Educator says integration key to quality education

ATHENS, Ga. (UPI) — Integration can raise the quality of education says the director of the University of Georgia's Center for Educational Improvement.

Dr. Morrill M. Hall said he is convinced the move to integrated unitary school systems in Georgia has improved the quality of education in the state.

"I've seen enough evidence to convince me that we're going to have better schools . . . than ever if the public will maintain them," he said.

I've seen teachers black and white, improve teaching over what it was in the segregated situation, and I've seen enough black and white students begin to sit down and work out their problems and develop an understanding to believe it's going to be better for us all.

Hall, whose office operates under a federal education grant, has given desegregation consultation to every Georgia school district except 11 northern districts that have no black population.

"We've emphasized building understanding," says Hall, a former principal and teacher. "Our purpose in desegregation has been to get blacks and whites to talk together, understand and advise school boards on a workable policy."

With the state's school systems now integrated under court order, Hall's office has turned its emphasis to quality education.

"We knew the public would be leery. Many people thought desegregation might affect the quality of schools. But on the contrary, those districts where schools are unitary and in which school boards and superintendents believe their job is to provide quality, by far, state education has improved."

Hall's office is now formulating programs on effective school organization, curriculum innovation, teacher improvement, and communications.

"This was originally the only office in the state willing to work with the desegregation," said Hall.

"I'm conservative in finance and politics, and I was convinced even before the office opened that unitary schools are our salvation and hope for the future education. My own outlook is that public education is on the upswing and that through the framework of public education we already have better schools than ever before.

CHECKING IN — Malcolm L. executive director of the Interracial Council For Business Opportunity (ICBO) of New Jersey, receives a check from Bruce E. Strasser, executive director, Information and Publication Division of Bell Laboratories, ICBO helps blacks and Spanish-speaking people receive financial assistance to start or expand small businesses

Youths' non-profit paper catches on in Oranges

EAST ORANGE, N.J. — We sell out all the papers we can print," proudly proclaimed Crawford Daniels, 24 year old editor of Black Oranges Newspaper. The paper, barely six months old, was an almost instantaneous success at its first printing.

The idea for the paper originated when Daniels worked as a volunteer for the Friendship House and Newsletter which dealt strictly with the youth orientated agency. Feeling that the Orange area was neglected for the most part as far as news coverage was concerned, Daniels left the Friendshi House and went to work putting together Black Oranges.

According to Daniels, community organizations such as United Black Action Group, Congress of African Peoples, Black Student Union of both Orange and East Orange and others contribute to the input of Black Oranges.

"We are not competing with the larger black newspaper," Daniels said. "To the New Jersey AFRO, The Amsterdam and Muhammed Speaks, I say Right on! Those papers are national and international. We are strictly local and cover the Oranges only. The larger black papers can't possibly cover the nitty gritty issues as we can. We cover all community meetings and report on them so that those who could not attend will still know what went on. We are filling a void . . . not competing.

CRAWFORD DANIELS

"Furthermore, we are non-profit. All the money we make after expenses is to go back into he community. The money will be donated to progressive black organizations, progressive black groups or progressive black people in need. Some of the organizations we will donate to are the Oakwood High Education Committee and the Committee for Unified Orange which is devoted to unifying the city of Orange around black people, sickle cell anemia foundation and scholarship funds.

"We also hope to finance voter education and voter registration drive," Daniels said.

When asked if he expected the paper to grow, Daniels answered, "The paper will grow as long as the community shows an interest in it. Each edition we've been getting more and more news. And more people have been getting involved. Eventually we do Captialstic venture . . . but even in that case we will still relate it to a socialistic structure in that we will not devoted most of the money for personal gain but, instead, to the ideals which I have already stated."

Daniels graduation from Orange High School in 1965 and attended the University of Tennessee. His brother, Stephn, is leader of the popular Soul Dukes Band.

Firestone Record Album

The Firestone Christmas Record Album is being offered by the Maryland Chapter, National Cystic Fibrosis Research Foundation for a contribution of $2.00 or more.

