1,800 Witnesses here on weekend

Over 1800 delgates from the congregations in Baltimore and vicinity will be attending a semi-annual religious assembly in Baltimore this weekend.

Robert G. Holmes, circuit director of Jehovah's Witnesses in the Baltimore and suburban area announced. Sessions begin today (Friday) at 7 p.m. and continue through Sunday.

Holmes said, "The main appeal of the assembly will be to the Bible. From the first session to the last, the program will focus attention on God's Word of Truth'.

"This program is designed to show the Bible's place in the modern home and how the Bible can contribute to family happiness."

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A HIGHLIGHT of the Friday evening session will be a showing of a thirty minute film, "Heritage" that identifies three basic needs young people have: Excitement, Recognition and Security.

The film will show the two opposite courses they take in trying to satisfy these needs and the outcome of each and what part the home plays to a large extent in determining whether youths pursue a course leading to benefit or trouble.

In addition, it will aid adults to answer the question: "How can I help?"

Saturday's session will include a talk by J. W. Filson, district supervisor, on the subject, "Dedication and Baptism" followed by the dedicated ministers.

The baptism arrangement is for the benefit of delegates who have advanced in their study of the Bible to the point of dedicating the remainder of their lives to the service of God.

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SATURDAY EVENING another film to be shown, "God Cannot Lie", is a 90-minute color motion pitucre on the story of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation; the fulfillmentof Bible prophecies; Jerusalem and other Bible sites and how the Bible can aid persons today.

The three-day assembly reaches its climax Sunday at 3 p.m. when Filson speaks on the subject, "Satisfying Mankind's Greatest Need."

Dr. Jackson is re-elected

Dr. Lillie M. Jackson was reelected president and all other officers of the Baltimore Branch NAACP were retained at a special meeting of the branch held at Sharp Street Community Center Tuesday. Harry Macer presided.

Two new members were added to the Board of Directors. They were Mesdames Leah Patterson, a housewife and seamstress, and Ethel Jones, housewife and practical nurse. Knt. Reynolds, CPA, was listed as auditor.

The nominating committee included Dr. J. E. T. Campper, the Revs. S. A. Thompson, Marcus G. Wood, Mrs. Mary E. Hawkins, John H. Thornton and William E. Dennis.

Arena Players

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The Arena Players announce their Second Annual Children's Variety Show on Dec. 28 at 2 p.m. in the auditorium of Lemmel Junior High School, 2801 N. Dukeland St.

The program includes sing, tap and ballet dancing and features a play, "The Lost Christmas."

The guest directors for the show and play are Mrs. Vacountess Payne and David Vaughn.

Tickets may be obtained by calling 523-6245 or at the door the day of the production.

Marine glad to be home for holidays

HOME FROM VIETNAM, Marine Corps Sgt. Milton L. Hazzard talks of his experiences to his attentive mother, Mrs. Dorothy Hazzard, 5 N. Rosedale St.

"It feels wonderful to be home," said Marine Corps Sgt. Milton L. Hazzard, who recently returned to Baltimore after 13 months in Vietnam.

Sgt. Hazzard, of 5 N. Rosedale St., was reluctant to talk about his experiences while in the war arena but did volunteer:

"The medical corpsmen are doing a beautiful job — their quick response when called has saved many lives.

"The morale of the troops is very good. They pay no attention to the demonstrations and card - burnings in the states," he added.

The free, single and eligible Marine joined the service in 1957. He has been cited with the Marine Corps Expeditionary Ribbon, the Vietnamese Service Ribbon, a third Good Conduct Award and his second National Defense Awad.

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A GRADUATE of William C. Taylor High School in Warrenton, Va., Sgt. Hazzard's father, Clifford, has been principal there for 18 years.

His mother, Mrs. Dorothy Hazzard, is a counselor at Saratoga Junior High School, Saratoga St. and Carrollton Ave.

One sister, Mrs. Constance Ferguson, is a dietician at the University of Maryland.

Mrs. Dorothy Jean Walker, another sister, is in Germany with her husband, Dwight, a paratrooper attached to an Army Airborne Division.

We are so grateful our son was able to return. He had our constant prayers of my husband and me," Mrs. Hazzard said.

"We also prayed for the other soldiers there too because we are concerned about others as well as our son.

"We sent many inspirational messages for him to share with the other boys."

