Order of the Arrow Iducts New Members



Shown above are the three Sea Scouts who were inducted into the Order of the Arrow, a Scout camping society, during ceremonies last Friday at the YWCA. Left to right, are: Earl Tucker, Miss Georgia Newby, Clarence Ayers, Charles Robinson and Emory Cotton. The order holds welcoming services for new members each year.

PRACTICED LAW 50 YEARS:

William Fitzgerald Honored by Bar Group

William L. Fitzgerald was honored Saturday night by the Monumental Bar Association, celebrating his 78th birthday and 50th year as an attorney.

The reception, at 1142 Myrtle Ave., was attended by some 20 members of the association. Mr. Fitzgerald was presented with a smoking jacket.

Special guests were Mrs. Elsie Austin, Washington attorney, who spoke that evening at the Founder's Day banquet of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; and Mrs. Mae Wright Downs, former national president of the sorority.

Former Councilman

Mr. Fitzgerald, who served in the City Council from 1919-1923, was the first person of his race to pass the written law examination in Maryland.

A native of Jonesboro, Tenn., he has lived in Baltimore over half a century, and is remembered for his fight in the campaign to equalize teachers' salaries.

Also he was instrumental in the transfer of Morgan State College to its present site, and the early organization of the YMCA. Mr. Fitzgerald was president of the Monumental group for three years.

7 New Lawyers Greeted

The occasion, Saturday, marked the introduction of seven new attorneys. They are Milton Allen, W. Emerson Brown Jr., Robert Watts, George Parrish, Harry Cole, James Bundy and George Rosebom.

Present officers of the Monumental Bar include William Gosnell, president; E. Everett Lane, vice-president; William T. Backer, treasurer, and Calvin Douglass, secretary.

Others present included: W. Norman Hall, Roy S. Bond, Emory R. Cole, John H. Hampton, U. Theodore Hayes, Josiah F. Henry Jr., Linwood G. Koger, Donald G. Murray, Ernest Perkins and Peter L. Woodbury.



Lottery Cases Net $1000 in 2 Days

More than $1000 in fines and costs was paid in two days this week by lottery defendants brought before Judge Michael Manley.

Smallegg fine, $1 went to Vernon Talbert on Wednesday. His lawyer, Maurice Siegal, said it was the first offense of the 500 block N. Fulton Ave., was brought in on numbers violation on Jan. 6, but was said to be a very small player.

Three Fined $350

Also on Wednesday, three men taken in a numbers raid in the 700 block Born Ct. on Dec. 15, were fined a total of $350 while a fourth, said to have been cutting a "skin" game at the house, was fined court costs of $51.35.

The larger fines went to John Butler, 700 block W. Fairmount Ave., $150; Israel Butler, 700 block W. Lexington St., $100; and Ernest Frazier, 600 block Calhoun St., $100.

Costs were levied upon Sandy McCoy of the first block Popplelton St.

Others Penalized

Percy McCloud, 300 block N. Pearl St., was fined $150 for a numbers operation at his home on Jan. 10.

On Thursday, 73-year-old William Pearson was fined $25 as a "player." He had been arrested by Officer Jerome Troy.

Charles E. Carter, 200 block N Pearl St., was fined $350 for a two-day operation on Jan. 5 and 6; Clarence Bozgs, 1100 block Mulberry St., $100, and Sylvester Croxton, 600 block Arlington Ave., $10, both for a lottery operation in the 500 block N. Calhoun St.

SEEK PARTY PEACE MEDIUM:

Rank, File GOP's Plan Unity Rally Tuesday

By STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Rank and file Republicans seeking a happy medium may get their wish at a pre-campaign meeting and unity rally, Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., at the Pythian Castle.

Sponsor of the meeting is the Metropolitan Republican Club, which hopes to make its members and visitors forget "warring factions" and jim-crow policies practiced by some GOP affiliates.

Organized by an interracial group, including Tim Bright, Harvey Robinson, Samuel Turner and Charles H. Dorsey, the Metropolitan club is the outgrowth of several groups which operated during the last campaign.

To Be Record GOP Rally

Bright, a relative newcomer to local politics, announced that Tuesday's meeting would be "one of the biggest Republican rallies held this year among workers on ward and precinct levels."

Explaining the club's policy, Mr. Dorsey said it is not bound to any faction. (Paul Robertson, recently elected by a majority, is battling with Deeley K. Nice over chairmanship of the GOP City Committee).

