What The AFRO Stands For

Equal justice, not only in theory, but in fact before courts of the city.

Adequate black representation on all public boards and commissions of Maryland cities, counties and the state itself, including colleges and universities.

Extensive and untrammeled black political power.

Equal job opportunities in fact as well as theory.

Equal housing opportunities in fact as well as theory.

Black judges on all benches of the city, county and state court systems, except those constitutionally authorized.

A black owned and operated taxicab company.

A black owned and operated bank.

A black majority on Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

Memorial Day, 1971

It was designed originally to remember those who died to free the slaves and save the Union in the Civil War.

Later it was expanded to decorate the graves of those who fell in two World Wars and in Korea.

Most cities have memorial cemeteries or battle monuments. Morgan College has a Memorial Hall.

These are the public ceremonies, but on Sunday there will be flowers on the graves of all who are remembered affectionately by their survivors.

Some cemeteries are not as well kept as others. So Sunday will be clean-up day. Then wreaths for some dead and flags for the veterans.

Perhaps the most that will come out of it is an earnest resolve to keep up the family plot in the cemetery, or to make the children more aware of the love and sacrifice of their grandparents.

However, it is an important day on the calendar, and the AFRO says God Bless it. (From the Papers of Carl Murphy (1889-1967).

Tips For Youth, Police

Today (Friday) will mark the beginning of more than 72 hours of hazard to many citizens.

The extended Memorial Day Weekend hails the arrival of the summer season for all phases of the economy and populace.

The roads will be crowded every weekend with mothers, fathers and children leaving for the coolness of the seashore and resorts. And this means more cars, heavy water traffic, barbeque pits and everything else needed for fun in the sun.

These diversions can be enjoyed to the fullest if they are treated with safety and caution.

Knowing beforehand that the roads will be crowded the next four days, motorists should practice defensive driving. It's been proved drinking and driving don't mix. There's no need to try it so that next Tuesday you will not be a statistic in a record book? Be smart, be around to shake your head when you hear how high the casualty list was, glad you weren't one.

The holiday weekend also brings the revival of soul concerts at the Civic Center. A word of caution is in store for the audience and the police.

To those who will be attending "in their thing" at the James Brown Show, Monday night:

You are not wanted, not by blacks not by whites, not by the city. Do us all a big favor and don't show. You won't be missed.

To Commissioner Donald D. Pomerlau and officers of the Police Department:

Don't repeat the mistakes made at the Flower Mart. Weed out officers who are insensitive in dealing with youths, who overreact when provoked, and who will be angry at having to work on a holiday.

To those whowill be attending as spectators:

Let your excellent behavior serve as justification for the continuation of the kind of show in Baltimore. It's all in your hands now.

If both police and the public cooperate Baltimore will have a pleasant weekend, the way we all want it.

Hymie, Backlash Leader

City Comptroller Hyman Pressman, who jumps from issue to issue and cause to cause as it seems politically advantageous for him, and who recently has been a backlash leader in Baltimore, is now claiming that the voters of Baltimore are about to sell their souls to the highest bidder.

If Pressman has no more respect than that for the voters of Baltimore, he should not be asking for their support this year. Furthermore, he is simply practicing more of his hypocritical doubletalk, for the man must admit that to be elected here himself he either has been spending enough to out-buy his opponents or that Baltimore voters indeed have enough sense not to fall for a candidate merely because he has money.

What may be worrying Pressman is a nagging realization that the voters are beginning to see that despite all his noise-making ability, he hasn't been able to give this city any financial leadership that would help cure the major problems it has.

One reason for that might be his inclination to throw around loose charges and insinuations, such as his claim that mayoralty candidate George L. Russell Jr. is going to spend a million dollars in the race. Most people won't believe any such figure unless Pressman cites some facts and figures and, knowing the way he operates, no one's holding his breath until a credible statement is forthcoming to support the claims.

Maybe it is galling to Pressman and his teammates to see such an outpouring of support for Russell at this time when they obviously are having trouble raising funds.

Maybe he hasn't found anything else about Russell to criticize—without leaving himself open to some deserved comments.

So far, the only things he has disclosed about candidate Russell's funding—most of which has come from the public—has been raised openly in the normal political fashion here and publicly announced—leave the impression Pressman charges are without basis of fact. The position will be held until he comes up with facts or drops the matter, the latter way out being more his style.

CGEE New Emphasis

The Commission on Governmental Efficiency and Economy has switched its emphasis from management studies and annual financial analysis to the important task of initiating a means of rational financial planing that will enable the Baltimore area to meet his urban needs.

Already, the commission has concluded that not just Baltimore but all of the counties making up the metropolitan area are heading for financial crises.

