EVERYBODY'S SHARE IN THE WAR EFFORT WILL DETERMINE ITS SHARE IN THE PEACE THAT FOLLOWS

Greetings from Mayor Jackson

We are desperately in need, not of deed or even of intent, but of intention to old truths and it is in this spirit that I extend season's greetings with the hope that you will enjoy health, happiness and prosperity in the New Year.

HOWARD W. JACKSON, Mayor

JERUSALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Wishes All a

MERRY CHRISTMAS and a *HAPPY NEW YEAR*

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

5 A.M.—Service Christmas Morning.

11 A.M.—Sermon by the Pastor.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

11 A.M.—Sermon by the Pastor.

3 P.M.—Communion Service. Rev. Mr. N. H. Toyer, speaker.

6 P.M.—B.Y.P.U. Program.

Methodists to Open 28-Day Evangelistic Drive January 3

WASHINGTON

"Spreading Scriptural Holiness for Victory and Peace" will be the theme of the city-wide evangelistic campaign conducted by thirty-eight local Methodist churches opening January 3 to continue for twenty-eight days.

Beginning on the first Sunday afternoon in the New Year, meetings will be held simultaneously that week at Brown Memorial AME, Miles Memorial CME, Metropolitan Wesley AMEZ, Allen AME and Ebenezer Methodist churches.

Different sub-themes selected for each week include:

"Repentance," for the initial seven days; "Conversion," for the next; "Consecration," for the third, and "Sanctification," for the fourth. A "go to church" Men's Day will also be observed January 17 and a similar day for women on the twenty-fourth.

Ministers' Union Sponsor

The campaign is being sponsored by the Methodist Ministers' Union, the Rev. H. J. Callis, president. The city has been divided into five sections for the spiritual drive with the following captains:

The Revs. I. M. Gray, Northeast; J. H. Peters, Southeast; Stephen Gill Spottswood, Northwest, and Frank L. Williams, Southwest, with plans for the fifth section yet unannounced.

Finance is not being stressed during the campaign, but rather, the revival of all church members and the inviting of newcomers, war workers, service men and others to follow the pattern of Christian living.

The schedule for the services is that each week's program shall open on Sunday afternoon in the selected areas and be held nightly at 8 o'clock, simultaneously in all sections of the city.

Benjamin's Award to Bethel Church

Miss Margery Wooden is shown presenting a check for $25 from Benjamin's, 1827 Pennsylvania Avenue, to the Rev. J. E. Reese, pastor of Bethel AME Church, Druid Hill Avenue and Lanvale Street. Others in the picture include Mrs. Esther Richardson, Mrs. Gene Gersh, Mrs. Dorothy Rasnick, Mrs. Carrie Finklestein, Mrs. Laura Steckman and Mrs. Evelyn Orman. The fourth Benjamin award this week goes to the Rev. Baxter L. Matthews, pastor of Union Baptist Church. Benjamin's carries a full line of women's apparel, and announced this week that beginning at once, all coats and dresses would be reduced to one half.

Ariz. Chaplain Converts 36 Baltimoreans

Sgt. James R. Poindexter, now a chaplain at Roosevelt Fowler Camp in Arizona, writes this week that he had just concluded a revival with soldiers at his post and that of the converts, 36 were Baltimore lads.

Chaplain Poindexter, a Baltimorean, lived at 1124 Myrtle Avenue before induction. He was associated with Enon Baptist Church.

Among the Baltimore lads converted are the following, the letter to his wife, Mrs. Bessie Poindexter, says:

Converts Listed

Pvts. George Johnson, Clifton Reynolds, Thomas Smith, Willard Stanley, Isaiah Wright, Allen Caldwell, Renesey Pvts. Tunsie Dillard, Leroy Borden, Eleazer Sheppard, Frank Wood, Emmett Sheppard, Boyd Kingsberry, Jesse Williams, Lowell Montgomery, Billy Edwards, Fred Brown, Lawrence Whitmore, Willie Pratter, Redmond Simms, George Johnson, Charles Ferrell, Arbert Fippens and Sgt. James Allen.

Centers and Schools Plan Yule Fetes

Christmas activities sponsored by the city recreation department during the next week will be presented at the Gilmor and Edgar Allan Poe housing projects and Harvey Johnson Junior High School No. 106.

