Laurel Termed 'Health Menace'

Terming the once elegant Laurel Cemetery a "health menace," a newly-formed improvement association in the Belair section, listed among its objectives, this week, the elimination of the burial ground.

The 15-acre cemetery was described by the AFRO in 1945 as a "most miserable excuse for a graveyard." It was found that the plots were decayed, and tombstones were submerged under bushes and swamps littered with garbage and trash.

Old Families There

Some of the oldest families of Baltimore are buried there, dating as far back as 1847.

Dr. Joseph M. Rosskopf, president of the Belair-Edison Improvement Association, said the objection to the cemetery has nothing to do with race, but that it is a real health menace, and a disgrace to the colored citizens and to a city the size of Baltimore.

He cited the swamps and ditches in the cemetery, as a danger to women and children because tramps loiter in the bushes, and because of the unsanitary influence of rats, stray dogs and cats running through the cemetery's acres.

Procedure Uncertain

Just how the association will go about cleaning up the place, or causing its elimination, officials are not sure. Dr. Rosskopf said, because attempts to find the owners will first have to be made.

For many years, the burial ground was in the hands of white owners, but the belief was expressed that it has since come under the ownership of a colored person.

Army Draft Issue to Be Discussed

"The Attitude Colored and White Workers and Students Should Take Toward Conscription and Jim Crow in the Army" will be the subject of a symposium at the Fellowship House, 21 W. Preston St., tonight (Friday).

Milton Brown, secretary of the Baltimore branch NAACP, and M. Miller of the Workers' Party will be the speakers.

The meeting, sponsored by the Workers' Party, will center around the idea raised by A. Philip Randolph of the Pullman Car Porters'

Holiday Postal Schedule Given

Postmaster Neal A. Sibley has announced the following holiday schedule for the Baltimore Post Office for May 31:

The executive division, division of finance, claim division, parcel post cashier and all classified carrier and non-carrier stations and branches will be closed all day.

The general delivery section, main office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. for the delivery of mail to transients.

8 to 10 a.m. Hours

The registry section at the main office will be open for the registration of mail at all hours and delivery window in the main corridor.

The parcel post station will be open for the registration of mail, the sale of stamps and acceptance of parcel post until 11 p.m. All other business with the public will be suspended.

Mail for business firms, on previous request, will be delivered from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the firm mail delivery window, Calvert St. corridor.

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No Justification in Un-Christian Policy of Operation at YMCA

CLEAN BLOCK DRIVE

The 14th annual AFRO Clean Block Campaign will open officially on July 1. The first campaign contribution of $7.50 has been received from School No. 101, Caroline and Jefferson Sts., where Miss Bertha W. Cross is principal. Other contributions are being solicited.

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Nab Attack Suspect at Ball Game

Royall Urged to Set Up Real Democratic Army

Md. General Clarifies Policy

Provides Hospital Care for 9 Males

PLANS EXPANSION

City's Street Program Delays Construction

Maryland General Hospital, owned and operated by the Methodist Hospital Association and managed by 90 officers and board members, including 12 ministers, a judge and a former mayor, offers the following facilities and accommodations for colored patients:

Nine beds for colored males.

It also provides treatment for emergency cases in its accident room and hospitalization for such male cases when bed space is available, but provides no hospitalization for female accident cases, unless conditions indicate that to move them is to risk their life.

The hospital's staff is composed

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Gov. and Mayor to Honor Dr. Holmes

Public Testimonial Set Tonight at Enon Baptist

Governor Lane and Mayor D'Alesandro will head the list of dignitaries who will gather at Enon Baptist Church tonight (Friday) for a public testimonial honoring Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, retiring president of Morgan State College.

During Dr. Holmes's 10 years of service at Morgan, the value of the college plant has increased from $850,000 to over $3,000,000; enrollment has grown from 302 to 1278 students; six new buildings have been added, and the annual budget increased from $159,000 to $802,000.

Dr. Holmes will retire in June, with Dr. Martin D. Jenkins of Howard University succeeding him.

To Be Given Book of Memoirs

Among the presentations to Dr. Holmes will be a book of memoirs containing letters of commendation and good wishes from prominent citizens, alumni and college presidents throughout the country.

Invitations for contributory letters were issued to 300 such persons, and 202 responded. The other eight letters of congratulation are expected to arrive later.

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Coming Events

Tonight, May 28

Testimonial for Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, president of Morgan State College, 8 o'clock, Enon Baptist Church.

YAG's, Cotton Frolic, 8 p.m., Madison Ave. YWCA.

