WHEN YOU FINISH READING YOUR AFRO PASS IT ALONG TO A FRIEND

Crippled Woman's Nephew Charged In Death

Rites held for apt. 4G victim

Sixty - four persons attended the 40 - minute funeral services held yesterday (Thursday) at a Lanvale St. funeral home for Howard Banks, 43, 628 Smithson St.

Mr. Banks, the victim of a fatal gun wound reportedly received in an altercation with a former sweetheart, in a fourth floor Lafayette Cts. Apt. No. 4G was dead on arrival at Johns Hopkins Hospital Saturday at 4:03 a.m.

This was an hour and 18 minutes after the approximate time of the shooting.

Police said they found Mr. Banks's body in a sitting position in a "tot lot," a play area for small children on a wired-in ramp of the fourth floor, a kitchen knife in his back pocket.

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A 26-YEAR-OLD, red-headed wife of a marine, Mrs. Constance Rivers, was charged in connection with the shooting.

Police said that Mr. Banks was shot in the right eye before dawn Saturday in Mrs. Rivers's apartment at 1101 Orleans St. in the Lafayette Courts.

The police report also stated that Mrs. Rivers said the man invaded her apartment early Saturday morning, struck her, and said:

"If I can't have you, nobody else can."

In the struggle which followed, according to the police report, Mrs. Rivers said the man drew a pistol which went off while they tussled. Mr. Banks reportedly walked out of the room and collapsed.

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THE REV. Samuel Redd of Mt. Ararat Baptist Church officiated at the funeral rites:

In his 30 - minute sermon, he quoted the Book of Samuel, 11th chapter and the third verse:

"And David spake these words and said: 'Moreover my father knows that I have found favor with thee. Let not Johnathan know this for in sooth as the Lord liveth, there is but a step between my soul and death.'

"David knew that his life was in jeopardy and he prepared for it."

"Death is a sure step—no one can avoid it."

"It's a step that separates us from friends and loved ones —no matter how much we may love them."

"It is sometimes a sudden step; you don't have to be taken with a long seige of illness."

"It is the last step — and it is a lonely one — that is, unless you are a Christian and have Christ as your personal Savior.

"I commend this family to the Lord. He will strengthen and fortify you in your time of trouble," the minister concluded.

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NINE FLORAL pieces surrounded the gray coffin in which the body rested.

The body was garbed in a gray suit and a maroon tie.

A dark - red bruise - like mark showed under the right eye, through which police said the bullet entered.

Five cards of sympathy from friends were read. Mrs. Margaret McRae sang "Beyond the Sunset," and "When I've Done the Best I Can."

A flag was draped over the coffin of the World War Two veteran as he was interred out.

Family and friends filled nine cars which proceeded to Baltimore National Cemetery after the rites.

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THE DEAD MAN was the father of two teenaged children, Howard Banks Jr., and Barbara Banks both of Philadelphia., by a former marriage.

A native Baltimorean, he was working as a porter for a local automobile company at the time of his death.

At the Smithson St. address where he lived a woman who identified herself as Mrs. Jean Banks, told the AFRO on Saturday:

"He was a wonderful man."

"If he hadn't got killed over there, I'd never known he was over there."

Mr. Banks is also survived by a sister, Mrs. Viola Davis, 3440 Mondawmin Ave., and an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. M. Washington, also of Baltimore.

Where is Mrs. T.P. Robinson?

BOWIE — The question late Thursday was: "Where is Mrs. Thelma Potts Robinson?"

Mrs. Robinson is the 30-year-old Harmons housewife charged with the armed robbery of a Bowie general store of $38.

State policemen arrested her at her home and turned her over to Prince Georges County police headquarters at Seat Pleasant.

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AUTHORITIES at Seat Pleasant told the AFRO that Mrs. Robinson had been transferred to the jail at Upper Marlboro where she would be arraigned on Monday.

Clerks in the Upper Marlboro police department's office, however, said that they definitely had no record of Mrs. Robinson—either as being in jail or slated for trial.

A recheck at Seat Pleasant drew confirmation of the earlier assertion that Mrs. Robinson had been transferred. A recheck at Upper Marlboro drew a confirmation, just as firm that she was not there and had never been there.

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MRS. ROBINSON'S arrest came Wednesday, 80 minutes after the Bowie store was robbed.