The Gilmor activities will include a party on Saturday morning and an adult program and bingo party on Wednesday evening, under the direction of Mrs. Hattie B. Smith, who will also be in charge of the children's party to be given Tuesday afternoon at the Harvey Johnson Center.

Beginning December 28, persons interested in the Red Cross first aid class to begin at the Gilmor Center should call 114 may register either on Monday, Wednesday or Thursday evenings.

Children to Give Play

On Saturday morning, the Kiddie Klub, a group of youngsters under 12 years of age, will present a play, "Christmas Cheer in Mother Goose Land," which will be repeated for adults Wednesday evening.

Another play, "Christmas as Is," will be featured on the same program by the Dainty Misses, followed by interpretive dancing. At the same time, certificates will be awarded to the group which recently completed the Red Cross junior first aid course. Mrs. Hazel Duvall is director of the Poe Center.

The Black Wise Man's Prophecy

By HARRY LEVETTE
(For ANP)

One of the Three Wise Men who travelled far
On that first Christmas morn with rare gifts bent
To greet the new-born King, led by the star
Was a black man, a Cushite, proud, intent.
And kneeling there in robes bejeweled, rich,
With hands upraised he spoke this prophecy:
"Before this Child shall rule the earth, each ditch
Dug to bar race, creed, color, all must be
Levelled by man who made them. But a war
In twenty centuries will come. Hell's hounds
Sweep earth-wide! Death rain from the skies! Red gore
Of slaughtered children dye the streets of towns!"

"Seas will be choked with dead and ships until
Out of the turmoil man will have new birth,
New understanding; hatred's voice be still.
Peace and goodwill to all mankind on earth!"

Future Chaplain?

SGT. MILTON D. BROOKS

who is in Baltimore this week visiting relatives on furlough from Keesler Field, Miss., where he has been stationed since his induction into the army in April. He is awaiting appointment as U.S. chaplain. Sgt. Brooks, Douglass High and Morgan State grad, did his theological work at Rice Institute. His sister, Mrs. Mary Spriggs, resides at 139 W. Hamburg Street and his wife, the former Miss Irma Brown, lives at 1313 W. Franklin Street, but is now working in New York.

Minister's Wife Fined $5 in Bus Tiff over Seating

RICHMOND—Mrs. Lillie Lewis, wife of the Rev. A. A. Lewis of Elizabeth, N.J., was fined $5 and costs on a charge of being disorderly on a bus, and was given a suspended sentence on a charge of resisting arrest in police court here on Thursday.

Her arrest occurred here two weeks ago in a conflict over her right to a seat on a bus. She maintained that she was told to give up her seat in the rear of the bus to a white man.

During the arrest she was bruised, and she was sent to jail while her 10-year-old son was placed in the juvenile detention home for care.

Mrs. Lewis entered a plea of guilty in police court. She had been released from jail when Mrs. Mary Harris, social worker, arranged for bail.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM

FREELAND MEMORIAL HOLY TEMPLE

CHRISTMAS SERVICE

DECEMBER 25

Early service 7:00 A.M. Service by the pastor.

2:00 P.M.—Special Services and Dinners for our Soldiers.

DECEMBER 28

The Sunday School will have its program. Brother Bernard Ruffian, Sunday School Superintendent.

REV. J. M. BRANCH *Pastor*

REV. R. JONES *Visiting Minister*

SUNDAY, 4 P. M. . . . DECEMBER 27

FELLOWSHIP CHURCH SERVICES

Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church

Park and Lafayette Avenues

Services in charge of

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Sermon by

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Join In Greeting Everyone A MERRY CHRISTMAS And A HAPPY NEW YEAR

DECEMBER 25th

11 A. M.—Sermon by the Pastor. Subject: "The Virgin Birth of Christ."

DECEMBER 27th

11 A. M.—Preaching.

6:30 P. M.—Candle Light Service and Carols.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

A Christmas IF—

TEXT: And they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God be with us.—ISAIAH 7:14.

By the REV. G. M. EDWARDS
Pastor, Pa. Ave. AMEZ Church

Christmas is a season of prophetic idealism and a rebuke to selfish living. At the approach of our Lord's birth, men and women whose thoughts have been mostly of self are moved to think of others.

For a brief period, cruel competitions that so sorely grind human society are lessened if not forgotten. For the time being, all humanity seems to be one family.

If the spirit of Christmas were with us every day, some revolutionary events would occur. Selfishness would die a death of starvation. Avarice would be hung higher than Haman.

