Embassy attache doing prideful job in Germany

Colbert King, 27-year-old attache with the American Embassy in Bad Godesberg, Germany, has had numerous enriching experiences since becoming a member of the U.S. Foreign Service staff in 1966.

In addition to his daily job, which takes him to many embassies throughout Germany, Mr. King meets such dignitaries as Willy Brandt, President Lubke, and Vice President Humphrey (on his official visit with government leaders of the Federal Republic of Germany.

He also served as personal escort of Secretary Dean Rusk while he and President Johnson attended the funeral of Konrad Adenauer last month.

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MR. KING is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah King of 1438 Sheridan Street, NW, Washington.

With him in Germany are his wife, Mrs. Gwendolyn Stewart King and their three children, Robert, Stephen and Allison. His mother hopes to visit the family there in August.

THE TRIPLE CROWN AWARD won by Frank Robinson of the Orioles for his leadership last year in home runs, runs batted in and batting average will be on view at three Samuel Kirk and Sons Stores in Stewart's Stores through June 3, Howard St.; June 5-10, Reisterstown Plaza, and June 12-17, York Road. Frank, John C. Gillivan, center, Stewart's president, and Howard T. Brenner, president of Kirk and Son, creators of the Triple Crown Bowl admired the award Wednesday. the Oriole star was presented a duplicate. The original will be presented to the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y. this summer.

No. 12 champs in police track

WASHINGTON

Propelled mainly by the 15-18 age groups, the Twelfth Precinct edged No. Six in last Saturday's Metropolitan Police Boys Club track meet.

Boys from all 14 police districts participated in the events at Coolidge High School. No. 12 took first place for the second year in a row, amassing 24 points.

No. 6 was a close second, with 20. Ninth Precinct garnered 14, enough for third; and Fifth Precinct took fourth place, with 13.

No. 9 was outstanding in two age classes, the 9-and-under and 12-and-under groups. No. 6 had its thrust in the 13-14 category.

Precinct No. 5 picked up points in all the groups.

Club damaged by bomb blast

LOUISBURG, N.C. (UPI) — What appeared to be a gasoline fire bomb damaged a night club just east of here Wednesday night.

Franklin County Sheriff William T. Dement said the blast did minor damage to the "Little Acorn" about 10:30 p.m. The State Bureau of Investigation was assisting Dement in his investigation.

Dement said there was evidence the explosion was caused by a gasoline fire bomb. Windows were knocked out of the front of the building. A booth located just inside a window was splintered.

Norman Perry, operator of the Little Acorn, said he knew of no reason why anyone would attempt to destroy the place.

There was a fatal shooting in the Little Acorn 2:30 a.m. Sunday, May 14. Authorities are holding Thomas Earl Dean, 20, Rt. 3, Louisburg, for murder in the shotgun slaying of Lewis Melvin Alston, 38, of Baltimore, Md. The shooting did not appear to be more than a nightclub fight.

Washington Notebook

By MARY E. STRATFORD

Larry Still, president of the Capital Press Club, is steaming over the Notebook's item concerning the resignation of Jimmy Williams from the CPC.

Williams, who refused to accept another term as vice president declaring "that he would cooperate with the new officers," shocked members when the election ended by stating "I quit."

Still, a former member of the Evening Star staff, says the criticism that the club is daily-oriented is unfair. He points out that the AFRO's Cliff Mackay is one of the honorees, this year. In 1966, the late Carl Murphy was cited.

It is rumored that several members were a little upset over the invitation to Dr. Martin Luther King as principal speaker. It seems that some of the government workers were fearful of Dr. King's anti-administration stand.

The non-government members said that the CPC should stand up for "freedom of the press" and should not become victims of self-intimidation because of their insecurity.

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BASEBALL FANS are wondering whether or not the Washington Senators are not pursuing a quota policy. The sending of Bob Chance, who might not be a good fielder but can hit the ball and had won several games, to the minors raises the question.

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JESSE ARNELL, former Penn State star and recently of the Peace Corps, is now working with the Federal Mediation Service. The Department of Transportation is finally doing something about its equal employment policies. It had hired a white person as an equal employment officer.

