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You know, of course, that the tremendous jump in hospital costs has forced millions who already have hospitalization to dig into savings or go into debt. Even with Medicare, they risk using up their savings or, worse yet, turning to family and friends for help. In fact, very *few people* have enough savings, hospitalization or income to cover the TOTAL cost of being sick or injured.

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Better Safe Than Sorry

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PAYS YOU CASH ... $100.00 a week tax-free cash from first day in hospital

PAYS YOU CASH ... to a maximum of $10,000.00 for any hospital stay lasting 100 weeks!

PAYS YOU CASH ... Money mailed direct to you—not to the doctor or hospital!

PAYS YOU CASH .. In addition to hospitalization, Medicare and Workmen's Compensation!

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An absolute must now that YOUR share of hospitalization costs has increased 10% under Medicare!

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EXTRA CASH Gives Peace Of Mind and Security, Helps Replace Lost Income

Everything costs more these days. (Who knows better than you?) Hospital costs alone have TRIPLED in just a few short years . . . and they're expected to DOUBLE soon. While 7 out of 8 Americans have *some* hospital insurance, most find that benefits *simply don't cover ALL the bills* that mount up when sickness or accident strikes.

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And remember: Your EXTRA CASH is paid *direct to you . . . and you use it any way you want to.*

These Are The Only Exclusions!

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Special $1.00 Offer Expires Midnight of Date Shown On Coupon Below!

To introduce you to this remarkable new Plan we make this unusual offer with a *Money-Back Guarantee.* Just fill in the Enrollment Form on this page and mail it with just $1 before Midnight of the Expiration Date. A *full month's protection* will go into effect on the very day we accept your Enrollment Form.

When you receive your policy, take your time to examine it carefully. It's written to be easy to understand. There is NO FINE PRINT. *Show it to any trusted advisor*—your doctor, your lawyer, your clergyman. *In fact, show it to your own insurance man . . . even though he probably works for another insurance company!* If he is a personal friend, he wants what is best for you. So you can believe him when he tells you there is no better value available anywhere.

Even then, if you're not completely satisfied, return the policy within 30 days and your money will be cheerfully refunded with *no questions asked.* However, if you decide to continue this worldwide protection, you may do so at these low rates:

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Age at Enrollment	Monthly Premium
0-18	only $2.50
19-39	only $3.80
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How Can We Offer All This Protection for So Little?

If you're lucky, you can buy ordinary insurance at any time and pay regular rates. But NOW—with just a stroke of your pen—you can get Union Fidelity's $100.00 a week ($14.28 per day) Extra Cash Income Plan for the special low cost of only $1.00 for the first month. And how is this possible? BECAUSE UNION FIDELITY ENROLLS A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT ONE TIME . . . *direct by mail.* This highly efficient "mass enrollment" cuts our costs to the bone. We are able to issue thousands of policies in a few short days. By this method our overhead expenses are reduced drastically. And the savings are passed on to you!

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A Nationally Respected Company

As important as the cash income itself, the low cost and ease of enrollment, is this *one vital fact:* Your policy is backed by the resources, integrity and national reputation of Union Fidelity Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, an old line legal reserve company licensed in 49 states and Washington, D.C.

Easy To Join—No Red Tape— No Salesman Will Call

Join NOW. During this limited enrollment period there are no *qualifications whatsoever* . . . but you *must* mail the Enrollment Form BEFORE the Midnight deadline. We will issue your "Extra Income Hospital Plan" and *put it in force* the very same day we receive your Form.

Why not take a moment right now to fill in your Enrollment Form and mail it with only $1.00, the "introductory" cost for your first month's coverage.

$1.00 No Risk Money-Back Guarantee!

Because we're so confident this Extra Income Plan that PAYS CASH *direct to you* is the best low-cost protection now available, we make our famous Money-Back Guarantee. When you get your policy look it over. You *must* be 100% satisfied that your Plan is exactly what *we* promise and exactly what you want. If you're not, send the policy back to us within 30 days and we will REFUND YOUR MONEY IN FULL . . . AT ONCE. But meanwhile, you will be *protected.* And if you decide to continue this wonderful protection, you do so at the low rate that will *never be raised* because you grow older!

JOIN NOW—"TOMORROW" MAY BE TOO LATE!

