"I am a man of peace, God knows how I love peace. But I hope I shall never be such a coward as to mistake oppression for peace."
—Hungarian Freedom Fighter Kossuth.

Prayer Of The Week

Send forth Thy light and Thy truth; they have led me and brought me to Thy Holy Hill and Thy dwelling place. —Amen.

School 'Position' Paper

School Superintendent Laurence Paquin's 'position' paper was released yesterday in his first public announcement of a new program for Baltimore high schools.

If adopted by the School Board, this city would be well on the way to providing truly democratic quality education for all students.

The Paquin proposal supports the concept of comprehensive high schools as opposed to specialized schools like City College.

This would mean college preparatory courses, a business education and a diversified vocational program in ALL high schools located in every section of the city.

Here are highlights of his plan:

A new City - Eastern complex in the Inner Harbor area;

A new Dunbar High in Southeast Baltimore, with the present Dunbar site to house a technical institute;

A re - examination of admission policies and curriculum of both Carver and Mergenthaler Technical Schools which still are predominantly white and colored;

Elimination of General Vocational Schools so that 'misfit' youngsters could study in comprehensive schools part of the day and do work - study the rest of the day;

Elimination of the vast array of course labels and track programs.

The ending of defacto segregation in the school system.

And, most important his plan is to locate the second Baltimore Junior College on the North Ave. site of the old Polytechnic Institute, thus eliminating its use as a junior or senior high, which would become another second - hand all - colored inner city school.

The Paquin program calls for brochures advertising all high schools, an educational fair and an effective guidance program.

It notes the urgency to build new schools forthwith so that our youngsters can attend school full time.

The Paquin document is now in the hands of the Board of School Commissioners.

Superintendent Paquin has correctly recognized that a public school system must serve all children.

He would have our schools reach equally the talented and those neglected for so long, by providing for their individual needs.

In the past, the Baltimore School Board has led the nation in espousing the cause of quality education and integration.

The Paquin proposal is an opportunity for the Board to chart a new and worthwhile course. We hope the Board will get on with it promptly.

The Supreme Court And Voting

The U.S. Supreme Court is expected to hand down a decision soon upholding the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

This act permits the government to send federal registrars into southern states to enroll colored voters when they have been kept off the books by literacy tests and by closing the registration offices with long lines of would-be registrants standing outside.

This is the case Attorney General Katzenbach argued himself with Solicitor General Thurgood Marshall sitting at his side.

The High Court may find a more difficult problem with the case involving the constitutionality of Virginia's poll tax.

The 24th Amendment bars poll taxes in federal, but not in state elections.

This is the case to be watched.

A Kennedy - Johnson commission denounced the idea that any citizen should pay to vote in any election.

Virginia's poll tax is $1.50 a year, but its retroactive provisions work a hardship on poor persons.

In 1937 the Supreme Court unanimously upheld a poll tax case in Georgia.

A lot of water has passed over the dam since then.

But an adverse decision today would have a crippling effect upon President Johnson's efforts to make the ballot available to all the people without illegal "hanky panky."

Snow Removers Blame Drivers

G. Victor Walters, superintendent of the Bureau of Highways, had a sobering reply this week for chronic critics of the city's snow removal program.

"The city is not equipped to handle a major snow," is a charge certain to be lodged following every snow.

"The people are not equipped to handle snow, period," Mr. Walters counterchanged.

Since 1956 when the city was paralyzed by snow, which shut down schools for eight days, there has been no shortage of either men or machines, Mr. Walters declared.

As a result of that experience the city bought $346,000 worth of snow removing equipment. Combined with that already in stock, the city's heavy - duty apparatus increased to 174 pieces.

Another 30 pieces are leased from contractors which push the total to more than 200.

As coordinator of this machinery and men from five bureaus making up the Department of Public Works, Mr. Walters feels the city does not lack muscle to cope with any snowfall.

In spite of this muscle, he logically suggests, the task of digging out a snow storm still will be a difficult and agonizing one as long as motorists can't navigate on snow and abandon their cars which clog up main traffic arteries.

Since schools, food and fuel supplies, public transportation, emergency vehicles, and people working for a living are totally dependent upon open streets, Baltimore motorists must make a choice at the first hint that a snow storm is pending.

