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Park Grove Rec Center

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ice.

"This meeting is held to determine whether or not a recreational program is wanted."

Jerome Mitchell, one of those who is disenchanted with the "results of the center —and not the center itself" — accuses the department of misrepresenting the issue.

"The issue is not whether we want a recreation program. I understand the purpose of the meeting is to give recreation officials our views on the acts of disorderliness and vandalism which follow the closing of the center.

"Our chief concern is the fact that there is no control over the conduct of the children when they leave the center. We have sought the aid of police without success."

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THE CENTER conducts recreational programs for youngsters from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. and for teenagers from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

When the latter group departs from the center that's when the trouble begins, according to the critics.

With equal vigor, however, Mrs. Helena S. Hicks, president of the Grover School PTA, views the complaints as evidence that the critics really want the center discontinued.

Excerpts from her lengthy statement on the controversy follow:

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"THE RECREATION leaders have felt this year's program is successful and averages about 40 to 50 youths a night in attendance.

"Identification cards are used and they show that 80 per cent of the children live within an eight - block radius of the school. The other 20 per cent is made up of relatives and friends visiting our children.

"They the critics claim that the recreation program draws children from out of the neighborhood who create disturbances. The Police Department has a record of only a few disturbances and these were created by teenagers living within eight blocks of the school.

"This group also feels strongly that recreation is for 'poor people' and it somehow jeopardizes the community atmosphere. This group has circulated petitions, called meetings, harrassed both recreational leaders and the administrative staff of the Department of Education and recreation Program at the school."

Mrs. Hicks also pointed out that the center is located in an "almost completely residential neighborhood" and is at least seven blocks away in any direction from any form of public transportation.

"Because of this unique isolation from public transportation," she adds, "private or public recreational facilities, our children are left with no wholesome supervised outlets for recreation."

She further disputes the contention of the critics that many of the youthful troublemakers are not from the neighborhood.

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NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT commander, Capt. Robert J. Hewes, also stoutly defends the retention of the center.

"The last thing we want is to abandon that center," he told the AFRO. As to vandalism and rowdyism by youths leaving the center, Capt. Hewes said only one such complaint had been called to his attention.

That was a minor cutting case, he said, adding, "doesn't reflect crime in the area. There is no upsurge of vandalism there." The captain reaffirmed his willingness to cooperate with residents of the area.

John G. Williams, superintendent of the Department of Recreation is listed among the defenders of the center.

"There was a great void of recreation in that area," he said, adding that "The next closest recreation center is in Howard Park."

Mr. Williams said that the center was opened in October at a cost of $12,000 and that "it would not be feasible" to keep the center open on a part-time basis.

It was opened after numerous requests from many citizens of the area, the PTA and principal, Mrs. Blanche Stark and services both adults and youths, Mr. Williams told the AFRO.

During a survey of some of the residents identified as critics, it was apparent that the sentiment is not anti-center as such, but rather they are opposed to the conduct of young people after the activities end four nights per week.

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MRS. ETHEL JOHNSON was named by the defenders as one of the critics.

"I am not against the center," she told the AFRO vigorously. "As a political leader in the area (she's associate director and coordinator of the Roger - Grove Park Democratic Organization), I only held a meeting so that all sides could air their complaints," she declared.

Her husband, who identified himself only as "Mr. Johnson," declared flatly that he is "against it." He did not say why.

William Taylor, also a critic, said he is against the center "as it is operated now." He listed acts of vandalism such as stolen hub caps, garbage containers and the destruction of lawns and shrub'ery as cause for his complaints.

"I'm not against the center," he added, but I feel it should be opened in daylight hours. It should not be open after dark."

MRS. MAGGIE BROWN said she is also in favor of the center, but wants the hours changed. I think they get out too late (9:30).

"The present schedule, she said, only serves as a congregating place for youths who do not live in the area.

"We never had street-walkers before," she proclaimed. They do destructive things when they leave the center at such an hour," she added.

Gilbert Press, reported to be a critic of the center, used a minimum of words to state his position.

"That is completely wrong. It should be reversed," he said simply.

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MR. MITCHELL, in more articulate fashion than other critics, capsulized dissenters' views thusly:

"I doubt if any of the people are against recreation as such. They are against the conduct of the children," he reiterated.