It makes a significant point when it observes that financial trouble for Baltimore City sooner or later means a worsening of the situation in the surrounding counties.

Unified planning and a cooperative effort in the General Assembly are obvious directions the commission intends to promote.

It is a worthy program for the commission to tackle. However, this is not a novel idea.

The problem has been, and continues to be, that racial and class considerations have stood in the way of getting the degree of cooperation necessary to stave off the impending crisis.

The commission can help bring about a change in the direction things have been going. It will have made a contribution more meaningful than anything it has done in the past.

Whatever hopes the commission has of getting the necessary unity and cooperation should be supported were it to display in the make-up of its own organization a keener awareness of the realities of the city's composition and problems.

Clean Blockers Can Help

As the AFRO begins its 37th Annual Clean Block Campaign, we see a veritable untapped source of youngsters who can be of immense help in offering suggestions to the Mayor's newly formed committee investigating the Flower Mart disruptions.

For almost four decades, AFRO Clean Blockers, along with community friends, parents, churches and governmental agencies, strive to beutify their homes and neighborhoods.

Many of these children were among the students who have been unjustifiably accused of wrecking a tradition from which they and their parents for so long were excluded.

We feel that Mayor D'Alesandro and members of his committee should appear at the first city-wide meeting of the Clean Blockers in June to reach out and touch the vibrant and creative hands of the youngsters, many of whom only ask to be wanted and heard.

Certainly they can offer suggestions, ideas and projects which will make the upcoming Baltimore City Fair a broad-based representation of city residents and next year's Flower Mart a true ethnic beaux arts festival.

Mr. Mayor, members of the committee: The brave army of Clean Block children is being formed, asking only to help make their city and their role in it, a beautiful one.

AFRO Credo

A newspaper succeeds because its management believes in itself, in God and in the present generation. It must always ask itself—

Whether it has kept the faith with the common people;

Whether it has no other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future assured;

Whether it is fighting to get rid of slums to provide jobs for everybody;

Whether it stays out of politics except to expose corruption and condemn injustices and prejudice, and the cowardice of compromise.

John H. Murphy Sr.
—1929

"Let us not seek to satisfy our thirst for freedom by drinking from the cup of hate and bitterness."—MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

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May we let our light so shine that it will illuminate that which is good and beautiful, and magnify our Father which is in heaven. May we stand strong and firm against despair, falsehood, rudeness, hatred, pessimism and prejudice.—Carl Murphy, Editor-Publisher—1889-1967.

Lest We Forget

OUR READERS SAY

Readers are invited to submit letters for publication. All letters must be signed, but signature will be omitted if requested. Letters should be no more than 300 words in length. Address them to "Our Readers Say," Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Maryland 21203.

State's Attorney Says

Dear AFRO:

I wish to comment upon an article appearing in the Tuesday issue of the AFRO, headlined: "State's Attorney Blasts Panther Indictments."

The article, as written, appears to be a condemnation by the prosecuting attorney himself of all the "Panther" indictments, including several that are still pending for trial.

The taking of such a position would be most awkward for any prosecuting attorney and casts him in the position of not understanding his duties or the obligation of his office.

I made it very plain to the reporter that the comments referred only to the six cases that were recently nol prossed by my office for lack of sufficient evidence. To then apply the comments generally to all pending cases was somewhat unfair and could seriously affect the trial of the pending cases and not necessarily to the advantage of those accused.

Prior to my administration, it was a practice to wait until the conclusion of all cases in a series before nol prossing or dropping associated cases.

While this practice prevented the very type of thing that happened here, it worked a severe hardship on the defendants against whom the state had no bona fide case. It also worked a hardship on the entire court system by maintaining open files and dockets on cases long after it had been determined that the case should not be tried.

I have changed this policy and inaugurated a program allowing for disposition of a case in which the evidence is insufficient at the earliest possible time. This is much fairer to the accused and it relieves the system of the burden of carrying untriable cases.

I will certainly need the cooperation of the press in this program, however, as we could not afford to nol pros a case if the subsequent news article damaged the cases still left to be tried.

Nol prossing a certain case means nothing more than that in that particular case there is no sufficient evidence to sustain a conviction.

It has no effect on associated cases and the mere fact that the associated cases are kept open should be an indication that they are triable cases and that a judgment has been made that there is sufficient evidence in those particular cases.

As always, I intend to cooperate fully with the press, but I would ask that I not be put in the position of appearing to be following practices that no prosecutor could reasonably allow.

MILTON B. ALLEN
State's Attorney

We Thank You

Dear AFRO:

Now you are getting smart.

