EDITORIAL PAGE

He that will not reflect is a ruined man.—OLD PROVERB.

The Sun Shines Foggily

Dr. William H. Lemmel, superintendent of schools, is right; and the Baltimore Sun shines foggily. The Sun is constantly twitting about Mr. Lemmel for this remark:

"Baltimore schools have no problems that could not be solved by higher appropriations."

The Sun calls this nonsense, and finally arrogant nonsense. But where we stand, Dr. Lemmel's statement is the gospel truth.

Whether old foggies like the Sun recognize it or not, modern educational methods are infinitely superior to the 3 R's.

Second, Baltimore School Commissioners are in dire need of additional funds to operate this outworn school system of ours.

We have made some progress in paying teachers better salaries, but we still are using school buildings 100 years old—compelling our children to get an education in second-hand buildings that whites outgrew.

We still are providing gymnasiums, athletic fields and vocational schools with printing and engineering courses for white children, while denying them to colored ones.

If it were not for penny-wise, dollar-foolish thinkers like the Baltimore Sun, Baltimore taxpayers would be perfectly willing to finance a better educational program for all the people of this city.

When Dr. Lemmel says there is nothing wrong with the system that appropriations cannot cure, he has put his finger on the right spot.

Satchel Paige Gets a Break

Leroy (Satchel) Paige, long a magnetic drawing power among Washington's baseball public, will be in the Capital for the first time as a major leaguer over the week end. Paige has been there frequently as a member of the Kansas City Monarchs, and always he has been the motivating force behind the swelling of the usual crowds to triple proportions.

There is no doubt that Satchel again will be the magnet which attracts a near capacity, possibly capacity, crowd to the ball park. All of this brings up the question: "Why did Bill Veeck (President, Cleveland Indians) wait until the sunset of Paige's legendary career to sign him to a major league contract?"

Only Bill Veeck can answer that question with veracity, and he has said for public consumption that "We needed a pitcher like Paige to help us win the pennant." We take Mr. Veeck's statement on its face value, but it does leave cause for wonderment.

At any rate, it is going to be highly interesting to watch how Cleveland handles Paige and the results the club gains from his performances. We are happy to see Satchel in the livery of the Indians and wish him well, but we hope that the Tribe's front office is not pulling one of the financial tricks like the St. Louis Browns did last season with Willard Brown and William Thompson.

No pitcher, regardless of his color, deserves to be a major leaguer more than Paige. We are pulling for Satchel to crown his already star-studded baseball career with glory.

Morality Is the Basic Issue

The letter of Barbara L. Kaiser to the Baltimore Evening Sun, last week, indicates how far we have to go in race relations in this city before we can get up to first-rate towns like Philadelphia, Cleveland and New York.

Baltimore is big enough to be first class. It has wealth enough, but those in authority are second class. Many of them are Confederates at heart.

Barbara Kaiser wanted to know why the Park Board has a right to order segregation in public parks if groups of colored people and white people desire to play together?

The Evening Sun does not answer that question. It is not primarily a question of law. It is one of morality and in a Christian nation ought, ordinarily, to be solved by the Golden Rule.

There is hardly a civilized nation in the world in which citizens cannot play together in public parks if they want to.

The Sun does not stop to discuss it on a broad basis of humanity and civilization. It however said this:

"It is more up to the courts to determine the validity of the Park Board's segregation policies."

Everybody knows that. Barbara Kaiser knows it; we know it; and we will see that the courts settle it in due course.

We are wasting a lot of time fighting the Park Board which we ought to be using in building the city. Baltimore will get ahead faster when the white people like the Park Board members stop trying to shut public facilities in our faces.

Good Luck to Dr. Long

The loss of Dr. Howard H. Long, assistant superintendent of Washington schools, will be a serious blow to the educational setup there. Dr. Long, who is scheduled to take over the post of Dean of Administration at Wilberforce State College on September 1, has been a bulwark in the Washington school system for many years.

He has been engaged in teaching and administration for the past quarter of a century, having served at Paine College, Knoxville College and Howard University before assuming the position of Chief Examiner of Divisions 10-13 in the D.C. system.

