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Political score card

What some took to be a political season full of yawns is developing into a good show.

While we have yet to hear any candidates for any office say much of anything — we do find all the maneuvering, alliances and realignments of the various political forces fascinating.

Witness the Metro Democrats dropping of Del. Kenneth Webster from their slate in favor of Frank Conaway.

Of Margaret Murphy's willingness to buck Sen. Clarence Blount's organization. Del. Art Murphy's widow is not content to merely serve out the present term of her late husband and so she finds herself supported not only by the Vanguard political organization but is in harmony with Earl Banks, a Metro Democrat stalwart. Coach Banks wants to be on the Democratic Central Committee.

Since he is considered an associate of William L. Adams in the Metro group, Banks' linkage with Ms. Murphy and Vanguard has some skeptics wondering aloud if Mr. Adams has designs on unt Mr. Blount thought was his in the main.

It does get puzzling.

Not so puzzling is the aggressive compaigning of Dwight Pettit in his bid to unseat incumbent William A. Swisher.

While some bemoaned Pettit's late entry into the race, folks, we understand are increasingly assured by the initiatives Pettit is taking.

Tardy to begin Pettit is beginning to "smoke" as they say of prize-fighters.

More curious is the political attraction some black, or at least one black courthouse candidate, has for the young white attorney who is challenging incumbent Congressman Parren J. Mitchell.

Further, just which way the Eastside politicians will go, in several instances, has politicos scratching their heads although our experience informs us that the Douglass - Burns - Irby team acts always from a position of extreme pragmatism not to mention less emotion than their Westside brothers and sisters of the faith.

We figure on another fortnight of jostling and pushing for position by all the players in this year's political campaigns before the battle lines are drawn.

And ever optimistic, we feel that sooner or later after the dust settles, some of these worthies are going to tell us citizens what's in it for us.

That is, after all, the bottom line.

So far no one's said anything of substance.

Police brutality

Pay careful attention to a drama unfolding in the Community Relations Commission (CRC) presently.

The taboo subject of police brutality, taboo in Baltimore because Commissioner Pomerleau will not admit that it goes on and Mayor Schaefer obviously humors his top cop's blindness, has slowly come to the surface in recent meetings of the Community Relations Commission.

Perhaps stung by public criticism that it serves merely as a rubber stamp for the Police Department's usual findings that no officers ever do anything to brutalize citizens, CRC's commissioners, an AFRO reporter notes, have with caution moved to get brutality documentation out in the open.

We can understand the commissioners' reluctance to deal with how black people are treated by our local gendarmerie because Pomerleau has convinced everyone he has a tape of everybody's wrong - doing.

We say to the Commissioners, press on, the necessity for a police department that plays by the rules and does not brutalize any citizens is greater than any individual citizens trepidation about what Commissioner Donald may or may not know about his or her private affairs.

Given the recent and highly questionable circumstances surrounding the fatal shooting of a young Mt. Winans area black man, we urge the CRC commissioners to bring the facts out into public view.

CRC has a clear mandate to rid city agencies, through public forums, careful research and arbitration, of all traces of racism and injustice.

We would hope the Police Department would work closely with this agency to see that our law enforcement personnel are scrupulous, rational and eminently just in its dealings with all citizens.

Brutes and bullies with badges who feel they have license to kill and maim in the guise of law and order must go!

Blue Cross refunds

Maryland Blue Cross and Blue Shield subscribers well know the cost of hospital and medical services is sky - high.

Those refunds for overcharges the state has ordered Blue Cross and Blue Shield to pay back to its members will be most welcome.

We think praise is due Del. Isaiah 'Ike' Dixon who had the legislative acumen to kill a measure introduced by another assembly person which would have additionally cost Blue Cross subscribers.

As a news story in this edition indicates Del. Dixon was alert to the implications of this proposed legislation and intervened to see that it ended in the trash can.

The refunds are an aftermath of his alertness and since we believe politicians ought to be praised when they act for their constituents in positive ways and damned when they don't, we say 'well done.'

City teachers

We have information that even as some city school teachers have been fired for one reason or another, the Department of Education goes blithely on hiring other teachers.

We hope we are proven wrong in presenting such a situation because if true, it means school officials are talking out of both sides of their mouths at the same time and trying to insult the intelligence of taxpayers.