Mrs. Noah Wright, proprietor of the store, told police that a woman came in, ordered sheets, towels and wash-cloths, then pulled out a .32 caliber automatic and said:

"Give me all the money you have. I'm not fooling; I mean business."

Mrs. Wright said the woman had two children in the automobile waiting outside the store.

Police arrested Mrs. Robinson after tracing a license number reported to them. When arrested, Mrs. Robinson was in her automobile accompanied by two children, a son, 7, and daughter, 8.

Her husband is a railroad track worker who, police said, is regularly employed.

READY FOR CAMP—Departure time for the 231st Truck Transportation Battalion is Saturday morning when the outfit shoves off for Indiantown Gap where it will take two weeks of field training with other units of the Maryland National Guard's 29th Division. The unit will contain approximately 225 men and 22 officers. Shown here, left to right, are: Pfc. Wilbeck Stewart, Pfc. Robert Pindell, Pvt. Herman Williams Jr. and Sgt. James E. Owens Jr.

Court dismisses larceny charge against nurse

A charge of larceny against a 24-year-old nurse who was accused of taking $4.26 worth of groceries from a Gwynns Falls, Pkwy. food store last June 26th was dismissed last Monday in Pine St., Police court.

The case involving Mrs. Janet L. Brown of the 3000 block Piedmont Ave., was heard by Magistrate Vernon Wiesand.

Nude body found by children

"There is not a shred of evidence to hold this man.

"There is no motive here and no identification."

That was the comment Joseph Rosenthal attorney for a 54-year-old man accused of choking his crippled aunt to death made in Homicide Court Tuesday afternoon.

Charged with causing the death of Mrs. Edna Smith, 57, of 1122 W. Saratoga St., the defendant, John Henry White of the 1000 block N. Milton Ave., was ordered held without bail for action of the grand jury.

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THE NUDE and battered body of Mrs. Smith was found in the living room of her home on July 26th by a group of children who peeped through a side window.

After forcing open the front door to the house, Southwestern District police discovered that three out of five rooms had been ransacked.

The walls and floor in the living room were splattered with blood.

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AT TUESDAY'S hearing Sgt. Charles T. Plock of the Homicide Squad testified to the following:

"In the front living room, we found the woman in a sitting position, nude with her head on a chair."

"Her crutch and a man's brown felt hat were nearby. There were bloody prints of her naked foot on the floor.

"Our investigation disclosed that a tenant, Mrs. Grace Garnett said she heard noises and the voice of a middle-aged man who said, "I'm John's brother from New York. I've got $15 and need $10 to pay a bill. Did you get the check yet"?

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SGT. PLOCK told the magistrate the name John was in reference to John Williams, a tenant in the Smith home who died on July 7th.

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The trials heard on Tuesday and Wednesday followed the same pattern of an undercover, special FBI employee making a purchase of heroin under the surveillance of a FBI agent, and later arrested by a police department squad under Capt. Joseph Carroll.

The purchases in the cases aired were allegedly in the Riggs Ave. and the South Baltimore Barre St. section.

One exception was the case of Mr. Reed, who was arrested when police found 69 grains of marijuana and fifty quantities of empty heroin capsules in his room, it was testified.

2 jailed; 3 guilty in dope cases

Two men were sentenced to two years each in the House of Correction, and the sentencing of three others withheld pending motions for new trials, in a group of dope cases in Criminal Court this week.

The prison terms were given James E. Reed, 25, 3100 block W. North Ave., and Thomas Mason, 22, 1800 block Penrose Ave.

Sentences were withheld on possible new trial motions, after three men had been found guilty:

Richard Nichols, 25, 500 block W. Conway St.; Clayton Cuff, 31, 1900 block Pennsylvania Ave.; and Melvin A. Jones, 30, 1600 block Druid Hill Ave.

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THE FIVE men were among a total of 26 persons named in 33 dope cases scheduled for trial Tuesday and Wednesday before Judge Anselm Sodaro.

Defense attorneys requested postponements in all but two of the cases not heard.

Norman Polski, assistant State's attorney, requested postponement in two cases on Wednesday.

One was because a jury was not available for a requested jury trial, The other was because Mr. Polski said the State did not choose to try the cases out of a planned pattern, disrupted by a postponement.

State Senator Harry A. Cole, attorney for a defendant in one of the cases the State postponed, objected strongly.