This is a limited enrollment. YOU MUST ACT NOW! The expiration date shown below *can't be extended.* If your Enrollment is mailed later, *it can't be accepted.* TIME IS PRECIOUS! Get your Enrollment Form and $1.00 in the mail . . . today!

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1. *How much will this policy pay me when I go to the hospital?* You will receive $100.00 per week.
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4. *Does this policy have any "waiting periods" before it goes into effect?* No. It will go into force on the same day we accept your completed Enrollment Form and $1.00 premium for the first month's coverage.
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6. *Is there any red tape to join?* No. We only ask you to complete and mail your Enrollment Form before the deadline date shown. No questions to answer. No salesman will call.
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8. *How may I use these benefit payments?* You may use them any way you wish—for hospital and doctor bills, rent, food, household expenses or anything else. You alone decide how to use the money.
9. *Why do I need your Extra Cash Plan in addition to other insurance?* Because new present hospital insurance won't cover all your hospital and medical expenses. Even if it did, you will still need extra cash to cover all your household expenses.
10. *May I join if I am over 65?* Yes. You are welcome to join no matter what your age is. This Plan has no age limit.
11. *Can you drop me or raise my rate because of family reasons?* No. We will never cancel or refuse to renew your policy for health reasons so long as you make your premium payments on time. Also, we guarantee that we will never cancel your protection or adjust your rate unless we take the same action with regard to all policies of this type in your state. You, of course, can drop your policy on any renewal date.
12. *What is not covered by this policy?* The only exclusions not covered are hospitalization caused by mental disorders; act of war; pregnancy, childbirth or miscarriage; or care provided in a government hospital. You are even covered for any chronic ailment or pre-existing condition after your policy has been in force for only two years. Everything else is covered.
13. *Can other members of my family take advantage of this special offer?* Yes. Just add their names to the Enrollment Form when you fill it in.
14. *Why is this offer good for a limited time only?* Because by enrolling a large number of people at the same time our underwriting, processing and policy issue costs can be kept at a minimum. These savings, of course, are passed on to you.
15. *Do I need a medical examination or a statement from my doctor?* Definitely not. Just fill in the Enrollment Form and send it off today with $1.00.
16. *What other advantages are there of joining this plan now?* By joining now you do not need to complete a regular application—just the brief form in the lower right-hand corner of this page. Also, during this enrollment period, there are no other qualifications—no "waivers" or restrictive endorsements can be put on your policy.
17. *How does the Money-Back Guarantee work?* Examine your policy carefully in the privacy of your home. If for any reason you are not completely satisfied, return it within 30 days and we will promptly refund your money. Meanwhile, you are protected while making your decision.
18. *How do I join?* Fill in the brief Enrollment Form (be sure to sign your name) and mail it with just $1.00 for the first month's protection to: Union Fidelity Life, Dept. MM, 1515 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19102

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OFFICIAL ENROLLMENT FORM No. 01-1132-632-01-B

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ADDRESS ____ Street or R. D. #

CITY ____ STATE ____ ZIP ____

DATE OF BIRTH ____ Month Day Year AGE ____ SEX Male ☐ Female ☐

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I also apply for coverage for the members of my family listed below: (DO NOT repeat name that appears above)

	NAME (Please Print)	RELATIONSHIP	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH MONTH	DAY	YEAR	AGE
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2.							
3.							
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5.							

Do you carry other insurance in this Company? ☐ No ☐ Yes (If "yes" please list policy numbers.)

I have enclosed my first monthly premium of $1.00 and hereby apply to Union Fidelity Life Insurance Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102, for the Extra Income Hospital Plan, Form 478. I understand the policy is not in force until actually issued.

If for any reason I am not completely satisfied with this new protection I may return my Policy for cancellation within thirty (30) days and my payment will be promptly refunded.

SIGNATURE X ____ DATE ____ 91

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City Jail Guards Searched Daily For Contraband

Code Of Ethics Bars Favors (SEE BACK PAGE)

Baltimore Afro-American

New Lemmel Principal Named (SEE BACK PAGE)

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Songbird's Upkeep $1,000 Monthly

Assurance needed, says city warden

By AL RUTLEDGE

City Jail Warden Hiram L. Schoonfield told the AFRO that the statements attributed to him by Senator Thomas J. Dodd (D.-Conn.) "were taken out of context and overly dramatized."

"Warden Schoonfield," said Senator Dodd, "told a Senate Sub-committee investigator that the situation here (Baltimore City Jail) regarding corrections officers is terrible. If he breathes, we have to hire him."

