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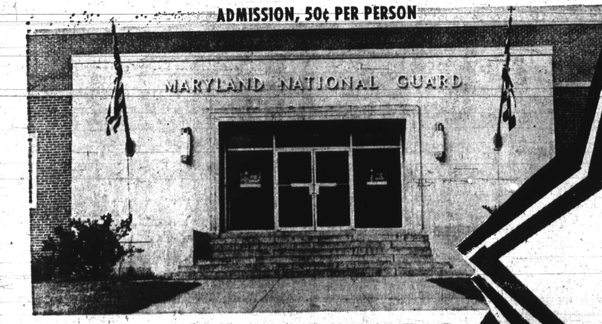

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CANDIDATE SHOT BY 'SNIPER'

AFRO home show at new location

Just five days from today, Friday, the AFRO's 1966 Cooking School will open at a new location.

The big event hundreds of Baltimoreans look forward to each year opens Wednesday, May 11th with the evening show and extends through Thursday, May 12th matinee and night show.

And, this year, it's going to be at the Winchester Armory, 2520 Winchester St., a fabulous place to show off all the booths and exhibits and with plenty free parking.

But most of all, this spring AFRO Cooking School is the biggest ever and, the most exciting in all its 36-year history.

Topping hundreds of prizes are the cash ones totaling over $1,000; the new refrigerator and stove; over 200 food baskets full of goodies, other gifts and samples from scores of merchants.

The Grand Prines, the RCA Whirlpool Stove and Refrigerator are courtesy of the Boone Appliance Co. and the AFRO.

The RCA Whirlpool kitchen for the miraculous demonstrations of AFRO economist, Mrs. Mimi Roberts, will be put up by the Boone Co.

The deadline for the Washington Flour Cake Bake is 12 noon Thursday when all entries must be in.

Demonstrations don't produce riots: Farmer

James Farmer, founder of CORE, called Baltimore a good choice as a "Target City" and explained "Demonstrations don't produce riots; they prevent them."

Mr. Farmer, speaking Monday at the inauguration of student government officers at Morgan State College, declared that "The South has moved ahead faster than the North" and that "We have to pressure our friends to keep them honest."

Mr. Farmer is president of the Center for Community Action which is seeking $90,000 from OEO for an adult literacy program.

He left CORE to direct this project but as yet his organization has not received the funds to begin, he said, "Because Sargent Shriver has not signed the papers."

He explained that his program was different from the Job Corps in that their instructors would be volunteer workers from the same peer group as the illiterates they would be teaching.

Politicians were blamed for holding up funds for the program because they are afraid "More people will be able to read, to vote and know they are being cheated."

In speaking of the trouble spots in the country, Mr. Farmer stated that he was worried about "Harlem, Albany, N.Y., and Watts" which are all "Tense."

Foster mother faces murder charge today

Mrs. Mattie Mae Gross, 300 block E. 21st St., is scheduled to appear in Criminal Court today, Friday, in connection with the death of Rodney Henderson, her foster son.

The 36-year old matron is charge with murder by strangulation.

The 3½-year old child she and her husband served as foster parents for three years, was found in an unconscious condition July 23, 1965 at the E. 21st St. residence about 2:20 a.m.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at St. Joseph's Hospital a few minutes later.

According to Dr. Werner V. Spitz, the assistant Medical Examiner who performed the autopsy, the youngster was beaten and strangled manually.

Police officers investigating the incident said small Rodney was found face down in the bath-tub and when they arrived at the home, the foster father, William Gross, 26, was administering mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

NAACP convention is Saturday in Annapolis

The workshops at the NAACP state convention this Saturday will be open to the public, it was announced today.

Samuel Gilmer, president of the Anne Arundel County Branch, host chapter for the conference, emphasized that interested persons will be welcome to any of the five sessions on education, housing, poverty, legal redress and voter education.

The annual NAACP Maryland convention will get underway at 9:30 a.m. at the State House in Annapolis.

Resource people for the housing panel will include Rubin Clay, FHA intergroup relations advisor, and Wagner Jackson, assistant to the FHA regional director.

Parren Mitchell, director, Baltimore Community Action Agency, and J. Donn Kelly, director of the state anti-poverty program, will head the panel on poverty.

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DR. JAMES SENSENBAUGH, state superintendent of schools; Douglas Sands, and William Adkins, chairman of the Maryland Advisory Committee to the

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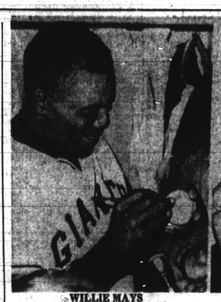

WILLIE MAYS

HENRY GARRON

San Francisco Giants star autographs ball that sailed over barrier for record 512th homer against Dodgers Wednesday night. Young fan, 17, grins pleasure after father's demand of $1,000 for it was rejected by Giants.