"My client is in jail, and has been for sometime — between 60 and 70 days," Senator Cole stated. "We are prepared to go to trial."

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Where to register to vote in county

'WHO MUST' REGISTER

1. If you have lived in Maryland 12 months, in Baltimore County 6 months by the General Election and have not yet registered.

2. If you have changed your name by court order or marriage.

3. If you are 21 before November 4 1958 (proof needed).

4. If for any other reason you have not registered before.

HOW, WHEN AND WHERE TO REGISTER

1. If you have moved from the city, you must appear in person at Towson or at your polling places for precinct registration.

2. You can register at the Supervisors of Election, Towson Court House: Week Days, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturdays, 9 a.m.-12 noon.

3. Books close at the Court House on August 30.

4. Precinct Registration: September 8, September 16. At this time you may register at your polling place.

"DURING INTERROGATION the defendant said he lived with his wife Betty and his son.

He said he had received $57 pay, gave his wife $20 and went out to visit the bars.

"He stated that when he arrived home around 1:30 a.m. he had spent $35 on gin, whiskey and beer.

"The defendant said he had walked over to his aunt's house the next morning and she had opened the door for him."

"We asked him what happened inside and he said he thought she must have fallen.

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"WHILE IN THE crime lab we asked him why he did it and he said he didn't beat her this time but maybe another time.

"The defendant was separated from his wife from 1948 to 1957 and during that time lived with his aunt, Edna."

When asked by Mr. Rosenthal if he had difficulty understanding the defendant Sgt. Plock answered:

"On certain things like his address he answered O.K. On others he answered in a mumble jumble."

Race hate is 'madness,' says Indian leader in talk here

CORE conducts non-violent demonstration at same time

"The colored person is clean enough to cook the food, and serve the food, but if he sits next to you, something happens . . . I submit this is a method of madness."

Dr. Kaka Saheb Kalelkar, former chairman of the Government of India Backward Classes Commission, a member of the Indian Parliament, a close companion of Mahatma Gandhi and a distinguished writer and world traveler, was speaking Monday night on "Non-violence and Tensions," before an audience of 150 in the meeting room of the Mondawmin Shopping Center.

While Dr. Kalelkar discussed non - violence, CORE (Committee on Racial Equality) was conducting a practical non-violent picket demonstration at the White Coffee Pot Restaurant at Mondawmin, CORE carried into the fifth month its protest against racial discrimination at the White Coffee Pot.

The peaceful protest march lasted two hours. Aware of the possibility of arrest, prior to the demonstration the CORE members had decided to go to jail, if necessary, for their convictions.

Mondawmin police on several occasions demanded that the picketers stop. This the CORE members refused to do, until they were ready to quit.

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DR. KALELKAR, speaking in flawless, but sometimes difficult to understand English, was dressed in a Jawahar cut jacket (named in honor of Jawharlal Nehru), a kurta and churst pajamas, a three-piece tight fitting white garment. He wore slippers, but no socks.

Dr. Kaleiker spent two days in Baltimore, after a tour of the South arranged by the American Friends Service Committee. The high point of his Southern tour was a meeting with Rev. Martin Luther King of Montgomery, Ala. Dr. Kalelkar called Rev. King, "the great leader of the South."

"The Indian leader said of America's Rev. King: "There is no rancor in his heart; I found no hatred against the Southern white; I found that he is one of the best friends of the white people in the South because he loves the colored people and the whites equally.

"He champions the cause of the colored people because they are victimized, but suppose the white people were victimized, he would champion their cause."

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DR. KALELKAR said that to fight evil with evil and force with force is not right. He pointed out that "in a non-violent fight we must have full faith in our cause. We must have faith in our opponent and be willing to compromise."

Himself, a high-caste Brahmin, as was Gandhi, Dr. Kalelkar said that the fight for civil rights should not be a fight between white and colored people but that white people should take the lead because they are the ones who have denied civil rights to colored people.

Gesturing with his hands to emphasize points, the bespectacled, white-whiskered scholar asserted: "The colored man has come into his own; he no longer can be suppressed."

He told the overflowing audience, many standing, or seated on the floor, that: "The American conscience is wholly on the side of the colored man." A question and answer priod followed.