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SGT. HAZZARD, with the Fourth Marine Division, was manager of the post exchange at Phu Bai.

"Even when you are not on actual combat duty," he said, "you still find yourself in combat.

"You know — you get shot at, you shoot back. Suddenly it's all around you."

Sgt. Hazzard will be home through Jan. 2, after which he will report to the Marine Base at Parris Island, S.C.

"I still have some time left to meet some girls before I go," the sergeant said, obviously anticipating a fun - filled holiday leave.

Divorces granted

Barbara Price from Robert Price Jr., Willie Henderson from Mildred Henderson, Darlene Haines from Ronald Haines, Cathaleen Hensley from Eugene Hensley.

Joseph McDonald from Patricia McDonald, William Wilson vs. Rachel Wilson, Ida Forrester from Archie Forrester.

Samuel Ferguson from Carrie Ferguson, Ralph Clayton from Linda Ann Clayton, Elsie Walker from Thomas Walker, Frances Stanton vs. John A. Stanton, William Keith vs. Flora E. Keith, Randolph Wells vs. Lee Ethel Wells.

Elaine Walls from Alonzo Walls, Robert M. Moore from Raefaela Moore, Lois Jean Davis from Herman Davis.

BIG HELPERS — William D. McConkey and Charles Hardnett, community relations and sales representatives of the Carling Brewing Co., gave the Mrs. Santa effort for the needy at Christmas a $100 boost.

'Good News' on Christmas

A program featuring the Christmas celebrations of various national groups in and around Baltimore will be presented on "The Good News" on Sunday, 10 a.m., on WBAL-TV 11.

Emphasizing that Christmas is a "unifying force" for people of different languages and creeds, the program will host singers and guests representing the national spirits of such countries as Poland, Spain, Lithuania, Brazil and Russia through music, dance and discussions of various customs.

During another segment of the program, a children's choir of 40 voices from All Saints Parish will sing "Softly the Stars are Shining," "How Far Is It To Bethlehem" and "Silent Night."

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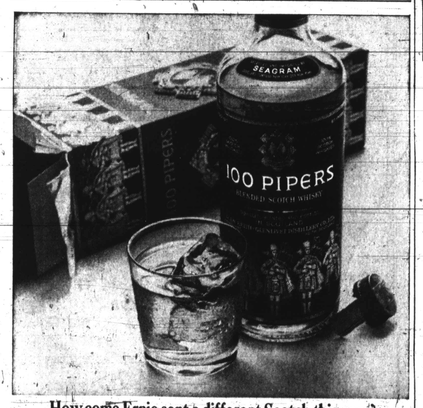

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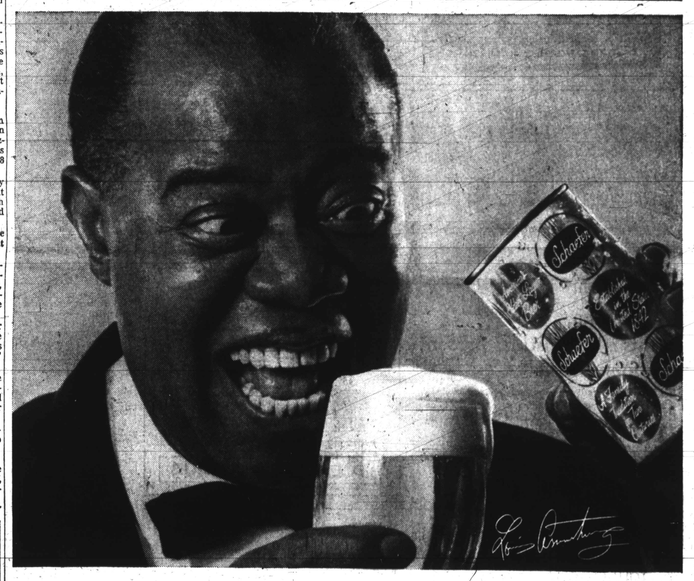

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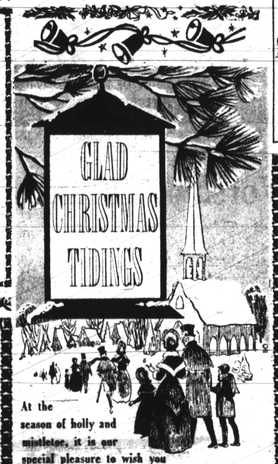

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