Editorial Page

THE AFRO-AMERICAN

An Independent Weekly Newspaper

What the AFRO Stands for:

1. Colored policemen, policewomen and firemen
2. Colored representatives on city, county and State boards of education.
3. Equal salaries for equal work for school teachers without regard to color or sex.
4. Colored members of boards of State institutions where inmates are colored.
5. The organization of labor unions among all groups of colored workers.
6. A university an agricultural college for colored people supported by the State
7. Closer co-operation between farmers and the State and Federal farm agents.

They Let Us Down Hard

Senator Millard E. Tydings and Senator George Radcliffe (Dems., Md.) not only let us down on the Antilynching Bill, but let us down hard.

Not only did they show a disinclination to push the measure to a vote, they even indicated that they were against it.

After hobnobbing with such Southern filibuster leaders as Pat Harrison and Tom Connally in the zero hours on the floor of the Senate Wednesday, Senator Tydings voted against ending debate on the bill. Senator Radcliffe followed suit after talking to Senator Byrnes of South Carolina and Senator Byrd of Virginia.

Both Senators knew that their votes against cloture was tantamount to a vote against passage of the bill. They also knew that to the last man and woman their colored constituency expected them to stand by them in this fight. They know that even Maryland has had two lynchings in which mobs made jackasses out of our State guards and law machinery.

But they capitulated to our Southern oppressors and let us down.

This will stick in our memory. It will stick in the memory of every colored voter in this State.

Wherever and whenever the names of Millard E. Tydings and George Radcliffe loom as candidates, our voters will not forget that in our hour of crisis they let us down, and let us down hard.

Which Way, Colored Business?

The Baltimore Association for the Promotion of Negro Business bumped into a knotty problem Friday when it discussed the wisdom of urging consumers to give all their trade to colored business establishments.

The real benefit from the discussion came, however, not from the ability to settle this question, but in demonstrating the necessity of such an organization as they are developing to study and analyze just such matters and others vital to our business and economic life.

The general business structure of this country is constantly undergoing changes, and policies and methods suitable for one year or one locality might be unsuited for a year hence or another locality.

The point is, the Association for the Promotion of Negro Business must be flexible enough to consider its problems in the light of present conditions rather than time-worn ideas.

It is also obvious that the various interests of different kinds of business will develop differences of opinion. But it should be the function of the association to keep the main trend in the direction of the greatest good for all.

And to this effort must be brought not only the experience of the business men and women, but the social economist, able to get a picture of the whole community structure. In this connection, the Baltimore organization seems to be going in the right direction when it invites such experts as the heads of the Morgan College business and sociology departments to help build the organization and formulate policies.

Business men, like other community groups, are often inclined to see only the business world in the form of profits in their particular field, but they are coming to realize more and more that prosperity is divisible and that unless there is a prosperous group of buyers there cannot be prosperous business.

The basic wage structure of the community, and especially the business clientele, should be of as much concern as the basic price of commodities. They both are important to him.

As was pointed out Friday night, this question of purely racial business might become a boomerang if other races also apply the principle. It is obvious that our business concerns must get the support of group buyers and that we must construct a planned economy based on the conditions about us. There is no reason to regard this as a religion or fixed policy, however, and in the long run a policy of business co-operation without regard to race or color wherever possible, will be the best solution.

That this and other matters are getting intelligent consideration by the association shows that it is headed somewhere.

Syphilis and Birth Control

It took the American people hundreds of years to smoke that destructive syphilitic germ out into the open where they would have the chance of smashing it as a human scourge.

For, although the medical profession long ago definitely tagged this germ, learned all about its habits and discovered a specific manner of destroying it, in our puritanical dumbness we allowed it to run riot, kill and maim millions of human beings.

In fact, it was allowed to thrust its deadly fangs into one out of every twenty American citizens before serious action was taken. Because it was associated with sex, it became taboo and its treatment was driven underground.

The same taboo has veiled the matter of birth control. Although the medical profession and much of the intelligent laity have known for years that in [illegible] ing month of March. Here are a few such characters born in March:

The Rev. Leonard A. Black, born in Anne Arundel County, a very eminent Baptist divine; the Rev. John T. Jenifer, born in Prince George County, eminent M. Bolden, at present a well-known pastor and social worker in New York, born in Somerset County, this State, and Mrs. Fernandis Born at Port Deposit, a social worker, of this city, well known to us all.

Beyond the State, the Rev. Alexander Crummell, born in New York City, one of the [illegible] ate of the United States, representing the sovereign State of Mississippi!

