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"We are Americans and, as Americans, we appeal to America."
—Frederick Douglass

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The craftsman by his work is known.
CHINESE PROVERB

What The AFRO Stands For

A seat for every child in a modern school building that is not overcrowded.

A teacher for every 35 pupils.

The right of every child to attend the school closest to his home, if there is room.

The right of every child to secure instruction in any course which is offered in the curriculum of Baltimore public schools.

Baltimore's dentists still barring the door

The decision Monday night of the Baltimore City Dental Society to continue barring colored dentists certainly can not be looked upon as the type of action of which the city can be proud or as a whole.

And considering the fact that dental organizations in other southern cities and states have opened their doors to their colored brethren places the local action in an all the more unfavorable light.

In Louisville, Ky., Atlanta, Ga., and Jackson, Miss., colored dentists have in recent months been invited to affiliate with the existing groups, all associated with the American Dental Association.

The same has happened on a state-wide basis in Florida and Arkansas.

Are Baltimore and Maryland more backward than these cities and states?

It is the affiliation with the national association that Baltimore's colored dentists are mainly interested in.

They cannot become eligible for national membership because they are not members of the local component of the organization.

Thus, Baltimore's colored dentists are deprived of the technical information and the knowledge of advancing scientific practices in dentistry which is available to members of the American Dental Society.

The Governor's Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations and the Urban League have been working on the problem for over a year. Last year a delegation of the local society met with members of the commission.

Later the Executive Council of the Society advised these groups that when the full membership met in May the question of admitting qualified colored dentists would be considered.

The membership was notified of the Monday meeting, however, and the vote on the issue caught the Commission and the Urban League by surprise.

Still, the vote of 100 to 75 against admittance seems hardly representative of a membership of over 400 dentists. When another vote on the question will be taken is uncertain.

William C. Rogers, chairman of the Governor's Commission, has taken an optimistic view of the voting.

He feels that the fact that the issue was finally presented to the membership and the rather close vote both should be looked upon as encouraging signs of progress.

We, however, are discouraged by the failure to erase the present bar against colored members.

No doubt the 30 or more qualified colored dentists in Baltimore who must continue to be without the advantages affiliation with the national society would bring are also discouraged.

It remains, unfortunately, for other cities and states to show Baltimore the way to progress.

No news is not always good news

On November 21, 1953, the officers of the deactivated 231st Transportation Unit wrote Governor McKeldin requesting that they be permitted to receive enlistments in their National Guard unit without regard to race, creed or color.

On February 28, this year, not having received a reply from the governor nor his office, the officers sent another letter to Mr. McKeldin, the commander-in-chief of the Maryland Guard.

As of this writing, they are still waiting to hear from Governor McKeldin.

Shame on the D.C. Boys' Club

Editors Note: The following editorial is a reprint of one which appeared in the week's end edition of the Washington AFRO-AMERICAN.

Last week, in Baltimore, a high school pupil named Calvin Parker Jr. was elected junior mayor of the Monumental City.

His skin was brown, but he won a majority of the votes cast by pupils of both races throughout Baltimore. Some of the most enthusiastic backers of his preelection campaign were white.

Here in the nation's capital three young counterparts of the D.C. Commissioners were also chosen last week. But there was not a single colored candidate, even, in their election, because it was a project of the Boys' Club of Washington—a club for white boys only.

Once again Baltimore has put Washington to shame. There are plenty of shortcomings in the area of race relations in Baltimore, but in the junior elections—as in its Polytechnic high school, its fire department, and its streetcars and buses—it has far outstripped the nation's capital in showing what a democratic U.S. city should be.

If the Supreme Court outlaws school segregation, Baltimore pupils will be prepared to make the change. They have learned by actual experience that in the arena of life it is not a person's complexion that matters, but his qualities of mind and spirit.

We are sorry that we cannot say as much for the youth of Washington who must continue to be the victims of the stubborn bigotry of their elders.

Many highly-placed officials have praised the Boys' Club movement this week, hailing it as a significant American movement, contributing to the development of good character and other wholesome traits in youth.

This praise was misplaced so far as the Boys' Club of Washington is concerned.

Any youth organization which, by its established policy of racial exclusion, maintains and fosters the ignorance, intolerance, and animosity which invariably stem from forced segregation performs no constructive service for the future adult citizens of this country.

Instead it shackles them, during their formative years, with prejudiced patterns of thinking and feeling which can become hard and fixed and dangerous in later years.

We say: Shame on the Boys' Club of Washington!

Four young men and their dream

Four young men out at Morgan State college are thinking these days about a new world's record. They are members of the school's excellent track team and participate as Morgan's jet-propelled mile relay team.

As any track enthusiast will know, the mark these young men have their minds on is that of the mile relay.