It means also that school officials are using the Mayor's demand for staff reductions as an excuse to get rid of some kinds of instructors at the same time they bring in other kinds of teachers.

We wish this were not so but we do know of new would - be teachers who have already been interviewed or who are awaiting screening for jobs the school system says it does not have.

This smells fishy to us.

Hi de ho

Cab Calloway, Baltimore native son, has done it all in American show business.

He began as a frenetic scat - singing bandleader in the Thirties, matured as a bandleader, actor, solo night club performer, writer (his biography is must reading for anyone who wants to know about the history of black show business) television personality and film player as well.

Cab is black show business and it seems extremely fitting that he will trod the boards of the Mechanic Theater here in "Bubbling Brown Sugar," a recapitulation of music and dance by black contributors to American theater reaching back to the time of World War One.

Who best can interpret to our young people our music better than Cab who was so much a part of its growth?

Welcome home, brother.

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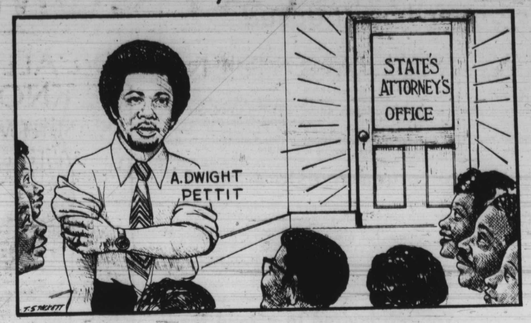

A LITTLE ABOUT A LOT: MADELINE MURPHY

By Madeline W. Murphy

Cherry Hill, seize the moment!

The people of Cherry Hill are mad as tornets and well they should be. Because the recent series about eight unfortunate hoodlums whose tragic lives have been retold in the morning daily, only re - emphasizes an unpopular and untrue image long believed by many blacks living outside of Cherry Hill as well as some living within, who disassociate themselves completely from community affairs.

To them Cherry Hill is a bedroom town, — a place in which to sleep — then get out, during most of their waking hours.

Sgt. Russell from Southern police district wistfully stated at a recent community meeting that he wished other neighborhoods were low crime areas like Cherry Hill.

The tragic result, however, of this unfavorable publicity has been reaction to the white press, emotionalism, and a crying need for rebuttal.

When in truth less energy should be spent upon calling the reporter, writing letters to the editor (all of which have neither been answered nor printed) and more energy invested in developing political clout.

But without a clear picture of how many people live here, we cannot effectively mount an intelligent campaign that would increase our voting strength.

Attending one meeting, one is surprised to hear the astronomical figures bandied about in regard to population and registered votes.

Few want to believe that there are not enough houses in Cherry Hill to accommodate the kind of population figures people accept as fact — 60,000? !!

Even with a 10 percent error in census figures, 25,000 people in Cherry Hill would be tops, Lakeside, N.J., or Norristown, Pa., have populations of this kind, at that.

One reason Cherry Hill is looked upon as the neglected step - child at most family reunions of the greater community is because there is no effective ELECTED leadership.

We have not been able to elect a representative to City Council, State Legislature, Central Committees, though we have sought these offices innumerable times.

Because with all our voter registration drives, we have not gotten across the importance of VOTING EN MASSE IN PRIMARY ELECTIONS . . the play - off to the World Series.

And at the same time, there are those few bossiets in the community who will not cooperate: will not work with an idea or program unless it is original with them; and who discourage the formation of large effective groups because they cannot manipulate them. (Large groups could also get together to overthrow them!)

Further, the good guys who see clearly this divisiveness have not been able to overcome their lethargy, their thin skins — the stamina to outlast them — to speak softly yet carry a big stick.

A big stick meaning electing people who belong heart, soul and mind to their community — "unbossed and unbought".

As I re - think this rotten publicity, it forms a plot.

Stuck in the back of my mind is the effort a few years back, by interests of South Baltimore General Hospital to buy an enclave of houses on Potee Street and within La Rue Square - convenient locations for interns, nurses and their families. The hospital's proposed expansion may soon re - awaken interest in this housing.

And at the other end of the community is the Waterview Avenue plan of Mayor William Donald Schaefer to develop the river basin with parks, bikeways, hi - risers, motels, etc., to beautify and complete Baltimore's water fronts.