Young people should be impressed with the fact that those early colored men in Congress were efficient and of high character.

The late James G. Blaine, by no means any too friendly towards colored people, in his book, says of them:

"They were as a male, studious, earnest, ambitious men, whose public conduct . . . would be honorable to any race."

GEORGE F. BRAGG, Jr.

Baltimore

More Than 5 Out of 8 Tested Have Syphilis

More than 8,000 cases of venereal disease were reported in Baltimore during 1937, of which 5,886 were syphilis, Dr. Ferdinand O. Reinhard, director of the Bureau of Venereal Disease, Baltimore City Health Department, announced this week.

Dr. Reinhard, who released this information as part of the program of National Social Hygiene Day which will be observed Wednesday throughout the nation, said this is the largest number of cases ever reported in Baltimore.

More Cases Uncovered

He said this does not necessarily mean that there are actually more cases at the present time than heretofore, but it does indicate that more cases are being uncovered.

It has been estimated, he reported, that 1,500,000 cases of syphilis exist today in the United States and that it is a factor in the death of more than 100,000 persons each year.

Blood tests done by the Baltimore city laboratory for syphilis have increased from 32,049 to 39,801 in the past year, Dr. Reinhard declared, thereby showing the growing interest in the disease.

Cost $169,000 in 1932

In 1936, he said, a study published by Thompson, Brumfield, and Caldwell shows that the minimum direct cost of syphilis alone in Baltimore for the single year 1932 was slightly over $169,000. This was for hospitalization, clinics, laboratory work, and drugs.

Dr. Reinhard said that the study did not include the economic losses resulting from the fact that most of the patients who end their days in hospitals were unable to make a living for a long time prior to admission.

The disruption of family life which results when the bread winner becomes a liability has not been taken into consideration nor have the expenditures for relief as made by non-official or official agencies, he pointed out.

Seen in Tax Return

If these added costs of syphilis are considered instead of only the $169,000, several times this amount is doubtless expended each year in Baltimore, the physician asserted. This is reflected in the tax return of every taxpayer.

Dr. Reinhard said that during the past year, 4,317 cases of syphilis in the city clinics received over 60,000 treatments. "It must be remembered," he continued, "that the number of patients treated was only a small part of those who needed treatment.

"Since 1933, because of overloaded clinics, it has been necessary to select the types of cases which could receive treatment in the city clinics.

"The syphilis program should be expanded to the point where nobody needing treatment will fail to get it," he said.

May Lower Cost

"When this time is reached," Dr. Reinhard concluded, "we can look forward to a reduction in the cases of syphilis over a period of years.

"This should also help to lower the annual cost which Baltimore pays at the present time because of this single disease."

Capital Spotlight

WASHINGTON.

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, the wife of the President, visited Freedmen's Hospital the other day to see a White House servant who is ill there. She went through the institution and shook hands with doctors, interns, and nurses.

Incidentally, two ofay nurses are being brought into Freedmen's to revamp the nursing service. One of them is coming from—of all places—Sibley Hospital!

At the midnight show at the Howard last Saddee night an ofay pansy climbed onto the stage during the stage performance. He had the urge to sing. Blanche Thompson, the shapely model of Irvin C. Miller's "Brownskin Models," lost her father while playing a local engagement and went to Texas for the last rites.

But in the tradition of the stage she carried on between the time she received the sad news via telegraph and train time.

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Spots plotting to replace waitresses with waiters against the women's minimum wage law may find themselves boycotted. The set minimum wage of $8.65 they must pay after deducting for meals and uniforms is little enough. Nobody approves the starvation wage of $2 a week some of them have been paying.

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Howard University has lost three of its deans in recent months—Dean Dwight Holmes (College of Education), by resignation; Dean Lucy D. Slowe, (Women), by death, and now Dean Edward P. Davis (College of Liberal Arts), also by death.

Local gendarmes, who grab small numbers writers from time to time, might profitably read Courtney Ryley Cooper's tome, "Here's to Crime," in which he says:

"It is easier to catch small fish than big ones."

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On wag suggested that Howard use its football stadium for its basketball games account the crowds and its gym for its football games. Maybe the university will use the profits from basketball to put a winning football team on the field next season.

The Bachelor-Benedicts will mimic the What-Good-Are-We's. Their Easter shindig will be a costume dance. Ex-Judge James A. Cobb is one of the sponsors of the Modern Forum, which meets at the Washington Hotel and the Rialto Theatre.