Already this "Flying Foursome" has rushed to a 3:18 indoor mark. For the unknowing, that means they ran a mile in 3 minutes, 18 and one-tenth seconds.

What the "Foursome" now has as sights set on however, is the outdoor mile relay record. The 1950 Morgan mile relay team breezed over the finish line in 3:10.2. The world's record is 3:08.8, established by an all-star group two years ago.

The national college record is 3:09.4.

Morgan's present winning relay team thinks it can establish a new record by blazing off a 3:07.8 mile.

At the moment it's a dream mile the boys have. But they also have the confidence they can set this new record.

Coach Edward Hurt only says he'll "wait and see."

So will we. And in the meantime, we'll be dreaming and hoping along with the "Flying Foursome," as we suspect Coach Hurt is doing, too.

Spring fashions

In the spring, the saying goes, a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of love.

But for the women, no matter the age, when spring arrives their thoughts turn unwaveringly to thoughts of new spring clothes.

The style - wise woman, and name one who is not, is as well aware of the new spring fashions as a successful politician knows the present voting trend.

The newest fashions for 1954 have what is known as a slim silhouette, the fluid look, the Empire and the princess lines.

An exhibition supplement in this edition of the AFRO - AMERICAN is devoted to what midajy should be wearing this spring. We hope the ladies will find the material therein rewarding.

We will be eagerly watching on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday to see them parade in the latest styles. We do not expect to be disappointed.

As for the men — well, turn your minds to thoughts of love, gentlemen. Leave what is be.

Hodge-Podge

—By R. Matthews—

Every year just about at the beginning of spring, diets become popular. Used to wonder why spring was the season of diets — finally it dawned on me.

Spring is the time when one tries on spring clothing. Chances are, they've become a bit snug in various places — result — reducing diets.

Around the salt mines, a group of us decided to go on a reducing diet. Seemed like a good idea, we even posted our weights on the bulletin board and started a contest.

The one who loses the most weight in a specified period would win a jackpot into which everyone chipped in a few pence.

Arrangements were made for mid - day snacks. Instead of the candy bars and cookies that usually comprise that period between lunch and dinner, a person was delegated to bring carrot sticks and celery stalks.

Saccharine tablets were secured to replace the sugar used in the morning coffee and everyone settled down to the grind — business of losing weight.

In every group of people, there is always one who sets everything under the sun and not gain an ounce. There's one at the salt mines, too.

He decided that perhaps he should go on a diet — a diet to gain weight. Sounds innocuous enough, doesn't it?

So what happens? At lunch time, the poor, starving souls who are counting every calorie are to watch that bird trying to gain weight stuff himself with food.

The absolute end came today when he marched in with a (drool) delectable strawberry shortcake, while we poor, hefty dieters were nibbling on carrot sticks and melba toast.

Oh, well! Guess we'll have to grin and bear it. New spring clothes cost too much.

Sob Sister

By RUTH JENKINS

News Item: A New York entertainer has asked the courts to change her name to Marianne Field to La Boutonniere.

Says she passes out 150 free boutonnieres nightly and she wants her name to match her job.

Question to William Shakespeare: Would you accept a check from her if she's ever unemployed?

Poet's Nook

To be young again

To be a man was my desire
When as a youth I grew.
When you are young, I'd always say
That
There isn't much to do.
They'd say, "My, he's so manly,"
And I really played the part.
I wasn't like the other kids
Nor was I young at heart.
That was such a silly game,
And marbles, no siree.
Picnics and all that kind of stuff
Just wasn't meant for me.
But now, all is in the past,
A pebble lost on memory lane,
And as I feast on thoughts of old,
How grand, says I, to be young again.
—PAUL D. McALLISTER

ENJOYED VISIT

Dear AFRO: We enjoyed our visit last week to the A F L plant. We also enjoyed reading the books explaining the history and operation of the AFRO.
Class 2A, ALEXANDER
School No. 112

Words to live by

By Rev. ROBERT T. NEWBOLD
Pastor, Grace Presbyterian Church, Baltimore

"This is the worst thing in life that could happen to me."

How many times have you heard your friends make this statement? Have these words ever fallen from your lips?

Suddenly death strikes, sorrow comes upon you, disappointments confront you, failure looms ahead, sickness makes you a shut-in, you lose your job.

For the moment such experiences appear to be the worst anyone could receive.

Not The Worst

But as crushing as they may be, they do not constitute the worst that could happen to you.

Really the worst that could happen to you is not to know how to handle these incidents. Surely if there is a Biblical character who can offer some aid at this time, it is Job.

For he obtained the best out of life's worst. What, then, can we learn from him?

