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We believe that America can best lead the world away from racial and national antagonisms when it accords to every man, regardless of race, color or creed, his human and equal rights. Hating no man, fearing no man, the Colored Press strives to help every man in the firm belief that all are hurt so long as anyone is held back.

If everyone swept in front of his house the whole town would be clean.

—Polish Proverb

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

The YMCA violates its own constitution

A committee of the York, Pa., YMCA Board of Directors, after studying the question of integration for one month, brought in March 17 the following resolution:

"Resolved that we further extend our membership policy to admit all groups beginning September 1, 1955."

Three things are to be noted:

(1) The action is by the association's directors, not the branch managements.

(2) The membership policy of the association is determined.

(3) The directors acted after no more than one month's study.

The Baltimore YMCA board has been studying the same problem for nearly a year.

Apparently it has foundered upon the assumption that the board has no authority to set membership policies and these are to be left to the branches.

The truth is that the constitution of the Young Men's Christian Association of Baltimore, as amended March 1, 1951 in Article II Section 2, expressly provides that:

"Active membership in this association shall be open to any person at least 16 years of age, of good character. . ."

And in Section 3, this:

"Active membership shall be held to confer the following privileges on holders in good standing:

(a) The right to participate in all activities of this association upon payment of the prescribed membership dues . . ."

And in Article III, Section 1, The Management of this association shall be vested in a Board of Directors . . ."

And in Article XII, Section 1, "No individual shall undertake to speak for the association except with the approval of the Board of Directors."

The conclusion is inescapable.

The constitution of the Baltimore YMCA does these things:

1. Declares the active membership open to all persons without any restrictions as to race.

2. Confers upon active members the right to participate in all association activities, not merely those at a single branch.

3. Requires the Board of Directors to manage the association and to be its single voice.

In restricting its colored members to separate branches at Druid Hill Avenue and Turner Station, and in denying them the privileges of the 11 other branch activities, the Baltimore YMCA Board of Directors is violating its own constitution.

How else can the requirement be satisfied that active membership can be open to any person of good character?

How else can the guarantee be met that active members have right to participate in all the activities of this association?

The cards issued by the Druid Hill and Turner Station Branches confining members to privileges of these branches alone are a further violation of the constitution of the YMCA.

Under the constitution, branch membership does not exist in a vacuum.

Article X, Section 2 of the constitution provides that "Each active member of the association shall be a member of one or the branches of the association."

There is a dual relationship, a member joins the association first and then he must be a member of a branch, second.

We can see no reason why the Baltimore YMCA Board of Directors should need any extensive study to realize that it has the power to enforce the regulations of its own constitution and that it cannot escape its obligation, either moral or legal, to do so.

To pass the responsibility to subordinate branch boards of management is an evasion not worthy of directors who, before taking office, subscribe to this oath in writing:

"I am in full accord with the purpose of the YMCA.

"The purpose of this association (not branch) shall be: To enlist men and boys in world-wide fellowship, united by a common loyalty to Jesus Christ for the purpose of building a Christian personality and a Christian society."

We commend to the Board of Directors of the Baltimore YMCA the 16-word resolution passed by the York, Pa., "Y" directors last week.

In fact, Baltimore "Y" directors need only 14 words to express their convictions. Namely:

"Effective June 1, the YMCA will comply with our constitutional obligations affecting active memberships."

Not all like The Sun

The opinion of Mr. Hamilton Owens, editor of the Sun, that the elimination of the racial designation "Negro" from its news stories would be ignoring or suppressing news is not the view of editors of many metropolitan newspapers.

One of them said so last week.

It was the St. Louis Globe-Democrat which in its own words "has taken a forward step in its news treatment policy." Said the Globe-Democrat:

"It no longer drops in a line at the end of a story to denote that the story was about a 'Negro.'

"It simply gives the names and addresses . . .

"If the racial label is not given the group it should not be given of another.

"With only 'Negroes' being set apart this style of reporting the news accentuated the appellation whether it was so intended or not."

Maryland acts

On March 23, 1867, the General Assembly of Maryland refused to ratify the 14th Amendment.