This year's album features Jack Jones, Roberta Peters and the Vienna Boys Choir with Irwin Kostal directing the orchestra and chorus. In this area it is only available through the Maryland C.F. Chapter.

A check or money order should be made out to Maryland C. F. and mailed to the Maryland C.F. Chapter, 5401 Belair Road, Baltimore, Maryland.

Funds that are raised will be used for research to find the cause of cystic fibrosis and a cure for C.F. and related lung-disease diseases.

Dr. Nance addresses graduates in Liberia

ORANGEBURG, S.C. — Dr. M. Maceo Nance Jr., president of South Carolina State College, told graduates at Cuttington College, Suakoko, Liberia, that black Americans are delighted over the role of African states in seeing that the "African personality" is being felt throughout the world.

Delivering the commencement address last week at one of the most prestigious institutions of higher learning in Liberia, Dr. Nance said, "The impressive role of African states in the United Nations . . . on the question of decolonization reflect the record."

Expressing pleasure over the part Liberia has played in supporting and defending the cause of Africa in world affairs, the president said, "We share with you the desire for total liberation of Africa from colonial rule. Africa can not afford to be half free and half enslaved."

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The SCSC president briefed his audience on the struggle black Americans are facing with racism in this country. "I submit to you that a united front by the Africans and Afro-Americans can influence the governments of the U.S. and South Africa to reconsider their racial policies."

He stressed the need for educational, cultural and social cooperation between Africans and black Americans, and paid tribute to Liberia's late President Tubman for developing Liberia to the present state.

Dr. Nance shared the spotlight with Dr. William R. Tolbert, president of Liberia and a alumnus of Cuttington College. The Liberian leader delivered the baccalaureate sermon.

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Although his is the first trip Dr. Nance has made to Africa, South Carolina State College has had close ties with Africa over the years.

The president of Cuttington, Dr. Christian Baker, and Pohlman Bracewell, a prominent attorney in Monrovia, are both graduates of the Orangeburg, S.C. institution. Both are also natives of Africa.

There are seven African students studying at the college and three Africans, two of whom hold administrative positions as departmental heads, are serving on the faculty.

Last year Mrs. Angie Brooks, Liberian ambassador to the United Nations, was a speaker for the college's Black Culture Seminar.

In addition to addressing the commencement, Dr. Nance will confer with African educators on problems in education that are of mutual interest.

Bid for higher GI school pay

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Rep. William L. Scott, R-Va., said last week, he had introduced legislation to increase by 8.6 per cent the benefits paid veterans attending school under the G.I. Bill.

"Rises in the cost of education and cost of living make it essential that we act promptly to adjust the monthly allowances payable for various veterans' education programs," he said.

Scott's bill would increase from $175 to $190 the amount of money a single veteran could receive per month. He said he hoped his subcommittee would up the amount to $200 per month.

Besides increasing the amount of benefits paid veterans in college, the bill provides a substantial increase in monthly allowance for veterans who are pursuing on-the-job and apprentice programs.

Wake house falls

TALUVERA DALA CEINA, Spain (UPI) — One person was killed and 15 injured last week when part of a house collapsed during a wake, police said.

The 30 mourners were about to carry the coffin from the house when the walls began to crumble and the ceiling came down.

Court to hear desegregation revisions

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (UPI) —A federal judge has agreed to consider revisions on the Winston-Salem-Forsyth County school desegregation plan for the next school year.

U.S. Middle District Court Judge Eugene Gordon said he would not nullify the desegregation plan this year, as requested by the school board, but he said he would allow the school board to propose revisions in the plan for next year.

The school board asked Gordon to nullify the plan, which requires extensive cross-town busing, after Chief Justice Warren Burger of the U.S. Supreme Court said in a ruling that the Distict Court had possibly misconstrued the desegregation guidelines set down by the high court.

Gordon said his refusal at this time to nullify the plan did pot necessarily signfy "any disagreement with or repudiation of the statement made by the Chief Justice in connection with the Winston-Salem case."