First, we learn from Job the importance of facing the unpleasant experiences of life when they come our way. He did not try to run away from his difficulties.

He faced them. Yes, this suggestion is easier to say than do. But it is the difficult that really makes us strong.

The easy tasks provide no fit test. Like Job, we must face, and not try to dodge the unwelcomed experiences of life.

In the second place, we should face the unpleasant experiences with confidence in God. This is exactly what Job did.

Oh yes, he asked the question many of us asked, "Why, Why is this happening to me?"

Not Tears Of Doubt

He felt the pain of the blow. His eyes must often have been wet with tears. But, they were not tears of doubt.

Beyond them we can see and hear a man with confidence in God saying, "though he slay me, yet will I trust him."

What faith this man had in Jehovah! For life spewed out its worst and dumped it all upon Job.

But he remained confident that somehow God would see him through. When was true of this man from the yesterday can also be true of you today.

We earnestly believe that only those who live at their best get the best out of life's worst!

Job had not been living on the lower levels of life. He was not estranged from God.

He did not wait until financial loss, sorrow or pain struck him to get on good terms with God.

Rather, he always tried to live in harmony with the will of the Creator.

Do You Run Away?

How do you handle the disasters of life? Do you try to run away from them or dodge them? Do you try to face them alone?

By so doing you only make your burdens heavier.

If this is what you do when life's problems beset you, then you will never find "rhyme nor reason" in them.

There is something else you can do. You can adopt the way of Job.

Job, by so doing, you will be able to meet successfully the unpleasant experiences of life.

Little Things

By JESSE H. WALKER

Mr. Walker

DESK CLERK MEMO—If Mr. McKeldin is, as reported, actually working behind the scenes trying to get some local hotel to agree to accept all baseball players when the major leagues come visiting Baltimore that's all well and good.

And the half-a-loaf-is - better-than - none boys will, no doubt, start toting bouquets if the governor does bring it about.

Still, I'm wondering where, Messrs. Doby, Power, Minoso and Easter would eat when club time comes in their rooms?

Half - way measures never broke up a cold yet. They only add to the sniffles.

FEPC PROGRESS — Those favoring enactment of that Equal Opportunities Ordinance in Baltimore aren't letting any dust gather beneath their feet. Fortunately, they're busy as all get-out, laying plans to bombard the members of the city council on the measure.

Then, too, a lot of eyes outside of Baltimore are also watching to see how the battle lines are drawn when the showdown comes.

You can bet it'll be a real Donnybrook and every bit of support the pro-FEPC'ers can gather will be sorely needed.

SOREHEAD DENTISTS — In passing we'd like to mention one of the reasons given the Governor's Commission as to why the Baltimore Dental Society members didn't wish to admit colored dentists.

Seems the Dental Society considers itself purely a social organization and, naturally, there were many who didn't wish to socialize with their tan brethren.

Gosh, gents, the dentists on the outside aren't eager to socialize with you on the inside. They're interested in being affiliated with the national organization. So they can enjoy some of the scientific benefits that body offers its members.

They aren't in the least interested in your parties. That's for the kids.

MEN AGAINST CRIME—The first of a series of four meetings on "The Northwest Community Looks at Crime" will begin at the Enoch Pratt Library branch No. 37, Pennsylvania and North aves. on April 20 at 8:15 p.m.

The Urban League is sponsoring this series which all of us should attend. See you there.

Speak Your Piece

Disagrees with story

Dear AFRO:

Since you are not a true prophet yet you do not know why I had to pay a fine and costs in Criminal Court, Monday, March 22.

After Judge Manley said, "step down," I proceeded to look around for one of my witnesses so I could thank her, but was told "she has gone" by my other witnesses.

Since you could see that I chattered so much and began to talk so loud from the defense box, why could you not have seen me asking and looking for my witness?

Your statement in the AFRO said that I became quiet when the judge ruled that I had to pay a fine.

Fines don't excite me. Nothing excites me more than lying and a lot of it was done on that defense stand that day.

(Mrs.) ROXANNE HARRIS
New York City.

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Harris appealed a suspended $25 fine given her in January in magistrate's court for disturbing the peace during a dispute at the Greyhound Bus Terminal, at the time she was on her way to visit her son, a Korean veteran, now at Perry Point hospital.)

Signal depot protest

Dear AFRO: On March 23, the AFGE Lodge No. 1293 held a mass meeting for the employees of the Baltimore Signal Depot in protests against the proposed transfer of the activities of this installation to Tobyhanna Signal Depot, Tobyhanna, Pa.

A considerable number of colored workers are employed at the depot, community, a representative from your newspaper, as well as a representative from the Urban League, and the NAACP were invited to attend.

Although a canvass was made of the audience, no one appeared for any of the above organizations.