Saturday, May 29

May Festival, Maryland State

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Lady From the Southside

This charming young lady is Mrs. Mary Adams of 1025 Russell St. A graduate of Douglass High School, she is well-known on the Southside where she attends Ebenezer AME Church. Mrs. Adams is the mother of three children and considered by many to be a model housewife.

PROFESSORS REFUSE TO TEACH:

Holmes, Civic Groups Hit Summer Program

Dr. D. O. W. Holmes, president of Morgan State College, made it clear to University of Maryland officials this week that he disapproves of its plan to set up a segregated summer school program for teachers.

At the same time it was learned that both of the colored professors scheduled to teach some of the courses have withdrawn their services. This action leaves a staff of seven white instructors.

Cook "Washes His Hands"

Dr. Mercer Cook, professor at Howard University, said he resigned because he could not afford to be associated with the project after he found his friends "convinced that it is merely an attempt to foster a new segregated program in education."

When he accepted the position, Dr. Cook said, he understood that the setup was different.

Lyda Retreated Gracefully

The other professor, Dr. Wesley Lyda, chairman of the department of education at Morgan, has been appointed dean at the new Texas University, and found that he would have to leave Baltimore too early to serve at the school here.

Designed to provide courses of study by which teachers can earn master's degrees in four summers, the school is scheduled to open June 21 at Douglass High School. White teachers will study at the university's College Park establishment.

In answer to a query from the Baltimore Teachers Union about the proposed school, George J. Kabat, director, said Dr. Holmes "indicated that he was happy that the University of Maryland was finally making available an advanced program of studies to

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Okla. Urged Not to Duck Issue

BULLETIN

NORMAN, Okla.—Judge Justin Henshaw told the AFRO on Thursday that he expects to have his decision in the Fischer case ready in two weeks.

By DOUGLASS HALL

NORMAN, Okla. — In a fiery summation of testimony, Thurgood Marshall, NAACP chief counsel, pleaded with Judge Justin Hinshaw "not to permit officials to dodge the issues any longer but force them to admit Mrs. Ada Sipuel Fisher to the Oklahoma University in accordance with her rights under the 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution."

Turning to Attorney General Mac Q. Williams, Marshall stated that he did not like the way that "the attorney general had turned around the wording of some of the Supreme Court decisions."

Williamson, who is running for U.S. Senate, jumped to his feet, stating that "I object to the statement made by Mr. Marshall."

"There was laughter in the courtroom. But Mr. Wil-

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Segregated Army Blasted

Newsmen Term It Waste of Manpower

REPORT ON TOUR

Urge New Policies Become Democratic

WASHINGTON

The Army's policy of segregation was blasted as being "wasteful of manpower and a needless expenditure of the taxpayers' money" in a report made public late Wednesday by Army Secretary Kenneth W. Royall.

The report had been submitted to Mr. Royall on April 12 by a group of seven editors and publishers following a three-week inspection tour of installations in Germany and Austria.

It was signed by Dowdall H. Davis, K. C. Call, Cliff Mackay, AFRO-AMERICAN; Louis E. Martin, Michigan Chronicle; William G. Nunn, Pittsburgh Courier; Frank Stanley, Louisville Defender; Carter Wesley, Houston Informer, and T. W. Young, Journal and Guide.

Making several recommendations for improvement of the

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Segregation Fight to Slow Draft Bill

Dixie Solons to Push Jim-Crow Amendment

WASHINGTON

The touchy question about racial segregation was still unsettled this week, as the Senate prepared to vote on legislation setting up a compulsory military training program.

The bill, approved by the Senate Armed Services Committee, which would draft men 19 to 25 years old for two years, contains a provision that "there shall be no discrimination against any person on account of race or color."

Southern Senators, however, in an effort to forestall any attempt that might be made to put an end to segregation in the Armed Forces, under the clause, have vowed to amend the bill.

Voluntary Jim Crow

Led by Sen. Richard B. Russell (Dem., Ga.), they say they will insist on an amendment being made a part of the bill giving any drafted or enlisted man the right to ask service in a unit with persons of his race only.

They plan to offer this amendment on the Senate floor, and it is certain to stir up the entire controversy over the civil rights program of anti-lynch, anti-poll tax and anti-discrimination proposals.

Such an amendment was offered

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Weather Man Predicts Ideal Memorial Day

Light showers have been predicted for late Friday or Saturday, but Memorial Day Sunday should be bright and sunny for those persons planning to decorate graves or otherwise take advantage of the holiday week end.

Only a slight rainfall is expected during the period, and temperatures should average slightly below normal, with no marked changes.

