Area Students Ask Equality

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ard University were Godfrey De-Castro, president of Howard's Student Council; Joseph Oliviere, treasurer of the council; and Miss Mary A. Taylor.

Other schools represented were: Catholic University, University of Maryland, University of Baltimore, Trinity College, Towson State Teachers College, St. Mary Junior College.

Notre Dame of Maryland, Mount St. Agnes, Maryland State College, Maryland College for Women, Loyola of Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University, Georgetown, Dunbarton, Holy Cross and Chevy Chase Junior College.

MRS. BESSIE DANIELS

Funeral services for Mrs. Bessie Dunlap, 1529 7th St., who died in the Anderson Hospital on Saturday were held Wednesday at Carmel Baptist Church, 34th and Parkwood. Interment was in Mt. Lawn Cemetery. Her husband, a son and a daughter, survive.

DOUGLASS LOSES HEAD CUSTODIAN:

Charles T. Gilles 70, Retires After 25 Yrs.

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for overseeing the mechanical details which spelled success for many projects.

Set Stage for Events

He has seen the stage extended for symphony concerts, outfitted it with bleachers for scores of commencements; transformed it into forests, Spanish villas and jungle scenes for scores of plays and operettas.

He has moved hundreds of chairs hundreds of times. He has tramped thousands of miles through the corridors.

He has supervised the cleaning of acres of classrooms, miles of walls and thousands of window panes. Tons of supplies have been checked in and stored and used under his guidance.

He has trained scores of workers who have gone out to other schools.

Sees Slump in Pupils' Calibre

"A dollar for every ticket I've collected," mused Mr. Gilles, "would make me pretty well-fixed."

His fondest memories are tied up in the operatic productions of Douglass, which starred Anne Brown, Avon Long, Cab Calloway and Bill Kenny. "We haven't had many talented pupils like that in recent years," he declared. "Those were the days."

He recalls Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt's appearance at Douglass under the sponsorship of a local social agency, and the inauguration of Dr. D. O. W. Holmes as Morgan's sixth president, as other "red-letter" days.

"I've nothing to regret, though I can't recall a day I've gone home on time. Success has come out of my hard work. So, leaving this job makes me sorry — and glad, too."

Retiring Because of Age

Seventy years old on Feb. 10, Mr. Gilles is retiring because of age.

Now Mr. Gilles may spend more time in caring for his garden at his home, 1306 N. Mount St., or he may devote more time to his many fraternal and church duties.

During a 53-year period he has served in all subordinate posts in Jeremiah Pasture No. 12, Grand United Order of Nazarites. He is now past deputy grand worthy shepherd of the Grand Pasture.

Many Fraternal Connections

Mr. Gilles is past master of Mt. Lebanon Lodge, Prince Hall Affiliation, Masons, rounding out his 53rd year as secretary.

He is a charter member of Thekla Chapter No. 18 of the Royal Arch Masons, and its past most excellent high priest; past commander-in-chief of Hiram Consistory No. 2, Scottish Rite Masons; and an honorary 33rd degree member of the Supreme Council.

In addition, he is a member of Jerusalem Temple No. 4 of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

47 Year Payne Member

He has been a member of Payne Memorial AME Church for 47 years, serving in various offices. He is ag honorary member of the trustee board and treasurer of the expansion fund.

Sharing his interest in his job, his fraternal and church work is Mr. Gilles's wife, the former Miss Fannie E. Gresham, a former teacher, whom he married on Sept. 11, 1918.

Born in Baltimore, Mr. Gilles is the son of Mrs. Laura V. Gilles and the late Charles H. (Pap) Gilles, who was a fireman in the public schools for 25 years.

Never Irked by Pupils' Pranks

Mr. Gilles was first a clerk in the U.S. Quartermaster Service here for four years. He began work for the Department of Education on Jan. 13, 1922, serving at Schools No. 39, 86 and 110.

To Douglass pupils who tried through the years to annoy the head janitor, he wants them to know, "I was too busy to be bothered by their foolishness."

Senate to Probe Ban on Plumbers

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Somerset County was speaking of the fact that only two colored plumbers in Maryland are licensed, while there are 2,296 white licensed plumbers.

In Hands of Committee

He pointed out that the resolution would have been introduced earlier, if information concerning the situation had been easier to get.

The resolution, however, he explained, did go into the records of the session, and was referred to the Judicial Proceedings Committee.

Senator Phoebus added that he hoped by the next legislative session in January that widespread attention will have been given to the discrimination against colored plumbers so that the situation may be remedied.

"I feel very strongly about this thing," he went on, adding, "we cannot live in a country such as ours and allow such things to exist."

Disparity Evidence of Bias

The resolution cited that the disparity between the number of licensed colored and white plumbers is "abundant evidence of discrimination" on the part of the Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing.