The Senator's report, given in a sub-committee hearing, went on to say that Warden Schoonfield claimed that trained guards were so difficult to find that "corrections officers are searched every day for contraband."

"Its true," the warden said, "that we search the guards. Most of them aren't trained nor are they career people."

The reason the guards are searched the warden said, "is because sometimes we get complaints about guards from people and we have to be sure that our guards are not in-

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Students off and running

With the Student of the Year Contest just four days across the starting line NOW is the time to get into the race.

There's $1,500 just waiting to be claimed by the 13 students receiving the most votes, when the contest ends in June.

Who will be the winner? Will it be a relative or a neighbor?

Or perhaps a close friend?

Or could it be you?

NOW is the time to begin to build up your votes.

The contest is open to all students from the 9th through the 12th grades of any accredited high school in the State of Maryland.

Any qualified student may enter the contest by submitting 500 votes or more. One voting coupon clipped from the AFRO is worth 100 votes.

Any one sending in the four months for $4 subscription for Tuesday and Friday editions of the AFRO will receive a Bonus Coupon worth 1000 votes for his or her FAVORITE STUDENT.

Your check or money order must accompany your subscription blank and bonus coupon.

First prize will be $500, cash; second prize, $300; third prize, $200; fourth prize, $100; fifth and sixth prizes will be $50 cash; and there will be twelve additional cash prizes of $25 each.

Anyone may vote in the contest as often as he wishes.

Send or bring your votes to the AFRO-AMERICAN office, 628 N. Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Md. 21201.

Marchers invoke Gregory decision

CHICAGO (UPI) — Attorneys for 13 persons arrested during a protest march against the Democratic National convention Wednesday moved for a directed verdict of acquittal based on this week's Supreme Court reversal of a conviction of militant Dick Gregory.

Gregory had been arrested on disorderly conduct charges while participating in a march on Chicago Mayor Richard J. Daley's house in 1965.

Thomas Sullivan, representing Peter Weiss, a New York convention delegate, said Monday's Supreme Court ruling means Chicago officials must prove the convention marchers created an "imminent threat of harm" either to themselves or to the neighborhood through which they were marching Aug. 29.

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The city also must prove that it "made all reasonable efforts to offer" alternate routes to the international Amphitheatre where the Democratic Convention was in progress and to protect the marchers, Sullivan said.

Sullivan contended Chicago officials failed to fulfill either requirement. He said police testimony showed only that "a serious confrontation" would have resulted if the march had been allowed to continue.

The 13 defendants, including New York post columnist Murray Kepton and four other delegates or alternate delegates, were arrested at Michigan Avenue and 18th Street on a southward march in the direction of the Amphitheatre.

Rent bill heads for Senate

AFRO BUREAU

ANNAPOLIS — The controversial Rent Escrow bill which is designed to strengthen the existing law in Baltimore City by preventing retaliatory action of a landlord against a complaining tenant is expected to reach the Senate floor today (Friday).

Considerable confusion has centered around the bill since Baltimore's Mayor Thomas J. D'Alesandro III has suggested what he terms "compromising" amendments.

These amendments, in effect, would cut from one year to six months the period in which a landlord would be unable to evict a tenant who complained with cause under Rent Escrow legislation.

Criticism arose because the existing law gave no protection to tenants.

Senator Clarence M. Mitchell III (D. 4th, Balto.) told the AFRO Thursday that Mayor D'Alesandro

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MIGHTY TYKE — John Henry Weems (center) the smallest baby born at University Hospital, was feted on his six-month birthday Wednesday. In the arms of his mother, Mrs. Rosalyn Weems, Henry is being fed a taste of his birthday cake by Head Nurse Mrs. Bernice Bielski, (left) and Supervising Nurse Mrs. Frances Hicks. Young Henry weighed 1 pound, 11 ounces at birth and later went down to 1 pound, 5 ounces. Baby Weems was kept in an Isolette for two months after he was born, until his weight was up to four pounds. He now weighs six pounds. Mrs. Weems has one other child, five years old.

HEW RULING

State college presidents 'have tried' to integrate

If there is racial imbalance in Maryland's state colleges and universities, the small college presidents say "it isn't because we haven't tried" to do something about it.

They say the colleges are not segregated, but racial imbalance is largely the result of "tradition."