Made "an offer they couldn't refuse" many of the white apartment owners ringing the area, could well succumb to a sell out and gradually change the complexion of this sleeping giant.

Especially now when the Wolman task force, painting a picture of gloom and doom with white flight to the suburbs, a shrinking middle class tax base, has had the mayor jokingly report he wanted to commit suicide when first he read it.

What a callous insult to those of us left behind.

But you see the specter of our growing in numbers haunts him and would make him reassess his chances to become king for life of Baltimore.

But chickens do come home to roost. Were it not for racism, for his anti-busing posture, turning him in school business, when things were changing drastically for the better under an aggressive tough man like Dr. Roland Patterson; were it not for his unresponsiveness to black folks concerns about affirmative action in HCD, Manpower, Baltimore has become less attractive to those he wishes to entice back, who now have, with his help, hardened their backlash.

Edmund Burke said that "example is the school of mankind and they will learn at no other."

And thus we've experienced this bad example of an inflexible, racist, unwittingly befowling his own nest. Poetic justice!

However, hold on Cherry Hill. This bad publicity should make us seize the moment for social and political change.

Rarely does a community have such an opportunity to band together to put itself on a map that counts!

LETTERS

Your watch dog

Dear AFRO:

I take this opportunity to write for a number of reasons:

1) to ask for your assistance in doing what I can to help register Maryland voters (especially blacks and those living in Baltimore)

2) to provide a forum to debate relevant issues;

3) inform prespective voters;

4) to stimulate interest among residents who will be affected by the actions or inactions of elected officials and as equally important;

5) to help free the men and women from Maryland's "warehouse - prisons," which have been ruled cruel and unusual punishment.

Help free your mothers, fathers, sons, daughters and loved ones' - help FREE all the deserving. Even the worst men and women are worthy of HELP.

It has been said 90 percent of the approximately 8,000 "prisoners" will be back on the streets in 13 months.

Considering the "mad dogs" (as many prisoners are called) will soon be among you, it's time now to show you CARE. Caring is one important way to change a "mad dog" into a useful "dog." Caring can do much more than space here will allow for now.

As one of many concerned "prisoners" who seeks your help in becoming a viable part of the communities of Maryland, it is long over due that we come together in the only way possible, through a bond of caring and understanding.

We all have our share to do and the criticism and abuse from those with different views can not stop us.

The AFRO - AMERICAN has its share to do also and is designed to serve the black community, but needs your input.

The AFRO - AMERICAN has provided for its readers a "Voters Registration Coupon"—use it.

Every person 18 years of age if not registered, should do so at once. We all should determine our eligibility (we know 85 percent of the approximate 8,000 in prison cannot vote and no guess about how many "ex - prisoners") and exercise the VOTE when the time comes.

With the primary elections scheduled for Sept. 12, 1978, it is time to send out the message to all those seeking your VOTES, that you will not accept less than active and responsible service from them for your VOTE.

Now is the time for you to voice your opinions. Jobs, education and taxes are important. Imprisoning 85 percent blacks in the state is no answer (a means of decreasing the unemployment rolls for blacks), in fact it is a further burden on your, tax dollar to house a man or women at the rate of $20,000 a year.

It may create a few jobs for those politically connected, and a system which turns out a worse person than before entering, it is insane to support that kind of operation. (of the approximately 8,000 "prisoners" confined; over 85 percent are black, poor, under-educated and without political influence.)

KEMRY M. HUGHES

Revive the two-party system

Dear AFRO:

Nothing will contribute more to good government in the state of Maryland than a revival of the two - party system.

We have drifted into a one - party state with all the attendant evils: the abuse of political power and uncontrolled spending with an unbearable burden of taxation.

The Maryland Senate is composed of eight Republicans and 38 Democrats. The House of Delegates has 15 Republicans and 125 Democrats.

The minority party lacks the numerical strength to furnish a real challenge.

Good government requires an active, vigilant and challenging minority that forces the majority to perform at its best for the citizens of the state or face defeat at the pools.

There are hopeful signs that real Republican challenge may be emerging from the Republican candidates that have recently entered the race for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

JOHN L. BERRY

AFRO invites letters

The AFRO welcomes letters from its readers. Letters should be brief and must bear the writer's name and address. All letters will be given consideration for publication.