Demand of $1,000 for Mays' homer ball gets only ball

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI) — "Be my guest," Willie Mays smiled Wednesday night, and gave the ball which he hit for his National League record homer to the father of a 17-year-old boy who had caught it.

Mays autographed the sphere and handed it back to Henry of Garron in the stands, and, after the latter indicated he wanted more than the $150 which the San Francisco Giants offered for it.

"THEY OFFERED my son $100 for the ball, but I think it's worth a lot more than that," Garron told reporters who were jammed around Mays' locker before the great centerfielder returned from outside where he gave a post game TV interview.

"Listen," manager Herman Franks said, shoving into the crowd. "I guarantee that Mays won't want that ball. He'll give it away."

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AT THIS point Mays came into the clubhouse and said in his high pitched voice, "I hear somebody's asking a thousand bucks for the ball.

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CORE to ignore any court ban against pickets

"We are ignoring the injunction threat and are going full speed ahead. Any injunction would be a clear violation of our constitutional rights."

Walter Brooks, national project director for the congress of Racial Equality and coordinator of CORE's Baltimore project, "Target City," was commenting on the latest development in the protracted protest demonstrations against Horizon House.

Horizon House, at Calvert

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Tenants cheer as landlord rapped

"In the 1960's there are other standards for landlords beyond just meeting the minimum housing law requirements and getting payment of their rents."

These words of Thomas Ward, city councilman from the Second District, to a landlord testifying in opposition to parts of the proposed new City Housing Code brought a cheer from a predominantly colored group in the audience at a Judiciary Committee hearing on the code Wednesday evening.

Mr. Ward told Harold Sirkin, owner of properties in the ghetto: "In 1966, my philosophy is that an owner owes an occupant, a community and the whole city a duty to go beyond the code, to go beyond the bare minimum in fixing up the property."

The councilman told Mr. Sirkin that landlords should stop using dreary, low-cost paint for their houses. Instead think up bright, imaginative color schemes which would give tenants pride in their homes and be an example to the neighborhood.

"I would even go so far as to suggest that landlords donate bulbs to their tenants for planting to brighten their places up," Councilman Ward added.

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THE JUDICIARY Committee member's comments came after Mr. Sirkin had complained that when he asked for police protection for vacant buildings he owned which were being vandalized, he was given an

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Students in contest face first cutoff

Five hundred dollars! And it's all up for grabs in the AFRO's fabulous Student of the Year Contest for the boy or girl who earns the most votes and comes out on top.

In addition there are $1,000 in additional prizes, and they are all up for grabs too — to be divided among the next 17 winners in the contest.

Presently racing after these fantastic cash prizes—like a bat out of stately Wayne Manor — are hundreds of your friends and schoolmates.

Edmondson High School alone has more than 30 entries.

Someone will win those big cash prizes. Why not you? The money is there for the asking, and the votes are there for the getting — on page two of every issue of the AFRO.

Due to the tremendous response (and to make the contest fairer for all contestants) a cut-off line of 2,500 votes will shortly be brought into play.

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BEGINNING WITH the AFRO dated May 14, any student with less than 2,500 votes will be eliminated from the

—See Students, Page 2

Sen. Welcome backs test of new districts

State Sen. Verda F. Welcome of the Fourth District Thursday called on the colored citizens of Maryland to join Anne Arundel County in appealing the congressional redistricting plan approved Tuesday by a three - judge federal court panel.

Senator Welcome said the judges "took no thought of the 40 percent colored population of Baltimore City. As a result, every one of these citizens has been disfranchised as far as Congressional representation is concerned.

"The colored vote has been diluted by splitting it three ways, and then, further, by adding all - white county wards and precincts to the three city districts," she pointed out.

Figures collected by the AFRO indicate that the col-

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FRED HUBBARD

Opponent of Dawson hit; reward set

CHICAGO (UPI) — Fred D. Hubbard, an Independent Democrat who is trying to break veteran Rep. William L. Dawson's political rule of Chicago's South Side District, was shot Thursday in an exchange of gunfire with an unknown assailant.

Civil rights leaders promptly launched a campaign to raise a $100,000 reward for arrest and conviction of the gunman who fired on Hubbard from a darkened outer office of his campaign headquarters.