On March 23, 1955 Senator Harry Cole introduced a joint Senate-House resolution asking the Maryland Legislature to ratify the 14th Amendment.

The 14th Amendment provides that "no state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States," nor "deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

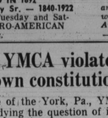
Only three states—Maryland, Kentucky and California — have failed to ratify the 14th Amendment.

Action now will be only a token ratification, but it is a fine gesture that puts Maryland now in line with the action of the other 45 states.

Little Things

By JESSE H. WALKER

Don't anyone try and give me any song and dance about this hazy Spring who is now in our midst. That dame must have had a heck of a coming out party, for when she made her debut on Monday she was awfully hung over and that morning after feeling lasted through Tuesday and Wednesday.



Mr. Walker was about the bleakest, muggiest, coldest, murkiest, wettest and simply quadwickiest first day of spring I've ever had the misfortune to live through. It was an awful opening date for miladv Spring.

But she even topped her premiere the next day when the showers and the sun kept up a running grudge fight all day long. One moment a whole mouthful of April showers were beating down on our heads and the next June's sunshine was glaring in our eyes.

It kept me tied up in knots all day long, reaching one minfte for my rubbers and umbrella and the next for my sun glasses.

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TALK ABOUT a fickle month, this March is the Mamie Stover of all the months and this chick, Spring, must have known what she was doing when she picked March 21 to make her bow to society.

...Not to show her prejudice only to the sun and the rain, she also brought along the winds with her on Tuesday and Wednesday and, so help me, there have been times this week when I had to check my calendar lest I started shopping for the Thanksgiving dinner menu.

True the wench did show some manners on Thursday when she pranced around the city in ladylike fashion, but I still don't trust her. A woman has to smile at me more than once before I realize she means it.

Spring! Phooey! She could have stood in bed. I was better off with old man Winter. He satisfied me and he didn't spring no surprises either. Acted like a gentleman, he did.

But this floozie, Spring. She ain't no lady and I'm going to act like she's not around until she begins to act like one. My overcoat, scarf, boots, gloves and ear muffs, James, if you please.

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AFRO SPORTS Editor Sam Lacy must be grinning all over himself down there in Florida where's he's "working" the baseball training camps when he reads of the weather we're having up "Nawth heah."

...It sure did fool newsman Jimmy Hicks, Jimmy, who's been tracking and backtracking all over Virginia for the AFRO for the past few weeks, left Richmond on Wednesday on his way home to the Big Town.

The poor fellah grows in his shirtsleeves all the way to Baltimore with the windows up, naturally. But when he got out of his car on Druid Hill Ave. outside the AFRO and that frigid wind hit him he screamed so loud his wife, Daisy, must have heard him in New York.

Jimmy broke an Olympic record in dashing back into his car, digging up his overcoat and buttoning same around himself.

The firemen stationed at Druid Hill and Eutaw St. would have loved his performance had they seen it.

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HONORS—Since the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences hands out "Oscars" and the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences hands out "Emmys" for sterling performances in their areas of endeavor, this column is going to hand out "Thingamajigs" periodically for questionable performances in the Baltimore area.

Our first "Thingamagig" is awarded to the management of that Edmondson Ave. theatre which had a billboard sign announcing "Carmen Jones" with Dorothy Dandridge painted so grotesquely she looked like an adolescent Aunt Jemima.

TV CRITIC—Last Sunday's tv showing of "The Search," featuring Baltimore City and the Community Self-Survey, has drawn favorable comment from everyone I've talked to who saw it.

I also thought it was a good show and only wish that (1) it could have been a one-hour show instead of a half hour or (2) that it could have a second part to be shown next Sunday.

There did seem to be some omissions in the Baltimore race relations story, several of which, no doubt, were left out because of the time limitation.

Still, I can't see how a story dealing with race problems in Baltimore could fail to include the activity of the local NAACP branch and some of its more active representatives, including Mrs. Lillie Jackson and the NAACP attorneys who serve without pay.