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JUNIUS GRIFFIN, the former N.Y. Times newsman, leaves the GOP National Committee to handle public relations for Motown. If you don't listen to the "in" radio stations, Motwn is a record company that issues platters of such famed artists as The Supremes, The Four Tops, and Frankie Lyman.

Those soul-radio qnotes of Stokely Carmichael that he advocates the shooting of policemen in his D.C. Target City Operation are not designed to keep the peace in the nation's capital.

In fact, the out of context newscast is irresponsible journalism. Carmichael, as this columnist understands it, advocates defense by citizens who are attacked by policemen.

This is quite different than the flat statement that Carmichael advocates the shooting of policemen.

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NOW THAT the Commerce Department may get a new Secretary of Commerce, Alexander B. Trowbridge, perhaps the department will upgrade its equal employment opportunity program. Formerly on a policy status, it was downgraded under the Secretary John T. Connor to a department level.

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ROGER WILKINS, the Community Relations Service chief, has come up with a master plan to cmbat the "long hot summer" efforts of the civil rights activists.

With an eye towards the 1968 elections, LBJ has given Wilkins' proposals a long hard look. The new Attorney General Ramsay Clark is pressing for immediate adoption of the Wilkins' proposals.

If they are adopted, it will be a switch. The CRS has warned high government officials about the impending disturbances in urban areas in past years, but they were ignored as reports of alarmists.

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REMEMBER THAT the Notebook predicted that the reorganizational plan for D.C. government would be shelved. The reason? Those Dixicrats on Capitol Hill like the power that they have over District affairs.

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SCENE: When Rev. James Bevel and Stokely Carmichael (who needs no futher identification) spoke recently against the Vietnam war, they admitted several colored persons to the study at Lincoln Congregational Church following the speeches.

Not everyone who sought entry to the private session was admitted. Julius Hobson, chairman, Washington ACT, knocked and was admitted when he identifed himself. Sterling Tucker, executive director, Washington Urban League tried to get in, but someone in the room was heard saying, "Shut that door. He screamed on us about Vietnam."

Race history play at Woodson School

An original play dealing with race history will be presented at 2 p.m. Sunday at Woodson Junior High School, Minnesota Ave. and Foote Street, NE.

Written and directed by Sister Maria Mercedes, the play will feature students of Holy Providence School of Cornwell Heights, Pa. for the benefit of the Roving Leaders Program.

The production is sponsored by the D. C. Recreation Department and the Fort Dupont Chapter of the Parents Club of Holy Providence School. Mrs. Isabelle Hamilton is president; Mrs. Leona C. Greene, chairman.

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If YOU Ask ME

BY BETTYE M. MOSS

People, places and things

This is birthday time for Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, our town's most remarkable lady. She was 78 on May 25th.

Saturday's Maryland State Conference of NAACP will mark her 33rd annual meeting. It's at Sharp St. Methodist Church. (Dolphin and Etting).

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The death last week of Miss Elaine Michelson removes from the Baltimore scene one of this city's finest good neighbors.

She was genuinely nice, and concerned about her fellowman.

Many knew her as the executive secretary of the Mental Health Society of Greater Baltimore.

And, there are some who may recall, as this writer does, that it was Elaine Michelson who encouraged our club groups to become volunteers in the association.

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Remember that first time how those 'other' ladies turned a cold shoulder when the brown-skinned lady volunteers reported for duty?

Remember, it was Elaine who let it be known in no uncertain terms that volunteer work drew no color lines? She was a grand gal!

Thinking-of-you cards will reach her mother, Mrs. Lillie Michelson at 2412 Dolfield Ave.

She is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Edith Greengold of Annapolis; and Mrs. Marilyn Tanarrin of N.Y.

A cousin is the Baltimore physician, Dr. Elliott Michelson.

Seen at the Monday morning funeral: State Senator Verda Welcome; and Judge Robert B. Watts. He was among pallbearers.

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Boiling mad department: The 400-plus persons who waited Tuesday evening at Morgan to her Michigan's Congressman John Conyers Jr.

He was due to address the closing session of the college's Institute for Political Education at Carl Murphy Auditorium at 8 p.m.

His office advised about 6 that he was on the way so the program went ahead. At 8.45, when he did drive up, the program was over.