Foolish pride would go down in crushing defeat. Senseless strife and silly bickerings would shame each other to death. The prayer of Jesus for the unity of his followers would be answered.

Racial animosities would be drowned in a sea of brotherhood. War, with all its horrors, would be an utter impossibility. "Peace on earth" would become a glorious reality.

Churchman, Buried in DC

WASHINGTON

Funeral services for Robert T. Taylor, 65, for more than twenty-eight years deacon and treasurer of Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, were held Saturday at the church.

Mr. Taylor, a retired postal clerk, died on Tuesday at his home, 1511 Swann Street, North west. He was ordained as deacon under the Rev. James E. Willis, and was elected treasurer of the church July 10, 1914.

Survivors include:

His wife, Mrs. Lula Taylor; two sons, James R. and William; a daughter, Mrs. Carrie T. Mahoney; two grandchildren, Mrs. Marguerite Coleman and Arthur Mahoney;

Five sisters, Mrs. Anna Turner of New Jersey, Miss Goldie Taylor, Philadelphia; Mesdames Estelle White, Georgia Parker, and Miss Clemarie Taylor of Madison County, Va.; one brother, Joseph.

Why I Go to Church

(EDITOR'S NOTE. The AFRO will pay $1 for the best answer each week to the question: "Why Do I Go to Church?" Limit your answer to 100 words. Clearness of thought and sincerity will be considered in judging the winner. All answers must reach the AFRO Church Editor on Monday before Sunday of each week to be considered in the judging of that week. This week send to 1627 Geneva Boone, 710 N. Eutaw Street.)

The church is the appointed channel of the wisdom of God. I go to church for instruction in God's wisdom and to be a laborer, together with God, in working for the salvation of mankind.

Every American Christian should be glad because he has the free privilege of worshiping as he pleases. In other lands, no less Christian than ours, churches have been destroyed, ministers killed, and people forbidden to worship. It is our Christian duty to attend service in thanks for our privileges.

Masons Will Mark St. John Day Sun.

The United Grand Lodge of Masons, Prince Hall affiliation, will hold its annual St. John Day services at Southern Baptist Church, Preston and Bond Street, Sunday at 8 p.m.

The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Baxter L. Matthews, pastor of Union Baptist Church and the Masonic Choir will sing under the direction of Howard D. Brent. Dr. Willard W. Allen is grand master, and Alvan Stanley, grand secretary.

Clears Church Debt

REV. J. L. WILKINS

The Charity Baptist Church was organized November 19, 1937, by the Rev. J. L. Wilkins. He began without a member, until a 30-day revival was held. Then he secured one candidate for baptism—this being Bro. Walker Coleman who is now on the Deacon Board. After this revival the membership continued to increase until 275 members are now enrolled.

The church originated at 518 N. Aisquith Street and remained there until November, 1940. After which they purchased the buildings at 520-522 Aisquith and 1175 McElderry Streets. On November 3, 1942, the church was paid for in full $2305.06 and is now incorporated as the Charity Baptist Church.

REV. J. L. WILKINS
Founder and Pastor
1212 N. Caroline

MR. WILLARD W. ALLEN
Administrator

Former Choir Head, 2 Others, Promoted at Florida Camp

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Ralph Pinckney, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pinkney, of 2123 Madison Avenue, had been promoted to rank of technician fifth grade, and John H. Thomas, son of Mrs. Emma Thomas of 343 Robert Street, to rank of corporal here at Dale Mabry Field.

Forster H. Sylvers, son of Mrs. Hattie Sylvers of 2021 McCulloh Street, has received rank of sergeant. Corp. Thomas formerly directed the senior choir at Metropolitan Church in Baltimore.

New Shiloh Baptist to Close Contest Jan. 17

The "Miss Shiloh" contest, sponsored by the Publication Club of New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Avenue and Lanvale Street, will close on January 17 with the presentation of the winner by the pastor, the Rev. J. Timothy Bodie.

The final report meeting will be held at the church January 12. Miss Mary Clayton is president of the sponsoring organization and Mrs. Edna Beckett is chairman of the committee in charge of the contest.

Workers in the contest are:

The Rev. Luther Leverett, Mesdames Mary Gray, Eva Parham, Ethel Burgess, Viola Sewell, Susan Jordan, Mary E. Roberts, Mae Rivers, Mae Williams, and Annie Hicks; the Rev. Isaiah Rogers, Floyd Wise, Nathaniel Reed and Sandy Johnson.

