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Provident Will Shun Sinai Purchase Plan

No official consideration of a recent suggestion that Provident Hospital purchase Sinai Hospital has been made by the Provident trustee board and according to a hospital spokesman, no such action will be taken.

The Division St. hospital will go ahead with plans to renovate its present quarters, a 56-year-old structure, and will implement over $300,000 in funds raised during its recent campaign to pay construction costs.

Thus the plan suggested by Herbert Levy, white attorney and member of the transit commission, regarding a move by Provident into the larger quarters now housing Sinai, evaporates.

Aroused Comment

Mr. Levy's original proposal, that Sinai give its present building to Provident, caused considerable comment.

But in checking, Mr. Levy learned that when and if the Jewish medical center moves to a projected multi-million dollar building, the present property will have to be sold.

It will be sold at a "reasonable price," however and one which is believed to be within Provident's present backing of funds and financial pledges.

Provident Can Buy

Mr Levy also discovered that Provident would be considered as a Sinai buyer on equal terms with any other interested institution.

The reasoning behind Mr. Levy's plan, he explained later, was that he felt it more economical to buy a comparatively new structure such as Sinai than to remodel a fire-trap.

Later, he found out that Sinai does not plan to move within the next three years. Mr. Levy then gave an alternate proposal.

Secure Federal Aid

He recommended that Provident secure financial aid from the Federal and State governments and combine such funds with money already solicited and erect a completely new structure.

Both of these suggestions, the Sinai purchase and Federal aid were met with silence by the Provident board of trustees.

Dr. George B. Murphy, president of the board, said that "it (the Levy Proposals) had not been brought up in any of our meetings.

"Our policy is stated in he bro-

Complete Training

Pvt. Ethel Crocket, 21, daughter of Mrs. Essie Crocket, 1818 W. Lexington St., Baltimore, recently completed her Air Force basic indoctrination course at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tex. She is now prepared for assignment to technical training and specialized work.

churc published during the recent campaign."

In the booklet mentioned by Dr. Murphy, the hospital's goals were pictured as being:

"Merely to renovate the existing plant to prevent its becoming a positive menace to the lives of staff and patients. Certain parts of the building at this moment are fire-traps.

$300,000 Building Costs

"Rigorously careful figuring leads to the conclusion that the existing plant can be brought to a reasonable state of efficiency for $300,000.

"This first step allows for no expansion."

"Some day, and in the not too distant future, plans must be considered for . . . . a first-rate plant that will justify affiliation with one of the great medical schools . . . they involve an expenditure of about $2,500,000."

No Explanation

The campaign booklet does go into detail on just how money for a new building is to be raised.

When asked if Provident had sought Federal monies for a new building, Dr. Murphy said "We can't get any of that now."

He did not elaborate on reasons preventing such an appeal.

Trustee Inquires

Mrs. Vivian Alleyne, newly appointed board member, told the AFRO that she had attended all trustee meeting since taking office but did not recall that the Sinai proposal had been discussed.

"After reading about it in the papers, I did ask the chairman if it would be discussed," she said, but stated further that it was never mentioned in executive sessions.

John L. Procope, Provident superintendent, said that the remodeling program was the only thing planned for future mon'hs.

Measles On Increase In County Sections

Four times as many cases of measles have been reported in the county this year than last year, latest health figures show.

According to a departmental report, 11 cases of measles were found last week, and 22 the week before. Last year by this time, 215 cases of measles occurred, but so far this year, there have been 908 such cases.

Sailor Saw Sea Slaying

Accuses Skipper In Calif. Court

SAN FRANCISCO — A crewman from the freighter Flying Trader, testified at a Coast Guard hearing Tuesday, that he saw his skipper shoot a handcuffed crewmate while the ship was on the high seas.

Capta. Frederick B. Weaver of Englewood, N.J., is on trial on charges of "wrongfully killing" William Harvey, 14, of Dayton, Ohio, aboard his ship somewhere in the Far East.

Captain Weaver maintains that he shot the seaman in self-defense.

First of 12

The first of 12 crew members scheduled to testify at the hearing, Dino Varengo, a plumber-machinist, said:

"I was awakened in the morning about three by some screaming and hollering. I ran directly to the cooks' room where the screaming was coming from."

He said that the captain was hitting Harvey on the head with a blackjack, while a cook held the handcuffed man on the floor.

"Every time the captain would hit him," the witness added, "his head would split."

Captain, Mate Leave

After the captain and chief mate left the room, Harvey came out "hollering all over the place to take the handcuffs off." Varengo went on.

"Then," he said, "Captain Weaver returned with a gun in his hand and a funny look on his face."

Varengo testified that the captain approached within 8 feet of Harvey, who was still shouting "take the handcuffs off!"

The captain shot twoce and Harvey started to slip toward the deck yelling, Shoot me again! Shoot me again, captain!"

Harvey Just Quivered

"The captain shot him again. Harvey went down. I went up to the body and looked at it. Harvey was just quivering."

John Jackson, 30, of Brooklyn, N.Y., had previously testified that there was animosity between Captain Weaver and Harvey.

Thirty-two crew members of the Flying Trader, Jackson included, had refused to sail on the ship from Japan because of the slaying.

Naval Pilot Hero To Speak At Rally

Lt. Thomas J. Hudner who risked his life to save another pilot downed in ememy territory in Korea, will speak Dec. 7 at the Urban League Youth Rally to be held at Polytechnic Institute, 2:30 p.m.

