HOLIDAY JOY AT CITY JAIL—For the first time in the memory of jail officials, the children of women inmates were invited in for a Christmas Party, Dec. 23. Mrs. Iris Brockington (left) had fun with Yolanda Matthews, 4, and Alicia Jones, 8. Mrs. Pamela Jones proudly poses with her children, Eugene Jones, 5, and Eugenia Camphor, 7. Thereasa Richardson, 5, rests happily on the lap of her mother, Mrs. Arlene Richardson, and little Charlene Johnson, 2, is comforted by Mrs. Dorothy Oliver. (See Story Page C 20.)

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Injured City Jail inmates

"They were moved for their own protection," City Jail Deputy Warden Guy P. Smith told the AFRO about the 15 inmates who slashed their wrists Thursday in a protest move.

After the slashing, the 15 were taken to the jail hospital under police escort and the watchful eyes of four guards.

They were treated for their injuries and were back in jail at AFRO press time today (Friday.)

The 15 reportedly cut themselves with wire pieces and razor blades after being transferred from the jail's homosexual wing, in an apparent attempt to return to their former lodgings.

Cong. Mitchell reception set

Cong. Parren J. Mitchell (D., 7th) has announced that the public is invited to attend his New Year's reception in Room 369 of the Rayburn Building, Independence Ave., Washington, Jan. 3, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Social Services fear new federal guidelines

By C. A. LUDLOW

President Nixon's 'get tough' fiscal policy is already sending shock waves through Baltimore's Social Services Department.

In the wake of the 92nd Congress' recent passage of the Federal Revenue Sharing Bill (HR 1), new directives are filtering into the city's social service department detailing who and what is now eligible for federal funding.

"These new directives appear to be part of the Nixon administration's "tough and musculine" image," said Maurice A. Harman, director of Baltimore's social services.

"But what the administration fails to understand is punishment is not a good deterent."

The energetic director went on to explain these directives spell trouble for programs such as Camp Concern, Neighborhood Youth Corps and Homemakers. Person likely to be affected would be the poor, disabled, blind, handicapped and disadvantage.

In a lengthy interview Wednesday with the AFRO Harman made the following assessments of the social service department's current situation.

"Our major concern is we fear the city will be

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MAURICE A. HARMAN

CITIZEN LEADER—Mayor Schaefer last week presented twelve Public Housing residents with the annual Harry B. Weiss Citizenship awards. John Fullow of the Broadway Project is shown here accepting his plague and cash prize. (AFRO staff photo by I. Henry Phillips)

AFRO-BP Oil winners named

The AFRO-BP Oil Contest Awards Banquet was held at the Holiday Inn downtown on Dec. 15.

The contest was opened to Baltimore school children up to 10th grade to take part in the exciting story writing contest which provided handy Christmas money.

The entries in the essay writing contest totaled 417 on the interesting topics of "Best Pal", "Best Parents" and "Best Partner".

First prize of $50.00 was awarded to Miss Patricia Williams, whose entry was entitled "Best Pal". Two second prizes of $30.00 were awarded to Misses Rita Frazier and Cheryl Jenkins.

Four third prizes of $20.00 each were awarded to Misses Cecelia Stanton, Deidre Gambrill, Michele Ogburn and Fleming Kennedy.

Other lucky winners of fourth prizes were Misses Inez Marshall, Olythia Blue, Bernadette Bates and Tyrone Generetta, who were awarded cash prizes of $10.00 each.

POLICE MAJOR SPEAKS TO THE PEOPLE

Report on holiday baskets, some New Year's resolutions

By Major James H. Watkins

Some 200 baskets containing can goods, potatoes, greens, milk, bread, margarine, chickens, (two each), and toys were distributed on Dec. 22, by the Police-Community Relations Section to families in need throughout the city.

Many baskets made up by other organizations such as the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, Walbrook High School, Social Security, Post Office were delivered in addition to our own 200 baskets, and Mrs. Pearl Williams in East Baltimore adopted four families given them a basket of food, toys and clothing.

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We in Community Relations are safe in saying that from donations given to Community Relations both in gifts and money provided for 200 families and aided by other agencies, one hundred additional families were able to enjoy Christmas.

Because space will not allow naming all of the persons that donated to Police-Community Reations Section and some persons or organizations would prefer to be anonymous, names are not printed in this column however, each will receive a personal letter signed by Police Commissioner D. D. Pomerleau.

I remember back in 1968 doing the civil disorders immediately after the death of Dr. Martin Luther King, where corner grocery stores, most of the business places in and around the city were looted and damaged and alleged justification at that time was the business people took from the community and gave nothing back into the community.

If it was true at that time it certainly is not true today.

I'm in a posiion to know that the average businessman and/or company is actively involved in the community by various programs of education or giving some of its profits back to the community by donations to organizations such as Police-Communiy Relations to provide food or help for needy families.

Some of these same organizations and businesses provided funds or donations doing the past summer for

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Friends plan two bus trips to D.C.

The American Friends Service Committee for the Mid-Atlantic Region has announced it will conduct two bus trips to Washington so area people can present their views on ending the Vietnam War to national leaders.

The first excursion on Jan. 3 is to attend the National Religious Convocation at the N.Y. Ave. Presbyterian Church, 15th and N.Y. Ave., to hear such prominent peace advocates as Ramsey Clark and the Rev. William Sloan Coffin.

