**CITY OF BALTIMORE**
**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**
**BUREAU OF ENGINEERING**

BALTIMORE MARYLAND

NOTICE OF LETTING

Sealed bids or proposals, in duplicate, addressed to the Board of Estimates of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and marked "Bureau of Engineering Water Contract 3589 for cleaning and painting of Reisterstown and Pleasant Hill elevated water tanks will be received at the office of the Comptroller, Room 204, City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland, until Wednesday Aug. 22, 1979 at Eleven o'clock a.m. Board of Estimates employees will be stationed at the Security Unit counter just inside the Holliday Street entrance to City Hall from 10:45 a.m. every Wednesday to receive bids from bidders who feel they would not be able to deliver the bid envelope to Room 204 by 11:00 a.m. due to a possible delay by the security check and scanner process. The bids will be processed with a hand scanner, placed in a box and promptly at 11 o'clock the box will be sealed and brought to Room 204 City Hall, Comptroller's Office. (Positively no bids will be received after Eleven o'clock a.m. (Eastern Daylight Savings Time, and 12 o'clock noon on said date they will be publicly opened by the Board of Estimates in Room 215 in said City Hall

The proposed Contract Documents may be examined, without charge, at the office of the BUREAU OF ENGINEERING, Third Floor, Municipal Building, Baltimore, Maryland on and after Aug. 3, 1979 and necessary copies thereof may be obtained on payment of Ten Dollars ($10.00) for each copy, which payment will not be refunded.

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Bonds will be required of the successful bidder.

Bids when filed shall be irrevocable.

Attention of bidders is called to the minimum wage rates to be paid on this project.

All Contractors and Subcontractors desiring to bid on, or subcontract for work under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Engineering will be required to be prequalified with the Contractors Qualification Committee, City of Baltimore.

The Cost Classification Range for this project will be from $50,000 to $100,000

Separate performance and payment bonds each in the amount of the contract price will be required of the successful bidder.

A Pre-Bid Information Session for parties interested in this project will be conducted at the Water Division at 222 East Redwood Street on Aug. 15, 1979 at 10 a.m.

Baltimore City hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement minority business enterprise will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award."

This project consists in general of sand blasting and painting of the Reisterstown Water Tank and the 300,000 gallon Pleasant Hill Water Tank and the cleaning and painting of the 1,000,000 gallon Pleasant Hill Water Tank.

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**CITY OF BALTIMORE**

**CONSULTANTS EVALUATION BOARD**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Baltimore City Consultants Evaluation Board has been requested by the Department of Housing and Community Development to certify the qualifications of firms to perform professional services for the following project:

PROJECT NO. 189 PARKING STRUCTURE FOR SOUTH BALTIMORE BUSINESS AREA

The Department of Housing and Community Development desires to engage the services of an architectural firm in order to implement the following project:

Concept and schematic plans for a multi-story parking structure in the unit blocks of E. West Street. The anticipated construction cost is approximately $1,500,000.00.

The Consultant should be able to provide structural, mechanical, electrical engineering and functional parking design as well as architectural design services. It is most important that the Consultant demonstrate experience and expertise in the design of multi-level parking structures.

Firms desiring to be considered for such professional services should address a "letter of interest" to:

Executive Secretary
Consultants Evaluation Board
Room 300, Municipal Building
Baltimore, Maryland 2102
(301) 396-3350

Upon receipt of this "letter of interest" each respondent will be sent an application questionnaire to be completed and submitted along with one copy for consideration. Out of State Corporations must submit the name of your Resident Corporate Agent with the application. Architectural firms applying should also submit copies of your Maryland State Certificate of Authorization. Completed applications will be accepted by the Consultants Evaluation Board until the close of business on August 24, 1979.

