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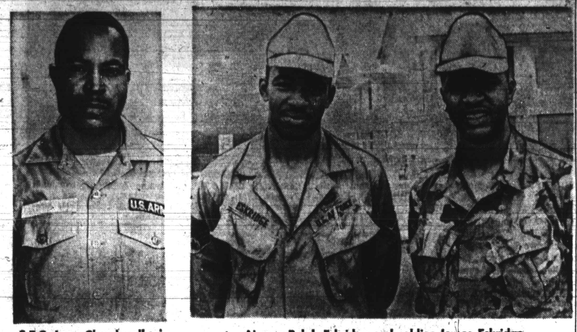
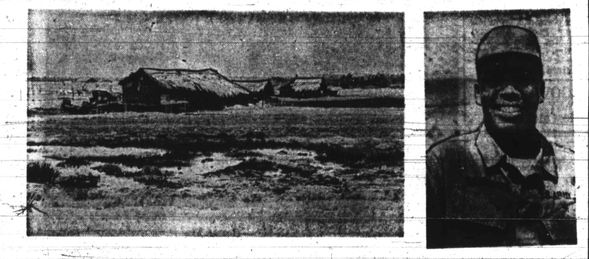


S.F.C. Leon Churchwell Ohioan completes 2nd tour

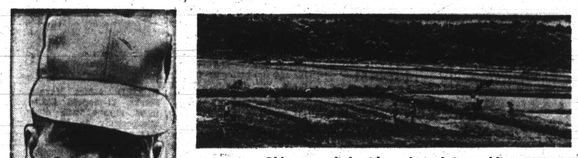
Airman Ralph Eskridge and soldier James Eskridge, brothers from Columbus, Ohio reunited in Vietnam



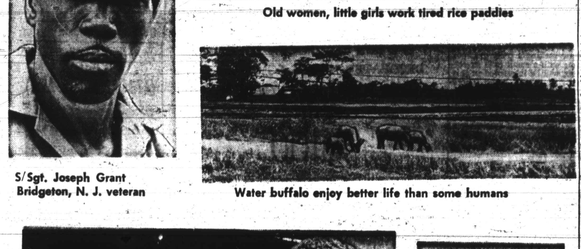
Three families, 17 persons live in this hut complex

Sp./4 Tommie Hibbler cousin of Al Hibbler, from Chicago

All Photos By AFRO's MIKE DAVIS in Vietnam



Old women, little girls work tired rice paddies

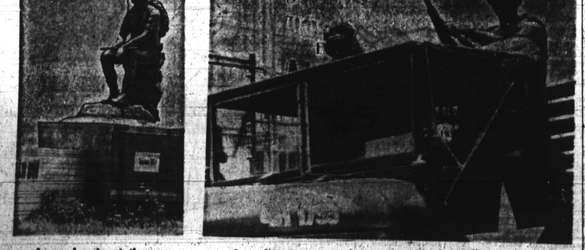


S/Sgt. Joseph Grant Bridgeton, N. J. veteran

Water buffalo enjoy better life than some humans

Sp./5 Robert E. Holland, E-5 William E. Strayhern former from Chicago, latter nephew of late jazzist Billy Strayhorn

Ralston E. Patton Detroit warrant officer



Long, lonely vigil tomb on Bien Hoa Road

Armed U. S. convoy shown poised and on alert Camera focus on movement along important Bien Hoa Highway

He works with people in Vietnam

By MIKE DAVIS
AFRO correspondent

SAIGON — S/Sgt. Walter S. Tobias, a native of Mississippi, who now lives in Cheesepeake, Va., enjoys working closely with the Vietnafese people.

"I find that they are very friendly," he said. "I get along very well with all of them and I think that I understand their problems."

Tobias has been in the Army eight years and has recently arrived in Vietnam to begin his one-year tour of duty.

He is a stock control advisor to a branch of the Vietnamese government.

"I like being an instructor," he commented, "I find that the Vietnamese people are quick to learn and once you show them how to do something they don't forget and they are grateful to you for showing them new methods for getting work done."

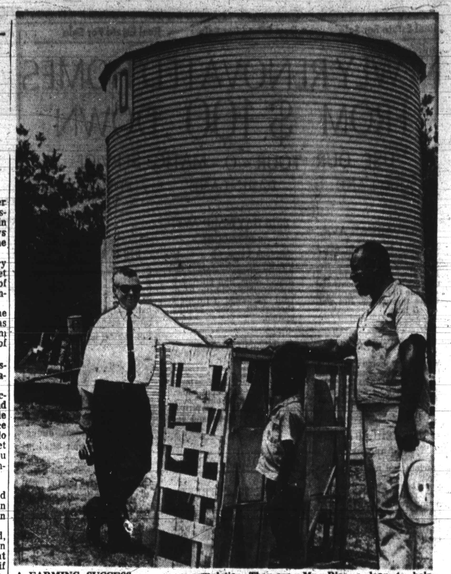
TOBIAS said that colored soldiers are doing well in Vietnam and in the Army in the states as well.