He held a brief press conference and then went on to a nearby spot for a cocktailer honoring him. In the party, his aide, beauteous Barbara Bowman.

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Want a beautiful view of our town? Look at it from the 22nd floor of One Charles Center.

Place is called the Center Club. It was there on Monday evening that the Baltimore City Unit of American Cancer Society held its annual meeting.

Seen in the crowd: Mrs. Martha Shorter, a 16th ward worker; and Mrs. Gladys E. Johnson, (Catonsville); also Dr. Richard McKinney, member of the Board of Directors.

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Spied in the Center's parking lot: W. Emerson Brown, the lawyer.

He was hurrying to his office to clear up some work so he could keep an appointment the next morning with his daughter.

She is Mrs. Andrea Brown Lewis, who flew in the next day from Montivideo, Uruguay, where she has been in the Peace Corps.

More about people and things

Morgan State College president asked an assembly on political affairs to render a moment of silent prayer, Tuesday night, for Professor Elbert Bishop, who remained on the campus to moderate the closing session of the Institute for Political Education, in spite of the fact that earlier in the day his father died in South Carolina.

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Get-well cards to Dr. Samuel R. Owings. He's had a bout with pneumonia.

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Cuff note: Orchids to devoted members of Heritage United Church of Christ (3106 Liberty Hgts).

They did a terrific do-it-yourself job to renovate the lower auditorium.

Led by the energetic young pastor, the dynamic Rev. Wendell H. Phillips, men, women, and children helped to take up the old tile flooring.

With paint donated by members, Harold Howard and Harvey Walker, headed a paint crew who did a beautiful job on the walls, soft green with white trim.

The Women's Guild donated material for drapes made by the skilled hands of Mrs. Elizabeth Tilghman.

The job was completed in time for the annual church tea on Sunday which followed the well attended recital by Isador Oglesby, tenor.

Go see for yourself the attractive results all in shades of green.

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Orchids to Principal Mrs. Edna Campbell and Douglass High School Senior Class advisors, Mrs. Gwen Spencer and Mrs. Louise Dorcas.

They arranged the final senior class activity on Thursday evening at the school.

Members of the June class and their parents saw Pauline Brooks and her models show the proper attire for commencement activities.

And, there were models from Cavalier showing the right look for male students.

After the fashion show, seniors and their parents had refreshments catered by Reginald Bennett. Very nice!

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Looking good — Mrs. Harry A. Cole (Doris), was a picture in blue and white for her husband's big day.

He was sworn in Friday morning as a member of the Municipal Court.

There was standing room only for the event in the Traffic Courtroom at Police Headquarters.

Mrs. Cole's ensemble was navy blue and white abstract print.

Her hat, a white milan straw turned up at the front, was edged with blue, (her husband selected the very chic outfit.)

Their daughters were cute as buttons. Stephanie, age 2, was in pink. Harriet, age 6, in navy blue and white. Susan, age 8, in orange and white.

And, get this, Mrs. Cole made their dresses!

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Proudest spectators at the swearing-in — student council members of Belmont School of which Mrs. Pearl Brackett (Judge Cole's sister), is principal.

They are studying current events so they were permitted to witness the event. Dallas Barclift, a parent, was also there.

The pupils were: Cecile Downie, Cheryl Johnson, Diane Chambers, Mary Hall Etladen Jackson, Felicia Smith, Dallas Barclift, Carl Steward, Charles Downie, Stacey Saunders, William Fowler, Stanley Jackson, Franklin Turner and Christie Downie.

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Down from Pittsburgh for the ceremony: Mrs. Cole's brother, J. Wendell Freeland, the lawyer and Workman's Compensation Commissioner.

With him, son, Michael, 15. Mr. Freeland and his wife, Jane, formerly resided in Baltimore.

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Cuff note: Mr. Freeland joined Mr. Cole's law partners in robing the new judge.

He is married to the former Jane Young, onetime AFRO employe.

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Ed Young is the new vice principal of Sudbrook Junior High in Pikesville.

Baltimore County School Board made the promotion Wednesday.

He was formerly chairman of the guidance department at Patapsco High.

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Arena Players second annual awards presentation is Sunday at 6 at Eastwind.