A picture is indeed better than a thousand words — showing dope pushers in photographs as you've done in your today's issue (May 22) surely hit home.

And hopefully your series on the terrible drug problem in Baltimore will bring results. The best of luck to you. You will be performing a very much needed service to all of us.

So at it gets we and longs, don't give up. Let' the parasites feeding on drug a and let's see what can be done help those already hooked and so in need of our help.

B. J. SMALL

On Flower Mart

Dear AFRO:

I attended the Flower Mart. After being there a short while, it was obvious that ALL the policemen in Baltimore City could not control the situation, so I left.

Most of the older members of my community used to look forward to attending the Flower Mart. They are now afraid to come out. In addition to the noise, confusion, crowds running to a disturbance, etc., the filthy language used by these young people was nauseating.

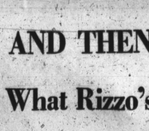
We want community control of our schools, community control of the police department, etc.; we should also try to get community control of our young people.

By the way, has anyone interviewed the black participants in the Flower Mart for their views? There were two booths.

E. BOSTON

NOW AND THEN

What Rizzo's Big Victory Means



DR. FLEMING

with G. JAMES FLEMING

"Now a lot of police chiefs over the country will be running for mayor."

This is the reaction coming from a local teenager to last week's Democratic primary election in Philadelphia when, in a 3-man race, Frank L. Rizzo was the victor. He won over two major competitors, one white, one black.

Rizzo was police commissioner from 1967 until a few weeks ago when he decided to run for mayor.

More than that, and most important, he received more votes than the other two entries in the race.

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The results were:
Frank Rizzo, 176,621;
William Green, 127, 902;
Hardy Williams, 45,026.

What did Rizzo have that Green and Williams did not have?

He had his reputation as "the toughest cop in America," and as a "law and order" man.

He had been tough during his 27 years as a policeman, and his image includes stripping members of the Black Panthers and lining them up naked, outdoors, against a wall, following a raid on Panthers' headquarters.

He had more going for him.

Rizzo was against "crime in the streets," and he attacked the judges and the courts as being "soft on criminals."

On TV, he was threatening, swashbuckling he-man with a flair for the screen and the camera. Once he was photographed in formal clothes with a policeman's billy tucked in the waist of his tuxedo.

He became a bigger-than-life hero—especially as it appeared plain that his war and order and his war against crime were war against blacks. This is the interpretation that most blacks and most whites gave to Rizzoism.

Substantial numbers of liberal whites and most blacks were against nomination of Rizzo as the Democratic candidate for mayor.

The governor of Pennsylvania, fellow-Democrat Milton Shapp, openly declared that his victory would be the worst thing for the state.

But Philadelphia's Democratic machine, led by incumbent Mayor James Tate, wanted a winner. Rizzo had the makings of a winner, both in the primary and in next November's election.

Party interests (really "machine" interests), took preference over the larger public interest and over larger questions of morality and humanity.

So solidly is Rizzo "in," as far as his supporters are concerned, that he made relatively few personal appearances during his campaign.

He visited one white middle-class or ethnic neighborhood each day.

But his face appeared frequently on TV and the newspapers quoted him frequently.

He ignored black neighborhoods.

He had non before a vote was cast.

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To Philadelphia's blacks and their white friends, Rizzo was the conservative candidate, the anti-black candidate.

But his victory is another warning to the entire nation—and especially to black Americans. The warning says:

"If the City of Brotherly Love—Philadelphia with its Quaker and abolitionist history—can choose a Rizzo, then any city can be expected to do likewise."

As the teenager said: "Now a lot of police chiefs over the country will be running for mayor"—both police chiefs and the Rizzo-minded, whether of the police or not.

This warning should also say to blacks and white liberals that they have to start earlier and plan better if they are to overcome the race-baiters. And the democratically-minded and liberal-minded groups cannot afford to cut each other up.

There is also warning that all of us must do whatever we can to discourage the situations and circumstances which make it easy for a Rizzo to catapult himself from a "cop" (even the chief cop) to a mayoralty candidate.

For instance, frightened people (white and black), afraid to go outside at night, will grab at any straw, even a Rizzo.

Others, reacting against the shoot-ing of policemen from the back may think that the Rizzos have the answer.

On another level, office-seeking politicians will turn to any man who looks like a winner. That explains (disappointingly), why Hubert Humphrey, once No. 1 Liberal Democrat, hurriedly telephoned Rizzo to congratulate him on his victory—a sure sign that Humphrey is still thinking of being the Democratic candidate for President in 1972 (and a winning Rizzo may be able to deliver Philadelphia's convention votes.)