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HATS OFF—A low bow in the direction of Senator Harry A. Cole for his political acumen in getting his civil rights bill voted favorably out of committee.

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SUCH ACTION was taken in the search and seizure law which prevents policemen from marching into a person's home or searching a person if they do not have a warrant.

In all cases where evidence has been obtained outside legal channels, it is not admitted into trial.

I'll never forget the case of the rookie police officer who got word that a Northwest man was writing numbers. Instead of obtaining a warrant, the officer went to the man's house and arrested him after finding several alleged numbers slips.

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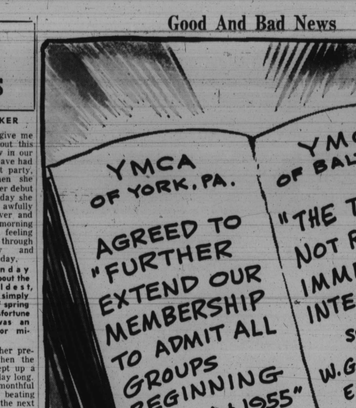
THE MAGISTRATE dismissed the case immediately because the officer had not abide by the law.

Our police are expected to protect the public but at the same time they must respect the rights of each individual. And, if necessary, laws should be made to enforce this respect.

Officers working under him exercise due regard for citizens' welfare no matter their color or station in life.

Good And Bad News



Speak Your Piece

Contributors to this department must sign their names and addresses to their letters if they wish them published. The AFRO will withhold publication of names if requested to do so by the writer.

Thanks for story

Dear AFRO:

Our entire family is deeply grateful for your publicity expressed appreciation of our mother's efforts. It was a magnificent tribute in your paper and it has made our mother exceedingly happy.

Our warmest thanks.

(Mrs.) JUANITA J. MITCHELL

Thanks for help

Dear AFRO:

On the behalf of my husband, my children and myself, I wish to express my greatest appreciation and thanks to the wonderful, most kind people who contributed clothing to my family.

We received so many nice and very beautiful articles of all kinds for everyone in the family. Right now we are completely clothed from head to foot because of the generosity and great sympathy of so many people.

I also wish to thank especially Mr. and Mrs. Gray of 1506 Payson St. for the swell way in which they have treated us, for the food and also for the prayers and blessings of two wonderful ladies.

To the AFRO I wish to express my greatest thanks and appreciation, because without your broad hearts, others might not have known of my troubles and the distress I was in.

I am hoping my husband will return to work soon and if he does, if there is anything I can do for anyone I will be too happy to do so.

(Mrs.) R. M. Williams

Editor's Note: The AFRO, on March 12, published a plea by Mrs. Williams that she, her sick husband, and four children were in need of assistance. More than 100 AFRO readers responded.

Wants aid plan

Dear AFRO:

Remember this could happen to you or a member of your family, or a friend of yours! Strangled, slain, raped or kidnaped, also robbed or beaten to death in the streets of the City of Baltimore.

It is true that we can't stop crime, but we can help to get them by giving a few pennies and aid, also by cooperating with our Police Department.

We, who are citizens who vote, let's back our Police Department to make the city safe for yourself, your family or a friend.

Let's support it with money. We could have an AID PLAN to cooperate with our police to help to find these criminals.

By so doing, you who are citizens will help to make our city a safe city for yourself, your family and friends.

If we ever needed help, and if we ever needed your help we need it NOW, that—a few pennies for Reward Fund, Do we really need a reward for recovering cases?

SAMUEL L. LILLY

Provident Hospital

Dear AFRO:

This letter is to express the very deep appreciation of the Provident Hospital for the excellent and generous display of the "Now Look" of Provident Hospital in your issue of Friday, March 18, 1955. We appreciate also the very fine commenting on the survey.

There are so many facets to the Provident Hospitals activities and problems which the community really does not know nor understand that it is heart-warming to receive this type of publicity in the writing to let you know how much we appreciate it.

JOHN L. PROCOPE
Administrator

Reporters' Report To The People

Tidbits

By SHIRLEY KYLE

It's high time legal action was taken to prevent police officers from holding a person incommunicado until they make up their minds to allow the suspect to make outside contacts.

