# PICNIC EITHER SEGREGATED 'OR NOT AT ALL'

## School bells will call 164,820 children Sept. 4

The early morning hours of Thursday, Sept. 4 will see an estimated 164,820 children answering the call of the school bell in 190 city schools, according to school board officials.

**On Wednesday, Dr. Robert C. Lloyd, special assistant in general administration, told the AFRO that this record number of children expected to enroll represents an increase of 5,400 children over the Sept., 1957 enrollment.**

Dr. Lloyd also stated that this year's estimated elementary enrollment will total 58,390, 3,778 more children between the ages of 5 and 12 years than last September.

The total number of secondary and vocational students is expected to reach 58,390, an increase of 1,598 over Sept., 1957 enrollment, he said.

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**DISCLOSING** further figures which describe the classroom picture just prior to the September opening, Dr. Lloyd said that 6,000 teachers will be on hand. This number represents 300 more teachers employed over last June's staff.

However, he added, there are 600 teachers employed who are not fully qualified.

**Dr. Lloyd explained: "Although the 600 unqualified teachers are fine people and good teachers, they have not met all requirements.**

"For instance, some have not earned college degrees although they may have the required experience while others merely lack the required training in education."

Approximately 9,000 elementary school pupils will be affected by part-time classes, Dr. Lloyd announced.

Approximately 260 classes in 33 schools will operate on the part-time basis, he added, because of additional enrollment due to new families moving into the city, shortage of new school buildings and lack of classroom space, plus the normal increased enrollment.

**A TOTAL** of 6,300 city employees fill educational positions, Dr. Lloyd added. This number includes teachers, administrators and supervisors.

Five new elementary schools now ready are:

No. 149, Rutland Ave. and Federal St., Edward L. Murray, principal, 29 teachers;

No. 210, Hazelwood St. and Hamilton Ave., Miss Josephine Toro, principal, 16 teachers;

**No. 216, 6001 Frankford Ave., Miss Mable K. Klingelhoefer, principal, 25 teachers;**

**No. 224, Grove Park, 554 Kennison Ave., Miss Ida Gerber, principal, 18 teachers;**

No. 303, Upton School for trainable children 811 W. Lanvale St., teacher-in-charge, Mrs. Pierce Barany, 7 teachers.

Reopened will be No. 71, formerly an annex to the Irington Elementary School, located at Old Frederick Road and McCurley St. Mrs. Mary Waskins is teacher-in-charge, Miss Katheryn Heinz, is principal.

Elementary School No. 114 which was formerly at Caroline St. near Lombard St. has been moved to Broadway and Bank St. where Miss Mary T. Horsey is principal.

Elementary School No. 134 at Bush and Carroll Sts. is closed and the Dunbar Annex which was at Caroline near Lombard has been discontinued and the building torn down.

William N. Parrott will be principal at the new Arundel Elementary School No. 164 located at Round Road and Veronica St. when it opens in November.

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**ANOTHER CHANGE** announced by school officials is the opening of Bentalou Elementary School at Saratoga and Bentalou Sts. where Mrs. Lillian H. Dantley will be principal. This was the former location of School No. 141-A, an annex.

Highlighting the changing school program for the year is the fact that Dunbar High School will no longer have what school administrators call "extended days."

**Explaining, Mr. Lloyd stated:**

**"For many years Dunbar has had groups of students attending on shifts from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

"This year no student will be on such a schedule. All students will attend in a regular 7-day period from 8:45 a.m. to 2:30 p.m."

Dr. Lloyd added that the change has come about since great numbers of students in the Dunbar area have moved away to reduce the enrollment from about 4,000 students to the presently expected 3,300.

Forecast for February opening is the new Lammell Junior High School No. 79 which is under construction at 2801 N. Dukeland St. No principal has as yet been assigned.

Additional schools will open later in the term to reduce part-time classes, Dr. Lloyd stated.

Mt. Royal Elementary School No. 66 is expected to be completed on Jan. 1, 1959; an addition is being constructed to Armstead Elementary School No. 243.

**UP IN THE WORLD**—Promoted from a city carrier in the Walbrook Station to route examiner this week was Robert C. Tarter, 2222 Rosedale St. Shown here, left to right, are William, Laukaitis, postmaster; the new examiner, his daughter, Betty; his wife, Mrs. Doris Tarter, and his father, Robert C. Tarter Sr.

## VFW draws color line for annual outing

"We have no control over who can come and who can't. It's one of those things—there is no other appropriate place to have it. It's a matter of having it there or not having it at all," said Weldon L. Maddox Wednesday.

**Mr. Maddox, past commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Maryland, was trying to explain why colored children are not invited to attend the organization's annual outing for underprivileged children and orphans at Gwynn Oak Park.**

He added, "There is really no other place where we would have the same facilities as we do at Gwynn Oak. At Druid Hill Park, what would we have there for entertainment?"