Following the Federal order from the Health, Education and Welfare Department that Maryland-state supported institutions must desegregate or lose federal funds, the AFRO contacted the presidents of Towson State, Morgan State, the University of Maryland, and Coppin State College.

"I'm in favor of having a better admixture of black students and Towson is open to all students regardless of race, "said Dr. Earl T. Hawkins, president of Towson.

"When you have two institutions, each over a century old, with a tradition of having students largely of one race, it's hard to break this."

Referring to Morgan, he added, "Neither one of us has ever had more than five per cent of the other race." Morgan is over 95 per cent black and Towson, 95 per cent white.

In January, Towson announced that its black enrollment is declining. To attract "inner city" students, Towson set out to employ black students "who visit city high schools to tell it like it is at Towson."

In January, Admission Director Edward C. St. Lawrence described a "concerted effort, plus personal letters to a specialized list of inner city students" to double the black enrollment by September.

One of Towson's recruitment problems is competition from Morgan State and Coppin, said St. Lawrence.

"If Morgan didn't exist in Baltimore, we would have more black students. If we didn't exist, Morgan would have more white students," Dr. Hawkins said.

He told a reporter he doesn't think federal funds will be cut off to Towson. "We think we can attract more black students. Our recruiters go to all the high schools, white or black. Then there is the question of what is the right amount. When do you have enough integration?"

Morgan and Towson are working on an exchange program that is a state wide plan to allow students enrolled at one college to take courses at another school at no extra cost.

Dr. Martin Jenkins, president of Morgan, feels that the purpose of the exchange "is not primarily to attract white students but it will have that effect."

He said he was "not surprised" when HEW told Maryland to desegregate.

"I assume that the state system will meet the re-

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Next Week

The 13th Annual AFRO Career Supplement will be published in next Tuesday's AFRO. Be sure to order your copy of the AFRO today for this big bonus feature.

This year's Career Supplement will be the biggest and best ever published — 144 pages — chock-full of news, pictures and advertising on careers — how to prepare for them, where to go for jobs and all the information that students and recruiters need to know.

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House passes on November election

AFRO BUREAU

ANNAPOLIS — The House of Delegates Thursday following a long debate passed a bill to set a November election on constitutional amendments.

The vote was 97-42. Black lawmakers casting the "no" votes were: Dr. Aris T. Allen (R., 4.A.), Joseph A. Chester (D., 2nd., Balto.) and Lealah Dixon Jr. (D., 4th. Balto.)

Dr. Allen, explaining his vote, said he was not against constitutional reform, but felt that the cost was prohibitive at this time.

It is estimated that the special election will cost nearly $900,000.

Proponents argued that the special election was necessary because if the constitutional amendments yet to be enacted by this General Assembly were placed on the 1970 General Election ballot, they would overload these ballots and create confusion for the voters.

OIC almost at standstill

What is the status of OIC?

Robert Royster, Training Director, who now triples as teacher, supervisor and over-seer of a huge, almost empty building at 1000 E. Valley St. which serves as the Opportunities Industrialization Center headquarters, answers:

"We're still operating, but it's on the marrow of the bone . . ."

This same time one year ago OIC was training some 189 and had placed more then 52 in the first 3 months of 1968 on well paying jobs in such major firms as Noxell Corp., Bethlehem Steel, First National Bank, General Electric, Western Electric and Blue Cross Blue Shield.

During the period between January, 1968 and September, 1968 OIC placed more than 200 persons on jobs and, through a contract program with CEP managed another 171 placements.

"Now," laments Mr. Royster, "there are only about 40 trainees in the entire OIC program and not enough instructors to handle even that number."

Many of the reasons for OIC's present condition came about in the last five months beginning late last year when former OIC

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ROBERT ROYSTER explains why the three story structure which once housed the headquarters of Baltimore's OIC Chapter is now subdued and quiet with empty classrooms and unused machines.

Sings for state, lives like king

The State's Attorney's Office is spending about $1,000 a month on an indicted robber of five banks to house and satisfy him his wife and infant daughter, while he tells on accomplices in court.

The amount spent so far for five months is $4,967.84.

According to States Attorney Charles E. Moylan, the expenses which are legitimate to care for a "key witness" will continue while the man is testifying in a series of half a dozen or more bank robbery trials.

In addition, he said, the support of the man and his family will continue until "he is no longer in danger and the guilty men are confined to jail."