The outcome of the Tuesday meeting is predictable if the opinion of Mr. Williams is any barometer of the official position of the Department of Recreation on the controversy.

"We are not about to cram anything down the throats (a majority of the residents) thrusts. There are other areas where centers are needed."

As of late Thursday the majority of the residents in the vicinity of the center wanted it.

Peace vigil

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time table of withdrawal of all foreign troops from Vietnam.

Protesters also reported they are demanding that the much-discussed pending holiday truce be made permanent.

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THE VIGIL, which will consist of sigh-carrying pickets marching along streets adjoining the Civic Center, will be preceded by a worship service at St. Vincent's Church, 120 N. Front St., near Fallsway at Fayette St.

Guest speaker for the 2 p.m. service will be New York Cong. John Dow, an ardent critic of Vietnam policy.

Congressman Dow of New York's 27 Congressional District, won reelection on a vigorous campaign against the war.

Following the services the delegation of peace marchers will march from St. Vincent's to the Civic Center area. Religious, civil rights, academic, and community groups will participate in the vigil.

Low income

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interracial births involved white - colored unions, 176 or 26 percent. A majority of the white and colored parents were born in the United States although a sizable number of white mothers were born in Germany.

Mr. Norton's report terms the increasing rate a "social phenomenon."

Maryland law prohibits the intermarriage of a white person and a colored person to the third generation, a white person and a member of the Malayan race and a colored person to the third generation and a member of the Malayan race.

There is no provision in the statue which prohibits Japanese - white, Chinese-white or Chinese - colored marriages.

Maryland is 1 of 19 states with a law that prevents colored and white from marrying. The Union of South Africa is the only other nation with such barriers.

William Cole

Funeral services were held for William E. Cole, 50, 1226 N. Spring St.

Burial was in Baltimore National Cemetery.

The World War II veteran died Sunday at the Hopkins Hospital.

He was employed at Goldstein's Shoe Store for over 36 years.

Mr. Cole was born in Baltimore. His parents were William and Rebecca Cummings.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Delphine Cole.

George Butler

George Butler, 2419 Madison Ave., died Thursday at the Dukeland Nursing Home.

He was a retired chef at Baltimore hotels where he served for nearly half a century.

Mr. Butler, a member of an old Baltimore family, is survived by his wife, Mrs. Margie Butler; two brothers, Elisha and Avon; and several nieces and nephews.

The Charles Law Funeral Home is handling arrangements for the funeral scheduled for Monday at Madison Ave. Presbyteqian Church where Mr. Butler was a lifelong member.

SS worker

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for "declaratory relief," so that he could represent Mrs. Davis.

Mr. Davis said a ruling was necessary before he could continue the handling of the case.

He argued Thursday for Federal compensation for his services in preparing his own case, since the government had not previously granted him immunity from prosecution.

Judge Kauffman denied the motion for compensation, but continued the case until Monday, when an exception governing representation in personnel cases is expected to be argued.

The judge opened the Davis case briefly to allow Mr. Murphy to read the statement relieving Mr. Davis of the possibility of prosecution.

The Davis case was then set to continue officially Dec. 22 at 10 a.m.

Avenue figure

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peal of his case.

Therefore, Mr. Carter states, "It seems unfair for a judge to fine people $1,000 and sentence them to jail assuming some "backer" or "somebody" will take care of them.

Many women and mothers fined and sentenced to jail for lottery violations have been in lottery at all and have no one to pay the fines or take care of their families, as the courts imagine, he suggested.

"It is entirely wrong to guess at it and say, "Somebody will pay the $1,000 fine, the lawyer and take care of expenses while the man or woman goes to jail for 11 months," Mr. Carter said.

Mr. Carter also feels there should be more consideration given to justice when men and women are on trial.

"Many persons who come before the court are not guilty and have no "backer" to stand the expenses of an appeal, he said.

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MR. CARTER also expresses regret that the Avenue is the center of the most frequent lottery raids.

He voices the opinion that, "The Avenue is not the only place lottery or gambling or any other illegal activity may be going on.

"According to what you hear and what everybody knows, there are other locations in the city that are never touched.

"It is the general opinion of citizens on the Avenue and throughout Baltimore that we suffer the worst raids of other sections. 'The Big Guys' and 'The Little Guys' are not harrassed and bothered because of the color of their skin."