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At the Modern Forum last Sunday, Otis Ferguson, a magazine editor and music critic, illustrated his talk on "Swing and the Changing World;" with, among others, the following records: Fletcher Henderson's "Jackass Blues," Louis Armstrong's "Lonesome Blues," McKinney's Cotton Pickers' "Millenberg Joys," the Benny Goodman Quartet's "Stompin' at the Savoy," Duke Ellington's "Harlem Speaks Caravan," Lionel Hampton's "China Stomp," and Bessie Smith's "Backwater Blues," and "Empty Bed Blues."

In Accord with Dr. Rhetta's Views

To the Editor of the AFRO:

I have read with interest Dr. Rhetta's article on conditions at Howard University, and am very glad to relate that these publications are bringing some pertinent truths to light.

I am in perfect accord with Dr. Rhetta's views in his stand with President Johnson as an efficient president of Howard University.

GEORGE W. MITCHELL

Baltimore.

Schools Can Further Aim of Colored Business

By C. HENRY JENKINS
Executive Secretary of Business League

In a period of adversity such as the world has witnessed since 1929, people of all nations and all groups are drawn together in the common purpose of correcting the causes and improving the unsettled condition.

In seeking to attain such mutual objectives, the spiritual essence of human values reaches its fullest expression and the bond of world brotherhood is stronger than at any other period of human experience.

Like all other groups, the colored man during the depression has sustained severe losses, both in the reversal of individual business enterprise as well as for the withdrawal of much of the support for the advancement of our people.

Over against the losses, we have gained a new solidarity, a new sense of responsibility and a new vision of our latent powers, it is of utmost importance to record the fact that colored business enterprises which have been most successful are those which have made ideals in service the bed rock upon which they are constructed. Racial sentiment alone will not build business.

I heartily commend the idea of interracial co-operation in business, the tried business experience of sympathetic white friends is valuable in helping to formulate policies for certain types of our business and to give necessary stability.

Need of Preparation

For the group to properly equip itself for the test ahead in business, I recommend that the heads of our schools and the various academies representing the education of our youth give serious thought to the practical needs of our group and wherever necessary, revise their curricula, especially in the commercial departments, to meet the changing demands of the present time.

Bringing about the condition just noted is primarily the work of three groups of leaders — the ministry, still the leaders of the group with the most unusual opportunities for influencing the group in the direction indicated; the press, which is steadily increasing in power and affluence, and the teachers, the moulders of the generation's thoughts in dcharacter; following these, but just as definitely and earnestly, should follow other professional men and women.

In the last analysis the business man will maintain his place in proportion to the efficiency with which he functions and renders service to the community.

The business man, who is unwilling or unable to take advantage of new methods or new developments must, of course, risk ultimate failure.

Health Official Says Kiddies' Eyes Need Care

"Protect Your Child's Eyes" was the subject of a talk given by Miss Constance Jacobs, public health nurse, Baltimore City Health Department, Tuesday, delivered under the auspices of the Baltimore City Health Department and the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland.

Miss Jacobs pointed out that the eyes of youngsters should be carefully watched for any signs of infection, and if trouble appears, a doctor should be consulted.

"Ophthalmia, a word originally and still used to denote inflammation of the eye generally, is loosely applied to an inflammation of the outer covering of the eye called the conjunctiva, and this condition may be caused by a germ which frequently produces permanent injury to infants' eyes," she said.

"In any case, the very mildest eye signs of an unnatural order should receive the attention and aid of a physician at once," Miss Jacobs emphasized. "Delay in caring for this infection is dangerous and sometimes results in permanent blindness."

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Dr. Bragg Makes History Week Suggestion to Youth

To the Editor of the AFRO:

I be to make a suggestion through your columns. It is this. Every year around the 14th of February, a number of young people in our schools are much concerned over Negro History. I suggest that all our teachers, at convenient intervals, during the year, give a few minutes to [illegible] intellectual men this country has ever produced, and former Congressman DePriest, of Chicago, born in Alabama. There are others born in this month, but those mentioned occur to me at this writing.

How many of our high school children know that within a decade from the time that John Brown was hanged at Harpers Ferry a colored clergyman, once the acting pastor of Madison [illegible] So perverted has the popular mind become on this subject that the very term birth control generally denotes illegal medical practice, when as a matter of fact it [illegible] the whole social question of moral and physical behaviour.

But it ought to be evident to any person with any acuity of observation that there are few women who follow through to the full capacity of biological reproduction, and these this is true, and in some cases of vital concern to society, all the knowledge and intelligence that can be brought to bear upon it should be welcomed.