Mr. Maddox further explained that on the outing, children are given tickets for rides and there were no rides at Druid Hill Park.

He said there was no other reason for having the outing there except that "They are held there year after year — We have never held them anyplace else."

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**IN MARYLAND**, seven of 98 VFW posts are composed of colored members.

Wilbert Waters, commander of the John and Samuel Tyson Post 8509, said colored posts have never participated in these annual outings because they are repeatedly held at Gwynn Oak where colored children are not welcome.

"We have been fighting at every district meeting," said Mr. Waters. "We don't want people to think we have been taking this sitting down. But they (district council of VFW) have never come to any conclusion about this Gwynn Oak affair."

**"Our membership is small," he said, "but with the little we have, we have tried to break the barrier.**

"Our state conventions are held on Eastern Shore — and you can imagine how it is there. We don't go because we don't want to be embarrassed," he said.

At Gwynn Oak, David Price, who said he was manager, told the AFRO: "It's not a social thing. Our reasons are economic. We can't invite all because those things are just not accepted."

The situation was brought to the attention of the AFRO by an announcement from the office of VFW saying that the outing would be held Sept. 6.

## Fireman training

COLLEGE PARK — Training for firemen attending the University of Maryland annual short course for firemen, September 2 through 5, will run the gamut from airplane crash rescue to public relations.

**Open to firemen of the State of Maryland, District of Columbia and surrounding states, the 25th annual program is sponsored by the university's Fire Service Extension under the direction of Robert C. Byrus.**

Other subjects in which short course students will receive training include the use of gas masks; fighting structural, liquid and brush fires, effective fire prevention; and other rescue emergencies.

Advanced students will receive officer training.

## Mobile registration drive scheduled to open on Tuesday

The Board of Election Supervisors has scheduled a mobile registration campaign to begin on Tuesday, Sept. 2, and extend through to Sept. 22.

**All persons desiring to register to vote in the November general election may sign up at any of the schools where teams of registrars will be stationed, regardless of whether they live in the area or not.**

During the spring mobile registration drive, the first one held in the city, some 15,000 names were added to the books.

The registration points will be open from 10 a.m. through 9 p.m.

Sept. 22 is the last day that a resident can register to vote for the November election.

Listed below are the mobile registration places.

### Sept. 2, 3 and 4

**No. 43** — Pratt St. and Ellwood Ave.
**No. 27** — Fayette and Chester Streets
**No. 99** — North Ave. and Washington St.
**No. 212**—Ailsa Ave. and Morello Road
**No. 56** — 36th and Poole Streets
**No. 64** — Garrison Blvd. and Maine Ave.
**No. 233** — Roland Ave. and Deepdene Rd.
**No. 48** — Hollins St. and Fulton Ave.

### Sept. 5, 6 and 8

**No. 23** — Gough and Wolfe Streets
**No. 13** — Patterson Park Ave. and McElderry St.
**No. 404** — 33rd St. and Loch Raven Road
**No. 242** — Loch Raven Blvd. and Winford Rd.
**No. 15** — Park Ave. and Laurens St.
**No. 60** — 2616 Gwynns Falls Pkwy.
**No. 221** — Sulgrave Ave. and Lochlea Rd.
**No. 22** — Scott and Hamburg Sts.

### Sept. 9, 10 and 11

**No. 2** — Stiles St. and Central Ave.
**No. 147** — Greenmount Ave. and Eager St.
**No. 53** — 26th and St. Paul Streets
**No. 235** — Glenmore Ave. and Walther Blvd.
**No. 231** — Brehms Lane and Chesterfield Ave.
**No. 454** — Presstman and Bentalou Sts.
**No. 183** — Carrollton and Lafayette Aves.
**No. 400** — Edmondson and Athol Aves.
**No. 40** — Warren Ave. and William St.
**No. 220** — Washington Blvd. and Spence St.

### Sept. 12, 13 and 15

**No. 1** — N.E. Corner Fayette and Greene Sts.
**No. 49** — 205 Cathedral Street
**No. 243** — Erdman Ave. and Eager St.
**No. 245** — Sherwood Ave. and Leith Walk
**No. 181** — Calhoun and Baker Sts.
**No. 55** — Chestnut Ave. and 37th St.
**No. 145** — Poplar Grove St. bet. Lanvale and Lafayette
**No. 223** — Pimlico Rd. and Oakley Ave.
**No. 87** — Alto Road and Mt. Holly St.
**No. 180** — Cherry Hill Rd. and Seamon Ave.