By William E. Riley
Executive Secretary

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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

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Sealed Bids or Proposals in duplicate, addressed to the Board of Estimates of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and Marked "Bureau of Engineering Highway Contract 2576 for Resurfacing Various Locations in the First Councilmanic District" will be received at the Office of the Comptroller, Room 204, City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland until Wednesday, August 22, 1979 at 11:00 A.M. Board of Estimates employees will be stationed at the Security Unit Counter just inside the Holliday Street entrance to City Hall from 10:45 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. every Wednesday, to receive bids from bidders who feel they would not be able to deliver the bid envelope to Room 204 by 11:00 A.M. due to a possible delay by the security Check and scanner process. The bids will be processed with a hand scanner, placed in a box and promptly at 11:00 A.M. the box will be sealed and brought to Room 204, City Hall, Comptroller's Office. (Positively no bids will be received after 11:00 A.M.) Eastern Daylight Savings Time, and 12 o'clock noon on said date they will be publicly opened by the Board of Estimates in Room 215 in said City Hall

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Bonds will be required of the successful bidder

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Bids when filed shall be irrevocable

Attention of bidders is called to the minimum wage rates to be paid on this project

All contractors and Subcontractors desiring to bid on, or subcontract for work under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Engineering will be required to be prequalified with the Contractors Qualification Committee, City of Baltimore

The Cost Classification Range for this project will be from $250,000.00 to $500,000.00

Principal items of work for this project are

Patching Existing Pavement
Using Mix No
A Concrete 285 C.Y.
Bituminous Concrete
Pavement 3,940 ton
Removal of Bituminous
Paving Material
11-Inch Depth 30,445 y.

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The term of the lease will be five (5) years with the State enjoying the option to renew for an additional five (5) years

This space will be used for the University of Maryland, School of Medicine, Division of Clinical Investigation.

Proposals must be for modern, air conditioned, general purpose office space on the ground level or elevator serviced, and will include price, services provided, parking availability, and date available. All locations submitted must be accessible to and provide facilities for the handicapped. Proposals must be received by August 31, 1979

Information on specific requirements and proposal specifications may be obtained from The Department of General Services, Space Management Branch, Room 1309, 301 West Preston Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201, or by calling 383-6063. Proposals should be addressed to the above address. All inquiries, telephonic or in writing must specify the above proposal number

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has stipulated that a goal for minority participation has been established at ten to twenty-five percent of the total value of this contract

Interested minority businesses engaged in sanitary sewer construction or suppliers of materials are requested to contact the general contractor for a detailed listing of the services and materials that are required

Quotations are due in the general contractors office not later than August 16, 1979

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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**
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BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

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Sealed Bids or Proposals, in duplicate, addressed to the Board of Estimates of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and Marked "Bureau of Engineering Alley Contract 305 for Cement Concrete Alley Repairs at Various Locations in Baltimore City" will be received at the office of the Comptroller, Room 204, City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland, until Wednesday, August 22, 1979 at Eleven o'clock A.M. Board of Estimates employees will be stationed at the Security Unit Counter just inside the Holliday Street entrance to City Hall from 10:45 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. every Wednesday to receive bids from bidders who feel they would not be able to deliver the bid envelope to Room 204 by 11:00 A.M. due to a possible delay by the security Check and scanner process. The bids will be processed with a hand scanner, placed in a box and promptly at 11:00 A.M. the box will be sealed and brought to Room 204, City Hall, Comptroller's Office. (Positively no bids will be received after 11:00 A.M.) Eastern Daylight Savings Time, and at Twelve o'clock noon on said date they will be publicly opened by the Board of Estimates in Room 215 in said City Hall

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Bonds will be required of the successful bidder

The Board of Estimates reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or waive technical defects, if in its judgment, the interest of the Mayor and the City Council of Baltimore may so require

Bids when filed shall be irrevocable

Attention of bidders is called to the minimum wage rates to be paid on this project

All Contractors and Subcontractors desiring to bid on, or subcontract for work under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Engineering will be required to be prequalified with the Contractors Qualification Committee, City of Baltimore

The Cost Classification Range for this project will be from $500,000.00 to $1,000,000.00

Information concerning a Pre-Bid Meeting may be found in the Special Provision (Instructions to Bidders).

Principal items of work for this project are
7-In. Plain Cement
Concrete Pavement
Mix No. 7 . 74,550 S.Y.
Class I Excavation 9,894 C.Y.
5-In. Sub-Base
Using Crusher
Run 24,750 S.Y.

