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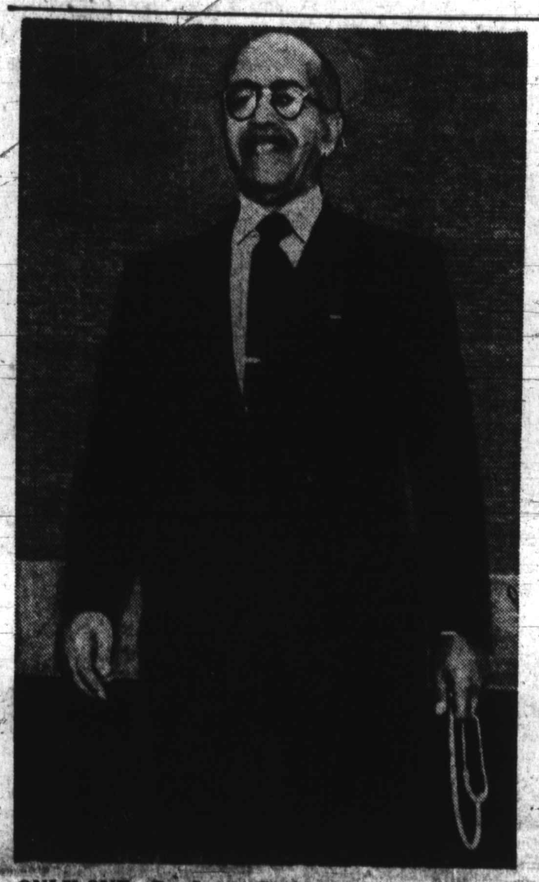

ONLY ONE—Dr. James D. Carr, only living son of a founder of Provident Hospital, still active as member of staff of the new 16 million $ complex which opened this month. His father, Dr. William T. Carr was one of the physicians who opened the first hospital on June 13, 1894 at 419 Orchard St.

PROVIDENT HOSPITAL

Dr. Carr only living son of a founder

By ELIZABETH OLIVER

Dr. James D. Carr, the only living son of a founder of Provident Hospital, is still an active member on the staff. At the move to the new $16 million complex on Liberty Heights Dec. 13, Dr. Carr looked back to what he termed "a different day."

The "different day" extended from the June 13, 1894 (and long before) founding of old Provident Hospital on Orchard St. until the 1950's, over half a century.

The "different day" and its circumstances led to Dr. William T. Carr and five other physicians founding the "Provident Hospital and Free Dispensary" or the "colored hospital."

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The "different day" included two hard-to-believe circumstances:

(1) Black physicians had no place to intern nor train, black doctors could not accompany their patients to white hospitals. They could only "visit" while white physicians performed operations, attended births and filled all medical needs of black hospitalized patients.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

FEDERAL RESERVE APPOINTMENT

Whitney Young should bring 'added dimension' to board

"My appointment signifies the recognition of the need for involving Black people in the basic monetary and fiscal policies affecting them. I would hope that this will encourage other financial institutions to insure Black participation in key policy-making staff positions."

With these words, Whitney Young, Jr. executive director of the National Urban League and prominent Civil Rights leader, accepted his appointment to a three-year term as a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Mr. Young's appointment is the first for a Black on a Federal Reserve Bank. There are 12 Federal Reserve banks in the U.S.

Federal Reserve Banks are bankers' banks in that they perform for the banks a service similar to that which commercial banks perform for their customers. They receive deposits from National and States banks; they make loans to these banks, receive and collect checks.

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As a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Mr. Young will sit on a board with eight other directors. They will have complete supervision over operations of the New York Bank.

Besides determining broad economic and monetary policy, the directors also determine the discount rate, which determines the rate of interest at which commercial banks lend money to their customers.

WHITNEY YOUNG

Mr. Young will attend at least two meetings a month and numerous other duties for the non-paying "public service" position.

"I had been offered many directorships on the boards of commercial banks and corporations, but turned them all down," Mr. Young said. Traditionally, the commercial establishments have been the most conservative elements in the community. There is a noticable lack of color in policy-making positions in corporations.

