Bipartisan Bloc Backs New FEPC Measure

Bribe Trap Snaps Shut On Building Inspector

Baltimore Needs An Operation

AN EDITORIAL

If there is cancer, the treatment is not to cover it up but to cut it out.

The treatment for infection is serum.

The remedy for poison is antidote.

We have said that the city is infected with racial intolerance and that it is sick. It needs an operation.

Since the majority of the people are white, they will have to perform it on themselves. Until they do, the city's sore spots will continue to fester, swell, and sometimes cause pain.

No man is good enough to govern another without his consent.

But colored areas, like Northwest Baltimore, are trying to. Almost every public official from pre-

(Continued On Page 2)

FIVE STAR EDITION 34 PAGES

BALTIMORE AFRO-AMERICAN

Registered In U. S. Patent Office

Copyright 1953 for all materials previously printed in the current National Edition of the AFRO-AMERICAN Company

61st Year, No. 53 ★★★★★ BALTIMORE, MD., FEBRUARY 3, 1953 Price 15 Cents

'Don't Be Pushing Me Around'

Bloody and bruised Thaddeus Kirkland, 35, 17th st. near Susquehanna ave., was giving the police, Magistrate Segal and courtroom-at-large a "piece" of his mind, Saturday, when he was held on charge of refusing to pay taxi bill. Son of the Rev. James Kirkland, pastor of Union Baptist church, he charged cops manhandled him at hearing at 19th and Oxford sts. station, Philadelphia. (Brown photo).

Senate Crime Body Meets; Magistrate Lane Praised; Knives Still Easy To Buy

'Hank' Beaten With Bat

Title Of Bill Changed To Ease South

Being Received More Favorably Than Others

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — Under bipartisan sponsorship of nine Republicans, nine Democrats and one Independent, the bill to prohibit race or religious discrimination in employment was reintroduced in the Senate last Thursday.

The measure is titled "The Federal Equality of Opportunity in Employment" bill. It is the same bill that was favorably reported from the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee, by a vote of 9 to 3, just before the Congress quit last summer so that members could attend the two major political conventions.

The bill represents a merger of bills previously sponsored by Senator Irving M. Ives, Republican, of New York, and Senator Hubert Humphrey, Democrat, of Minnesota. One of the principal changes was in the title.

Title Of Bill Changed

Formerly called bills to estab-

(Continued on Page 2)

Nab Scarlett In Card Raid

20 Arrested On Anonymous Tip

Austin Scarlett ran afoul of the law again Friday while attempting to escape from an apartment that was being raided in the 200 block of N. Wolfe st.

As one of 20 persons arrested by six officers from the Northeastern district, Scarlett forfeited his collateral of $25 when he failed to appear for a hearing Saturday morning.

All were booked on a disturbing the peace charge.

The raid was conducted after police received a "tip" that a card game was underway at the Wolfe st. apartment. They were unable to find proof however that a game was in progress.

Majority Attempted Escape

Despite the lack of evidence

(Continued on Page 2)

