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Brothers Maul Patrolmen In Avenue Birthday 'Party'

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Judge Gives Man 180 Days For 'Present'

Marital Strife On Edmondson Avenue Fills Court Docket

Romie Collins of the 1400 block Argyle ave., sure had a wonderful time Saturday night . . . leastwise they're telling him he did.

He set out to celebrate his 32nd birthday and before the celebration was over, Collins had stopped traffic along busy Pennsylvania ave., engaged four patrolmen in a fist fight with more than 300 persons watching, and wound up in jail.

Magistrate E. Everett Lane, in Northwestern Police Court Sunday thought Collins deserved a present. He fined him $25 and costs on a charge of disorderly conduct and gave him a 180-day jail sentence for assaulting and striking the officers.

Edmondson Ave. Busy

Also on Saturday night, marital difficulties swept three blocks along Edmondson ave., with the principals winding up in court Sunday morning.

At Pine Street Police Court, Mrs. Lucille Johnson of the 1000 block Edmondson ave., was ordered held on $1,500 bail to await grand jury action on a charge of assaulting and shooting her husband, Sammy Johnson.

At Northwestern, Thomas Wilson of the 1700 block Edmondson ave., and Leroy Levi of the 1600 block Edmondson ave., faced charges of trying to settle their troubles by violence.

Both were fined $25 and costs for assaulting and striking their wives, while an additional fine of $35 was levied against Levi, for threatening to cut his wife was suspended.

Eye-witnesses to the birthday

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6 Tried In Perjury Cases

Mother, Daughter Clear Attorney

A mother and daughter who told officers that their lawyer advised them to lie about the facts in a divorce case quickly cleared the attorney as they testified in Criminal Court on Monday.

The mother-daughter team, Mrs. Blanche Richardson, 39, of 410 E. Lafayette ave. and Mrs. Maggie Hayes, 56, 327 E. 23rd st. who had implicated Attorney J. Howard Payne in the investigation were among six persons tried before Judge E. Paul Mason on perjury charges.

The other defendants were Mrs. Geraldine Dempsey, 30, of 2420 Seventh ave., NYC. and her divorce case witness, an uncle, Oscar Redd of 212 N. Aisquith st.; Mrs. Mollie Smith, 20, of 676 Beck st., NYC and her witness, an aunt, Mrs. Sadie Rawlins of 1531 Edmondson ave.

In Divorce Cases

All were accused of giving false testimony concerning the Baltimore residence of the women seeking divorces with Mr. Payne as their attorney. When the hearings ended, Judge Mason took the cases under advisement while he reviews the documents involved.

In the Richardson case, testi-

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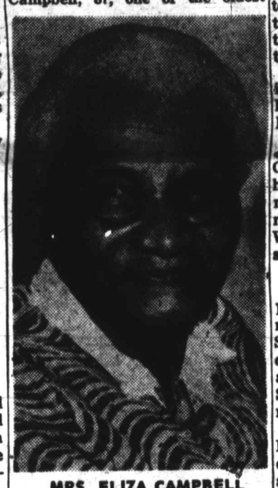
Scarlett's Sink Sold For 10c

Last Of City's Oldest Twins Dies At 87 Yrs. Of Age

Death Of Mrs. Eliza Campbell Follows By Six Years That Of Sister, Mrs. Ellen Cooper

The surviving member of Baltimore's oldest set of twins died Sunday. She was Mrs. Eliza Campbell, 87, one of the oldest members of Emmanuel C. C. Church.



MRS. ELIZA CAMPBELL
Funeral Set For Thursday

MRS. ELLEN COOPER
Died In 1946

Mrs. Campbell's death followed by six years that of her twin sister, Mrs. Ellen Cooper. The sisters had lived closely together throughout their lives, either in the same house or as neighbors.

They were born on July 27, 1865 in Anne Arundel County, but had lived in Baltimore most of their lives.

Mrs. Campbell who had been confined to her home at 339 N. Carrollton ave. for about a year, had been seriously ill for only two months. A week ago, she was moved to the home of her son, William Campbell at 542 N. Carey st. where she died.