In view of the fact that adequate coverage was given by other local newspapers, and interested organizations, it is felt that an explanation should be forthcoming, inasmuch as the jobs of the colored employees are affected.

Presuming, of course, that there is genuine interest in the loss of job opportunities of all the 2,600 persons concerned.

As a subscriber to the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper, a patron of the Urban League, and the NAACP, it is my sincere desire that representatives of the aforementioned organizations should share a prominent role with all other interested parties in this controversy.

The opinion reflected by most of the colored employees at the Baltimore Signal Depot is that they have been let down by those agencies that they so strongly support yearly, and it is felt that it is not yet too late to get into the fight in order to preserve and protect the job and employment opportunities of more than 2,600 American people by looking in on this situation at once.

ROBERT PORTER JR.

Editor's Note: The AFRO, in its Tuesday, March 23 edition published a story announcing the mass meeting Mr. Porter refers to and told why it was being held.

In the Friday, March 26 edition, the AFRO published a rather lengthy report of the meeting, together with additional details of the situation—plus an editorial on the proposed transfer.

The story was written by an AFRO reporter who was present at the mass meeting.

In the Tuesday, March 30 edition, a third story appears on the Signal Depot. There is also another story in today's (Friday's) AFRO.

Talent Hunt

Dear AFRO:

Sunday night saw the conclusion of a talent hunt at a Baltimore night club by parties unknown to the writer.

I entered the contest, performed once without the benefit of judges (that I know of) was told that I'd be notified when to perform on the finals, then received no letter, card or phone call.

The easiest thing for the sponsors would have been to notify all participants of their success or failure by measuring the applause during the selection of the finalists.

TEDDY AUER
Edgewood, Maryland

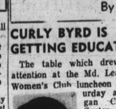
(Editor's Note: Miss Mabel Johnson, secretary to Gamby Club owner Kenneth Bass says notice of the contest finals was sent in this office on April the Madison ave. address he supplied. She said a phone call to the number the contestant supplied brought the response he did not live there.)

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

CURLY BYRD IS GETTING EDUCATED

The table which drew most attention at the Md. League of Women's Club luncheon on Saturday at Morgan Christian Center:



Mrs. Phillips

The middle tabled occupied by Dr. H. C. (Curly) Byrd, Democratic candidate for governor, and longtime president of the University of Maryland. Seated on his right, Mrs. Vivian Pendleton. On his left, Mrs. Louise Lockerman.

Other: the AFRO's Lula Jones Garrett; NAACP's Lillie M. Jackson and Mesdames Sadie McDonald, Lillian Berry, Mabel Trisby, Flossie Dedmonds and Catherine Johnson.

When President Vivian Alleyne announced Dr. Byrd was among the guests and asked him to stand, there was the usual murmurs which greet Byrd's appearance at our meetings.

He told the group: "Ev'e hough I've been to four colleges, I'm still in the process of getting an education. And I'm glad to say it is continuing.

There were more murmurs from the 400 women present. President Alleyne had to rap for order to remind them Dr. Byrd was their guest.

Reason for the sighs of disparagement: These women and many other citizens can't soon forget that it was Dr. Byrd who kept them and their children out of the University of Maryland.

They figure that when the court opened the university's law school in the Donald Murray case, it should not have been necessary for the NAACP to file additional suits before we could enter the other professional schools.

But, the NAACP's Charles Houston and associates had to sue to get us into the nursing, engineering and graduate schools.

When our Court of Appeals finally ruled that all U. of Md. schools were open, Charlie Houston was on his death bed, a victim of overwork.

A word from Dr. Byrd would have saved all this court litigation and opened the doors immediately. That word didn't come.

Now, the women murmur, he asks for our votes to put him in the governor's chair.

Looks to me like Dr. Byrd will have to do some real spade work if he hopes to get the votes of these women.

He himself says the candidate who wins is the one who has the most WHAT THEY SAID HERE THIS WEEK

Highlights from the talk Thursday night by Mr. Houston, NAACP counsel, speaking Sunday at the Urban League's 29th annual meeting:

"Today there are over 2,500 colored students in graduate and professional schools in all the southern states, except Miss., Ala., Ga., S.C., and Fla., and they are due to join the union any day now . . .

"All over the South today, they are making plans for integration of schools. The only states where they are not doing any planning are in border places like Maryland . . .

"Army integration as of today is complete. Only 5 to 10 thousand out of 200,000 colored soldiers are in separate units and we'll clean that up when a few more old soldiers fade away . . .

"No single untoward incident has occurred since integration. We have not had the racial friction like we used to have when there was segregation . . .

"We need to get more people to make up their minds that discrimination is wrong and we need more people to stop being so polite about segregation . . ."

