North Ave. cafe seeks liquor permit

A request for a liquor permit for "Dave's Restaurant," at 2131-33 W. North Ave., was taken under consideration by the Board of Liquor Commissioners, Thursday.

The application was filed by David W. Blum for an addition to a Class "B" beer and wine permit.

Located in a predominately colored neighborhood, the restaurant caters to white trade but has take-out service for colored.

The case was one of 14 heard by the board. With one exception, decisions were withheld on all cases.

In rendering its only decision of the day, the board revoked the class "B" beer, wine and liquor permit of "Spittell's Restaurant and Bar" at 1812-14 W. Pratt St.

The applicant was charged with selling alcoholic beverages to a minor last May 6. The licensee, Lester C. Spittel was fined $25 and costs in Criminal Court.

—Theatre pickets

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ing contrast to the tenseness he had displayed just shortly before in Criminal Court where he told of being bodily pulled from the picket line by Det. Sgt. Anthony J. Urban.

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BEFORE RENDERING his verdict of not guilty, Chief Judge Herbert R. Niles warned the nearly 40 students from Morgan and Hopkins against any courtroom demonstrations of approval or disapproval.

Mr. Merrill was arrested as he walked the picket line with students from Morgan who are seeking to have the Northwood Theatre, located near the campus, opened to persons of all races. Hopkins students have been cooperating in the campaign.

In very grave and serious tones, Judge Niles urged the defense, prosecution and courtroom spectators to listen carefully to his opinion.

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THE JURIST said that he had not asked for final arguments on the case because the verdict was very clear.

Then, in an unusual move, he announced the not guilty verdict before rendering his opinion. This was done, he said, so that the opinion would not be minimized by those awaiting the verdict.

Judge Niles said that it was "utterly impossible" to decide the case on the conflicting testimony; both sides offered exaggerated testimony; everybody in the case is wrong.

Mr. Merrill testified that he does not believe in organizational means of breaking down segregation. He said that he joined the picket line because a friend had been denied admittance to the theatre.

Judge Niles, in his opinion, said that while Mr. Merrill did not approve of the means used, he still joined the pickets.

"Picket lines are generally looking for trouble. That why they are there," the jurist commented.

On the other hand, Judge Niles noted, Sergeant Urban had no right to place Mr. Merrill under arrest because the policeman had seen no wrong act committed in his presence.

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THIS REVERSED the opinion of Magistrate Schenfield.

Judge Niles said that the situation was tense and he criticized the presence of plainclothes officers at the theatre.

"The police knew that there was tension and uniformed officers should have been there," the judge said.

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McQUAY KIAH, assistant dean of men at Morgan, testified that there was no connection between the school and the theatre project sponsored by students who belong to the Social Action Committee.

Mr. Kieh said that he was interested in the situation because it involved Morgan students.

Judge Niles said that he was glad to know that the college was not for or against the action.

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TESTIMONY OF defense witnesses, including Mrs. Ruby Thompson, a Morgan junior from Pittsburgh, Pa., and chairman of the Social Action Committee, was that Sergeant Urban did not identify himself when he pulled Mr. Merrill from the line.

Mr. Merrill said that he resisted because he was not certain of the sergeant's identity.

Defense Attorneys John B. King and Robert B. Watts sought unsuccessfully to have admitted to testimony a similar incident reported to have occurred in May.

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AT THAT time, a private detective was allegedly identified by a uniformed policeman as a member of the Baltimore police force.

Under this guise, the private detective is said to have removed four white students from the picket line and subjected them to questioning.

Judge Niles said that there was "room for misunderstanding" concerning the identity of Sergeant Urban.

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THE JURIST was severe in his criticism of a picket line.

"The way to promote racial goodwill is not by taking obvious means of creating bad will," Judge Niles stated.

He noted a "great improvement" in race relations in Baltimore and urged the students to find a "better" and more "effective way" to achieve their end.

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AT THE conclusion of the case, Howard Murphy, civic leader and resident of Morgan Park, explained to Judge Niles that the students had exhausted all avenues before deciding to picket.

Mr. Murphy told of numerous unsuccessful attempts to sit down and discuss the matter with the theatre management and passively resistance-ly the students who held nightly stand-ins outside the theatre before resorting to picketing.

The students, Mr. Murphy pointed out, have now suspended all activities outside the movie house, while awaiting proposed negotiations between the management and neighborhood groups.

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THE MOST convincing defense witness was Allen Gordon, 3500 Milvale Rd., who said that he was passing the picket line when Sergeant Urban approached Mr. Merrill.

He testified that the sergeant yanked Mr. Merrill from the line and said, "I want to talk to you."

Mr. Merrill began to shout, "somebody get a cop," Mr. Gordon testified.