NAACP meeting on Bakke

NEW YORK — In light of the recent United States Supreme Court decision on the Bakke reverse discrimination suit and the tremendous implications for special admissions and other affirmative action programs, the national office of the NAACP has decided to convene a special conference July 20 - 22 in Detroit.

Invited participants will be some of the leading educators, the Black Leadership Forum, affirmative action officers, labor and business leaders, lawyers, government officials and organization executives.

WASHINGTON REPORT PARREN J. MITCHELL

Housing funds for '79 do little to aid poor

This week's article was written by Thomas K. Goines, assistant staff director, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy of the House Banking Committee. Goines is a gradiate of Morgan State University and holds an M.B.A. in finance from Atlanta University, graduate school of business.

The U.S. House of Representatives' deliberations on the fiscal year HUD Authorization Bill have continued this year's legislative trend of severely curtailing, if not reducing, funding levels for all departments and programs expressly addressing human needs.

Implicit in the passage of the HUD authorization and the HUD appropriation bills is the notion that the U.S. House of Representatives has adequately and responsibly addressed our nation's housing problems.

I submit that such a notion is at best a delusion and, in reality, an abdication of this country's commitment and responsibility to the millions of Americans in dire need of "a decent home and a suitable living environment," a goal expressed in the 1949 National Housing Act.

It has been nearly three decades since the nation launched or developed long before government entered the many fields of governmental social welfare.

One of the gifts of Americans to America has been the spirit and practice of volantarism (wish it were "volunteerism") — the devotion of thousands of women and men to serving their fellows, free of charge, at home or in institutions: hospitals, prisons, schools, orphan homes, centers for the aged, churches, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, ad infinitum. Such volunteer work in addition to full time jobs or in place of pure recreation.

Indeed, for most of our years, it has been considered part of the responsibilities of first class citizenship for those "blessed" to volunteer for some useful projects somewhere. In one period they might have been called "home missions" as contrasted with "foreign" missions.

It would be a shame and a loss if volunterism should disappear from the land because of the present - day emphasis on expecting government to finance everything and for each person to be paid for whatever he does, anybow, anywhere. This expectation even touches young people who decide on whether to pursue higher education on the basis of whether the government will pay them to do so.

Volunteers are still volunteering, but not nearly enough. One of the organizations crying out for more volunteers, because of short supply is the United Way which wants and needs more women and men to help raise the $18 to $20 million for its over 100 recipient agencies.

The United Way (which will jointly solicit with CICRA) seeks "a fair share" from Central Marylanders and, in turn, provides the necessary extra dollars that are so important to such institutions as Provident Hospital, the Urban League, the YMCA and YWCA, and the Lafayette Clinic.

Thirty - five thousand people volunteered in the last United Way campaign, making the organization "the largest, most comprehensive voluntary organization" in Greater Baltimore. For the entire nation, 37 million men and women served as volunteers.

Once upon a time, outside of the church, volunteers were just middle - class women - debutants or ex - debutantes. That is not the situation anymore. Presently, 40 percent of all volunteers are male, and the other 60 percent is made up of the old, the young, the poor, white and non - white.

Most blacks do not volunteer to even predominantly black institutions, outside the church, although these potential volunteers include those thousands who are retired from government positions, are enjoying good pensions and, therefore, in position to donate time and talent.

It may be that blacks are not sure they are wanted by some of the old - line agencies; or, perhaps, they have not been recruited at a high enough pitch; or perhaps they remember too well the years when they were not wanted.

Times have changed and are changing, however, as more and more Americans share, or approach, first class citizenship. Giving "a fair share" of money, brawn and brain, of hand and heart, are keys to opening the doors to increased participation in fashioning the institutions of our communities and the nation.

This kind of involvement helped to give organized labor the clout it now has in socio - economic, governmental and political party affairs. Here is a good place to play copy - cat.

Those of us who have had to turn to institutions and programs which are members of the United Way (by whatever name it is called), should understand why the United Way deserves our support, not only through money but also through volantarism, regardless of the age, sex, race or religion of the volunteer.

Volunteers not only make a significant difference in quantity of services, but also in quality of service, especially in the "humanizing" of institutions. Indeed, the service that volunteers provide are not just "nice things" to pamper some people with time on their hands. They are vital to the health and well - being of the community.