The **sameman law states that every person is entitled the right to get in touch with his attorney or any one else IMMEDIATELY after he is taken into custody.**

Baltimore police, in most cases, ignore this law obviously because they know they have nothing to lose by holding a person several hours and grilling him before permitting him to make any phone calls.

Too often a suspect, denied the right to contact anyone, gives a statement, during the time he is held, which is used against him in court.

The police could be made to respect this law if a statute were passed providing that all statements or other evidence taken from a person prior to his making contacts not be admitted into trial.

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SUCH ACTION was taken in the case of Mrs. Lillie Jackson and her seven policemen from marching into a person's home or searching a person if they do not have a warrant.

Any guy who served a day in service would have recognized one or more of those cops in the play as a former "buddy."

If all club women worked as hard as the women in Druid Hill, they would never have to worry about club finapces or any other problems.

The Ladies Organization of the Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church held their Fellowship party last week and one of the workers who made the affair a success was Mrs. Gloria De-Neal.

Thanks for check

Dear AFRO:

Thank you for the check for a newstip. I am a first time winner and it was a thrill indeed.

I have been a weekly reader of both editions of the AFRO for more than 30 years. May you enjoy many happy years in your city, with my favorite paper.

(Mrs.) THERESA J. TATE

Noteworthy

By HERBERT MANGRUM

Meek people as a rule are hard to anger but when they do get their dander up watch out.

This thought was brought to mind when a man whom I believe fits the description found himself on a No. 15 trolley with a drunk.

At Greene St. and Edmondson Ave., the little guy tried to arouse his "companion" but had no luck.

A short while later he was in a fighting mood when the motorman ambled up and drawled: "maybe he'll get off at Fulton."

The little fellow was so mad he wanted to fight. Instead he got off and took the operator's trolley number which happen to be 2062.

THREE TV personalities are causing Baltimoreans to lose plenty of sleep. First TV viewers had to contend with Dave Garroway and his "Today" program, then along came Steve Allen with his "Tonight."

Now, the Rev. Joshua Williams of Shiloh A.M.E. Methodist Church comes on late Sunday with the "Pastor Study."

SPEAKING OF TV, the U. S. Steel Hour's "No Time for Sergeants" was a sleeper last week. No one expected the play to be good but, it turned out to be the best comedy seen in ages.

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Sightseeing

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

During a routine ride in a police car on Tuesday, ace plainclothesman Leroy Moody of the Northwestern District noticed smoke coming from a wire under the dashboard.

Moody yanked the wire out before detection, but not before he burned his hand slightly. On Wednesday the nemesis of crime was back on duty.

A bar at the corner of Druid Hill Ave. and Orchard St., advertised in a local newspaper for a bartender. Applicants had he must be white. A conversation with Sylvian Silver, who was looking for work as bar owner, elicited the information that Mr. Silver does not believe in discrimination—he just wanted a white bartender in order to please his trade.

He went on to explain that on the shifts at his tavern, a colored bartender works with a white bartender and he needed a white bartender to make things even. Understand?

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THERE IS a shoe shine parlor in the 1400 block Pennsylvania Ave., that has been the subject of much discussion during the past few months. The place has an almost magic attraction for teen-agers who crowd its doors from morn to night.

Dressed in their sloppy bobby sox and knee-length sweater coats, they gather in the somewhat dusty confines of the place to listen to the juke box and change news and use language that would make the late Gen. George (Blood and Guts) Patton, a master of the four letter cuss word, take off his hat to past masters of the art of the dirty word.

Congratulations to Mrs. Marguerite Carroll and her class at the Cherry Hill Junior High School, who turned in a commendable job on a Friday television program. Mrs. Carroll was not only attractive, she also acted with the authority of an outstanding teacher.

Only criticism of the program is a minor one in the nature of a suggestion to Harry R. Parker, principal, that he polish up on his technique so that he won't appear to be reading everything he says.

