Paint Company Employee Found Dead In Home

Jury finds for Dr. Kerr

"We find in favor of the defendant."

These seven words by Eugene R. Hart, the foreman of a jury in Judge Joseph Allen's court on Wednesday afternoon, threw out a $5,000 damage suit against Dr. T. Henderson Kerr, veteran druggist.

Dr. Kerr, who conducts a drugstore at 723 George St., markets a cough serum, 'Kalikough,' which has gained world-fame.

The Superior Court jury of ten men and two women deliberated only 20 minutes before returning the verdict in favor of Dr. Kerr who was so jubilant he clasped the hand of the attorney for the other side.

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IN RENDERING its verdict, the jury discounted the story of Joseph Hutton, city sanitation department driver of the 3300 block Elbert St., who maintained he became violently ill last December after taking a dose of the medicine.

Although his attorney, Nelson Kandel, sought to show negligence and to support the contention that foreign matter was in the medicine bottle, the jury was impressed by testimony which indicated that Mr. Hutton did not consult a doctor immediately and in fact did not go to a physician until after he called a lawyer.

William I. Gosnell, attorney for Dr. Kerr, in his summation to the jury, made much of this point: "This is a frivolous case. The only time Mr. Hutton said anything about going to the doctor was after he had called his lawyer and was advised to do so.

"Then he left his home in West Baltimore and went all the way over on Gay St. in East Baltimore . . . thousands of businessmen are exploited each year by people seeking money, and it is time someone put a stop to it. . . ."

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BEFORE THE jury returned the verdict in his favor, Dr. Kerr told the AFRO:

"This is purely a case of someone trying to get something for nothing.

"There couldn't have been any foreign matter in that medicine when we bottled it.

"If there was, our bottler would have seen it."

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THE PHARMACIST added: "I've sold 80,000 bottles and never had a complaint or had to make any legitimate refunds.

"The lone exception was several years ago when the medicine was selling for 35 cents. (It is now 50 cents).

"A girl came in and said the medicine didn't do her any good. Since we have a money back guarantee, we returned the money.

"Later, she came back and confessed that she had told an untruth. She wanted the money to go to the movies."

Find body of woman in creek

CAMBRIDGE — The body of a 74-year - old woman who reportedly had been depressed in recent weeks was found Saturday night in Chapel Creek at Cornersville.

• Dr. John Mace issued a verdict of suicide in the drowning death of Mrs. Phena Beckett, formerly of Deal Island.

Mrs. Beckett and her husband had been living in Cornersville with her brother, the Rev. Ernest Lyle.

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SHERIFF David Bradshaw said the woman's relatives reported to Mrs. Beckett left home around 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

When she had not returned by 9 the sheriff's office was notified and a search was launched.

State police joined deputies in the search and around midnight the woman's body was found in the creek.

Hilary Neal denied divorce from his wife

Hilary Neal, Jr., 808 Peach Orchard Lane, Tuxner Station, was denied a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Sarah Neal, 612 New Pittsburgh Ave., Dundalk, in Circuit Court on Thursday.

Mr. Neal filed for the divorce on April 26, 1957, alleging that his wife deserted him in Dec., 1954 and that they had been apart since that time.

However, Mrs. Neal is contesting the divorce stated that Mr. Neal and she had lived as man and wife as late as Jan., 1957.

Judge Cullen stated that he was "lost as to what happened up to Jan., 1957," and awarded custody of two-year old Vanessa, the only child, to the mother.

Mr. Neal is required to pay $10 weekly support for the child and $100 fees to Mrs. Neal's attorney, U. Theodore Hayes.

Mrs. Neal is employed by a liquor store in Baltimore.

10 Police killings in Baltimore area

APRIL 19, 1956—Robert McLain, 14-year-old Dunbar High School student of 404 E. Chase St., shot while running away from a stolen car at Madison and Fallsway by Officer Donald E. Mitchell of the Central District. Magistrate Meyer Cardin exonerated the policeman.

JUNE 25, 1956—Harry Boyd Jr., 27, 1417 N. Broadway, shot in the back by Northeastern Patrolman Charles Fennell, who arrived on scene after a street fight. Magistrate Meyer Cardin ruled the officer acted in line of duty and the killing was justified.

