KILLED IN VIETNAM

'Just a child, who hadn't even started to live yet'

"He was just a child who hadn't even started to live yet and now . ."

"He loved his dog 'Queenie' and always shared his food with her. Queenie is a German-Shepherd."

"In an earlier letter last month, he asked us to send him a box containing some tuna fish and mayonnise, peaches, fruit cocktail and a half loaf of bread.

"And in one of his last letters, he told us that he had '213 more days' in Vietnam."

"He also asked us to send him some 'self-sealing envelops and somepaper.'"

These words were spoken by Mr. and Mrs. Willie T. Colt, parents of Specialist Leon Colt, 19, who was killed in a hostile action on March 10 in Vietnam.

Mrs. Colt continues: "I was sitting near the living-room window, looking and waiting for the mail man (expecting a letter from her son) when a soldier came up on the porch."

"This nice soldier, Master Sgt. McDonald from the Winchester Armory, told us that Leon has been 'reported missing in action.'

"Then on Friday morning he returned and told us that a recheck had been made and his body had been found."

According to Mr. and Mrs. Colt, everyone they have talked with from the Army has been "very nice and helpful,' and also the Phillips Funeral home who is in charge of the arrangements. Now, we are waiting for the body to return to the States where he will receive full military services, with burial in National Cemetery."

Specialist Colt, enlisted into the US Army on Feb., 28 1968; he received his basic training in Fort Bragg, N.C. and infantry Training in Fort Gordon, Ga.

He was stationed in Dak To, with A Company, 1/14 3rd Battalion of the 4th Infantry Division, and was up for promotion to sergeant.

He attended Carver High School where "he played halfback on the football team; he was a real sports fan and an easy-going fun-loving person, and had lots of friends," his parents said.

He was the second of four children.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Willie T. Colt, Jr., 22, a truck driver and Edward, 17, a student at Carver, and a sister, Olivia Colt, 9, a pupil at Rosedale Elementary School No. 148.

KILLED IN ACTION in Vietnam was Leon Colt, shown here in a photo he sent to his family from the war. Specialist Four Colt was 19.

Threatened suicide is averted

Residents and passersby in the 500 block of West Lafayette Ave. witnessed what one person described as a "frightening sight" when a woman climbed out on the third floor window sill of a row-house and threatened to jump.

Thanks to fast acting neighbors, the suicide remained only a threat.

One lady rushed to phone the Fire Department and the Police to report the incident and another entered the house to talk the woman back into the room.

When the Fire Department arrived they covered the area with a net but Mrs. Geraldin Singletary had managed to talk the would-be-suicide back into the building.

Police report that the woman may have had problems with her husband and had been drinking at the time.

She was taken to Central Police station the officers who responded to the case said, "Because she may be alright now, but if we leave her without trying to give her some help and she jumps we'll be just as responsible as if we pushed her."

Man gunned down in East Baltimore

A 35-year-old west Baltimore man was gunned down in front of a restaurant Monday night in the 600 block N. Fremont Ave.

Jerimiah J. Jones, of the 900 block Argyle Ave., was killed after arguing with another man in the restaurant, police said.

Police say an investigation revealed that Mr. Jones was in the restaurant about 9 p.m. Monday with an unknown man when the two began arguing.

According to police reports, the assailant left the lunchroom and a few minutes later Mr. Jones followed. When Mr. Jones walked out of the resturant he was fatally shot once in the chest.

Witnesses told police that he "backed into the kitchen holding his hand on his chest and collapsed in the kitchen."

Homicide detectives say they have a definite suspect but no one has been arrested.

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School Board, in split vote, approves contract with union

The two-year teachers contract negotiated with the Baltimore Teachers Union passed by a slim margin last night (Thursday) at the School Board meeting in the War Memorial Building.

John Sweeney and Mrs. Marie Farring voted against the contract. Four board members voted for the contract, and one member abstained.

Mr. Sweeney cited nine objections, most of them based on a conflict between board rights and teachers rights.

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Teeth back in HRC bill

By MAX JOHNSON

ANNAPOLIS — The House of Delegates, in a surprise move late Thursday night, restored some enforcement powers to the Maryland Human Relations Commission cut from a bill approved by the Senate.

The measure as it now stands will allow the commission to initiate complaints as originally offered in the bill.