The Federal Reserve System consists of 12 Federal Reserve Banks, 25 branches, and a government supervisory body in Washington known as the board of Governors of the Federal reserve system.

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President Johnson in 1966 appointed the first Black to sit on the Board of Governors in Washington, Dr. Andrew Brimmer. Dr. Brimmer, a Harvard University Ph.D. in economics and

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ROUND-UP ON CRIME

Crimes against persons down, property up during 1970

By AL RUTLEDGE

Baltimore, like most other large metropolitan areas in the country hurled into the final days of 1970 boasting that its crime rate had increased in crimes against property and decreased in crimes against persons.

The Baltimore Police Department specifically pointed out that the overall crime index had decreased even though robberies, burglaries, narcotic violations had risen a fraction of a percent over 1969. What all cities seemed to be especially proud of was the fact that crimes against persons, rapes, violent assaults and murders had decreased.

Baltimore may well resemble other cities in the graphic structure of the percentage indices for the crime rate of 1970; but, unfortunately for many residents the resemblance ends there and takes on its own peculiar and sometimes incredible character.

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Even up to the final hour of 1970 our police department, our Municipal Courts and our neighbors were busy bending each others' minds.

For instance in January 1970, Municipal Court Judge Albert H. Blum, came under fire for what was editorialized in the news as "lynch mob justice." This happened during a trial which involved a 20-year-old black Chicagoan named Carnel Holloman who had arranged a $25 "business deal" with a white prostitute.

Mr. Holloman later

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MRS. LELIA HARRIS

Cardin rejects Allen's job offer won't be deputy

Howard L. Cardin, interim state's attorney, has withdrawn his name for appointment to the deputy post under the incoming regime of Milton B. Allen, Baltimore's state's attorney-elect.

However, the AFRO learned Thursday that Mr. Allen would ask Mr. Cardin to reconsider and take the deputy's post.

In a letter to Supreme Bench judges early in the week, Mr. Allen advised he had picked Mr. Cardin as his deputy.

He was to have been sworn in his new post along with Mr. Allen at 1:30 p.m. Monday in Part One Criminal Court in the Court House.

The Cardin withdrawal leaves the deputy post dangling, and it is expected to remain unfilled for some weeks while Mr. Allen studies the situation and looks around for somebody else.

Early in the week, Mr. Cardin was quoted publicly as saying he was "very happy to receive the appointment."

What happened then to bring about this sudden change of mind?

Here is Mr. Allen's statement to the AFRO on what quickly developed into a controversial appointment:

"Mr. Cardin on Wednesday asked that hisnamebe withdrawn from consideration as the deputy state's attorney. His reasoning is that he is concerned that the appointment may somehow get my administration off to a poor start, thus putting a further burden on an office that already has quite enough problems.

"This is unfortunate.

"During the nearly two months I have been in the office, I have found in this young man everything I would require as my top aide in the office.

"He is extremely intelligent, knows the work of the office backward and forward, makes decisions quickly and correctly, and has immense strength of personality. I believe him to be loyal and of the highest integrity.

"Our thinking about office innovations and pro-

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Police say they think it was

Developments of the past week lead police to believe that the recent fiery death of Mrs. Lelia Harris, famed Baltimore-born gosple singer, was an accident.

This idea came as a result of the arrest of Leroy Phillip Bias, 5220 Fredcrest Rd., Christmas day. He was charged with attempted arson which allegedly resulted in the singer's death.

Mrs. Harris, 34, died of second and third degree burns she suffered after Mr. Bias allegedly doused her with a flammable liquid.

According to police reports Mrs. Harris was engulfed in flames when she lit a cigarette while trying to wipe away the gasoline or kerosene.

Mr. Bias, arrested last Friday when an acquaintance saw him in the 1800 block Pulaski St. and called police, will have a preliminary hearing Jan. 14 at Western Municipal Court.

Mr. Bias is employed as a presser at the Seldam Coke Company.