### Sept. 16, 17 and 18

**No. 45** — Eastern and Linwood Aves.
**No. 133** — Caroline and McElderry Sts.
**No. 148** — Sinclair Lane and Chesterfield Ave.
**No. 236** — Christopher Ave. and Old Harford Rd.
**No. 302** — 2200 Erdman Ave.
**No. 59** — Keyworth Ave. and Reisterstown Rd.
**No. 98** — Ashton and Pulaski Sts.
**No. 406** — Chatham Rd. and Eldorado Ave.
**No. 203** — Fourth St. and Pontiac Ave.
**No. 159** — 801 Bridgeview Avenue

### Sept. 19, 20 and 22

**No. 229** — Charlotte and Cardiff Aves.
**No. 407** — Howard and Centre Sts.
**No. 211** — Belair Road and Frankford Ave.
**No. 46** — Midwood Ave. and The Alameda
**No. 51** — 34th and Frisby Sts.
**No. 118** — Argyle Ave. near Lanvale St.
**No. 233** — Roland Ave. near Deepdene Road
**No. 222** — Park Heights Ave. and Ken Oak Rd.
**No. 144** — Mosher St. and Wheeler Ave.
**No. 246** — Frederick Rd. and Beechfield Ave.

## Club taken for $$ 'Where were cops?'

"If the police can hear the tinkle of champagne glasses so easily, why couldn't they hear burglars breaking down doors and smashing cash registers this morning?

**"Where were the cops"**

That was the comment of Howard Dixon, owner of the Comedy Club after burglars made off with $52 in cash between the hours of 2 a.m. and 10 a.m. Thursday morning.

Mr. Dixon was referring to the testimony of a Northwestern District patrolman, who recently stated in court that he heard music and the sound of glasses in the club after closing hours a week ago.

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**BECAUSE OF** the alleged noises, police arrested blues singer Dinah Washington, Mr. Dixon and four other persons.

In the Northwestern District Police Court last Friday, charges of disorderly conduct and drinking after hours against Miss Washington were dismissed.

Charges involving Mr. Dixon and his mother, Mrs. Evelyn Dixon were sent to the grand jury.

**They were charged with permitting the consumption of alcoholic beverages in the club after closing hours.**

Mrs. Allene Green, head waitress at the club located in the 1400 block of Pennsylvania Ave., and Leonard Bruton, doorman were each fined $25 and costs for disorderly conduct.

Charges of disorderly conduct and the consumption of champagne in the club were dismissed against John Robinson, Miss Washington's manager.

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**THE THEFT** Thursday morning was discovered by Mrh. Green when she arrived for work around 10 a.m.

She found a rear door battered down, windows open, and a broken cash register in a nearby parking lot.

Mr. Dixon said the cash register had been removed from behind the main bar into the adjoining lot. No liquor was taken.

The door was the same one through which an officer said he heard noises during a party for Miss Washington.

## 3 seek cash from transit, cab firms

Two damage suits, alleging personal inuries and totaling $55,000 were filed in Superior Court this week against the Baltimore Transit and the Diamond Taxi Companies.

**Mrs. Pearl Parker and her husband, Gassaway Parker, 2500 block W. Mosher St., are seeking $30,000 from the Transit Company, contending she was injured on August 1 when a bus on which she was a passenger stopped suddenly at North and Madison Aves.**

Matthew Thompson, 900 block N. Ashburton St., has sued the cab company for $25,000, alleging that he was injured when a company taxi was wrongly in collision with his auto at Fulton Ave. and Lanvale St. on March 30.

## Two charged in theft of $612 shot gun

Two men, who allegedly took an expensive shotgun from the automobile of a former night club owner, were released on $3,000 total bail for action of the grand jury Tuesday.

**The defendants were Horace W. Edwards of the 2100 block W. Fayette St., and Robert D. Waters of the 900 block Lauretta Ave.**

They were charged with larceny of a .12 gauge shotgun valued at $612 from L. B. Gamby of the 3300 block Gwynns Falls Pkwy.

In addition, Edwards was charged with larceny of four automobile tires from a Reisterstown Rd., auto dealer.

**SERGEANT JAMES HIRAM BUTLER** testified that the shotgun was reported stolen from the trunk of Mr. Gamby's automobile last April 7th.

He stated that police recovered the gun on August 25th when an attempt was made to sell it for $40 in a Pennsylvania Ave., service station.

When the gun was introduced in court as evidence, spectators marveled over its superb workmanship. It featured a design etched on a silver background.

Sergeant Butler explained that the shotgun, which was designed especially for Mr. Gamby, was used in trap shooting.

## City, housing officials have right to enter homes

Members of the Baltimore Urban Renewal and Housing Agency inspecting homes have the right of entry under the law as given in the city health code, housing authorities state.

Other persons having the right to enter and inspect homes are members of the Bureau of Building Inspection, Department of Public works.