These enforcement powers were a part of the administration package backed by Governor Marvin Mandel through his top aide in the human relations field, Arthur G. Murphy Sr.

Another objection, he said, was that textbook selection would be taken out of the hands of the board and given to teachers.

The contract provides for a faculty committee in each school to choose textbooks and a central committee of teachers to make recommendations to the board.

ANSWER: This column has Dr. Thomas D. Sheldon told Mr. Sweeney that the faculty committees would merely be choosing from a list of books already approved by the Board. Voting for the contract were Mrs. Elizabeth M. Moss, Larry S. Gibson, James M. Griffin and Sidney H. Tinley Jr. Samuel T. Daniels abstained.

Member Philip Macht was absent.

Dr. Sheldon told the board the contract would not necessitate an addition in funds to the school budget already passed by the board.

"There will be no confidential files," Dr. Sheldon said. The contract gives teachers the right to see the material put in their personnel files and to write their reaction to it.

In other board action, a resolution was passed giving counselors the right to advise children of overcrowding in high schools.

"He can be told it's an overcrowded school, and we're going to have an annex and next year maybe you can move into the available space," Dr. Sheldon said.

The annexes will be in schools that are undercrowded such as Dunbar.

Dr. Sheldon claimed that this recommendation is a compromise with the board's stand that freedom of choice would be maintained for high school students.

The recommendation was passed unanimously.

cancies at predominatly white schools for black teachers to fill.

New deputy sheriff works beat with veteran Chriscoe

Deputy sheriff Boyd L. Chriscoe Jr., arrested striking teachers at school No. 148 recently and then had to resign as PTA president

On March 5, Chriscoe recovered a $200 money order from a child who had intercepted the misdelivered letter and had been telling his friends about his new found wealth. For this recovery Mr. Chriscoe received a citation from E. J. Stapleton, Postal Inspector.

In fact, during the two years that he has been a deputy sheriff in Baltimore, he has done both the usual and the unusual. Now he is training another black man, Charles Hollis, 29, be a deputy sheriff.

Mr. Hollins "should be ready to go on a district beginning next Monday," deputy chriscoe told the AFRO "He is learning the court procedures, learning how to make arrests and commitments to the jails. He's with me until he gets on his district.

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A deputy sherriff has to know the court system, and he has to know what each warrant requires: when he can bust down the door to get a suspect and when he can't.

"I handle warrants, summons, divorce papers—once a person is sent from the municipal court to the supreme bench, he is under our jurisdiction," the deputy explained.

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I work in the eighth district but that doesn't mean I just work entirely within that district. I can work right up to the county lines."

The eighth district is bounded by Fulton Ave., Hilton St., Wilkins Ave. and North Ave.

Most of the persons in that district know him and Mr. Chriscoe says he works well with the community.

For example, he recovered the money order with the help of children who knew him and told him about their young friend's new wealth.

And when he came to arrest the striking teachers "some of them said you can't arrest me, your're can't arrest me PTA !"

The deputy sheriff's job

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TEACHER AND STUDENT Deputy Sheriff Boyd Chriscoe, left, has been with the sheriff's office two years and is training another deputy, Charles E. Hollis, right. Both men work in Baltimore and by next week Mr. Hollis should be finished with his training and ready to go out on his own.

Mondawmin gives $3,000 to ANA

The "kick-off" fund raising campaign of the Mondawmin Area for the Associated Negro Appeal began on March 1 and will continue through April 30.

A check in the amount of $3,000 was presented to E. Thomas Williams, Jr., treasurer of ASA by Harry Bart, president of Mondawmin Corporation recently.

For those who may not know what the Associated Negro Appeal is all about:

It is the first organization, initiated and directed by black people which has been approved for an official, citywide appeal in the United States and approved by the Coordinating Council for Fund Raising.

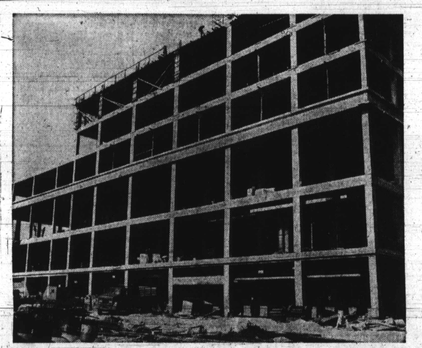
The major emphasis of the organization is helping all disadvantaged citizens, regardless of race, religion or color, to take their place in American life, and helping unfortunate people who could emerge from poverty, if given the opportunity.