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Historically, Philadelphia has served the nation well. It can serve it again, if Frank L. Rizzo is stopped in the general "election—even though stopping him will mean a Republican mayor for at least four years.

Fortunately, the Republican nominee, W. Thatcher Longstreth, has a good record, both as a city councilman and a civic worker.

He deserves serious consideration by Philadelphia's voters—especially habitual Democrats. Indeed, he deserves their vote in November.

Election of Rizzo will mean "vote by nightstick," as it was said during the campaign. It may mean worse than that, as every policeman feels he has the green light to return to the dirty days when any policeman was also court, jury and executioner, all one and the same time.

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Unrestrained police leads to unrestrained offenders just as unrest-ained offenders encourage reckless police.

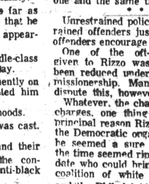
One of the oft-repeated credits given to Rizzo was that crime had been reduced under his 3-year commissionership. Many Philadelphians disagree this, however.

Whatever, the charges and counter-charges, one thing stands out: The principal reason Rizzo was backed by the Democratic organization was that he seemed a sure winner, and that the time seemed ripe to back a candidate who could bring about a victory coalition of white ethics, hard-hats and the Philadelphia brand of Wallaceites.

One Rizzo is one too many.

ODDS AND ENDS

One Year Later



MR. EVANS

Calderon de la Barca said, "La vida es un sueno." (Life is a dream). He may have been nearer than what he thought. Langston Hughes, when speaking of life, said, It "ain't been no crystal staircase."

Billy Graham, told students "Christ is the answer." President Nixon asked, "Who in the hell am I supposed to believe?"

The East Coast, the West Coast, the Free Speech Movement, the innumerable marches on the Pentagon all are a log-jam in the minds of many citizens in a search for relase from the him-drum life reaped from the labors of the Industrial and Technological Revolutions.

Too often we have sought an orgasm of the mind, thoughts and feelings in an effort to escape many of the problems still confronting a Western society which many condemn as dedacent and meaningless.

I only ask, after more than 25 years since World War II, after the myriad of books, essays, themes and billions of words on the late 20th century American problems, is anyone listening? Is anyone hear?

As this columnist celebrates a year, may it be asked: has there only been an interest of gratification and exercise of the mind for the sole pleasure of feeling this column thinks, or has there been a meeting of minds with the readers against despair, pettiness and insincerity?

Present and future shock may have insulated our minds and feelings against mundane affairs. Words are pretty, thoughts are liberating, but how effective are they in solving practical problems?

Human history has moved through traumatic eras before. So, whether we will ourselves as a race and people to continue, history will progress an inch, slip an inch back and then progress two inches forward.

This column hopes its readers condemn this writer if he has engaged in eroticism of sentence construction, fits of witticism with doubtful meaning and unconvincing originality of ing and unconvincing originality of thought and subject.

It is only a matter of "odds and ends" which hopefully will serve constructively and soundly in providing a forum for free thought and less of "intellectual gratification" for the writer.

A year of celebration is enough; let's see how effective this pracel of newsprint can be. When this writer is two years-old maybe he'll be able to answer his own question.

—Police Shooting

Dear AFRO:

It is regrettable that some members of the Baltimore Police Force are guilty of unwarranted brutality at a time when civic-minded persons are endeavoring to improve the relationships and mutual confidence between the police and the community.

The case of the shooting of Robert Walker recently is deplorable. No evidence has been presented that could justify even the arrest of this young man.

In his arrest were necessary, why would the police take him in their car up on the deserted "Seamen's Hill"? on Park Ave. and tell the lad they planned to "work him over"?

The paddy wagon should have been called for and he should hav been taken to the police station.

Who can blame the boy for running down the hill from that solitary spot where the police planned to beat him?

What justification can be found for shooting an unarmed, runing boy?

Furthermore, who will pay the hospital bill of $487.30 for this boy who was questionably found guilty of disorderly conduct? For the good of the Baltimore community, we request the dismissal of the police guilty of this behavior.

MRS. ENOLIA McMILLIAN
president, Baltimore Branch, NAACP

Thanks

Dear AFRO:

Many thanks for printing our letter concerning the mass meeting last Monday. We are deeply grateful for your splendid cooperation.

Sincerely,
CHIC
Cherry Hill

TOGETHER

To Enrich The Community

MRS. MURPHY

By MADELINE MURPHY

Amid all the uproar in regard to Nixon's Family Assistance Program (FAP) and the National Welfare Rights Organization's (NWRO) $6500 for a family of four per year, you hear the self-righteous grumblings of people who claim they work for what they get.