Transported To Church

As the twins became older, the Rev. W. H. Waters, pastor of Emmanuel, began sending a car each Sunday to transport them to church. Mrs. Campbell was last able to attend church on Easter Sunday, but since then had been receiving communion at her home.

Funeral services will be held at Emmanuel at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 13. Burial will follow at Arbutus memorial park. Mrs. Cooper is buried at Mt. Zion cemetery.

Sisters Survive

Among the twins' survivors are

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Two Victims In Four-Car Accident

Although he escaped injury, two passengers in the car driven by Jackson Barnes, 29, suffered serious injuries Saturday when the car struck a parked truck at Pennsylvania and Lafayette aves. and then careened into two other parked cars.

Auctioneers Empty Club In Tax Sale

Piano, Refrigerator, Bedroom Furnishings Go For $2, $10, $35

By BUDDY LONESOME

At Scarlett's 96-acre Country Club and farm, Monday, government auctioneers sold everything including the kitchen sink — and that went for ten cents.

Internal Revenue agents conducted the auction of household furnishings to satisfy income tax liens levied against Austiine Scarlett, convicted numbers backer and former owner of the club.

Only a few colored persons were among the group of approximately 50 bidders present at the auction.

All of the furniture in the main house, and two guest houses comprising the one-time exclusive summer resort, was sold.

Sell At Low Prices

Some of the prices were ridiculously low.

Complete bedroom suites, including chest and chairs, sold for as low as $1.00. A bed spring and mattress went for twenty-five cents.

The piano on the pavillion near the swimming pool — played by such music giants as Count Basie and Mary Lou Williams—was sold for $2.00.

In an effort to arouse interest in the piano to induce a higher offer, Phillip Israel, government auctioneer, said: "C'mon now, if Count Basie can play it, you can too."

The final bidder at the $2.00 price was Vincent Cicero, owner of a tavern located near Belair Market. Mr. Cicero was believed to have bought the largest number of items at the auction sale.

Quotes $1,500 Figure

His personal estimate of items purchased ranged as high as $1,500. Another frequent bidder was Henry Cervenka, local businessman.

The bidding opened at 10:30 a.m., in the living room of the main house. Mr. Israel, the auctioneer asked that bids for the entire lot of furnishings and personal effects be offered.

R. Palmer Ingram, local attorney who has represented Scarlett on several occasions, was high bidder for $1,700.

Midway of the sale, however, that figure was far surpassed, and the auctioneer asked for additional bids on the package lot.

Bulk Bids Slapped

When there were no takers, Mr. Israel announced that the bulk bid

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Hi Court Bans Rail Travel Segregation

Rejects Appeal By Nation's Carriers To Reverse Ruling

WASHINGTON

The U. S. Supreme Court on Monday outlawed jim crow on railroads.

Upheld by the high tribunal was the ruling of the fourth U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Jan. 27, 1951. This ruling held that separation of white and colored passengers is an unconstitutional burden on interstate commerce.

The decision of the Supreme Court was given in a brief order, with no opinion.

It represents another triumph for the NAACP and a victory for William C. Chance, 55-year-old school principal of Parmele, N.C.

Mr. Chance was ejected from an Atlantic Coast Line railroad coach at Emporia, Va., when he refused to move from a white coach on June 25, 1948.

Arrested for disorderly conduct by local police, he sued for $152,000 damages from the railroad and Alva S. Lambeth, the conductor who put him off the train.

Though a federal jury in Richmond awarded Mr. Chance $50 for wrongful arrest, it found ACL's segregation policy "valid" and "reasonable." This finding was reversed by the ruling of the circuit court in January, 1951.

It was ACL's appeal from the circuit court ruling which brought before the Supreme Court the question of whether a carrier's segregation regulation is in itself —aside from any state or federal law—a violation of the Constitution.

2 State Nurse's Groups Merge

Mixed Sessions Held At Emerson

Using the theme, "Improving Nursing Through United Efforts," three Maryland Nursing organizations completed their annual convention at the Emerson Hotel, Friday.

During the course of the sessions, two of the groups, the Maryland State League of Nursing Education and the Maryland State Organization for Public Health Nursing, voted to consolidate into the new Maryland League for Nursing.

The organization which will begin to function Jan. 1, will include professional nurses, allied professional groups, (hospital administrators) and interested lay and professional citizens.