The Naval officer who lives in Falls River, Mass., was taking part in a close support mission in the rugged country around the Chosin Reservoir when he noticed that another pilot appeared to have been hit.

The downed pilot was Ensign Jesse Leroy Brown who was aboard the USS Leyte. Brown was the first colored Naval officer to lose his life in any American war.

Tried to Protect Pilot

When Lt. Hudner saw the damaged plane land, he had immediately gone to circle the pilot and protect him from hundreds of Chinese troops.

Realizing that the pilot could not get out of the plane that had started to burn, Lt. Hudner landed in the same field and ran to help his injured shipmate.

Despite his summoning helicopter aid and packing the fuselage of the burning plane with snow to keep the flames away from the pilot, Lt. Hudner could not save Ensign Brown, and suffered serious injuries himself.

Woman Evangelist Follows Court Edict To Leave City

Convicted on charges of accepting $30 in exchange for advice on "how to win back your man," the Rev. Mrs. Ellen Edwards has agreed to a court edict that she leave town, her attorney said this week.

Charles Main who defended the woman spiritual adviser, said Wednesday, that there will be no new trial motion in the case, and that the Rev. Mrs. Edwards has gone to Philadelphia where she has a church.

Given Jail Choice

Judge Ralph Warnken, last week gave the evangelist her choice of going to prison for six months or staying out of town for three years after testimony from a woman who said the Rev. Mrs. Edwards promised to get back her boyfriend.

The woman, Mrs. Sarah Coleman, added that the man never returned, despite the several "potions" and instructions which the Rev. Mrs. Edwards gave to her in Baltimore.

Mrs. Coleman testified that she paid the evangelist a total of $30 for the advice which was given at the Kirby Lane home of the minister's daughter-in-law in Baltimore.

Promised Only to Pray

The Rev. Mrs. Edwards declared that she promised only to include Mrs. Coleman in her prayers, and she denied giving the woman the "potions" produced in court in small bottles.

She declared also that she did not charge Mrs. Coeman anything, but that the woman gave her $11 of which $3 was returned.

3rd Anniversary At Friendship

All day services marking the church's third anniversary will be held at Friendship Baptist Church, Turner Station, Md., on Sunday, Dec. 2.

Guest speaker at the morning service will be the Rev. William Tap Scott, pastor of Morning Star Baptist Church, Catonsville.

Members of New Shiloh Baptist Church, pastored by the Rev. D. B. Banks, will join in the celebration at 3 p.m., and the Rev. Harold Nixon, pastor of New Life Presbyterian Church, will speak at the 8 p.m. service.

Mrs. Tommie M. Kilgore is church clerk, and the Rev. Mr. Jockery S. Thompson is pastor. The church is located at 411-A New Pittsburgh Ave.

Pfc. Banks Spends Holidays With Parents

Pvt. Morton H. Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon P. Scott, 4663 Falls Road, who recently completed his basic training as an army recruit and is now stationed at Lockbourne Air Force Base, Columbus, O., recently spent the weekend at home with his parents.

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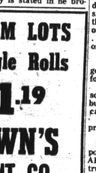

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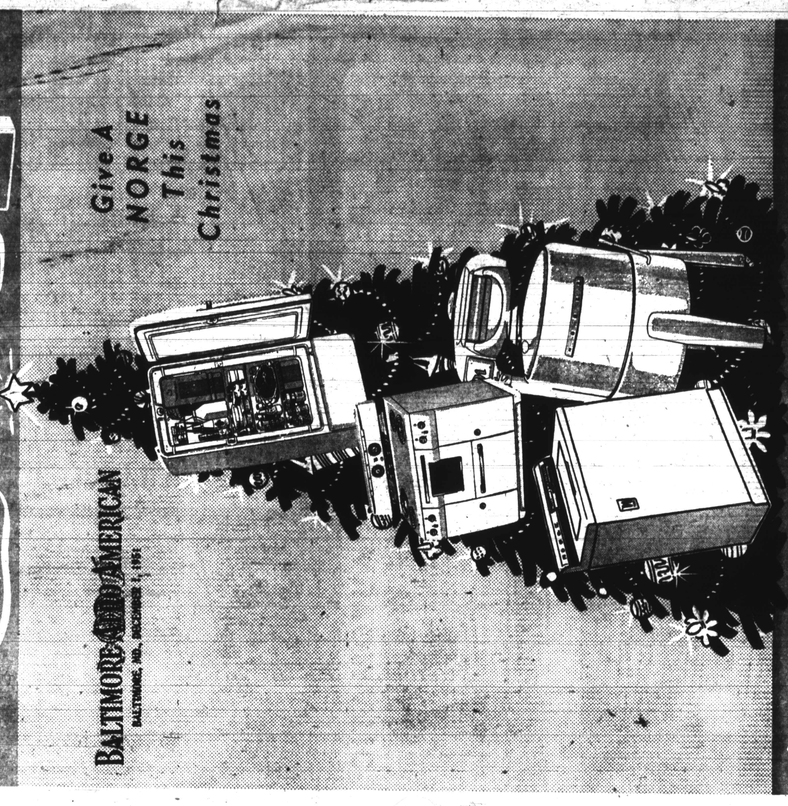

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