They must decide to equip their cars to maneuver in snow or park them — off thoroughfares.

It has been repeatedly demonstrated that one stalled car — due to poor driving or insufficient equipment — can create havoc on a main traffic artery.

If the resistance to conforming to demands of snow driving is too deeply imbedded, it can, no doubt, be shook loose with stiffer illegal parking fines and hiked towing charges.

It strikes us as a bit absurd for a modern metropolis to be rendered completely immobile by a snow of moderate proportions.

Court's Good Deed

With the assistance of court rulings by Judge Charles D. Harris, two important projects now can be moved ahead.

One is the $1,926,000 St. James Terrace Apartments for the elderly which had been tied up by a taxpayer's suit seeking to block use of the old mansion site at 801 Arlington Ave.

The other is the old Pennsylvania Railroad exhaust tower at Wilson St. and Madison Ave., an eyesore and danger spot the city has agreed to take down in line with residents nearby.

Lawyer Leonard B. Kerpelman, for reasons he apparently thought logical but which the people most involved in both instances — and now the courts — have rejected, filed the legal actions.

He contended that both the 19th century mansion and the tower were of historic value, rather questionable conclusions.

At any rate, the courts have agreed with the residents who are sufficiently civic - minded and concerned about their communities to be up and trying to do something about improving them.

In finding Mr. Kerpelman's action improperly brought, Judge Harris has done the community a good deed.

1966 Income Taxes

President Johnson's 1966 tax proposals should become law next month.

They are designed to give some relief to the low income group.

Here is how it works for a married wage earner with two dependents.

A worker earning $88 weekly ($3,000 a year) would pay no income tax.

One earning $96 a week ($5,000 a year) would have his $6.50 per week withholding tax reduced to $5.50.

A $144 a week worker ($7,500 per year) would still have $13 a week withheld.

Those earning $196 weekly ($10,000 per year) would have per weekly withholding tax of $19.50 increased to $21.

The Drunk Is Sick

In Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina a chronic alcoholic can be picked up by police for public drunkenness, but he can no longer be marked a criminal and sent to jail.

The court must find hospitals and other centers to which he can be sent for treatment and, hopefully, a cure.

This is a new step.

It comes as a result of a ruling of the U.S. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals.

This court held that drunkenness is a disease, an illness, but not a crime.

It is a view long held by medical experts.

This case may go to the U.S. Supreme Court for a final ruling, but right now drunks are to get medical treatment and not a cell inthe calaboose.

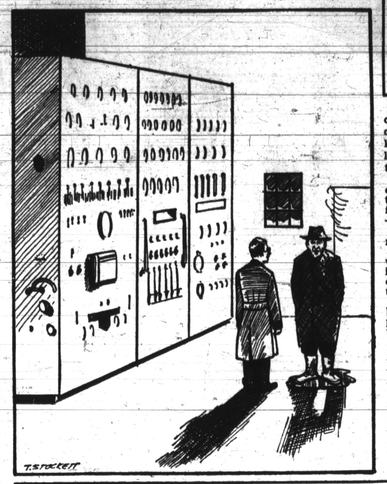
50% Hamburgers

Hamburgers are not the same as in the good old days. The government has found this out. In some cases they have discovered this delectable morsel to be 50 percent cereals.

From now on the Agriculture Department is requiring all makers of that grand American dish to label the contents truthfully on packages and on restaurant menus.

A hamburger containing 30 percent fat could still be a hamburger. Anything else using fillers will have to be marked "imitation meat patties" and there will be fines for false advertising.

'If They Could Only Do Something About The Snow'



Our Readers Say: Right To Disagree

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

Dear AFRO:

I think that the war in Vietnam is on the verge of being a hackneyed topic for long-winded debates and fruitless soul searching by those whose fretting begin to tire their listeners.

Only the cold fact that each day someone we know is killed keeps this war in the perspective of reason.

I have served my time in the Army and I would not wish that others follow because their duty will almost invariably lead them to action in southeast Asia.

I do however feel that some halt ought to be made that one is a warmonger and wishes to see Americans die overseas when opposition to draft-card burnings is made.

The right to dissent is precious. The dissenters have no idea, apparently, that only if the United States maintains the kind of governments we fight for in Vietnam will they be able to continue their pickets and peace marches.