Registered Nurses

The third group, the Maryland State Nurses Association, will remain as an organization for professional registered nurses only.

All organizations have an interracial membership. Of the approximately 2,700 members, some 75 to 80 are colored, the majority of whom are in Public Health work.

600 At Dedication For Coppin College

Governor, State, City School Heads At North Ave. Ceremony

A mixed audience of over 600 persons overflowed the school auditorium at the dedication ceremonies of the new Coppin State Teachers College, 2500 W. North ave., Sunday.

Nathan A. Smith, director of the department of public improvements, made the official presentation of the site to Wendell D. Allen, president of the State Board of Education.

Main addresses were made by Gov. Theodore McKeldin and Dr. Thomas G. Pullen Jr., state superintendent of schools.

Dr. Miles W. Connor, president of the college, gave a brief history of the school.

Greetings Delivered

Greetings were delivered by Walter E. Beuchelt, special assistant on legislation, who represented Mayor Thomas D'Alexandro; Mrs. Lillian Parrott, Baltimore city school executive; James A. Sensenbaugh of the Board of Education in Towson.

Appreciation was expressed by Alexander Malone, president of the parents' committee; James McDonald, president of alumni association; Miss Betty Jackson, who represented the student body and Howard Murphy, AFRO business manager, who represented Dr. Willard Allen of the Citizens committee.

The Rev. J. O. Williams, pastor of Sharp st. Memorial Methodist church, said a prayer of dedication. Benediction was offered by the Rev. Dr. A. J. Payne, pastor of Enon Baptist church.

Music was provided by the Coppin Alumni Sextette and Miss Beatrice Pleasant, Coppin student, sang a song of dedication.

11 Acres Of Land

The premises includes 11 acres of land, on which is located a large stone building and four frame houses. It was purchased by the state at the close of the

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Dr. Walters, 76, Gets 4 Years For Illegal Operation

Refusing a plea to let Dr. James H. Walters return to his native Jamaica, B.W.I., Judge Herman R. Moser on Friday sentenced the 76-year-old physician to a 4-year prison term on an abortion charge.

Dr. Walters had been convicted of performing an illegal operation on Aug. 5 on a 14-year-old girl.

His arrest followed complaint of a staff physician at University Hospital where the girl underwent treatment when internal complications developed after the operation.

Suggestion Rejected

After his conviction, his attorney E. Milton Altfeld proposed that instead of sending the aged physician to jail, he be allowed to return to his native home. This suggestion was rejected.

Dr. Walters had served a two-year term imposed in 1947 in a similar case.

Still Used In Prison

That ancient and inhuman methods are still being used in Virginia prisons is shown by the shackle being worn by a man who was recently released from a Virginia jail. The ex-prisoner charged that many other outmoded methods are still in use on remote prison farms in the state.

Some Days It Just Doesn't Pay

Maybe Henry J. Porter, 30, of the 100 block East Mulberry st., and his wife, Dorothy, both got out of bed on the wrong side Saturday morning.

Anyway, early in the afternoon they disagreed, as married folk will, and Mrs. Porter bit her husband on the lip rather viciously.

Early in the evening, Mrs. Porter disagreed with a neighbor. Mr. Porter sought to act as peacemaker, but by the time police arrived things had gotten so far out of hand that both of the Porters were carted off to Central Police Station to be charged with disorderly conduct.

Fairly well peeved by this time, Mr. Porter posted collateral of $26.45 for himself, but apparently decided home would be nicer without Mrs. Porter. He started home alone.

Before he got there, he learned that his house was afire.

Firemen saved the house, but a mattress, bed and overcoat were consumed by the flames.

According to Mr. Porter, the bed was not paid for.

FREE PUBLIC LECTURE SET AT MUSEUM OF ART

Medieval maps will be the topic of a free public lecture to be given by Miss Dorothy Miner, keeper of manuscripts at the Walters Art Gallery at 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday at the Baltimore Museum of Art.

Tenants Move To Cherry Hill Homes

Twenty-six families moved into the new extension to the Cherry Hill Homes on Monday, with more families expected to move in today (Tuesday).