IF YOU ASK ME

By B. M. Phillips

The Rhetta case and the law . . .

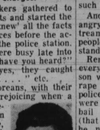
Baltimore is a big city with many small-town attitudes. One of them is the tendency to rejoice when powerful people are accused of law violations.

The "I told you sos" have had a field day since Tuesday evening when a patrol wagon backed up to the Druid Hill Ave. office of Dr. Barnett M. Rhetta Sr. and hauled him and his son to the police station to face abortion charges.

Curiosity seekers gathered to watch the arrests and started the rumors—they "knew" all the facts and circumstances before the accused reached the police station.

Telephones were busy late into the night . . . "have you heard" . . . "it figures" . . . "they've caught them in the act" . . . etc.

Some Baltimoreans, with their reputation for rejoicing when a good and respected citizen gets in trouble, came through with flying colors. They had another one to talk about and talk they did.



Mrs. Phillips

And, as usual, they have already convicted the Drs. Rhetta even though not one word of testimony has been given in the case, and the young woman who allegedly made the charges to police has not been produced in court.

They have lost sight of the age-old tenet—a man is innocent until proved guilty.

But these Baltimoreans with their small - town attitudes might do well to look closely at the circumstances of the Rhetta arrests instead of secretly gloating about their predicament.

If they do, they'll get righteously indignant at the illegal and discriminatory manner in which our policemen effect such arrests. For example:

What good reason can the arresting officers give for invading the Rhetta office at the height of his visiting hours and subjecting patients in the waiting room to questioning?

Why could not the investigation and arrests have been made when there were not 15 sick persons waiting to be treated?

Why should Dr. Rhetta's upstairs living quarters have been subject to search by policemen and Mrs. Rhetta's peace and comfort upset?

Why was he compelled to open his office safe and safes over to policemen the $10,000 cash he had withdrawn from his bank earlier in the day to complete a business transaction?

Why was he taken into custody at 7:45 p.m. and not allowed to call his lawyers until 1:10 a.m. when common law decrees an accused may summon such help and advice immediately?

Why was he not allowed to post bail and secure his release from the police station rather than spend the night in a cell?

Here is a man 71 years old who has served his community for 46 years who is treated like a common criminal.

I am ashamed for the town I call home when its police use such high-handed tactics.

And I am more ashamed and angry when I realize this type of treament is reserved for colored people no matter what their standing in the community.

Remember—it doesn't apply to everybody. When the 14-year-son was arrested last year on a rape charge he was held in the police chief's office, his attorneys were summoned and he posted bail and was released pronto (that means immediately) and he never went behind bars.

Soon, if you're tempted to settle back and join in one of those discussions, you can find anywhere this week on the question of the Rhettas' guilt or innocence, don't. Let the courts decide that.

Get yourself righteously indignant about the circumstances of their arrest and vow you'll join the NAACP and provide the cash to file a real test case which will put an end to discriminatory arrests like this.

And write your Governor — your votes returned him to office for a second term—and tell him that you hope this coming May he will appoint a police commissioner who will see that there is only one type of arrest procedure used in Baltimore for white people like the mayor's son, and another for colored people like Dr. Rhetta.

P.S.—I have known Dr. Rhetta for 25 of my adult years. He has built a reputation in the community he has served for 46 years because he is a general practitioner who is on call 24 hours.

There are people in our city today who will attest to the fact that he will come to them no matter what time of day or night. There are a paltry few of our physicians who can say they do likewise.

Professional jealousy being what it is in our medical circles —it might likewise be apropos to point out that a $1,500 physicians and the public were asked to subscribe cash for Provident Hospital.

Today, four years later, at least $12,000 is still due from physicians and Provident staff members who use the hospital.

But Dr. Rhetta, who is not a member of the hospital staff, paid his $1,000 pledge back in full three years ago.

And you know what—before the ink was dry on their contract, for sale signs were dotting the neighborhood. Ho hum!

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Alphaman Tom Hawkins Note: Unless there is some sweetness and light furnished by national officers, Alpha Phi Alpha's August, 1956 shindig will not be staged in Buffalo.