Some of the projects now under consideration by the ANA include: economic development; character-building youth services; environmental improvement services; strengthening the family unit; study-skills center; special reading programs; day care for young children and pre-school age children and streamlined programs for the elderly.

Heads of Women's division during the campaign are: Mrs. Rosalie McGuire, Mrs. Enna Payne, Mrs. Ruy Groomsfreeland, Dr. Delores Hunt and Mrs. Beatrice Myers.

Mrs. Catherine Adams is head of the medical division.

The planning committee of the board of directors includes Dr. I. Bradshaw Gladyce B. Jones, president; Higgins, chairman; Dr. Gladyce B. Jones president; Mrs. Flozella Clark, vice-president; E. Thomas Williams, Jr. treasurer; Father Donald O. Wilson, secretary; Mrs. James Forrest, staff director; attorney Larry Gibson, resident agent; Mrs. Catherine Adams; George Brown; Senator Clarence Mitchell, III; Parren Mitchell; Dr. Wesley Shelton and Dr. Dollie Walker.



SEVENTH AND LAST story of the million dollar Provident Hospital, now under construction on Liberty Heights Ave., is indication that the 272 bed facility is moving ahead on schedule, says Charles G. Tildon in the accompanying story.

New Provident up to seventh floor; plans to raise another $1.8 million

Up to the seventh and top floor in just seven months and still ahead of schedule.

This week's report on the new Provident Hospital comes from Charles G. Tildon, Jr., director of the Provident Hospital Development Fund.

He proudly reports the new facility on Liberty Heights Ave. "definitely" will meet the July 1970 completion date.

The Helene Fuld School of Nursing and Residence, in the rear of the main structure, and the multi-purpose auditorium with seating for 200, are also close to completion.

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The main section of the 272-bed all-electric hospital will house on the first floor, out-patient service, emergency wards, business offices and the physical therapy department.

On the second floor will be administrative offices, surgery and the laboratory.

Situated on the third floor will be the central supply department, the food service, and the pharmacy for in-patient use.

The fourth floor will house a number of medical and surgical beds and the obstetrics and gynecology departments.

Additional medical and surgical beds, pediatrics, and the intensive care beds will be on the fifth floor.

The sixth and seventh floors will provide more medical and surgical beds.

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Mr. Tildon told the AFRO:

"The progress of the hospital is attributed to the admirable support of the black community.

"Thus far, it has contributed a total of $1,100,000 through the sacrificial do-

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$50

That's right each and every week, the AFRO pays a total of $50 for news tips. YOU can share in this prize fund. Just be FIRST to call AFRO City Desk, 728-8200 as soon as you witness a newsworthy event. Bring photos of news events to City Desk and qualify for a special prize.

City Council explores control of Model Cities

The city council talked more than it listened Tuesday afternoon at a hearing on proposed Model Cities programs in council chambers. The hearing centered on what extent the city council can control the Federal anti-poverty program.

City council president W. Donald Schaefer told the 12 councilmen that a resolution passed by the council several weeks ago did not commit it to approving Model Cities programs.

Richard Goldberg from the city solicitor's office, answered questions from councilmen on the legality of the city council's jurisdiction.

Mr. Goldberg answered three questions pertaining to what extent the city council can control appropriations, expenditures, and adoption and implementation of Model Cities programs.

"Final budgetary control, full authority to reduce or

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Model Cities 'E' council

The Grand Opening and Open House for the "E" council of the Model Cities Program is set for 4 p.m. Sunday, March 23.

Ribbon-cutting ceremonies for the newly-renovated area office building at 1017 N. Carey Street, will be performed by Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro III and William Sykes, Model Cities Agency Director.

Following the official opening, community residents, Agency officials and staff City officials, and State officials will tour the building and be served refreshments.

The office building, formerly a grocery store, was completely remodeled; with the work being done mainly, by inner-city residents. The public is invited to participate.