In this position, Dr. Long has been an important cog in the development of the Washington system of teacher training, placement and evaluation. It is unfortunate that he is leaving the system for greener pastures at a time when the fine qualities that he has demonstrated in his post are greatly needed.

Washington's educational system's loss will be Wilberforce's gain, and we wish Dr. Long continued success in his new position.

Page Mr. Curran

William Curran, white, speaking before the Legislative Council, found a number of faults in our system of registering voters.

Maybe there are a good number of things wrong with our legislative system. Maybe a third of the voters on our permanent books no longer live at residences where listed. Maybe there is much opportunity for fraud.

But the fact remains that Mr. Curran was once Attorney General of this State and as a political boss, controlled the city and State for a number of years.

He does not run either the city or State now.

Why is he so late in pointing out these faults in our voting and registration system?

reporter's row

By Samuel Hoskins

The day after Eugene James was accused of killing 11-year-old Marsha Brill, his mother went to a minister friend of the family and asked whether she should get a lawyer.

The cleric told her it would not do any good, that if she had any money to keep it, as things looked pretty bad for the accused.

A day after the grand jury indicted James, Governor Lane congratulated police for what he termed the successful conclusion of the investigation.

His letter to Commissioner Hamilton R. Atkinson stated:

"As Governor, it is indeed a pleasure to extend congratulations to the Baltimore Police Department on successful conclusion of the investigation of the brutal killing of little Marsha Brill.

"Please convey for me to all who participated in the investigation and handling of this case my sincere commendations for a good job well-done."

Two Attitudes — One Conclusion

These two comments on the case boil down to this:

In the case of the cleric, he had resigned himself to the conclusion that James will be tried and found guilty of murder and assault, irrespective of what the facts might be. He reached this conclusion by merely reading the case.

The Governor appears to have concluded that there is no doubt of James's having committed the crime; to have dismissed even the remotest possibility that he may be innocent.

There is a further similarity between the two attitudes. Both the minister and the Governor have failed to take into consideration the basic principle of law that a man is to be held innocent until proved guilty.

One Bad, the Other Very Bad

Of the two, the Governor's position is more shocking than the cleric's.

Here he is, Chief Executive of the State of Maryland, and elected representative of all the people, acting as judge and jury, influenced too, by the biased handling of news stories by bigoted journals, and possibly with an eye on carrying public favor. He issues a statement which makes a mockery of courts and trials.

He tries, convicts and condemns a suspect on heresay of the most warped type, thereby making justice a thing of race and color and not a question of innocence.

The cleric's attitude is, at least, understandable. He has been beaten into a gutless, supine submissiveness by his experiences, observations and by the recent hammer-line fury.

But there is no understanding Lane's action, no excuse. He should have known better.

A Gentleman and the Goose-Steppers

Carroll Goeng, head of the Fire Police detail which arrested the 24 tennis players Sunday in Druid Hill Park, didn't appear to relish the job.

In fact, he went about it almost apologetically, as if saying to himself that he would have much rather been some piece else.

It is regrettable that the same cannot be said of all the arresting officers. There were some of them who gave evidence of liking it too well, shoving spectators around and herding them down the street as if merely being present were a crime.

Lieut. William Atkinson, brother of the commissioner, wouldn't be harmed by a course in public relations. But two of his patrolmen who wore numbers 73 and 1409 were the worst offenders. These two only need the goose step to enable them to qualify for real, honest to goodness stormtroopers.

"Oh, He's One of Us"

Alexander J. Allen, Urban League secretary, was the most popular counselor of the 300-odd white high school-age youngsters who recently attended the Methodist Youth Federation of Baltimore in Western Maryland.

They readily accepted him as one of their group, a thing not done too often in Westminster.

For instance, when an irate guard, observing Allen in a swimming pool with the others, rushed to the manager and asked what was Allen doing there, he was informed: "Oh, he's one of the group."

It happens that the League secretary was a lifeguard in his collegiate days in Cleveland, and swimming is another of the things he does well.

