltimore Inn, Broadway and Orleans Sts. Dr. James A. Sensenbaugh, State Superintendent of Education will be the guest speaker. Ernest W Lee is chapter president.

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SMOKERS' DILEMMA is heard by Morgan State College students who crowded campus discussion on the hazards of smoking during the film and panel talks held there recently. Speakers included representatives of the president's council on physical fitness Dr. George M. Phillips, superintendent at Crownsville, and Dr. Robert J. Wilde of the Johns Hopkins University as the keynote speaker. The conference ran two days.

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Student saves youngster in path of auto

Stanley Robertson, 2111 Lexington St., was walking along Edmondson Ave. recently when he spotted a small tot walking across the street in front of an onrushing car.

The driver apparently did not see the child. Stanley, a student returning home from Harlem Park Junior High, dashed across the street and swept the little girl out of the car's path with inches to spare.

The driver never slowed up or stopped and young Stanley emerged with a scratched leg but his near-victim companion was saved.

Jesse Smith, Stanley's homeroom teacher in section 7 A-6 at Harlem Park told the AFRO, "I feel that an act of courage such as this one deserves commendation. A life saved is never a minor accomplishment."

2 million more teenagers to join smokers in 1966

By MARY RICHARDSON

"The hazards of cigarette smoking and its link with cancer has prompted educators to begin the study with youngsters as young as eight years old.

The problem is being attacked on the elementary school level simply because, though in small number, regular smokers are found there.

Dr. Robert E. Parker, city commissioner of health, recently reported the introducing of a smoking unit into the city schools for more than 26,000 boys and girls in fifth and sixth grades by Miss Edith V. Walker, assistant superintendent for elementary education.

In a random sampling of the incidence of smokers caught breaking the city-wide prohibition, the standard among junior high schoolers seems to be, as William Spencer, vice principal of William Lemmel told the AFRO: "Those who do try to smoke in school usually use the wash rooms, but it has never really been a problem."

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THE PROBLEM, though for those most concerned about students growing into confirmed smokers is that as educators they cannot see the problem or get the smoker to identify themselves because of the necessarily severe penalties the infraction carries.

One school counselor says, "some youngsters are given cigarettes by older ones, but we don't know of this until the child has gained a regular smoker's confidence and gets caught at it on the school premises."

Leon Horowitz, principal, concurred with Mrs. Vivian Washington, vice principal, of Clifton Park Junior High, a that schools case of smoking violators among 2,000 students.

"We know that many of our students smoke, but not on the school grounds," Mrs Washington said.

"Two years ago, the school schedule was changed so that no student goes onto the playground after lunch, and since then, only approximately 2 cases a year have been reported to the office for discipline,' Mrs. Washington added.

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BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Junior High's principal Harold Seaborne stated, "we have a small minority of confirmed smokers and we bring information on smoking hazards to them to get them to reform."

Speaking on a problem voiced by three other principals, Mr. Seaborne said, "some parents, however, have given their consent, to let 12 and 13 year-olds smoke. When we face these cases, we don't hesitate to let the parents know we think theirs is an unwise decision."

Principal Edna Carter was one of the educators queried who heads joint school grade level.

As head of the Benjamin Franklin Elementary and Junior High school, she said, "with a number of wooden buildings here we have a rule of suspension for any students caught smoking."

Principal Carter added, "our young smokers are always been gathered together to watch a film on the sufferings of a young man whose smoking leads to cancer and then surgery."

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MORGAN STATE College recently held a series of films and seminars to standing - room -only audiences on the hazards of smoking.

The problems of dealing with the 18 year old and older are no different from those of the youngsters.

The difficulty is that it may be easier for the young smoker to stop. Some adult smokers border on addiction, smoking as many as three packs a day.

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THE AMERICAN Cancer Society says: 1) the risk of developing lung cancer increases with duration of smoking and the number of cigarettes smoked per day;

2) there is no clear evidence of the effect of cigarette filters to trap tar and nicotine;

3) 47,000 persons die of cancer each year and most of these are smokers;

4) 2 million teen - agers join the ranks of America's 70 million smokers each year;

5) one pack of cigarettes a day costs $100 a year with Americans billions being spent on tobacco products each year.

It is getting harder each day to avoid the lure of cigarettes. In 1963 alone tobacco companies spent over $100 million on TV advertising and more than double this in billboards, magazines, radio and newspapers.

NEW PHOTO! to join the staff of the Public Information section for the Community Chest - Red Cross United Appeal is Benjamin O. McCutcheon Jr. He is a graduate of Forest Park High School, attended Maryland State College, and has pursued courses at the Peabody Conservatory of Music. Mr. McCutcheon, 21, is a member of the Maryland National Guard and resides with his parents in the 4000 block Cranston Ave.

United Appeal makes two staff appointments

Harry L. Lippincott, executive director of the United Appeal of Central Maryland, announced two staff changes this week. James S. Snyder, business manager with the federation since 1959, has become director to head annual fund campaigns and his replacement is Ronald A. Armstrong, formerly with Greehound Corp and Nationwide Marketing Associates.

