TRIBUTE TO ATTY. HAYES — Mrs. Louise Hayes, the widow, other members of the family and longtime associates and admirers of veteran attorney George E. C. Hayes leave Howard University's Andrew Rankin Chapel where funeral services for Mr. Hayes were held last Monday. The noted civic leader and civil rights attorney died of pneumonia at Washington Hospital Center, where he had been confined for several weeks. He was 74. Dr. James A. Nabrit, president of Howard University (where Mr. Hayes was a longtime member of the trustee board) is in upper left hand corner of first picture, and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall is in center of picture at extreme right. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. K. Stanley, pastor of People's Congregational Church, and the eulogy delivered by Dr. Evans Crawford, dean of Rankin Chapel (Glover Photo.)

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in the basement, a 30-30 rifle on the floor in the dining room, eight cartridges and a .25 caliber automatic between a mattress and bedspring.

Also a tear gas cannister, $1,902 in the basement and two plastic bags containing white powder hidden under the mattress of another bed.

Police were unable to determine the source of the more than $2,000 found in the search, according to investigators.

At a hearing before Judge Henry Stichel at Northwestern Municipal Court Monday, Miss Wilson was charged with a narcotic violation and held under $3,000 bail.

Mr. Harper was charged with assault with intent to kill an officer, narcotic violation, possession of a deadly weapon, and discharging a deadly weapon.

Judge Stichel ordered him held under $21,000 bail. Miss Wilson was released after posting bail and Mr. Harper was lodged in City Jail pending bail and further court action.

Deaths

William H. Hughes, 704 E. Balto. St.
Bertha E. Clemens, 2754 W. Lafayette Ave.
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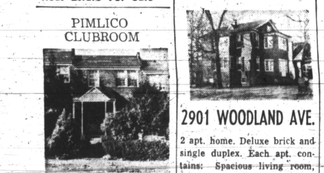

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Training center placed over 400

Dr. Charles D. Sanders, project director of the Baltimore Training Center said this week, that, "a total of 400 men and women formerly classed as 'hard-core' unemployed now hold jobs after receiving training at the center."

The center, operated by the Westinghouse Learning Corporation, will close today (Friday), after completing an eighteen-month contract for the Manpower Administration of the U. D. Department of Labor.

Dr. Sanders said 470 persons entered the program at the center, located at 1133 Harford Ave. in East Baltimore Of these 282 were terminated for health or other reasons and 57 are still awaiting placement.

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He further stated that, "The 400 currently working are employed by more than 115 different companies in the Baltimore area."

Twelve weeks of training were offered in such basic subjects as reading and mathematics and basic instruction in how to apply for and hold a job.

The trainees had little or no education; had been unemployed for long periods, were members of minority groups, and emotional or physical handicaps, or faced other obstacles to employment.

The training center has a staff of 46, including professional, clerical and maintenance personnel.

Many have been reassigned to other Westinghouse Learning Corporation projects, it was announced.

Early admission program report

A special pre-school program run by Baltimore schools has not sufficiently integrated, according to a report evaluating the two year-old Early School Admissions program.

An evaluation submitted by Science Research Associates of Chicago states that, "if it is believed that interaction with people of varied ethnic and social groups is important, then more efforts should be made to do something about it."

The report observed that "faculty and aides were not integrated in many schools, neither were the children."

The report also pointed out that despite the segregated facilities "in some instances, predominantly white schools were within easy walking distance of predominantly black schools."

The Early School Admissions program is designed for disadvantaged children and includes various activities are programed to raise the capability of children to achieve in public schools.

The 110-page volume praises the goals of the program but points out some glaring insufficiencies in its operation.

The report revealed findings that gains made by children during the year were often lost quickly afterwards.

The parent-teacher liaison was also found lacking after the children left the program.

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About 2,600 children participated in the special program last year.

The pre-school sessions are held in both winter and summer sessions, and although attendence was higher in the summer so were absentees.