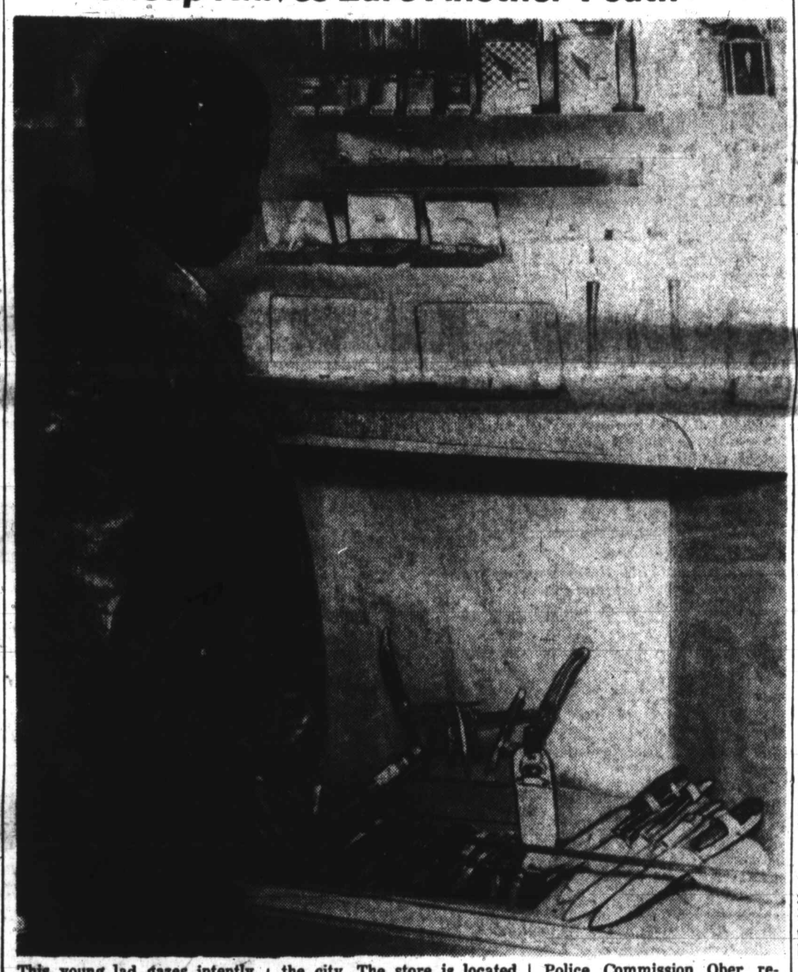
Church Segregation Hit By Yale's Dean Of Divinity School

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The dean of the Yale Divinity School last week told a convention of Ohio pastors that the church is "the most segregated major institution in America."

"If racial segregation were outlawed in all the churches simultaneously," Dr. Liston Pope said, "there probably would be little immediate change in the pattern of church attendance."

But he added that outlawing of segregation would result in "a profound difference in the psychological and religious atmosphere of the churches in the minority groups toward them."

Cheap Knives Lure Another Youth



This young lad gazes intently at an array of shiny — and deadly—knives in a store window on a main thoroughfare of the city. The store is located just four blocks from the headquarters of the largest police district in the State, where Police Commission Ober recently dispatched a directive to crack down on persons carrying deadly weapons.

Senate Committee Reviews Anti-Crime Suggestions

Lane Lauded As Officials Consider Revision of Magistrates' Courts

ANNAPOLIS — A special state senate committee which conducted a four-hour hearing Friday on suggestions for handling the current outbreak in crime will meet today (Tuesday) to review those recommendations.

Law-enforcement officials whose views were expressed during the hearing included:

Judge Herman M. Moser of the Baltimore Supreme Bench, Judge Benjamin Michaelson of Anne Arundel County Circuit Court; Anselm Sodaro, Baltimore state's attorney; Col. Beverly Ober, police commissioner;

Albert J. Goodman, Anne Arundel county state's attorney; John E. Raine Jr., Baltimore county state's attorney; Hamilton R. Atkinson, Baltimore county police chief; Col. Daniel Bratton, Anne Arundel county police chief; and capt. Gordon Gaeng of the Baltimore park police.

Suggestions Made

Their suggestions for reducing crime included more severe penalties for some criminal offenses; revision of the criminal code, employment of additional police and reorganization of the magistrates' courts set-up.

Expressing the belief that all of the law enforcement branches are operating efficiently, although they suggested some changes, Judge Moser and Mr. Sodaro both lauded Magistrate E. Everett Lane of the Northwestern police district.