"Colored guys," he said, "are making their own breaks by demonstrating that they can do a job as well if not better than the next man.

"I've been in the Army eight years and I've never had any racial problems with any of the men I have met," he concluded.

Tobias is married to the former Ruth Davis of Clinton, Miss., and they have four children.

They make their home at 514 Cayhart Dr., Chesapeake, Va.



A FARMING SUCCESS — Alvin Rice, of Freeman, Va., right, with his young son, and his county manager, Rawleigh G. Clary, are all smiles as the installation of his new grain bin nears completion. They are standing by the bin fan. Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture made Mr. Rice a loan to help purchase and install the bin for storage of feed grain for his livestock, or for storage of his wheat or soybeans under price support.

He keeps 'em moving

By MIKE DAVIS
AFRO correspondent

LONG BINH — When first line troops receive a hot meal, supplies and letters from home, the man they should thank is Sfc. Clarence Williams of Baltimore.

The 36-year-old soldier is the truck master for the 7th Transportation Command in Vietnam.

It's his job to see that essentials keep rolling to the boys in the front line base camps.

Each day Sgt. Williams' trucks roll up the dusty Bien Hoa High Way loaded down with medical supplies, food, ammunition, weapons and mail from home.

"We are the base support," Williams said, "for the field operations."

Williams lives at 1605 Whitmore Ave. He is married to the former Marie Greene of Belair and has one son, Clarence. 1]

SGT. WILLIAMS, who has been in the Army 18 years, has been in Vietnam 2 months.

He is a graduate of Central High School in Lelair.

"I have only been here 2 months," he commented. "But I can see the reason for our being over here.

"We have a big job to do here and I don't mind doing my part to help out."

Williams asked that the AFRO send "special" greetings to his mother, Mrs. Carrie L. Williams, who currently lives in Miami, Fla., and to popular Baltimore disc jockey Maurice "Hot Rod" Hulbert who he says is a personal friend.

"Also," Williams requested, tell all of the gang at the Black Jack Club that I miss them and that we need a club like that over here.

"And tell my brother-in-law, Dave Greene that I send my regards."

Good news from AFRO on Viet vet

BALTIMORE

When Mrs. Robert E. Bruce, 307 S. Mason Ct. picked up last week's AFRO, she received an unexpected surprise.

Beaming out at her from the front page was her husband, Sp./5 Robert E. Bruce Jr. who is currently serving a tour of duty in Vietnam.

Earlier, in a letter, Specialist Bruce had told her that if she bought the AFRO that week she "would see something interesting."

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More than just "interested," Tracy Bruce, 2, upon seeing the paper, grabbed it and kissed the picture, exclaiming, "That's my daddy!," reports Mrs. Bruce.

She said that Zenia, 4, was also excited at seeing the picture of her father in an AFRO correspondent, Mike Davis.

Mrs. Bruce told the AFRO Tuesday the disposition among U.S. personnel in the war zone isn't as cheerful as the picture would indicate.

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"THINGS ARE pretty bad," she said her husband wrote her. "Most of the men want to come back now and be with their families," she quoted him as saying.

Stationed in Cu Chi, Vietnam since last September, Mr. Bruce is expected to return to the states in mid-November, his wife said.

"I worry a lot about him," Mrs. Bruce said. Adding that his assignment has taken its toll on her nerves. She is nervous. "It keeps me upset."

"The children miss him very much, they're always asking when he's going to come home. They say prayers asking God to send him home.

John Woods mark 50th anniversary

APPOMATTOX, Va. — Over two hundred relatives and friends attended the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Wood at the Zion Baptist Church, Pamplin, Va., last Saturday. The program was conducted in the main auditorium of the church with the Rev. James Franklin presiding.

After the program a reception was held in the dining room of the church. The couple received many useful and beautiful gifts. Both are natives of Appomattox and Charlotte County, Va. they now live in at 17 Conklin Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The afternoon service marking the Homecoming celebration at Promise Land Baptist Church was conducted by the Rev. L. E. Hankins, pastor of the Brookville Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va. Services will continue through the week with the Rev. W. R. Jones as guest minister.

The Gallilee Church school took part in the Union picnic sponsored by the East and West Bound Sunday School Union at the Prince Edward Lake last Saturday. Others participating were members of Zion Baptist, Mount Pleasant and Gravel Hill Sunday Schools.

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DR. AND MRS. GRAFTON of Charleston, West Va., spent the weekend here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lewis.