Dr. Margaret Just Butcher, speaking at Md. League of Women's Club luncheon Saturday:

"You may be a bit distressed if your daughter comes home from college with a diploma in one hand and a wedding ring in the other, but education is like money in the bank.

"Marriage is a difficult job but the educated, college - trained woman can do a better job of it.

"It is possible for both parties to work and still speak to each other and maintain a happy home . . .

"Today we are in a new order. The 'club woman' as a term has a different connotation. It means we're being more women and less ladies.

"Women don't have to be experts to help in a community . . . they must have a human awareness of the need for service . . .

"Small services are loyal ones and phone call, one letter, one telegram helps . . . every positive individual effort counts . . . no personal effort or sound moral effort is ever lost . . ."

DENTISTS LET A BAD TOOTH STAY

Most dentists would recommend pulling a bad tooth unless there were extenuating circumstances which would bring on complications.

But white dentists here in Baltimore — at least 215 of them — had a bad tooth in their own mouths this week and they didn't pull it out.

The bad tooth: — A regulation which prohibits colored dentists from becoming members of their Baltimore City Dental Society.

Colored dentists sought admission because they want to affiliate with the national organization—the American Dental Association.

But the American Dental Association says you can not belong unless you are a member of your city and state dental society.

Strangest thing about the whole matter. — The Baltimore City Dental Society has upwards of 500 members.

All were notified in advance that the question of admitting colored dentists would be up for discussion this week.

But only 175 of their number attended and voted.

Reliable sources indicate that leadership against admission of retired dentists was taken by the 'old guard' members—dentists who have practiced here for years. They are what is known as the Medical Arts crowd — they maintain offices in the Medical Arts Building.

In the main, it is said, they voted against colored dentists because they feared there would be what they call "a social problem" they'd have to invite them to the society's dances, dinners.

One longtime member said that's a subterfuge — the association has over 500 members, and not all of them attend the dinners and dances.

Chairman Rogers of the Governor's Interracial Commission says the dentists' 100-75 vote is encouraging.

Perhaps they remyred. The vote shows Baltimore dentists are behind the times.

It also shows that many of, them, members of minority groups themselves, don't want to see the same educational facilities available to colored patients which are available to whites.

BRIEF NOTES ON MY CUFF

Firemen at Engine Co. No. 7, across from AFRO office, did not glue coins to the pavement April Fool's Day.

"Haven't done it for two years," says Fire Fighter Forest, who has been stationed there four years.

STREET SCENE:—Woman traffic officer at Druid Hill ave., and Preston st., giving a motorist a ticket, Thursday 8:50 a.m. He failed to observe stop signal to let school children cross the busy intersection.

In town for brief spring vacation: Attorney Vashti Boddie, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Timothy J. Boddie.

"She's a sophomore at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, where she made the dean's list and is editor-elect of the school's literary magazine.

"The Furman Templetons marked their 22nd wedding anniversary on Saturday. He's Dr. Furman's exec; she's teacher.

"The Rev. and Mrs. J. Payne (Enon Baptist) dedicated their new Catonsville home Sunday.

Md. League of Women's Clubs presented orchid to Mrs. Cora Jones, who has interested largest number of groups in organization which now boasts 58 clubs.

Carver students did the club signs which decorated the Morgan Christian Center room where luncheon was held.

And credit S. S. Pennock and the Sunrise and Park Florists for those 300 beautiful red roses given luncheon guests.

Orchids to the liquor board for heeding Eastside citizens' request not to extend license privileges for Sidney Miller's tavern at 523 N. Eden st.

In view of the charges and counter-charges and the restrictions placed on Eastside's William Taylor, any other decision would have smelled.

And what's this about "getting" Bill Taylor because he stood up for his rights and those of the people he represents?

Dr. Thaddeus Peck, the chiropodist who died here last month had practiced at 1905 Druid Hill ave. for over 30 years.

My five-year-old, watching Jackie Gleason on movies, announced: "Mommie, Jackie Gleason has a broken leg but he can stand without a crutch March of Dimes."

At Gamby's Club, Sunday evening, we helped pick the winner of the talent contest.

She's Blues Singer Dorothy Parker who hails from Warren, Ohio. In New York on Thursday she began a long engagement at the Baby Grand.

A baritone voice which is really going places belongs to Walker Stone Jr. He placed third in the contest, gets week's engagement at the club. Second place honors sent to the Valentone Quartet.

THOUGHT OF WEEK

Here's an original birthday greeting I received last week from my father which I would like to share with you, as thought of the week:

Birthdays afford another occasion for thanksgiving.

Thanks for life and good health; for family and friends.

For work, even for the drudgery of it, as well as for leisure,

For the freedoms we have had for the opportunities to enlarge them.