JULY 7, 1956—Robert O. Harper, 34, 1114 Barclay St., shot in leg—and bled to death following shooting by Southwestern Patrolman Walter Mina Jr., who told superiors he was breaking up a disorderly crowd. Officer Mina was exonerated of the killing by Magistrate Meyer Cardin, who ruled he acted in the line of duty.

AUGUST 15, 1956 — Frank J. Williams, 24, was shot and killed by Sgt. Albert Heck as a suspect in two holdups and the non-fatal shooting of a tailor shop proprietor. Sgt. Heck was exonerated of the killing in Central Police Court by Magistrate Meyer Cardin.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1956—Donald Jackson, 23, 971 Ellicott Dr., shot in the arm and chest by Southeastern Patrolman Benjamin Leden. Leden said he shot the man "in defense of my life," in the unit block Gilmor St. Patrolman Ledden was exonerated of the slaying by Magistrate Cardin.

OCTOBER 15, 1956 — Benjamin Brown, 14-year-old patient at Rosewood Training School shot and killed by Northwest Patrolman Marshall V. Brewer with rifle he didn't know was loaded." Magistrate Meyer Cardin dismissed the shooting charge after State's Attorney John Weiss said the State could not make out a homicide case against the officer who said the shooting was an accident.

NOVEMBER 7, 1956—James H. Duggan Jr., 28, white city sanitary department worker, killed by a policeman answering cries for help. Central District Patrolman Joseph Bosse was exonerated by Magistrate Meyer Cardin.

NOVEMBER 24, 1956 —Clarence Wilkerson, 39, 1304 Harlem Ave., shot and killed by a Baltimore County Policeman while getting out of a car as ordered. Officer Louis DeManns was charged with homicide by State's Attorney. Frank Hewell. On Monday, Dec., 10 a Baltimore County jury failed to indict officer DeManns. He was returned to the force with no official punishment.

JANUARY 21, 1957 — James Kenneth Robbins, 17, 1800 block Jackson St., was shot and killed after a robbery assault. Southern District Patrolman Melvin Kearns said as he fired a warning shot, he slipped on the ice. A bullet struck the youth in the back of the head. Patrolman Kearns was exonerated by Magistrate Meyer Cardin who declared that the shooting had occurred in the line of duty and was accidental.

AUGUST 4, 1957 — Benjamin Ward, 19, 281 N. Exeter when he reportedly lunged at Officer Isaiah Pressey when the policeman attempted to question him about a stolen battery. Patrolman Pressey was exonerated by Chief Magistrate Stanley Richardson who declared the officer was acting in the performance of his duty.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE EEOC

Q- What is the EEOC?

A - The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission set up through a bill approved by the City Council in 1956.

Q - What does it do?

A - Receives and processes complaints of discrimination. Also seeks to promote fair employment practices by conducting educational programs designed to eliminate prejudice and discrimination.

Q - Who may file complaints?

A - Any person who feels he has been discriminated against because of color, race, religion, national origin or ancestry.

Q - Where is the office?

A - People's Court Building, Fayette and Gays Sts. (WATCH FOR FURTHER QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE EEOC)

Sen. Cole banquet set for Saturday

A testimonial banquet for State Sen. Harry A. Cole (Rep., 4th Dist.) will be held tomorrow (Saturday) at 5 p.m. in the lower auditorium of the Sharp St. Memorial Methodist Church.

Senator Cole is being cited as he completes his first term as the first member of the State Senate.

The invocation will be delivered by the Rev. Arthur J. Payne.

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SCHEDULED to participate on the program are the following:

Dr. Carl Murphy, president of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers; Dr. Willard Allen, grand master of Maryland Masons; William Haithcock and R. Hayes Strider of the music department at Morgan State College.

Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan State College; Mrs. Victorine Adams, president of the Women's Democratic Club; the Rev. Harrison J. Bryant, pastor of Bethel AME Church.

State Sen. Harry T. Phoebus (Rep., Somerset County); the Honorable Truly Hatchett, member of the House of Delegates.

Miss Junetta Jones, soprano; the Rev. Timothy Boddie, president of the Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland; Mrs. Lillie M. Jackson, president of Baltimore's NAACP.

The Honorable George Hubbard, member of the State Parole Board; the Rev. Franklin Auld of Mt. Vernon Methodist Church.