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**NOTICE**
**Minority Construction Contractors**

Paul N. Howard Company is seeking subbids for the following project: Kent Narrows4Stevensville/Grasonville area, Contract No. 4, Vacuum & Pressure Pipeline, Project No. C 208447, Queen Anne's County, Maryland. Bid Date August 8, 1979.

Subbids are requested in following areas:

Seeding and Grassing — Survey and Layout
Road and Driveway Repair — Boring and Tunneling
Fencing

Plans are available from the office of O'Brien & Gere Engineers, Inc., 1679 S. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware. Copies of the plans and specifications can be examined at: Queen Anne's County Department of Public Works, Centreville, Maryland; and at F. W. Dodge Corp. in Philade

All correspondence and/or questions should be addressed to the attention of Charles Gray, Paul N. Howard Company, P. O. Box 20488, Greensboro, N.C. 27420. 919/275-0411

Bids are requested by August 7, 1979

**CENTRAL MARYLAND HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY, INC**
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given that the Central Maryland Health Systems Agency, Inc. will hold a public hearing on a draft Resource Plan: Volume I, Phase I, General Short-Term Hospital (Facilities Plan) for Baltimore City, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Howard and Harford Counties.
DATE: Wednesday, August 29, 1979
PLACE: Central Maryland Health Systems Agency, Inc
Eleventh Floor Conference Room
501 St. Paul Place
Baltimore, Maryland 21202
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
The hearing is held pursuant to Public Law 93-641
Copies of the draft Resource Plan will be available for review at local branches of the public libraries, one each in Baltimore City and the five surrounding counties; and at the Central Maryland Health Systems Agency offices after August 3, 1979. A limited number of copies of the Plan will be available upon request.
Persons wishing to speak at the hearing may register in advance by telephoning the Central Maryland Health Systems Agency office, (301) 752-3500.

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**
**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**
**NOTICE OF LETTING**

Baltimore, Md.
AUG. 1, 1979

Sealed proposals, in duplicate, addressed to the Board of Estimates of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and endorsed "PROPOSALS FOR RAZING STRUCTURES AND CLEARING SITE, UPTON AREA, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, DEMOLITION AREA NO. 316, JOB NO. 16-79, BALTIMORE, MARYLAND." will be received at the office of the Comptroller, Room 204, City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland, until Wednesday, Aug. 15, 1979, at 11 o'clock Eastern Daylight Time (positively no bids received after eleven o'clock A.M.) and at 12 o'clock noon on said date they will be publicly opened and read by the Board of Estimates in Room 215 in said City Hall.

A check of any type drawn upon any solvent banking institution of the United States, made payable to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or a bid bond executed on the form as provided in the Bid or Proposal for an amount which is determined by multiplying the total bid submitted by five percent and rounding the result to the next highest five hundred dollars ($500.00), or certification of valid annual bid bond on file with the Department of Finance, will be required with each bid.

The successful bidder will be required to give a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the amounts called for in the specifications.

Drawings, specifications, and other contract documents may be obtained at the Office of the Commissioner of the Department of Housing and Community Development, Room 210, the Saratoga Street Municipal Building, 222 East Saratoga Street, Baltimore, Maryland, on and after Aug. 3, 1979 upon deposit of a check payable to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, in the amount of Twenty-Five ($25.00), which amount will not be refunded. CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

The Board of Estimates reserves the right to reject any and all bids and/or to waive technical defects as it may deem best for the interests of the City.

Bids, when filed, shall be irrevocable

Attention of bidders is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project and that the Contractor must insure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, creed, color, national origin, sex, or religion.

The successful bidder may be required to prepare and submit an Affirmative Action Program regarding the employment of minority job applicants. Details are set forth in the Contract Documents under 41 CFR 60-4.2(d) "Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity (Executive Order 11246)" and 41 CFR 60-4.3(a) "Standard Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Construction Contract Specifications (Executive Order 11246)." In addition, prior to the signing of a contract, we may submit a preliminary statement of work force needs, where known. Where not known, this information must be supplied prior to the signing of any contract between the contractor and his subcontractors.