THE WISE MEN

They traveled long; they traveled far,
And they were guided by a star;
Joyous, fervid, all the way,
To where the Infant Jesus lay.
Rocked in peace, and holy love,
God's blessing shining from above.
He slept in sweet serenity
While all about Him knelt to pray.
Each Wise Man bowed his reverent head —
Blessing the Babe in His manger-bed;
And each rejoiced he'd traveled far,
Guided by the Eastern Star.

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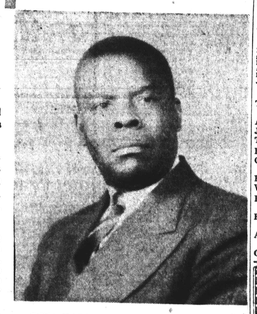

REV. HARRISON J. BRYANT

St. John's A.M.E. Church raised $5,011 in Thanksgiving-Christmas Rally.

Under the leadership of the Rev. Harrison J. Bryant, St. John's A.M.E. Church, raised $5,011 in its Thanksgiving-Christmas Rally, and liquidated its second mortgage, which was over $4,000.

Bishop M. H. Davis brought the Rev. Mr. Bryant here more than five months ago from Lexington, Kentucky, where he was in charge of St. Paul's A.M.E. Church, the leading church in the Kentucky conference.

The Rev. Mr. Bryant is grateful to the members and friends of St. John's Church who made such a rally possible in so short a time. Mrs. Mattie B. Conaey led the thirty-two master-mind groups of the church with close to $400, and Mrs. Sadonia Hardy took the second place with close to $300. Mrs. Pearl Burley took the third place with close to $300, and many others reported well over $200.

The First Calvary Baptist Church

Laurens Near Brunt Sts.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

DECEMBER 25th

10:30 A. M.

The pastor will speak from the subject:

"THE CHRISTMAS STAR"

8:00 P. M.

Special Christmas Service

Music by the Senior Choir

GREETINGS

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Merry Christmas

TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS

DAY'S EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

Christmas

1942

A fervent desire for joy and peace on Christmas Day dominates our wishes as we recall past Yuletides . . . all spent in the serenity and harmony that is symbolic of the holy season. More than ever before our holiday greetings express the hope that this Christmas will be one of bounty . . . of everlasting faith . . . of zealous joy and gracious thanks for the privilege of enjoying Christmas in the American Way.

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Baltimore, Md.
Submitted by Mrs. Emma Bess

I FLY AWAY

Some glad morning when this life is o'er
I'll fly away, fly away,
To a home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away, fly away.
When the shadows of this life have grown,
I'll fly away, fly away,
Like a bird from prison bars has flown,
I'll fly away, fly away,
then,
I'll fly away, fly away,
To a land where joys shall never end.

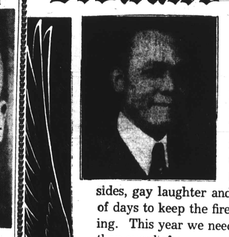
Chorus

I'll fly away, fly away, oh Glory,
I'll fly away, fly away in the morning.
When I die hellelujah, by and by,
I'll fly away, fly away.

BISHOP SHAW TO LECTURE

The Thirkield Lectures on Preaching, Social Service and Interracial Goodwill will be delivered in the chapel, Gammon Theological Seminary, February 23 to 25, by Bishop A. P. Shaw of the Baltimore area.

Dedicated to Service



Swiftly moving events hurry us into the season known as the season of "peace on earth." We must keep it that way—even now in the midst of war! For Christmas must continue to be the day of glowing fire-sides, gay laughter and hearty greetings—the day of days to keep the fires of peace and liberty burning. This year we need Christmas more than ever before: we need it for strengthening family circles, for re-establishing friendships—so lasting. We look forward to your continued friendship and we sincerely hope you may enjoy a wonderful Christmas and that 1943 will be a prosperous and happy year for you and yours.

William A. Jackson, Mortician

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EVERYBODY'S SHARE IN THE WAR EFFORT WILL DETERMINE ITS SHARE IN THE PEACE THAT FOLLOWS

Senators to Aid Fairfield Residents

U.S. Senators Millard E. Tydings and George L. Radcliffe both promised aid this week to the eighty-four families who have been ordered to vacate their homes close to the Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyards by January 15 in order to expand the war plant.