Among the difficulties—too few members in the Buffalo area to entertain the convention without outside help; and disagreements between local groups which national officers sought to smooth over last week.

Fraternal Chairman Leeland Jones of Buffalo accompanied by two of his colleagues, woke up in Harlem Hospital when a taxi in which he was riding collided with a truck.

The truck driver, fleeing from police in a stolen vehicle, ran through a red light.

Jones, who was dismissed from Harlem Hospital, found himself in a daze on the street and was taken to his lodging in the Park Sheraton Hotel and left overnight.

Precise, petite Mrs. Rosa Bright, driving to school Monday morning, was the cynosure of all road tar a moment.

Reason she knew her car had come to a rest on the sidewalk in the 2400 block of Maryland Ave.

Peculiar thing about it — one front and one rear wheel were squarely on the curb and the tree Mrs. Bright's car struck severed in the front bumper and engine hood exactly at the point where the car emblem is located.

Mrs. Bright suffered minor injuries, a sprained ankle and a bump on the head.

The Rev. Joshua O. Williams, of Sharp St. Memorial Methodist Church, is appearing as guest minister on "Pastor Hour's Study" program over television station WMAR during the month of March.

The program which is seen each Sunday at 11:30 p.m. each Sunday, is sponsored by the Maryland-Delaware Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Dr. Williams has been answering questions and giving advice to troubled members of all faiths who reach him by telephone in the pastor's study. His last appearance in the current series will be this Sunday evening, March 27.

Baltimoreans attended the spring meeting of the Eastern Golf Association, held at Fairview Golf Club in Philly.

Among those present were financial secretary; Jerome Gaskins who is treasurer; Mrs. Minnie Davis, chaplain. Baltimore delegates were: Miss Jonnie Goldston and Mrs. Azaleo Portee, Mrs. Baltimoreans, members of the Pitch and Putt Club were also about, including, Mrs. Alma Arvin, Mrs. Morphelia Winston, Mrs. Nettie Brown, former member of the group's board of directors; Mrs. Camilla Tucker, Mrs. Marie Murphy.

Members of the Monumental Golf Club who attended: Mrs. Margaret Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Carey and Mr. and Mrs. Reece Reddick, all of Aberdeen; Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Gaskins and Walter Stewart.

This and that of many things . . .

Callaman Realty Co. of 1520 E. Monument St., opens a plush branch office at 3036 E. North Ave. This week. They'll handle real estate, property management, all forms of insurance, home improvements, bail bonds etc.

Associated with this office will be Dr. Bernice Allen and Attorney-at-law firm, A. U. Forte, who will be director of personnel; Claude Patterson, Charles H. Lynch Jr. and Samuel Blackwell.

After 20 years at 1806 Druid Hill Ave., Herbert M. Frisbys (Annie R.) move into their new home at 3403 Bateman Ave. Saturday. He's head of the science department at Douglass High.

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Among the difficulties—too few

Thoughts of the week . . .

The author of the following wise words is unknown:

Believe not each accusing tongue,
As most weak persons do;
But still believe that story wrong
Which ought not to be true.

Also unknown are the authors of these gems:

Digging wells is about the only business where you don't have to begin at the bottom.

No rewards are offered for finding fault.

Everybody makes mistakes; that's why they put erasers on pencils.

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Greaseless, odorless cream penetrates deep—speeds up flow of fresh, rich blood into sore areas—actually helps drive away pain-causing congestion and pressure.

New York, N. Y. (Special)—Science has now developed a greaseless, odorless cream that acts in a new way to bring a new kind of relief from pains without the pills, rheumatism, and muscular aches and pains. This new cream relieves these pains without the need of taking pills and other internal medicines that may only upset the system.

Gently rubbed into painful areas, this cream penetrates so deep and completely that it usually vanishes. Quickly a comforting feeling of warmth develops and the whole painful area is on a pleasing glow. This is striking evidence of the power of this cream to penetrate quickly and stimulate the circulation of the blood. This glow illustrates how it speeds up the flow of fresh, rich blood into the sore areas and actually helps drive away the pain-causing congestion and pressure.