All Contractors and Subcontractors desiring to bid on or perform work under the jurisdiction of the Department of Housing and Community Development will be required to be prequalified with the Contractors Qualification Committee, City of Baltimore. The Certificate of Prequalification must include work classifications covering contract items.

The Cost Classification Range for this Program will be from $5,000.00 to $100,000.00

APPROVED:
HYMAN A. PRESSMAN
Secretary,
Board of Estimates

APPROVED:
M. J. BRODIE
Commissioner,
Department of Housing
and Community Development

APPROVED:
VITO J. MANGANO
Director,
Construction and
Buildings Inspection

"INVITATION FOR BIDS"

The Housing Authority of Baltimore City will receive sealed bids in duplication for MS-1595, Repair Stairtower Siding, Murphy Homes, MD 2-18 until 2:00 p.m. EASTERN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME on Aug. 17, 1979, at the office of the Chief, Finance and Accounting, Room 475, Saratoga Street Municipal Building, 222 East Saratoga St., Baltimore, Maryland, 21202, at which time and place, all bids will be publicly opened and read loud.

Proposed forms of contract documents, including plans, if any, and Technical Specifications, are on file, and may be examined at the office of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City, Construction and Buildings Inspection, Room 210, Saratoga Street Municipal Building, 222 East Saratoga St., Baltimore, Maryland, 21202. Copies may be obtained upon registering at the Contractor and deposit of a check payable to the Housing Authority of Baltimore City in the amount of fifteen dollars ($15.00), which amount w/ll not be refunded. CASH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. For this amount, the successful bidder shall receive three (3) sets of complete documents

A certified check or ban kdraft payable to the Housing Authority of Baltimore City, U.S. Government Bonds, or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and a surety company in an amount equal to five (5%) of the bid shall be submitted with each bid.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory performance and payment bonds, each in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price, except that no performance or payment bonds are required for contracts under $2,000.00.

Attention is called to the fact that payrolls must be filed with the Housing Authority and pay less than the prevailing salaries and wages as set forth in the Specifications must be paid on this project. The Contractor must insure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, creed, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

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The Housing Authority of Baltimore City reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City.

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Closing date for receipt of resume, August 10, 1979

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# Cancer Info

By Dr. Jack E. White

Jack E. White, M.D., is director of the Howard University Cancer Center, chairman of the Department of Oncology at Howard University College of Medicine and professor of surgery.

This article is brought to you by the Cancer Information Service, an outreach program of the Howard University - Georgetown University Comprehensive Cancer Center. Send questions to CANCER INFO, Cancer Information Service, Suite 216, 1825 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009, or call the Cancer Information Service at (202) 232 - 2833.

Q. I have just been talking to a friend who says she has recurrent cancer. She seemed so resigned to her illness. As it because she is 40 years old, ten years older than I, that she can accept this awful blow so easily and I cannot. I feel so helpless. Is There anywhere I can go for counseling on how to deal with friends who are incurably ill?

A. It is understandable that you should feel unsure of how to deal with a dear friend who is facing a terminal illness. As a close friend, you probably would want to offer support, comfort, and affection throughout the illness up to the very end. The question is how best to do this.

It is true that an experienced person of forty may more easily accept the tragically unexpected blows in life than even a rather sophisticated, person of thirty, an age at which one feels committed to protest life's injustices. Also it is sometimes easier to accept with grace shockingly tragic news about oneself than about friends or relatives. Both may play a role in your friend's acceptance of her recurrent cancer.

Fortunately, there is organized assistance available for counseling on how to deal with terminal illnesses, death and dying.

The Washington chapter of the American Cancer Society offers a variety of councilling sessions for patients and bereaved persons. A series of rap sessions (group discussions) for cancer patients, their families, and friends who are facing the illness of a loved one, are also available.