**All representatives who identify themselves with credentials of these two city organizations have the right to inspect homes, according to Elsworth Andrews, an Urban Renewal official.**

On Thursday Mr. Andrews told the AFRO:

"The representatives authorized to inspect homes are asked to show their credentials and explain their mission to the tenant or homeowner.

"They are not allowed to barge in and if the person residing in the house refuses them entry, the representatives are instructed not to go in.

"Although it is a violation of an ordinance, for them to refuse qualified inspectors entry, we do not insist.

"The case is then referred to the magistrate's court."

**THE AFRO'** attention was called to the question by citizens who reside in the 1800 block of Madison Ave. on Thursday.

**Citizens who made the complaint wished to know what right inspectors had to ask entry into their homes.**

Continuing to explain, Mr. Andrews added:

"The multi-family licensing Unit inspectors are working on Madison Ave.

"They are operating under the health, building and fire codes and they have the right of entry.

"The law requires that an annual inspection be made of dwellings with more than three families now that they have to be licensed."

## 5 ex-steelmen seek $500,000 for lost jobs

Joseph Henderson, 700 block Avondale Rd., Turner Station, is one of five former Bethlehem Steel Company employees who sued the company for a total of $500,000 in Superior Court Tuesday.

**The men charged that they lost their jobs because they envoked the Fifth Amendment while testifying before the House Un-American Activities Committee here in May, 1957.**

The suits asked the court to order arbitration on their dismissals, on the grounds they were in violation of union agreements.

The five charged also that they were dismissed, despite the fact they repeatedly testified that they belonged to no subervise group.

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**MR. HENDERSON'S** suit states he was a fork lift operator at the steel company's plant.

Others filing suits with Mr. Henderson and all seeking $100,000 damages each are:

**Benjamin M. Fino, 3100 block Mondawmin Ave.; William H. Wood, 3000 block Ken Oak Rd.; Aaron Ostrofsky, 2300 block Oswego Ave., and Milton Seif, 4000 block Duvall Ave.**

Mr. Seif's suit also named the United Steelworkers of America, Local 2610, and Local 24, Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, as defendants.

## New teachers meeting today at Mergenthaler

Nearly 500 teachers and other staff members newly assigned to city schools will participate in the fifth annual Orientation Day program today (Friday).

The meetings will begin at 9:15 a.m. in the auditorium at the Mergenthaler Vocational-Technical High School under the sponsorship of the Department of Education.

Greetings are scheduled by Dr. John H. Fischer, superintendent, and John R. Sherwood, member of the board of school commissioners and Robert S. Moyer, president of the coordinating council of city PTA groups.

A luncheon is scheduled in the school cafeteria and two group meetings with directors and supervisors are being held to acquaint new staff members with the school system and administrative personnel.

The keynote talk is to be delivered by Walter A. Macdubbin, director of personnel.

Afternoon events include visits to their assigned schools by the new teachers who will make preparation for opening day, Sept. 4.

## Zoning Board halts office, housing

The Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals on Tuesday disapproved a request to convert three garages in the rear of the Judson H. Kerr pharmacy, 1001 W. Lafayette Ave., to real estate office use.

**Also disapproved was a request to house three families at 1847 W. North Ave.**

The Zoning Board approved requests to allow an apartment and 15 rented rooms at 3108 Walbrook Ave., and a real estate office at 812 N. Broadway.

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**THIS COMING** Tuesday, among the cases scheduled are requests involving these locations:

**At 2025 W. North Ave.—three families and an office; 716 E. Preston St.—three families; 1511 Madison Ave.—six families; 1541 N. Bond St.—three families and a store.**

Also, 628 W. Saratoga St.—four families and a roomer; 1028 N. Eden St.—one family and ten roomers, and 721 W. Lanvale St.—three families.

## Sen. Beall seeks Bainbridge use

U.S. Senator J. Glenn Beall of Maryland has called upon President Eisenhower at the White House to discuss the feasibility of transferring additional activities of the Military to the Banbridge Naval Training Center.

Following the conference with the President, Senator Beall stated that the President was deeply concerned about the presently inactive facilities at Bainbridge.

## Highway week set

ANNAPOLIS, — Governor McKeldin has praised the safety activities of the American trucking industry as he announced designation of September 1-6 as Highway Safety Week in Maryland. His proclamation stated:

**"One of the miracles of America is the splendid transportation system which our nation has developed within the past hundred years.**

"In this system, the Motor Truck Industry plays a significant role. But important as the Motor Truck Industry is itself, very vital factors in safe and efficient transportation are the operators of those vehicles which transport America's raw material, finished products, food, drink, clothing and many other necessities to all corners of our nation."


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**ROSES SMELL PRETTY** to 'Thirteen,' the pup who resides in the Windsor Court Apartments, 2111 Garrison Blvd. with owners, the Guy Saunders. Born on Nov. 13, 1952, the toy collie not only likes to chew on flowers but he also enjoys chicken, ham, pork roasts and steaks.