JOHN CARTER

Beaten woman

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roll Station switching tower.

Police said two blood-stained building bricks lay near her body. When she was admitted to South Baltimore General Hospital, doctors said she appeared to have multiple fractures of the skull.

No arrests have been made in the case, which is still under investigation, the Homicied Squad reported.

Deaths

Lillian Marie Nelson, 1715 Moreland
Julia Ann White, 2241 Eutaw Pl.
Samuel M. Bryant, 1400 Druid Hill
Ethel Dunton, 1626 Ellicott
Samuel Mack, Hayes ave. 826 E. Passayunk
Eugene Smith, 1400 E. Balto.
Mary Grant, 1400 E. Lanvale
Charles Wilkerson, 130 Chestnut
Bertha Greene, 24 N. Monroe
Clara J. Wright, 1400 E. Stricker
Elijah Calloway, 1519 Lamont
Veldman Gardner Nelson, 802 N. Calhoun
Thomas (Celon) Dean, 817 N. Monroe
Ella Grant, 1016 N. Carey
Harris A. Harrison, 1207 Fremont
Eleanor B. Cole, 1641 N. Smallwood
Bessie Meridith, Mechanicsville, Md.
Connie Trayshum, 1007 N. Middle
Helen Rogers, 1537 Asquith
James Rogers, 1518 Aisquith
Ralph Monk 415 N. Carey
Joseph E. Russell, 1755 N. Gay
(Baby-Boy) Sykes, 225 N. Monticello
Joseph Johnson, 2604 Pear Ave.
Oliver Sturgis, 430 East 23rd
Theodore Brown, 632 Sarabann
Georgia Lewis, 419 N. Appleton
Ollie Lee Moore, 2508 Gulford
Mary Bethea, 2031 Prospect
Mary Bullock, 1027 Peach
James Robert Kenny, 2630 Westwood
Lester Bey, 2311 Woodland
Annie Shoults, 803 Harlem
William Willis Fair, 431 N. Calhoun
Alexander Martin, 1930 W. Mosher
Ella Mae Darden, 1401 Mosher
(Baby-Boy) Bryant, 2441 Lauretta
Rice, L. L. Cornish, 1714 Darley
Irving White, 1701 Linden
Richard Green, 415 Westchester
George Scott, 641 N. Carey
Mary Shelton, 2809 Dennis Circle
John Tyson, 2029 Brunt
Mabel T. Caldwell, 1387 N. Bentalou
Mary L. Jones, Lillian 1215 N. Bentalou
Kenneth R. Mason, 801 Newington
Martha Davis, 2522 Garrison
George Daley, 1301 Harlem
James Lewis, 621 Mosher
Lonnie Lassenie, 3411 Lauretta
Andrew Brothers, 2066 Walbrook
Dorothy T. Wilkers, 1564 Bruce
Mattie J. Nixon, 806 W. Lexington
Timothy Morton, 2024 Pastwood
Ruth Stevenson, 1604 N. Chester
Luther B. Hudgins, 1918 N. Carey
William A. Douglas, 710 W. Lanvale
Dorothy Sessoms, 214 N. Stricker
Alice Gaither, 303 N. Bruce
Andrew Bellingham, 2402 Rockwood
William Hurtt, 2113 McCulloh
Donald Dugan, 900 Argyle
Fred Nicholson, 847 Bloom
Catherine Williams, 40 Pitman
Annie O. Brown, 1006 W. Franklin
Carrie Young, 436 N. Fremont
Blanche Barnes, 808 N. Paul
Elizabeth Datchen, 2411 W. Forest Park
Mamie E. Johnson, 720 George
Carrie McDonald, 1030 W. Fayette
(Cookie) Kenneth Crosby, 1438 Aisquith
William J. Cole Jr. 1320 N. Spring
Antionette Patterson, 719 Douglas
Ella Roland Deane, 2638 Hecksher
Dasetta K. Bumpers, 2056 Mulberry
Leslie C. White, 2000 N. Mosher
Mary E. Johnson, 2622 Denham Circle

Paquin lashes PSTA, BTU

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teachers, and that realistically the city could not be expected to spend all its income from the earnings tax ($20 million) on teachers salaries (as with the PSTA proposal), or all this income plus $16 million (as with BTU's request).