Here, too, the development of agencies like the properly established birth control clinics that will smoke the matter out into the open would seem the [illegible] answer

"Save Vision Week" to Be Observed

National observance of "Save Your Vision Week," beginning February 20, will be marked in Baltimore and throughout Maryland, according to proclamations issued by Mayor Howard W. Jackson of Baltimore and Governor Harry W. Nice.

Sponsored by the American Optometric Association in co-operation with the Better Vision Institute, "Save Your Vision Week" is being supported here by the Maryland Association of Optometrists.

Alumnus Concurs

To the Editor of the AFRO:

I have read the two articles written by Dr. B. M. Rhetta and published in the AFRO on January 29 and February 5, with a great deal of interest, and as an alumnus of Howard, I wish to say that, in the main, I concur in the sentiments therein expressed.

M. J. NAYLOR

Baltimore

Concords and Discords

By W. LLEWELLYN WILSON

Included in that ever growing list of Baltimore youths and maidens who, after their school days are over, have made creditable reputations for themselves in the modern musical world of stage, screen and radio entertainers, should be the name of William Kenny, who appeared at the Royal Theatre as a member of the Four Ink Spots.

This group has performed in many of the cities here in the United States and moreover the Four Ink Spots have travelled and entertained in a number of European countries.

Mr. Kenny is best remembered, perhaps, for his excellent singing in the operas which were given during his student days at Douglass High School, when he was a member of the Choral Club.

Mr. Kenny's singing of the tenor solo in the lamented S. Coleridge-Taylor's "Hiawatha" particularly his fine singing of "Onaway, Awake Beloved," caused much excellent praise from the music reviewers of that period.

Mr. Kenny has improved much through training and experience since his high school days here, artistically, but despite his attainments he still retains all the excellent qualities which made him a great favorite here in his home town, during his school days.

The student band at Douglass High School is growing numerically and musically.

The young people who make up this musical unit practice earnestly, whenever the opportunity presents itself.

The boys and girls are receiving first class instruction on their chosen instruments, and the results thus far are very satisfactory.

In addition to group instruction, each embryo musician receives individual instruction twice weekly.

This work is carried on under the direction of the music department of the city public schools, John Dennnes, director of music education, and Osmar Steward, supervisor of instrumental music, in co-operation with the Peabody Conservatory, Otto Ortmann, director.

An Art Gesture

The controversy over the control of Baltimore's art institutions brings to mind the recent establishment of the Artists' Workshop, the first Baltimore art school to which students of all races are welcome.

In this school, which is conducted at 402 St. Paul Street, an effort is being made to apply the principles of American democracy and freedom of expression to the field of art. Not only will the classes be open to all, regardless of race, color or creed, its sponsors have announced, but its faculty is mixed, Miss Florence Purviance being one of those included in the setup.

Appreciation of art, like the appreciation of music, is a cultural factor which no group can afford to ignore in a modern community. Unfortunately, there has been a tendency not only to confine art institution facilities to a privileged few, but to discourage their use in any way by colored people. Even in some of the tax-supported art institutions colored citizens are unwelcome.

The fight, therefore, to bring these facilities within reach of the masses, and especially the courage of that group of artists and sponsors who have taken a step toward breaking down the color bar, is a welcome one.

Rabbi Says Economic Rise Causes Persecution

Persecution follows a race's rise from the economic level set for it by another race, declared Rabbi William Rosenau of the Eutaw Place Temple in an address, "Race Relationships," on the Interracial Sunday program of the YMCA.

Fascism and communism have arisen, he said, and what tomorrow will bring forth for the races will be the fight between the two. "Our salvation seems to be in religion, belief, trust, and loyalty to a Supreme Being," he asserted.

The world, he said, is swayed by nationalism, and Jews and colored people suffer from it to the extent that persecution is the vogue of the day. "Lincoln needs to be reborn to save humanity," the rabbi stated.

He praised the fight made to place Donald Murray at the University of Maryland and cited the oft-repeated saying, "Taxation without representation is tyranny," as today's symbol of national policy.

"Public institutions supported by taxes should be for the people regardless of race, color or creed," he said.

The Coppin Normal School sextet rendered selections on the program. Also on the program were: Howard L. Cornish of Morgan College and the Rev. Ward D. Yerby, pastor of Perkins Square Baptist Church. Carrington L. Davis presided.

Committee

The committee on promotion of religious work at the YMCA includes:

The Revs. C. Y. Trigg, Robert P. Coates, F. W. White, A. J. Payne, C. Edward Brown, C. C. Ferguson, George F. Bragg, G. M. Edwards, and John T. Colbert, chairman.