Sen. Philip Goodman (Dem., 5th Dist.); Magistrate Robert B. Watts of Traffic Court; Sen. Louis Goldstein, president of the Maryland Senate; Dr. Malcom Moss, chairman of the Baltimore Republican Committee.

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LINWOOD G. KOGER JR., president of the Monumental Bar Association; William C. Rogers, chairman of the Governors Commission on Interracial Problems; Dr. Dwight D. O. W. Holmes, president emeritus of Morgan; Mrs. Virgie Waters, representing the State Board of Hair Dressers and Beauty Culturists.

U.S. Senator J. Glenn Beall, Governor McKeldin and the Rev. Edward G. Carrol of Sharp St. Church.

Dr. Edward Wilson will be toastmaster.

Committee members are: Samuel Daniels, Leo Hunt, Milton Allen, George Russell, Mrs. Katharine C. Peck, Raymond B. Haysbert.

Frank Ellis is chairman of the program committee.

Numbers plant case in hands of state

"We are going to follow through.

"It's all in the hands of the State's Attorney's office now.

"I assume that they are mulling this over."

As interest mounted in connection with the identity of a tall stranger who allegedly framed a local businessman on a numbers rap, that was the comment Wednesday of Stanley Scherr, attorney for Earl R. Matthews.

The 52-year-old Matthews was arrested last Friday by three Northwestern District plainclothes officers in the 500 block Kirby Lane.

On Monday he was release on $2,000 bail for action of the grand jury.

At a hearing before Magistrate James F. Fanseen, police testified that Matthews dropped a package containing 16 numbers slips before he was arrested.

Since his arrest the following events have taken place:

1. Implications have been made that Mr. Matthews was arrested as a result of planted evidence.

2. Both the defendant and his attorney say that they have been threatened in anonymous telephone calls.

3. The entire case involving the arrest of the music box and pin ball machine company executive has been dropped in the lap of the State's Attorney's office.

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IMPLICATIONS of the planted evidence were presented by Mr. Scherr during the hearing at Northwestern.

On behalf of Matthews, who is a resident of the 2300 block Mondawmin Ave., the attorney declared that both he and Matthews had been threatened before their appearance in court.

Mr. Scherr stated that a mysterious caller warned him to be careful of how he conducted the Matthews case.

In questioning Sgt. John Dunn and Patrolmen Leroy Moody and Stanley J. Jastrzemski, the attorney declared that prior to the arrest, a tall man dropped the "planted evidence" in front of Matthews.

In summing up the case Mr. Scherr added, "Much of this testimony has been made the whole truth.

"There is far more transpiring than meets the eye in what these officers have testified to.

"I'm not accusing these officers of being directly connected with it," Mr. Scherr declared.

In answer to the lawyer's query about "planted evidence" Patrolman Moody, a veteran of 13 years service termed the accusation "an awful question."

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AT THE START of the hearing Matthews' attorney asked that the court room be cleared of all spectators. The request was granted by Magistrate Fanseen.

In describing the arrest Sgt. Dunn testified that he and two officers were cruising on Kirby Lane when they noticed Mr. Matthews walking west.

The Sergeant stated that Matthews looked back twice in their direction and then dropped a package.

When one of the three officers opened the package and replied, "It's lottery slips, sergeant," Matthews was taken into custody, Officer Dunn stated.

He also said that Officer Moody picked up another slip of paper off the ground during the arrest.

At the station house, the police testified that $73.74 plus a book was found on Matthews.

Sergeant Dunn state that he had seen Matthews before but had never talked with him.

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IN ANSWER to a question by Mr. Scherr, "If I asked you why was this stuff planted and why was this man framed what would you say?"

The Sergeant replied: "I don't like it. I testified to these things to the ground."

When the attorney asked the officer if he had seen a tall man in the vicinity Sgt. Dunn said that he had seen such a man 10 or 15 feet away from Matthews.

The officer declared that Matthews said nothing to him about the strange man handing him a package.

Patrolman Moody also testified that he had not seen the tall man.

Officer Jastrzemski stated that he saw a man standing approximately 12 inches away from Matthews before walking away.

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IN CONNECTION with the case Mr. Scherr conferred with State's Attorney J. Harold Grady on Tuesday.

Both Mr. Grady and Police Commissioner James M. Hepbron have refused to comment on the case.