He said the crucial question now is whether the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment requires the continuation of the present plan.

A&T elects 2 board members to new system

GREENSBORO, N.C. — North Carolina A and T University has elected two representatives to the Board of Governors of the new University of North Carolina system.

Elected at a recent meeting of the university's Board of Trustees were Dr. Andrew A. Best, a physician of Greenville, and Howard C. Barnhill, a health administrator with the Mecklenburg County Health Department's Model Cities Program.

Both of the men are graduates of A and T and currently serve as trustees.

Robert Livingston gets state teacher award

CONWAY, S.C. — Robert L. Livingston of Conway High School has been named Outstanding Young Agricultural teacher in South Carolina.

The award was given by the National Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association and sponsored by U.S. Steel Corp.

To be considered, Livingston had to meet certain criteria. He is an NVATA member and has participated in many school projects.

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He helped develop the first horticulture class for girls and Conway High and entered Mary Ann Bratcher in last year's Public Speaking Contest—Miss Bratcher was the first girl in the state to enter this contest.

Conway was also the first school to have girls attend the Future Farmers camp at Cherry Grove Beach.

Honors that the South Carolina State graduate has helped bring the school include the National Bronze Medal for Farm Safety and the Career Orientation Awards Program in agriculture.

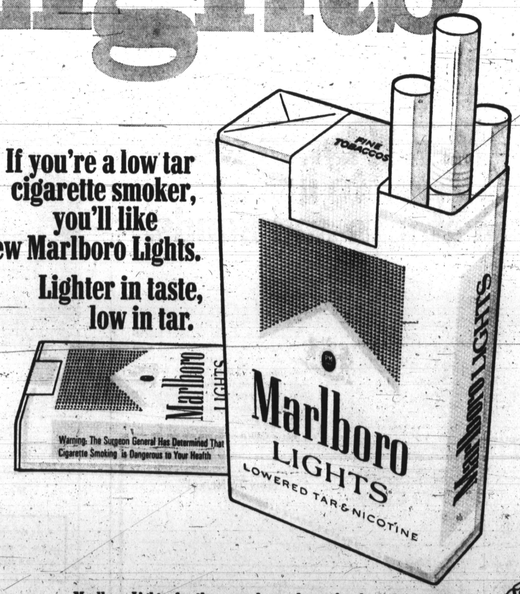
TB seals are still available

With many persons preparing to mail their 1971 holiday greeting cards, Dr. Aaron H. Traum, President of the Maryland Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association, today reminded Baltimore City residents that they may still obtain Christmas Seals and contribute to the annual campaign.

Anyone desiring additional sheets of Seals should contact the MTRDA at 685-6484.

Christmas Seal contributions are used to fund education and research projects to combat emphysema, tuberculosis, air pollution and problems affecting community health and well-being.

Harboro Lights



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Police Say Linden Ave. 'Executions' Dope-Oriented

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Christmas Dims For Slain Child's Family

IT'S A TRICK—Who would believe this innocent man is unconsciously delivering dope?

SPECIAL REPORT

Gold and death fill stockings of pushers

"Joy to the world." is the Christmas greeting now going throughout the land. However, the dope addict's Christmas slogan is merely "Joy." That's what's on the minds of Baltimore's more than 20,000 known addicts of all ages, races, creed and stations of life. Joy!

For the Yuletide season, up through the New Year's weekend, police say from past experience, the countless popluation of Baltimore's lost city of the dope addict will be high and under the influence.

Meantime, in preparation for the "joyous" celebration sellers of heroin, cocaine and other hard drugs, are full of tricky plans to get as much "gold" as they can to line their "stockings."

MORE DEATHS

Herein lies the answer to the mounting death toll the last two weeks and the certainty of many more homicides to come.

Police state the supply of hard drugs has suddenly become scarce. This is a true fact since the dope pusher is a businessman of the first order and hard to beat in the $ multi-million market.

Shortly after Thanksgiving, the purveyor of drugs, the killer of mankind, started cutting down supply in order to up the price of street sale bags from $5 to $10. The addict began stealing more and more to meet the price.