A volunteer today may be investing in, and building, a program or an institution that will benefit him or her tomorrow.

CURRENT COMMENT

G. JAMES FLEMING

NOW AND THEN

Call to being a volunteer

By G. James Fleming

The July 4 season, just past, makes one wonder why the United States, at its best, has become the country that it is; why it is so people-minded; why such a large segment of what is good in the nation was launched or developed long before government entered the many fields of governmental social welfare.

MORE LETTERS

Work for the community

Dear AFRO:

Here is a message for residents of the Edmondson Village - Uplands Community.

Each year, once a month a group of dedicated concerned neighbors assemble at the Fred B. Leidig Recreation Center to discuss the many problems that our community is now facing.

Before each meeting flyers are distributed door to door by volunteers asking for our support, involvement and our attendance, and each month we've refused to get up off of our APATHY to help ourselves and each other.

The name of this assembly of neighbors is The Uplands Community Association Inc.)

I, like so many residents sat around complaining about the trashy streets, alleys and our shopping center. I also use to dread it when our children got out of school for summer vacation, because I knew it meant being subjected to a bunch of noisy, rowdy kids.

But now I know that our children need an outlet for the energy that has been stored up from spending more than half of the year obtaining knowledge in our school system.

We, the parents, must begin to work with the young people. We must see to it that all of that energy is used to uplift our young people, and attempting to purchase their first homes have echoed from the walls of Congress; and, Congress has begun to respond.

However, the response has taken on a mean and selfish tenor. In the mad rush to quell the anguish of our more fortunate citizens, we have needlessly and thoughtlessly shunted aside the housing and community development needs of the economically and socially disentranchised.

There has been a conscious effort to shift the empahsis of our housing policies and programs from low and moderate income persons to individuals who are in far better positions.

For example, the housing and Community Development Act of 1974 requires that only 20 percent of public housing tenants and only 30 percent of Section 6 tenants be poor people. The remainder may be drawn from the "upper - low - income" sector with incomes ranging from 50 to 60 percent of median incomes for Section 8.

In our 312 Program, as more and more people become aware of it, there is evidence to suggest that residents, who are poor and now living in inner city communities, will not be the prime beneficiaries of 812 rehabilitation loans.

Indeed, there is cause for real concern that given the present trend, the bulk of 812 loans will go to middle class families, who unlike the poor and disenfranchised, have alternative sources of mortgage financing.

Moreover, in those programs targeted for individuals with the "greatest needs," Congress and the administration, in the name of "fiscal responsibility" and program integrity," have seen fit to reduce their finding to levels which virtually assure total failure in addressing real housing needs.

The magnitude of our housing needs is staggering. To adequately meet these problems, it is estimated that nearly 18 million units will have to be repaired or rehabilitated.

In 1979, alone, we shall need a total of 1.2 million subsidized housing units, totaling $2.766 billion in contract authority, $1.57 billion above the Administration's request of $1.95 billion. Moreover, we need at least $1 billion for public housing operating subsidies to cover rising operating costs.

However, as depicted in HUD FY'79 legislation, authorization levels fall far, far short of those targets.

Hopefully, the Congress will not continue adopting courses of action which encourage the human frailties of selfishness and self indulgence. We must keep up the vigil.

Understanding the problem

Dear AFRO:

I find it curious that Maryland's officials didn't foresee the present dilemma of overcrowding before now.

According to a recent Washington Post editorial, "Maryland's correctional system has been in an awful jam for years. The number of convictions and the lengths of sentences have been increasing faster than the correctional capacity . . . It doesn't help individuals or society to get lawbreakers off the streets only to pack them into tiny cells, for too many of those warehoused human-beings will ultimately return to the streets more embittered and more dangerous than they ever were."

The Maryland Parole Commission adds to the problem by giving parole - eligible inmates unreasonable "set - offs" causing inmates to only be reshuffled in the system to another institution. Individuals are given "set-offs" on the nature of the crime committed and not on their adjustment record as they are led to believe everyday of their incarcerated terms.

The capriciousness of the Parole Board, more than any other factor, leads to the embitterment and frustration of inmates who have matured and developed realistic values while incarcerated.

I would suggest that there be an investigation of the inhumane prison living conditions caused by warehousing. The numbers swell constantly within the system.

Half - truths only give the public more misinformation about the Division of Corrections.