The report praised the way over the way the pre-school in which neighborhoods rep-plan was run in the previous ponded to the program and year, urged continuation and improvement.

It concluded that the operation of the program in 1968 was marked improvement.

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— Political pot

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sey, asked why Mayor D'Alesandro requested an extension of Mr. Valis' tenure, replied:

"He told me he just wanted time to confer with the new head of the DPW, J. Pierce Linaweaver, before he made any decisions about a replacement. Other than that, I can't see why he would want an extension."

Test date reminder

Those students interested in full-time admission to the Catonsville Community College next September are urged to begin application procedures early and if possible, to apply for the American College Test prior to the Jan. 6 deadline for the next testing session.

The ACT test, which is required of all full-time students can be obtained from the high school guidance office or the college admissions office.

M. Graham Jr., dean of student personnel for the college, feels that, "The recent changes in the admissions policies of the University of Maryland which limit admission to those in the top fifty-per cent of their high school graduating class, with an average of "C" or better, are expected to result in sizeable increases in the numbers of the applicants to the community colleges.

Marriage Licenses

WILSON-JOHNSON — James E., 44, 2038 N. Preston, divorced, Ann D., 37, 1716 E. Preston.
GORDON-LEGROME — Paul, 22, lift operator, 4209 Ridgewood, divorced; Carrie L., 36, 3906 Gwynne Falls, widow.
ALEXANDER-HOPKINS — Alfred C., 21, U.S. Army, Rutlehouse; Patricia A., 21, Rock Hall.
WINSTON-DEESE — Granville, 20, truck driver, 1813 Riggs; Retha M., 20.
ROBINSON-LYNCH — Benjamin, 28, truck driver, 3550 Round Road; Jacqueline R., 20, 1306 Ashland.
FORD-HAILEY — Ernest, 65, retired, 1305 W. Melbourne, widower; Dorothy M., 62, 507 Appleton, widow.
FERRELL-KNOX — John P., 33, retired, 3119 Oakford, widower; Kay P., 28 divorced.
LESLEY-JOHNSON — Paul J., 53, janitor, 717 Druid Park Lake, divorced; Willie M., 46, widow.
GREENE-WILLIAMS — William D., 22, 4410 Springdale; Betty J., 21, 2812 Eveby.
JACKSON-WILEY — Edward Jr., 24, laborer, 803 Belgian; Mary A., 21, 1803 E. Madison.
DOWD-TURNER — Cecil B., 24, manager, 2900 W. Coldspring; Vivian, 20, 1700 E. 30th.
SWANN-TURLINGTON — Delbert R., 21, attendant, 2519 Brookfield; Phyllis M., 17, 3128 Poe.
DERRICK-SAMPLE — Robert P., 71, retired, 1306 McCulloh; Margaret, 66, 1306 Druid Hill.
WORTHEN-FESPERMAN — Clifford, 41, retired, 293 N. Castalou, widower; Birdie B., 62, widow.
PETERSON-WILLIAMS — Matthew G., 36, laborer, 1440 N. Mount; Julia, 40.
LEE-MASON — Warren E., 25, social worker, 2313 Everton; Victoria, T., 24, 3129 Mondawmin.
BARNES-BROWN — Obie M., 20, student nurse, Providence Hospital; Paula S., 20, 4701 Delaware.
HARRIS-WATSON — Philip M., 20, U.S. Army, 715 Johnson; Gloria L., 20, 1411 W. Mott.
MITCHELL-COLEY — Willie J., 22, U.S. Army, Fort Lewis, Washington; Louise M., 35, 2801 Springhill, divorced.
McNAIR-JONES — Mitchell D., 18, student, 1704 Millsman; Peggy L., 18, 1126 Barclay.

Child buried

Funeral services for Charles A. Graham were held Monday. His death was result of a car accident.