Area "E" encompasses the territory bounded by North to Lafayette Avenues; and, Monroe Street to Fremont Avenue, into Pennsylvania Avenue.

The Council, officially organized as Citizens United To Revitalize "E, Inc., is headed by the Rev. C. O. Brown, President. Chairman of the Board of Directors is Mrs. Doris Johnson.

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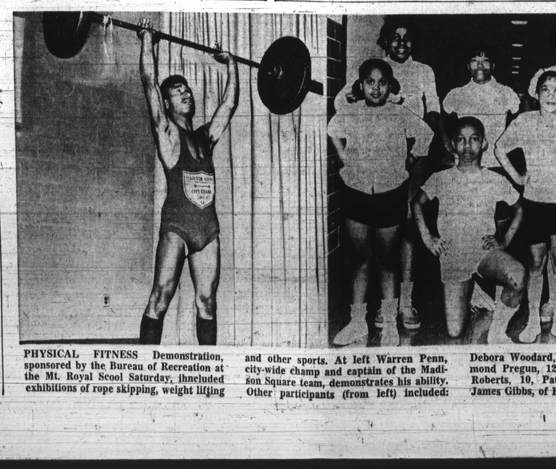

PHYSICAL FITNESS Demonstration, sponsored by the Bureau of Recreation at the Mt. Royal Scool Saturday, ihncluded exhibitions of rope skipping, weight lifting and other sports. At left Warren Penn, city-wide champ and captain of the Madison Square team, demonstrates his ability. Other participants (from left) included: Debora Woodard, 10, Stacy Holt, 11, Edmond Pregun, 12, Carol Wade, 13, Dale Roberts, 10, Patrici Raoberts, 13, and James Gibbs, of Hilton Recreation Center.

Robbery Victim Hit By 3 Bullets Fights For Life

Court Drops Charges Against Grandmother
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The Urban League Has New Militancy
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Swank Apartment Rental Halted

FIGHTS FOR LIFE

Customer in store struck by 3 bullets

"It's a miracle that he's still alive, . he had gone to the cleaner's to pick up some clothes . . . he was shot for no reason."

Mrs. Geraldine Horne, 2205 Presbury St., is keeping a vigil at the bedside of her husband, Willie Ray Horne, who is fighting for his life.

Mr. Horne, 42, was gunned down at close range when two armed bandits invaded a dry cleaning establishment at Smallwood and Presbury Sts. Friday evening and made off with an undetermined amount of money.

The shop's friendly proprietor, 60-year-old David Streater, died instantly the youthful bandits pumped five bullets into him, also at close range.

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The incident has frightened the usually friendly, northwest Baltimore neighborhood, in the vicinity of the 1700 block N. Smallwood St., where Mr. Streater was known as a "kindly" good neighbor.

"It's so now, we have to keep our doors locked. You never know now what might happen,' commented the owner of a nearby business.

Meantime, at Sinai Hospital doctors have removed the three slugs which penetrated Mr. Horne's chest, leg and neck.

His condition is reported as "fair," and no visitors, except his wife , are permitted.

Mr. Horne, father of three is a 22-year employee of American Standard Inc.

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Another customer in the store at the time was Thomas B. Teal, 22, of the 2800 block Elgin Ave. He was robbed of more than $100. Even though the gunmen forced him to lie on the floor, he was not shot.

After the shooting, the gunmen fled in a late model sedan and sped away.

Police recovered three spent cartridges nearby.

Funeral services for Mr. Streater, who lived at 3047 Seamon Ave., were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Cherry Hill. He was buried in Baltimore National Cemetery.

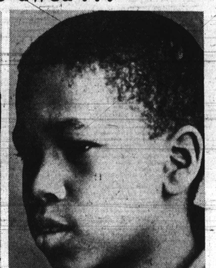
He had been operating the cleaning shop at the same address for more than 17 years.

He is survived by his wife, Louise, and a daughter, Gwendolyn 8.

At AFRO preistime no suspects had been arrested.

Students are awed . . .

ANITA GARRETT, 1135 Calhoun St. 'I'll never understand'



WENDAL EVANS, 527 Robert St. 'You have to put your mind to it'

DIANE PERRY, 2120 Division St. 'I wonder if he's really talking'

ANTOINETTE WHITSON, 1137 Calhoun St. 'First you say what?'