Borah Shamed Southerners Into Antilynch Filibuster

Writing in their column, "The Capital Parade," appearing in a recent issue of the Washington (D.C.) Evening Star, Joseph Alsop and Robert Kintner had this to say, in part:

"The present moribund condition of the Antilynching Bill is the work of one man, and that man is neither a Southerner nor a Democrat. He is Senator William E. Borah, Republican, of Idaho, the old lion of States' rights.

"To put it bluntly, Borah shamed the Southern Senators into their gaseous but effective filibuster against the bill. At the end of the special session, the Southerners had an uneasy conscience, chiefly because most of them secretly wanted to see the bill pass.

"Most of them are conservative, anti-New Deal Democrats, who fear a future struggle with the New Deal for control of the party back home. And they can think of no better weapon for the struggle than Franklin Delano Roosevelt's signature on an antilynching bill.

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POEM OF THE WEEK

SELF-CONTROL

Dear God, when anger fills my heart,
Or hard resentment burns in me,
When love and reason have no part
In what my words and deeds should be:
Then give me quiet self-control
To check the rising flame within,
Oh, stop the anger waves that roll
And toss my spirit with their sin.

Love in the heart makes self-control
A helmsman ever sure and calm
A power to guide the good ship of my soul
To havens safe from hate and harm.

Oh, may I never fail to know
That where God is, naught else can be.
I am God's child, and He will show
The way of peace and strength to me.

ANONYMOUS

JUST A BIT OF FUN

Careless of Him

Jim was out walking with a friend when he remarked, "Did you see that notice we've just passed—'Tourist trips over the mountains'?"

"No," said his friend, "I didn't, but why worry about him? Why couldn't he have looked where he was going?"

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No Profit

"I see old Berriam, the undertaker, was killed in an auto wreck."

"Yes, he won't make much on that funeral."

"Nope, that's one time he's going in the hole."

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Testing Him

A hard-driving taxi-man ignored a red light, threatened the traffic policeman's kneen, missed the street island by an inch, and grazed a bus, all in one dash.

The policeman hailed him, then strolled over to the taxi, pulling a big handkerchief from his pocket en route.

"Listen, cowboy!" he growled. "On your way back I'll drop this and see whether you can pick it up with your teeth."—Stray Stories Magazine.

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Identified

The teacher was putting questions to the class.

"What do we call a man," he asked, "who keeps on talking and talking when people are no longer interested?"

"Please, sir," replied a boy, "a teacher."

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The girl who keeps on insisting she's right is usually the one who is left.

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Better for Reaching

Poppa (at dinner) — Willie, stop reaching for everything in sight. Now stop it; haven't you got a tongue?

Willie—Sure, pop, but my arm's longer.

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Camouflage

Waiter — Customer says his steak is too small.

Manager—Put it on a smaller plate.

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Too Sad

Sympathetic Visitor—What do you suppose makes you suffer so?

Housewife—I don't know, I'm sure, and I believe nothing but a post-mortem will ever show.

Sympathetic Visitor—You poor thing! You are so weak you could never stand that!

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Matched

It was during a big sale, and tempers were getting frayed.

"If I were trying to match politeness," said one customer, glaring hard at a saleslady, "I'd have a job to find it here."

"Have you a sample?" the saleslady asked.

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The Store's Fault

Mrs. Newwed (at dinner table) —I was going to have some sponge cake as a surprise for you, dear, but I confess it was a failure.

Mr. Newwed—What was the matter?

Mrs. Newwed—I don't know for sure, but I think the store sent me the wrong kind of sponges.

Nominates AFRO, Leader of Social Thought and Action

To the Editor of the AFRO:

Time has shown the world known to weed out the quality from the quantity, so it is high time we [illegible] an "Afro Club," making "AFRO" our leader by keeping tabs on happenings through our weekly scribe.

In order to prevent this, we who know must educate the incanables to the power of the ballot, and not allow them to be swayed by theoretical promises and suggestions.

Need Brain Dusting

Those whose views have been narrowed by restrictions are badly in need of a little diplomatic, intellectual brain dusting, and it is up to us to see that they get it.

So long as our leaders principles and purposes are so exceptionally good, such as colleges, universities, and other civic opportunities for the betterment of our race, it should not matter who [illegible]

If I am ahead of my time, please forgive me, but I was taught "Forward March" at an early age, and it may have been [illegible]

ALBERT MATHIEU

Baltimore

EX-WAITER HEADS BOTTLING COMPANY

By J. ROBERT SMITH

The American Bottling Company of 801 Whatcoat Street, a concern valued at $55,000 today, had its humble beginning sixteen years ago, when Reginald A. Gardner, a hotel waiter conceived the idea of entering into business for himself.