Their assistance was solicited by W. A. C. Hughes, Jr., attorney for the Fairfield Protective Association which was organized by the affected families, 54 of them colored and 13 of whom own their homes.

Official notices were posted on the properties last week announcing that the lots will be taken over by the government to allow for plant expansion.

Eviction Date Extended

This action followed a condemnation proceedings filed on behalf of the U.S. Maritime Commission on December 2, ordering the families to vacate by December 20. The date was later extended to January 15.

In soliciting the Senators' assistance, Mr. Hughes pointed out:

"All of the persons concerned are worried and perturbed to an unimaginable extent. You know it is impossible for them to secure housing accommodations and make the necessary readjustments on such short notice.

"The fact that they will not receive 'just compensation' for many months will come much the situation far worse. Every day and minute is important to these people and for that reason they are interested in obtaining every possible extension."

Asks 6-Month Extension

Asking for the very limit in time, Mr. Hughes suggested that a six-month extension would not be too much.

A responding telegram from Senator Radcliffe promised that he would take up the matter immediately. The letter from Senator Tydings revealed that he had already contacted the Maritime Commission, but said that if nothing further developed, he would arrange a personal conference with Mr. Hughes and the Fairfield residents.

2 Who Lured Pvt. to Killing Scene Jailed

Jail sentences of six months each were given in Northwestern police court today (Thursday) to Miss Alberta Harrison, 25, and Miss Mildred Jones, 28, both of 1224 Carlton Court, on charges of soliciting an Aberdeen soldier who was being held on a homicide charge.

The soldier, Pvt. John H. Lyons, 20, is accused of the fatal shooting on Friday of William Atkinson, 43, of 1119 Pennsylvania Avenue. He said he was taken to Atkinson's home by the two women and shot Atkinson when the latter attached him during a dispute over his change from a five-dollar bill.

Sentences Unusual

Private Lyons is to be given a hearing on January 4.

The sentences given the two women are the stiffest meted out in local courts for soliciting in recent months, and are part of an intensified drive by Northwestern police to curb prostitution in their district.

Traffic Accidents Cause 30 Deaths, 629 Injuries

A total of 1282 Maryland traffic accidents reported to the Traffic Collision Statistical Bureau during November were responsible for thirty deaths and 629 injuries.

This was a reduction of 35 per cent in accidents and injuries, and a 53 per cent reduction in fatalities under November, 1941.

Sixty-three per cent of those killed were pedestrians, thirteen in Baltimore City, out of sixteen deaths, and six in the counties, out of fourteen deaths.

Peace on Earth Good Will to Men

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Afro Man Ousted from Minute Men for Exposing Conditions

Arrested on the drill floor at Richmond Market Armory, escorted to State guard military police headquarters and interrogated by Lieutenant Jones, Josephus Simpson was ousted from the Maryland Minute Men Friday because he wrote a story on conditions within the organization.

While he was being questioned, Simpson said, the officer who detained him stood guard at the door until he had turned over his arm band and identification card. He had refused to turn these over to Major Creigler or Captain Westcott until given a written discharge.

Mr. Simpson's story, which appeared in the November 21 issue of the AFRO-AMERICAN, aroused the ire of Captain Westcott, recently commissioned captain of the outfit, and Major William Creigler, commanding officer of the organization.

Called Upon the Carpet

While the volunteer members of the organization were discussing the article and wondering out loud whether it would bring any improvement in conditions, the author of the article was called into the office of Captain Westcott and asked to explain why he wrote the story.

Simpson explained that he wrote the story simply in his capacity as a newspapermen, inspired by conditions which he saw himself and by what other members of the organization had said to him. Many of the men, he explained, were disturbed.

"Errors" Not Defined

Although he did not point specifically to any errors in the story, Captain Westcott stated that he did not "relish much" of that article, declaring that, in his opinion, it was very bad and that the whole thing was full of errors.

He defended an order previously given colored minute men to leave their rifle weapons at home "until you are ordered to bring them out" by stating that it was given because some of the men had played damn fools with their guns."

At about the same night, Mr. Simpson was called before Major Creigler who told him that the story demonstrated that his days of service to the organization were at an end, stating that it "borders on treason" because of a reference to the race issue and questioned the necessity for separate organizations.