IN ADDITION, he said other necessities of the school system must also be considered, such as improvements to buildings, providing texts and materials and special programs.

Observing that the city spends a lower percentage of its budget than the counties in the state, Dr. Paquin attributed this to "municipal overburden," the necessity for the city to spend more for such services in the areas of "fire, welfare, police."

Feeling that the city has been taxes about as far as it can be, he added, "I don't think there is much more we can do at the local level."

He foresaw that any bettering of the local situation will have to come from the Federal Government, or "unless the state recognizes its responsibility to local education."

IN LIGHT of the social teaching problems of the city, Dr. Paquin said the city should be first in the state in its salary scale, and "I don't think it will be impossible to accomplish that."

But it will take a "long steady pull," he emphasized, not as in the past when "the city appears to go all out for education one year," and "nothing with two lean" years.

This "crisis" situation every three years appears to be the history of allotments to education in Baltimore, he said.

He predicted the salary schedule formulated by the board would be built on steps taking two to three years to reach full implementation, feeling that a massive advance in one year was "impossible" given present city finances.

Try (to be put in effect the Baltimore's starting salary (to be put in effect the first pay period in January) is $5,400, with a maximum of $9,300 reached in 15 years.

Nearby counties have starting salaries of $5,500 and $5,600, up to a maximum of $9,845.

Years to reach maximum vary from 12 to 14 to 15.

To attract the best qualified teachers it needs, the new salary scale "has to be competitive with these counties, the superintendent declared.

Rev. Turner

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The position paid $9,750 annually.

The Rev. Mr. Turner 41, 1000 block Poplar Grove St., was appointed in July following riots in the Maryland penitentiary.

A SPOKESMAN in Commissioner Pepersack's office told the AFRO this week that the minister's services were terminated at the end of the work day Thursday.

That was the same day the case was presented to the grand jury which took testimony from prosecuting witnesses ,including Mr. Pepersack.

The spokesman said the instant firing was possible because the minister was not a "contractual employee" or a classified worker.

It was explained that he was a "service fee" employee and submitted a bill for his service bi-weekly.

Meanwhile, deputy state's attorney George J. Helinski said the minister will be arraigned in Criminal Court

JAMES H. BROWN

'Everywhere he went he was a leader of men'

'Everywhere he went, he was a leader of men...'

Relatives were speaking of James Hubert Brown, Jr., the public school industrial arts teacher and sports star, who was buried on Wednesday.

Requiem mass was said at St. Pius Catholic Church. Burial was in Baltimore National Cemetery.

Mr. Brown, who lived at 3409 Springdale Ave., died on Saturday at Fort Howard Hospital. He had been ailing since an auto accident last April.

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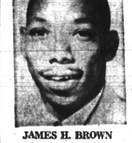
BORN in Baltimore, Mr. Brown attended Caryer Vocational-Technical High School, where he was an outstanding member and coach of the Varsity Basketball teams of 1955-56.

He was also a member of the Carver Hi-Y Club.

He was graduated from Hampton Institute in 1960 receiving a B.S. degree in Interior Decorating and Design.

During his years at Hampton, he was captain of the Varsity Basketball team, assistant coach, and organizer and coach of the basketball team of the Catholic parish



JAMES H. BROWN

in the Institute.

He represented his Alma Mater as student leader on numerous occasions throughout the country.

IN SEPTEMBER 1964, he joined the faculty of Fairmount Hill Junior High No. 453 where he made his interest in sports and young people evident.

Aside from his work at his home school, Mr. Brown found time to work as coach of the junior Varsity Basketball team at Carver.

Mr. Brown served in the armed forces in the army in Korea as a communications specialist.

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FALLBEARERS WERE: Otis Scarborough, Lloyd White, Vertis Johnson, Henry Whitehead, Bernard Griffen and Joseph Pullum.

Honorary pallbearers were Mrs. Mamie Bowman, Mrs. Annette Johnson, Mrs. Carrie Johnson, Mrs. Gladys Prestwidge, Mrs. Mazie Rea, James Alston, Matt Bond, John Boone, Donald Coleman, Frederick Edwards, Harold Fullers, Bradford Gordon, Dean Thomas Hawkins, Dr. Jerome Holland, Edward Peck, Dr. Saul Perdue, William Prestwidge, Robert Rea, Charles Robinson, Carlton Smith, Jesse Trader, Francelle Walker, Andrew Williams.