Employed in a local hotel, Gardner, who was president of the company, saved as much as possible out of his meager earnings and tips. He saved $2,000 over a period of many years with which he purchased his first equipment and a truck.

Served 25 Free Cases

A few weeks after the site for the establishment was selected and the machinery was installed on March 22, 1922, twenty-five cases of beverages were distributed free.

In order to gain the confidence of the patrons and the public, this free distribution lasted for thirty days.

Re-organized in 1933

Following a year of hard work studying the psychology of the beverage business, it was decided that for the best interest of the company, reorganization was in order.

At a regular meeting Irvin E. Gaither was named president, and Gardner was made treasurer. From 1933 up to the present time, these two officials have been responsible for the operation of the only colored bottling business in Maryland.

Machines Worth $10,000

Five modern machines which tued for the manufacture of soft drinks cost $10,000.

The sterilizing machine has a washing capacity of 2,880 bottles per hour; the two bottling machines service 2,880 bottles in the same time; the carbonator takes care of 300 gallons of liquid and the labelling machine disposes of 240 bottles sill in an hour.

Makes 13 Flavors

The company produces thirteen flavors, namely, birch beer, champagne cider, ginger ale, orange, lemon, grape, pale dry, mixed, sarsaparilla, strawberry, root beer, lime and hi-test kola.

They are prepared in four sizes. The 7-ounce size is sold at 60 cents a case (24 bottles); 8-ounce, 60 cents; 16-ounce, 70 cents and 32-ounce, 70 cents.

The sale of the various flavors vary according to the change of seasons. Fruit and champagne cider flavors are in great demand in spring and summer, while ginger ale and club soda are fall and winter drinks.

Ginger ale, particularly, stands out in a class by itself, since it serves as a chaser for intoxicating liquors, and these are consumed the year round.

Does $35,000 Business

The bottling company does on the average of $35,000 worth of business annually, and reached its financial peak in 1936.

The company boasts of four trucks, today, the best type of machinery and uses the modern form of applied labelling.

Asked what was the secret of the success of his business, Mr. Gardner told the AFRO there are only two things to do, "Put plenty of time in the business and take as less money out as possible."

2,880 BOTTLES OF POP PER HOUR

Cornelius Gardner, employee of the American Bottling Company, is shown feeding the machine that services 2,880 bottles of soft drinks in an hour. This is the only colored business of this kind in Maryland.

2 Prizes Given for Morganites

Two prizes for students with high scholastic achievement in French and music were announced this week by Morgan College officials.

One is $20 to be awarded by the Salon Francais, a French club, to the student presenting the best general average in French. This will be granted at commencement time. Miss Dorothy Houston, professor in the French department, is advisor to the club, which is composed chiefly of French majors.

An annual prize of $5 for excellence in music will be given a major in this subject by Mrs. Zelanda Thomas Cogdell of Trenton, N.J., in memory of her father, the late Dr. I. L. Thomas, a Baltimorean, and former pastor at Sharp Street M.E. Church.

Mrs. Cogdell was at one time an instructor in music at Morgan.

N.C. COMMUNITY HOLDS INTERRACIAL WORSHIP

WILSON, N.C. (ANP)—More than 600 white and colored people of this city worshiped together at St. John AMEZ Church, Sunday evening, without separate seating arrangement.

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Johnson's RED CROSS PLASTER
Look for the Red Cross on the Plaster you buy
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Try Medicated Mercirex
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See for yourself why Penetro is used and preferred by millions in 87 Nations for relief of chest colds.

Loosens congestion, soothes the throat and chest—then rub in Penetro briskly—cover with a warm flannel cloth.

See how quickly Penetro melted in your hands as you rubbed it in, creating greater absorption—feel how quickly the entire area became very warm—that's the comforting counter-irritant action, which means the blood is flowing more freely in the congested area. Breathe in the soothing vapors of Penetro—how pleasing to the irritated nose! No wonder Penetro helps relieve local congestion—eases the tightness of chest muscles—loosens the phlegm.

Massage of soothing, comforting Penetro brings quick relief and sleep often results from the soothing vapors and comforting action of Penetro.

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Autoist Caught After Wild Chase

Charles Henderson, 25, of 925 Pierce Street, faced three auto charges Monday, after the car he drove in a 60-mile-an-hour chase through southwest Baltimore Streets, overturned on a slippery highway and injured three persons.

Officer Charles Swayne charged that as he was about to enter his car at Frankstown Road and Franklin Street, early Monday, another car passed traveling at approximately 60 miles an hour, narrowly missing the officer.