For all the happiness we have had this year and for the sorrows which have sweetened it;

For the spirit of tolerance and goodness which exists and continues to grow in our one land, which are evidences of the goodness of God the Creator;

For our belief in ourselves, in our country and in our God, and in our certain knowledge that evil may be ever present, but eventually right will prevail.

All the love of mother and dad to you on this day, which for us too is a reminder of the joy we had when you first came to stay with us.—Pop

Reporters' Report To The People

Lonesomania

By BUDDY LONESOME

LAUGH AT —

THAT Atlanta, Ga., newspaper writer who sent out a story over AP wires on Angelo Dundee White's blast at South Carolina's Jimmy Byrnes, and referred to one of the nation's top lawyers as "their good Marshall, chief NAACP counsel."

THAT situation about the veterans bonus bill, currently before Governor McKeldin, Ol' Mac, who will never be remembered for decisive action in the midst of a debate, grabbed the bill by the horns this trip.

Announced he would veto the bonus bill, thereby jeopardizing a large bloc of veterans' votes, even before the Attorney General passed on the legality of the measure. I can't wait to read his explanation!

THAT other situation, this week, where our Governor McKeldin, lashed out at discrimination in local hotels.

Speaking at a Variety Club dinner honoring Spyros P. Skouras, Hollywood film magnate, McKeldin voiced the wish that when big league baseball teams come to town "they will be able to play as units and live together as units."

I bet the boys in the National Guard, who have been waiting almost six months for McKeldin to abolish a jim - crow guard unit, get a BEEG laugh out of that one.

THAT fifth district councilman presently trying for the State Senate, who openly supported the rezoning of that Walbrook tract so a cab company could locate there.

That same politician, a hellu-va nice guy personally, who has been having me believe all along that he was for us. Hmmmmm! Earl Koger was right!

Sightseeing

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

Earl Koger, the insurance man, who spearheaded a fight to block the building of a taxicab garage in the Walbrook area, has several pointed comments to make on the vote of the City Council that gave the go ahead signal for the building of the garage.

He has composed a dilly of an open letter that really sizzles and is receiving wide distribution over the city. Received one Tuesday and had to read it several times, it was that well done.

Former Magistrate Martin K. Miller received a loud round of applause when he finished his speech at the Tuesday meeting of the Frontiers Club. The members seemed particularly impressed when he predicted that the FEPC ordinance would be passed by the City Council.

The annual crowning ceremony of Miss Booker T. and Mr. Booker T. was held Tuesday at the Booker T. Washington Junior high school. Dorothy Gray of the 7A was crowned Miss Booker T. while Jane Ward of the 8B received the male crown.

A recitation was given by Lonzella Parileau, a solo by Norma Sharpless and another by Jerome McCardell, and a dance by Anastatia Phillips.

More Young Talent

Speaking of young talent, one of the star performers at the Sunday fashion show given by the Junior Council of the National Council of Women was Donald Dett. The young dancer captivated his audience. He's a teacher is Mrs. Barbara Shaver.

A Korean veteran who wants to get ahead in the world is Judson Harris of the 1500 block Poplar Grove st. He works in the daytime at the Baltimore Housing Authority and at night he attends classes at Loyola, where he is studying business administration.

Tidbits

By SHIRLEY KYLE

It seems to me that parking attendants should be held responsible for the damages they do to a patron's automobile.

The other day, I parked my car-for-four-hours-in-a-lot on Calvert st. When I returned, the attendant took the 75 cents fee, never once explaining that he had cracked the muffler on the car.

You can imagine the shock I had when I started the engine and it sounded like a motor boat.

Upon questioning the attendant, he said with a smile,

"I guess I must have hit something. Sounds like something's loose in there. Little noisy, isn't it?"

Then he walked away to tend to another customer, not even apologizing for the damage he had done.

Need New Muffler

Thanks to him, I have to spend $12 to have a new muffler installed.

When I informed him of this, the following day, he merely shrugged his shoulders and said, "OK, OK, Lady, I'll be careful next time."

I'm certain the don't-care-attitude of this attendant and others I have heard about, would change if there were a way to make them responsible for the damages they do.

FEPC BILL

It will be at least another week before the FEPC bill is returned to the City Council. Thomas Biddison, city solicitor told me the other day.

He and his associates are delving into the legal aspects of the ordinance in preparation for the committee hearings which are expected to begin as soon as he makes his report.

Everyone should make it a point not to miss a single hearing when they begin.

Noteworthy

By HERBERT MANGRUM

If Memorial Stadium is not ready in time for the Orioles' Club luncheon of April 15, don't blame the carpenters.

In an effort to speed up the job, nine colored carpenters were hired to work there last Friday. If I remember correctly, on my first trip to the stadium I couldn't find one.