No proud soldier wants to see draft-card burners taken into the Army, no matter what the local board's reason for doing so.

Equilibrium is held in a society by both the patriots and the dissenters. Forcing the melding of these people, as fiercely as they hold to their beliefs, should not take place on the front lines.

HOWARD HICKS JR.

Digging Out

Dear AFRO:

The snowfall has brought out several things, the most important event is the sense of helping one another in digging out of the snow by the white and colored residents in those integrated parts of the city.

Another, however, has been the difficulty of most predominantly colored communities to have their streets cleaned by snow-plow trucks and crews when those streets nearby where all of the residents are white seem to be taken care of right away.

Of course we all pay the same taxes for the same services and most of the colored residents of Baltimore pay dearly because our sons and husbands cannot get the best jobs.

It seems small, therefore, to expect that we are only allowed to buy homes in certain neighborhoods that we be given equal treatment in maintaining health and safety conditions to that standard maintained in other neighborhoods in all parts of the city.

JESSIE WILCOX

Throw Them Out

Dear AFRO:

After reading an article where the Baltimore City Council was charged with "McCarthyism" in rejecting the re-appointment of H. Warren Buckler as head of the Community Relations Commission, I felt that more than letters was called for.

In fact, if the groups whose collective membership is probably over 2000 should really want to act, their letters instead should be addressed to voters when City Council elections roll around.

The people's voice is heard at the ballot box more today than in the past.

If those persons on the City Council can show as little regard for the rights of colored citizens so in need of open housing legislation and leaders such as Mr. Buckler, then the councilmen must believe that they have the people's consent to act as shamelessly as they did.

It falls specifically to those leaders, both colored and white, whose consciences moved them to write Mayor McKeldin condemning the City Council, to remove those unfriendly men from office.

CORE has asked for people to appear at Council meetings in silent protest. The most effective protest, however, is voiceless and remains the lever of the voting machine to "throw the rascals out" at election time coming up.

WILLIAM KINNEY

Campaign For Members

One of the city's most valuable organizations, the Harlem Park Neighborhood Council, is now conducting a membership drive with a goal of 1,500.

Charles R. Curtis Sr. is president of the council. George Dozier, 530 N. Fulton Ave., is chairman of the membership drive. Co-chairman is the Rev. Sidney Daniels.

Individual memberships cost $1 and business, church and contributing memberships are $5. There also are group and club memberships.

Any citizen who resides within the area bounded by Lafayette, Franklin, Fremont and Monroe should want to belong to this council.

The council now is waging a fight to get a reduction in assess-taxes which have spurted since residents were forced to spend considerable sums fixing up their homes. Harlem Park has one of the highest code standards in the city because of its urban renewal rehabilitation experiment status.

Other things supported by the council include reduced crime rate, decrease in the number of liquor outlets, more inner block parks, efficient housing inspections, better street lighting and better policing.

All are worthy goals and the more members on the roll the better the chances of success for the council.

Business and Labor

By STERLING A. PAIGE

Rumblings

Baltimore's waterfront troubles, now in the public eye, have been brewing under the surface for months.

In fact, the outward display of discord shown by Joe Cain and some members of his Local 829 is the result of dissatisfaction that has existed since settlement of the strike in the Baltimore Port some time ago.

While not attempting to weigh the present demands of the striking local, this column repeats words written here following settlement of the strike last year: Local 829 is completely unhappy about the agreement worked out by the shippers and the International Longshoremen's Association.

Rumblings have been going on ever since but, unfortunately, those who are in a position to give a true picture of what is really happening are very reluctant to talk.

This column expects to give complete details in the very near future.

Meanwhile, shippers have expressed the fear that the wildcat strike could possibly divert millions of dollars of future work away from the Port of Baltimore because of the union's failure to honor an agreement.

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TROY BRAILEY has been named convention chairman for A. Philip Randolph's Negro American Labor Council, due to convene in Baltimore May 27-29.

The Council has dedicated itself to a push for a massive public works program, sponsored by the Federal Government, to provide more jobs.

Such a program might well be in the mind of New York's Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, who recently declared that priority in the anti-poverty program must be given to the providing of jobs for poverty people.