"Why should those bums, those shiselers, those lazy people get more than what I get for the work I do?"

These disgruntled mouthings can be heard from the lips of construction workers who have been raped of union wages on Federal construction jobs, from cab drivers pinched in the squeeze of profits and fares, from disenchanted engineers, to the people who are putting in idle time in political patronage jobs.

None of these people wishes to understand that unemployment is a result of a planned economy in this country which calculates how many people must remain unemployed to satisfy the needs of industry, government, schools, churches, and the military — usually the unskilled (skilled engineers except) untrained poor, or the ones whose skills become obsolete.

We are victims of a warped interpretation of a religious culture which honors work as a "calling" to enrich a few owners, rather than to enrich the community.

We are fast approaching the age which is more mechanized, computerized — when serious leaders will have to re-examine the philosophy, the nature of work, of the actual appraisal of what must soon constitute a "workless" society.

In an article in the New Yorker Magazine as far back as 1963, Dwight MacDonald stated: "The governmental obligations to provide, out of taxes . . . a minimum living standard for all who need it should be taken as much for granted as free public schools have always been in our history."

In his Economic Security Plan, W. I. Ferry stated: "Abundance may commel social justice as conscience never has. The liberated margin (those unable to find work) will have to pet what it is due!

"This means developing a basis of distribution of income which is not tied to work as a measure. For decisions about 'due-ness' will have to be made without economic criteria, at least without the criteria of what members of the liberalized margine (those unable to find work) are worth in the employment market, for there is no such market for them."

To go even a giant step farther, revenue sharing should be reduced to the lowest common denominator — the individual citizen, rather than be thrown into the mixed-up, messed-up bureaucratic scramble where groups and agencies will have to fight like mad dogs over a bone for just a little piece of the action. Many times "make work" jobs result.

These reaffirm the suspicions of those few disadvantaged workers who break into the system that this honored idea of work is a sham, a "game" of the government being played on them so that the government can justify the worker's right to exist.

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Therefore, when we complain about the lack of creativity, the lack of innovative genius, is there any wonder why people work like robots, where ingenuity is smothered because of this work philosophy?

A dishonest assessment of what work is, which twists the mind and the meaning of the real purpose for man on earth — to develop the sense of community thereby enriching it, to truly glorify God?

In an economy which values profits and property over human lives, which only develops social programs to cope with the rise and fall of the Gross National Product (GNP), it is indeed time to take the proposal of the NWRO as an alternative to welfare and the "workless" society.

The poor economic health of social security recipients, of the marginally poor, of welfare recipients, provides a dismal warning to that wider group of job holders who will in time be stricken with poverty next. Witness, again, the engineers, the civil servants, even the business executives!

Young adults who are freaking out, dropping out of the system realize in their struggles and lamentations the need for community and in this way of maintenance because they have found the need.

We have the need, but have found neither the courage nor the forthrightness to deal with the need for mutual assistance and maintenance honestly and fairly, the need to fulfill the great promise of life, liberty and the pursuit o. happiness.

Shall we ever be able to "work not for gain but to enrich the community?" Perhaps, the word is parent to the deed.

PAGE OPPOSITE

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the areas of enriching our associations, our minds, our talents, as well as enriching our communities and ask: "Is this really the sole purpose of our lives?"

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Can we look for the day when we can plant in the good earth, when we can develop deep, lasting empathetical relationships with one another, develop our cultural skills, and truly not worry about the material needs which plague us? ("Therefore do not be anxious, saying 'What shall we drink, what shall we eat, what shall we wear?'"

Where there is usually never enough, or where enough is never enough? Where money motivates us?

Rather, can we look to work as pleasurable because we have been freed to do the kind of work we love, and consquently to do the best we an willingly, lovingly, creatively?

Most of the industrial countries of the world have some system of family maintenance because they have found the need.

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These Children Trying

To Tell You Something

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is an open letter to Miss Samios, News American staff writer, from Mrs. Lola Farrar, English instructor at Morgan State College, taking exception to an article she did on the disturbances at the Flower Mart. Mrs. Amis' letter is printed in its entirety and speaks for itself).

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Miss Georgia Samios:

Indeed, I am more than surprised that you do not know the answer to the question which you asked in the Sunday edition of the News American, May 23, 1971, as to "WHY" the black children acted (or act) as they did (or do) at the Flower Mart or at any other gathering controlled and operated by middle-class whites?

With your depth of intelligence, you must have some answers other than those inferred in your article.