Charles Weekley of Baltimore spent the weekend guesting here.

Mrs. Artie Burgess of Washington, D.C. spent the week as the guest of her mother, Mrs. Polly Lewis, and family.

Clarence Stevens of Pittsburgh, Pa., spent his vacation here as the guest of his cousins, Misses Helen and Hest Stevens.

Rap Brown predicts more U.S. violence

MIAMI (UPI) — Colored troops now in Vietnam will become "Guerrilla fighters" for the black power movement when they return home, H. Rap Brown said in an interview broadcast by Havana Radio Thursday.

The leader of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) told the Cuban radio network by telephone from New York that new and greater racial violence will erupt in the United States.

"It can be confidently predicted that every city in America which has a large colored population will have a great rebellion," Brown said.

HE WAS interviewed in English by a Havana Radio announcer and his answers were delivered in English. But only a few words of each English question and answer were broadcast.

Instead, the text of the conversation was translated in Spanish by the Cuban radio and this comprised the bulk of the broadcast monitored here.

Questioned about the "attitude" of colored fighting men in Vietnam, Brown said:

"These men are going to become the strong guerrilla fighters because they have the skill . . . when they return to America they will use this skill to liberate the colored people."

He also attacked the U.S. Government, calling it "the imperialist government" and praised the recent meeting of hemisphere Communists in Havana which was attended by Stokely Carmichael, Brown's associate in SNCC who is now in Hanoi, the North Vietnamese capital.

MEANWHILE Carmichael met North Vietnam's National Assembly leaders and told them colored Americans and North Vietnam had the same common enemy — "U.S. imperialism," Hanoi Radio said Saturday.

A broadcast heard in Tokyo said Carmichael met Truong Chinh and Ton Quang Phiet, two assembly leaders. The radio did not say when the meeting took place.

It said Chinh "warmly hailed the valiant spirit of struggle of black people in the U.S. against the brutal policy of racial discrimination practiced by the U.S. ruling circles."

"He expressed the Vietnamese peoples' firm support for the just struggle of the black people in the U.S. for freedom and equality," Hanoi Radio added.

THE BROADCAST said Carmichael "expressed his sincere thanks for the warm support of the Vietnamese people and stressed the determination of black people in the U.S. to unite closely with the Vietnamese people in the struggle against the common enemy — U.S. imperialism."

In Washington, the U.S. State Department said Wednesday it had revoked Carmichael's passport for traveling to countries banned by the U.S. government.

Carmichael apparently went to Hanoi from Havana, Cuba, where he was an "honorary delegate" at the Communist Cuban-sponsored Organization of Latin American Solidarity (OLAS) and a guest of Premier Fidel Castro.

Vietnam vets, others get broader benefits

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Johnson today signed into law a Vietnam era GI Bill of Rights extending education, compensation and other benefits to 5 million veterans.

The measure covers all Americans who have been on active duty since Feb. 1, 1955, the cutoff date for the Korean War GI Bill. Chiefly it was designed to give additional benefits to veterans of the Vietnam fighting.

The compromise measure, was worked out in a conference between the two Houses, passed the Senate 88-0 and the House 404-0 earlier this month. It provides $235.5 million in increased benefits this fiscal year and will cost $1.5 billion over a five-year period.

An estimated 1.2 million veterans from all past wars, or their survivors, will get an average 5 per cent increase in pension payments starting Oct. 1. Another 500,000 veterans,who will start college courses next month, will get increased subsistence payments.

THE MONTHLY allowances to GI's in school will increase from $100 to $130 for a single veteran; from $125 to $155 for a veteran with one and from $150 to $175 for a veteran with two dependents. A $10 a month allowance will be provided for each additional dependent.

The legislation provides one month of educational assistance for every month spent on active duty after Jan. 31, 1955.

Wartime benefits include higher service-connected disability compensation payments and pensions for nonservice connected disability or death. These will be available to all who have served since Aug. 5, 1964, regardless of their place of service.

The law also extends the Veterans Administration home loan guarantee program for another three years. In addition, the maximum amount of direct loans to veterans was increased from $17,500 to $25,000.

Other educational benefits provided in the new law are monthly subsistence payments for veterans taking on-the-job and on-the-farm training courses, and the cost of flight training for veterans with pilots' licenses who wish to enter commercial flying.

Volunteer rate still high for colored troops

SAIGON — A Defense Department report cited this week the fact that 65 percent of colored troops finishing their first enlistment term, volunteered for another Army hitch.

Two of every three colored troops reenlisted while the rate of reenlistment for white troops was one in five.

The report, issued by Army Secretary Stanley Resor also noted that colored soldiers "volunteer for the most difficult and hazardous assignments."