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SURVIVORS include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Brown, Sr., Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Catherine Robinson, Mrs. Corrine Phillips, and Miss Emily Brown; four brothers, Ulysses, Samuel, Jerome and David Brown. The Nutter Funeral Home was in charge.

Task Force report cited by Paquin

School Superintendent Laurence G. Paquin presented progress/reports on the recommendations of two groups — the Mayor's Task Force on Human Rights (with Rev. Rl. Bishop Leo Richard of the Baltimore Teachers Union — at the School Board's regular meeting last Thursday.

Dr. Paquin said he will continue the procedure of giving progress reports on the group's recommendations at future meetings.

Regarding the educational task force recommendation for bettering staff integration in the schools, the superintendent made five points:

1. He said he will present a report in January showing an improvement, especially in some of the conditions that were of concern to the committee — notably Patterson, Poly, Douglass and Dunbar.

2. That the matter of service in inner city schools being made a criterion for promotion to administrative posts would be considered in connection with a general review of promotions procedures now being made.

3. That a review of assignment procedures is being considered.

4. That plans are nearly complete for an inservice education program designed to improve the effectiveness of teachers working in large urban school system, but the plan needs financing.

5. Regarding a parking subsidy for teachers in the inner city schools, this and other ideas are being worked on, hopefully for implementation next fiscal year, the superintendent said.

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REGARDING THE suggestion for the appointment of an Assistant Superintendent of Human Relations, he said the recommendation was being reviewed, noting that a vacancy still exists in the area of school and community relations.

On the teacher union's recommendations, which were subtitled "demands," Dr. Paquin stated that a new promotion policy is currently under study.

The union's demand for an Effective Schools Board, such as that operated in New York City, is also under study, he said, adding that exam including a member of the BTU will visit several of the schools.

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HE SAID that administrative members of the staff have been required to maintain complete impartiality regarding teachers' organizations.

BTU had charged that principals and other supervisory personnel were given at least tacit endorsement of its rival, the Public School Teachers Association.

Dr. Paquin explained again that the School Board, because of lack of funds, could not pay the teacher association's decrease retroactive to September 1966.

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A GRIEVANCE procedure, another of the union demands, is also being worked out, and will be presented to the Board early in 1967.

The superintendent said that at subsequent meetings of the Board he will continue to report action taken on the demands.

Mitchell speaks at Convocation

ELIZABETH CITY, N.C. —Clarence Mitchell, director of the Washington bureau of the NAACP, will deliver the major address at the 75th Anniversary Convocation to be held at Elizabeth City State College, Sunday, Dec. at 3 p.m.

'A longtime, worker for civil rights, and husband of Atty. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, he is also the father of Clarence Mitchell III a member of the Maryland Senate.

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DR. HAROLD L. TRIGG, who served the institution as president from 1939 to 1945, and is presently a member of the North Carolina State Board of Education and faculty of Livingstone College, will participate in a symposium on Saturday and present citations at the Sunday convocation.

Dr. Sidney D. Williams, president of the college from 1946 to 1968, now a resident of Jamaica, New York, and Mrs. Williams, will attend and Dr. Williams will present citations at the Sunday convocation.

Dr. Walter N. Ridley, the present president since 1958, will preside.

Bomb blast wrecks car

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (UPI) — An explosive device described as "powerful" demolished a car and caused some damage to a residence Wednesday, Mecklenburg County Police reported.

County Police Chief George A. Stephens said no one was injured by the blast at the home of James Ervin, Ervin, his wife, Mary, and their three young children, were all asleep at the time of the 3 a.m. blast, Stephens said.

There were reports that Ervin had been threatened in recent months by anonymous telephone callers asking him to help keep colored citizens from moving in nearby areas.

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HOWEVER, STEPHENS said the case was still under investigation and he could not comment whether the explosion may have been racially motivated.

The FBI was helping County Police in the preliminary investigation of what is the sixth "Bombing" in the County in the past year, Stephens said.

Police said the explosive device apparently was placed on the right front fender of Ervin's car, knocking out the headlight and ripping off the hood. It also broke most of the windows in the Ervin home, Stephens said.