146 British and French doctors are so satisfied with this new help for patients suffering from arthritis and rheumatism that they have prepared written reports of success based on hundreds of cases. Further, one of the leading arthritis and rheumatism clinics in the United States has now confirmed the findings of these doctors.

Now for the first time this remarkable cream can be obtained at a busy prescription at drug stores throughout America—under the name InfraRUB. A tube of InfraRUB is only 98¢ for a large tube. InfraRUB is backed by the amazing guarantee that if you are free from the pains of arthritis, rheumatism, lumbago, neuritis, neuralgia or muscle injuries or sprains will get hours and hours of comforting relief or their money will be refunded in full.

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assigned to the group that best meets his needs."

The association is made up of several departments for various age groups. Within these departments, especially the boys' division, there exists at least 15 different clubs which meets once or twice a week for meetings as well as gymnastic and swimming periods.

Snyder said any assumption that members entering the association under the new policy would be segregated, would be in error.

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THE ASSOCIATION'S camping program, which last year reached a new high in attendance, will also be open to all groups said Snyder.

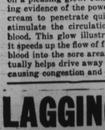
However, he pointed out that last season's program was the highest ever, noting that 400 different boys spent 974 camp weeks at Camp Minqua, during its seven-week program.

In recent years the camp season was extended form five to seven weeks to accommodate the increasing number of applications by boy members of the association.

THE GENERAL secretary said the existing clubs will continue as "normal and natural groups" in the future. At present the York "Y" has a total membership of 3,950.

Yesterday's board action followed a gradually increasing movement by the "Y.M." to permit colored persons the use of the swimming pool and bowling alleys.

Heretofore only the associa-



Cyrus Stevenson

tion's swimming pool was open to all groups during the annual free learn-to-swim campaigns for sixth grade boys in city and county schools.

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Education to continue operation of the school on a segraged basis.

Using the Department of Defense recommendations plus any additional ruling from the Supreme Court on the school issue as a guide post, Colonel Lindsey said he will call a meeting of county and Army repesentatives in May to work out concrete plans for the operation of the school in the fall.

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DURING THE summer months the decision reached at the May meeting will be put into action, Colonel Lindsey said.

The school in question is owned by the county but is located on the Ft. Meade military reservation by virtue of a 75-year lease of land with the Federal government.

Under a regulation from the Department of Defense, no school on a military reservation can be segregated. Despite this, however, the Anne Arundel Board of Education recently voted to continue segregation at the school.

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THIS DECISION created a situation that leaves the military forces with four possible solutions:

1. To request an extension of the status quo from the Defense Department.

2. To ask the department for an exception to the integration order.

3. To have the Army take over the school until the Supreme Court acts.

4. To sell the school outright to the Army.

Colonel Lindsey said that in forwarding information on the situation to his superiors he had made certain recommendations of his own, but he declined to say just what these recommendations were.

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colored.

Both the Washington Star and Washington Post and Times Herald reported early in February that the majority of the 19-member advisory committee appointed by the county school board to study the integration question had reached an agreement that racial segregation should be eliminated at the same time in all schools, with no period of gradual change.

The Washington newspapers said that the committee had prepared a tentative report recommending that children of both races be admitted to the schools nearest their homes and that final action on the report would be taken at the next committee meeting late in February.

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THE CHAIRMAN of the county study group is John R. Reeves, of Bethesda, former Maryland secretary of state. Asked to verify the Washington stories, Mr. Reeves said that he did not know how the reported committee stand had leaked out and explained that any further news reports should come from the county school board. to which the study group was going to make its report.

Mr. Reeves said he was going to try to wind up the committee's work in February if he could bring "the extremists on both sides" into agreement on what to recommend, and added that the school board should have the report the following day.

The following day (Feb. 19) the president of the county school board, William G. McGraw, said that no report had been received and that he had been told the study group had argued far into the previous night and finally had decided that any formal action must await another committee meeting.

