Big Turnout for Pennsylvania Ave. Business Association's First Halloween Parade

When old "con" get together, they usually "take" something. James Jackson, left, and Ben Davis, "took" a break from their Halloween road gang and "took" some of the prizes offered for unique dress.

At beginning of parade, the spectators looked on with interest. Soon they were to howl with laughter, as perticipants went through antics from Bloom St., where parade originated, down to George St., where group turned around and headed back up Pennsylvania Ave. A total of 15,000 turned out for first Halloween parade sponsored by Pennsylvania Avenue Business Association.

Mrs. Lola Johnson in Quaker's costume, was among winners. Richard Kelly, garbed as a maharajah, took first prize, a diamond ring.

Dad Gets 10 Years for Sex Assault

A father of two children was sentenced, Tuesday, to 10 years in the penitentiary for making a sexual assault on a little girl who had passed out from drinking intoxicants at his home.

The 13-year-old child told Chief Judge W. Conwell Smith that she remembered nothing after she drank a mixture of beer and wine until she awoke on the sofa and found the man, Richard Wheeler, 38, trying to abuse her.

After fighting off the man, the girl began to rave, throw bottles, kick and fight so violently they could hardly hold her, testified Wheeler's 13-year-old daughter and another little girl who lived in the neighborhood.

Attracted to the scene by the struggling youngsters, Policewoman Carolyn Robinson joined the group, and summoned a radio car crew to help her subdue the raving girl.

Strapped at Hospital

At Provident Hospital where she was treated for acute alcoholism, the girl had to be strapped to the table, Mrs. Robinson said.

She added that when she returned to talk to Wheeler at his home in the 800 block Whatcoat St., the place was in shambles, and the sleeping man could not be aroused.

Both his daughter and the other girl said Wheeler was intoxicated that afternoon, and had threatened to pour wine on the little visitor if she did not drink it.

Filthy Room

Policewoman Violet Hill Whyte went to the house the next day, Oct. 8, and said she found Wheeler's daughter and her 14-year-old brother sleeping together in a filthy room, and the father, reeking of liquor, sleeping in another room.

After his arrest, Wheeler, a hod carrier, gave a written statement to Mrs. Whyte in which he admitted the assault. Edwin Gehring, assistant State's attorney, prosecuted.

FINE HAVEN FOR SOLDIERS:

GI's Praise 4 Women Running Tokyo Club

By JAMES L. HICKS

FAR EAST COMMAND, TOKYO, Japan—GI's stationed in and around Tokyo are high in their praise of the work being done by four Stateside girls at the Special Services Seaview Club located on the Tokyo Quartermaster Depot.

The club, which is interracial, is efficiently run from the managerial level by talented Miss Ethel L. Payne, director, of 6210 S. Throop St., Chicago.

But the able Miss Payne, who has an uncanny understanding of GI's, actually has organized the club on lines which virtually permit the GI's themselves to run it without their being aware of it.

Soldier's Club

This reported has seen and visited many such Special Service Clubs but never yet seen one which receives the all-out support and program participation which both colored and white men on the base give the Seaview.

Miss Payne has a club which might be called a "soldier's club." Its success might be laid to the fact that she and her assistants make their program so appealing to the men that it simply outstrips the off-the-base places in providing entertainment.

Innovations Featured

She is fortunate in having large and ample facilities for such club and she and her assistants make full use of everything offered.

In addition to the usual program featured by all such clubs, like dancing and entertainment, the Seaview has come up with such innovations as:

A "jive room" where its own jive band can blow to its heart's content; International night, when the men actually meet and socialize with important persons from foreign embassies; and cultural courses which give the men a keen insight into the cultural life of the country they are now occupying.

Diplomats Visit Club

When I arrived at the Seaview last week the base was all astir over a Canasta contest scheduled for that night.

But while watching plans being made for the Canasta contest, a group of people from the British, French, Japanese and Chinese embassies arrived to look over the ballroom in which they were scheduled to present an international fashion show at the club at a future date.

The show will present women from all over the world wearing their native dress.

Staff Personnel

Assisting Miss Payne in the operation of the club are Miss Kathryn M. Davenport, program director, of Norristown, Pa. and New York City; Miss Dorothy Mitchell of Philadelphia, recreational director; and Miss June Wells of Savannah, Ga., also a recreational director.

At its peak the Seaview expanded its facilities to provide for handling 900 men, but the Korean war has considerably lightened the load on the four women.

Instead of letting up, however, they have intensified their program so that they can give closer attention to the approximately 500 men it now services.

Started by R.C. Worker

The club was set up in 1947 by Miss Ocie Smith, former Red Cross worker in the Pacific and now a New Yorker.

Miss Payne, a graduate of Northwestern University, served with the Navy at Great Lakes, Ill., during the last war and has been in Japan 30 months.

The base is apparently determined to keep the club interracial. This came to light when a mixed unit moved next door to the club and the white men in the unit began patronizing it.

According to reports, a biased first sergeant in the organization ordered his white men to stay away from the club. The white men themselves complained.

The matter was taken up with the Depot Commander who promptly issued orders that the club was "on limits" to all personnel on the depot.

That's the way the matter has stood since that time with the white men forming a large part of the participating guests of the club.