Mr. Moylan also told the AFRO that taking care of a key witness is not an unusual practice and the method of protecting and supporting a witness and his family is often used by the U.S. Government.

According to Assistant State's Attorney Fred Grant, the key witness the state is now supporting are "a valuable man" to convict six or more accused bank robbers if being hid away "somewhere outside Baltimore" or maybe "outside the state."

Mr. Grant also told the AFRO where the key witness and his family are, is a "closely guarded secret" since the State's Attorney's office has reason to believe he would otherwise be killed by friends and relatives of the various men he is naming from the witness stand as participants in a series of bank robberies last summer.

"It's dangerous business," Mr. Grant said.

The key witness is Charles Clifford Cofield, 25, himself charged with five bank robberies. Under $250,000 bail Cofield is technically in "protective custody."

By his own admission he is one of a gang of indicted bank robbers who used Panty Hose as masks for robberies that totaled stolen cash of over $200,000.

Among participants Cofield mentions as taking part in the raids the Panty Hose Gange allegedly made on the banks are Thomas (Tall Tommy) Lucas, to be tried in two weeks and Alfred Jerome (Chicago Al) Johnson, 25, who has been on trial all this week.

Also convicted and turned "Chicago Al" is specifically indicted for the Panty Hose Gang robbery of the $121 St. Paul St. Branch of the Equitable Trust Bank of $12,167.63 on June 21, 1968.

Already convicted are William Oliver Gardner and Jordan Dennis Carter. After his conviction Gardner wrote a letter to all news media and the court and blasted Cofield as a songbird who is ratting on his pals to help the state clear the record of bank robberies.

The Panty Hose Gang was rounded up by the FBI, the State's Attorney's Office and over 100 police officers July 18, 1968 in a pre-dawn raid that netted all suspects except "Tall Tommy" Lucas.

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Rent escrow opposition bared before rights unit

The questions of what the Maryland Commission on Human Relations could do about HEW's position on state colleges and the destiny of the Retaliatory Eviction amendment now before the Maryland Legislature were discussed this week at the Commission's meeting.

Representatives of the League of Women Voters addressed the Commission, during the public participation period. They informed the members that the passage of the rent retaliation amendment to the rent escrow legislation dependent on the Baltimore Delegation, and that delegates from the 5th District were opposing the bill.

Mrs. Joseph M. Levi, State PR Director of the League pointed out that many Jewish landlords lived in the 5th District and that without active support of the mayor and other "pressure areas" the bill stood very little chance of passing.

According to sources in Annapolis the bill will be brought up again this week for consideration of new submitted amendments which were offered by Mayor D'Alesandro.

Robert C. Embry, Commissioner of the Depart-

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Ray trial cover-up charged; short life seen for prisoner

ATLANTA (UPI) — Leaders in the South generally were skeptical — and some were indignant—about the life sentence given the man who admitted assassinating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"I believe the majority of the people expected a cover-up in this case," said Dr. John Cashin, chairman of the National Democratic Party of Alabama. "I don't think James Earl Ray will live out his sentence."

Ray pleaded guilty Monday to the slaying of King in Memphis, Tenn., last April 4 and he was sentenced to 99 years by a jury which agreed in advance to a "compromise" by Ray's attorneys and the prosecution.

King's widow, Coretta, said his family views Ray's sentence with "a sense of emotional relief. For the moment, we have been spared a trial which would compel us to relive the fearfully tragic events of his death."

But Mrs. King said she believes Ray had help in the killing, and urged "concerned people" to press authorities "to continue until all who are responsible for this crime have been apprehended.

"Not until then can the conscience of the nation rest."

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The Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy, King's successor as head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), said his belief in a conspiracy has been strengthened by Ray's "courageous admission" at the trial.

Ray, in pleading guilty, said he disagreed with the argument of attorneys that no conspiracy existed.

"The SCLC is committed to remain alert and vigilant until justice is meted out to all the perpetrators," Abernathy said.

Arthur Shores, a city councilman in Birmingham, Ala., said, "I don't believe it was a one-man operation," and Jesse Epps, an AFSCME official, the union whose garbage workers strike took King to Memphis, said, "I think someone

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chuckle

I'm a bachelor. My brother's been married 28 years, he's got three kids and he's always picking on me. He says, "Larry what kind of life is this bachelor? Staying up late. Drinking. Every night going out with a different girl. You need help. Take me along."

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