In commenting on the occupation of his client Mr. Scherr told the AFRO:

"Mr. Matthews is with a music company, and has been with the same company for the past 20 years."

DRIVE STRATEGISTS—Co-chairmen of the Druid Hill YMCA spring membership drive, Claude (Buddy) Young, left, and Henry G. Parks Jr., are checking the progress of the campaign which started of Feb. 10. Campaign goal is $11,500 and 1,500 Y members.

Think man died two weeks ago

The badly decomposed body of a 41-year-old man was found Wednesday morning when one of his fellow-employees made an investigation to determine why he had not been to work for almost two weeks, police have reported.

The dead man, Herbert Robinson, 2032 Druid Hill Ave., was found lying on the bed in his third floor apartment by Frank Jones, 39, 1611 Bruce Ct., police said.

Mr. Jones was sent to see about Mr. Robinson by their foreman at a paint company because Mr. Robinson had not been to work since Feb. 21.

Mr. Jones told the police that he found the door of the apartment open and saw Mr. Robinson lying on the bed.

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OTHER RESIDENTS of the house were Mr. Robinson lived, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Meades, told police they had not seen Mr. Robinson for two weeks.

On Thursday, Mrs. Alberta Meades told the AFRO that Mr. Robinson had lived in the house for 12 or 14 years.

Mrs. Meade said neither she or her husband became alarmed when they didn't see Mr. Robinson over the two-week period because, "we never saw him very much. He was very quiet."

She also said Mr. Robinson would come in and go straight to his apartment, and others in the house rarely even heard him.

His body, taken to the medical examiner, was too decomposed to have an autopsy performed.

Police have reportedly located a cousin of Mr. Robinson's who lives in the city, and also a brother in Virginia.

'I grabbed her around the neck'

"I grabbed her by the neck, my left hand around her neck and my right hand around the front of her neck. . . I did not have any idea I put so much pressure on her."

This confession, in part, from Willie J. Harrison Jr., 23, of the 800 block N. Fremont Ave., in Criminal Court Wednesday netted him a three-year sentence in the State Reformatory for Males on a murder charge.

He was accused of strangling to death Mrs. Floretta Forrester, 37, of the 1100 block Brewer St., on Christmas Eve day.

Mr. Harrison, through his attorney, Michael F. Freedman, entered a guilty plea to manslaughter on the murder charge before Judge Reuben Oppenheimer.

Mrs. Forrester, mother of a three - year - old boy, was found strangled in her home shortly after 10 a.m. December 24.

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JUDGE OPPENHEIMER was told in a statement, given policy by Mr. Harrison and introduced at the trial, that the accused man had met Mrs. Forrester at Hoffman St. and Pennsylvania Ave. on Christmas Eve morning, and had gone home with her.

The two had been on intimate, friendly terms, Judge Oppenheimer was told, from 1954 until last July 13, when Mr. Harrison was given a six-month sentence on a charge of cutting her during an argument over $10.

"We were not in the house over ten minutes before we got to arguing about I had cut her," Mr. Harrison's statement explained to the court.

"She pulled a knife on me, and I grabbed her by the neck. When I turned her loose, she fell over on the bed and I went out of the house."

MR. FREEDMAN, in making a plea for leniency for Mr. Harrison, stated:

"There was no deliberate intention here to harm the deceased, Your Honor. Harrison was only trying to protect himself from her attack with the knife and get out of the house."

Mr. Freedman introduced a police record which he charged showed the deceased matron had a record of 53 criminal convictions.

KENNETH JAMES, 8-year-old son of Mrs. Dorothy James, 2715 W. North Ave., was fatally injured last Friday when struck by a car near his home and dragged nearly 200 yards. He was a third grade pupil at School No. 40.

12 arrested in records theft case

Eleven of 12 persons arrested solving thefts of records and other minor items worth $1,600 were held for the grand jury Wednesday, at Southwestern Police Court.

Magistrate Howard L. Aaron set bail for the 12 at a total of $13,300.

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There were six larceny, four conspiracy and six charges of receiving stolen goods against the defendants.

Six of the defendants were employed at the Mongold Distributing Company in the 600 block of W. Baltimore St., from where the goods were allegedly stolen.

The case was investigated by Officers Andrew Strebeck and Theodore Bachman.