No water supply in county area

The Anne Arundel County NAACP announced this week that it plans to go to court to force county officials to lay water lines into two black communities.

"If we can't have water, then no one will have it," Samuel Gilmer, NAACP president told the AFRO.

The injunction sought by the NAACP would stop any further plans to lay water lines anywhere in the county until the question of discrimination against black areas is settled.

Mr. Gilmer said the NAACP is acting through complaint from the Brownswoods Community, "the only community that has really raised its head."

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"The people in the white community only a quarter of a mile away have water, but Brownswoods doesn't. Sometimes right across the road in a white area there is water, but in a black area there isn't," he reported.

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In another area of the county, the Mulberry Hills section, there is no running water.

"Providence, another big white settlement will be getting water, but the people right across from them, Mulberry Hills, will not get water."

Mulberry Hills and Providence are divided by Mulberry Hill Road. Brownswoods and Mulberry Hills are the two areas that have asked for NAACP help. But there are

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CRASH VICTIM'S WIDOW:

'Our marriage was the happiest 52 days of my life'

"Our marriage was the happiest 52 days of my life; I'll never forget them. We didn't have much but we shared what we had together."

This is how Mrs. Flora Brown, 19, described her short marriage to Horace Beason Brown, 23.

He was killed Monday when his new red car skidded from the Baltimore-Washington Parkway, across Russell St., into the path of a three-ton truck.

Mr. Brown was en route to Baltimore from Ft. Meade. He had just completed three years in the Army and was on his way home. He and his wife lived at 2127 McCulloh St.

"I was waiting for him to come home. He was due here around three o'clock. We were going to pack our things and leave for Laurinburg, N. C., my hometown, and then go on to his home in Bostwick, Ga." his wife recalled.

"We both must have felt that something was going to happen . . . Sunday during the night, Horace woke up, hugged me and asked, 'Please don't ever leave me.'"

"Then yesterday, Monday morning, he asked me to eat breakfast with him before he left for Ft. Meade. I did and he was extremely happy when he left for his last day in the Army," she told the AFRO.

Firemen worked with crowbars to pry the young ex-soldier from the wreckage at the accident scene. He was pronounced dead on arrival at University Hospital at 2:45 p.m. Monday, 15 minutes before he was due home.

"A police officer came to the house and asked me whether I was Mrs. Flora

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HOARCE BEASON BROWN shown here when he was the lead singer for The Continentals. Mr. Brown was killed in an automobile accident this week.

MRS. FLORA C. BROWN, was a happy 19 year-old bride for "52 days" and now is a saddened young widow . . .

Court order given after race charge

The Marylander Apartments, a swank complex of residences on St. Paul St. and University Parkway can not show any of its vacant apartments to prospective renters.

Reason: Anthony Armstrong was denied an opportunity to look at two vacant apartments.

He filed suit under the Civil Rights Act of 1866, which the Supreme Court has ruled is valid and enforceable law under the 13th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Judge Alexander Harvey II sitting in Federal Court granted the injunction on March 18, preventing further rental until after a bearing.

On Thursday morning in Federal Court, Judge Harvey extended the restraining order until April 7, to give the attorneys for the defense time to prepare their cases.

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Mr. Armstrong complains he was denied opportunity to look at two apartments and was told that there were no vacancies in the complex.

The petition further states that David Zangrilli, a white man, visited the Marylander and was shown the two apartments, No. 302 and No. 608 and, the agents, Mrs. Ann Hardin and Mrs. Shirley M. Beares supplied applications and arranged for lease of one of the apartments.

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc. has cited the case of Mr. Armstrong as an example of what "many people who have suffered humiliation of this kind could have done by taking advantage of the law."

Mr. Armstrong is asking damages of $500 because of "humiliation and embarrassment" caused by the agent's refusal to deal with him because of his race.

Also he seeks $10,000 punitive damages, counsel fees and a permanent injunction against the apartment owners.

He is represented attorneys Ronald M. Shapiro

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. . . about Japanese

TICHY is one English word that helps you learn Japanese pronunciation. Shigeyoshi Aoki shows a class at William Alexander School No. 112 just what he means by itchy. Mr. Aold is an English teacher at Southern High School who was visiting No. 112 this week to teach Japanese. (AFRO photos by Irving Phillips.)