A more thorough understanding of the problem would be helpful to all of us in establishing more humane and realistic goals.

INMATE,
Maryland Correctional Training Center

Letter to Emerson Julian

Dear AFRO:

Emerson Julian's blind, asinine support of Donald Pomerleau for another six years as police commissioner morally appalled me.

Furthermore it points out his lack of sensitivity to the community he supposedly represents.

As a resident of the 4th District, as a sound, straight thinking human being, I can no longer remain silent while he continues to misrepresent his constituency.

Thank you for jolting me out of my complacent apathy and indifference. I will make working toward his demise a priority.

CHRISTOPHER J. THOMAS

Political pet peeves

Dear AFRO:

The age old saying "politics makes for strange bed fellows" seems to still prevail in this jet age.

I have the greatest esteem for Rep. Parren J. Mitchell, who has helped me in a dire situation. But I have some reservations of his endorsement of Acting Gov. Blair Lee.

My first pet peeve is that this great support of the heaviest black politician in Maryland came when and before all the hats had been placed in the ring.

Now we are talking about the pot calling the kettle black. A strong ticket was announced with J. Glenn Beall and his black running mate.

What does P. J. have against them? He may not have known this would come up.

I would have also liked P. J. to have made his selection before being called to the State House by Blair Lee.

When Larry Young was designated as coordinator for Blair Lee, he gave stipulations that he requested of the acting governor.

I do reiterate that P. J. should have informed the black community just what he asked Blair Lee for, even if his only crime is "jumping" the straight and deadly pointed political "gun."

My other pet peeve is those persons who state, 'I don't care," and that my vote doesn't count.

Please surrender this apathy and stop being the silent majority and stand up and vote and be counted.

JOHN T. BAILEY

Abused horses

Dear AFRO:

Why are tired, overworked and abused workhorses still permitted on the streets of Baltimore?

I've seen horses and ponies so overladen with junk and produce they can hardly move. Their feet are sore and they have chronic sores under their collars.

They are never watered or fed properly, either.

Why can't these men use pickup trucks for what they want to haul?

We have, after all, gone into the age of machines and I wonder why these animals are being used when trucks would be more efficient and certainly more convenient.

MARCIA WHITE

A walk for justice

Dear AFRO:

The pendulum of time continues to swing against oppression and exploitation, while the scales of justice struggle for balance against the great injustices that have been perpetuated against people of color by white people.

Over 500 footsore native American Indians have marched 3,500 miles in protest against Congressional legislation that would give greedy exploiters the illegal right to destroy traditional tribal land and culture.

The land in question was given to the Indians 100 years ago. But because of the abundance of national resources, the government now wants the land back.

The intentions of the federal government is only to rape the last piece of rich land. Note: This land was given to the Indians because the white man said the land was no good.

The struggle for justice in America has been a long, long journey for people of color.

Support our brothers and sisters in their struggle against the white mentality.

KENNETH RAGIN

FOR ALL WE KNOW

ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

By Elizabeth M. Oliver
City Editor

BACK in Indiana, my home, when we put lots of things together for a juicy dinner we called it putting the little pot in the big one.

THEREFORE, this issue's For All We Know will put several goodies in a juicy stew and let you have a taste of the Big Pot.

POWERFUL Metro Demo Organization's leaders have assembled the Primary Election Sept. 12 ticket at last. Lookie here:

SENATOR — West Ivy (who has been endorsed by AFL-CIO)

DELEGATES — Troy Brailey, Frank Conaway, Lloyal Randolph

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE — Mary B. Adams, Victorine Adams, and Robert Haynes of the Sportsman Lounge.

MORE from the pot: Tom Bradley's labor group now favoring Venetoulis meets the 28th with Nick Fonaro's Followers (who are committed to Gov. Lee) and in a conference with all Maryland labor, will settle between the two candidates.

THE MINISTERS have endorsed Rev. Harold Dobson for the state senate in the 40th. They have also decided to back Dwight Pettit for state's attorney.

GETTING THE NOD also is Rev. Wendell Phillips, the Interdenominational Alliance president, who is running for the House in the 41st.

SENATOR Welcome's ticket includes Rev. Moyd, Del. Brailey and Pete Rawlings with her Central Committee candidates at the bottom. Salina Marriott, Emma Michaels and Dr. Henry C. Welcome.