Hubbard, a 36-year-old former YMCA youth gang worker who opposes the 78-year-old Dawson for the 1st Disional nomination in the June 14 Illinois primary, was reported in fair condition with a bullet wound in his left shoulder.

Before he was placed under sedation at Michael Reese Hospital he told detectives: "I don't see why anyone would attempt to harm me."

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DICK GREGORY, who has announced he will try to unseat Democratic Mayor Richard J. Daley next year, announced that a $10,000 reward would be posted and that an attempt would be made to boost the amount to $100,000.

Gregory said the Rev. Martin Luther King, who has been conducting an anti - slum campaign in Chicago, was returning here from Atlanta, Ga., to investigate the Hubbard shooting.

Hubbard, who police he was alone at his desk in a small inner office of his headquarters when a man

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Alabama elections

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — "The only genuine winners in the Alabama Democratic Primary were the thousands of Alabama colored citizens that flocked to the polls Tuesday to inject morality into this state's political machine."

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. voiced what most political observers agree is the only solid conclusion that can be drawn from the historic turnout of voters in Alabama: The massive turnout of colored voters, many voting for the first time in their lives, answered a major question in the first test of the 1965 Voting Rights Act in the Deep South: Will they vote?

Pointing out that the colored voters had overcome years of intimidation and in "one giant step had gained

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Girl's attempt to take life brings Dad home

By J. LINN ALLEN

Air Force Sgt. Crispus Bosworth, whose 15 - year-old daughter Michelle attempted to jump off a third floor ledge at School 61 last Friday, arrived home unexpectedly Thursday night.

The sixth grade pupil at the Linden and Brookfield Ave. school was apparently despondent over the return of her father to Viet Nam three weeks ago after the sergeant had come home for a 30-day leave due to death in his family.

She was taken to Springfield State Hospital.

Sgt. Bosworth, 13, who had spent eight months at Da Nang Air Force Base before his recent leave, had another two months to serve in Vietnam before his hitch there was up.

Pendleton Bosworth, the sergeant's brother, told the AFRO, "Crispus has been given special permission to return home and will complete the two months he had remaining to serve in Viet Nam right here so that he can be with his family."

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THE SERGEANT and his wife, Mrs. Emma Bosworth,

—See Dad Home, Page 2

Prophet's 'Blessings' For Hopeful — At A Cost

By GEORGE W. COLLINS

"Blessings For Sale", or "Instant Solutions to All Your Problems" would have been appropriate titles for the special three-hour show which played the Royal Theatre Saturday morning.

The star of the performance, Bishop James Lee, decided it should be call "Special Blessings Service."

The services, heavily advertised on a local radio station, were scheduled to begin at midnight. However, due to the length of the regular film, the special production was delayed for nearly an hour.

Neither the delay nor the steadily - falling rain dampened the spirits of the 300-plus people who descended on the Pennsylvania Ave., theatre in search of a blessing."

"Blessing" in this instance, however, should not be confused with the traditional meaning of the word.

Lines began forming long before the feature film ended and when blessed seekers replaced movie-goers, the audience included the trusting, hopeful, eager, doubtful, gullible, the cynical and two AFRO reporters.

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FOR THAT early - morning performance, at least (it ended at 4:30 a.m.) the "blessings" took on an unusual form.

They also followed lines of affluence. Cost of "blessings" ranged from $1 to $12.

After much spirited singing and more spirited dancing (the holy dance, they called it, although at times it looked more like the Watusi or Mashed Potatoes), Bishop Lee took over the proceedings.

Attired in a flowing, glittering silk green robe with all the trimmings, the bishop interspersed the steady singing, clapping, shouting, and swinging organ playing with his special brand of dialogue.

"Blessed be the cheerful giver." "If you keep your hands closed too tight for anything to get out, nothing can get in"; and "You can't get something for nothing" were typical of his admonitions.

Apparently his message hit the mark.

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AS SOON as the emotional pitch hit the proper level, Bishop Lee instructed his listeners to form lines.

That's when affluence — or the lack of same — became immediately apparent.

"Blessing" seekers were asked to form three lines — one for a $1 blessing; another

—See Blessings, Page 2

HIGH COST OF BLESSINGS' — The more than 300 persons who visited the Royal Theatre last week in search of a 'blessing' found the words of Bishop James Lee — "You can't get something for nothing" — painfully accurate. In left panel Bishop Lee whispers "blessing" in the ear of persons who formed $12 line. The cellophane bag of incense (center) carried a $1 price tag and at right is the egg which cost an AFRO reporter $5.

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