Letters to Mrs. Santa

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the needy.

Others supporters, touched by the and plight of many of their fellow citizens are responding to Mrs. Santa's appeal. Their donations will be publicly acknowledged.

Mrs. Santa again reminds her friends and supporters that the need is greater than ever and is urging them to help her make the needy happy at Christmas. You can do so by mailing a check or money order, or bring it in and personally hand it to Mrs. Santa.

Come to the third floor of the AFRO office, 628 N. Eutaw St. Or mail your contributions to:

Mrs. Santa
AFRO Charities, Inc.
628 N. Eutaw St.
Baltimore, Md. 21201

CASE NO. 259 — I am a mother with eight children, ages 5 to 15 and a blind child. I am asking you to give me a basket or toy for Christmas. I will appreciate it very much.

CASE NO. 260 — I am the mother of 10 children. Please help us. We have a little girl who is 16 years old, 15 years old, 14 years old, 12 years old, 10 years old, 8 years old, 6 years old, 4 years old, 2 years old and one baby. My son, 16, has a baby we take care of. Please help me.

CASE NO. 261 — Please help me, my three children and my nephew, whose mother died recently. I am a man I am keeping until his father comes from Alabama to get his welfare. My two sons, 14 and 15 months and my daughter is 16 years, nephew is 8. Anything you give will be greatly appreciated.

CASE NO. 262 — I have seven grandchildren, whose mother is a patient in and out of Providence Hospital and their father has left them with me and I am trying to do all I can, with the help I get from the welfare. Could you please help them to have a happy Christmas this year?

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CASE NO. 263 — I have 11 children and my husband is laid off. I am a heart patient at Johns Hopkins Hospital and cannot work. Could you please send us a basket for Christmas?

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CASE NO. 264 — I have four boys, ages 3, 5, 8 and 10. Mrs. Santa I will be thankful for anything you can give me for Christmas.

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CASE NO. 265 — Please help me with a basket for Christmas. I have three children, 7, 11 and 13. My husband is out of work. Could you send a basket?

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CASE NO. 266 — I have six children, 18, 13, 9, 8 girls and boys, 10 and a boy. My husband is out of work because of three operations in the last month. We are on welfare and my children need bookbag, service at St. Vincent's Church. Can you help?

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CASE NO. 267 — My husband has been confined to the hospital for the past four months, but is now home and unable to work. My family is three children, ages 6 and 8 years old, both boys. Could you help me give them a happy and merry Christmas?

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CASE NO. 268 — Will you please try to help me? I have two children with my mother, boys 4 and 6 years old, and left four children with my mother, boys 8 and 4 and girls, 6 and 12 years, two sisters, 17 and 7 and a brother, 16. No one lives here or the children's whereabouts. Please help me. My dress are all pin can.

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CASE NO. 269 — I have six children, five in school and one at home, ages 4 to 13. I am not well and on welfare. My husband has not given us anything in over three years. Will you please give us something for Christmas?

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CASE NO. 270 — I have taken care of my grandson since he was born. He is now 4 years old. Now I am on welfare. I have a bad heart and can't work no longer. Please, if you can, help us to have a nice Christmas, as we will not have enough for Christmas.

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CASE NO. 271 — I have two girls, 13 and 4 and four boys, ages 17, 14, 12 and 2½. My husband is out of work because of operations and now is on welfare. Please help us with a basket, toys and shoes and clothes for Christmas.

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CASE NO. 272 — Please help me to make a happy Christmas for my dinner. I have four small sons, ages 8, 7 years old, 3 years and 1 year. I am married and I am the children's father. Please help me. I want to give them a good dinner so anything you do for us will be appreciated.

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CASE NO. 273 — My husband is on welfare and has time of the year cannot work. I would like to get a basket this year. I have 6 children.

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CASE NO. 274 —My husband is laid off this winter. I am not working. Could you please spare clothing for my babies and a little food. Four of my children have asthma very bad. I have no money.

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CASE NO. 275 — I am 13 and have three brothers and two sisters. My mother does not know I am writing this. We are on welfare and we do not have anything for Christmas. We would like to surprise our mother. Could you send a turkey and a basket of fruit? She would be most happy.