The youngsters were too elated over getting expert swimming advice to be concerned with an inconsequential thing like pigmentation of the skin.

The Judge and the Case of the Legs

Police Judge P. James Pellechia of Newark, N.J., recently ended up in a jail cell with 40 others men he had sent to prison.

His alleged crime was the embezzlement of $630,000.

I remember the judge well, for not so long ago his court was on my beat. He was a dapper, well-dressed jurist—so much so until young women reporters from the daily papers took to come to me for notes on what happened in court as they spent their time swooning over the rails.

Now the judge, who boasts of 500 ties, is himself in the tells of the law like a common criminal. But I have this to say for him. He was no piker, as the alleged $630,000 theft indicates.

He won the nickname "Legs" Pellechia for once sentencing a defendant to 90 days for telling a young woman she had beautiful legs.

This I could never understand, for the complainant did have a wonderful pair of underpins.

pulse of the public

No Ballyhoo for Our Tots

Dear AFRO: It was very gratifying to read your editorial, "The Dailies Do It Again." My only suggestion is that it be carried as an open letter to the Governor. The Governor congratulated the Police Department on "the successful conclusion of the investigation."

If the Executive office would throw its weight behind the $4-month-old unsolved attack on six-year-old Cora Mae Robinson, perhaps fewer brass buttons would be popping off expanding chests of the blue coats.

We must forever be on the alert, guarding against guns, innuendoes, insinuations, low blows or any other form of derogation that prejudiced-minded individuals and organizations employ to foster racial and religious discrimination.

Absence of Fair Play

It is necessary to understand the absence of fair play and integrity in persons blinded by prejudices to realize to just what extent these people will go.

I am anxious that any perpetrator of crime be speedily apprehended. However, this speed should not depend upon the racial identity of the criminal or the victim.

Surely, the attitude taken by the dailies whether it be intentional or not, tends to fan flames of distrust and misunderstanding in the minds of many of the masses.

I am sure many of the people who avidly read those gruesome details of the slaying of this 11-year-old girl have little or no knowledge of the fiendish attack on Cora Mae Robinson.

Perhaps, with an aroused citizenry through these same dailies a belated and far more frightening slaying may be solved.

EUGENE D. BYRD, D.D.S.

Saddened by Slaying

Dear AFRO: One of the saddest news articles to me last week was the way Francis Tavares met his death.

He was a frail, quiet boy and not the type to pick an argument and not strong enough to protect himself.

He served me AFRO's for about three years and I could depend on him. He would sit and talk when he had time, so I knew him quite well. He was too nice a boy to have had to go that way.

I guess that is just one of the things we cannot understand. I do not know the family but they have my deepest sympathy.

EDITH G. WILSON

scratch pad

Time Runs Out
Thoughts to Keep
Happy Two Weeks

By Mae Morris

Things I want to remember from a vacation in the Midwest:

The lack of enthusiasm one felt in paddling around on a lake in which a man had just drowned.

Being jim-crowed quite politely, but being jim-crowed just the same, in the diner of a train between Michigan and Illinois.

The fact that a white businessman from New England, taking a ferry ride up Lake Michigan, carried a satchel filled with Baltimore rye.

Having dinner with the world-famous athlete, Jesse Owens;

The utter inhibition of a woman on the subway who bent over, lifted her skirts, and for the benefit of all riders, gestured in the direction of her tattered underwear;

Wondering why Maryland could not be the home of an interracial law firm such as that now operating in Wisconsin;

The excitement of the right horse's coming across the finish line to pay $51.60;

Being tempted at an amusement park to hurl a brick at the colored men who sat in cages under the caption "African Dip" and would fall into the water when customers succeeded in striking a nearby bell;

The frantic cramming of action into time as the last few days for it all began to slip away . . .

sob sister

New Look and Leg Makeup
Signal for Some to Wail
But Others Cry, 'Eureka'

By Ruth Jenkins

Now comes the complaint that the "new look" summer skirts are ruining the leg makeup business.