## Woman corrupted morals of boy, 8, mother charges

A 30-year-old baby-sitter accused of contributing to the delinquency of an eight-year-old boy, has been held in $1,000 bail pending medical and psychiatric examination.

According to the boy's mother, the red-haired baby-sitter lives in their home and was often left in care of the child and other children in the family.

**On Tuesday, the woman appeared before Magistrate Vernon Wiesand and admitted her guilt. She lives in the 700 block of N. Eden St. She did not testify.**

Throughout the trial, the red-head, herself the mother of two children, kept her head down, her back turned to the eight-year-old boy and her finger in her mouth.

Policewoman Carolyn Robinson testified that the case came to the attention of police on a complaint by the boy's mother.

## New apartments okeyed for Cherry Hill site

The City Planning Commission on Wednesday gave tentative approval for the erection of an apartment project by a private builder in Cherry Hill.

**The apartments are planned to border on the north of Seamon Ave., between Potee St. and Round Rd.**

The project is to contain 156 living units in two-story apartments.

**Of these, 130 will be regulation apartments, and 26 are to be terraced apartments.**

There are to be 124 parking units attached to the apartments.

The plans submitted to the Planning Commission named the project as the "Harbor View Apartments," and listed as owner of the property, a Julius Myerberg, 711 St. Paul St.

### CORRECTION

A story appearing in last Friday's edition of the AFRO identified Miss Betty Kline of the 200 block W Lanvale St., as an employee of Fellowship House. Miss Kline is a member and not an employee. The AFRO regrets the error.


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# 'Kept On Shooting'

## Father Of Five Kills Wife, Then Turns Gun On Himself

## Police find $934 on his body

While residents of a peaceful northwest Baltimore neighborhood slept early Wednesday morning, an angered husband fired three shots into his wife's body and then pointed the smoking gun at his own head and pulled the trigger.

Dead on arrival at Lutheran Hospital were Mrs. Sarah Morris, 34, and her husband, James, 38.

The setting for what police have labeled a murder-suicide was an attractive and tastefully furnished home at 3044 Tioga Parkway where the Morrises lived with their five children.

**The shootings took place behind a locked second floor bedroom but the sounds of the tragedy carried through the neat home and one of the children told the AFRO:**

**"They had been arguing. He was always telling my mother he was going to kill her.**

**"I heard my mother tell my father to call the doctor, but he didn't.**

**"He just kept on shooting."**

As reconstructed by police, the groundwork for the shooting was laid on Tuesday when the couple became involved in an argument that was resumed early Wednesday morning.

The nature of the argument was not divulged.

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**SOMETIME** after 4 a.m.,

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Mrs. Morris Mr. Morris

## New lead uncovered by reporter

A startling new twist developed in the Lafayette Courts Apartment 4-G slaying case this week when police arrested a new suspect and charged him in the death.

**Charges were placed against Raymond Brown, 1200 block Nolan Ct., Somerset Homes, after Central District police reopened the investigation on the basis of a tip from an AFRO reporter.**

As a result of their first investigation, police had charged redheaded Mrs. Constance Hazel Rivers, 26, with the fatal shooting of 43-year-old Howard Banks, 628 Smithson St., in her Lafayette Courts apartment on Aug. 9.

She had been ordered held without bail and her case presented to the grand jury.

However, with the discovery of the new alleged evidence, the State's Attorney's office announced on Thursday that Brown would be presented directly to the grand jury in the shooting while additional charges were being considered against Mrs. Rivers.

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**SGT. CHARLES FOREMAN** and Officer Isaac Randolph, who were on the original investigation, also handled the investigation which led to the arrest of the new suspect.

The second investigation started Monday after an AFRO reporter went to Capt. Mahrer and passed on to him reports which indicated Mrs. Rivers may have been covering up for someone.

Capt. Mahrer, who said police had been suspicious of

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## Ala. cops jail Rev. M. L. King

(Special To AFRO)

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — "I will continue to stand up for what I think is right, even if it means further arrest, or even physical death."

This was what the Rev. Martin Luther King said, Wednesday following his arrest at City Hall here on a charge of loitering.

Jailed for 15 minutes, the minister —leader of the Montgomery bus boycott —subsequently was released on $100 bail.

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**A HEARING** on the charge is scheduled for today (Friday). The Rev. Mr. King accused the two arresting officers of brutality.

"They tried to break my arm, they grabbed my collar and tried to choke me; and when they got me to the cell, they kicked me in," the minister declared.

After signing the bail bond, the Rev. King, pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, left the city building surrounded by members and followers.

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**MANY WERE** weeping over what they termed gross humiliation and insult to the Rev. Mr. King.

The clergyman said he went to City Hall to attend a court hearing of the Rev. Ralph D. Abernathy.