When he could not pay the pusher what he already had on the "cuff," his gnawing habit forced him unwisely to threaten his "man."

The pusher needs his money now to buy more "holiday joy" dope and he's not in for any threats. Result: either there's a gun battle with one or the other "beating it to the draw" or the pusher pretends to be sympathetic.

His sympathy in giving the addict another bag "on the cuff" results in ridding himself of the problem by death. He gives the worrisome addict an overdose.

Nevertheless, some addicts are more successful than the pusher. Often as in the case last week, the addict may combine his talents with other rejected users and plan an execution.

The result is murder which has many marks of almost insane anger on the part of the killer. Police are then almost out-smarted in efforts to identify the slayer or slayers.

GOLDEN CHRISTMAS

But back to the pusher whose stocking is now being lined with hundreds of thousands of dollars belonging to the addicts who do have ready cash.

Narcotics authorities know these expert businessmen are almost too numerous and too crafty to track down. They cannot be captured as they fan out through the city and place thousands of bags in the "right places."

Earlier this fall the AFRO was told by a narcotics agent one of their tricks is to get inside contacts and thus have dope placed in empty bottles and delivered by a driver when he takes soft drinks into institutions.

The driver or delivery man may or may not know what he is deliverering.

However, someone inside the hospital, prison, college dorm, junior or senior high school, or any one of numerous other institutions is ready. Posted to receive the "soft drinks," he is at the door.

After the delivery man has left, the "inside man" takes out the bottles with his done therein and merely puts into the machine the legitimate cans or bottles.

Neither the done users nor the institution authorities ever know how the "stuff" got into the

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'Execution' scene described

One of the most brutal murder incidents to occur recently is the double homicide discovered Dec. 13, in the 1700 block Linden Ave. while a police officer was patroling his beat around 2:30 p.m.

The Police Department is now terming the slaying "a dope-oriented execution" perpetrated by either angered addicts or members of an enemy dope gang.

Central District Officer John A. Fore describes what he found, and from this description it can be gathered how a dope "execution" is performed.

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Officer Fore's report begins by revealing how he came to discover the brutal crime.

He states, "While walking foot patrol in the rear of the 1700 block Linden Ave., I was stopped by a man and a woman who said they wanted to gain entrance to a first floor rear apartment where the woman's sister resided.

"I pushed open a window and saw two people lying on the floor.

"I then kicked open the rear kitchen door and went into the bedroom where I found two bodies, those of Mrs. Brenda Branch, 21, and a man (later identified as Lamont Reed.))

(Narcotics authorities later told the AFRO Mr. Reed is listed in their records as a known drug dealer.)

Continuing in his report, Officer Fore states, "Both bodies were on the floor. The man was wearing a pair of underpants and undershirt and was gagged and blindfolded with his feet and hands tied.

"He was shot in the head. The woman was lying face down, nude and with her hands and feet tied. She was gagged and blindfolded and shot in the head.

"How many times she was shot, I do not know.

"She had been apparently

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Minister's stolen car damages church house

It could be a wonderful Christmas for three dozen members of a Holiness Church if Santa Claus would bring them $1,000.

Actually, sympathetic Baltimoreans could help.

Here is why the church could stand some funds:

A car stolen from the home of a Baptist minister Saturday night crashed into the church Sunday afternoon just as it members were about to start the day's services.

The car blocked the doorway of the church.

Panic, stampede and general commotion was caused by the incident.

The driver trapped behind the steering wheel, was freed and carried away by "two tough looking guys," members say.

The incident happened at the First Holiness Church, 1500 Leslie St.

The car, 1967 Oldsmobile, belonged to the Rev. John L. Leary, of the New Mt. Hebron Church.

"The service was about to start and I was going to make a request when we heard a a loud crash in the doorway," says Mrs. Esther Phillips, wife of the Rev. Abraham A. Phillips, pastor of the church.

"The car, she said, "ran straight into the church."

"Nobody was hurt but there was a general stampede. Nobody could do anything. it is just terrible," Mrs. Phillips told the AFRO.