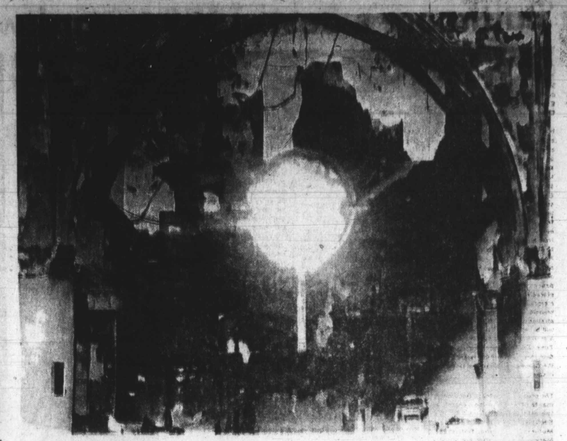
The St. Francis Burial and Counseling Society, Inc. offers workshops and seminars on death and dying, as well as individual and family counseling.

Make-Today-Count is a self-help organization, founded by a cancer patient, named Orville Kelly, with chapters in D.C., Maryland and Virginia. It brings together persons with life-threatening illnesses, their families and friends, so that they can discuss their concerns about death and dying in an open format. It attempts to inspire the seriously ill to live each day to the fullest (facing life one day at a time).

Haven of Northern Virginia is a counseling group which acts as a support system to members of the Northern Virginia community.

It is a voluntary organization consisting of professional and lay people willing to go out into the community and assist members and their families in meeting the physical and emotional need of the dying.

SMOKE ENGULFS the main steeple of the John Wesley AME Zion Church on 14th Street, N.W. The fire, which destroyed some $400,000 worth of recent renovation, reportedly started near the church's organ room. Several church members watched, and prayed as District firefighters fought the two-alarm blaze. (Photo by Courtney)



EXTENSIVE DESTRUCTION of interior of John Wesley AME Church was caused by Tuesday morning blaze which fire investigators attributed to a hot plate which had ignited some nearby paper. (Courtney Photo)

## 'Black Mecca' plan bared in Norfolk

By Bill Worrell
AFRO Staff Writer

NORFOLK — Norfolk Judge Joseph A. Jordan Jr. has urged the nation's 30 million blacks to begin a 10-year plan of donating $10 a year as a common effort to help black business and themselves.

In addition, Jordan said part of the $300 million a year could be used to build a "Black Mecca" as a symbol of the financial undertaking.

Speaking to a group of public housing tenants, Jordan said the "Black Mecca" would be a 100-story cultural and historical center for blacks. It would cost between $50 million and $70 million, he said.

The outspoken judge of Norfolk General District Court said blacks have overlooked their own resources as a means to help themselves.

"I've heard enough about our poverty status, and that we're not in the economic mainstream," Jordan said. "Don't tell me you can't do it, because you're on welfare. You waste $10 a month," he said.

He proposed that half the money each year be placed in a trust, with the interest on it used as loans to black businesses.

Another $10 million could be used to buy buses for transportation to the "Black Mecca" and other transportation, he said. Part of the money could be used to start factories to build the buses, which would provide employment.

Some more of the money would go to research at black colleges, other amounts to buy farms, Jordan said.

No one "who calls himself black or makes claims to blackness" could oppose the effort, he said.

Judge Jordan

## A.A. Morisey, 65, newsman

A.A. Morisey

By Bobby Isaac
AFRO Staff Writer

WASHINGTON

A. Alexander Morisey, who has been referred to as "the Jackie Robinson of southern journalism," died of cancer in New York City Monday. He was 65.

A former director of public relations at Howard University and The New York Times, Mr. Morisey was one of the first black reporters to work for a white owned southern newspaper.

He worked for the Winston-Salem (N.C.) Journal from 1948 to 1951.

"Alex Morisey is the Jackie Robinson of southern journalism," said Winston - Salem Sentinel columnist Tom Sieg in a July 16 column. Sieg said that like Robinson in baseball Morisey had broken the color line in journalism south of Washington, D.C.

Sieg, who worked with Morisey at the Journal recalled the social and professional eligibility to which Morisey had been subjected under the South's separate - but - equal doctrine. The newspaper built Morisey his own bathroom.