Sgt. Suter said from $700 to $800 worth of records had been recovered but that the loss is expected to run well above the $1,600 estimate.

According to testimony before Magistrate Aaron in the more than two - hour hearing, the records were sold to local record shop owners at "discounts."

Sgt. Suter said the reason offered dealers for being able to sell cheaply was that the sellers frequently visited Philadelphia firm trying to crack the Baltimore market.

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THE 12TH MAN in the case, Willie Wheeler Jr., 29, of the 100 block N. Poppleton St., was charged with taking $14.83 worth of records to his home for another charge.

He was given a 30-day, suspended jail sentence and a year on probation.

These were the other defendants and dispositions:

Howard H. Reason, 44, 100 block W. 24th St., $1,500 bail larceny charge; $1,000 bail conspiracy charge.

Mrs. Jessie M. Stringfellow, 30, same address, $1,500 bail larceny charge.

Archer T. Gatling, 20, 1700 block E. Lanvale St.; waived preliminary hearing; $1,000 bail larceny charge, $1,000 conspiring charge.

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MISS SHIRLEY JONES, 18, 600 block Cherry Crest Rd., $1,000 bail conspiracy charge; $500 bail larceny charge.

Mrs. Dorothy M. Barnes, 26, 2700 Lauretta Ave., waived hearing, $1,000 conspiracy charge; $500 larceny charge.

Raymond Mills, 45, 1300 block Pennsylvania Ave., $500 bail receiving charge.

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MRS. GERTRUDE G. PRICE, 38, 1700 block E. Lanvale St. (waived hearing), John Coates, 37, 400 block Roundwood Rd., and George R. Sheldon, 46, 2800 block Winchester St., each held in $500 bail on receiving charges.

Ernest L. Burston, 37, 700 block Ashburton St., and Henry Frazier Jr., 44, 300 block Melrose Ave., each held in $1,000 bail on receiving charge.

Two youths held in $15,000 bail

Two foster brothers were ordered held in $15,000 bail for the grand jury at Northwestern Police Court Thursday.

The youths, James E. Thomas, 15, and James Wilkins, 16, 2800 block W. North Ave., were charged with 13 counts of burglary.

Thomas, arrested on seven charges, pleaded guilty to six and his foster brother, Wilkins, with six charges against him pleaded guilty to four.

THE BAIL FOR Thomas was set at $8,000; and $7,000 for Wilkins. Their alleged crimes date back to July of 1957 and the total value of stolen property was $623.50, police said.

Most of the property has not been recovered.

Crownsville inmate found dead in woods

William Ross, 70, a Crownsville State Hospital inmate, was found dead Sunday morning in the woods approximately 120 feet from the highway.

He had been missing from the institute for the past month.

The body was discovered by a Crownsville staff member. It was still unclaimed at the Baltimore City morgue at presstime.

Falls Road residents win zoning case

"Both sides of Falls Rd. in the immediate vicinity are in residential use . . . a commercial use such as now proposed would adversely effect the neighboring properties, would add to the traffic hazard and tend to increase the fire hazard."

The Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals gave this opinion Wednesday in refusing to permit a blond furniture dealer to operate a store and furniture warehouse at 4666-68 Falls Rd.

The decision was a victory for residents of the area and Traffic Court Magistrate Robert B. Watts, their attorney, who protested the permit request and the necessary zoning change its issuance would require.

The furniture dealer, Jerome Sibley, 3000 block Labyrinth Rd., had purchased the properties, the Zoning Board was told, and was already using an abandoned one-story school building on the premises for warehouse purposes.

MR. WATTS charged that a permit to the furniture dealer would create an instance of spot zoning; that the handling of furniture across the pavement was already obstructing pedestrians, and the use of the place as proposed created a fire hazard.

Mr. Watts charged further that the furniture dealer "acted in bad faith," by using the premises for storage purposes without applying for a permit until residents called the matter to the attention of authorities.

Protestants included the Falls Rd. Community Club, Mrs. Virginia Champ, president, and the Hoe's Heights Improvement Association, represented by Roy Green.

Ethical group

Judge Thomas J. S. Waxter, director of the Maryland Department of Public Welfare, will be the guest speaker of The Baltimore Ethical Society on Sunday, March 9, 11 a.m., at 19 E. North Ave.