Mr. Gordon said that Sergeant Urban dragged Mr. Merrill for about 20 feet before identifying himself as a policeman.

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MR. MERRILL, 200 block Wendover Rd., who is a native of Kansas, said that Sergeant Urban slapped him in the face while they were in a police car en route to detective headquarters. The sergeant denied the charge.

Sergeant Urban's testimony was that he approached the Hopkins student when he saw him pat a small boy on the head. The boy was Mr. Merrill's own 22-month-old son.

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—Love baby

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called and told her that the boy had been born.

The wife said that when Mrs. Stewart called and told her that Mr. Carr owed a $50 medical bill, she left him a month or two later.

Mr. Carr denied being the father of the child and also denied he had ever been intimate with Miss Green.

A blood test requested by Mr. Carr revealed that he could be the father.

Bernard Felkin, defense attorney, had two witnesses who testified that they had been intimate with Miss Green in 1954, and a third who said that he heard the woman threaten to frame Mr. Carr.

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LEO GREEN, returned from the House of Correction where he has been confined since March, 1954, on a four-year term for robbery, said that prior to being sent away he had been friendly with Miss Green.

William George, 700 block George St., testified that he he had been intimate with Miss Green "off and on" for two and a half years, with the last time being in May of '54. He said that he knew then that she was expecting.

John Page told the court that he heard Miss Green tell Mr. Carr; "I know it's not your baby, but you are going to take care of it."

J. Robert Brown, assistant state's attorney, prosecuted the case.

—Robinson

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He lives at 453 Cummings Ct.

These are the seniors who were entered in the contest and each of them is truly an Outstanding Senior.

JOSEPH McCULLOM, an 18-year-old youth who has written an inspiring story of courage by refusing to bow to an attack of polio that hospitalized him for 11 months.

After leaving the hospital, McCullom resumed his education and at Carver has maintained a B average. He still has to wear a brace on each hip, but he has not missed a day at Carver where he is majoring in business education.

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MISS KATHLYNN B. Hayes of St. Frances Academy, president of her junior and senior class, a member of the school basketball team, a member of the choral and dramatic clubs, and an active church worker.

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JAMES SPRIGGS of Dunbar, the youth who was this year's "Youth Mayor" of the city, President of the mixed choir; Student Council representative; member of the United Nations Club, and member of the dance troupe, glee club and track team.

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JAMESETTA V. HOLLIMAN, secretary and treasurer of the National Honor Society at Dunbar, member of the Youth Forum; accompanist for the Pauline Wharton Girls' Choir, and active worker in the Christ Methodist Church. She is the valedictorian of her graduating class.

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ELLEN DIXON of Carver—An honor student for three years, assistant editor of the year book, and member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

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ROBINSON, the winner, is president of his home room class; student teacher for three successive years; member of the Arthurian Club; member of the YMCA, and representative of Douglass on the national television program "Youth Takes A Stand."

He is a member of the Immaculate Conception Church.

Bannerline Banter

By JOHNNY ST. CYR

Headlins: Virginia Supreme Court Upholds Ban On Interracial Marriage.

Blood Corruption, Mongrel Race Would Result, Lower Court Asserts.

This upsets a theory of long standing. Blood is not thicker than white supremacy."

One drop of the wrong kind and, Brother, you're on the wrong side of the railroad tracks.

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IT ALSO proves blood "ain't" red. Like the court stated, there're two colors: white and "ain't white."

The "ain't white" comes in shades of yellow, brown, black and mulatto.

As for mongrels, everybody knows about them. They date all the way from the Nile, ditty-wah-ditty B.C., to U St., NW, USA, 1955.

They include such ragamuffins as the Queen of Sheba, Pushkin, Hannibal, Toussaint L'Ouverture, Chrispus Attucks, Booker T. Washington, George W. Carver, Dorie Miller, Mary M. Bethune, Joe Louis, Ralph Bunche, Marian Anderson and Adam Clayton Powell.

Sometimes these mongrels have blue eyes. Their skins and names are both White. When this occurs we call them Walter for short.

But, as the court stated in Mein Kampf: "Racial integrity must be preserved."

Hell, Sir Court!

White House answers wire

To make inquiry about boys clubs

WASHINGTON

The White House this week acknowledged the receipt of a protest lodged by the District bureau of the NAACP.

The protest was made against the failure of the District commissioners to take positive action against the segregated Metropolitan Police Boys Clubs.

A White House aide wrote Eugene Davidson, president of the branch, that the problem was a matter that "rests with District of Columbia citizens."

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THE WHITE HOUSE promised to make "an inquiry" to the commissioners" about the situation.

At the same time, Commissioner Samuel Spencer reported that he was going to confer with Fred A. Smith about the boys clubs' racial policy.