Young Graham was a native of Baltimore and attended public school No. 145. He was 19 years old.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. B. Graham; his father, Mr. C. Graham; two brothers, Robert and Ralph Graham; a sister, Ophelia Graham, and an aunt, the Rev. Mrs. L. B. Smith.

School lunch program grows

An extension of the National School Lunch Program was made this week by the Maryland State Department of Education.

The extension was granted to include a new pilot food project for children in non-profit day care centers, settlement houses, recreation centers, and other non-profit serviceinstitutions.

The $87,000 Federally funded program is limited to institutions serving children in low income neighborhoods and Handicapped children not maintained in residence.

Under its terms the institution may serve breakfast, lunch, supper, or between-meal snacks.

All must meet U. S. Department of Agriculture standards.

Institutions in Maryland interested in participating in the program should write by Jan. 10 to Miss Eleanor Weagly, supervisor, School Lunch Program,State Department of Education, 301 W. Preston St., Baltimore 21201.

Rec Bureau Licenses given grant

The Bureau of Recreation received a grant of $5,000 by the Louis D. Beaumont Foundation for the purpose of training Street Club Workers, John Williams, superintendent of the Bureau of Recreation, announced this week.

Special training will be conducted by the Psychiatric Institute Foundation of Washington, D.C.

"It is hoped that the training Street Club Workers receive as a result of this grant will have a carry over value for other out reach programs in the city," Mr. Williams said.

"That is, Street Club staff will be in a position to educate others in group work techniques and how to behave in working with youth on the streets," he added.

The length and frequency of the training sessions is yet to be determined, but will begin in January he said.

James Farmer here Jan. 10

James Farmer, one of the nation's leading spokesmen and authors on the problems facing America's cities and the black citizen, will be the second speaker in the Baltimore Hebrew Brotherhood series on Sunday, Jan. 19 at the temple, 7401 Park Heights Ave.

Mr. Farmer, author and civil rights leader, worked in the struggle for equality long before the Supreme Court decision of 1954 ordering desegration of public schools was handed down.

As the former national director of CORE, he was prominent in leadership of freedom demonstrations and was a leader in the nationwide hunt for three civil rights workers missing in Mississippi.

He has appeared on many radio and television shows and is prominently noted for his writings.

Tickets for the remainder of the series, may be obtained by calling the office of the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, or in the evening call: 944-3103 or 466-3636.

3 deaths cast pall over meet

by JOE ELAM

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Special prayers were offered by the 1500 delegates attending the 28th National Youth Convention of the Church of God, held at the Washington Hilton Hotel, for three of their members killed and 35 injured en route to the convention.

The tragedy occurred when a Greyhound bus bringing the participants from Chicago to Washington swerved Thursday from the Pennsylvania Turnpike and fell into a 25-foot deep ditch.

The convention, sponsored by the National Youth Fellowship of the National Association of the Church of God started Dec. 26 and ended Dec. 29.

The convention attended by members of the church from all over United States and Bermuda proceeded with its 'confrontation sessions' and discussions despite the pall cast by the tragedy.

Mrs. Willie Barrow and Mrs. Addie Wyatt, two delegates from Chicago came on to Washington after the accident. They told the AFRO that the tragedy hit one of two chartered Greyhound buses bringing the delegates to Washington.

Pennsylvania State Police identified the dead as Bruce Blackman, 16, Chicago; Mrs. Mary Owan, 58, Evanston, Ill., and Mrs. Virgie Evans, 76, of Chicago.

Eleven of the injured were admitted to two hospitals and the other 24 were treated and released. A few of the injured reportedly underwent surgery.

The state police said the bus left the turnpike, which was dry, at an opening in the guard rail, rode the brim, and toppled into a 10-foot ditch when the driver apparently attempted to get back on the highway.

The accident occurred at a long gradual curve in the roadway about 11 miles east of the Ohio Stateline at 2:45 a.m. Thursday.