The subject of Judge Waxter's talk will be "Relationship Between Public Welfare and the Community."

Red Cross March goal

WASHINGTON (ANP)— Red Cross officials announced last week that the national relief and disaster organization will seek $95 million during its March campaign for funds.

Magistrate Koger returns in time to celebrate birthday

Northwestern Police Court has taken on a familiar appearance with the return of Magistrate Linwood G. Koger Sr.

Sifting Thursday morning, the first time since his return from a three week vacation cruise southward, the magistrate dealt out sage advice to those appearing before him.

The magistrate's line, the Mauretania, docked in New York Saturday night giving him enough time to rest before celebrating his 65th birthday Sunday, March 16.

The Southward - ho voyage took him to Nassau, Martinique, Barbados, Grenados, Port Au Prince and Panama, plus other colorful places.

During his absence other magistrates sat in the busy courtroom.

Alphas to hear EEOC officials

Two officials of the Baltimore Equal Employment Opportunity Commission will discuss the agency's operations at a meeting of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., at 8 p.m. Monday, according to Frank Ellis, Alpha president.

Appearing at the meeting will be Philip A. Camponeschi, EEOC executive secretary, and Dr. G. James Fleming, Morgan State College professor and a Commission member.

The meeting will be held at Poe Homes, 216 N. Fremont Ave.

YOU REGISTER Now So You Can Vote

Here are the facts in Baltimore:

Colored persons over 21	144,216
REGISTERED	87,496
Not Registered	56,720
Registered from April 1, 1957 to Feb. 1, 1958	10,123

You MUST register before April 19, 1958 in order to vote in the next election.

For further information call Register and Vote Committee,

The Rev. John L. Tilley, chairman.

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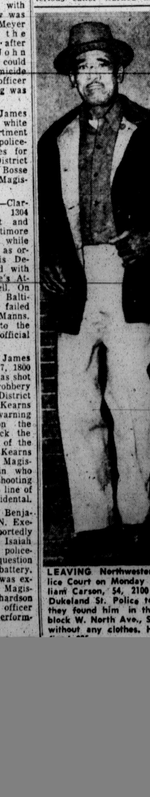

LEAVING Northwestern police Court on Monday is William Carson, 54, 2100 block Dukeland St. Police testified they found him in the 2900 block W. North Ave., Sunday, without any clothes. He was

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Minister Confesses

Only 3 of 17 hospitals admit all

By MOSES NEWSON

(ED. NOTE — The AFRO takes pride in publishing this article as a public service designed to inform the public as to how a pattern of segregation and discrimination exists in a number of Baltimore's hospitals, many of which receive State funds. Read the editorial on this situation appearing on Page 4).

Four of Baltimore's 17 general hospitals, comprising 781 of the 4,920 bed complement, don't admit colored patients.

Another six hospitals with 1,478 beds, set aside only 159 for colored, mostly in reserved segregated sections.

Four others with 1,126 beds report that they, by policy, accept colored patients and do not, by policy, segregate them.

Just three, with 1,370 beds, report no restrictions at all and in practice have more than a token colored patient load.

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THIRTEEN of the 17 hospitals have no colored doctors enjoying staff privileges while only four have.

However, nine of these 13 either report having had no applications from qualified colored doctors or that applications are now being considered.

Four hospitals have colored doctors as staffers.

Five of the hospitals have no colored nurses on their staffs while 12 do.

Some nursing schools train colored students but have none of the hospital staff.

Some of the hospitals plan additional bed space and fewer restrictions in buildings yet to be completed.

The 4,920 general bed complement used in the AFRO survey does not include a total of 1,317 beds.

At Johns Hopkins there are 170; at City Hospitals there are 1,072, and at University 75.

This figure includes beds for long - term patients and bassinets for new born.

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BALTIMORE'S non - white

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NOT QUITE RIGHT—The sign over the door reads "Hospital for the Women of Maryland" but the prospective patient being assisted up the stairs will find that the hospital does not accept Maryland's colored citizens.

• THE WEATHER •

FRIDAY—Snow mixed with rain with moderate temperature.
SATURDAY—Cloudy skies, not much change in temperature.
SUNDAY—Clear and cool.
MONDAY—Fair.