The answer to your "WHY?" and as the Catonsville woman whose husband was injured or to Mrs. Farrar to the "WHY'S" of other whites, such or to Mrs. Nimoch is simple:

"It smacks of prejudice, segregation, deprivation, years of being "THE OUTSIDER" at such events; generations of being "INVISIBLE" and pushed "like rats into a corner and left there," scores of years of being "THE UNDERGROUND MAN." And suddenly being "allowed," as it was, to attend, that is if you behave like me."

Well, it won't work; it canot work: It didn't work. You have got to do better than this for these children. I could never begin to explain to you, to tell you what it is like being "NOBODY."

As Mrs. Farrar said, these children were not dirty or ragged or hungry, that is if you refer to their physical needs, but what about their psychological needs, their moral and spiritual needs? What about those needs that cannot be met by eternal materialism?

You may not know this; you may not see this; you may not even realize this factor, you in the white coat of privilege; you with the white face of indifference.

These children, and indeed children they are, seek something more than a suit of clothes, a full stomach, a pat on the head; they seek love and understanding and most of all — attention. And this is one way of getting these things — of meeting these needs.

"Oh," you shout, with white enraged faces and white raised eyebrows, "this is no way to make us love them." Well, so help me God, if this is not a cry for love, then may God in His everlasting love, have mercy on your souls and on your future Flower Marts!

Why don't you rewrite this article, Miss Samios? Instead of blaming these black children, instead of condemning them (and God knows I teach respect for law and order in all my classes), instead of calling them beasts ("SHEEP" Mrs. Farrar said, and I am sure that she wanted to call them other beastial names).

Why not seek some way to appeal to them, to include (not exclude) them in the Flower Mart for next year, instead of running (as you whites always do) to the suburbs (the white man's panacea for black dilemma)?

THESE BLACK CHILDREN ARE TRYING TO TELL YOU SOMETHING.

For once in your lives, you white Anglo-Saxon middle class ladies, do something constructive. (For one thing, you can start by reading Dostoevsky's NOTES FROM UNDERGROUND and the Bible and work from there).

Then, you can visit all the junior and senior high schools in the city and in the county BEFORE the Flower Mart; organize the children; include both blacks and whites (and the white children are guilty, too); let them have their own booths; include them in your planning.

Get the black militants, if you think this riot was planned (and truly, ladies, I do not believe that it was consciously planned, subconsciously, perhaps) to help you to control the crowds. I am sure that you will have a much more pleasant and safer Flower Mart.

After all, this is a new day; old things are passing away: these youngsters MUST be included in our lives, totally: TOTALLY. It's not "little old ladies' day" at the fair; it's everybody's day.

The irony of both these articles printed in Sunday's newspaper was that all the blame for the destruction was placed on the shoulders of the black youngsters.

John C. Robinson (News American staff writer) went so far as to paint Paul's trip and Sidney's trip as innocent, pretending that both these white boys were VICTIMS of "police brutality", while Miss Samios's article painted a black picture of both bursting forth with black youngsters running amuck.

Let's face facts: the Pauls and the Sidneys were guilty, too.

A PROFESSOR'S VIEW

IF YOU

Ask Me

MRS. MOSS

BY BETTYE MOSS

Prayer for Memorial Day

On this memorial day, we remember first those through whose sacrifices we came into this world and then grew from helpless infancy into men and women.

Along with them, we bless thee for brothers and sisters, relatives and friends, and for pastors and teachers who built their lives into ours.

Keep this remembrance green. Let it be something lovely, precious, bright and shining. Something we shall cherish always to pass on intact to our children.—AMEN (From the Popers of Carl Murphy).

People, places and things

Dr. and Mrs. Henry (State Senator Verda) Welcome are grandparents.

Their daughter, May Sue (Mrs. Leroy Mercer, wife of the St. Croix, V.I. attorney, had a 5 lb. 13 oz. son on Tuesday.

The new mother, also a lawyer, will has passed the bar and will be sworn in on the 28th, probably at her home since she will not be up and about that soon.

Army Note: Pvt. 2 Marvin E. Williams, of Baltimore, has just been assigned to Co. B, 793d MP Battalion, which is located in Grafenwoehr, Germany. Pvt. Williams has the duties of clerk.

His brother, Wallace E. Williams, Jr., is also stationed in Germany.

They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace E. Williams, Sr. of N. Gay St. and graduates of Patterson Park High school.

Send get well cards to Miss Carmen Marshall, 20, she's in the Intensive Care Unit at Mercy Hospital.

She's a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. (Charlotte) Marshall, Sr. of Ellamont St. and is listed in critical condition in room 4121.

Miss Marshall was injured in an automobile accident on Sunday evening while on her way to work at the Federal Reserve Bank.