A spokesman for the United Hospital, Beaven Falls, Pa., said that eight of the injured were admitted while 16 were treated and released.

Mrs. Evans died at the United Hospital four hours after the mishap. Rochester Hospital, Rochester, Pa., reported three injured admitted and eight treated and released.

The driver, Elmer Guckert of Pittsburgh was admitted to United Hospital with head injuries and was reported in fair condition.

Rev. Joseph T. Robinson, vice chairman of the Ministerial Assembly of the Indiana-based Church of God, said in Washington:

"One effect of the tragedy on the convention is that it brought a greater sincerity and depth of feeling to the convention — a desire to consecrate ourselves to the tasks before us."

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Another delegate from Baltimore said that the pastors of the deceased delegates are planning to have joint funeral services in Chicago.

Some 2,000 persons, mostly youths, accompanied by their counselors and adult members of the church were expected to participate in the conference.

The church took 900 rooms at the hotel, where all the sessions were held, according to the Rev. Richard Harp, pastor of the Sherman Memorial Church of God, Washington, D.C.

Opening the 4-day convention Thursday, the Rev. Victor B. Phillips, co-pastor of the Third Street Church of God, 3rd Street and New York Ave., NW described the National Youth Fellowship, sponsor of the convention, as "the Youth organization of the colored wing of the 140,000-member denomination."

He said the central theme of the convention is to stimulate the youths of the church to be "Christian agitators."

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President of the convention; the Rev. Edward L. Foggs, 34., pastor of the Sherman Street Church, Anderson, Indiana said:

The agitation is only the first step to concerted action. The Christian is not an arch supporter of the status quo.

"We look around and see the hunger, disease and suffering. We realize the need to rock the boat. And agitation is only the first step to create awareness of and interest in the problems confronting us today.

"Our confrontation sessions emphasize the urgency to cope with the existing problems and conflicts in our society. And, I hope, these Christian agitators, armed with love, understanding and compassion will find a healing balm of redemption."

Mr. Foggs hoped that the delegates will return to their local communities with a renewed Christian spirit to be involved in the community problems.

The Rev. James Scott, host-pastor of the 45-member Baltimore delegation said the outcome of the convention indicates that "personal commitment and involvement in the ongoing task of the church is recognized by the participants. The convention has also proved that the teachings of the Gospel are relevant to all situations."

The Church of God, founded in Indiana around 1880 is essentially an evangelical, conservative denomination with congregational lutonomy.

It has no written creed, but observes weekly and mid-weekly church services. Nearly 10 percent of the members of the church are black.

In Washington, D.C. the three churches of the denomination have a 250-member congregation.

They are the National Memorial Church, 16th and Taylor Sts. NW, Rev. Harp, pastor; the Second Street Church on New Jersey Ave., NW, Rev. R. Key; and the Third Street Church, Rev. Victor B. Phillips and John D. Lewis, co-pastors.

Though not a member of the National Council of Churches, the Church of God is affiliated with the three divisions of the council — the divisions of Christian Education, Youth Ministries and Stewardship.

The Fellowship, sponsor of the convention, was organized in 1940. According to the Rev. Phillips of the Washington host-congregation, the Fellowship has provided leadership to the youths, enabling them to grapple with the problems facing the community.

Mrs. Mary Lee

Final rites for Mrs. Mary Frances Lee were held Saturday, at Central Baptist Church.

Mrs. Lee was an active member there for 40 years.

Burial was in Arbutus Memorial Park.

Mrs. Lee, a native of Augusta, Ga., was 73 years old.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Sadie Johnson; four sisters, one brother, two aunts, one grandson, three cousins, and one son-in-law.

Mrs. Sykes, 68

Funeral services were held Saturday for Mrs. Evelyn E. Sykes, 12 noon, at Emanuel Christian Community Church. Burial followed in Arbutus Memorial Park.

Mrs. Sykes, 68 was a native of Annapolis.