According to Mr. Dorsey, "We aren't supporting either of them. We feel there should be a compromise between the two factions." He continued:

"Our club is interested in party success regardless of factions. This is a year of opportunity for the Republican party. We can be victorious—even in the State of Maryland."

Rumor Mill

Meanwhile, the rumor mill was grinding out reports about two announcements which the Metropolitan club might make at its Tuesday meeting.

Some insiders suggested Mr. Dorsey might be proposed to succeed Marse Callaway as leader of the fourth district, and that the group will concentrate on promoting a local attorney as a candidate to the State Legislature.

According to advance publicity, several ward representatives from 20 of the city's 28 wards will be introduced to club members and visitors.

Eminent speakers listed to appear may include former Mayor Theodore R. McKeldin, "dark horse" gubernatorial nominee, and Stanford Hoff, GOP State chairman.

'Socialized Medicine' to Be Meeting Topic

The Eastside Community Committee will sponsor a public health meeting at 8 p.m. on Feb. 10 at the Grace Memorial Baptist Church, Chase and Eden Sts.

There will be a panel discussion on "Should We Have Socialized Medicine?" An open forum discussion will follow.

Serving as moderator will be Dr. Wilson M. Wing, associate professor of public health administration at Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene.

Panel speakers are Drs. George A. Silver, health officer of the Eastern Health District; W. Leroy Berry, Robert McDaniels and Albert A. Purwell, chairman of the ECC health committee.

There will be music by Hollinman's Junior Orchestra. James Gilliam of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association will show a

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CORRECTION

The name given in Arbutus as, Jan. 14, 1950, as general manager, was Corrie Myers Rowlett. It should have been Corrie Myers Rowlett. The Afro regrets the error.

Four Women, Six Men Cited for Service on AFRO Honor Roll

On Cuban Honeymoon

POLICE SLUG KILLS RIDER

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'June-in-January' Weather Blamed in Murder Case



Billy Daniels, NYC night club singer, and his bride, the former Martha Braun, buy some souvenirs during their 12-day honeymoon in Havana, Cuba. She's from a wealthy New England family. They returned to the United States Tuesday.

Provident to Get Big Estate Slice

To Inherit Widow's Share on Her Death

The major portion of the $50,000 estate of Benjamin Hamilton, late Lafayette Market poultry dealer, will eventually go to Provident Hospital, his will, filed in Orphans Court, shows.

With the exception of a few minor requests, Mr. Hamilton decreed that the income from 28 houses and 7 ground rents go to his widow, Mrs. Mildred H. Hamilton, during her life, and upon her death to go to the Hospital.

The properties include those at 3102, 3104, 3106, 3108, 3110, 3112, 3114, 3118, 3120, 3122, and 3124 Wendover Av., and ground rents on 1035, 1017 McKean Ave.; 2630, 2632, and 2634 Bone St.; 1701 Hope St., and 1005 Providence St.

Provident Aided Immediately

Mrs. Hamilton received word outright the home at 436 E. 23rd St., and all the furnishings and properties at 2419 and 2458 Brentwood Ave.

Provident Hospital received outright properties at 1134 and 1138 Eling St., 2301 N. Bond St., and 307 W. Preston St.

Unnamed Heir Listed

An unusual bequest in the will was that property at 440 Dolphin St. go to his grandson, whose name and whereabouts the donor

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Tribute Paid 10 Persons for Contributions in '49

Honor Roll Cites 2 Mothers, 3 Executives, Cleric, Emcee, Beautician, Student, Salesman

The 1949 AFRO Honor Roll includes four women and six men who are paid tribute for commendable contributions to the community, primarily through volunteer service which usually goes unheralded.

From the standpoint of occupations, the group includes a State hospital superintendent, a minister, a radio disc jockey, a college student, a beautician, an ice cream salesman, a housewife, a recreation center director, a mother of outstanding children and a Veterans' Administration executive.

DR. JACOB MORGANSTERN, superintendent of Crownsville State Hospital, is honored for improvements and a program of better training and care for the mentally ill patients of the institution.

Beauticians' Head Voted

MISS MAYME TILGHMAN, president of the Master Beauticians Association, was selected because she has led the organization in a number of charity projects, the most notable being the new beauty shop therapy program at Crownsville State Hospital.

CHUCK RICHARDS, the popular radio disc jockey and talent scout, is cited because of his personal success in this field of entertainment and his assistance in launching other talented young people on the road to stardom.