Meanwhile, mandamus proceedings instituted by seven plumbers, charging discrimination, is pending.

Lane Provides 4 Millions for New Buildings

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a bond issue:

Morgan State College

Equipment, dining hall, $139,170; conversion of storage room for ROTC and alterations, $70,000; extension of underground utilities, $100,000.

Additional funds: class room building, $60,000; gymnasium and class room building, $700,000; men's dormitory, women's dormitory, $600,000.

Total—$1,669,170.

Supplemental budget for Morgan College: utilities, $110,000; additional land and properties, $55,000; dormitory wing, equipment and furnishings, $140,000; gymnasium wing, swimming pool, equipment and furnishings, $137,000;

Total—$442,100.

Princess Anne

Complete dining hall, $65,000; men's dormitory, $200,000; dairy, beef, and sheep barn, $40,000; athletic field, $15,000; engineering, mechanical arts, and agricultural building, $270,000; heat, plant, and utility lines, $140,000; sewage disposal, $60,000; complete faculty apartment house, $75,000;

Total—$865,000.

Bowie State Teachers College

Men's dormitory, $250,000; boiler plant, $250,000; fire protection system, $150,000; sewage disposal plant, $100,000;

Total—$750,000.

From the supplemental budget: faculty and staff housing, $50,000.

Cheltenham School for Boys

Cattle shed — $20,000.

Kitchen and vocational building — $285,561

Equipment for shop, kitchen, dining hall and laundry — $58,000

Total — $363,561

From the supplemental budget: Alterations to Administration Building to supplement $38,550-$20,000

Maryland Training School for Colored Girls

Street lights — $1000

Store house for farm products — $10,000

Total — $11,000

Henryton

Nurses quarters — $375,000

Repairs — elevator, kitchen and refrigeration. — $125,000

Wing addition — $200,000

Repairs and improvements — $11,300

Total — $711, 300

Emerson Looking for 'Private Eye'

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it weren't for the peculiar circumstances in this case."

Captain Epperson was there. He promised that Burgins, who lives in the 800 block Ostend St., will be present on time at the next hearing.

The "private detective" (by his own description) caused another case to be dismissed two weeks ago when he failed to come to court.

Observers note, however, that he has had no difficulty showing up in places late at night, and just ahead of the Captain.

ing against the board.

In a public statement several months ago, Frank A. Reger Sr., chairman of the board, denied that there was any discrimination on the part of the board.

Indirect Barrier Erected

He said that colored applicants complained they could not get letters from master plumbers, which are required before examinations.

The Senate resolution would have required the board to submit an explanation as to the "extreme variation" in the number of persons licensed as plumbers.

It called for this on the basis that "the foundation of the democratic process rests upon the promise of equal justice and equal opportunities for all."

Mental Quirks Seen as Causes of Arson

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world and circumstances in it.

In the case of the older woman she was ill physically and there was family trouble. Her husband refused to assume responsibility for the care she needed.

Result was she piled clothes on the floor, soaked them in oil, applied a match and waited for death. The licking flames to her meant peace through self-destruction. She was rescued, however, and sent to City Hospitals.

The younger woman had lived with the boy friend in question some three weeks before he brought home another girl. As she set the bed afire, she cried, "No one else is going to sleep in my bed."

Would Deny Them Happiness

To her, the flaming bed represented perhaps the foiling of any plans for happiness on the part of the other two. Her action indicated an attitude of, "You made me miserable; I'll do the same for you." She was given a suspended sentence.

And in the case of the pupil, the burning school represented what is perhaps the hidden desire of every young school boy — to see the hated school destroyed. The boy in this case was feebleminded, and unable to control his emotions. He was sent to Crownsville Hospital.

Psychiatrists look upon arson as one of the most complex forms of psychotic behaviour. It must be explained that there is a great difference between the person who deliberately sets a fire for material gain (the insurance) and those who start fires because of mental quirks, such as suicidal tendencies, frustration or persecution complexes.

Satisfaction for Others

Then, too, there is the pyromaniac, who associates flames with sex. Common term for these people is "firebug." Just as a hug or a kiss releases sexual inhibitions in normal people, so the sight of raging flames brings a physical satisfaction to the pyromaniac.

One psychiatrist pointed out that the symbolism of fire also means different things to different people. If a person feels for example, that the world is a cold place of hatred and scorn, so the symbolism of fire might indicate warmth and solace to that person.

In cases where arson is used to destroy oneself or his surroundings, there might be a basis for the action in the Biblical descriptions of destruction by hell fire.

They Need Help

Moreover, there might be the simple attitude of "sending all of my troubles up in smoke."

Whatever the reasons for arson, it ranks high among the acts of violence to which people turn for emotional outlets.