Buses for this trip will leave Memorial Stadium at 6:30 p.m. and at the Unitarian Parish Hall, Charles and Hamilton Sts. at 6:45 p.m.

The second D.C. visit on Jan. 4 is to converse with leading anti-war senators and congressmen including meeting the Maryland delegation to Congress.

Buses will leave Memorial Stadium at 7:30 a.m. and from the Uniterian Parish Hall at 7:45 a.m.

Uninvited Yule party guest killed in gate scuffle

Three gunshots fired by a party host to frighten away a group of Christmas party "gate-crashers" resulted in the death of one man Dec. 24, homicide police report.

Police said Thadeaus L. Jones, 29, 2500 block Aisquith St. and his friends were arguing with the suspect after he had refused them entry to his party in the 2300 block Sherwood Ave.

Police records show Russell D. Vincent, 28, 2300 block Sherwood Ave., is charged and being held in the City Jail pending preliminary hearing.

The victim was pronounced dead of gunshot wounds of the neck shortly after 2:50 a.m. Dec. 24 at the Union Memorial Hospital.

Police statements show the suspect told them he fired the shots over the heads of the subjects in an effort to frighten them away.

Mr. Vincent said he did not hit anybody. However, one of the group, Mr. Jones was rushed to the Union Memorial Hospital with a neck injury.

According to police reports officers arrived in the 2300 block Sherwood Ave.,

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Judge to decide today Prince George's case

U.S. District Court Judge Frank A. Kaufman is scheduled today (Friday) to give his ruling on the desegregation plans put before him by the Prince George's County School Board.

Attorneys from the NAACP and American Civil Liberties Union, for the eight parents of Prince George's school children who are plaintiffs in the case met Tuesday in the judge's chambers with school board lawyers.

The Prince Goerge's attorneys submitted affidavits then as to why all the schools should be desegregated in September, 1973, instead of kindergarten through 11th grade by Jan. 29, and the 12th grade by next fall, as Judge Kaufman how favors.

Judge Kaufman has already made arrangements with the U.S. 4th Circuit Court of Appeals, which sits in Richmond, Va., to hear any appeals in the week of Jan 4 that might arise out of today's decision.

If the judge decides that grades K-11 must face desegregation Jan. 29, it will mean the busing of 12,397 more students than the present 78,334.

The Prince George's County school system is the 10th largest in the nation, with 162,000 students.

The county never desegregated its schools in line with the Supreme Court's 1954 decision, and has been balking in the present case since March.

'My heart is full': Lt. Carolyn Robinson

Over 500 persons gathered to pay tribute to Lt. Carolyn M. Robinson who retired recently after 30 years service in the city Police Department Wednesday evening at Martin's West.

The group which sponsored the affair calls itself A Coalition of Friends. It is headed by the illustrious Mrs. Catherine "Kitty" Mueller.

Coach Earl C. Banks, professor of physical education and head coach at Morgan State College presided. Among the honored guests who brought greetings were Mayor Donald D. Schaefer, Arthur G. Murphy Sr., Esq., special assistant to Governor Mandel; States Attorney Milton B. Allen, Judge Robert B. Watts, Police Commissioner Donald D. Pomerleau and Major James Watkins, director of Police Community Relations.

Highlights of the evenings were tributes and presentations to the honoree by coworkers, a state senator, civic organizations, city agencies and a fraternal organization. They came from Col. William "Box" Harris, chief of traffic division. Police Department; State Senator Verda F. Welcome (D-4th); David T. Mason, secretary of employment and social services, and Mrs. Pateile Harris, basileus-Alpha Alpha chapter of the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority.

Mayor Schaefer proclaimed December 27, 1972 as "Lt. Carolyn M. Robinson Day" and presented the engraved citation on behalf of the citizens of the city.

Other highlights included a presentation from the Frederick Douglass Class of '26 by a former classmate and longtime friend, Mrs. Evelyn Addison, and the Woman of the Year Award from the Democratic Ladies Guild.

During the last presentation, the audience sat in darkness while 30 ladies with lighted candles, representing her years of service on the force, walked to "Have a Good Time" with the Jimmy Smith Band.

In response, Mrs. Robinson remarked "I didn't work all these years for a tribute. My heart is full".

Schaefer responds to Mt. Winans' plea

As result of a petition sent to Mayor Schaefer by residents of Mt. Winans, the city has agreed to build a fence along the railroad tracks to keep children out of danger.

The mayor wrote the residents on Dec. 13, saying, "I was very disturbed when I learned of the dangers posed by the railroad tracks near Hollins Ferry Rd. in Mt. Winans.

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"The fence will be erected as soon as the land survey is completed, the residents and the Housing Authority choose a suitable fence, and the bidding price is completed. The red tape will be cut."

In the petition, the citizens explained, "On Sept. 1, a 12-year-old boy lost the lower portion of his leg while trying to hop a freight train. There have been similar incidents involving younger children who do not understand the dangers involved."

They wrote, "We have already met with the railroad as a well as housing officials. The only action taken by either has been the posting of signs which read, 'Danger Keep Off Passing Trains.' Obviously, these signs are meaningless to a toddler."

The railroad refused to put a fence from Hollins

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