Dr. Regina Goff, of Morgan, was chairman. Sponsors of the program were: Mrs. Mildred Atkinson, Dr. G. James Fleming, Dr. Regina Goff, Father Cedric E. Mills, Miss Frances Morton, Howard Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Niles, Paul Wagner and Mrs. Beryl Williams.

— G. H.

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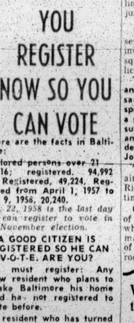

YOU REGISTER NOW SO YOU CAN VOTE

Here are the facts in Baltimore:

Colored persons over 21 . . . 144,216; registered, 94,992 Not Registered, 49,224. Registered from April 1, 1957 to July 9, 1958, 20,240.

Sept. 22, 1958 is the last day you can register to vote in the November 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 he not registered to vote before.

Any resident who has turned 21 since the last election or who will become 21 before the November election.

Where to register: Basement People's Court Building, southwest 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? —Answer — No, 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?—Answer—Sept. 22, 1958 and don't wait until the last minute!

Show your voting card in church on Sunday.

For further information call NAACP Register and Vote Committee
402 Dolphin St.
LA. 3-8507
Between hours of 8-10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Duncan succeeds Haynes as editor of N.J. AFRO

Steve Duncan has been appointed editor - manager of the New Jersey AFRO-AMERICAN effective Saturday, August 9.

He succeeds Samuel A. Haynes, who has held this post since 1951.

Announcement of Mr. Duncan's appointment was made by Cliff W. Mackay, editor in chief of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers.

Mr. Mackay disclosed that he had accepted Mr. Haynes' resignation with regret, It was explained that company policy requires the rotation of associate editors every five years and because of Mr. Haynes' excellent record on the New Jersey

THERE'S A LUCKY picture in this and every edition of the AFRO. Look for it. If your head is circled, you can collect $5 cash by calling at AFRO City Desk before the next edition is out.

Park Board asked to open parks for political meets

The Department of Recreation and Parks was asked Wednesday to reconsider its policy of refusing to allow the use of city parks for political meetings.

Leon A. Rubenstein, attorney and Fifth District city councilman, made the request, after the NAACP had been refused permission to use Lafayette Square for a "Register and Vote" rally.

The text of Mr. Rubenstein's letter to James C. Anderson, Park Board president, follows:

"My attention has been directed to the fact that Dr. Lillie M. Jackson, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, requested permission of the Park Board for the right to use Lafayette Square last week as a meeting place for a "Register and Vote" rally.

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"THIS permission was denied that organization for the reason that it was considered a political meeting.

"I first question whether a meeting to urge people to register and vote, as they may wish, is a political meeting.

"But, even so, the right of free speech and the exchange of ideas should certainly not be stifled, whether in our public parks or elsewhere.

"In the great cities of the world, public parks and public squares are the common meeting place for discussion and debate of matters dealing with the public interest, whether political or not.

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"LONDON has its Hyde Park; Rome its Piazza Del Papolo; Edinburgh has its square fronting the National Art Gallery; New York has its Union Square and Columbus Circle where anyone with a soapbox has a right to expound his views in matters political and otherwise.

"Chicago has its Bug House Square.

"Throughout the free world, it is recognized that democracy flourishes in the field of free discussion.

"I am writing to inquire whether the denial of our parks as a meeting place to discuss public issues or political meetings is a matter of Park Board policy.

"If such is the case, may I respectfully suggest that you re-evaluate your position in the light of the common good."

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A PARTING GIFT—To the left is Steve Duncan, new editor-manager of the New Jersey AFRO-AMERICAN. He succeeds Samuel Haynes who held the post since 1951. Mr. Duncan is a graduate of the University of Illinois School of Journalism and was a member of the staff of two St. Louis newspapers before he joined the AFRO in April, 1956 as a reporter. At the time of his promotion Mr. Duncan was city editor of the Baltimore AFRO. The photo shows him, about to open a leather traveling case presented to him by his co-workers on Friday evening. To his right is Herb Mangrum, veteran AFRO reporter.

Non-discrimination clause sought for city contracts

The Board of Estimates on Wednesday took under advisement a recommendation from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that a non-discrimination clause be included in all city contracts.

The clause would prohibit discriminatory action in the following classifications:

1. Employment; 2. Up-grading; 3. Promotions; 4. Transfers; 5. Recruitments or recruitment advertising; 6. Layoffs or terminations; 7. Rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and 8. Selections for training, including apprenticeship.