"Over 17 percent of men in Army combat units are colored, and more than 20 percent of the troops in airborne units are colored," Resor said.

"Among infantry sergeants — the backbone of our combat forces in Vietnam — 24 percent are colored," the official said.

—Dr. Rhetta absent

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dent also said there has been no word from Dr. Rhetta since May.

Mr. Gaither stated, "We have no idea where he is. I imagine we will wait a reasonable amount of time and if we don't hear from him later on we'll try to get our money out of the ship."

He added that the business arrangement originally was "a long-term deal."

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DR. RHETTA had been arraigned at first on the two abortion charges in February and released on his own recognizance to be available when called to court.

Assistant States Attorney Herndon said he was to have made his address available so that the court could reach him at any time.

The physician was summoned to come to court a second time on Aug. 28 due to the fact that his attorney, Joseph S. Kaufman, had informed the court he was resigning the case.

It is revealed that Dr. Rhetta had informed him when the case comes to trial he (the physician) will serve as his own attorney.

According to records before the court Mr. Kaufman submitted his resignation to the court and Judge James A. Perrott signed the release Aug. 18.

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JUDGE Thomas J. Kenney sitting at the Aug. 28 arraignment took the States Attorney's Office to task for the delay in Dr. Rhetta's cases and others saying someone should "take a close look" at the breakdown in mechanics that holds cases "forever."

He noted that the cases "have been hanging around since February."

Dr. Rhetta was originally charged with two abortions on Feb. 2 after special Grand Jury presentments.

Prosecuting witnesses, both white, are two young women, one of Summerville, Mass., the other of the 1700 block Freedomway, Baltimore.

The Massachusetts witness said she journeyed to Baltimore where the illegal operation was performed in September, 1966. The local witness said she visited the physician Oct. 14, 1966.

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THIS SPRING while Mr. Kaufman was still Dr. Rhetta's attorney, the physician filed motions before the court that indicated he intended to challenge the 100-year-old abortion laws of Maryland as illegal according to the Constitution.

He told the court the law is so arbitrarily applied as to discriminate "with an evil eye and unequal hand" between the physician and patient, persons in similar circumstances, thus denying equal justice.

The physician also stated the law interferes with the professional relationship between patient and physician and the right of privacy fundamentally guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

In addition, he stated, the law denies the expectant mother life, liberty and pursuit of happiness according to the Constitution in that she may be forced to bear a child she does not want and despite her wishes and those of her medical doctor.

Big Brother Day, Sept. 10

Mayor McKeldin today proclaimed Sunday, Sept. 10 as "Big Brother Day" throughout the Baltimore metropolitan area. He issued his proclamation in conjunction with the hosting of the three Maryland Big Brothers agencies by the Baltimore Orioles Baseball Club on that date.

Over 300 men and boys from the Big Brothers of Baltimore, Inc., the Jewish Big Brother League, and Big Brothers of Washington County are expected to attend the 2 p.m. game between the Orioles and the Minnesota Twins.

Pre-game activities will be a salute to the efforts of these citizen volunteers in behalf of a fatherless boy.

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THE BIG BROTHER organization matches a responsible male adult with a fatherless boy under the guidance of a professional social worker, in order to promote a wholesome, healthy friendship that will guide the boy in his growing up years.

In issuing the proclamation the mayor said:

"Big Brothers do a remarkable job of helping boys who lack the companionship and guidance of a father. Their friendship with a boy gives him an adequate man to set an example for him and a man to whom he can turn for counsel and guidance.

"Every boy needs a man in his life. If he is growing up without a father, he needs a Big Brother."

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THE MAYOR, who is a long standing associate member of Big Brothers of Baltimore, Inc., a United Appeal agency, also stressed the need for more volunteers. He pointed out that the need for volunteers is great:

"The waiting list of Little Brothers is long. Their future depends on the number of Big Brothers recruited by just such occasions as this one."

Survey reveals lighter side of political race

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

A limited, informal pre-Primary-Election AFRO survey revealed late Thursday that despite the deadly seriousness of the candidates, the Sept. 7 election has a rib-splitting side.

Another revealing aspect of the upcoming election shows that either voters will mentally prepare themselves for the task of nominating their party standard bearers at the 11th hour, or this will be one of the lightest voter turnouts on record.

Replies to the inquiries were, in some cases, hilarious.

The way things stand seven days before the primary, it will take nothing short of a miracle to even get the average voter outside the house to go to the polls Sept. 7.

Although candidates have hit the public with a ton of literature, newspaper, TV and radio ads, jazz and rock and roll from sound trucks, seems like they're not getting through.

The Fourth District voters were asked Thursday if the primary election were held tomorrow for whom would they vote:

(1) For mayor
(2) City Council president
(3) Comptroller
(4) City Councilman.