Ordered to "Get Out"

Simpson was told by the major that since he was dissatisfied with the manner in which the organization was being conducted, the best thing for him to do would be to get out. then he could write anything "you want to write, but you can't do it in here." Mr. Simpson refused.

Instead, he stated that he would remain in the organization until he was given a written discharge stating the reason for his dismissal. Major Creigler promised to provide such a discharge, stating, however, that it would only say he was discharged for the "good of the service." This Mr. Simpson has not yet received.

Three or four weeks later, Mr. Simpson was shown a paper on which appeared the names of several men who had been discharged at their own request. His name was also on the list, but the reason for his discharge was indicated as "undesirable."

He still refused to give up the arm band and identification card, but the clerk did not call his name during roll calls after that meeting. He continued to attend, however, and wrote a letter to Governor Herbert O. O'Conor on December 9 asking relief.

Governor Ignores Letter

The governor had replied to his letter on the night of his arrest, but one of the men stated that night he would "do like that fellow up town. I'll write to the governor."

Mr. Simpson, night news editor for the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, told the governor that "I have been a member of the organization since April," have attended most of the meetings and have "done nothing to merit this humiliating treatment at the hands of my superior officers."

He has not yet received any acknowledgment or reply to his letter to Governor O'Conor, Simpson told the AFRO this week.

Wife Hubby Tried to Kill Gets Divorce

Two Men also Seek Decrees; Infidelity, Desertion Charged

After testimony that her husband twice tried to kill her with a knife and the testimony of her witness that he beat her daily, Mrs. Joanna Carter of 926 N. Mount Street was granted a divorce in Circuit Court Tuesday.

She said that she and Donald Carter were married on September 27, 1934, and that she was forced to leave him five months later because she was in constant fear of her life.

Corroborating her statement was Mrs. Minnie Davis of 317 N. Mount Street, who told the court that the wife received a beating nearly every night.

Mrs. Carter's sister, Miss Gladys Williams, also testified to the beatings, saying that she heard the screams and saw bruises on her sister.

The wife was granted the decree with restoration of her maiden name, Williams.

Charges Infidelity

Sandy Stephens of 852 W. Fairmount Avenue has asked for a divorce from Mrs. Cecelia Stephens whom he married in April of this year and left in October when, he says, he discovered her unfaithfulness.

His petition was filed by Linwood Koger, attorney.

Carl Partlow has filed a petition for a divorce from Mrs. Mary Jones Partlow who, he says, deserted him on September 6, 1937, following their marriage, on June 11, 1934.

The Partlows are parents of three children, Carl, William and May, who are with the mother at 550 W. Lee Street. His petition was filed by Josiah Henry, attorney.

WOMAN HURT IN FALL

Mrs. Beulah Smith of 726 N. Carrollton Avenue, who fractured her right ankle Monday as she stepped from an eastbound trolley at Eutaw and Saratoga Streets to an icy street, according to Western District police, was treated at University Hospital.

Mitchell to Seek Peace in the South

WASHINGTON

Retiring Congressman Arthur W. Mitchell (Dem., Ill.) told his colleagues in the House of Representatives Wednesday, in a farewell speech, that he would hereafter make his home in his "beloved Southland" to work for better race relations.

"From time to time there are grave misunderstandings that could be worked out if we were a little more patient, a little more tolerant, and studied these things a little more carefully," he declared.

To Follow Booker T.

"I believe I can make a contribution to the great work that was carried forward by my leader, my teacher and benefactor, Booker T. Washington.

"I go down there to dedicate anew my life to working out a better understanding between the two races in the South; not in a spirit of bitterness, but in a spirit of understanding, a spirit of toleration, a spirit that I believe will lead us to a better state in life."

Colleagues Speak Praise

As Mitchell was about to close his remarks, for which he was allowed ten minutes, seven of his colleagues interrupted to make laudatory comments on their relationship with him. These included:

Congressmen Priest of Tennessee, Pierce of Oregon, Burdick of North Dakota, Sparkman of Alabama, Young of Ohio, Disney of Oklahoma and Moser of Pennsylvania, all Democrats except Burdick.

Mr. Mitchell has purchased a farm on No. 1 Highway, about eight miles south of Petersburg, Va., said to be valued at $35,000. It will be on this farm that he will live, he said.

4 Taverns Closed by Building Engineers

Continuing their drive to eliminate fire hazards from places of public entertainment, officials of the city's bureau of building engineers have closed or partially closed four taverns pending the installation of adequate safety measures.