The recommendation from Philip A. Camponeschi, EEOC executive director, also provides that the contractors post EEOC notices of this clause.

The additional recommendation requires that this clause be inserted in all subcontracts, except those for purchases of materials.

Violators would be deemed not responsible bidders before the Board of Estimates until such time as corrective measures were taken, and subject to recommendations by EEOC to the Board of Estimates, the Board of Estimates.

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DINAH SAYS 'WE WERE JUST TALKING BUSINESS'
(Story in Column 5)

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Sitter's Trial Halted

Judge Commits Attractive Teenager Charged With Homicide

Little Rock case to go to Hi Court

NEW YORK — The NAACP told newspapermen, Thursday that it was filing some type of motion Friday to counteract the action of Appeals Court Chief Justice Archibald K. Gardner.

The justice on Thursday granted a 30-day stay of the Appeals Court ruling, Monday, barring suspension of integration at Little Rock's Central High School.

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RELIABLE LEGAL sources here advised the AFRO that the NAACP's action would be a motion to vacate the stay granted by Justice Gardner.

They also state the motion probably would be filed with a Supreme Court Justice.

If granted, the seven colored students at Central High School would be able to return when school opens on Sept. 2

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ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Chief Justice Archibald K. Gardner's stay, Thursday, of the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that seven children should attend Central High School in Little Rock, Ark., surprised everybody.

The court ruled Monday, 6 to 1, that Federal Judge Harry J. Lemley's decision ousting the school children for 2½ years was in error.

Judge Gardner's action it un-

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Mayor still under fire by ministers

Local ministers continued this week their criticism of Mayor D'Alesandro who refused to see a delegation from the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance.

The committee was led by the Rev. Marion C. Bascom, pastor of Douglas Memorial Church. Its mission was to discuss the Dixon Bill, prohibiting race discrimination in public places, with the Mayor.

A letter asking an appointment was sent to the mayor who replied that such a conference should not be held before the completion of hearings on the matter.

The letter was followed up by a telegram. The Mayor's answer was still "no."

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THE MAYOR'S refusal was deplored by members of the committee and by ministers of

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Woman Power plans all-out vote campaign

The powerful, sure hand of a group of determined women is destined to play an important role in the political arena when the general elections come off in November.

To assure this gentle but effective "special touch" in Baltimore politics, members of the newly organized Women in Power, bi-partisan group had a meeting Tuesday night.

The next meeting is set for Tuesday, Aug. 26. The time and place will be announced.

Fifty-six leaders of women's clubs and local organizations gathered to appoint temporary officers and lay plans at the Tuesday meeting.

With Mrs. Victorine Adams are executive director and Mrs. Ethel Rich as executive secretary, a temporary steering committee of 19 women was set up.

Other officials were appointed and will the program from now until election day was scheduled.

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THE HOUR and a half meeting, saw the Woman Power group rolling swiftly into action with the announcement that emphasis would be placed on registering voters in the Fourth District described as a "fertile field."

An appeal was directed to all Baltimore women, to help staff

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Let's all Register NOW
THERE is still time to register so you can vote in the important Nov. 1958 elections. The Office of the Supervisors of Election in the People's Court Building, Fayette and Gay Sts., is open daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon. If you're not already registered, do so today.

Elks to honor 'Little Rock 9'

WASHINGTON

The Elks' annual oratorical contest will feature a white contestant among the six youthful award winners Monday evening at Metropolitan Baptist Church.

(Map of Elks' Parade Route—See Page 15)

He is John R. Applegate of California, winner of the West Coast regional contest.

Grand Exalted Ruler Robert Johnson will award $1,000 scholarships to each of the "Little Rock Nine" in appreciation of the generosity they have shown in the cause of

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• THE WEATHER •

Friday, clear, cool about 80.
Saturday, fair, cool, and high near 80.
Sunday, fair and warm.
Monday, thunder storms.

	Sun Rises	Sun Sets
Friday, August 22	5:17 a.m.	6:48 p.m.
Saturday, August 23	5:18 a.m.	6:47 p.m.
Sunday, August 24	5:19 a.m.	6:45 p.m.
Monday, August 25	5:20 a.m.	6:44 p.m.

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• $5 CASH FOR LUCKY PIC WINNER •

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!