The answers given by 10 out of 12 questioned went like this:

"I don't know, I don't know, I don't know, I don't know."

Further, some Democrats and Republicans don't know the names of their party candidates seeking nomination in the Primary.

Maybe it's the weather but many citizens, all registered to vote, frankly admitted they hadn't thought about it yet."

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TRUE TO popular belief, however, some of them mentioned familiar names, those of persons who have held office such as Mayor McKeldin (who is to running).

Two Republican voters said they will vote for Clarence Mitchell III for mayor.

An impossibility since Mr. Mitchell, a Democrat, is running for City Council president.

The name most often mentioned for mayor, City Council president and Comptroller was that of Henry Parks, who can only be nominated to succeed himself in the City Council.

One voter said she had just been looking at pictures of candidates on literature she had "just come to my door."

She stated, "They all look nice enough.

"When I get to it I'll check the names under the pictures and pick out somebody."

Another matron said she would talk with friends some time before Sept. 7 to see what they're going to do."

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A MAN who vows he'll be at the polls, "if nothing happens and the Lord is willing," said he'll get somebody to tell him "what's what" so he won't make any mistakes."

Back to our feminine voter who said McKeldin was her man. When told the present mayor of Baltimore is not up for election, she exclaimed, "Oh no. You don't mean it."

Still unbelieving, she said she would "look at a card I have here and see."

Continuing to chat friendly, she added, "Well then, I'll have to pick out somebody good. Who do YOU think is okey?"

A protective mother of a brood she has to prepare to return to school was in no mood to talk politics.

In reply to the queries, she said, "You stop me for a thing like some kind of politics? I've got more important things to do.

"What's on my mind now is getting these kids' school clothes and shoes."

"Talk to me tomorrow or some other time, will ya?" she advised firmly.

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AMONG REGISTERED voters sincerely interested in the Primary was Mrs. Nellie Billups, 702 Druid Hill Ave.

A Democrat, she said she likes Angelos, Mitchell and Valee "And what's that doctor's name? Dr. Julian. Yes, Dr. Emerson Julian."

Mrs. Anita Williams, 644 George St. revealed she has been a Democrat "since women were granted privilege to vote."

Her selection for mayor is Tommy D'Alesandro.

"His father and I used to fight when he was mayor but I like the boy, he's all right," she noted.

Continuing, Miss Williams said "Pressman is a good watchdog so I'll vote for him. Parks has been good in the City Council so he should go back."

Staton gets post at Black-Decker

The Black and Decker Manufacturing Co. has announced the appointment of James G. Staton of New Rochelle, New York, as merchandising manager, outdoor products department, to be located at the firm's Towson, headquarters.

Mr. Staton's duties will involve responsibility for the merchandising planning of the company's outdoor products line, including the Black and Decker lawn mowers, hedge trimmers, and lawn edgers.

He will be working closely with advertising, package engineering, and manufacturing in the creation of timely, effective, and profitable programs.

Mr. Staton comes to Black and Decker after 12 years with the R. H. Macy headquarters store in New York City where he last served as senior assistant buyer in both the appliance and hardware departments.

He interrupted his studies at Livingstone College in North Carolina for a 33-month tour of overseas duty with the armed forces, which included the Berlin Airlift and a 17-month stint in Korea.

He returned to complete his studies at Iona College in New Rochelle, N.Y., where he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

Mr. Staton active in community and political affairs in New York. He was elected County Committeeman of Westchester County and Vice President of the Young Democrats and served on the Board of Directors of Winward School in White Plains, New York.

A native of Salisbury, North Carolina, the new-appointee is married to his son Kerry, will relocate from New Rochelle to the Towson area.

Airman Dunn on duty in Pacific

Airman Second Class Henderson Dunn Jr. of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Dunn Sr. of 1920 N. Bentalou St., is now on temporary duty with the 4253rd Strategic Wing at a forward base in the Western Pacific.

Airman Dunn is permanently assigned at March AFB, Calif., while helping provide direct support for U.S. Air Force operations in Southeast Asia.

The airman, a Strategic Air Command personnel specialist, supports KC-135 Stratotanker aircrews who daily provide aerial refueling to B-52 bombers, fighter-bombers and reconnaissance aircraft conducting the air war in Vietnam.