THE REV. EUGENE T. GROVE, pastor of Grace Memorial Baptist Church, is commended because, in addition to conducting

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Fighter Accused of Deserting Army

WASHINGTON

Like Macbeth's evil witches, fate stole Holly R. Mims, promising professional fighter, triple blows, this week.

At least that's what the quiet, unassuming middleweight likely is thinking after the swirling chain of events which climaxed with his arrest as an alleged deserter Tuesday on Tuesday.

A colorful fighter, whose rhythmic punching has thrilled fight fans for two years, Mims's troubles began on Monday when his mother was stricken and rushed to Freedmen's Hospital for an emergency operation.

Mims appeared a worried, erratic fighter, that night, facing

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Worshipers Not Let in Church

Strong-Arm Squad Stops Them at Door

BROKE CUSTOM

Ordered to Return to Seats in Rear

By LOIS TAYLOR

PISCATAWAY, Md. — This community was thrown into a state of turmoil Sunday when a band of white parishioners formed a strong-arm squad to prevent colored worshipers from entering the front door of St. Mary Catholic Church.

Trouble started the previous Sunday when colored members, after consultation with the priest, Father Lesinski, broke the old custom of sitting in the rear of the church and took seats promiscuously throughout the congregation.

White members are reported to have plotted retaliation to "keep the n——s" in their place."

Worshipers Threatened

Father Lesinski was reading the holy mass when a group of his colored parishioners were told they would be thrown out if they used the "white" door or sat in the front seats of their house of worship.

White men barred the main entrance of the church as Mrs. Susie Johnson of Accokeek, Md.; her son Walter, 18, and other members approached the church which they have attended since childhood.

"This is our church because we put more money in it than you do," the men are said to have told the group. "Use the colored entrance and sit in the back. If you don't we'll throw you out."

Although there was no disorder, the men also threatened to call the police, and soon officers of the law appeared.

They were present, according to Mrs. Johnson, when the group of

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ROBERT GARRETT

Citizens Want Garrett to Quit

Park Board Chief Backed Segregation

By MAE MORRIS

Every colored citizen in Baltimore should hope fervently that Robert Garrett keeps his promise to resign from the presidency of the park board.

The aged Garrett, champion of segregation and white supremacy, announced Thursday that he would resign in protest to the board's reinstatement of a park official who had been charged with conspiracy to defraud the city. The charge later was dropped.

Meeting in a special session Thursday, four other members of the board, despite Mr. Garrett's threat to leave the body, promptly voted him down in the reinstatement of the official, Myer J. Cohen.

Opponents Named

Those opposing Garrett on the voting included Dr. Bernard Harris, J. Marshall Boone, R. Wilbert Marcheck and Lawrence Hamerman. Dr. J. Ben Robinson, school board representative, was absent, but an affirmative letter

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Matron, Kept Indoors, Slays Boy Friend Victim of Woman's Anger

KILLING ADMITTED

Says Man, 55, Chased Her With Chair

The unseasonably warm weather (temperature reached 74 degrees on Wednesday) was held responsible in a butcher-knife murder case, aired on Thursday in Northwestern police court.

Mrs. Irene Smith, 40, of the 1400 block Presstman St., who was held without bail for the stabbing of her boy friend, said he objected when she wanted "to take a walk because it was such a nice day outside."

In a signed statement Mrs. Smith told officers that after objecting to her going out for some fresh air, the man began cursing and chasing her around with a chair in his hands.

Mortally Wounded

The victim, Charles Watkins, 55 was found lying in a pool of blood in a room on the third floor at 1403 Presstman St., where both lived.

Officers who arrived at the scene around 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, said the bleeding from a wound in the left side of his chest. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Provident Hospital.

After the impulsive thrust that ended her boy friend's life, Mrs. Smith became aware of the seriousness of the situation and first told Officers Charles Langhor and Raymond Novak—summoned by her call —

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Photographer's Model and Student



Attractive Ethel Sleigh of NYC, is possibly the only girl at Wilberforce University, Ohio, who has the distinction of being a photographer's model before entering upon a college career. The shapely Miss Sleigh, a sophomore, is at present a student directress of the Student Union Lounge at the university.

Final Exams Over, Morgan Awaits 150 New Students

There were a "couple of nervous breakdowns" and "some fainting," but otherwise, first semester exams at Morgan State College, this week, were a routine matter.