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Police report the incident occurred at the gospel singer's third floor apartment in the 2200 block Eutaw Pl. on Oct. 10.

She died Nov. 27, after living 47 days and talking to investigating officers.

Although she was in critical condition most of the time, friends reported that she remained courageous and, at the time of her death, was singing verses of her favorite songs.

More than 5,000 persons attended her funeral where recordings of her favorite songs were played.

MURPHY SWEARING-IN

William H. Murphy Sr., who wos election to a judgeship on the city's Municipal Court, was given the oath of office Thursday at 12 noon.

This ceremony took place in the Municipal Traffic Court Building, Guilford Ave., and Madison St.

AFRO Stories Show Unrest, Hate, Hunger Still In Town

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

1970 was the year when black citizens and all others for that matter definitely knew "The Promised Land Is Not Here Yet." AFRO news stories reveal the facts.

Nearing the last quarter of the 20th Century, with just 30 years to go, black citizens were realizing the time was growing short for emancipation from racism and deprivation of civil rights, long promised.

Baltimore black citizens increased voter registration, added a few government officials in Baltimore and Annapolis and sent one Congressman to Washington.

But, as veteran and learned lawyer-politician for 50 years, Josiah Henry said, "We don't have a drop in the bucket. With the few we have in office, the whites don't even need us to vote to adjourn."

POVERTY, HUNGER

Poverty, racism, hunger, poor housing, dope, dirty movies, pollution, strife in schools and colleges, dominated the news in which all Baltimore citizens were entwined.

Interracial marriages and love, although becoming more obvious, remained basically unaccepted as couples frequently reported rebuffs from society.

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING
schools observe his Jan. 15 birthday

Baltimore's women wavered between mini skirts and maxi frocks and coats but boots from short and "up to the kidneys," went like wildfire long before winter arrived.

Student rebellion hastened the destruction of subtle racial lines in the classrooms, long overdue since the Federal law of 1954.

At the beginning of 1970, flare-ups in Eastern, Forest Park, Poly and other high schools disclosed much evil.

As the year ended Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro found his popularity among black citizens (the majority of the total voters) waning, passing slowly away.

His lack of wisdom on School Board appointments was challenged since black students were in the majority in the city.

Nick Mangione — nicknamed "Boy" Mangione — (the mayor's last appointment registered), "Zero" in tact and brought more disfavor to the Mayor.

RAP BROWN
escapes prsecution in Maryland, said to be in Algiers

NIXON-AGNEW

Baltimoreans were reflecting the national political picture as Dr. Emerson R. Julian, a City Councilman said in a January speech, "What's wrong on the national scene? We have Nixon and Agnew who don't seem particularly interested in black people."

An AFRO reporter who had an invitation to an affair for President Nixon, disclosed efforts to obtain either black or white escorts were greeted with, "A party for who? Well, I won't go. I'd be ashamed to be seen with him."

A staunch Republican, when asked to go to the party said, "No, I can't go. I'd never live it down."

COPS FOR HIRE

Crime zipped up following a relatively quiet "long hot summer" in Baltimore. Autumn found businesses and anyone who could afford it, employing private detectives or policemen advertised as "Cops For Hire," something new.

Qualified persons with presence of mind opened private detective firms, put security men in uniform and thus "struck oil."

DR. MARTIN D. JENKINS
says goodbye to Morgan.

Women shivered at bus stops and curtailed Christmas shopping fearing purse snatchers — a condition which prevailed throughout the nation.

CHURCH CHANGES

Baltimore's Catholic churches feared for their schools saying there was not enough money. Legislators proposed laws to see that every child was guaranteed an education. The year ended with a proposal that parochial parents be repaid from the state for their children's school costs.

MARCH

Dr. Bernard Rhetta Jr., 55, talked with friends visiting in Nassau. He had been missing from the Baltimore scene since 1967.

An unprecedented lottery raid witnessed five arrests at Bethlehem Steel's Key Highway plant.

Easter egg hunts were

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