Deaths of the Week

Willie Scott, 2016 Robb St.
Furman Davis, 1633 Druid Hill Ave.
Emma Fleming, 820 N. Mount St.
Roy Boy Williams, 321 N. Fremont Ave.
John M. Sewell, 2664 Edmondson Ave.
Donald McNair, 409 Gold St.
Joseph W. Quickley, 844 Druid Hill Ave.
Jared F. Coffin, 2010 N. Wolfe St.
Elizabeth Stokes, 906 N. Durham St.
Ruth Fowler, 2400 Eutaw Pl.
Judge E. Brown, 1304 N. Monroe St.
Mamie Williams, 2010 Brice Place.
James Saunders, 411 W. Biddle St.
Jerome Lomax, 1417 E. Lanvale St.
Willson Jordan, 2000 Aisquith St.
Clarence Ellis, 812 S. Bradford St.
Jimmy Cheese, 2038 Mura St.
Louis Fowlkes, 837 N. Spring St.
Rosie Epperson, 3647 Rayner Ave.
Charles Jackson, 427 Oxford Ct.
Alex Ko e, 901 Chauncey Ave.
Frank F. Thomas, 2800 Pressman St.
Franklin Williams, 4027 Reisterstown Rd.
Ada Dent, 850 Hillman St.
Willie D. Jones, 1000 Herring Run Ave.
Gilbert Taylor, 2132 Ridgehill Ave.
Mary Jackson, 520 N. Fremont St.
Dorothy Simmons, 1801 N. Appleton St.
Jessie Robertson, 2003 Leighton Ave.
William Jackson, 2007 Lucille Ave.
Lillie Mae Jones, 1000 Hillsdale Ave.
Fanny Morton, 2003 Towanda Ave.
Mamie Williams, 1000 Island Ave.
James E. Fleming, 2010 Belgrove Rd.
Elsie Brooks, 631 S. Carrollton Ave.
Louise Grant, 518 Fremont Ave.
James Bell, 1618 Llewellyn Ave.
William H. Brown, 2411 Pulaski St.
Gary Anderson, 2604 Dermode Ave.
Thomas Williams, 2012 N. Calvert

RAT STRATEGY — New health aide trainees with the city Department of Health, listen to lecture by instructor James Woodford (back to camera). The trainees are learning the characteristics of city rats during special training after which they will be assigned to selected areas to aid citizens prosecute the war on rats. From left trainees are Bobby Guest, Claude Patterson, Nathaniel Richardson, Wilbert Meachem, John Blanchard, John Biden, Melvin Moore, and Charles Johnson Jr. Standing is John A. Childs, chief, Division of Rodent Control, Health Department.

D'Alesandro, Angelos in 2nd head-on clash

By MAX JOHNSON
AFRO Political Analyst

The Democratic mayoral primary Thursday will mark the second municipal nomination battle between Thomas D'Alasandro 3rd and Peter G. Angelos within a four-year period.

March 5, 1963, was a rainy day in Baltimore, but more important it was the city's primary day also.

Locked in a race for the Democratic City Council presidency nomination were Messrs. D'Alesandro, Angelos and the then veteran councilman Solomon Liss.

Mr. Angelos was then a vocal freshman councilman, and Mr. D'Alesandro was trying for election to the post to which he had been appointed earlier.

The public had been led to believe through some of the news media that this was to be a heated, close race.

It didn't happen that way.

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MR. D'ALESANDRO won going away, chalking up more votes than the combined ones of Messrs. Angelos and Liss.

In round numbers the citywide votes were: D'Alesandro — 60,000; Angelos, 28,000; Liss 26,000.

Mr. D'Alesandro carried all of the city's six districts, including Mr. Angelos' home 3rd.

He carried the 4th by a 2,000 majority, in round numbers of 5,000 to an Angelos 1,700, and a Liss 3,000.

Mr. Angelos was a 2,000 marginal second in the 3rd District, and second by marginals of 3,000 in the 1st, 4,000 in the 2nd, and 6,000 in the 6th Districts.

In addition to the 4th District, Mr. Liss was second in his home 5th by a 1,000 marginal vote in round figures.

Mr. D'Alesandro's victory was attributed at the time to the machine vote.

There was a light turnout of 44 percent Democratic voters and an overall turnout of 38 percent of registered voters in the city.

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A QUIRK of politics is reflected in the fact that at that time, Hyman A. Pressman was running for comptroller with M. Angelos on a ticket headed by C. Meredith Boyce for mayor.

Mr. Pressman lost the Democratic nomination and won on a Republican ticket headed by Mayor Theodore R. McKeldin.

Now, Mr. Pressmah is running for reelection on the D'Alesandro for mayor ticket, opponent of the Angelos slate.

In that primary four years ago, Mr. D'Alesandro was running with Philip H. Goodman for mayor and Henry R. Hergenroeder for comptroller.

This slate won the primary, but only Mr. D'Alesandro survived the general selection for the Council presidency post he now holds.

Mr. Liss was a member of the Dr. R. Walter Graham Jr. for mayor ticket, with James J. Lacy Jr. for comptroller, none of whom survived the primary.