	Sun Rises	Sun Sets
Friday, March 14	6:15 a.m.	6:05 p.m.
Saturday, March 15	6:13 a.m.	6:06 p.m.
Sunday, March 16	6:12 a.m.	6:07 p.m.
Monday, March 17	6:10 a.m.	6:08 p.m.

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If your head is circled in the lucky picture which appears in this and every edition, you can collect $5 cash simply by calling at the AFRO City Desk before the next edition is out. Look for the lucky picture, you may be a winner!

35 more days left to register so you can vote

April 19, 1958 is the last day you can register to vote in the May primary election.

A GOOD CITIZEN IS REGISTERED SO HE CAN V-O-T-E. ARE YOU?

Who must register: Any new resident who plans to make Baltimore his home and has not registered to vote before.

Any resident who has turned 21 since the last election.

Any resident who failed either to register or to vote at least once in the past five years.

Any person already registered as an independent who desires to affiliate with a political party in order to vote in the May 20th primary.

Where to register: Basement People's Court Building, southeast corner of Fayette and Gay Sts.

When you can register: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 9 to 12.

If I have already registered, do I have to register again? — Ans. — Yes, not unless you have changed your address or failed to vote in the past five years.

When is the last date I can register in order to vote in the next election?—Ans. April 19, 1958 and don't wait until the last minute!

Show your voting card in church on Sunday.

Bat killer gets 15 yrs.

"This was a vicious, bloody murder . . . unjustifiable, in that it was not an act of self defense . . . this was close to a first degree murder."

Judge Anselm Sodaro was commenting in Criminal Court Wednesday, prior to sentencing Isiah Wilson, 37, unit block N. Bond St., to 15 years in the penitentiary for the baseball bat slaying of Mrs. Fannie Jones, 28, of the 1300 block E. Fayette St., on September 28.

Judge Sodaro rendered a second - degree murder conviction in the case.

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MR. WILSON, neatly dressed in a blue suit, white shirt and dark tie, accepted the sentence without visible emotions.

Previously, he had sat through most of the trial weeping silently.

This emotion during the trial reached such a pronounced stage, Solomon Baylor, attorney for Mr. Wilson, requested and was granted a two - hour discontinuance of the trial to allow the accused man to regain his composure.

Mr. Wilson did not take the witness stand in his defense.

However, Assistant State's Attorney Preston A. Pairo Jr.,

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LEON JEFFERSON, five-year-old kindergarten pupil, smiles happily when assisted by his teacher, Mrs. Anethia Williams. Little Leon reads fifth and sixth grade books, likes newspapers and spelling. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Jefferson, Sr., he lives at 1212 Jefferson Court with his parents, two older sisters and a younger brother.

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'I am doing the will of God...'

"I have the most serious — the most deadly serious statement I've ever had to make in my life, and I want you to stand by while I say it."

So spoke the Rev. Eugene T. Grove, pastor of Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Eden and Chase Sts., Wednesday evening, March 5.

The occasion was the regular weekly Bible study and prayer meeting.

Some 100 persons were in attendance.

In a situation unprecedented, the young pastor stood before his members and confessed his indiscretions.

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HE SAID:

"At the cost of being killed—at the cost of my ministry—feeling that I am doing the will of God and cleansing my life so that I can pursue my ministry, I tell you.

"I wasn't forced to tell it, no pressure was put on me except by the Lord. So I tell it. . . ."

Telling of the meeting, Pastor Grove said:

"I talked about a half hour.

"I took the full blame, feeling that I owed it to God and before the Lord, I couldn't blame it on anybody.

"When I finished, there was a deadly silence.

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"ALL OF A SUDDEN, one of the finest women of the church, said, 'Pastor Grove, what you've said represents one of the finest things I ever heard a man say.' making a confession that we didn't know about.

"I'm sure that only God could force you to do it. I'll make the motion to have your name cleared upon your own confession.'

"I said 'no sister, all I can ask you before God is that you forgive me.

"'Don't try to get others to commit themselves — let's have a church meeting in two weeks time.'

"'If the church sees fit to forgive me, then I'll resume

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REV. E. T. GROVE
"I humbly pray that God may sustain my family and friends in this the darkest hour of my life . . ."

City drops school site plan; Dolphin St. change also out

The Department of Education is no longer actively interested in the originally proposed Belmont site for an elementary school."

This was the statement made this week by Dr. John H. Fischer, superintendent of education.