This was reported Friday by Edward N. Wilson, registrar, who added that grades now are being recorded so that students will know soon who goes and who stays. The exams began Monday and ended Friday.

Of 150 students on probation, the registrar estimated that one-fourth will be dropped for poor scholarship.

150 Freshmen Anticipated

It is on the basis of this determination, coupled with an estimate of how many students will fail to return next term for other reasons, that 150 freshmen will be admitted for the midyear term which opens Feb. 1.

The college officials must estimate enrollment in this manner so that the ceiling of 1500 students may be maintained.

The new students will report Feb. 1 and will have orientation activities for the rest of the week.

Matron Sues Co-Tenant for $10,000 in Beating

Declaring that she was beaten at their home, a matron filed a $10,000 damage suit, this week, against a co-tenant.

The suit was filed in City Court on Monday by Harold Buchman, attorney, for Mrs. Mabel T. Chase of 728 Dolphin St. It named Herbert Bartley of the Dolphin St. address as the man who assaulted her on Dec. 9.

No Scarcity of Baby Sitters

Mrs. Frances M. Wood of 1051 Myrtle Avenue, wanted to go out for the evening and had no one to leave at home with the baby. Thoughtfully, she placed an ad in the AFRO-AMERICAN for a qualified baby sitter, and had a choice of more than 40 capab baby sitters.

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Upperclassmen will return on Feb. 6 and Feb. 7 and all classes will begin on Feb. 8.

Mr. Wilson pointed out that because of completion of construction of the new classroom building, Holmes Hall, is expected by the latter part of March, class schedules are being prepared so that the transition to the new building can be made without difficulty.

Mayor to Break Ground for School

Planned to accommodate 865 pupils, the million dollar elementary school to be constructed at Saratoga and Schroeder Sts., will be "launched" officially on Monday at 10 a.m., with ground breaking by Mayor D'Alesandro.

Contract for the school was awarded for $1,023,450. Bounded by Clay St. and Lexington St., on the two other sides, the school will face north on Saratoga.

Building Described

According to R. E. L. Williams, construction engineer, the building will contain:

Twenty-four classrooms, two kindergartens, one multi-purpose room composed of kitchen, cafeteria, store room and garbage room;

A community room to be used for voting, adult education groups, child study groups and the like; an auditorium seating 346 persons;

Gymnasium that can be subdivided into two 35 by 45 foot classrooms, with showers; lockers and toilet facilities for boys and girls, and offices and showers for physical education directors;

Large Classrooms Planned

A library, administration office and health suite, three teachers' rooms and eight toilets. The class-

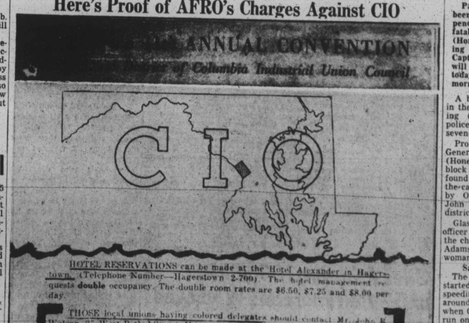
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The Weather

Partly cloudy today (Friday), with temperatures falling slowly during the day, is the local weather man's forecast.

Despite the predicted drop, temperatures will still average 10 to 15 degrees above the seasonal normal in the upper 30's. Warmer weather over the week end, with showers likely around Sunday.

Here's Proof of AFRO's Charges Against CIO



HOTEL RESERVATIONS can be made at the Hotel Alexander in Hagerstown, (Telephone Number—Hagerstown 2-700). The hotel management requests double occupancy. The double room rates are $6.50, $7.25 and $8.00 per day.

THOSE local unions having colored delegates should contact Mr. John R. Watson, 25 West Bethel Street, Hagerstown, Maryland, for accommodations.

Hoping to meet and greet your delegates at the Convention.

Fraternally yours,

Frank J. Bender, President

John Klaynberg, Secretary-Treasurer

Last week, the AFRO charged that the CIO had gone soft on the race issue after ousting its left-wing organizations. Above is a notice sent to union members about a recent convention in Hagerstown, Md., in which they acquiesce to Jim crow of delegates.

Text of a call to a convention at Hagerstown, Md., on December 1, 2, 3, 1949, reads:

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Coming Events

FRIDAY

Benefit showing of the moving picture "Angel on My Shoulder," at St. James PE Church parish hall, Arlington and Lafayette Aves., 8 p.m.