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Good News! Out of the hospital and doing well is Mrs. Martin D. Jenkins (Elizabeth). Hellos and sunshine to her at her home 10708 Weymouth St., Garrett Park, Montgomery County, Md.

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College note: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity at Morgan State College has been suspended for three years.

Delta Sigma Theta sorority at the same college were disciplined by their regional director and compelled to install new sorors without more.

Reasons "Reports of Physical maltreatment of novitiates"

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Happy birthday hellos to Mrs. Walter Phillips (Dorothy) of E. Lanvale St. She's the good neighbor who is employed at Continental Can Co.

She'll burn 46 candles on Sunday.

Out-of-towners here to help her celebrate over this holiday weekend will be her sister, Mrs. Glennie Henson of Burlington, N.J., her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Poole of Somerset, N.J., and a family friend, Sgt. Osbin Winstead of Ft. Dix.

More people, and things

Times do change: Wasn't too many years ago that the NAACP went into court to compel the U. of Md. to admit a student on the campus of the school of nursing (Parren J. Mitchell and Esther McCready were plaintiffs).

Listen to this week's announcement from this same school:

An intensive program to recruit black and other minority students is under way at the School of Nursing, University of Maryland of Baltimore.

Teams of faculty and student recruiters, under the direction of Rosetta Instructor of medical-surgical nursing, are visiting local high schools, and expect to extend their visits throughout the state before next June.

High school students who express an interest in attending the nursing school are given help in filling out application forms and are encouraged to question team members. "etc. . .

Learning something new: At the 1819 Ashland Ave.

QUESTION: I bought what was supposed to be a new car recently, but I think it was one that they repossessed or used as a test model, because it is not brand new. Since I bought it I have had a lot of trouble with it and now it has been in the repair shop for three weeks. I need this car to get to work. Can you help me find out what is going on?

ANSWER: The State Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division deals with problems of this type. They can help you get a fair deal when you buy something or have trouble getting it repaired. You can call them at 383-3700 or go into the office, located at 1 S. Calvert St.

QUESTION: I live in the 1200 block of Oakhurst and on a nearby corner, Oakhurst and Winchester, there has been a pile of furniture since a family was put out three weeks ago.

The neighborhood children have made a mess of the pile, and there is a dead cat in among the other junk. There is also an abandoned car on that corner that has been there since March. Can you help us get rid of this junk? — E. B.

ANSWER: Roger Nissly of the Consumer Services office told AFRO LINE the police will have to check on the car before it is removed, which will take about a week.

The furniture and cat should be removed within a few days, he said. The number to call to report problems of this kind is 539-5151, the city's office of Customer Service.

QUESTION: How can George Russell, who lives on Seven Mile Lane, in Baltimore County, run for mayor of Baltimore City?

ANSWER: Mr. Russell, now City Solicitor, lives in the section of Seven Mile Lane which is inside the city limits. He votes in the 108th Precinct, 27th Ward, 5th Councilmanic District, 5th Legislative District and 7th Congrasional District.

Davis Weights the other evening there was a wine-tasting party hosted by the Almaden Co., and that's how we earned these new facts about wines:

Wine and Cheese guide:

Cheeses to serve with red wines. Gorgonzola, pungent, robust, soft and crumbly.

Sharp Cheddar—dry, crumbly with a sharp full flavor.

Danish Blue—very buttery with strong rich flavor.

Coon Cheddar—full-bodied, well-cured very exceptional high quality, mild flavor.

Scotch Dunlop—sweet flavor with some bite to it.

Cheeses to serve with white wines:

Edam—light, clean pleasant buttery taste.

Gouda—soft texture, buttery taste.

Swiss Emmenthal—flavor of hazelnuts or walnuts, sweet after taste.

Bonbel—creamy, very soft, and mild with a nice sour tang.

Parmigiano—Reggiano—mild, yet piquant flavor and fragrance.

CMYFF BITE: $250 scholarship has been awarded to Miss Stephanie Regina Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Price of Columbus Drive.

It was from the Advertising Club of Baltimore from the "B. L. Hammerman Scholarship Fund."

Miss Price just completed her freshman year at Villa Julie College with a 3.5 college rating. An Arts and Science Transfer student, she will complete her studies at Villa Julie College in Stevenson, Md., in preparation for a career in social work.

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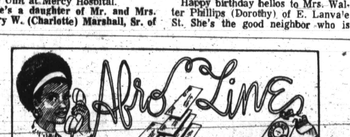
Honored: Mrs. Selma W. Gross, Supervisor of Senior Citizens—Baltimore City Bureau of Recreation, was honored this week for her contribution to the civic welfare of the city. She received the Mayor's citation.