Complainant in the case, the Rev. Abernathy was attacked last Friday by Edward Davis, 26, who accused the minister of "carrying on an affair" with his wife.

The Rev. Abernathy, who is pastor of First Baptist Church, was second in command to the Rev. Mr. King during the year-long bus boycott.

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**DAVIS'S WIFE** is a member of the church pastored by the Rev. Abernathy. The pastor denied the charges.

Police Chief G. J. Rupenthal alleged that the Rev. Mr. King

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## Color in Arlington

By LOUIS LAUTIER

ALEXANDRIA, Va.—Judge Albert V. Bryan, in the Federal District court, Thursday, heard NAACP lawyers attack the rejections of 30 applicants for transfer to Arlington, County white public schools as being based solely on racial consideration.

Shortly after court convened on the third day of the hearing Frank Reeves, an NAACP attorney, moved to strike the opinion of Dr. Mills of the Virginia Department of Mental Hygiene from the evidence as being hearsay.

The opinions were contained in summary report and in an exhibit of the school board.

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**IN THEM** he recommended the rejection of certain of the applicants for instability and lack of ability to adapt themselves in a white school.

Dr. Mills was not here for cross examination.

A. B. Scott, attorney for the Virginia Pupil Placement Board, asked Judge Bryan to dismiss the case on the ground that the Placement Board had not been properly made a party to the suit.

James H. Simmonds, attorney for the School Board, defended the Board's action.

He said, 12 of the students seeking transfers are still in the school. They were attending on December 29, 1956 the effective date of the Virginia Pupil Placement Act and under that law they must remain in those schools until graduat-

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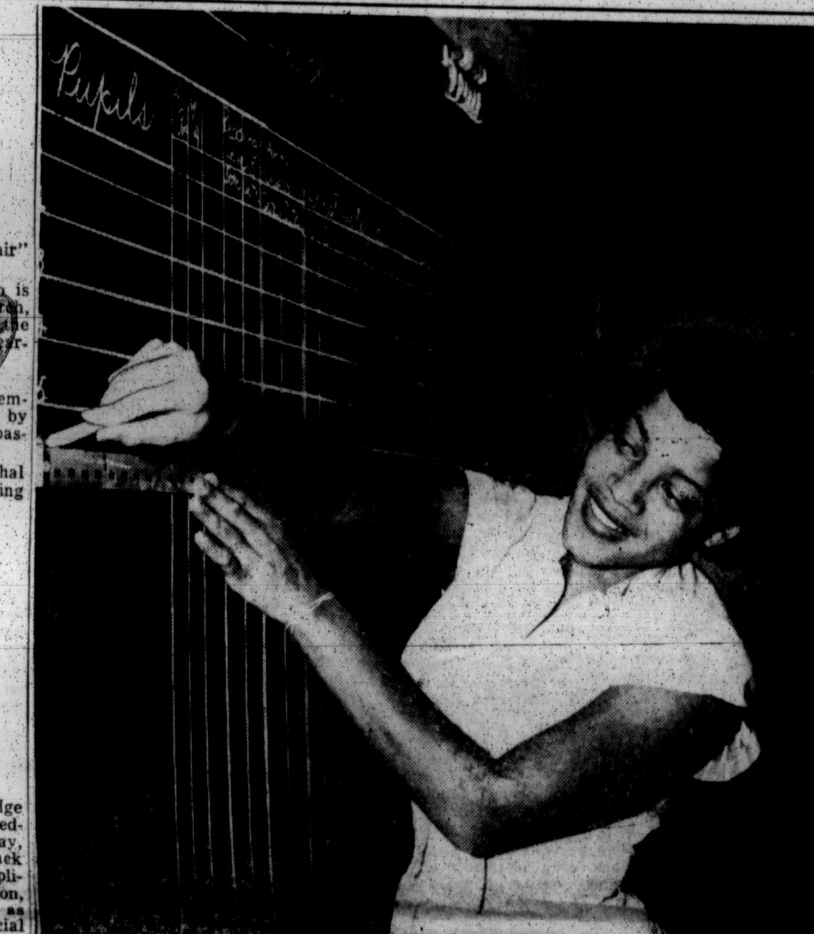

**ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR** — All around the city on Thursday teachers went through familiar routine which marked the start of another school year. The lady in this picture is Miss Cornelia J. Martin, 1919 Wheeler Ave., a third grade teacher at the new Rutland Elementary School. For more information and pictures on this school turn to page 15.

## Guilt called key to future in Little Rock

WASHINGTON

If Little Rock doesn't explode again in coming weeks over school desegregation, it may be due largely to the work of eight courageous ministers described by psychologists as "pushers."