She is survived by her husband, John S. Sykes; a son, Jerome; and one grandchild, Timothy Sykes.

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Notables attend rites for Hayes

WASHINGTON — Mayor Walter Washington and Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall were among those paying final tribute to George E. C. Hayes at his Howard University funeral last week.

The Rev. Grady E. Pollard, former pastor of People's Congregational Church, praised the lawyer and civic leader as a man who, as a youth, had promised to shun superficiality, pursue excellence and serve his fellow man, and who kept his promises and "rested his case."

Others among hundreds of Mr. Hayes' former colleagues attending the services were Howard President James M. Nabrit Jr. and U. S. Court of Appeals Judge Spottswood W. Robinson III.

Howard University professors were pallbearers and honorary pallbearers.

Mr. Hayes, born in Richmond, lived with his wife at 1732 S St., NW.

Tragedy And Political Precedents Mark Year

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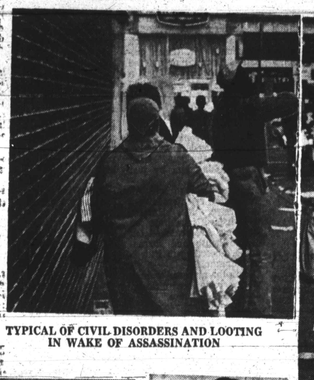

TYPICAL OF CIVIL DISORDERS AND LOOTING IN WAKE OF ASSASSINATION

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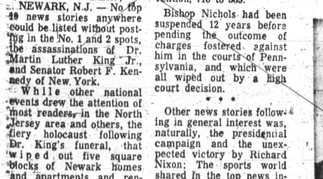
DR. MARTIN L. KING JR.
Victim of assassin



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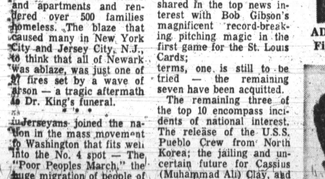

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Assassinations mark 'Year of Infamy'

The news of 1968 was filled with tragedy, marking the past year as a "Year of Infamy" highlighted by two assassinations of leading public figures.

By ART CARTER

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., 39, was killed by an assassin's bullet while standing on the balcony of a motel in Memphis, Tenn. on April 4, and Senator Robert F. Kennedy of New York, brother of the late John F. Kennedy, was cut down by assassin's bullets while speaking at a campaign celebration in Los Angeles a month later — June 5.

Dr. King's untimely death touched off a series of civil disorders—window breaking, looting and protests in more than two score cities around the country. In virtually all of them, including the Nation's Capital, it was necessary to call out the National Guard and Federal troops to quell the uprisings.

The nation mourned Dr. King with services in Atlanta, his hometown, and his body was carried to the final resting place in a mule drawn wagon.

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At the time of Dr. King's death, the founder and president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was in the midst of preparing for a Poor People's Campaign in ington. The leadership of SCLC and the Poor Peoples Campaign which featured the building of Resurrection city in Washington, and a Poor Peoples March in June, was taken over by Dr. Ralph D. Abernathy, who had been Dr. King's chief aide and was with him when he was killed.

These stories were voted among the top stories of 1968 by AFRO news editors in five cities, overshadowing the historic scientific achievement of the Apollo Moon Flight. Obviously this is because the tragedies and the resultant violence were more intimately associated with their hometown readers than the moon shot.

Participating in the "Ten Best" poll were Mrs. Betye M. Moss, AFRO vice president; Moses Newson, executive news editor; Mrs. Mary Merchant, Washington AFRO editor; Raymond Boone, Richmond AFRO editor; Robert Queen, New Jersey AFRO editor; Mrs. Mildred O'Neil, Philadelphia Edition editor; and Sam Lacy, AFRO sports editor.

HELPING WOUNDED AT ORANGEBURG

Another tragedy, the killing of three students in the Orangeburg massacre at South Carolina State College in February, was rated high among the top ten news stories of the year.