She said the three dozen members were shocked.

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But just as they were "getting themselves together," two "tough looking" young men pulled the trapped driver from behind the steering wheel and carried him away.

"He had a terrible cut on his left eye," said the Rev. Mr. Phillips who alleged he saw the two "guys" pulling the driver.

"It was so sudden that before we could react everything was over," he added.

Police are now looking for the man who stole the car from the Rev. Leary's home Saturday night.

The Rev. Mr. Leary told the AFRO: "I woke up Sunday morning to find my car gone.

"The first time I heard about it was Monday morning when someone telephoned me to say he had seen it at the police station."

Damage done to the car is considerable. According to the estimation of the owner, it will require not less than $625 to repair.

Orlinsky hurts move to honor Walter Carter

City Council President Walter Orlinsky prevented the introduction into City Council of a bill to rename North Ave. after the Civil Rights leader Walter Carter.

Orlinsky told Councilwoman Victorine Adams, who wished to present the proposal, that this measure would have to be delayed several weeks.

Irving Conway, director of Model Cities Council "E" and leader of the

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Rep. Mitchell gives advice on Nixon-'72

"My advice to you is to take all you can from the Nixon Administration and then vote him out in 1972." Representative Parren Mitchell (D-7) told members of the National Union of Hospital and Nursing Home Employees Local 1199, in New York City, Monday.

President Richard Nixon "knows he can't fool all black citizens so he has launched a strategy designed to pick up 20 per cent of the black vote," warns Rep. Mitchell.

Mitchell said the Nixon Administration will throw up "lots of slick publicity about the fight against sickle cell anemia, lots of publicity about his efforts to build up black banks."

On the other hand, the Nixon Administration will not advertise the President's veto of a comprehensive child-care program, Mitchell stated.

The Congressman remarked that President

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Allen takes stand on gun control

Here is what State's Attorney Milton Allen has said concerning action to be taken on gun control:

"The office of the State's Attorney announced today that it intends to follow a stepped-up policy of prosecuting persons who carry hand guns under the existing statutes.

The statutes involved are Article 27, Section 36, and Article 27, Section 445, Sub. Secs. (b) and (c).

"Article 27, Section 36, provides for a mandatory maximum penalty of three years in instances where it can be ascertained from the evidence that the person carrying the deadly weapon openly or concealed was doing so with the intention of harming someone or destroying someone's life.

"This Section is very rarely enforced, although the facts necessary to create the condition precedent for applying this law often appear in cases at both levels of the court.

"The two provisions of Section 445 deal with certain types of individuals who subject themselves to a three-year imprisonment and a $1,000-fine for possession of a pistol or revolver.

"They are persons who have been previously convicted of a crime of violence, who are fugitives from justices, habitual drunkards, or addicted to drugs.

"Although many of our defendants who are charged under the deadly weapon statute fit in these categories, very seldom are

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Newton freed in manslaughter

OAKLAND (UPI) — District Attorney Lowell Jensen Wednesday dropped manslaughter charges against Black Panther cofounder Huey P. Newton after three unsuccessful attempts since 1968 to make them stick.

Jensen moved before Superior Court Judge William J. Hayes to drop the indictment, because, he said, there was no new evidence and he feared another trial would result in another

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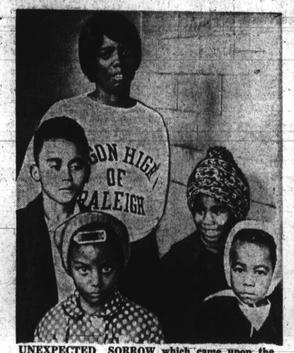

UNEXPECTED SORROW which came upon the family of Mrs. Carol Harris in the tragic death of small Jerry Robberson is likely to make the Christmas holidays the most unhappy ever for her and the children. John Robberson, Teronda Harris, Jacquelyn Harris and Linda Lindsay.

Holidays no longer are happy

By SCOTT PONEMONE

Christmas seemed to be coming along just fine for Mrs. Carol Harris of the 700 block W. Mulberry St., but tragedy has shattered her holiday mood.