Morisey, who Sieg remembers as a tall man with "dignified bearing," didn't like his separate facility, but "knew life required compromises." But Morisey made no compromises on the quality of his work. Hired to work for the paper's "colored" section that appeared on Sundays, Morisey's byline stories soon began to appear in other sections of the paper including the front page

He said "Alex expanded the Journal coverage of black news. He did the reporting, snapped the shutter, but he soon began to let other people know that black people did something besides have church suppers and shoot and cut each other up on Saturday nights."

Mr. Morisey, who also had worked as the North Carolina correspondent for the Norfolk (Va.) Journal and Guide, a black newspaper, began his public relations career as publicity director of the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia.

He came to Washington and was public relations director at Howard University from 1957 to 1969. Afterwards, he was the public relations director of the Philadelphia Committee on Human Relations.

Mr. Morisey joined the public relations staff of The New York Times in 1969, and was named Times public relations manager in 1971.

He has been assistant for community relations to the president of the Manhattan Community College in New York since 1975.

His wife, Dr. Patricia Morisey, recalled in a brief interview Thursday that "he saw journalism as an active social tool," and that he had been very happy he had broken the barriers in his career.

Mr. Morisey was a native of Smithfield, N.C., and a graduate of Shaw University in Raleigh, N.C. He did graduate work at the American University in Washington.

Besides his wife of the home, he is survived by a son, A. Alexander Jr. of Philadelphia; two daughters, Jean Alexander and Muriel Morisey, both of Washington; a stepson Paul Garland of New York City; a brother, John of Philadelphia; a sister, Grace Jones of Burlington, N.C.

## $400,000 damage
# Fire wrecks John Wesley

By Roger S. Glass

WASHINGTON

About 25 members of the John Wesley AME Zion Church — most of them with tears in their eyes — watched helplessly Tuesday morning as black smoke rose from the sanctuary of the recently renovated church.

Gathered across the street from where firefighters were battling the two-alarm fire at the historic church, the members of the congregation held hands in a circle and began to sing a spiritual. With heads bowed, they later prayed.

"We'll have to hold onto God, we can't do it alone," stated Assistant Pastor James F. Patterson as flames leaped from the roof of the church behind him. "We'll continue to do God's work right here on this corner."

Patterson, who had arrived at the church at 14th and Corcoran Sts., N.W., to prepare Sunday's sermon which he was scheduled to deliver in the absence of Pastor Cecil Bishop, said that he had planned for Sunday's sermon to be about the "renovation of the soul". Now, the congregation must re-renovate a church they recently sunk over $300,000 into.

"If the fire keeps up like this we might have to tear the whole thing down," lamented Thomas Washington as the blaze, thought contained, began to spread to the church's parish.

Washington, chairman of the board of trustees, explained that the church, which holds close to 2,500 people, was scheduled to open on Mother's Day after being closed almost three months for extensive renovations. The congregation worshipped at Emory United Methodist while John Wesley was being renovated.

On Thursday, investigators attributed the fire to a hot plate which had ignited some nearby paper.

Because of the fire, church services will be held indefinitely, beginning at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 29, at Simpson - Hamline United Methodist Church, 18th and Allison Sts., N.W.

The original wood and paint of the 128 - year - old John Wesley church had been gutted in renovation, according to architect Marion Thomas who said that pictures of the renovation work were scheduled to be taken on the next day.

The architect explained that because the building's 130 foot steeple would have to be rebuilt it would probably cost almost $500,000 to repair the damage caused by the fire.

Fire investigators had not determined the cause of the fire; they did say, however, that it may have started in the kitchen located behind the choir loft which was hit hardest by the fire. The church was insured.

Douglas Rich, a church member who was setting up for the daily senior citizens dinner when he discovered the fire, explained, "I heard this knocking noise which I didn't pay any attention to at first.

Rich said that shortly afterwards he saw flames shooting out of a door. After alerting two secretaries and a janitor who were also in the church, he and the others escaped unharmed as flames shot up the rear steeple and set ablaze the building's 2,500 pound new cross perched on the top.