That means nothing to the cement finishers though, they have been going great guns on the stadium for a long time.

These Changing Times

If you don't think things are changing, get this. Have it on good authority that Friday has replaced Saturday as the night for partying, clubbing, or just plain old raising h - - - in Baltimore. Pay day you know.

Northeastern District Police Captain Forrest, for example, says on Friday he finds it difficult to get away from the station house on time.

The telephone building on Division st. has long had a reputation or being on its payroll some of the loveliest damsels in the city.

Welfare Department

Dropped in on the Department of Welfare couple weeks ago had lunch and, Mmmmmnn, boy was I surprised!

If you think workers out at the Baltimore Signal Depot are not steamed up you are wrong; at their mass meeting last week, they were about ready to take on the Army as well as the President.

They were advised to "write your Congressman, the Secretary of Defense and everybody including the President, for he likes to read too."

According to the chairman of the meeting, Vincent A. Melore, president of Lodge 1293 of the American Federation of Government Employes: "Now (the Army) may bury us, but our ghosts are going to haunt them for a long time."

List recommendations for Liquor Bd. petitions

The second phase of the Eden Cafe application bared at a public hearing, Monday, brought forth recommendations from Irvin Kovens, board member, as to the make-up of petitions submitted to the Liquor Board in the future.

The latest hearing was called as a result of certain charges aimed at petitions circulated by the Eastside Community Committee on the application of the Eden Cafe.

A string of witnesses, among them William S. Taylor coordinator of the Eastside Committee, received police summons to testify at the hearing.

At the conclusion of the hearing, which saw most of the charges either dispelled or minimized, Mr. Kovens said:

"Of course you understand why this hearing was called. At the original hearing (March 4), a Mrs. Johnson testified that she was in favor of the tavern, although her name was on a petition circulated against the tavern.

"Let's clarify the situation for the future.

Lists Recommendations

"Most of the petitions we get from East Baltimore come out of Mr. Taylor's office. In the future we must ask:

1. "That each of the pages in the petition bear headings explaining the reason for the petition.

2. "That no minor be allowed to take a petition around. There might be a case where a minor might not be able to clarify any questions asked about the petition.

3. "Persons must sign only the designated place for signatures.

4. "One petition will not be used for two or three locations in the same area, as has been done in the past."

General Policy

At the conclusion of Mr. Kovens' statement, Milton Allen, attorney for Mr. Taylor, asked whether that would be the policy of the board as pertaining to all petitions.

The answer was yes.

In explaining, the board's position toward the Eden Cafe petition and hints of animosity, Mr. Kovens then said:

"We have no hard feelings for Mr. Taylor. We have been friendly with Mr. Taylor and he has been friendly with us."

Mr. Taylor then said: "My downtown area board has said I can't come down here anymore, so you probably won't see me down here any more."

Kovens Mentions Petitions

Mr. Kovens interjected: "But on that score we will see your petitions."

At this point, Mr. Taylor, who was silenced by his superiors after the original hearing on the Eden Cafe application, said:

"No, I guess I'll get out of this business altogether."

Human relations topic of TV show

"Human Relations as a Weapon of Peace" will be the topic of a discussion by an interracial group of students from the local schools and colleges on the "Fourth Man" over WAAM, ned 11, this Saturday at 8 p.m.

Notre Dame will be represented by Anita Pratt; Western High school, by Pauline Lew, and Morgan State college, by John Bland.

Miss Dorothy Booze, a member of the faculty of Douglass High school will introduce the discussion.

Council Is Sponsor

The telecast, sponsored by the American Council on Human Rights, will be one of the projects during Human Rights Week, from March 28 to April 4. The closing activity will be a public meeting at Sharp Street Methodist church, Sunday, at 3 p.m.

On that occasion, four local groups and two individuals will be cited for meritorious service in the area of human relations. Music will be given by Fellowship Choir.

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Liquor Board called string of witnesses

A string of witnesses received police summons to testify at Monday's hearing on the application of the Eden Cafe to open on Sunday.

The hearing was called by the board to determine whether a petition submitted by the Eastside Community Committee, opposing the tavern, was valid.

In a decision announced Wednesday, the Liquor Board found that the persons who obtained the signatures "did not wilfully misrepresent the matter to the signers."

The board also found that, contrary to allegations, the petition prepared by William S. Taylor, of the Eastside Community Committee, "did contain the heading on the first page, as represented."

Mrs. Knight Testifies

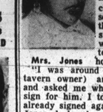
The first person to testify at the hearing was Mrs. Margaret Knight, 1400 block E. Eager st.

Mrs. Knight said two men came to her 'house and obtained her signature.