WILLIAM ROBERT'S ticket includes himself for the senate, Frank Conaway, Purcell Wiley and John Davis for the House.

Conaway's endorsements include the Baptist Clergy in Action and WOMAN (Women organized to Motivate Action).

DWIGHT PETTIT has allill the endorsements anyone could hope for and many individual churches such as Bethel AME which gave a standing ovation and a check last Sunday.

SANDRA BANKS, running for Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, is getting an atomic bomb ready and will soon light the fuse.

ELZIE STREET and pretty wife Estelle, are hosting her Canadian university classmate, Jean Anne McCuen at their spacious Greenspring Valley estate.

DON HUTCHINSON, running for Baltimore County Exec., will ll the Street's Aug. 8 guest, from 6 to 9 p.m., on the lawn and what an elegant affair that will be.

SATURDAY, July 22, is Freedom House President John R. Peters' birthday. However, he says he doesn't feel too well and is indoors out the heat at his 2366 McCulloh home. Send some cheerful message to him and his wife so the day will brighten up. OK?

TONIGHT (July 21) at the Maritime Union Hall, 8 N. Broadway, is the $15 per food, prizes and free beer fete by friends of Congressman P.J. Mitchell. Tickets are real cute, orange and blue. Hold the stub for door gifts. Secret servicemen will be scattered around to see that all goes well while you disco until 2 a.m. with no fear.

WALBROOK HI'S Mildred Forehand and Jean Saddler of Time Mag and Albert Jones, instructor, are the supervisors of the Black Media Workers' workshop for high schoolers at Coppin.

When we spoke there Tuesday, we were delighted to meet the bright, good-looking youngsters who are studying journalism: Darryl Anderson, Michael Brown, Cas M. Chase, Michael J. Cole, Jim Conley, Tamara Evans, Louise Forehand, Wendy Fredericks, Paulette McGill, Angela Mason, Lynette Pompey, David Smith, Frank Walker, Denize Williams, Danyell Winkey, Darlene Homer and Alethia Johnson.

JULY 30th is New Shiloh Baptist's Crusade at the Civic Center with a program only the dynamic Dr. Harold Carter could arrange. You'll be among the 15,000, I know.

PRETTIEST FROCKS ever seen on a summer night were those worn by the ladies at the banquet last week hosted by the Baptist young people; Mrs. Carl Washington, the director and Misses Debra Washington and Sheila King. Elizabeth Crawley Jones, sister of Rev. George Crawley, also looked stunning in white lace.

Mrs. Arnett Brown, married 51 years to the musician, looked beautiful in blue. Mrs. Billy Graves in pink and Mrs. Betty Ford in the loveliest red.

MISS ROSETTA DAVIS chaired the Pleasant Hope Baptist 45th Anniversary banquet July 17 and was fashionably dressed as was her co-chairmen, Ruth Nicholson, Acie L. Williams Sr. was also co-host along with pastor Rev. Howard R. Queen.

The event honored Rev. John Sharp, pastor of Govans Presbyterian Church; Frank Durkee, Senator Theatre and Francis Knott, president of the Knott Remodeling firm and representative of the York Road Planning Committee, all of whom helped the re-establishment of the church.

MORE GOODIES include the Evening Bible School set for Aug. 7-11 at Bishop Saunders' beautiful sanctuary at 5150 Baltimore National Pike. Dinner will be served from 5 to 6 p.m.

9325 ALL SAINTS RD., Laurel, Md. is the address of the fabulous affair coming Aug. 5 from 3 p.m. on to mark the third anniversary of the Singleton, Dashiell and Robinson Law Firm. The invitational affair is a fine barbecue and pool party with good food, good company and so forth.

CASSANDRA H. MARSHALL, a Democrat, is running in the 44th District for the House. The 44th District provides the only opportunity in the city for our citizens to gain a House seat since, her organization notes, in all the other districts, black citizens are running against black citizens. TRUE?!

Edward T. Marshall, president of Sandy's organization also notes that Sandy's race will prove black citizens can win in a white area.

SANDY is effective leader we know. She and Mr. Marshall have the Marshall family of wonderful children, Cassandra Jr., Edward Anthony, Celeste Hilary and Regina Annette.