The judge said "Magistrate

(Continued On Page 2)

Inside Your Afro

- **CIVIL WAR UNDERGROUND — Unsung colored heroes helped the Yankees defeat the Rebels in this true account of bravery beyond the call.**
- **COMET'S TAIL—The thrilling serial by Dr. W. E. B. DuBois ends in this issue.**
- **HERO OF HILL 225—A war story with rough humor and tense action.**
- **FRED DOUGLASS—Called the greatest American This Marylander was a fighter for freedom in every sense of the term.**

Accident Victim Sues For Damages

Mrs. Maude Coleman, practical nurse, and her husband, Henry, of 914 Park ave. were named in a $25,000 damage suit, Friday, growing out of an accident which involved their car.

The suit was filed in Superior court by William C. Thomas of Dundalk, Md. who said that he was struck by the Coleman car at Holiday and Fayette sts. on Nov. 29.

Co-defendant with the Colemans is Clarence Allen Jr. who was identified as driver of the car when the accident occurred.

Bribe Trap Snaps Shut On Inspector

Detectives Watch Exchange Of $300 Through Peephole

The iron jaws of a police trap clamped shut on a white city building inspector late Saturday.

Accused of accepting [illegible] from a property owner, Albert M. Lapin of the 2500 block Loyola Southway is being held under $1,500 bail to await grand jury action.

Complainant in the case is Mrs. Rae Brooks, of the 700 block Harlem ave., who told police that Lapin suggested that if she gave him $300 he would overlook summonsing her into housing court for an alleged violation of the housing code.

Son A Witness

Chief prosecuting witness is her son, Harold Brooks Jr., one-time spiritualist advisor more recently connected with politics as a public relations specialist.

Mrs. Brooks, who owns several houses in the city, recounted to police that she had been into Housing Court last year for not keeping one of her properties in order.

Early last week, she stated, Lapin came to her home with the proposal that he would overlook repairs needed on her house in the 1500 block W. Franklin st., if she gave him $300.

Son Contacts Magistrate

She told her son, Harold, who has recently returned to Baltimore from New York, and he contacted Magistrate - at - large Marshall Levin, who notified police.

Setting the stage for the arrest on Saturday, Mrs. Brooks had been provided with marked bills by two detectives, Lieut. Clarence German and Sgt. James Butler, who were assigned to the case.

Before the man came to the house, the officers scraped a peep hole out of the frosted pane of a French door and secreted themselves in an adjoining room.

Watched Proceedings

They watched as the marked money was exchanged and Lapin was arrested as he left the house.

Docketed at Northwestern Police Station on a charge of "accepting a bribe of $300 to influence him in doing his duty as a building inspector," Lapin waived preliminary hearing and was released on bail for grand jury action.

800 Attend Lemmel Rites

25-Minute Funeral For School Head

Over 800 persons of both races filled Brown Memorial Presbyterian church, Park and Lafayette aves., Monday morning, to attend impressive funeral services for Dr. William H. Lemmel, superintendent of schools.

Dr. Lemmel, 56, an eminent and liberal educator, died suddenly Thursday morning while attending a state senate committee on school appropriations in Annapolis. He had headed Baltimore schools since 1946.

Mourners Arrive Early

All of the 800 seats on the main floor of the church and a few of the 200 seats in the balcony were filled fifteen minutes before the 10 a.m. services began.

Promptly at 9:55, Governor McKeldin and Mayor D'Alesan-

(Continued On Page 2)

Rochester's Son Sued For Divorce

LOS ANGELES—Billy Anderson, 24-year-old football playing son of comedian Eddie (Rochester) Anderson, was sued for divorce last week.

The action was filed Monday by the athlete's 24-year-old wife, Mrs. Geraldine Anderson with whom he eloped to Yuma, Ariz., September, 1950.

Mrs. Anderson charged cruelty and asked for reasonable alimony.

Anderson, formerly an Army all-service halfback at Ft. Knox, Ky., was drafted by the Chicago Bears last week and has signed a one-year contract at a salary of $6,500 and expenses for entering professional football.

Victim Of Beating

Henry (Hank) Thompson, New York Giants third baseman, who was assaulted with a baseball bat during an argument in NYC earlier this week.

Hits On 769 Drive Digit Barons Dizzy

CLEVELAND — The dream book number for the dead, 769, made dead-broke "bankers" out of all the numbers operators in this city when it "hit" recently, calling for payoffs of an estimated $200,000.