"I think these men had their effect by stirring up guilt in the community," said Dr. Thomas Pettigrew, a Harvard faculty member. Dr. Pettigrew, a Virginian, read a paper Saturday before delegates at the American Psychological Association at Hotel Statler on "Ministerial Courage in Racial Crisis: The Little Rock Case."

The paper was based on a study by Dr. Pettigrew and his colleague, Dr. Ernest Campbell, who interviewed Little Rock ministers intermittently since last October.

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**RESULTS PERTAIN** to the city's white clergymen classified as "pushers," "powers" and "passives."

Pushers consisted of six Protestant ministers and two rabbis, "the only white leaders—ministerial and otherwise —to actively and publicly support integration throughout the crisis" last fall, Dr. Pettigrew said.

"Powers are the seven men who were rated by our sample as the most influential pastors in Little Rock and who remained relatively inactive during the crisis.

"Passives are the remainder

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## Juvenile Ct. pioneer dies Wednesday

George Ralph, Maryland's first colored probation officer, died in City Hospitals early Wednesday morning after a three-month illness.

The 90-year-old widower, who formerly lived with his daughter at 3027 W. North Ave. retired in 1940 after 27 years of service as a probation officer in connection with the Juvenile Court.

A native Baltimorean, Mr. Ralph was educated in the city schools.

He was a lifetime member of St. Peter Claver Church. He was also a member of Monumental Lodge No. 27 P.P.O. and a member of the Past Exalted

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## 'Could only pray,' —kidnaped cabbie

WASHINGTON

"During that long ride with that gun in my back, all I could do was pray and think.

"I've never been glad to see a policeman before, but when I knew the cops were coming, I started shouting in my heart."

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**THAT WAS** the relieved comment of Charles T. Smith, 40, 1800 block Burke St., SE, driver of Federal Cab 509, who was forced to drive 250 miles by a passenger at gunpoint.

Police arrested James L. Smith, 20, formerly of the 1000 block 22nd St., NW, during a wild chase up the Merritt Parkway near Greenwich, Conn. The defendant, who also abducted a 14-year-old boy as hostage before he was finally captured, was charged with kidnaping, assault and resisting arrest. He was held on $25,000 bond at Greenwich, police said.

**CABDRIVER SMITH** said he was hailed by James Smith at 10:40 Tuesday night at 14th and Rhode Island Ave., NW.

"He flagged me down. I noticed he was carrying a suitcase and he had a dress coat flung across his arm."

Hacker Smith, father of three children, drove to the passenger's destination at Falls Church, Va.

"When I stopped the cab, he stuck something hard against the back of my head and warned me not to look back," the taxi driver related when contacted at his home.

"I told him, 'you'd better stop or else someone is going to hurt you.'

"He told me to put both hands on the steering wheel and fired one shot through the driver's window to let me know he meant business."

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**THE PASSENGER** told Smith to return to the District. Despite inquiries, James Smith refused to tell the driver their intended destination.

Police later said the defendant had planned to commandeer the cab to Stamford, Conn. where he planned to kill his estranged wife, Hyacinth, after failing in a reconciliation attempt.

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**DESCRIBING THE** ordeal, hacker Smith said he reasoned that his only chance of escape was to obtain help at gas stations.

The passenger took the driver's change carrier and $1 with hacker Smith had in his shirt pocket.

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**AT A** Washington gas station at 6th and K, hacker Smith refueled the automobile but had no chance to reveal his predicament to the attendant.

"I'm not going to kill you," the passenger told the cabdriver. "I'll spare your life if you don't start any monkey business."

Driver Smith was allowed a minimum of conversation with the attendant and warned by his passenger not to blink his lights and to observe all speed laws.

"Your life depends on it," he

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## 11,953 in 230 blocks end work

A total of 11,953 persons in 230 Baltimore City and Turners Station blocks participated in the 24th annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign which ended Sunday.

The figures are contained in the final report of the drive filed by Clean Block Director M. Francis Mackay.

The 1958 figures indicate fewer blocks were active in the drive this year than last year when 240 were registered. In 1947 a total of 15,916 took part. Five years ago in 1953, 8018 worked in the Clean Block Drive in 186 blocks registered.

**A TOTAL** of $1,383 was donated to the Clean Block Prize Fund, a figure slightly lower than the $1464.55 contributed by well - wishers last year.

Other figures for this year's drive revealed that 3,203 pairs of steps were painted while 3,706 pairs of marble steps were cleaned.

A total of 904 houses were

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## Two begin classes in St. Marys school

By MAX JOHNSON

GREAT MILL, Md.—"Nothing unfavorable was said to me. Everything went along fine and everybody was very nice.

"Just like we got along today, I see no reason why we can't get along this way the rest of the school year."

This summary and comments on her treatment as St. Marys County first non-white high school student was given Thursday afternoon by 16-year-old Joan Elaine Groves, after her first day in the Great Mills High School.