Concert by the General Vocational School Choir at the school, Biddle and McCulloh Sts.—8:15 p.m.

Blue Triangle Club anniversary dance in the auditorium of the YWCA, 1916 Madison Ave.—8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Educational concert by the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra for public school children at

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Passenger on Back Seat Killed by Officer in Chase

BULLETIN'

Patrolman Jerome Glass has been suspended from duty pending an investigation of the fatal shooting of Alphonso (Honey 'Chile) Adams, according to Northwestern District Capt. William H. Feehley. He will probably be charged late today (Friday) or Saturday morning.

A back seat occupant was shot in the head and killed this morning (Friday) as bullets from a policeman's pistol blazed in a seven-block automobile chase.

Pronounced dead at Maryland General Hospital was Alphonso (Honey Chile) Adams of the 900 block Pennsylvania Ave., who was found prone on the back seat of the car when it was halted finally by Officers Jerome Glass and John Williams of Northwestern district.

Glass has been identified as the officers who fired two shots during the chase of the car which carried Adams, five other men and one woman.

Said Car Was Speeding

The officers said the trouble started when they spied the car speeding east on Hoffman St. around 4 a.m. They added that when Glass tried to halt it, he was run onto the side walk. Williams said he recognized the car as one reported stolen earlier that evening.

The patrolmen hailed a passing car and pursued the speeding automobile. Pulling along the side of the car near Dolphin St. and Druid Hill Ave., Glass said he blew his whistle and flashed his light, but the car pulled away and he fired at the tires.

The officers caught up with the car again at Dolphin St. and Linden Ave., and according to the report on the matter, Glass fired three shots at this point.

It was then that the car slowed down and halted two blocks

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Baby Boy Born in Courthouse

A 20-year-old matron gave birth to a baby boy in the ladies room of the Courthouse this morning (Friday) while awaiting trial of non-support charges against her husband, Edward Watts of 705 Gold St.

The matron, Mrs. Mary Watts of 1102 Dorn St., and the 6½ pound child were removed to City Hospitals where attendants report they are "doing nicely."

The 21-year-old husband failed to appear for the scheduled trial. He is charged with failing to support Mrs. Watts and her two children, Phyllis and Ella Mae, one year old.

Dr. Manfred S. Guttmacher, court psychiatrist, was summoned as word of the birth spread through the courthouse. He ordered the mother and child removed to a hospital.

It was the first birth within the courthouse since it was erected 50 years ago.

Pupils Get Holiday Wednesday, Poor Teachers to Work

Public school pupils will not attend classes on Wednesday, but will report for work the following day when their lessons for the second semester begins.

The Department of Education has given over Wednesday to principals and teachers who will report to work as usual, and complete closing records and carry out other professional activities.

Fired Teacher's Suit Incomplete

Self-Filed $50,000 Action Lacks Details

Lemuel Thomas, fired city school teacher who sued the School Board for $50,000, was given 15 days, Thursday, in which to improve his bill of complaint that he has been damaged.

In making this ruling, Superior Court Judge John T. Tucker upheld the School Board's legal contention that the language of the original suit was too vague and indefinite.

Mr. Thomas of the 500 block Lafayette Ave., appeared in court to represent himself.

Specific Details Lacking

When told by Judge Tucker that his bill of complaint lacked adequate substance to sustain his charges of unfair dismissal from the school system, Mr. Thomas answered: "I am not a lawyer, and I did the best that I could. I tried to make the facts as clear as possible."

Judge Tucker pointed out that there was nothing in the complaint to show the nature of the teacher's contract with the School Board, or to question the board's authority to dismiss him.

Filed on Dec. 2, the suit outlined that Mr. Thomas was appointed a teacher in October, 1947 and suspended on May 21 of last year. He was charged at that time with violating rules of corporal punishment.

At a subsequent hearing on June 29 he was dismissed as being unfit, but according to the suit,

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Cupid's Progress

Miss Doretha Knight, 17, of New York City, licensed to wed Arthur B. Cumberbatch, also of that city, was the youngest of the week's brides-elect to be given permits here.

Other non-residents licensed were:

Phillip Morrow, 52, widower, and Mrs. Alice A. Hansbrough, 45, both of Washington; Albert Lewis Jr., 25, and Miss Thelma Marsh, 24, both of Newark, N.J.; Ureall W. Taylor, 24, Keyport, N.J., and Miss Flora M. Patterson, 21, New Brunswick, N. J.

Reuben Jones, 33, divorced,