It is a black tie affair, dinner, celebrity show and dancing.

Citations will go to Mrs. Morris A. Mechanic, widow of the man who built Baltimore's new theatre, and to Miss Ellen Stewart, pioneer playwright.

There also will be citations to Whitney LaBlanc and Mrs. Mary Carter Smith.

Culture note: William L. Moore Foundation reception May 28, 2 to 5 p.m., at 433 E. 25th St., will feature Frederick Campbell's art work.

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One way to get reassurance that the country is safe is to listen to young people perform at public school exercises.

It was so on Wednesday evening at the million dollar Johnston Square Elementary School dedication.

It was inspiring to hear the children speak. Twelve-year-old, sixth grader, Gerjetta Johnson, presided beautifully.

So did eight-year-old third grader, Godfrey Johnson; and 12-year-old Lucretia Clark, who extended greetings.

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Just as inspirational — the verse choir and glee club directed by Mrs. Vesta Griffin (Their 'They Built Us A School' number was terrific. So was the original school song.)

Johnston Square, is the new community school complex opened three years ago. There are numerous activities.

The school and recreation center are open five nights a week. The hope is it will soon serve the area seven days a week.

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Present at the exercises were five ladies who completed nursing studies and will receive their diplomas on June 1 at Poly.

They are: Mesdames Jessie Ashe, Beatrice Cunningham, Sarah Jones, Mildred Bailey and Wilma Littlejohn.

Dedicated principal of this community school is Mrs. Katherine H. Gross.

Real tear jerker: The spontaneous and sustained applause the audience gave her when she rose to speak.

Vice principal is talented Samuel H. Wilson. Many know him as the gifted playwright (Arena Player Players.)

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More concerned school people: Mrs. Guthrie Jackson and Lewis Garrett, food service instructors at Carrollton School.

It was there on Friday that children sponsored a smorgasboard —yum . . . yum . . . yum.

Parents and friends were lined up and there was standing room only shortly after the doors opened at 4 p.m.

Youngsters prepared a variety of dishes. Sample:—roast beef, roast duck, chicken, assorted cold cuts, breads, desserts . . . all told 38 categories of food.

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This reporter can testify the gingerbread was delicious.

And, to think they did this with the limited facilities.

Carrollton is one of the old and more dilapidated schools in the city!

Orchids to Principal John Cothorn and his faculty for sponsoring such excellent programs under great odds.

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Cuff note: Holy Trinity Episcopal Mission is now a separate church.

The Diocesan Convention meeting last month granted it independence. It will now elect its own vestryman and run its own affairs, thanks to the leadership of Father Robert Powell.

A bit about this and that

Trouble sometimes comes double: Mrs. Pauline Brooks, proprietor of the North Ave. dress salon has been up nightly because her brother Floyd Bartz was stricken with a heart ailment. He's in Provident Hospital.

At Wednesday midnight, burglars entered the front door of her dress salon and made off with $4,000 worth of clothing.

Police recovered $1,000 worth of goods but were unable to get positive identification of five persons seen in the vicinity at the time of the robbery.

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Thinking-of-you cards to the Rev. A. J. Payne, minister of Enon Baptist Church.

He buried his only living immediate relative — his sister, Mrs. Laura Dickerson on Friday.

Mrs. Dickerson, 77, died at her home in Charleston, W. Va.

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Cuff note: The Rev. Dr. Payne is observing his 44th anniversary at the church. He looks forward to dedication next year of the A. J. Payne Christian Center adjoining the church.

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People moving about: Mrs. Fannie Jenkins, Mrs. Louise Dolvey and Police Lt. Violet Hill Whyte postcard from Atlantic City.

Verse to remember

Langston Hughes, the profile poet and author, died this week at the age of 65.

Some of us who studied Negro History in public school, remember this poem: poems:

I, Too
I, too, sing America.

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I am the darker brother.
They send me to eat in the kitchen
When company comes,
But I laugh,
And eat well,
And grow strong.

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Tomorrow,
I'll be at the table
When company comes.
Nobody'll dare
Say to me,
"Eat in the kitchen,"
Then.

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Besides,
They'll see how beautiful I am
And be ashamed—
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