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Hope was seen in the passage of the Fair Housing Bill by a hesitant Congress and the successful heart transplant for Louis Russell in Richmond.

Also getting top billing was the political record set in the election of nine black Congressmen, including the first black woman ever elected to Congress. She is Mrs. Shirley Chisholm of Brooklyn, N.Y., who was elected in November along with William Clay of St. Louis and Louis Stokes of Cleveland as new congressmen.

The six others, Charles Diggs and John Convers of Michigan; Robert Nix of Philadelphia; Adam C. Powell of New York, who is still fighting for his House seat; William Dawson of Illinois, and Augustus H. Hawkins of California were reelected.

Also mentioned was the election of President-elect Richard M. Nixon, Republican, by a mere half million votes over Vice President Hubert M. Humphrey.

Mr. Humphrey's defeat was attributed to the division among Democrats and the disturbances at the Chicago convention of the National Democratic Party, which was given honorable mention in the top story category.

The nomination of the Rev. Channing Phillips of Washington for the presidency and the nomination of Julian Bond, Atlanta, Ga., State Assemblyman, for the vice presidency at the Democratic National Convention fell in the honorable mention class.

Also in this class was the service of Senator Edward Brooke as temporary chairman at Republican National Convention in Miami. All of these were political precedents.

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Also mentioned were the trials and tribulations of Ali Muhammad (Cassius Clay) who was convicted of refusing a draft call, the black power demonstration at the Mexican Olympics, Bishop D. Ward Nichols' reinstatement by the African Methodist Episcopal Church after a 12-year suspension, the fight of school decentralization, the continuing Vietnam War, and the college campus upheavals.

Also mentioned was the Pueblo incident, the trial of the Plainfield Seven, Pope Paul's ruling on birth control, and sportswise: Bob Gibson's brilliant World Series record, Arthur Ashe's climb to become the world best—tennis—player, and the miracle jump of 29 feet, 2½ inches by Bob Beamon in the Mexican Olympics.

It was a great year!

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SCENE AT RESURRECTION CITY

LOUIS STOKES
New congressman

LYNDON B. JOHNSON
Declined to run

Beamon's jump, Ashe's victories tops in sports

By SAM LACY

Following herewith are my selections for the ten most important stories of 1968:

1. American moonshot.
2. Slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King.
3. Slaying of Robert Kennedy.
4. Electrifying long jump by Bob Beamon.
5. Olympic Games story.
6. April disturbances.
7. Arthur Ashe's Open tennis win.
8. The Earl Morrall story.
9. Denny McLain's 32-victory season for Tigers.
10. Upsurge in Baltimore pro sports.

It may be noticed that my ten best stories include several sports items which may not have the same impact on others who do not have sports orientation such as I do.

Just the same, I can't feel that anything that happened in 1968, surpasses in importance the manned moonshot launched by the United States.

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The two next biggest events in my view were the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King and Presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy.

No man had ever reached 28 feet in long (broad) jumping until Bob Beamon cleared 29 feet 2½ inches in a fantastic leap for the United States in the Olympic Games at Mexico City.

Next in importance and bracketed as No. 5 on the list is the entire Olympic story, with its multi-colored triumphs by Ethiopians, Africans and colored Americans — particularly the world record performances by Jim Hines, Tommy Smith, Lee Evans, Wyomia Tyus, Madeline Manning and both the men's and women's relays.

The sad experiences of the April disturbances, with their widespread burning and looting, rate sixth on my list.

Arthur Ashe's success in capturing the first Open tennis tournament in history, in which all the world's top pros and amateurs competed, would be my choice for No. 7.

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Earl Morrall's tremendous, human interest story in coming off the discard pile to lead the Baltimore Colts in their hour of desperation following the crippling injury to John Unitas; Denny McLain's spectacular feat in winning 32 games in a season, and the Baltimore picture showing the Colts and the basketball Bullets in a headlong rush for a double title, round out my summation.

