Season's GREETINGS

—Ministers say Christmas TV watching

"If I find these same ople continue to minate the NAACP," ailey said in a phone terview, "I'll take ether action." He said at "further action" ould come after the next o board meetings.

Mrs. McMillan said ailey was "lying" and at his charges about cal chapter being taken er by the mayor's office ere without foundation.

But official in the aptist Ministers Conrence told the AFRO at when Mrs. McMillan et with the group on ec. 12, she told the inisters that she had to eek outside help such as he mayor's office ecause she could not epend on ministers to aise the needed money or the NAACP.

Another source close to he conference also told he AFRO that the inister's conclusions mplied that "It most ertainly seems to be a need for new leadership to ake the helm of the local NAACP branch."

Among other recommendations the Baptist ministers issued to the NAACP in their statement are as follows:

"— A huge undertaking such as the Unity Ball should be planned throughout with a competent committee, never an one-person committee.

"— The Christian Church, the prime source of the major funds of the NAACP should formulate the posture for this community-based institution.

"— All funds receive and spent during the current year should be publicized, particularly, the Unity Ball (if it has not been done.) Such a manifestation of the financial health of the organization would thwart the growing innuendoes, misgivings and adverse criticisms of the chapter."

Mayor William D. Schaefer, who has been quiet since criticism of his staff's involvement first was broached, finally told the AFRO: "Troy Brailey is a very nice man and I like Troy Brailey. I don't know if we have changed the date of the ball or not. The ball was a great success with the work of Mrs. Henderson. Brailey should try and spend more time trying to help the NAACP. I haven't discussed the NAACP with Mrs. Henderson or anyone else."

Schaefer also denied that he was angry with either Mrs. Henderson or Ms. Campbell because of the NAACP brouhaha.

By Vanessa Johnson

Friday: Dec. 23

Mike Douglas: Susan Seaforth Hayes of TV's Days of Our Lives is co-host. Guests include her husband Bill Hayes, Pam Grier, and Loudon Wainwright. 4:30-6:00 p.m. Channel 13.

Evening Magazine: A visit to "Evening Magazine" staff Christmas party for the youngsters at Baltimore's Children Hospital; information on buying safe toys. 7:30-8:00 p.m. Channel 13.

CBS Movie: "The Bible," dramatizes events from the Book of Genesis. 8:00-11:30 p.m. Channel 2.

Little Drummer Boy: The story of Aaron, the little drummer boy and his adventures following the Magi to Bethlehem. 8:00-9:00 p.m. NBC.

Donny & Marie: Paul Lynde, the Mormon Tavernacle Choir and the Osmond Family join Donny & Marie's Christmas celebration. 8:00-9:00 p.m. ABC.

The Fourth King: A special baby has been born and the forest animals want to do something special. They learn that Three Wise Men are traveling to see the infant and decide to send a representative too, the lion (voice by Ted Ross), who proudly boasts that he's the smartest and strongest of creatures. 8:30-9:00 p.m. NBC.

Disco 77: Hostess Ross Royce welcomes Gloria Gaynor, Harold Melvin and the Bluenotes and Carol Douglas. 2:00-2:30 a.m. Channel 2.

Saturday: Dec. 24

Fat Albert: The gang learns that hard work is the key to being good at sports. 12:30-1:00 p.m. Channel 2.

Mata: Christmas and the Black Family. 1:00-1:30 p.m. Channel 13.

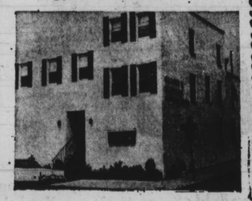
Cleaver trial in February

OAKLAND, Calif. — The trial of former Black Panther Eldridge Cleaver on charges of attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon will start in Alameda County Superior Court Feb. 24.

Cleaver appeared recently before Superior Judge Alan A. Lindsey, who set the trial date.