**Miss Groves and her brother, Thomas Conrad, 14, entered the school on the opening day without interference from outside demonstrators.**

It was a beautiful Thursday morning, sunny, cheerful and bright.

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**THE ONLY** unpleasantness to arise in the situation was directed to Conrad—and this came inside the school.

"There were two or three boys who started some name-calling. They wanted me to fight them—but, shoot, I wasn't going to do it.

"I wasn't expecting anything like that."

**This incident came during the recess period at 10:30, of a half-day of school.**

"I was showing some fellows how to use a yo-yo," Conrad explained, "and these fellows came up and said N— don't live long who go to white schools! They couldn't get anything out of me so they left."

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**MISS JANE MATTINGLY,** school principal, said later that the two children had been under observation during the entire recess period.

She said, her staff was prepared for any demonstration. She did not mention what the preparations were.

**"We had the students in the**

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## • THE WEATHER •

**FRIDAY**, warmer.
**SATURDAY** and **SUNDAY**, cooler with chance of thundershowers.
**MONDAY**, hot.

| | Sun Rises | Sun Sets |
|---|---|---|
| **FRIDAY**, Sept. 5 | 5:30 a.m. | 6:27 p.m. |
| **SATURDAY**, Sept. 6 | 5:31 a.m. | 6:27 p.m. |
| **SUNDAY**, Sept. 7 | 5:32 a.m. | 6:23 a.m. |
| **MONDAY**, Sept. 8 | 5:33 a.m. | 6:22 p.m. |

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## • $50 FOR NEWS TIPS, PHOTOS •

There is a total of $50 available each week for news tips and news photos. If you have a tip or a newsworthy photo, call AFRO City Desk, MU. 5-6015, and say "I've got a news tip." Bring your photo to City Desk.

## • $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!

## AFRO rides No. 72 on car-check trip

By MOSES NEWSON

The young driver pulled the car over to the curb and climbed out to meet the policeman. His five companions waited quietly.

**A moment later it was all over. Papers in order. No alcoholic drinks. No dangerous weapons. And no ticket.**

This was the Battaglia Car-Check Plan in action.

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**THE AFRO** went along Wednesday night to watch the operation of the new plan which has drastically cut the number of stolen cars in Baltimore and also reduced other crimes.

**Since it was Capt. Frank Battaglia who fathered the plan and first instituted it on June 19 in the Southwestern Police District it was in this district that the AFRO watched the operation.**

It was a bad night for story hunting. A good peaceful night for the policemen.

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**IT WAS** 10 p.m. when Car 72 left the station.

Officer George Boston was behind the wheel and Officer Karl Kondner was handling radio calls on the two-way and the paper work.

They switch the duties every other day.

Our beat was the Franklintown Rd., Gilmor St., Baltimore and Franklin St. area.

The air was chilly as we swung onto Franklintown Rd. and though we didn't note it then, here was the tip-off for the night . . . we were the only moving vehicle in sight.

**At 10:40 we got our first radio call, to Pulaski and Lexington to pick up a stolen auto report from a beat patrolman.**

"This car-checking has really

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## Carrington Davis 'resting comfortably'

At presstime today, Dr. Carrington L. Davis, trustee emeritus of Morgan State College, was resting comfortably at his home, 1821 McCulloh St.

On Thursday, Mrs. Erma Davis, his wife stated:

**"Although he is still quite sick, he is no worse and he seems about the same."**

Dr. Davis was taken ill with an attack on Saturday of last week.

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**HE HAD** been ailing since early summer, Mrs. Davis said.

**The veteran educator has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Morgan College for 38 years and is at present a member of the Morgan Christian Center.**

He retired in 1949 after 15 years service as principal of Dunbar High School. Prior to 1933 Dr. Davis was vice principal at Douglass High School.

## Clean Block In A Nutshell

| | 1958 | 1957 | 1953 |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. Blocks | 230 | 240 | 186 |
| No. Persons | 11,593 | 15,916 | 8,018 |
| Steps Painted | 3,203 | 2,490 | 963 |
| Steps Cleaned | 3,706 | 2,679 | 468 |
| Houses Painted | 964 | 1,800 | 804 |
| Yards Cleaned | 5,002 | 4,655 | 1,282 |
| Potted Flowers | 3,763 | 3,220 | 2,013 |
| Window Boxes | 4,188 | 4,332 | 1,646 |
| Alleys Cleaned | 946 | 739 | 631 |
| Cellars Cleaned | 2,592 | 2,437 | 609 |
| Yard Flowers | 8,414 | 6,978 | 1,017 |
| Families helping | 5,858 | 10,953 | 1,843 |
| No. Houses | 5,553 | 5,255 | 962 |
| Fences Painted | 702 | 1,073 | 827 |
| Houses With Woodwork Painted | 3,480 | 2,592 | 804 |