—Gov. McKeldin

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clude Traffic Court Judge E. Everett Lane, Magistrate Linwood Koger, William P. Fannon of the Bureau of Sanitation and Miss Olive Caulk, management aide of McCulloh Homes.

But all will not be speaking.

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A WELL-ROUNDED program of entertainment, featuring juvenile talent is being arranged by Mrs. Adah K. Jenkins, AFRO music critic and teacher.

The rally will provide a forum for Clean Blockers to learn final plans for this year's drive.

Registration blanks and other literature will be available for those who haven't yet enrolled.

The meeting is also designed as a "get acquainted" affair before the summer long chores of cleaning up yards, painting steps and woodwork and sweeping streets and alleys begin.

An all-out effort will be made this year to make Baltimore the most cleanest city, Mrs. Mackay said.

Brewington child scalded by hot water

Deborah Brewington, 3, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Brewington of 2005 Gwynns Falls Parkway, and granddaughter of Emerson Brown Sr., was scalded by boiling water Thursday night.

The child suffered first and second degree burns over one third of her body, but is "doing well" at Provident Hospital. Mrs. Brewington said the child knocked over a a pot of water in which she was boiling potatoes.

—Dr. Rhetta

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by his attorneys, Robert B. Watts and Joseph Rosenthal and Paul Cordish. He listened intently to the jurist's words had shown no emotion.

Dr. Rhetta Jr., stood in the rear of the courtroom.

Judge Moser in his opinion said he imposed the long terms on Dr. Rhetta to impress upon him that he should not engage in illegal operations again.

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HE SAID that in suspending sentence he was considering the veteran 'physician's "many accomplishments."

He then cited Dr. Rhetta's appointment to the interracial commission by Governor Ritchie in 1927-1932; his appointment to the Commission on Higher Education by Governor Nice in 1935; his 15 years without pay with the City Health Department which subsequently resulted in the opening of jobs in the health department for colored people; honors that he has received from the Medical Association; from his alma mater, Howard University and the city of Baltimore.

Judge Moser also stated that he was impressed by the fact that Dr. Rhetta was a "self-educated" man.

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Smith guilty; admit he was probe 'goat'

Jury deliberates 3 hours before returning verdict; may appeal

"Fall guy" Leroy (Fuzzy) Smith, W. North Ave. restaurant owner, stood, very quietly in Criminal Court, Wednesday as an all-male jury found him guilty of forging the names of three registered voters in the November general election.

Defense attorneys called the 35-year-old man a "scapegoat" in the vote fraud investigation that led to his arrest, while the State admitted that Smith was prosecuted for an act that "he couldn't have done by himself."

The jury deliberated more than three hours before finding Smith guilty of forging the names of voters on voters' authority cards in the 2nd Precinct of the 15th Ward at a polling place in the 2000 block Westwood Ave.

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JUDGE JOHN T. Tucker withheld sentence pending a new trial move. Smith was released under $2,500 bail. He faces a possible sentence of from six months to five years on each count.

Smith was charged in four cases of forgery, but Judge Tucker ordered a directed verdict of not guilty when one of the voters, James Kearns, 1700 block Pulaski St., failed to show up for the trial.

The owner of "Smitty's Delicatessen," 2100 block W. North Ave., was convicted of signing the names of Leo J. Kallejian, 2600 block Fairview Ave.; Lewis Jenkins, 1200 block W. Mosher St.; and Ernest Horton, 1900 block Druid Hill Ave. Kallejian and Kearns are both white.

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DEFENSE ATTORNEYS won two important legal victories when Judge Tucker ruled that the jury could not be shown enlarged photographs comparing Smith's handwriting with that of the forged names, and that the testimony of handwriting experts was not admissable in criminal prosecutions.

J. Harold Grady, deputy state's attorney, in a last ditch effort to get the enlarged handwriting comparisons before the jury requested permission to show the cards on a projector. This, too, was denied.

The jury was allowed to see the original voters' authority cards and samples of Smith's handwriting taken by members of the State's Attorney's office.

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SMITH SAID that he was inside the Westwood Ave. polling place only once on election day, and that was when he voted. He testified that he made several trips back there, taking his wife to vote and carrying food from his restaurant to election workers.

He denied having forged the names or having voted for or getting some one else to vote for Kallejian, Horton and Jenkins.

Mr. Grady told the jury that the single question they had to decide concerned the forgery.

"Of course you know Smith couldn't have done this act by himself," Mr. Grady told the jurors. "We can't prove collusion, but we know that Smith had to have help."

Mr. Grady told the jury that they could not expect the election judges on duty at the polling place to "come into court and admit that they worked with Smith."