Goes Wrong Way

The machines sped west on Franklin Street to Longwood Street, traveling the wrong direction on a one-way street followed by the officer in a police department auto. About three block west on Ingleside Avenue, the first car was overtaken and the driver ordered to stop.

Ignoring the officer's whistle, the driver allegedly speeded up, it was charged. As the auto reached a narrow bridge, the road about two miles further on, it skidded on the slippery highway and overturned.

Treated at Hospital

Henderson, Mrs. Anderson, 23, of 2450 Madison Avenue, and Ernest Congress, 25, of 706 N. Carey Street, were slightly injured and treated at Franklin Square Hospital.

Henderson was slated for a traffic court hearing charged with speeding, driving the wrong direction on a one-way street, and failing to obey an officer's whistle.

G-Men Meet at Druid Y Sunday

Dr. Hugh P. Hughes and the Rev. Wilbur H. Waters will speak at the monthly meeting of the local branch of National Alliance of Postal Employees, at the Y.M.C.A., Sunday evening.

The Baltimore branch with its membership of approximately 200 men, is one of the strongest in the country. Nationally the organization is sponsoring legislation to eliminate the photograph and to substitute in its stead the fingerprint system. It is also interested in the legislation whereby the highest eligible be appointed to fill vacancies.

The officers of the local organization are:

Raymond A. C. Young, president; Benjamin Morsell, vice president; J. Emory Bond, financial secretary; Oscar Dorsey, corresponding secretary; Oliver Strawn, treasurer, and Mrs. Ma-

Throng Present as Elks Observe Anniversary

Elkdom turned out en masse on Sunday night to attend the anniversary services of the W. Sampson Brooks Lodge and Temple, at Cosmopolitan Community Church, Madison and Lafayette Avenues.

After marching from the newly purchased home at 1202 Madison Avenue, the unit, led by William Gosnell, exalted ruler, and Mrs. Frederick Boston, daughter ruler, participated in a program presided over by Garrett D. Rawlings.

A prayer was offered by the Rev. E. A. Haynes; selection by the Cosmopolitan Community Income address; responses by Mr. Gosnell and Mrs. Boston; a solo by Joseph Jones; another selection by the choir; sermon by the Rev. Frederick Douglas; solo by Mrs. Jennie Carrington; introduction of visitors, and benediction.

Praises Aid to Needy

The Rev. Mr. Douglas congratulated secret orders for taking care of the sick and needy. He said this is a type of work the churches should do but neglect doing.

Mrs. Gertrude Johnson, on behalf of the temple, presented Mr. Rawlings a wrist watch. Mrs. Ida Cummings was presented a bouquet of flowers by Mrs. Florence Snowden on behalf of the temple. At the conclusion of the services, a general invitation was extended to those present to attend a buffet supper at the lodge home.

Among those present were:

Charles Oliver of Annapolis; Mse Ida Cummings, Mrs. Martha Pulett, Miss Georgiana Bailey, Mrs. Maude M. Green, Thelma Brown, Miss Mary E. Agnes Garrett, Delia Myers, M. Tyler, L. Edwards, Priscilla Smith, Tessie Purnell, Dr. Neville, Daniel Frazier, George Myers, Gary Fields, and hosts of others representing many lodges and temples.

Lodge Dates Back to 1895

The Sampson Brooks lodge was formed February 14, 1895, and the temple on February 11, 1897. Lodge officers are:

William I. Gosnell, exalted ruler; Charles Price, esteemed leading knight; Bernard Bailey, esteemed loyal knight; Walter Brooks, esteemed lecturing knight; W. Deaver Boston, financial secretary; Lloyd Garrett, treasurer; Julius Spencer, esteemed inner guard; Esteemed outer guard, William A. Gantt; trustees, Dr. John Wesley Lewis, chairman; Garrett D. Rawlings, Rev. E. A. Haynes, chaplain; and Trustees: T. Randolph Waters, Samuel Brown, Harvey Nelson, Clifton Nichols and James Milburn.

Zenith Club Has Dansant

The members of the Zenith Club entertained at a reception and dance at their club house, 1601 Mulberry Street, Sunday afternoon in honor of members of the Nifty Debs' Club.

The hosts were: Bubby Lindsay, Norman Jackson, Paul Johnson, Paul Thompson, Clifton Johnson, Stanley Johnson, Irvin Reid, Walter Mallory and Van Lear Reid.

The honorees included: Misses Marjorie Young, Esther Strickland, Frans Bevans, Inez Strickland, Ella Dixon, Bertha Young, Leona Taylor, Ella Strickland and Alma Butler.