"I have known people to come in just to see the sanctuary," recalled Ervin Singletary, a member of the church's board of stewards. "Now between the fire and the water the sanctuary may have been ruined." The church, according to Singletary, was close to 125 years old.

The church's long - time pastor, Dr. Cecil Bishop, who was in Miami, Fla. at a home missions conference when the fire took place, cut short his stay and returned to Washington, Tuesday night.

The fire also forced the funeral of ardent church member Sadie M. Sterling to be moved to the Union Wesley AME Church in northeast. Ms. Sterling was scheduled to be funeralized at John Wesley AME Zion on the day following the fire.

## Black English in school debated

RICHMOND

Eleven students in the Ann Arbor, Mich. School District have filed a suit in U.S. District Court asking the court to make what is commonly known as a black dialect part of the school district's English curriculum.

One proponent of black English, a professor of linguistics at the University of California in Fullerton, claims that blacks score lower on tests of standard - English ability than Mexicans, Asians and American Indians because of the "Amos 'n Andy" characteristics of black dialect which isolate blacks from the mainstream of white dominated education.

Critics of Black English contend that to incorporate it into the educational system would only perpetuate stereotyping of blacks and further enhance their isolation from mainstream America.

The AFRO asked 10 people at random in Richmond whether they felt so - called black English should be incorporated into the public school system curriculum. They answered this way:

Miss Alam Adkins, clerk: "I think students should be taught standard English because they learn more and it's more equitable. It gives a better chance of progressing in society when they are taught the same things the white kids are taught."

John M. Miller, work force supervisor: "Students should all be taught the same English whether they are black or white. A human being is a human being and the black man has to go up against the same thing as the white man. Teaching blacks one way and whites another will only hurt the blacks."

Brother Joseph Wallace, evangelist singer: "Public school curriculums should stay the way they are because anything else would be confusing. Adding black English to the curriculum will not help the black student in the future but will make the world more prejudiced."

Brother Bill Woodruff, evangelist singer: "It's nice to know the difference between the two but blacks should stick to standard English because it's the only English this country recognizes. Black English shouldn't be promoted over the standard English."

Miss Rose Paige, clothing checker: "They should keep the public school curriculum the way it is now because standard English has been out here a long time and will remain the dominant language. Blacks should learn to use standard English better."

Miss Sandy Gardner, factory worker: "I think the educational system is messed up anyway — but who is to say what is black English. A lot of what you learn is what you learn at home. School doesn't teach you that much."

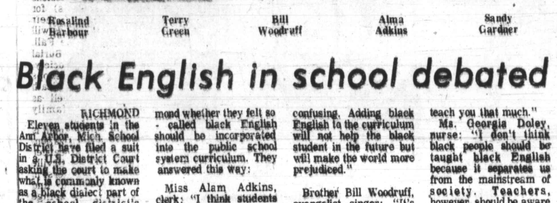
Ms. Georgia Doley, nurse: "I don't think black people should be taught black English because it separates us from the mainstream of society. Teachers, however, should be aware of and understand black English."

Ms. Rose Chambers, dental student: "English is English. The chance of a black person getting a good job are much better if he talks and writes properly."

Ms. Roseland Barbour, dental student: "It's no black or white English — everybody is taught the same standard English. Black kids just want to get out the easy way by talking that talk that nobody understands."

Miss Terry Green, dental student: "Black and white kids should learn the same English otherwise they will get ahead of us. We need to get involved so that we will know what they know."

Roseland Barbour — Terry Green — Bill Woodruff — Alma Adkins — Sandy Gardner



John M. Miller — Georgia Doley — Rose Chambers — Joseph Wallace — Rose Paige

## Dr. John M. Hunter, VSU professor emeritus

PETERSBURG, Va. — A funeral service for Dr. John McNeile Hunter, a professor emeritus of physics and a retired dean of Virginia State University, was held July 23 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church here.

He died Friday, July 20, in a Petersburg hospital. He was 70 years old.

Dr. Hunter came to Virginia State in 1928 as a science instructor and engineer.

He assumed many leadership roles. In 1927, he organized the science-mathematics unit of the college. In 1939, he organized the physics department and served as its