"I thought I was going to sign for them to have a band in the bar," she said. Under questioning by a liquor inspector, however, Mrs. Knight admitted that a heading explaining the purpose was typed on the petition.

Mrs. Knight

Mrs. Dorothy Jones, 1419 E. Eager st., said she didn't favor or oppose the measure. She signed the petition against the tavern, however, because the persons soliciting the signatures asked her to "it's what I wanted a better neighborhood."



Mrs. Jones

"I was around Sidney's (the tavern owner) and he called and asked me whether I would sign for him. I told him I had already signed against it," Mrs. Jones declared.

Had Sticky Hands

Mrs. Louise Owens, 1315 E. Eager st., testified at the hearing that she had authorized another woman to sign for her. Mrs. Owens said she plausible explanation for this, however.

"I had my hands sticky with dough, so I told my roomer, Mrs. Marjorie Hill, to sign for me."

Mrs. Owens

Mrs. Owens said that there was no red-typed heading at the top of the petition when she signed the form. Under questioning by Milton Allen, who served as counsel for the Eastside Community Committee, she admitted that there were several pages to the petition.

Mrs. Helen Chase, 1303 E. Eager st., also testified that there was no red typed heading wasn't on the petition. She admitted under questioning that she hadn't read the petition carefully, however.

Mrs. Chase

Mr. Taylor also received a summons to testify at the hearing. He was the last witness called.

—Board upholds

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"It was admitted that several persons signed the names of other persons at their request, and on the petition obtained by Estelle Lindsay, there were several instances of one person signing his own name and the names of others, a glaring example being the nine signatures signed by Marguerite Brown.

Child's Name Used

"One of the names she signed was a six-year-old child.

"The board has carefully reviewed the petition obtained by Estelle Lindsay and has stricken 20 names from the petition as being improper signatures.

"After considering all of the testimony offered, the number of licenses in the area and the records of this office, the board has conceded to grant the application and deny the amusement license as not being necessary for the accommodation of the public."

Eight Other Licenses

Records of the Liquor Board office disclose that there are eight licenses in the map area, not including applicant's present tavern, three churches and a school.

One of the licenses in the map area has an amusement license such as that sought by the Eden Cafe.

S. C. schools' press group sets conference

DENMARK, S.C. — A roundtable discussion will feature the 10th annual spring meeting of the Palmetto Scholastic Press Association to be held at Area Trade School here May 7.

Expected to attend are advisors and staff members of school papers from Lincoln High, Sumter; Manning Training, Manning; Burke School, Charleston; Avery School, Charleston; Rock Hill Hill Hill Washington, Columbia; Wilson High, Florence; Rose Wilson, Charleston; Laing School, Mt. Pleasant and Edgefield Academy, Edgefield.

Catonsville NEWS

The Rev. Simon Williamson, the choir and congregation of Faith Baptist church, will hold church services at the Morning Star Baptist church Sunday at 3 p.m. The Rev. William Tapscott is pastor.

Miss Bertha Baskerville of Evergreen AME church will be guest soloist Sunday morning at Grace.

A ham and oyster supper will be held at the home of Mrs. Susie Page, 185 Winters ave., April 8, from 5 to 9 p.m.

Among those on the sick list in Catonsville are Mrs. Ethel Braxton, Fannie Briscoe, Alexander House, Roy Jackson, and Martha Brown.

Cap And Gown Club

The Cap and Gown Club of the Emma Williams Temple Elks, gave a surprise birthday party for Mrs. Rosa A. Fields Saturday.

Guests included Mrs. Pauline Brown, Amy Warden, Fannie Hayes, Martha Pollock, Sodonia Ray, Verlette Scott, and Grace Lewis.

A dinner party was given for George Goffery and Miss Bessie Morgan by Mrs. Iora Goffe, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Webb and Mr. and Mrs. Upshur Webb have moved into their home at 171 Winters ave.

Elks

The Mary J. Washington Past Daughter Rulers Club of the Emma William Temple Elks, met at the home of Rosa A. Fields Wednesday. Mrs. Bertie Smith, president, was among those present. Also, past daughter rulers Mrs. Rosa A. Fields and Rosa L. Fields.

The Youth Choir of Grace church, appeared in the new $600 robes Sunday. Special services were conducted by the Rev. C. C. Brown.

The Deputies Club of the Baltimore Elks met at the home of Mrs. Rosa A. Fields last week.

Members present included: Daughters Priscella Smith, Gladys Milburn, Florence Snowden, Myrtle Spencer, Gertrude Brush, Ella Gibson, Rosa Fields, and Ida Harris of Annapolis.

Outing Committee

Mrs. Granger Fields has been appointed chairman of the annual outing committee at Grace AME church. The Catons