Sandy's campaign photo is the best we've ever seen and includes her sitting in the middle of the family group. She is lauded by all who know her.

A teacher of Health Education at the University of Maryland for years, she sits on the Arts Council and has developed publications. In the 1978 General Assembly, she was legislative assistant to Del. Pinkney Hawkins. Her bio reads like a Who's Who. The organization behind Sandy is "People Who Care in N.E. Baltimore." Call 254-4361 to volunteer for this Sure-Winner, candidate.

MARION BANFIELD

Mrs. Banfield is district director of Family and Children Society

Poverty and anger III

This column is primarily for females, young or old, but particularly the young.

Women's status is changing. It is changing for the better, in my opinion. Women have been exploited throughout the history of the world. The exploitation by males in authority, by males in the family has been part of being on earth.

The women's movement is not a white middle class march. Laws affecting the economic rights of women have nothing to do with race. Exclusion of women from political, religious and economic power are not limited by race.

There is one very noticeable difference between women who are poor, and those who are not.

Poor women and their children crowd poor neighborhoods. Poor women can shout about wanting all those children that they can't feed, house, clothe, or educate decently. It sounds good. Few believe it.

Men can rave about birth control being genocide. That's an attempt to keep women's bodies available for the male ego trip — a baby. They have to care for the baby after birth. The female and her family are usually stuck with that burden.

The poor women depending on welfare payments which never have been and will not be adequate any time soon, trap themselves in the depressive and angry feelings that they know better than anyone else.

In about 30 years of social work, I have never met a woman who was happily satisfied living on public welfare.

What I find is the struggling despair of trying to find part-time or full-time work. Having found work, planning for the care of children is a major problem.

The lack of child care plans is not from indifference It is a despairing coping mechanism for survival in an economic and political system where children are not a major concern of the government.

The frustrations of too little money, the disappointment in males who fathered but neglected children make a despondency which is at the basis of much of the lack of loving care that our children need.

Getting involved with a male as an escape from home sends thousands of women into poverty and despair.

The message I send is:

Identify yourself as a woman in charge of your own mind and body.

Get enough education to be self-supporting so that you will never be totally dependent on public welfare nor any other person.

Recognize the competencies of women. Remember that the Bible and most other powerful books were written by human beings, whom we call "men."

Learn to assert your rights as an intelligent; self-respecting woman.

Learn the difference between assertive and "being mean, evil and ill-tempered!"

Learn about and use birth control so that you bring into this world only babies who will not begin life with poverty and anger.

Teach your children to respect women. Love and cherish your sons so that they will love and cherish themselves and the families they will establish. Love yourself and take good care of your beautiful self.

People

WASHINGTON — Fred W. Thomas, safety manager at the Howard University Hospital, has been voted chairman of the National Conference on Campus Safety.

Thomas came to the hospital after completing more than nine years as chief safety officer for Howard University.

A resident of Oxon Hill, Md., Thomas is a graduate of Howard University and is currently pursuing a master's degree in business administration at the American University.

MILWAUKEE — Deloris Sims has been named branch operations officer at the First Wisconsin National Bank's Fond du Lac at North office.

In her new position she will manage and control the teller operation at her branch including protecting against fraudulent transactions, organizing sales efforts and improving customer service.

Mrs. Sims joined First Wisconsin in 1970 as a multipurpose teller. She previously held the position of head commercial teller at Midland National Bank for two years.

A native of Pine Bluff, Ark., she resides with her husband, Isiah and two daughters, Elise, 13 and Annette, 9.

MIAMI — President Judicial Review and Screening Commission for the Fifth Circuit Court of the United States.

The 13 - person commission includes two other blacks.

NEW YORK — Marjorie Lewis, 53, has been appointed to the Board of Education by Manhattan Borough President Andrew Stein.

She is the first black woman to be named to the position.

Miss Lewis, who is a member of the District 5 Community Board in central Harlem is also a school teacher in District 23.

Miss Lewis, who began her teaching career in 1957, was graduated from Hunter College in 1953 and received her master's degree in 1962.

CLEVELAND — The Standard Oil Co. of Ohio has announced the appointment of William W. Grimes as manager of its Blaw - Knox Inc. refinery at Marcus Hook, Pa.

Grimes, who joined the company in the 1950s, comes to the top refinery position from his post as manager of operations which he has held since 1971.