Ecumenical prayer service scheduled Sunday at Lyric

Lawrence Cardinal Shehan, Archbishop of Baltimore, Bishop Harry Lee Doll of the Episcopal Diocese of Maryland and Methodist Bishop Edgar A. Love will participate at 4 p.m. Sunday as members of all Christian faiths join in an ecumenical prayer service at the Lyric Theatre.

Tickets are available from denominational headquarters of each church and from Catholic parishes. Seats will be held for ticket - holers until five minutes before the service, and then made available to the public.

A joint committee of Protestant and Catholic clergymen has been working on preparations for six months.

The Rt. Rev. Joseph M. Nelligan, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Towson, and chairman of the Archdiocesan Commission on Christian Unity, and the Very Rev. John N. Peabody, president of the Maryland Council of Chdrches and rector of the Episcopal Cathedral of the Incarnation, will each give homilies.

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OTHER PARTICIPANTS in the service will be the Rev. George F. Cora of St. Lawrence parish, Jessup, Rev. Hugh Michael Nicholas of the Josephite Fathers; Rev. John J. Walsh of St. Stephen parish, Bradshaw; the Very Rev. F. Joseph Gossman, vice chancellor of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

Also the Rev. Fred M. Webber, general Presbyter of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.; Rev. J. Frank Fife, president of the Maryland Synod, Lutheran Church in America; Rev. Dr. Ward D. Yerby, vice president, United Baptist Missionary Convention; Rev. Nicholas Harris, pastor of St. Andrew's Russian Orthodox Church and Rev. Donzel C. Wilder, executive secretary of the Maryland Council of Churches.

A joint choir from Catholic and Protestant churches will render the music under the direction of John Hoffman with Bruce Eicher at the organ. Also participating will be the Towson State College Brass Choir under the direction of Roger Cody.

IN MEMORY — Check on behalf of her grandchildren was presented Soror Frances Stith, chairman of the Delta Sorority's sponsorship program which was officially named Vashti Turley Murphy Memorial Fund when the sorority mared its 53rd anniversary on Sunday. Making the presentation, front, is Rachael Phillips. Grandchildren standing are Vashti Smith, namesake of the founder; and Marie Phillips. Fund is used to aid deserving college girls.

Electrician trainees needed

The Baltimore Urban League announced today that is looking for bright young men between the ages of 18 and 26, who have electrical or mechanical aptitude, education or experience, and are high school graduates.

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Schaefer to hold 28 pt.

Begining on Jan. 23, Baltimore will be the scene of ten consecutive weekly treasure hunts worth a total of $5000 in cash prizes to the ten winners, it was announced here by Rudolph J. Schaefer, 1-5423 for tickets.

'Exquisite Teen' to be crowned by McKeldin

Mayor Theodore R. McKeldin will crown the 1966 "Miss Teenage Exquisite" at a Coronation Ball to be held Jan. 28 from 8 to 12 p.m. at the Blue Crest Fordleigh, 6307 Reisterstown Rd.

The Charm School of the Exquisite Studio, directed by Mrs. Nina Lonesome, is sponsoring the formal event to select a queen from five finalists. This is the first time the contest is being held and will become a yearly event.

Civic organizations, sororities and fraternities will participate with organizations sending ten members or more being given their tables by reservation.

The young entrants for the title are from 14 to 17 years old and the winner will hold the crown until 1967 at this time. Prizes to the queen will go to her club as well as to the lucky winner."

The five finalists are: Debra Wright, Myra Arvin, Eastern High; Berdetta Briscoe, Western; Alease Briscoe, Eastern; and Lillian Scott, Dunbar.

For information or reservations to the formal Ball contact Mrs. Lonesome: 523-5102. Subscription is $4 per person.

III. vice president of The F. and M. Schaefer Brewing Company, sponsor of the contest.

Formally named the "Schaefer Lucky Coin Contest," the series of treasure hunts will involve searches for special golden coins, to be hidden in public places around Baltimore.

The contest will be tied in closely with the play - by-play broadcasts of Baltimore Clipper ice hockey games, sponsored by Schaefer on WBAL radio. Three new clues to the hidine plae of the week will be anouned during the bradcast of each Clipper game.

JAN. 22

The Baltimore Actors' Theatre will present the musical version of the storybook classic "Hansel and Gretel" at the Hippodrome at 9:30 a.m. and also on Jan. 29. Call MU 5-5423 for tickets.

MISS EQUISITE 1966 might be one of the finalists seen here as the lucky young lady to be crowned by Mayor Theodore R. McKeldin Jan. 28 at Blue Crest Fordleigh. Seated (l—r): Myra Arvin, finalist; and Nina Brewington, junior hostess. Second row (l-r): Debra Wright and Berdetta Briscoe, finalists. Two contestants not shown are Alease Briscoe and Lillian Scott.

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