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THERE IS still another similarity between the then D'Alesandro - Angelos - Liss presidency battle and the present D'Alesandro-Angelos locked horns fight for the Democratic mayoral nomination.

Now, as of then, Mr. D'Alesandro is being credited with having the backing of all but a few political leaders of worth in these parts.

He has the added advantage of being in public office for the past four years, while Mr. Angelos has been an outsider.

These are factual statements, not an indication to award a prediction.

Predicting how the general public will vote in an election is akin to predicting what a jury will do.

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well as about the cultural opportunities available to residents of the Baltimore area.

Mrs. Osceola Allor, specialist in the Personnel Division, is general chairman of the orientation day program one of the activities sponsored by the Personnel Division.

Students' health care program set

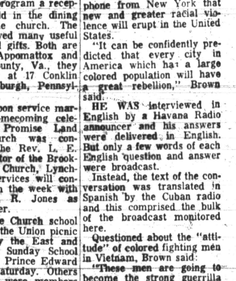
Maryland Blue Cross and Blue Shield have announced that their student health care program will be offered from Sept. 1 to Oct. 15.

Students must be 19-24 years of age and registered for at least 12 class hours per week in an approved educational institution to be eligible. Available on an individual basis, the low-cost program offers protection on and off the campus throughout the year. No medical examination or health statements are necessary for membership.

The Blue Cross portion of the student program covers the cost of up to 30 days of hospital care for each admission in member hospitals, including full coverage of semi-private room and board, general nursing care and all other customary hospital services.

Blue Shield coverage under the program provides protection against medical and surgical care costs, including benefits for emergency X-ray services, anesthesia and consultation. Through the cooperation of Maryland Blue Shield's Participating Physicians, scheduled Plan allowances will be accepted as payment - in - full for covered services provided a student whose annual income, including that of a spouse, is less than $4,500.

Students may be enrolled through all Plan offices in Maryland. Blue Cross and Blue Shield offices are located in Baltimore at 7900 York Road, and in Cumberland, Easton, Frederick, Hagerstowns, and Salisbury.



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King his war again

By JOHN L. TAYLOR
CHICAGO (UPI) — The American people must have the opportunity to "vote into oblivion" leaders who have led the nation to the "brink of a dead world," the Rev. Martin Luther King told the National Conference for New Politics Thursday.

King delivered the keynote address at the NCNP's five-day convention, which faced a boycott by Black Power advocates in attendance.

"Our hopes have been blasted and our dreams have been shattered" by the Johnson War, said King, who called on "men of good will" to create "a situation in which the 1968 presidential elections would become a "referendum on the war."

The convention is working for the defeat of President Johnson and the end of the war in Vietnam. The New Politics conference is a loosely structed affiliation of civil rights and liberal organizations attempting to form an influential political alliance.

Floyd McKissick, national chairman of the Congress of Racial Equality, and H. Rap Brown, chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, were scheduled to talk with two warring groups of black power advocates at the convention.

McKissick questioned whether a third party could do the job unless led by colored persons.

KING SAID the cost of the war sapped the ability of the nation to fight poverty, causing despair among colored and poor whites.

"Millions, yes billions, are appropriated for mass murder, but the most meager pittance of foreign aid for international development is cause of the surge of reaction," he said.

"We are now experiencing the coming to the surface of a triple-pronged sickness that has been lurking within our body politic from its very beginning: that is, the sickness of racism, excessive materialism and militarism."

King and Dr. Benjamin Spock have been mentioned as possible running mate for president and vice president on a ticket.

But King already has said he would not accept. Spock said he would run and indicated he would consider running mate if King refused a nomination.

—1,000 teachers

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Kenneth Horvath, director of Personnel, who will also preside.

Sidney N. Chernak, assistant superintendent of Secondary, Vocational, and Adult Secondary-Vocational Division teachers; Miss Edith V. Walker, assistant superintendent of Elementary Education, will give the keynote talk to the Elementary Division teachers; and Dr. M. Thomas Gedeke, associate superintendent, will speak to persons assigned to the Pupil Personnel Services Division.

Following the keynote talks, the new staff members will divide into groups and meet with directors, supervisors, and specialists in the Department of Education according to their area of specialization and major assignment.

At this time, the staff members will have an opportunity to become better acquainted with their new assignments and with the Baltimore City Public School System and with administrative personnel.

The Secondary-Vocational-Adult Division general session and group meetings will be held at the Baltimore City College while the Elementary Division and Pupil Personnel Services will meet at the Eastern High School.

Each new staff member will receive a packet of materials containing pertinent information about the Baltimore City School System as

—Dear teacher

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ond grade, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Adjei, 1129 W. Saratoga St., Barbour Elementary, likes school: "I want to be a doctor."