Only one of the approximately dozen numbers backers caught in the landslide of hits on 769 is reported to have paid off all the hits. The balance either cried "fix," or attempted to pay off their bettors on greatly reduced odds.

The cries of "fix," however,

(Continued On Page 2)

Cabbie Hits Player During Word Battle

N.Y. Club Infielder Seriously Hurt; Suspect Arrested

NEW YORK—Third baseman Henry (Hank) Thompson of the New York Giants barely escaped a possible skull fracture here early Saturday as a result of a fight with a taxicab driver armed with a baseball bat.

The 27-year-old star, member of the all-colored Giant outfield which met the New York Yankees in the 1951 World Series, was confined at Mother Cabrini hospital under observation through Sunday night, following treatment of head wounds requiring 14 stitches.

The contusions, which doctors said were of undetermined severity until X-rays could be made came about during an attack by William Winfrey, 30 - year - old driver of a taxicab.

Near Thompson's Home

Winfrey, police said, assaulted Thompson after their two cars were in a near collision at 148th st. and St. Nicholas ave., several blocks from the Thompson residence.

The cabbie was arrested and paroled for a hearing on Tuesday. Police say he stands 6 feet, 2 inches, and weighs approximately 190 pounds.

The official National League Green Book lists Thompson as 5 feet, 9 inches, and 170 pounds.

Wife With Infielder

Mrs. Maria Thompson, wife of the ball player, told the AFRO Sunday morning that she and her husband were returning home from a dance, accompanied by Milton Irvin, brother of Hank's teammate, Monte Irvin.

Also in the Thompson automo-

(Continued on Page 16)

Two Suspects Kidnaped, Shot Before Trial Begins

By RUFUS WELLS And TOM MITCHELL

RICHMOND

A wild night ride, kidnapping and attempted murder Friday night, exposed a notorious tri-State gang of highwaymen on the eve of their trial for a $10,000 robbery in Enfield, N.C.

Two brothers, Russell Cotton, 26, and Dequincy Cotton, 24, told police they were kidnapped from their Enfield home and taken by car to Virginia, where they were shot.

Dequincy was shot in the back when he attempted to escape from his abductors near Emporia, Va. He is in critical condition in a Petersburg hospital.

Thugs From Baltimore?

Russell was shot in the neck shortly afterwards and left in the car when his abductors abandoned the machine in Richmond.

Police say they think "profes-

(Continued on Page 2)

SUNDAY, FEB. 8, SIGNIFICANT:

Day Of Prayer To Be Observed Nationally

In all of the cities and most of the rural districts of this nation next Sunday, Feb. 8, will be observed as a Day of Prayer on which citizens will ask God's guidance for the justices of the United States Supreme Court in their decision about segregation in elementary and secondary schools throughout America.

One prelate pointed out that not only the cases of school segregation were before the august justices, but also the cases of discrimination in the capital of the nation, Washington.

All of the active bishops of the Methodist Church and most of those of the AME, AME Zion and Baptist denominations have joined in the program.

Baltimore Behind Crusade

Supporting the crusade, members of the AME Preachers' Meeting have pledged to offer a special prayer in their respective churches.

Those present at the meeting were:

The Revs. W. T. Holland, president, Ebenezer; J. M. Cox, presiding elder of the Baltimore district; D. A. Wilson, presiding elder of Capital district; W. E. Mosley, presiding elder of Central district;

The Revs. I. M. Gray, St. John's; H. J. Bryant, Bethel; A. R. Powell, Trinity; C. C. Brown, Grace Church, Catonsville; A. J. Felix, Allen; C. E. Walden, Bethel church, Towson; W. A. Bell, Long Green, Md.;

(Continued on Page 2)

534 DAYS

since charges were filed and sustained against the Superintendent of

Boys' Village

The January, 1952, grand jury recommended that no State employee should be named to the Board of a State Institution.