Because her longer frocks cover more leg territory than they did last year, milady finds that she need use only half as much bottled hose as she did in previous years.

And to make matters worse, the leg paint manufacturers wail, the "new look" has made women feel so feminitely demure, they have gone back to wearing real stockings.

This allegation is supported by shoe salesmen who are privileged to combine such pleasure with business, and by the neighborhood wolves who have also noticed that the whistle-hail antics of today are more often sheathed in nylon than in make-up.

One department store which used to order 100,000 bottles of leg paint just to begin the summer season bemoans the fact that it will sell hardly 1000 bottles this year.

'Tis an ill wind which blows nobody good. And in this case, there are several gentlemen who are happy about the declining interest in painted gams.

Count among them the laundrymen who once more collects unstained towels and bedsheets; the nightclub workers who no longer have to rub the stuff off the edges of bar stools; and boyfriends who like to wear summer suits when they go dancing.

And happiest of the lot are the hosiery dealers for whom business is booming.

All of which prompts this bit of literary effort:

Miss Glamour passed in sheer nylons,
Miss Old Maid sniffed the air
Her disdain said that cotton hose
Were best for demure wear
But wolf whistles were heard to call
Miss Glamour to their lair
So then Miss Old Maid up and went
And bought herself a pair

Highway Hints Given Motorists

(EDITOR'S NOTE. The following article, reprinted with permission, is the Research Institute of America, issued directly to everyday motoring as well as to vacation driving. The suggestions should be thought-provoking as well as helpful.)

Automobile clubs report that the average motor trip will be even longer this year. If you're among the millions of Americans planning to take to the open highway, you will be meeting an even greater variety of road and traffic conditions than in previous years.

And if you're accustomed to driving in the city most of the time, you've got to develop some new driving habits.

Before you leave be sure your car's in shape. Your health depends on that of your automobile. Be doubly careful of:

a. Wheel alignment.
b. Brake adjustment.
c. Steering wheel play.
d. Headlight focus.
e. Tire pressure.

Back Seat Safer

Where you and your passengers sit makes a difference. A Detroit plastic surgeon says that front-seat passengers are injured three times as often as the driver.

If there is a choice for the rear seat passengers, Army drivers recommend the right side. The left, they found, is most often the point of impact in case of accident.

Checking your route is a good way to avoid bad detours. Your automobile club can usually give you up-to-the-minute news on road conditions. On longer trips, it pays to check at gas stations or tourist information offices.

Road maps are almost mandatory. But be sure you understand the markings on each.

On the highway check up at stops. It's wise to have water, oil and tire pressure checked each time you stop for gas. To avoid an overheated radiator, keep it free of insects and other obstructions. Mountain driving may require a carburetor adjustment.

Be wary of the other driver. The soundest rule is to approach every driver as if he were the worst on the road. This may be especially necessary in sections where motorists are used to driving at much higher speeds than you are.

Keep in mind that at 40 miles an hour, you'll cover about 165 feet before you can stop. At 60, the other fellow with the same brake efficiency will have to travel twice as far—about 335 feet.

If you're used to city driving, you'll have to make a conscious effort to maintain an adequate distance between yourself and the car in front of you.

Hand signals vary from section to section. The best practice is to slow down at the sight of a driver's arm. He may be preparing to stop, turn right or left.

Don't resume that because you can turn right on a red light at home, you can safely do so in another city. And you may have to wait for a white or directional light to turn left.

Watch these hazards:

The sun behind you. That means a glare in the other driver's face.

The pedestrian—everywhere.

All buses and some trucks in front of you must come to a full stop before they cross grade-crossings. Many crossings have hidden bumps that can cause an automobile traveling even at moderate speed to swerve.

An excellent rule is never to pass a school bus that's stopped. In many States, it's illegal to do so.

Local Traffic Unpredictable

It's very easy to come up on horse-drawn vehicles too fast. In terms of relative speed, figure them as standing still.

You'll sometimes find soft shoulders on the best of highways. Your car can go completely out of control if you stray into them at any speed.