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Nab Suspect With Heroin in Dope Drive

"It's some of the highest grade of Heroin we have seen in this area," narcotic experts said, this week, after examining a quantity they stated police found in the possession of a 43-year-old poolroom operator.

Charged with having 38 capsules of Heroin and over 500 empty gelatin capsules, Otis Henderson, 500 block St. Mary's St., was released for action of the grand jury, under $5,000 bail.

The high bail, which Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick admits, "is one of the highest I have ever set in a case of this kind," was set on request of Capt. William C. Feehley, Northwestern District commander.

Asked if the bail was unusually high, the captain replied, "It's an unusual case."

Acting to Break Ring

Charges against Mr. Henderson come at a time when police are on the alert for narcotics offenders, in an effort to crack a ring that is known to be operating in the sector.

Three weeks ago, two buddies thought involved in narcotics trafficking, were found dead less than a block apart. The chief of the medical examiner's report showed that the lads, Norman Gaylor and Eugene Woodford, both, 19, died from overdoses of Heroin.

Last week in an expose, the AFRO indicated that a well organized dope ring may be working in the vicinity of a Northwest Baltimore high school.

Dope Addict to Serve One Year in Prison

A 28-year-old laborer, described as a "dope addict," was sentenced to one year in the House of Correction, Thursday, for stealing assorted, boxes of candy worth $12.

He was Joseph Lawrence, 600 block Smithson St., who pleaded guilty to the charges and asked Magistrate Thomas L. Fitzpatrick to send him to City Jail, so he could be treated and perhaps cured of his addiction.

Stole to Obtain Dope

Sgt. Hiram Butler and Det. Lloyd Johnson told the court that Lawrence said he had to steal so that he could get money to buy dope and that his dope bill ranged from $6 to $12 a day.

In spite of Lawrence's plea to be sent to City Jail, Magistrate Fitzpatrick reasoned that the fresh air at "the cut" (Jessups Cut) might help him.

Douglass Basketball Fans Root for Victory

When the Douglass High School basketball team whipped Carver Vocational High School on Feb. 24, these Douglass pupils were in the victorious rooting corner.

Frederick Chapter Adds Link to Frontiers' Chain

Another link was added to the chain of Maryland chapters of the Frontiers Club with the presentation of a charter to 23 members of the Frederick, Md., unit on Wednesday night.

Sponsors of the Frederick group were members of the Annapolis chapter who were represented by Douglass F. King and Walter Mills. The charter was presented by Nimrod Allen, founder and national president of the business men's service club, who also spoke on "The Tyranny of Fear."

Officers of the Frederick Chapter are Charles E. Henson, president; Dr. U. G. Bourne Jr. vice-president; Claude DeLautier, secretary; Paul Reid, treasurer and the Rev. Ezra Williams, chaplain.

Members Named

Members are William Lee, Ralph Tilgham, George Ambush, Dr. U. G. Bourne Sr.; Robert Henderson, Clement Martin, David Schockly, Nicholas Leakins, Leon Frisby, Harry Bruce, Dr. G. J. Snowball; Floyd Dixon, Charles Brown, Charles Hicks, Gilmore Bently, Herbert Fredericks, Harry Hill and Melvin Lyles.

Speakers included Eugene W. Pruitt, Frederick County superintendent of schools, who spoke about the county's "immediate needs" building program which has just been approved.

One item in the program will be the modernization and expansion of Lincoln High School in Frederick City which is slated to be completed by 1951 or 1952.

Pleads for Trust

Mr. Pruitt urged the citizenry to trust the County Board of Education. He said he felt the board would carry out its program without hesitation.

Dr. Bernard Harris, president of the Baltimore Frontiers, expressed some doubt that the colored citizenry could "trust" the State Board of Education.

But he added that he was glad to know that the county board was one which they could trust.

Other speakers were Charles Bowers of the Frederick Chamber of Commerce, and Charles Stup, president of the Frederick Board of Alderman.

Also present was William B. Day of Baltimore, representing the Frontiers' national board. The meeting was held at Asbury Methodist Church and attended by some 75 persons including representatives of the Hagerstown chapter.

Suit to Collect Filed Against Scarlett, Wife

A suit to collect on a $10,000 promissory note was filed in the Superior Court this week against Austine Scarlett, country club operator, and his wife.

The action was taken by Angelo G. and Lillie Rosetti of the 2100 block Charles St. It cited that the money was promised on ages as a result of non-payment demand by promissory note, on Jan. 28, and claimed $15,000 dam-(Culloh St.

Dickinson College Begins New Development Plan

CARLISLE, Pa.—Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., is pushing forward a development program which includes the addition of several new buildings and greater endowment.

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Benefit Musical Tea

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