Central District Police have arrested her husband, James Arthur Harris, 30, for allegedly slaying his 9-year-old foster child, Jerry "Chucky" Robberson, Wednesday, on the third floor of an abandoned house in the 600 block W. Pine St.

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Mrs. Harris told the AFRO, when her husband was leaving home Wednesday, he asked her: "Name me three things you want for Christmas."

Mrs. Harris said she replied, "I'll be satisfied with anything you give me."

Continuing, Mrs. Harris told the AFRO her husband returned home and placed a handsome star on top their Christmas tree.

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At that time, she commented, Christmas seemed to be on its way, but several hours later homicide officers told her they had enough evidence to suspect her husband was involved in the death of his foster son.

Mrs. Harris said two months ago James Harris got permission from the Department of Social Services to be a foster parent to Jerry, and his brother John Robberson, 10, and his sister, Linda Linsay 5.

Becoming a foster parent was his idea, Mrs. Harris remarked. She said he "just hated to see children

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Brailey thumbs down Mandel gun proposal

Delegate Troy Brailey says he fears the gun control Gov. Marvin Mandel proposes would endanger innocent citizens as to its provision for search and seizure upon "probable cause."

He also states that he fears the proposed legislation is directed toward black citizens and points out another grave danger is the proposal that the car in which a gun is found can be confiscated.

He asks AFRO readers to send him comments on the proposed legislation, to Del. Troy Brailey, 2405 Baker St.

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Under the governor's proposed gun control bills, police would have the authority to search a man, not only upon probable cause, but also because of "probable suspicion."

Gov. Mandel expressed concern about state gun control during his press conference held at the State House Dec. 9.

According to the governor, the state is presently plagued with a situation where hand guns on the street become a major crime problem."

He explained that the present controversy over stiffer gun control laws differed from the situation which causes him concern, "the controlling of the crime situation."

The chief executive revealed he hopes gun proponents will support legislation which is designed to "take the guns out of the hands of people who illegally possess or carry them."

"In previous years they have talked about gun legislation and all of those aspects of the gun situation

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Firemen unions blamed

Firefighters Local 734 and Fire Officers Local 936 contend they represent the Fire Department's black firemen but "that is the greatest farce that has ever been had."

This is the opinion of Kenneth Lavon Johnson, the city hired attorney for four black firemen who claim the promotional practices of the Fire Department are racial discriminatory.

"If the unions had looked out for their black members, they would not have allowed the efficiency ratings of black firemen to be downgraded," Johnson remarked.

The young lawyer told the AFRO that unions that fairly represented black firemen would have taken steps to eliminate aptitude test designed solely for those growing up in white

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KENNETH LAVON JOHNSON
attorney for the black firefighters against the City

Schaefer's press aide due soon

Mayor William Donald Schaefer is expected to name a press aide within the next week, the AFRO was told.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Joan Bereska, administrative assistant, will handle relations between the new mayor and the press.

No regularly scheduled press conferences have been arranged.

The mayor has not ruled out the prospect of naming a woman to the position which would be a first, it was also learned.

AFRO's Mrs. Santa and helpers deliver Monday

Monday is a big day for the AFRO's Mrs. Santa.

She and her helpers, in cooperation with Md. National Guardsmen, under the direction of Sgt. Lloyd Scott, will start their journey to all sections of Baltimore.

Before the day is over, some 300 families will have baskets chock full of good food, turkey and all the trimmings.

Families which get the first 300 baskets are those considered the most needy on Mrs. Santa's list.

Meantime, Mrs. Santa—in real life Mrs. Marie Phillips Cooke—and her helpers, are busy mailing out gift certificates to other families. These will enable them to purchase

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CONGRESSMAN MITCHELL'S STAFF—Mrs. Santa is presented with a check for $700 from staff at Congressman Parren J. Mitchell's office located in the Federal Building by Mrs. Carolyn Reitz, a N.Y.C. trainee.

NOTICE

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