Rockville Plans Education Week

WASHINGTON

Lincoln Junior High School and Carver High School, Rockville, Md., announced a plan for the observance of American Education Week, Nov. 6-10.

The schools will be open to the general public during the day on Nov. 6, 8, 9, and 10. Nov. 7 is election day and classes will not be held.

Plans have been completed for a celebration on Nov. 9, at 8 p.m.

1500 Expected at Democrats Rally

Some 1500 persons are expected to attend an informal political meeting at W. Sampson Brooks Elks Home, 1202 Madison Ave., Sunday, from 8 to 10 p.m.

The meeting, which will resemble a reception, will be sponsored by the Colored Democratic Campaign Committee, under the direction of Lloyal Randolph.

Governor Lane and other top ranking Democratic candidates are scheduled to attend, as well as candidates for lesser offices.

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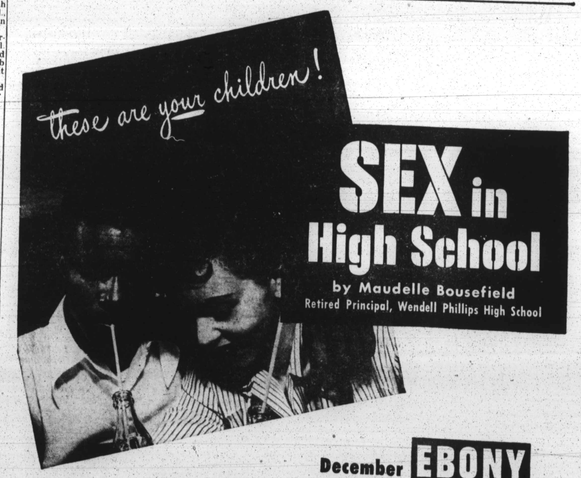

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Red Cross and Gray Ladies Play Hosts to Crownsville Patients

The Red Cross Canteen and the Gray Ladies, with the aid of the co-ordinators of volunteers of hospitals, entertained 200 patients at a Halloween party in the auditorium of Crownsville Hospital last week. Photo at left shows two of the inmates engaged in a string chewing contest (note the man is winning). There also was apple bobbing and a jitterbug contest. In the center photo a part of the staff and the hosts are behind the table that held the goodies. Left to right, Mrs. James Edmunds, the chairman of volunteer services of the Red Cross; Orville Allen, director of personnel at Crownsville; Mrs. Elizabeth Morsell, Dr. Jacob Morganstern, director of Crownsville; Mesdames Kathleen Myers, Reba Smith, Lillie Mae DeHerry, and Ruby Christopher; seated Miss Myra Blaustein, co-ordinator of Crownsville, and Mrs. Lola White. Winners of the jitterbug contest are being awarded their prizes by Miss Blaustein, in the photo at right, as two Gray Ladies look on.

Gilmor Homes School Marks 2nd Anniversary

The Community Sunday School of the Gilmor Homes will celebrate its second anniversary, Sunday at 3 p.m., in the auditorium.

Arthur Williams, principal of School No. 107, will be the guest speaker. The Sharon Baptist Sunday School Choir, under direction of Miss Edna DeCoursey, will sing.

Education Week to Be Observed

Baltimore will join with the rest of the nation in celebrating American Education Week, Nov. 5 to 11. Sponsors of this 30th observance include the National Education Association, American Legion, National Congress of PTA and the Federal Office of Education.

More than 30 civic organizations have joined the school teachers' association to make the local celebration a success.

The observance will be introduced locally with a proclamation by the Mayor. Open house will be held in all the schools. Daily topics have been selected for each day in the week.

Movies Featured

Special movies will be shown in the theatres showing scenes in the Baltimore schools, with Dr. William Lemmel, superintendent of schools, as narrator.

Churches, museums and parent-teacher associations will hold observances, and a speakers bureau will supply speakers for interested groups.

Central Library, department stores and street cars will feature placards commemorating the week. Last year about 80,000 persons visited the schools. It is hoped that before Nov. 11 some 100,000 citizens will visit them this year.

REGULAR MAIL SCHEDULE SET FOR ARMISTICE DAY

The regular Saturday mail schedule will be in effect on Armistice Day, Nov. 11, but there will be no service on Rural routes, Postmaster Neal A. Sibley announced this week.

S. C. Evangelist Dies in Hospital

The Rev. George M. Brown, well-known evangelist from Florence, S.C., died at City Hospitals early Monday morning.

An evangelist for 40 years, the Rev. Mr. Brown was born in Dorlington, S.C., 65 years ago. He became ill three weeks ago while at the home of his daughter, Miss Alberta Brown, 1302 Division St., and was removed to City Hospital.

7 Children Survive

Besides Miss Brown, he is survived by four other daughters and three sons.

His daughters are Mrs. Pauline Brown, 1302 E. Chase St., the Rev. Mrs. Phyllis Hardy, 1302 Division St.; Mrs. Mamie Morgan, West Palm Beach, Fla.; and Mrs. Mary Perry, 1317 Argyle Ave.

His sons are Charles Brown, 1302 E. Chase St.; Robert Brown of New Haven, Conn., and Henry Brown, 1317 Argyle Ave.

The Rev. Mr. Brown will be buried on Sunday in Florence.

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