Bishop's reinstatement listed among top stories

By BOB QUEEN
(N.J. AFRO Editor)

NEWARK, N.J. — No top 10 news stories anywhere could be listed without posting in the No. 1 and 2 spots, the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and Senator Robert F. Kennedy of New York.

While other national events drew the attention of most readers in the North Jersey area and others, the fiery holocaust following Dr. King's funeral, swiped out five square blocks of Newark homes and apartments and rendered over 500 families homeless. The blaze that caused many in New York City and Jersey City, N.J., to think that all of Newark was ablaze, was just one of 37 fires set by a wave of arson — a tragic aftermath to Dr. King's funeral.

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Jerseyans joined the nation in the mass movement to Washington that fits well into the No. 4 spot — "The "Poor Peoples March," the huge migration of people of all races and creeds who marched out the dictates of the late Dr. King.

Newark, Trenton and Philadelphia, were much publicized way-stops for the caravan that descended on the Nation's Capital.

No. 5 news story finds no challengers in this area as the African Methodist Episcopal Church held its 36th general conference at the Spectrum Sports Arena in Philadelphia — highlighted by the reinstatement of Bishop D. Ward Nichols by a popular vote of the convention, 710 to 363.

Bishop Nichols had been suspended 12 years before pending the outcome of charges fostered against him in the courts of Pennsylvania, and which were all wiped out by a high court decision.

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Other news stories following in general interest was, naturally, the presidential campaign and the unexpected victory by Richard Nixon; The sports world shared in the top news interest with Bob Gibson's magnificent record-breaking pitching magic in the first game for the St. Louis Cards;

terms, one is still to be tried — the remaining seven have been acquitted.

The remaining three of the top 10 encompass incidents of national interest. The release of the U.S.S. Pueblo Crew from North Korea; the jailing and uncertain future for Cassius (Muhammad Ali) Clay, and the current front-page, America's fantastic Apollo 8 shot to the moon carrying human beings for the first past few weeks focused on the biggest mass murder trial in Elizabeth, N.J. since the "Trenton 6" trials of the late 1940's, when 12 colored Plainfield defendants were charged with murdering a white policeman during the July 1968 riots.

Two have been found guilty and sentenced to life time in history.

AFRO's Ten Top Stories

1. Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King
2. Civil disorders which followed Dr. King's death
3. Assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy
4. Apollo Moon Flight
5. Poor Peoples Campaign
6. Passage of Fair Housing Bill
7. Student killings in Orangeburg, S.C.
8. Election of record nine black congressmen, including first woman.
9. Successful heart transplant in Richmond
10. Election of Richard M. Nixon as next President

Assassinations top of list for Mrs. Moss

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The brutal slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King on April 4, and the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy on June 5, rank as the top news stories in my book for the year 1968.

These dastardly, senseless murders which silenced two champions of freedom, typify a period which will be remembered as a bloody, dark page in our country's history.

The year 1968 was marked further for its unprecedented demonstration by little people and students — campaigning against poverty, injustice, the status quo, the war in Vietnam.

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The year will be remembered by the world for scientists' strides to reach the moon, but the happenings in outer space are dimmed for many of us by our inability to solve the heartbreaking problems at home.

No. 2 story on my list is the dramatic Poor People's March and the occupancy of Resurrection City in the Nation's Capital.

Other news stories which stand out in memory for the year 1968: The first successful heart plant; the vision of white racism as seen on television screens during the Democratic National Convention;

The election of a record number of nine black U.S. Congressmen; Pope Paul's ruling on birth control; the Olympic Games, the election of President Nixon, and the riots and demonstrations which have wracked college campuses throughout the land with young people taking the lead to demand reforms in curriculum and administration and to speak out plainly against the war in Vietnam.