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CALLIS TALOR, 13, 7th grade, P.S. No. 91: "My favorite subjects are languages and math." Callis wants to be a baseball player and used to play with the Southwest Police Boys Club team.

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BERNARD TYLER, 15, 10th grade, Carver, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Gerald, 1310 W. Lanvale St.:

"I like science, math, history, and phisical ed." When he grows up, Bernard hopes to be either an auto mechanic or an electrical engineer.

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CHARLANE LOFTON, 12, seventh grade, Calverton Junior High, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Lofton, 621 N. Calhoun St., likes art and arithmetic. About the teachers on strike:

"They shouldn't go on strike. They should just go and ask for a raise." Charlane wants to do research in medicine when she grows up.

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PHYLLIS BELL, 11, 6th grade, School No. 119, 1307 Highland Ave., wants to be a nurse: "My favorite subjects are arithmetic and art."

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FRED CHARLES RANKIN, 7, first grade, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rankin, Harlem Ave., likes school and wants to become a bus driver.

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ALFRED FIELDS, 16, ninth grade, Harlem Park Jr. High, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Fields, 528 N. Carey St., hopes to be an electrical engineer.

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ROBERT HOLMES, 15, ninth grade, Harlem Park Jr. High, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes, 611 Pulaski St., said:

"I like school, although I'm not anxious to return. I want to grow up to be an engineer."

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OH, BY the way, teachers, three children said they dislike school. Here is what they said:

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RONALD COLEMAN, 17, 11th. grade, Douglass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lance Ruffing, 538 N. Carey St.:

"I dislike school I have to get up early in the morning and I don't like it.

"Some teachers are good, some are bad, but I liked the teachers' strike because I could stay away from school." When he finishes school, Ronald said he wants to join the Army.

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CHARLES JACKSON, 10, fifth grade, Fanny L. Barbour School, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson, 873 W. Fayette St.:

"I'm having too much fun on my vacation to like school and I would be happy not to go to school." He hopes to become a career soldier.

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MARK KEEN, 11, sixth grade, School No. 140, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Randolph Keene, 1106 Sarah Ann St.:

"I dislike school because some teachers hit kids." He hopes to join the U.S. Coast Guard.

—Goedeke to run

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Science degree from University of Maryland; a Master's degree from Johns Hopkins University; and a Doctorate from George Washington University.

During his 28 years of service in our public schools, the 48-year-old administrator has successfully held positions as teacher, counselor, vice-principal, administrative assistant to the Superintendent, principal; director, assistant superintendent, and since August, 1165 has been the Associate Superintendent, Administration.

He has background of experience on many levels and in many phases of the operation of the Baltimore public schools to serve him as he carries out the responsibilities of Associate Superintendent-In-Charge until such time as Dr. Paquin is able to come back to Twenty-Fifth Street.

Dr. Goedeke is a member of professional organizations and societies including the AASA, the ABSO, the National Council on Schoolhouse Construction, and the American Personnel and Guidance Association.

He is a past president of the professional educational fraternity, Phi Delta Kappa, Alpha Rho Chapter, Johns Hopkins University.

Presently he serves as Chairman of the Public Education Committee of the Baltimore City Unit of the American Cancer Society and is also an active member of the Metropolitan Board of Directors of the YMCA. During the past month he presented a paper at the Annual Institute for School Administrators at Harvard University.

He and his family have resided in the City of Baltimore all of their lives. His wife, Gertrude, is a graduate of Goucher College.

His older son is a graduate of the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute and of Gettysburg College. His younger son will enter his senior year at the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute this September.

This temporary assignment of an Associate Superintendent-in-Charge is made with the full confidence that the plans for the improvement of the Baltimore City Public Schools will move forward with direction and with force, the administration said.

—Shad Brown

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and took out all she had, $1.60.

After he threw the purse on a chair on her porch, she disclosed, the man fled and got into a 1966 or 67 high priced car.

The nurse made identification of Mr. Brown after she was shown photographs by police officers and at the preliminary hearing, records reveal.

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THE OTHER woman, who resides in the 900 block Brooks Lane, said she was accosted shortly after 6 a.m. Aug. 8 at Hendlers Lane and Madison Ave., as she was on the way to work.

She said a man walking in the same direction came along beside her and patted her in an indecent manner.

She testified he said "You look good to me" and demanded intimacies as he pushed her into the hedges.

He attempted to attack her after he pushed her into the hallway of an apartment house nearby, she testified.

An unidentified man coming in the doorway frightened the assailant off, she testified, and she noted he fled in a 1966 or 1967 automobile.

Before obtaining a warrant she identified Mr. Brown from photographs.

She later identified him at the preliminary hearing, records show.

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