—and Three More Make 35

Nurses (top) photo) at Harlem Hospital in New York stage the first public showing of the triplets born to the wife of Anthony Dupe (bottom photo) by 69, who has sired 35 children. Formerly a circus trapeze artist and now a chef at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York, Mr. Dupre was born in France and has been married four times. His present wife is a 34-year-old Puerto Rican by whom he has one son, in addition to the triplets who were rushed to Harlem Hospital after being delivered in the Dupre apartment.

YM'S Segregation Policy Fostered by Local Board

National Office Leaves Matter of Christian Brotherhood Up to Groups in Various Areas

Lacking directives on racial policies from its national headquarters, the Baltimore YMCA, alone, is responsible for the operation of the local segregated system that restricts colored membership to the Druid Hill Ave. Branch.

The local YMCA branches are now in the midst of a campaign to raise $453,517, with which to complete their "Building for Youth" program. The finds will be used to double the size of the Druid Hill building, purchase a camp for colored youths, construct a building for the Dundalk branch and to make other improvements.

The Druid branch is seeking to meet a $35,000 quota. Increased notice is being taken of the YMCA's segregation policies. Some persons have withheld their drive contributions for this reason.

Local Boards Make Policy

In discussing the segregation policies of the Baltimore YMCA, Carlton Harrison, general secretary, stated that "each city's YMCA metropolitan board decided upon its own policy in the way it thought best."

He said, "This is done in a democratic fashion. It would be both undemocratic and unchristian for a group to hand down such policies as those governing racial activities to any local unit.

"Democracy enters in the freedom allowed the Druid branch, Douglass High School and Morgan College chapters in selecting their own boards," he added.

"The Baltimore YMCA," he continued, "is trying to serve all Baltimore youth in such a way as to make progress along all lines. Any policy that would defeat that purpose would not be adopted."

Discourages Racial Mixing

Contrary to the schools which are placing increased emphasis on intercultural relations in its exchange programs, the YMCA, which purports to be a Christian organization, operates on a basis that literally stymies such relationships.

Interracial contacts between colored and white YMCA members are limited to a few dinner meetings.

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2 Sue to Void Home Contract

Charging that Albert J. Zager, white, of 3205 St. Paul St., surreptitiously added nearly $2,000 to the purchase price of a house they contracted to buy from him, Mr. and Mrs. Burman Lee asked the court to cancel their contract, this week.

The couple said that having been notified by their landlord to vacate the property which they rent at 1411 N. Central Ave., they sought a broker with intention to buy a home. The broker directed them to Zager, who offered to sell them property at 2020 Parkwood Ave., they said.

Zager, they continued, gave them a price of $6,950 on the condition that they make a $1050 down payment.

Price Upped, Buyer Says

The Lees say that they agreed to buy the home at the price of $6,950 and paid the $1050, but when they examined the contract they found that the instrument called for a purchase price of $8,750 instead of $6,950.

Morever, they say, Zager has advised them to move into the house at night or tell any neighbor who inquires that they are readying the house for white tenants.

The suit, filed by J. Howard Pratt, attorney, in Circuit Court No. 2, seeks to have the contract voided.

3 of 4 Cheltenham Escapees Captured

4th Boy Rumored Shot, Whereabouts Mystery

There are many unanswered questions concerning the whereabouts and state-of-health of a youth who escaped from the Cheltenham Training School for Boys on Monday night.

Unconfirmed reports set forth that Gilbert Hall, one of four youths who fled the institution, was shot by a policeman tracking them down and that the boy is in a Washington hospital.

Hiawatha B. Harris, acting superintendent of the school, said on Thursday that three of the boys were returned the day after their capture by county police near Hyattsville, Md., but that Hall is still missing.

Mr. Harris said that they too had heard the report about the shooting, but have been unable to verify it.

Police at Hyattsville said that

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Frustrated Love Leads to Tragedy

DUNMORE, Pa. — Frustrated love is believed by police to have led to the murder-suicide of a young married woman and an elderly white suitor here last week-day.

The lifeless bodies of the victims, Mrs. Viola J. Milburn, 29, and Conrad Bucher, 68, were found sprawled in her home, on Tuesday, by a neighbor.

Dr. W. L. Gene, deputy coroner, said Bucher, who lived in Quarryville, apparently put a bullet through his head after shooting Mrs. Milburn in the abdomen and back.

Although police were unable to learn the cause of the shooting they said they learned from a number of persons, one of whom is the woman's husband, George, that Bucher had been attracted to Mrs. Milburn.

Milburn, a hospital porter in Lancaster, where he lived during the week, told police that Bucher was a former neighbor and that he thought his affair with Mrs. Milburn had ended when he moved to Quarryville.