He was referring to a decision by school officials to abandon plans to build an elementary school at the location bounded by Ellamont, Pressstman, Rosedale and Belmont Sts.

The site had been designat-

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ed last year as the location for the new school being constructed to ease overcrowding in the area.

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IN ANOTHER action, plans, formerly under study, to widen Dolphin St. between McCulloh and Fremont Ave., have been reconsidered and shelved by the city's Planning Commission.

John J. Lang, deputy director of the Planning Commission, revealed this in a recent letter to the Rev. Samuel M. Carter, director, Department of Research and Survey of the Methodist Church.

The Rev. Mr. Carter sent a telegram to Mr. Lang for a conference on the proposal, following an AFRO story that the Planning Commission was studying the matter.

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IN THE original Belmont school site, 26 homes valued at $8,500 to $11,000 were to have been taken to make way for the new building.

Dr. Fischer's announcement means that the homeowners in the initial site will not have to move.

Currently under study as the possible location for the school is an unoccupied site at the foot of Ellamont St., near Normont Ave., adjoining the railroad line.

To enable the children to get to the school without having to cross the railroad tracks a footbridge is being planned for the location.

However, a definite decision has not been reached on a new location and is not expected to be reached for several weeks, according to William E. Lehr, assistant superintendent

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IN A NUTSHELL

- School Board abandons plan to build elementary school in area bounded by Ellamont, Pressstman, Rosedale and Belmont.
- New proposal is to locate school on vacant land at foot of Ellamont St. near railroad.
- 26 Homeowners in original site won't have to look for new homes.
- Proposal to widen Dolphin St. and remove Sharp St. Church and School No. 125 also abandoned by city officials.

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11-year-old held in drowning of playmates 'possibly mentally ill'

NEW YORK—What kind of boy would do such a thing?

That question, on the mind of this shocked city in the wake of an eleven-year-old boy's confession to pushing two small children into the Hudson River, Tuesday by a leading New York alienist.

George Jones, who told police he pushed Louis Brisant, 7, and Theresa Murphy, 4, to their death in the Hudson River nine months apart, was described as "possibly psychopathic" by Dr. J. A. Spingar, director of a New York psychiatric clinic.

"This is the picture of a boy with no stable or positive father figure with which to understand its existence.

"The boy appears to suffer a lack of normal empathy, that characteristic of the healthy human self which an ability to feel ones way into the condition of another human which should be early formed.

"In such a psychopatic personality, his action is as meaningless as if he had kicked a stray dog."

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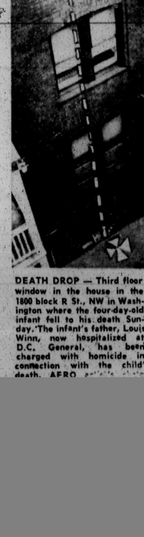
FEELINGS THAT George may be mentally ill were expressed also by the mothers of both victims.

"We feel no hatred toward the boy," said Mrs. Helen Murphy. "What's done is done. . . .



DEATH DROP — Third floor window in the house in the 1000 block R St., NW in Washington where the 5-year-old infant fell to his death Sunday. The infant's father, Louis Winn, now hospitalized at D.C. General, has been charged with homicide in connection with the child's death. AFRO

Elliott to die in Gas Chamber

John Wesley Elliott, convicted of a 1956 shotgun killing, is scheduled to die in the Gas Chamber at the Maryland Penitentiary on Friday, March 21.

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Ex-Ink Spot singer's mother buried in lace and diamonds

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

Bill Kenny's mother, Mrs. Geneva Goldring, was buried here Wednesday in a fashion becoming the mother of the internationally known ex-Ink Spot's Quartet singer.

Although the solemn requiem mass held at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church was simple more than 500 persons witnessed a display of fabulous diamonds, and more than $1,000 in floral designs at a Carey St. funeral chapel on Tuesday night.

A prominent civic and church worker, the 63-year-old Mrs. Goldring reposed in a waterproofed steel gray broadcloth casket lined with fluted white satin.

She wrapped in blush pink lace over dusty rose taffeta.

HER SOFTLY curled gray hair was set off by diamond clip earrings given her by Bill's Canadian - born third wife, the former Miss Audrey MacBurney of Calgary, Alberta.

About her neck was