Junior high students can enter AFRO contest

As of today (Friday) the AFRO's Student-of-the-Year contest is open to all students from the 7th 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.

Out in the first place position for the third straight week is Danniella Brooks of Carver Voc. High School with 16,400 votes.

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Fifty-eight students representing 24 schools are now qualified contestants in the student race.

The second place position is held down by Charlie Boone of Forest Park High with 15,100 votes.

Dena S. Finney, Douglass High is in the third place with 11,400 votes.

Fourth place is Nancy Jones of Carver Vocational High School with 10,000 votes.

And in the fifth position is Paula P. Faust of McArthur Junior High School with 8300 votes.

HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! HURRY! !

Join now! Don't delay! There's still time to get in the fastest running race in the city.

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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 St., P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21203.

Chuckle

A new girl in the check room of a popular night club whispered to a veteran employee, "What does it mean when a college student slips you a dollar tip?"

"It means," answered the knowing veteran, "that you have given him the wrong coat."

Palm Sunday churchgoers may miss palm as shortage hits Baltimore

For the first time in 50 years there will be a shortage of palm in church this coming Palm Sunday.

This green leaf has for centuries after Christ's death symbolized victory and rejoicing to most Protestants and Catholics who celebrate the Sunday before Easter to commemorate Jesus' triumphant ride into Jerusalem prior to his crucifixion.

Thousands of crowns of palm are distributed to churches each year to be given out as a symbolic remembrance of that day.

Now, there will be little or no palm given out this Palm Sunday. The shortage is attributed to rainy and cold weather in Florida, the American source for this shrub.

J. F. Grottendick and Sons, a large church service firm in the city, supplies most of the Catholic parishes with palm.

Joseph Grottendick Jr. president, told the AFRO about the shortage:

"All our accounts are being rationed.

"Normally we get 25,000 heads of palm two weeks before Palm Sunday, but this year we have only 4,000."

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Local florists provide a market for individuals to purchase palm for their churches. Some florists were lucky enough to get their orders in early enough to escape the crisis.

Miss Doris Johnson of the Norwood Summers Florist said,"We had to go all the way to Pennsylvania to get palm.

"There just weren't any in Maryland at all. We were able to get enough for our regular church orders

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NAACP to join in King memorial

NEW YORK — Roy Wilkins, executive director of the NAACP has called upon local units of the association throughout the country to cooperate with other groups in a "fitting observance" of the first anniversary of the assassination of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., on April 4.

The recommendation was in response to a request from the Southern Christian Leadership Conference for cooperation in nationwide sponsorship of "appropriate memorial programs" for the martyred leader of SCLC.

Air attack 'plot' laid to Rhodesia

LUSAKA, Zambia — The president of Zambia charged last week that Rhodesia was plotting an air attack on "prescribed Zambian positions," the official government news agency reported.

President Kenneth D. Kuanda said that the Rhodesian Prime Minister, Ian D. Smith, "was making a pretext of Zambia's hospitality to refugees."

Kuanda also denied Rhodesian charges that Zambia was a training ground for "freedom fighters" who have been waging a campaign of harassment against the white government of Smith and Portuguese colonial governments in Southern Africa.

Policeman looks back on 12 years in job of 'diminishing respect'

"It's more hazardous now (being a policeman) because there is a lack of respect for police officers." says Patrolman William E. Stanley.

"One reason for the diminishing respect is the laxity in the law with respect to our authority. The public has misinterpreted the Supreme Court rulings.

"For example, in the area of parole, a lot of people think that if they get five years, they will get out in three years anyway."

Officer Stanley was talking to the AFRO Saturday, his 12th anniversary of service on the Baltimore police force.

"Our work is a service but there is a faction that doesn't like policemen and then there is the public apathy that we have to fight," Officer Stanley continues.

"When we show up somewhere there are often people who don't want us there but what they don't know is that someone has usually called us.

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"And a lot of young people seem to just want to do what they want. They don't want you to say any-

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PATROLMAN W. E. STANLEY
12 years on force

Eisenhower Dead

WASHINGTON—Dwight D. Eisenhower, the victorious Allied Commander of World War II who went on to become America's President in peacetime, died at 12:25 p.m. (EST). He was 78.