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ON FEB. 19 the executive committee of the Montgomery County Council of PTAs met and other Associations urged the integration of all public schools in the county, effective next fall.

Four recommendations were made:

(1) that the county board of education announce "comprehensive, flexible, long-term plans" for the school system of Montgomery County."

(2) that the present policy of fixed school districts be continued, without regard to race, and that the present policy on transfers from one school to another be continued;

(3) that all qualified teaching, administrative and other school personnel be retained under an integrated system of hiring and assignment, and

(4) that a program of education for integration be established for school personnel, children and parents.

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THE EXECUTIVE committee presented its recommendations for the consideration of the full county council, after which they were to become a "basis for discussion in local units."

One local unit, however, had acted prior to the executive committee's recommendations. The Rockville Council of PTA's, representing a large segment of surburban Montgomery County, passed a resolution on Feb. 14 by a 74 to 14 vote calling for school integration.

Also in Rockville, a campaign to end racial discrimination in restaurants was announced by the Montgomery County Human Unity Committee, an interracial group that was successful last fall in persuading an outdoor theatre in Rockville to admit all patrons on a nonsegregated basis.

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THE MONTGOMERY County Farm Bureau, meanwhile, recorded itself in favor of a gradual 12 year program of desegregation in the schools, saying that wherever integration would have little effect on suburban sections, it would hit rural areas with full force, bringing with it unavoidable academic, social and health problems.

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PRINCE GEORGE'S County in Prince George's County, Md., likewise a booming suburb of Washington, the county school board has named a 21-member citizens committee to gather data on which the school board can base its plans for school integration.

In announcing formation of the study group, the school board emphasized that it was not delegating its responsibility for making the final decision as to how "segregation would be carried out."

This county has about 50,000 school children, 12 per cent of whom are colored.

OF TQ THE West of Maryland, he Frederick County school board has received a resolution urging it to appoint an advisory council of white and Negro citizens to help plan for school integration there.

The resolution came in February from the Frederick County Council of PTAs and said that a harmonious transition to integrated schools could best be accomplished after preliminary study, with full and frank discussion of the problems involved in such a transition.

The resolution, in effect, put the Frederick County PTAs on record as favoring integration, a position previously taken by their Congress of PTAs. At last report (1953) Frederick County had

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"all activities" in the association are open to members.

Oliver W. Littleton, 3111 Tyndale Ave., insurance executive: "This question has never been brought up before. There just has been no difficulty about it. We have not had a problem in the Baltimore YMCA. I know nothing about any special committee studying integration."

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The special seven-man committee had been appointed by the board to determine methods of achieving integration, reported to the full board March 8.)

C. Edwin Clarke Jr., 5504 St. Albans Way: "I have no comment to make."

Algernon A. Prestwidge Jr., 1518 N. Fulaski St., methods engineer: "According to the constitution, it appears that we have been violating it right along. The only solution I can see is to abide by the rules we have made or revoke them."

Louis P. Bolgiano, attorney at law, Court Square Building: "I think it is quite a few years too deep a question. To answer it, the board would have to get counsel and be advised."

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J. Cookman Boyd Jr., attorney and vice president of the board, Baltimore Life Building: "I am not in a position to answer your question. I have never considered the situation from that point of view. I would not undertake to give an answer without the full knowledge of the board."

L. Mercer Smith, 4 Upland Rd., executive, C and P Telephone Co.: "I do not think that I am the one to answer your question. I am not trying to duck it. I am just a member of the board and I do not think that I am in a position to speak for the YMCA. You should talk to Mr. Heartfield or Mr. MacGregor."

Douglas C. Turnbull Jr., 7 E. Highfield Rd., assistant to the president, B and O Railroad: "I am a baby member of the board. I've been on about a year. I attended one meeting where it was decided that a study should be made. Integration studies are being made in other cities. We have given attention to the subject.

"At our last meeting (March 8) the question of integration was brought up, but I had to leave before the meeting was over. You should talk to either Mr. Heartfield or Gordon MacGregor. I have no desire to duck your question, but I believe that there are men on the board with longer years of service, who are better qualified to answer