PRESIDING BISHOP of 100 Apostolic churches located in all parts of the world is Bishop Randolph A. Carr. He founded the Church of God in Christ Jesus in January, 1934. The first meeting was held in a storefront church located in the 200 block of N. Mount St. Membership has grown from the original small band of persons to more than 100,000 persons in the United States and foreign countries. (See story, pictures, Page 24).

'We were just talking business'

BULLETIN

The Queen of the Blues, Dinah Washington, testified in her own behalf at Northwestern Police Court today (Friday) and was found not guilty of disorderly conduct and consuming champagne after hours at an Avenue night club.

In a hearing before Magistrate Linwood Koger, John Robinson, was given probation before a verdict on a similar charge.

Charges involving Howard Dixon and his mother, Mrs. Evelyn Dixon, licensee of the club, were sent to the grand jury. Both were charged with permitting consumption of alcohol beverage after 2 A.M. and were released in their own recognizance.

Mr. Dixon was also charged with disorderly conduct. Miss Allene Green, head waitress at the club and Leonard Bruton, doorman, were fined $25 for disorderly conduct.

By MOSES NEWSON

Juke box queen Dinah Washington missed an "engagement" in Northwestern Police Court here Wednesday morning but an accommodating police magistrate reset her date for this (Friday) morning.

Police records show that the 34-year-old singer and four other persons were arrested at 5 a.m. Wednesday in a 1400 block Pennsylvania Ave. club where she is appearing.

The others arrested in what the popular blues singer termed "the police comedy," were:

Her manager John Robinson, 29, New York City lawyer; Howard Dart Dixon, 34, 1400 block Pennsylvania Ave., bondsman and businessman; Leonard Harold Bruton, 30, 1800 block Druid Hill Ave., ticket taker; and Mrs. Allene Grace Green, 41, 300 block Bloom St., club bar maid.

(The Northwestern Court docket does not list a John Bailey of New York City in connection with the case as

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QUEEN OF THE BLUES—Miss Dinah Washington is shown outside the Avenue night club, where she is appearing this week, shortly after her Wednesday appearance in the Northwestern Police Court. With her are, left to right, John Robinson, Miss Washington's attorney, and Howard Dixon, businessman.

Finds that 'she is insane'

"My opinion of her mental condition is that she is now mentally insane.

This statement in Criminal Court Thursday by Dr. Thomas as Lynch, Supreme Bench medical officer, stopped the scheduled trial of on 16 - year-old babysitter accused of killing her new - born baby.

The young woman, of the 1100 block N. Mount St., was ordered committed to Crownsville State Hospital by Judge Joseph Allen.

She faced a murder charge for dropping her new - born baby boy out of a second floor window, while babysitting for her sister at a house in the 600 block Roselle St., on May 27.

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IF THE TRIAL had been held and she had been found guilty, she would have faced an 18-year sentence under a possible second-degree murder conviction, or up to ten years under a probable manslaughter conviction.

Judge Allen's order frees her for the time being.

Judge Allen's order was issued, and she is subject to trial whenever the State's attorney, Thomas Ward, requests permit.

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THE ENTIRE court proceedings lasted eight minutes.

Neatly attired in a red - flowered, white cotton dress and wearing horn - rimmed glasses, the attractive babysitter sat quitely composed throughout the proceedings.

Her calm expression did not change with the judge's commitment order.

Julius A. Romano, assistant State's attorney, and Moses Cohen, defense attorney, conferred briefly with Judge Al-

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Forecast boost in city's tax rate

By MAX JOHNSON

Wednesday in Baltimore was bright, sunny and cheerful for citizens up until noon — then came the news that the city's 1959 budget would probably require an increase in the tax rate.

Citizens were jolted with the sudden realization that this means they would have to pay $49 more annually on their property assessed at $5,000, or $98 more on a $10,000 assessment.

Coincidentally, the skies clouded immediately, and remained so the remainder of the day.

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BOARD OF Estimate members got the proposed 1959 city budget Wednesday, and looked long and grimly at the requested record total of $350,320,394.

They noted that this figure represents an increase of $117,851,734 over the 1958 allowance of $232,468,660.

"The amount of the budget requests for 1959," Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro Jr., stated, "represents a very serious problem.

"These requests must be examined in great detail, with a view to the strictest economy possible consistent with the performance of essential city services.