The Dreamland Cafe, 900 block Pennsylvania Avenue; the Silver Moon Cafe, 500 block N. Fremont Avenue, and Leon Washenfeldt's cafe, 800 block China Street, are those ordered closed, while the bar of Wagon Wheel, 1600 block Pennsylvania Avenue, was allowed to remain open, but its upstairs club proper was closed.

26 Out of 300 Safe

Joseph A. Clarke, white, head of the building engineers' department, told the AFRO Wednesday that an insufficient number of exits in case of fire was responsible for the order to close the taverns.

Mr. Clarke said further that his office has covered less than half of some 700-odd such places in the city and found that only about six which actually possessed adequate safety facilities.

His office, he said, was not attempting to put any tavern owners out of business, but intended to see that they comply with the city's code of regulations if they wish to continue in operation.

He indicated that a more intensive survey of the city's dwellings would follow in others' orders, landlords being forced to install safety and healthful equipment as prescribed by law.

Civic League Reorganizes

While the Co-operative Women's Civic League is foregoing a Christmas program this year, the Pimlico, Md., group prepared gift packages of twenty-eight dozen cookies which were distributed among servicemen at the Fifth Regiment Armory this week.

Mrs. Fannie B. Lowe is president of this group. The local organization, headed by Mrs. Viola C. Jackson, recent successor to Mrs. Sarah C. Fernandis, held a reorganization meeting last week at the league headquarters, 2003 Druid Hill Avenue.

New Committee Heads

New committees formed included the clean city, with Mrs. Nellie Wood as chairman; city planning, Mrs. Sarah Rayne; membership, Mrs. C. Wardell; consumer interests, Mrs. Mary C. Spellman.

Committee chairmen who retained their positions were Mrs. Ralph Cook, art; Mrs. B. K. Hurst, finance; Mrs. Juanita G. Hill, labor division; and Mrs. John Woodhous, program.

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I wish for all Humanity Joy and Happiness at this season and throughout the coming year.

JOSEPH P. HEALY

Tyus's 5-Point Plan Adopted by NAACP

Resolving to back its executive secretary, Randall L. Tyus, to the limit, the executive board of the Baltimore NAACP, in a special session Friday evening, adopted a broad five-point program for the first quarter of 1943.

The board unanimously approved a proposal by Mr. Tyus to formally celebrate the thirty-fourth anniversary of the NAACP February 12 in conjunction with Lincoln's birthday.

Other points in the plan recommended by Mr. Tyus and adopted were:

(1) Civil rights program to be held during the month of January; (2) dramatization of colored political power, stressing the importance of the use of the ballot, during the month of March; (3) devising of practical postwar plans and (4), initiating a membership campaign with an ultimate goal of 20,000.

To Push War for Freedom

At the same time, the board reaffirmed determination that there would be no letup in the campaign for democratic conditions in labor, industry and legal redress.

The January program of the unit will be the opening of its membership committee; February celebration will be sponsored by the entertainment committee, and March program will be under the auspices of the educational committee.

Mr. Tyus reported that the memberships received in the 1942 drive had been completely filled and that memberships not renewed in 1942 were being classified according to areas and block workers would begin a campaign for renewals ir April.

Administrative Body Named

A committee on administration was appointed by Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the branch. Named were: Carl Murphy, chairman; Mrs. Jackson, John Berry, Marion Pollett, Howard H. Murphy and Mr. Tyus.

Other board members present were Mesdames Florence Snowden, Victoria Ridgely, Frances Madden, Sarah Blackwell and Annie Harcum; the Rev. E. L. Loftton, the Rev. Paul Pollard, Dr. J. Leslie Jones, the Rev. E. W. White, the Rev. J. T. Colbert, Dr. C. R. Campbell, Houston Jackson, Josephus Simpson and Joshua E. Maxwell.

Mitchell Hubby Tried to Kill Gets Divorce

Two Men also Seek Decrees; Infidelity, Desertion Charged

After testimony that her husband twice tried to kill her with a knife and the testimony of her witness that he beat her daily, Mrs. Joanna Carter of 926 N. Mount Street was granted a divorce in Circuit Court Tuesday.

She said that she and Donald Carter were married on September 27, 1934, and that she was forced to leave him five months later because she was in constant fear of her life.

Corroborating her statement was Mrs. Minnie Davis of 317 N. Mount Street, who told the court that the wife received a beating nearly every night.