Local traffic is dangerous for touring drivers because of the unpredictable way in which it meanders on, off and across main highways from hidden side roads and intersections.

Cattle-crossings may or may not be marked, but keep an eye out for them in the morning and late afternoon. The best safety measure is to slow down as you crest hills and round turns.

Remember that the fatal accident rate per mile is three times as high at night as it is by day.

Report Shows State Lacks TB Facilities

Free X-rays, Educational Plan of MTA Help Curb Disease

Deploring the lack of facilities in Maryland for the control and treatment of tuberculosis, the 1947 annual report of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, also calls attention to the striking deficit for colored tuberculosis patients.

To help alleviate this condition the Association has helped gather facts for public and legislative attention.

A special committee on public relations formed by body is charged with efforts to have a new and enlarged hospital for colored tuberculosis patients.

MTA was supported solely by the sale of Christmas seals purchased last year by some 153,000 persons. Contributions totaled $266,585.56, which made possible the expansion of the staff to 27 paid employees, to carry out education, location, stimulation and rehabilitation projects.

Education Work Varied

The program of general health education was carried out through addresses to civic organizations and clubs, the use of literature, moving pictures, lectures to medical and nursing students, radio broadcasts, posters and exhibits.

In a special effort to give health education to the city's minority population, an assistant health educator, James Gilliam, has been added to the staff.

Fifty-two health exhibits were placed in the schools and 88,622 pamphlets distributed.

State Winners in Contest

The annual national essay contest was conducted in Maryland high schools and colleges with the AFRO - AMERICAN contributing to the prizes. Submitted for national awards, the prize winning essay was written by Miss Aletha Proctor, Maryland State Teachers College student.

The third national prize went to Morgan State College student, The Douglass High School "Courier" was awarded a certificate of honor in the annual Columbia University School Press Project in which articles on tuberculosis were written by pupils.

114,000 Persons X-rayed

The Association has been active in assisting agencies in the discovery of tuberculosis and cooperating with them by providing facilities for this purpose.

In 1947 chest X-ray examinations of 114,600 persons were made in conjunction with MTA. Some 143 surveys were made in communities, industrial plants, high schools and institutions.

Increased emphasis has been placed on rehabilitation of tuberculosis patients.

It has been found that social and economic factors of patients frequently lead to such dissatisfaction that treatment is terminated before lasting benefits have been realized.

Social Work Effective

One social worker, Miss Harriet Post, is devoted to the social problems among patients at the Druid Health Center, giving service so that patients adjust themselves to the changed conditions of their lives, caused by tuberculosis.

This service also assists in restoring them to an adequate social and economic position in the community when their disease is arrested.

It is one of the first steps toward rehabilitation which aims to meet the educational, cultural, psychological and vocational needs of the sanitarium patient.

It aids in co-ordinating this training with an effective rehabilitation program in the community.

pencil shavings

By Peyton Gray

For over a period of years, this city and State have been undergoing a slow transformation. Many of the age-old, musty and definitely outmoded practices and policies are being shunted aside so that we may conform with today's streamlined age.

However, more rapid progress along these lines is being retarded by a large segment of the population still adhering to antediluvian traditions and beliefs. This group, in the adult age bracket, is being constantly challenged by today's youth and tomorrow's leaders.

The year, to date, has been replete with demonstrations of true American sportsmanship, examples of how youths of the different races can associate on a friendly basis and protests against theories which follow biracial and white supremacy lines.

Before 1948 was a month old, the Fulton PCA, an athletic club, rocked the city when its tan and white players trotted out on local basketball courts. The boys openly defied the Department of Recreation and withdrew from the league rather than drop their tan teammates.

Tomorrow's Leaders Embarrass Elders

As the weeks passed on, word reached the writer's desk of various forms of interracial cooperation among the city's youth in athletics, over debating tables and in roundtable forums.

Later the YMCA's sponsored a Model Youth Legislature, that met in the two chambers of the General Assembly in Annapolis. Man for man, it was modeled after the parent body.