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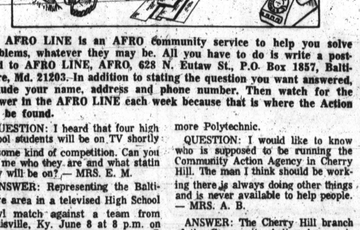

It's NOT A Man's World

MRS. WHITE

By BERNICE S. WHITE

American feminism is not new for there have always been women rebels in history. Women have fought for years to effectively overthrow their oppressive roles moving from repression to rebellion—and now revolution.

Women attacked the cornerstones of the Victorian society in which they lived in the early nineteenth century.

Delegates to the National Labor Union Convention as early as 1868 challenged the male chauvinist labor movement for short-changing women workers.

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History records that this radical movement was built by women who had literally no civil status under the law; who were pronounced civilly dead upon marriage, or who remained legal infants if they did not marry; who could not sign a will or even have custody of their own children upon divorce; who were not taught even to read, let alone be admitted to college; who had no political voice whatever.

Those who were the most privileged were taught embroidery, china painting, French and harpsichord. Thus, even after the Civil War, more than half this country's population was still legally enslaved, literally not owning even the "bustles on their backs".

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The oppressed class began to make simple demands for justice and they met with misunderstanding, violence and resistance.

The women were working first together and then later, they divided into two groups—the feminists and the reformers. More and more women's organizations came into existence.

In the era between 1890 and 1920 the whole spectrum of "Organized Ladyhood" was founded. The Woman's Trade Union League, the National Federation of Settlements, the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the League of Women Voters, the PTA, even the DAR came into being.

The woman's movement has a better track record than most but that does not mean that it is successful. It still has a long way to go to eradicate the sexual class caste system which has kept women subservient and under the dominant male power.

Interesting quotes—

Woman is:

—being tagged with a pink beaded bracelet thirty seconds after you are born and wrapped in pink blankets five minutes thereafter.

—discovering that what seems like everything worthwhile, doing in life "isn't feminine," and learning to just delight in being feminine and "nice"—and feeling somehow guilty.

—finding that the career you've chosen exacts more than just study or hard work—an emotional price of being made to feel "less a woman."

—finding that almost all jobs open to you pay less for harder work than to men.

—becoming a woman executive, for God's sake, and then being asked to order the delicatessen food for an office party.

—coming home from work—and starting in to work: unpack the groceries, fix supper, wash up the dishes, rinse out some laundry, etc., etc.

—feeling a need to say "thank you" when your guy actually fixes himself a meal now that you're dying with the flu.

—learning to hate other women who are: younger, freer, unmarried, without children, in jobs, in school, in careers—whatever. Hating yourself for hating them.

—feeling responsible for more lives—your kids' as well as your man's—but never, never your own life.

—getting older, getting lonelier, getting ready to die—and knowing it wouldn't have had to be this way, after all.

Note: If you have questions to be answered or opinions you'd like to express write "It's Not A Man's World," AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21203.

Sen. Mitchell Again

Dear AFRO:

It is my belief that Senator Clarence Mitchell III has a Virus plan in mind, and that plan is to defeat George Russel in the mayoral race. Mr. Mitchell knows that he cannot win so he wants to keep Mr. Russell from a possible victory.

I believe that Senator Mitchell plans to "use" the black community in this election. His intentions seemingly are to split the black vote so that the white candidate will win.

IRVIN J. CONWAY
director, Model Cities Area "E"

In the Spotlight

At the end of each quarter of the year, supervisors of the Military Personnel Division at the Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md., select the WAVE they feel "best exemplifies by performance, leadership, and appearance; the outstanding WAVE of the previous quarter."

The first quarter of this year, the WAVE chosen was Seaman Sylvia A. Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Williams, 100 block N. Bentalou St. Miss Williams has been in the Navy since November, 1969.

At 20, a graduate of Edmondson High School, Sylvia will have completed her four-year term with the Navy in November, 1972. According to her brother, David V. Williams, 24, she is tentatively planning to return to school to study biology as medical technology.

David is a student of sicology at Morgan State, and a younger brother, Cecil, 12, attends Calverton Junior High School.

In a letter, advising her parents of the honor, her supervisor remarked that Miss Williams is "a fine young woman and is highly regarded by all her friends."

The letter went on, "I am indeed pleased to have her assigned to this division and know you must feel extremely proud of her."

Mr. Williams, a machine operator at National Gypsum, is indeed proud of his daughter. Her brother, David, now a cab driver, is also very proud of Sylvia.

He told the AFRO that all other recipients of this honor have been white.

Sylvia A. Williams
in the spotlight this week