May you share the wondrous tidings of this Holy Season

Merry Christmas and sincerest thanks.



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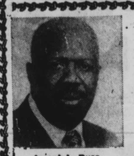
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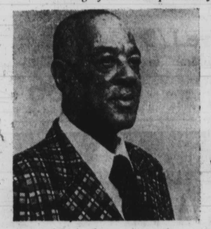

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—Detective's wife

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"This has caused more mental anguish and is causing friction in our marital relationship.

"Due to all of the above, we have had to retain an attorney at our expense and it is now causing a financial strain on our budget.

"My question is why? Is it necessary that a police officer be put under this kind of strain without any explanation? Is it fair?

"It has often been said that the Police Department is concerned about the mental attitude of their employees. However, this type of harassment can drive a person to their breaking point.

"I am very concerned about David, as a wife, as the mother of our child and as his friend. Would you please help answer these questions so that we might again get our life in order."

Commissioner Pomerleau sent Mrs. Brice a letter on Dec. 20 and said, "Please be advised officials of this agency will discuss the issue with your husband."

Mrs. Brice told the AFRO, "Commissioner Pomerleau did not answer any of my questions and if I don't receive a sufficient reply within three weeks, I will write my congressman."

Michele Elaine Cockrell, 16, an eleventh grade student at Seton High School, has been accepted as a freshman in the Early Admission Program at Morgan State University. Miss Cockrell, the daughter of Mrs. Myrtle B. Cockrell.

—Lydell ready

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When that game was won on a dramatic 99-yard drive in the final seven minutes — helped by a helpful call from an official — the players admitted their philosophy should be adjusted somewhat.

"I guess you'll have to say we need the pressure of the clutch," said Mitchell. "Get us in a hole, and it's the other team's problem."

However, Marchibroda is a little less reserved about the inevitable outcome of a scoring deficit on the playing field — the "back against the wall" philosophy.

Asked if he thought waiting until the last moment might backfire against a capable team, he said, "then it really wouldn't be our philosophy. Breaks are always a part of the game. Successful teams find ways to win."

And it almost backfired against New England as a controversial fumble call on the Patriot's 6-yard line saved that game-winning drive. Quarterback Bert Jones fumbled on that play but the referees ruled the play dead before the lost ball.

The Colts were behind 14-3 at the half and then it was 21-3 as the Patriots' Raymond Clayborn ran the second half kickoff 101 yards for a touchdown.

That's when the Colts started to march. Moving behind the passing of Jones, who was 19-for-30 for 340 yards and three touchdowns, the Colts pulled out the victory.

"We did that against Miami earlier in the year," said Mitchell. "We gave the Dolphins an 18-point lead and beat them, 45 to 28. We have to have the right chemistry to play well and that doesn't happen sometimes until we're down."

Mitchell, who ran for 1,119 yards this season, the third best in the NFL, said that when Clayborn ran back the second-half kickoff, "it might sound weird but it made me stronger.

"We all knew what we had to do then," said Mitchell. "We can do it when we have to." (UPI)

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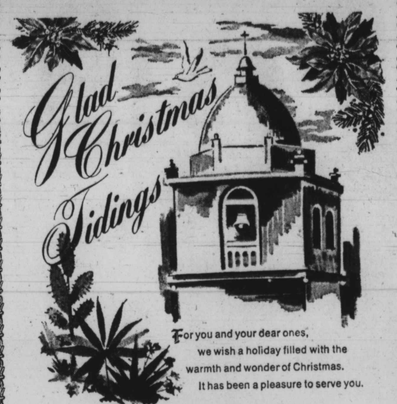

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During this Christmas season, let us not be so engulfed in commercial main stream that we affix so dearly to this blessed day, but pause to find its true meaning. . .peace, love and brotherhood. Let every man, woman and child strive to do our part by giving our all to ensure our brothers and sisters the same warm and wonderful holiday that we ourselves will enjoy.

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