One of the most important and popular pieces of "Legislation" enacted was the passage of a Civil Rights Bill, definitely a slap in the faces of Maryland's adult legislators who for some reason have not as yet seen fit to adopt similar legislation.

Last Sunday, another group of Baltimoreans defied tradition and were arrested merely because they wanted to play tennis together on the public courts of Druid Hill Park. It was revealed that such matches held on privately owned courts could not be halted by the police.

Insistent on their rights of FREE PLAY, members of the group sat down on the courts and had to be carried bodily to the patrol wagons and radio prowl cars. Their attorney has expressed the intention of carrying the fight straight to the Supreme Bench.

As a matter of record, the only law on the statute books of Maryland dealing with racial discrimination is the measure providing separate facilities and accommodations in intra-State travel lines.

A few days after the Druid Hill Park incident, the members of the General Assembly of Boys' State," meeting at Fort George G. Meade, passed legislation favoring equal rights for all in public accommodations and at resorts and amusement places.

The "Governor," a white youth from Cumberland, rapped jim-crow policies and branded as "shameful" the arrests of the mixed tennis players last Sunday.

The "Boys' State" meeting is being sponsored by the various American Legion Posts throughout the State. The action of those young men must have turned cherry red the faces of the older Legionnaires, who still believe in racial discrimination and segregation.

The Brill Case and Pure Law

For more than a week, much controversy has centered around the Brill case, for which a 24-year-old Pimlico janitor and hands[illegible] to stand trial. He faces several charges of criminal assault and a[illegible]der.

In restaurants, hotel lobbies, taverns, on the street cars and in the living rooms of private homes, the topic has stolen the spotlight.

Do you really think he is guilty? Is he mentally sane? Do you think the accusals in the newspapers are true? Is there any truth in the rumor that a disgruntled numbers player may be involved in any manner? These are the types of questions being raised in these parts.

They may or may not be answered when the case comes to trial next month. One thing is sure, however. William Murphy, a young lawyer employed to defend the janitor, made a wise move when he asked that the case be tried by a Criminal Court judge.

That action will leave the burden of making a decision entirely up to the presiding jurist. He will have to decide on the merits of the case as presented by the counsel involved.

With so much newspaper and radio publicity given the case, up and down the Atlantic Seaboard, it seems to me it would be quite difficult, if not impossible, to select a juror or jury that would not enter the courtroom with a biased opinion.

The presentation of pure law supported by deep research and background, alone, will decide the fate of Eugene H. James.

Colonel Brady Still Around

As the members of the National Guard trucking battalion prepare for two-weeks training period at Camp Ritchie, Lt. Col. William Brady would like to have it known that he, himself, asked to be placed on the unassigned list more than a year ago.

He added, however, that he will still be around the guardsmen as they meet regularly in the Richmond Market Armory. Maj. Vernon F. Green replaced Colonel Brady as commanding officer of the 231st Headquarters Detachment and the 147th and 726th Truck Companies.

Beating the Sales Tax

Local citizens with no civic pride or respect for the sanctity of a church edifice are using the fire-gutted ruin of the St. Mary PE Church on Orchard St. near Madison Ave., as a dumping ground for refuse, garbage and other trash.

Mouse Dorsey recently treated a friend to a ten-cent glass of beer and ordered one for himself. To get around the Governor Lane penny sales tax on 15c purchases, Mouse handed the friend a dime, thereby making the two purchases separate. Neither had to pay the tax.

poet's nook

MEDITATION

Out of the dungeon of slavery,
Thou hast delivered me.
Out of the wet of the night,
Thou has been a Guide before me,
A bright and shining Light.
A Light that has shone on my pathway,
And encouraged my weary soul,
That caused my faltering feet,
To tread onward to my goal.

May I fight for
My women and children,
Of me, let them not be ashamed;
When they read of me in history,
May with pride their countenance flame.
God, my Father and Deliverer,
Help me raise my banner high,
So, when I am gone other races,
Will know that I passed by.

ELIZABETH J. BROWN.

birthdays

Some have much, and some have more.
Some are rich, and some are poor,
Some have little, and some have less.
Some have not a cent to bless
Their pockets, yet possess,
True riches in true happiness.