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DOUBLE - PAY RATES sought by a Baltimore local of the Painters and Decorators Union for overtime work is an admission that the original reason for premium pay was to discourage use of same workers after end of shift.

The local now complains that some members are cleaning up in overtime pay while others have no work at all. The elimination of overtime is a partial answer to spreading work among a larger number of workers.

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THE Small Business Development Center to be established soon at Morgan State College will face the problem of how to function effectively and reach the people who need help.

Other programs have proven the futility of trying to get poverty people of little education to participate in clinics and activities based on college campuses.

Such people just feel out of place and a way must be worked out to reach them on their own grounds.

The truth that those who need help must help themselves does nothing to overcome their psychological disadvantages.

Poet's Nook

TROCADERO

Some madness holds me in its sway
The hours glide on wing away;
The days waltz to the arms of night!
A trocadero of delight!

GEORGIA DOUGLAS JOHNSON

AFRO Credo

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

Whether it has kept the faith with the common people;

Whether it has no other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future assured;

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 confusion, injustices race prejudice or complacencies.

JOHN H. MURPHY SR., 1930

Veney trial session in Frederick today

The prelude to the Veney brothers trials opened this morning (Friday) in Frederick, 50 miles from Baltimore.

Attorneys for the brothers, John R. Hargrove and Daniel Klein Jr., begin their conferences with Frederick County Circuit Judge Robert E. Clapp Jr. at 11 a.m. at the courthouse in the center of the town.

They left Baltimore this morning at 9 a.m. accompanied by lawyers for the State of Maryland, State's Attorney Charles E. Moylan Jr., George Helinski, deputy, and Assistant State's Attorney Frank DeCosta and John Lewin Jr.

Judge Clapp and the six men set aside today "to iron out all legal procedures" for the first hearing for the Veneys.

Earl Veney, 31, the older brother goes on trial on February 14 at 9 a.m. at the Frederick courthouse.

The state and the Veneys, attorneys in January stipulated that they agree to proceed with Earl first on three charges, assault with intent to murder; assault and robbery with a deadly weapon.

Sam Veney, 25, the younger brother, charged with murder as well as assault and armed robbery will go on trial at a later date.

Because the murder charge could bring the supreme penalty, death in the gas chamber, Sam has absolute right to ask for change of his trial from Frederick County to any court in the state.

The jury trial for Earl (on the 14th) opens with selection of a 12-member jury.

Because the offenses can result in Pententiary sentences, Mr. Hargrove and Mr. Klein can challenge prospective petit jurors on 20 occasions. The state's attorneys may challenge on 10 occasions.

Selection of the jury is expected to consume two to three days.

More than 125 witnesses are expected to testify. The state has a list of 94 persons. The roster includes 61 police officers, 17 adult citizens, 15 experts in ballistics, fingerprints, autopsy, photography, blood tests and other fields of medicine and one woman physician from Union Memorial Hospital.

YOUTH SENATOR — Harper High junior, James B. Williams, shakes hands with Sen. Herman Talmadge of Ga. He has been selected as one of the two students from Georgia to participate in the 1966 Youth Senate, and will spend one week in Washington, D.C. as guests of the states' senators in the United Senate. Williams was selected on the basis of overall scholarship and leadership and written oral examinations administered by the State Youth Senate Selections Committee.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE for the Chicago area is the new post to be taken by Baltimorean James S. Mobley, center. He was honored recently by the Arrowhead District, Boy Scouts of America, at Wilson's Restaurant for his five years' efforts as assistant district executive in Baltimore. The Rev. James B. Gray Jr. left and Filmore Hart, made the presentations of awards to Mr. Mobley.

Klansmen cited for contempt despite efforts of liberals

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Seven Ku Klux Klan leaders —one Imperial Wizard, four state Grand Dragons, a Kludd and a Conductor of Ceremonies —were cited for contempt by Congress Wednesday by an overwhelming vote of the House, despite the opposition of a small band of liberals.

The formal recommendation that the seven be prosecuted for contempt stemmed from their refusal to turn over subpoenaed records to the House Committee on Un-American Activities. If convicted, they would be subject to a maximum penalty of a year in prison and a $1,000 fine.