Mrs. Carter's sister, Miss Gladys Williams, also testified to the beatings, saying that she heard the screams and saw bruises on her sister.

The wife was granted the decree with restoration of her maiden name, Williams.

Charges Infidelity

Sandy Stephens of 852 W. Fairmount Avenue has asked for a divorce from Mrs. Cecelia Stephens whom he married in April of this year and left in October when, he says, he discovered her unfaithfulness.

His petition was filed by Linwood Koger, attorney.

Carl Partlow has filed a petition for a divorce from Mrs. Mary Jones Partlow who, he says, deserted him on September 6, 1937, following their marriage, on June 11, 1934.

The Partlows are parents of three children, Carl, William and May, who are with the mother at 550 W. Lee Street. His petition was filed by Josiah Henry, attorney.

WOMAN HURT IN FALL

Mrs. Beulah Smith of 726 N. Carrollton Avenue, who fractured her right ankle Monday as she stepped from an eastbound trolley at Eutaw and Saratoga Streets to an icy street, according to Western District police, was treated at University Hospital.

Sandwich to Cost Christmas in Jail

James E. Dorsey, 36, of the 700 block of W. Franklin Street, who allegedly purchased a ham and wich and coffee in an East Lexington Street restaurant and then is said to have attempted to choke the white proprietoress, will eat his Christmas dinner in jail.

Dorsey, who was fined $100 and costs in Central police court, Tuesday, on the charge of assaulting the woman, Mrs. Adele Mifusky, of 438 E. Lexington Street, was ordered jailed when he said he was unable to pay the fine.

First McCulloh Flag Rites Honor Ten

The first flag-raising ceremony at a housing project took place Sunday afternoon at the McCulloh Homes, honoring ten former tenants who are now serving with the army, navy or merchant marine.

Josiah F. Henry, Jr., principal speaker, a member of the Maryland Council of Defense, pointed out that as an essential group of American citizens, colored people are helping with the war, and should now organize and make preparations for shouldering their responsibility in the peacetime readjustments to follow.

Supporting Home Front

Edgar M. Ewing, OPA representative and former manager of the McCulloh Homes, suggested that relatives of men on the fighting front establish a supporting home front by working in some channel of war activities.

The flag was blessed by the Rev. W. W. Walker, retiring pastor of Madison Street Presbyterian Church and a tenant at the McCulloh Homes. It was hoisted in front of the management office at 1010 McCulloh Street where Clarke L. Davis is in charge. George Whyte, president of the men's patrol, presided.

Servicemen Honored

The honored servicemen are:

Milton Carey, Paul Moore, David Crews, Leonard Moore, Joe Grier, Leon White, Calvin Wilson, Joseph H. Brown, Robert Harrison and James Martin.

Stevedore Fined $50 on Indecent Exposure Charge

Edward Fleet, stevedore of 338 W. Preston Street, was fined $50 and costs in Northwestern police court Monday on a charge of indecent exposure lodged by Mrs. Helen Buckton, white, of 1801 Eutaw Place.

White Christmas Out for 2 Robbers Until 1946, 1952

Two men convicted on robbing charges in Criminal Court Monday will not spent Christmas at home, as they were given jail terms totaling 14 years.

Ernest Vanover, 27, of 811 N. Stricker Street, was sentenced to ten years for robbing Michael Trenun, white, of 1806 Hollins Street, of $35 on December 1, while George Brickhouse, 20, of 617 W. Lanvale Street, received a four-year sentence for robbing Thomas J. Kelly of 2451 Annapolis Road, of $43 on December 5.

MURPHY TOY CENTER

The Murphy Toy-Lending Library, during the holidays will issue to little girls who have kept borrowed dolls in good condition for five weeks, certificates of permanent ownership.

In the meantime, the center, established in the basement of the Pratt Library branch at Fremont Avenue and Pitcher Street, has issued another plea to parents to remind the children to return the toys on time.

Attendance Growing

The center, operated by volunteer workers, headed by Mrs. Ida Boyd, is open Wednesdays and Fridays from 3 to 6 p.m. Mrs. Boyd pointed out that the attendance has increased by one-third.

Since activities were resumed in July, 468 children have enrolled and the center has made 1800 loans of toys. Under the present set-up, old and discarded playthings are repaired by penitentiary inmates before being taken to the center for distribution.

Greetings!

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