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"The Board of Estimate's budget committee did an excellent job in this respect last year, and I am confident that the same committee will again exert every effort in the interest of economy for 1959."

This strong indication of drastic budget cuts prior to approval relieved some of the oncoming pain for citizens.

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HOWEVER, Charles L. Benton, budget director, warned

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Rev. Kearse given $15,000 parsonage

The membership of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, 300 block E. 23rd St., on Monday evening approved turning of the church's $15,000 parsonage at 3515 Holmes Ave., over to the ousted pastor, the Rev. T. Logan Kearse.

Approved also was the withdrawal of those members who wished to accompany the Rev. Mr. Kearse in the establishment of a new church under a different name.

The approvals were voted in a brief membership meeting called especially as another attempt to settle long differences between two factions in the church.

Leonard S. Freedman, attorney for the church, and Herbert H. Hubbard, attorney for the Rev. Mr. Kearse's followers, worked out this latest proposal, at the suggestion of Judge Joseph Allen.

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THE CHURCH'S affairs were carried to Superior Court for settlement several months ago, and followed these steps:

1. The church ousted the Rev. Mr. Kearse, and asked the court to sustain its action;

2. The Rev. Mr. Kearse contended the ouster was illegal;

3. The church gave the Rev. Mr. Kearse $5,000 to leave the church, and the parsonage at 3515 Holmes Ave., by July 17.

4. The Rev. Mr. Kearse accepted the $5,000—and remained at the church and—in the parsonage, with support from a faction in the church.

5. The matter was brought back to court again by the two factions for the voted agreement on Monday evening.

Mr. Hubbard said Thursday a court order on the agreement will be drawn, and a new religious corporation will be formed by the Rev. Mr. Kearse and his followers.

President: 'did not ask for Wilkins' job'

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — President Eisenhower, at his news conference Wednesday, denied reports that the resignation of Assistant Secretary of Labor J. Ernest Wilkins had been requested so that George C. Lodge, son of Henry Cabot Lodge Jr, American Ambassador to the United Nations, could succeed him.

It was reported two weeks ago that Mr. Wilkins had called at the White House and thanked President Eisenhower for the opportunity he had to serve in his administration and to advise him that under the advice of his physicians he was resigning from both his Labor Department post and as a member of the Federal Civil Rights Commission.

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A WEEK later, Drew Pearson, syndicated columnist, reported that Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell had requested Mr. Wilkins' resignation in order to promote Mr. Lodge, who is the Labor Department's director of public information, and that Mr. Wilk-

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Frisby talks to North Pole

By HERBERT N. FRISBY
AFRO Correspondent in Far North

ANCHORAGE, Alaska—Had interesting conversations via shore on ice floes around North Pole.

Also visited remote U.S. military site.

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Dr. Gilkes asks slash in support

Dr. Evan A. Gilkes, a physician with offices at 601 N. Calhoun St., asked Circuit Court on Wednesday to reduce the amount of money he is expected to pay for the support of his three children.

"I am unable to continue the payments at the current rate because I am suffering from a heart condition and am unable to maintain regular practice as a physician," he said in papers filed with the court through his attorney, George Russell.

Judge John T. Tucker signed an order which asks that the physician's former wife, Mrs. Emma Gilkes, who now resides in the 3600 block Ellamont Rd., show cause why the support funds should not be cut.

The Gilkeses were divorced in May 1956. In the spring of this year the physician married the former Dr. Thelma Winder, a Morgan State College professor.

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'NOT UNTIL I HAVE READ MY AFRO'

17 feet tall and still growing

Mrs. Maggie Pope, 2304 Annapolis, is having a flower - lover's dream—or nightmare—as the case may be, in her backyard.

The dream is in the the form of a 17-foot sunflower, which rises above her two - story home in Mt. Winans and com-

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pletely disrupts the calm solitary of the surrounding scenery.

"I've always liked flowers, but not this size," Mrs. Pope told the AFRO Thursday.

"I can't even hang a full line of clothes out," she wailed.

Hating to cut the beautiful monster down, Mrs. Pope has concluded that she will have to do that if it grows much larger.

He may be flirting with a trip to the moon but at least he will be the best insurance man there. Whether you are earthbound or moonbound, you can keep abreast of the news by reading the AFRO. For home delivery call:

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