Foremost of the Klan leaders from six southern states involved in Wednesday's house action was Robert Shelton, the 36 - year - old Imperial Wizard of the largest Klan organization in the country.

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SHELTON, from Tuscaloosa, Ala., set the pattern for defiance of the House group's investigation when he refused to turn over records on grounds of possible self - incrimination. By a vote of 344 to 28, the House directed the Justice Department to institute contempt prosecution against him.

After that test vote which saw a bloc of northern liberals and civil rights advocates voting to spare Shelton, the House cited on similar contempt charges the following:

Georgia Grand Dragon Calvin Craig; North Carolina Grand Dragon James R. Jones; Virginia Grand Dragon Marshall R. Kornegay; South Carolina Grand Dragon Robert E. Scoggin; North Carolina's Imperial Kludd or Chaplain, the Rev. George F. Dorsett; and North Carolina Conductor of Ceremonies Robert Hudgins.

A number of liberals, including the ADA, oppose the committee in general. They contend its mandate is unconstitutional and its methods unfair. They therefore oppose the current investigation of the Klan as exposure for exposure's sake.

FEB. 9

Wakeman S. Bevard, controller of The Johns Hopkins Hospital, and J. Patrick O'Toole, supervisor of the hospital's out - patient accounting department, will speak at the monthly luncheon meeting of the Hospital Credit Associates of Maryland at the hospital.

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Hunt, Fish Club to honor Wildlife Secretary Pautzke

WASHINGTON — The Overseas Hunt Club of Washington, D.C. will honor Assistant U.S. Secretary of the Department of Interior for Wildlife and Fisheries, Clarence F. Pautzke, at their fifth annual Wild Game Dinner - Dance on Feb. 5 at the Presidential Arms Grand Ballroom.

Mr. Pautzke, who is in charge of all wild life in the 50 states and the territories, will be honored for his contributions to the preservation of wild life by the club which annually honors a public figure who has contributed to the common good.

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PREVIOUS honorees of the group have included James N. Nabrit, president of Howard University and a member of the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Security Council, 1965; G. Mennen Williams, assistant secretary of state for African Affairs, 1964; and the Reddick Veterans, 1963.

The Vice President of the United States, Hubert Humphrey is expected to make an appearance along with many other notable personalities from many of the states and foreign embassies.

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THIS YEAR'S black - tie affair was sold out in two weeks with 1,000 people expected to attend. Music will be furnished by the Gay Clefs for after-dinner dancing.

John M. Thornton is president of the organization. Other officers include Prince M. Goldwaithe, vice president; and Joseph M. Eavers, treasurer.

Sergeant receives largest re-enlistment bonus ever

By CONRAD CLARK

FRANKFURT, Germany — Army Sgt. Donald G. Fouse, 27, a member of the 93rd Signal Bn., at Darmstadt (a subpost of Frankfurt) re-enlisted re-enlistment bonus of $8,367, re-enlistment bonus of $8,36,, "the biggest I've heard of," said the 7th Army knows of no higher bonus" his career counselor said.

Fouse, who plans to spend most of his bonus to buy a home in Ohio, drew $2,397.80 from the finance office (after taxes), for his regular re-up bonus and one - sixth of the variable bonus.

The new bonus is being given under a new variable re-enlistment bonus program for first-hitch re-enlistees which started Jan. 1. The amount varies according to how critical the serviceman's skill is rated.

Fouse is a high frequency radio operator, and will receive $1,114.90 each year for the next five years on the anniversary of his re-enlistment.

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WHEN ASKED what he plans to do with his bonus, he said, "I'm sure my wife has plans for some of the money. I have already sent her part of it and put the rest in the bank. Celebrate? No, not until I get home." That will be in April

Fouse, went on, "We'll be buying a house in Columbus, and part of the money will go for school, too."

His wife and their children, Calvin, 7; Cathy, 3 and Vincent, 2 are now in Williamson, W. Va.

William Davis is named acting deputy for transit, traffic

William T. Davis, 46, an eleven - year veteran with the city's traffic departments, has been named acting deputy commissioner of Transit and Traffic by Commissioner James L. Foley Jr.

Mr. Davis will assume the duties of the second - in - command position vacated by James L. Kelin, who resigned to become executive assistant to Insurance Commissioner Francis B. Burch.