According to R. Clarke Davis, manager, the extension to the present project will have 637 units with from two to five bedrooms, when completed by early summer.

This will bring to 1,237 the total number of government subsidized housing units in Cherry Hill.

Additional Expansion

Preliminary plans have been drawn for an additional expansion, with construction of still more Federal housing units in that area.

To accommodate the influx of new tenants, the present Community Building will be vastly enlarged to include a 1,500-seat auditorium, gymnasium, several club rooms, and a modern three-range kitchen.

Gets Divorce, Child On Photo Evidence

Wilbur O. Driver, owner of the Twin Pines Night Club, Back River Neck rd., Essex, Md., was granted a divorce from Mrs. Helen N. Driver and given custody of their infant daughter, here, Friday.

Despite a tearful plea for her baby, and a denial of charges of infidelity, Mr. Driver was given custody of the 18-month-old baby girl on the grounds that "she has led a desolute course of life and engaged in habits adverse to the best interests of the child."

Grows Out Of Shooting

First break in the marital life of the Drivers came on Oct. 6, this year, when Mr. Driver testified that he returned to their home at 2041 Ruxton ave., unexpectedly, and found Ralph R. Bolling and his wife in their bedroom.

Bolling, he said, was hiding, undressed, in the clothes closet. Mrs. Driver, he said, was also undressed. In the melee which followed Bolling was shot in the

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450 DAYS

since charges were filed and sustained against the Superintendent of

Boys' Village

The January grand jury recommended that no State employee should be named to the Board of a State Institution.

Auxiliary Firefighter Saves Comrade's Life

Drama atop a swaying extension ladder at 3222 N. Charles st., unfolded before the eyes of more than 300 spectators for ten minutes Sunday, as a 30-year-old colored auxiliary fireman struggled to save the life of his white comrade—a regular fireman.

Crew members around Engine Company No. 25 at 1813 McCulloh st., were still discussing as late as Monday how Joe Mabin of 259 N. Roberts st., saved the life of John Grill, 32.

Trapped on the second floor ledge of a burning building, Mabin grabbed Grill as he collapsed half way on the sill and ladder.

Both were in the process of climbing to the second floor when the incident occured.

Knocked Unconscious

As Grill started through a window, a cloud of smoke and an explosion knocked him unconscious. Mabin grabbed him and held on while two other fireman edged up the ladder to their assistance.

Below, the rest of the crew held out a life net while a second ladder was run up the side of the building. Using the extra ladder

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"I rented my apartment in one hour and received so many calls I had to leave my telephone off the hook."

says Mrs. B., who placed the following APARTMENT FOR RENT ad in last week's AFRO:

Beautiful modern apartment in fine neighborhood. Heated. 3 rooms and private bath. Hardwood floors. Excellent condition. Refined couple with references.

You too can have the same sensational results when you rent, buy and sell through the Classified Pages of the AFRO.

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Miss Marion Jenkins

MUl. 6016

Nov. 11th 34 Years Ago

Thirty four years ago today, thousands of Americans were celebrating the signing of the armistice ending World War I.

They were sure the war to end all wars was over and did not visualize that within a quarter of a century we would be involved in another world war.

Joy at the ending of the war on November 11, 1918, was unparalleled. Total strangers embraced each other; there was general joy and thanksgiving.

Some Folk Remember

MISS FRANCES L. MURPHY, retired local school teacher, recalls that news of the armistice reached Americans prematurely on Nov. 7. Church bells rang out, she said, and people left their jobs, closed up shops and schools.

She recalls that a flag store on Eutaw st., passed out American flags to all who passed and that the celebrations which followed the news of the real armistice signing went on into the night. Many people, she added, kneeled in the street and prayed when word came.

E. B. REA, newspaperman, remembers that he was working in Cleveland, Ohio but scheduled to go into the army on Nov. 15.

'Kaiser' In Coffin

"I was just out of high school at the time. I remember they had a big parade and a truck was in it with a coffin on it. The coffin had 'The Kaiser' painted on both sides of it.

"No, I never thought there would be another one, they said that one was the war to end all

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PRAYER

"Judge of the nations, spare us yet, Lest we forget, lest we forget!"

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide, we beseech thee, the Nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.