Other guests were: Miss Caroline Parker, Miss Helen Williams, Miss May Moore, Miss Dellaphine Washington and Samuel Parker.

Sellmayer Raps Mayor for Job Losses in City

George Sellmayer, white, president of the City Council, told the People's Congress at Cosmopolitan Community Church on Tuesday night, that the money appropriated for music concerts should be used for that purpose.

The head of the council made the remark in reference to the present fight between the city and the colored musicians' union, relative to the demands of the organization for recognition by the city.

Mayor Responsible

He also held that the mayor is responsible for ending the city contract with the Foreman Company, and the failure to employ colored help on the street cleaning department trucks.

The comptroller's office is responsible for the Lafayette Market becoming becoming an eyesore, he said, and declared that all money collected as rent in city markets should be used in construction of those markets.

He further told his audience that citizens should petition the Pennsylvania Railroad to clean up lots where buildings have been torn down.

Miss Hastings to Speak

Miss Hastings, president of the Baltimore branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, will address the congress next Tuesday on, "What You Can Do About Peace."

13 Nabbed for Disorderly Rap

Accused of operating a gambling house in his home at 204 N. Poppleton Street, James Coleman, 37, was held under $250 bail for the grand jury following a hearing before Magistrate Charles Heintzeman in Western district, Monday.

Twelve other persons were arrested at the time on disorderly conduct charges. Ten were fined $1 and costs by the magistrate while two who failed to appear at the hearing forfeited collateral.

Forfeited Collateral

The latter two were:

Edgar Brody, 22, of 105 N. Amity Street, and James Patterson, 24, of 839 Vine Street. Collateral they forfeited was $6.65 each.

Those fined $1 and costs were:

Miss Bessie Coleman, 20, of 204 N. Poppleton Street; Illinois McNorris, 37, of 854 Pierce Street; Samuel Morris, 21, of 1124 Wilmer Court; James Powell, 25, of 208 N. Poppleton Street; Robert Colloway, 25, of 1106 Shields Place; Coffee Henderson, 22, of 869 W. Lexington Street; George White, 22, of 1032 Vine Street; Clarence McCormoss, 21, of 301 N. Carrollton Avenue; William Robinson, 20, of 219 N. Poppleton Street; and Joseph Cofield, 26, of 706 N. Calhoun Street.

State Parley on Youth to Meet April 1

A three-day program for the Maryland State Youth Conference, which takes place here on April 1, 2, and 3, was announced by the Baltimore Council of the American Youth Congress, this week.

The program will include a public meeting, having as its slogan, "Youth in a Changing World;" discussion groups dealing with unemployment and job opportunities; unemployment and education; recreation, church services, juvenile crime;

Farm youth, social hygiene, general meeting on "peace and war," neutrality, collective security and the Oxford Pledge.

Many Sponsors

Among those who have sponsored the conference are:

American Association of Medical Social Workers, American Radio Telegraphers' Association, American Youth Congress, Baltimore Federation of Teachers, Baltimore Peace Congress, Paul Belaser, Henry Watson Children Society.

Gustave Bingger, Jewish Educational Alliance, Dr. Albert Blumberg, Federation of Teachers, vice president; Miss Leona Buchwald, vocational department, Department of Education; Harold Caldwell, Playground Athletic League, Citizens' Alliance for Social Security; City-Wide Young People's Forum; Miss Augusta Chiselli, Urban League Auxiliary; Judge Allan Cleveland, Juvenile Court; the Rev. Bruce Compton, Baltimore Consumers' Club; the Rev. Custer Cromwell, Fellowship of Reconciliation;

Ryland N. Dempster, National Youth Administration; Samuel Einhorn, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Joint Board; Daniel Ellison, City Council, Baltimore; Maurice Fagan, Baltimore Newspaper Guild; Miss Virginia Hall, Agency on Recreation and Work for Colored People;

Miss Sarah Hartman, Citizens' Alliance for Social Security; Miss Lillian Herver, Y.W.C.A., Druid Hill Avenue branch; Michael Howard, Baltimoreans United for Democracy and Industry; Miss Dudie Hughes, Y.W.C.A.; International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union No. 4;

Rabbi Edward L. Israel, William N. Jones, AFRO editor; Edward S. Lewis, Urban League; Miss Thelma Line, Central Y.W.C.A.; Dr. Simon Moser, Waverly Improvement Association; Hon. Harry W. Nice, Governor of Maryland; the Rev. Joseph Nowak, Jr., American League for Peace