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CASE NO. 276 — My five boys and four girls would like to have a happy Christmas. Could you give a basket for Christmas and maybe a toy or two? I am on welfare and we not afford it.

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CASE NO. 277 — My husband gets no take care of children. We can't make much. Please help me with food and fruit cocktail, pears, boys need pants and shoes. We would also like to have a basket. My boys are 8, 11 and 12.

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CASE NO. 278 — My family is very poor. Has been very sick since my husband died. I can not get my children anything for Christmas. My boys are boys, 4, 6, 7, and 8 and girls, 3 and 10. Please give us a basket and some fruit. Maybe toys and candy.

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CASE NO. 279 — If I could get my children, two boys, 8 and 3 and two girls 8 and a something I try to do all I can, with the help I get from the welfare. Could you please help them to have a happy Christmas this year?

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CASE NO. 280 — My family needs a basket or any help you might be able to give us. I have two older children, ages 16 and 13, and three smaller children, a boy 8 and two girls, 6 and 4. We need help them a decent meal and toys for Christmas.

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We would thank you if you could help us in any way.

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CASE NO. 281 — My children, ages 10, 11 and 13 need coats. I am on welfare and can not get them. We are in very bad need of a basket. My husband also has five children, living with me. Oh, Mrs. Santa, I pray that you can help us.

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CASE NO. 282 — My husband and I are separated. With so many children I need a basket. I am on welfare and can not afford them. Our needs are not heavy enough. Also if you could give us some toys, food or fruit, please. I would even be willing to do a little work for you, if someone wants me. Anything to give my children a merry Christmas. Please help.

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CASE NO. 283 — My girls are asking for a basket and I cannot give them one. Will you help us, Mrs. Santa?

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CASE NO. 284 — I hope someone can make my children happy. They are two boys, 12 and 6. I am on welfare and I have a baby in the hospital. My husband left us. Please send us a basket of food and toys please.

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CASE NO. 285 — Please help me make a happy Christmas for my children, girls, 12, 12, 3 and 2 and my husband is dead. We are on welfare. My husband has not given us anything in over three years. Will you please give us something for Christmas?

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CASE NO. 286 — My oldest son moved himself, but I still have four at home. I get a little welfare check but it just about everything, because our house burned down on fire and everything burned. My husband died in the second floor of tuberculosis. Please help us, will you?

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CASE NO. 287 — I am 9 and have a brother, 2. This Christmas looks very bad for our family because he is not working and we stay with our grandmother. We are on welfare. We can give us. I want a race car and a pair of skates and a new coat. My brother could use a few toys. Thank you Mrs. Santa. Please try to help us.

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CASE NO. 288 — We are on welfare. My husband left me when my children were small and many days I went to work hungry, but I always managed something for my children to eat. My children have grown now and seem to have forgotten me.

I get a little help from the welfare. Please send me a Christmas basket. It would make me feel as good that someone remembers an old. I really do need it.

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CASE NO. 289 — I am little girl 12 years old. I need a dress, size 8 panties and something for her. I would help us a lot.

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CASE NO. 290 — Please put my name down for a basket. I have toys, ages 16, 13, 10, 8 and 7 months and girls, 14, 12 and 2 years old. I have no one to care for me would help. We are on welfare. It has been a long time since I was able to give my children a happy Christmas. Please help.

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CASE NO. 291 — We could use a basket this year. My girls are 8 and 10 years old and boys 4 and 7 wish you could give us clothes and toys. Please.

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CASE NO. 292 — The children want a basket for Christmas. I hope you can help us, give them a happy Christmas. There are five of them. Please help us. Mrs. Santa.

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CASE NO. 293 — My father died last Christmas only 11 days. We know we will not have much of a Christmas this year. I have seven children, ages 1½ to 14. My husband does not make much money. It has been a hard struggle for me to keep my boy going after learning about his disease. It is very hard. Maybe you could send anyone out to explain this to him and help me, too. If you could, Mrs. Santa, please help with a basket and some toys. I am still hoping and praying to the Lord for your help.

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CASE NO. 295 — Thanksgiving was real bad for us. Last year we did not get anything for Christmas. All I am asking for is a basket. I have three children, 2, 3 and 6. I have received welfare for my partial, with a kidney infection so I cannot work. I get a little help at times, but it is not enough. Can you help?