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JUDGES AT the polling place were Mrs. Eva L. Smith, 1700 block N. Payson St.; Melvin Harris, 6800 block Dorset Pl.; Mrs. Ethel Turner, 1700 block N. Payson St.; and Alvin Raskin, 1900 block Warwick Ave.

They all denied seeing Smith vote more than once.

Ellis Levin, defense attorney, raised the question of how could Smith have voted for Kallejian and Kearns since they are both white persons and the voters' cards have racial designations.

Mr. Levin, in his final argument to the jury, said:

"No reason has been given for why Smith was suspected as the forger, except that maybe he is the scapegoat for an election judge."

Calman A. Levin was associated with his father as defense attorney. Preston A. Pairo Jr., assistant state's attorney, aided Mr. Grady in prosecuting.

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THE STATE'S Attorney's office assigned Sgt. Robert Hewes, Det. Dennis Mello of the investigation division to probe the November election after Democrat incumbent Bernard Melnicove, defeated by Republican Harry A. Cole for State Senator from the Fourth District, charged that vote irregularities had existed during the election.

Senator Cole, at that time, said that he welcomed such an investigation.

The arrest and conviction of Smith and the firing of several election judges has been the not result to date.

Smith testified at his trial that he relieved several election workers while they lunched at his delicatessen. He said that he passed out literature supporting the Democratic slate.

When he was indicted by the grand jury back in March, Mr. Smith told the AFRO: "I had been told earlier that I was going to be the goat in the investigation."

Del. man held in auto death

Seen taking drink at scene of crash

Charged with manslaughter following a chase with police through East Baltimore which ended in death for one passenger, Earl Johnson, 22, of the 1200 block Shipley St., Wilmington, Del., was ordered held in bail of $2,000 Tuesday in Central Police Court.

Mr. Johnson, an unemployed handyman, was identified in involved in a collision at Caroline and Lancaster Sts., last May 16.

Three persons were injured in the accident which resulted in the arrest of an interracial trio.

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IN CONNECTION with the death of James Blakley, 43, of the 1700 block W. Baltimore St., Clemon D. Taylor, 31, of the 3600 block Spaulding Ave., was also charged with manslaughter. Charges against Mr. Taylor, however, were dismissed Tuesday by Chief Magistrate Meyer M. Cardin.

Mrs. Margaret Lakenen, 47, of Thorofare, N. J., was charged with allowing Johnson to operate her automobile without a permit.

STILL CONFINED to a hospital as a result of injuries she received in the accident, Mrs. Lakenen was unable to appear for a hearing in Traffic Court.

Additional charges against her and Johnson were postponed until July 21, at 10 p.m. by Magistrate E. Everette Lane.

Mrs. Lakenen suffered a fractured right arm and a back injury. Johnson sustained a sprained back, and Taylor a fractured right arm and back injuries.

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MR. JOHNSON has also been charged with driving at an unreasonable speed, failing to reduce speed at an intersection and going the wrong way on a one-way street.

His Delaware driving permit was revoked seven months ago, according to police.

At Tuesday's hearing the arresting officers testified that Johnson had been drinking and that after the accident tried to take another drink out of a half empty bottle. Mr. Johnson did not testify.

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MR. BLAKELY, who was a passenger in the car with Mr. Taylor, was pronounced dead on arrival at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

The car which Johnson was driving, a 1953 Mercury, is registered in the name of Joseph M. L. Kenan of Richmond, Va.

At the time of the accident, witnesses told police that Johnson ran into the Taylor car after failing to slow down at an intersection.

Eastern District police first spotted the speeding car on broadway. When they caught up with the fleeing motorist, two male passengers in the car with Johnson fled from the scene on foot.

The impact of the crash forced Mr. Taylor's car into a gasoline pump. He was also charged with reckless driving.

Dad shoots son during dispute

Farmer held for murder

SALISBURY, Md. — A 43-year-old father has been charged with murder and ordered held without bail in the fatal shooting of his 19-year-old son during an argument over work to be done on their farm, State Police have reported.

Under arrest is John H. Simpson of Mardela, RFD 1, charged with the murder of John Isaac Simpson.

The fatal argument between the two men started Wednesday in the yard outside their home, police said, and reached such heat that the father threatened to kill his son.

AS FATHER walked to his nearby automobile to get a .25 caliber pistol, the son raced into the house and grabbed a shotgun, police said.

The actual shooting took place in the kitchen when one shot was fired striking the son in the head, according to police.

For half an hour, the father reportedly refused to let his family call for a doctor or the police. Finally after persuasion, he allowed a call to be placed to the state police who reported that he surrendered without any trouble.

The son was pronounced dead on the scene.

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Dr. Booth to intern at D.C. General Hospital

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Dr. Booth lives at 2712 Woodview Rd. with his wife, Mrs. Shirley B. Booth and two children.

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