—John Oxenham.

The AFRO extends congratulations to all persons celebrating birthdays next week. Felicitations to:

July 18—C. Morsell Hines, 2133 Druid Hill Ave.; Arthur L. James, 1811 N. Fulton Ave.

July 19—William Dotson, Mechanicsville, Md.

July 20—Ralph Matthews, 21 T St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

July 21—Mrs. Georgiana Chester, 2035 Druid Hill Ave.; J. Howard Payne, 22 St. Paul St.; Miss Ernal McCadoo, 1008 Madison Ave.

July 23—Mrs. Jessie Merritt, 1038 Edmondson Ave.

Ruling Opens All Golf Links

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hundred acres situated on Harford Rd. about a mile North of North Ave. The golf course constitutes a part of a typical large city park.

Finds J-C Links Poorer

"In Forest Park, located in the Northwestern part of the city, is still another 18-hole course operated by the city in a general suburban district — Hillsdale course.

"The fourth golf course is in Carroll Park. It is only a nine-hole course situated in the Southwestern part of the city in a general commercial and industrial area.

"It is bordered by an active industrial branch of the B. & O. Railroad and has little attraction from the landscape point of view.

"The land, while not completely level, has a comparatively uniform terrain and does not present the varied conditions of ground and landscaping which exist to a much greater extent in the other municipal courses."

Court Order Follows

Describing golf as a unique game, the judge asserted that successful play is largely affected by the golfers personal concentration, temperament and poise and by the absence of distraction, and these things in turn are often affected by surrounding conditions.

The opinion followed by this week's court order, opened the door for true democracy in local golf circles.

There is every indication that Baltimore's 100 colored golfers are working with the city's 5,000 white players to make this a reality.

Sponsored jointly by the Monumental Golf Association and the Baltimore NAACP, the Law case is the outgrowth of a suit filed in Superior Court by D. Arnett Murphy and other golfers seeking to have all municipal courses open to colored.

Former Case Reversed

In the Murphy case, the jury, acting under instructions of a trial judge, found there was substantial inequality in Carroll Park accommodations.

On appeal, however, the judgment was reversed because of errors in procedure.

Law filed suit in Federal Court after the Board of Recreation and Parks turned down his plea to play on one or more of the courses then reserved for white persons.

Groups in 7-Year Fight

The seven-year legal battle was widely supported by community organizations and public opinion with the Urban League and AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers working closely with the two sponsoring bodies.

William Dixon, William Adams and D. Arnett Murphy, all members of the Monumental Golf Club, gave $500 each toward the cost of litigation. Other members of the club contributed another $500 collectively.

Charles Houston, W. A. C. Hughes Jr., Joseph C. Waddy and Howard Jenkins were attorneys for Law.

The golf course decision might well be described as another nail driven in the coffin of jim crow in sports here.

D. ARNETT MURPHY

CHARLES LAW

3rd Party Leaflets Banned at Meeting

The distribution of "Wallace for President" handbills by members of the Maryland Progressive Party was halted, last week, at the tenant council-sponsored housing mass meeting, at the Douglass Homes.

The action occurred during the middle of the meeting at which Oliver C. Winston, executive director, and Dr. Don Frank Fenn, Housing - Authority Commission chairman, were speakers, when party workers began giving out the leaflets boosting Henry Wallace for President and Philip C. Kulinski for Congress.

Leaflets Attack Old Parties

The leaflets said in part: "The Democrats and Republicans have given us nothing but promises; slums and disease. Both parties gauged up to betray Franklin D. Roosevelt's housing program."

Some 400 persons attended the non-partisan interracial meeting staged to urge legislative action from those persons among which the need for housing was greatest.

Homeward-Bound

T/5 Alfred D. Ridgley of the 822d Eng. Bn. Co. B, who has arrived at Camp Stanman, Calif., from the South Pacific, Manila and Okinawa, after completing three years enlistment, awaiting his discharge. He is the son of E. C. Ridgley of 1510 McCulloh St., Baltimore.

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