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CASE NO. 296 — I am on welfare. I have a boy who is suffering with asthma and he needs medicine and clothes. We will be thankful for any help you can give us this Christmas, especially a basket.

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CASE NO. 297 — Help a family of 10 children, whose mother is a cripple. Five children are boys, 10, 3½ and 4 and three girls, 7, 8½ and 2. I need clothes and toys and food. Please make our Christmas happy this year.

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CASE NO. 298 — I have two boys 4 and 3. I am asking for clothes, wears size 8 shoe, clothes would be very nice. I am also asking for size 13 shoe and clothes, size 7. If you could help us, we would be very happy. We are in out of work and we are staying with our mother. Please help us. Mrs. Santa, size 13 shoe. Please help us. A pair of boots for Christmas would also be appreciated.

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CASE NO. 299 — I am not well, my husband is also sick and unable to work. We are on welfare and looking forward to a happy Christmas. I hope you can help us by giving us a basket. Please help us.

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CASE NO. 300 — There are seven of us, girls 6, 8, 6, 7 and a little boy, 12, 8 and 14. We all would like to have a basket and a little toy and a little clothing because my mother will not be able to do much this year. Help us have a happy Christmas.

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CASE NO. 301 — I go to the hospital for my nerves and a heart condition and I also have angina. Please help my son and me. He wants toys for Christmas. He is size 3 or 3 Please help us.

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CASE NO. 302 — My husband is out of work and we are on welfare. We have had work on one another. The children's ages are 14, 12, 11, 10, 7 and 2. Please help.

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CASE NO. 303 — My mother-in-law needs help. She has five boys. She is 70 years old. I try to help take care of because their mother left them.

She has heart trouble and has little money to live on. We do not like help for myself, but please do something for her.

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CASE NO. 304 — I need a basket. I have four children, 3 to 10 and am on welfare. My children want a basket for Christmas and I don't know how I can give them one. Please help me.

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CASE NO. 305 — I have two children and my husband is in service. My oldest son was helping, but he has been forced to apply for relief, but won't get it until January. My children will only help them, please do. They need a basket.

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CASE NO. 306 — Mrs. Santa, please make my Christmas to be happy about. I have five children and my husband is out of work. They need food and clothes and toys. Please help.

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CASE NO. 307 — I have six girls and four boys, ages 8 months to 17 years. We are on welfare and we just about everything, because our home was burned on fire and everything burned. My husband died in the second floor of tuberculosis. Please help us, will you?

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CASE NO. 308 — I need a basket. I have four children, 3 to 10 and am on welfare. My children want a basket for Christmas and I don't know how I can give them one. Please help me.

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CASE NO. 309 — I have ten children and my husband is in service. My oldest son was helping, but he has been forced to apply for relief, but won't get it until January. My children will only help them, please do. They need a basket.

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CASE NO. 310 — Mrs. Santa, please make my Christmas to be happy about. I have five children and my husband is out of work. They need food and clothes and toys. Please help.

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CASE NO. 311 — I have six girls and four boys, ages 8 months to 17 years. We are on welfare and just about everything, because our home was burned on fire and everything burned. My husband died in the second floor of tuberculosis. Please help us, will you?

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CASE NO. 312 — I am expecting four, ages 12 months, 3 and 12. My husband and I are divorced. Please help us.

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CASE NO. 313 — I am 50 and have been married for 32 years. My husband died last year. I have 9 children living and 3 dead. I have six grandchildren, ages 1 to 8 and mentally retarded daughter. I need a coat and dresses so I can go to church. My daughter can't go, no a coat. I haven't had one in fifteen years. Also please send my grandchildren something. Please help.

I am an apartment and we have no heat.

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CASE NO. 314 — I have girls, 15, 12, 10, 8, 7, 5, 4 and 1 yr. old. My husband is sick and unable to work and we are on welfare. My check will not cover for food and rent. We are behind in rent. I met an accident and am now unable to work. We need my kids happy for Christmas.

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CASE NO. 315 — Please try to help me to give my children a happy Christmas. My husband is in Union Memorial Hospital I was evicted out of my home. I am a lot of my children. I have seven girls, 15, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 and 1.

I wish I could get a coat for my daughter, size 7. Their coats were stolen when we were evicted. I would also like a basket and toys for the children. Please help in some way you can.

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