Victim of Abuse Points Out Man in Ball Park

2nd Ravished Woman, Hospitalized, Identifies Youth, Aged 17, as 'Unnatural' Sex Assailant

Because an alert, detective-minded young woman identified as her attacker a man in a crowd watching a neighborhood baseball game, Sunday, the unusual situation developed of a police line-up being held in the Provident Hospital library, where another victim also named the suspect.

As a direct result of the woman's daring and unrelenting search, day and night, since she was attacked on Apr. 24, 17-year-old Elmer Burroughs of 1901 Monroe St. was arrested.

Late Wednesday, he was held without bail for a hearing next week on charges of attacking four women and robbing three of them. He is to be represented by Joseph Rosenthal.

Remembered Man Vividly

The case heroine, 22, a native of Baltimore and one of six children whose mother is dead, "broke" the case last Sunday afternoon.

She was watching a baseball game on a neighborhood play lot when she recognized one of the spectators as resembling the person who had abused her.

She told an AFRO reporter, "I remembered his eyes, lips and build. For weeks I carried a clear mental picture of him and felt that some day, somewhere I would find him.

Kept Suspect Under Scrutiny

Sending a girl friend for an officer, the victim watched the suspect closely until the arrival of police and then unhesitantly pointed out her man.

Accordingly, police after arresting the youth, began summoning

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Mate Tried to Be True, Wife Admits

A husband who allegedly tried hard to stay away from the other woman, but just couldn't, was divorced by his understanding wife, this week.

He was H. Earl Young, now of New York City, whom Mrs. Mary B. Young of 2833 Gilford Ave., divorced in Circuit Court No. 2, Wednesday.

Mrs. Young testified that she and Mr. Young were married in 1936 and lived happily together for two and a half years, when she discovered that he was corresponding with another woman.

Quarrels Impel Separation

She said that the discovery led to constant bickering in the home and he left her in 1939. In 1944, according to the wife, Mr. Young returned to her; but would still go out two or three nights a week.

"I didn't say anything to him, I knew we were trying hard to make a go of our marriage so I didn't argue or fuss," said Mrs. Young. "But finally he told me that he was in love with the other woman and left again," she declared.

Mrs. Young wanted and had her maiden name, Brogden, restored. She was represented by Linwood Rogers, attorney.

Lawyer Divorced

Mrs. Elizabeth (Chita) Nicholas was given a divorce from Dallas Nicholas, attorney, who, she charged, deserted her in 1946.

Mrs. Nicholas told the court that

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Got $500 Monthly, Redhead Insists

NEW YORK (NNPA)—A former white star of Earl Carroll's "Vanities" was prevented from testifying concerning her relations with a New York detective here last Monday when the Italian wife of the detective refused to contest an assault case brought against her by the Broadway show girl.

The former dancer, however, promised to file a separate suit against the detective himself in which she says she will "tell all," including how he gave her approximately $500 a month for two years.

Mrs. Madeline McKisson, the showgirl, was awarded $50 in damages for injuries which she said she received when attacked last May 10 by the wife.

The wife, a striking dark-haired beauty, had also filed a complaint of assault against the red-haired love dancer, but the complaint was dropped when she appeared in City Magistrate Court last Monday.

The showgirl testified that on

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Cupids Corner

Two Brides-Elect, 16, Granted Licenses Here

Two sixteen-year-olds, Misses Dorothy Miles and Delores A. Jackson, were among the 22 couples given marriage licenses here, this week.

Miss Miles will be married to

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AFRO Camera Records Highlights of Ada Sipuel Fisher's Legal Fight to Enter University of Oklahoma

Lawyers gather around for consultation with District Judge T. Justin Hinshaw, presiding judge, during the latest stage of Mrs. Ada Sipuel Fisher's court battle to enter law school at the University of Oklahoma. A white professor from the university called the jim crow law school which has been established a "fraud" and a "fake."

Mrs. Fisher, (center above) is shown with her husband and mother in the courtroom. White students from the University of Oklahoma, who want her admitted to the law school, surround her at every opportunity.

About two-thirds of the 150-odd spectators at the hearing were white. In the afternoon session, colored persons took all the front seats and mixed generally throughout the courtroom, which holds about 200 persons. Expressions on the faces of the spectators show their intense interest in the case.

James Nabrit of Howard University's law school is shown as he questioned Dean Page Keeting of the University of Oklahoma at one point during the hearing. Other members of Mrs. Fisher's legal staff, pictured from left to right around the table, are Thurgood Marshall, special NAACP attorney, Amos Hall, and William Ming.