WEATHER
Friday, showers; Saturday, mostly cloudy and mild, some rain; Sunday, doubtful.
A 2-5 week end: SOMEWHAT SOGGY.

Baltimore Afro-American

Prayer For Today
"Oh Lord, our God, since we cannot always do what we like, grant that we may like what we must do."

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City YMCA Committee Studies Integration

3rd Girl Strangled

10 vs. 3; machine upsets split vote

- Primary turnout Tuesday equalled that of 1954

Total confusion resulting from split voting upset the Fourth District anti-Pollack forces in Tuesday's primary election.

The opposition ran 10 candidates against Jack Pollack's three winning nominees for the three seats in the City Council.

In the Pollack camp, Solomon Liss, Maxwell Alpert (incumbent) and Walter Dixon polled a total of 17,874 votes according to AFRO figures. This means that each candidate averaged approximately 5,958 votes.

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THE 10 ANTI-Pollack candidates polled a total of 16,995 votes, for an average of 5,150 votes.

These two averages indicate that had the opposition concentrated on only three candidates instead of 10, the election would have been much closer and not a rout.

The winning nominees polled the following: Liss, 6,451; Alpert, 6,266 and Dixon, 5,157.

The three top men in the opposition group were: Richard Rombro, 2,388; Lloyal Randolph, 2,275 and Morton Perry, 2,126. Each man fell about 3,000 votes short of his possible average due to the 10-way split.

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THE OTHERS polled:

J. Howard Payne, 1,672; Josiah Henry, 1,611; Sidney Rodman, 1,577; Morgan Amaimo, 1,389; David Hurwitz, 1,310; Ernest Perkins, 1,304 and Melvin Callaman, 1,243.

To show more specifically how the 10-way split killed the anti-Pollack forces, Ernest Perkins polled Tuesday only half the votes he received in the 1954 legislative primary.

A comparison of the two primaries also shows that approximately the same number of vot-

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YMCA

- Committee is studying segregation
- Immediate integration postponed

By JAMES WOOD

Segregation is wrong, but the time is not right to integrate memberships and open all facilities at the Central Branch YMCA, 24 W. Franklin St., and local branch associations, two Y executives said this week.

The executives, Marinus T. Easton, executive secretary of the Central Branch; and W. Gordon McGregory, chief executive of Baltimore YMCAs, were interviewed Wednesday by an AFRO reporter.

Both said that they are working for gradual integration in keeping with changing customs.

THEY SAID that a seven-man special study commission, appointed in the fall, is analyzing the best method to end segregation in Baltimore YMCAs and the Board of Directors is awaiting their report.

"The YMCA is working toward changing attitudes, rather than regulations," Mr. McGregory said.

Here is a condensation of the question and answer interview with Mr. Easton:

Q—What facilities at the Central Branch are open to colored?

A.—The coffee shop, some classes and banquet rooms.

Q.—What are the principles and ideals upon which the YMCA was founded?

A.—To enlist men and boys in a worldwide fellowship united by a common loyalty to Jesus Christ for the purpose of developing Christian personality and building a Christian society.

Q—How can you square Christian principles with what you are doing regarding segregation?

A.—We are not taking the lead, nor are we lagging, but we are moving ahead toward full integration in keeping with the climate of the community.

Following Mr. Easton's statement that the Central Branch was ending segregation in keeping with the customs and climate of the community, the reporter made this observation:

"There is nothing in the Christian creed which says that one is doing right whenever he respects tradition, is it?

"Jesus Christ did not follow tradition. Christianity is based on a defiance of tradition.

"The Federal Council of Churches has declared that segregation is a sin. The Supreme Court has declared that it does things to people psychologically and damages both white and colored persons.

"If you practice segregation it hurts you as much as it does me. It damages your mind."

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What the losers say about Primary

Here are statements of unsuccessful candidates for City Council in the Fourth and Fifth Districts about Tuesday's primary election:

J. Howard Payne, Dem., 4th: "I feel it is most unfortunate the boys didn't get together and throw their votes behind some qualified man, regardless of their personal feelings, rather than someone handpicked by a politician.

"I don't know **Mr. Dixon (Walter T. Dixon, Pollack candidate, who won nomination)**, and I am sure he is a very fine gentleman, but he has been here only 20 years.

"Defeated in Tuesday's primary were competent lawyers who have given a lifetime of service in this community — **Mr. Perkins** and **Mr. Henry**—and of course, I take my hat off to no one. But we ought to have a lawyer in the city council.

"Personally, I entered the race at the behest of some friends who heard me speak at a Red Cross luncheon. I almost know where my 1,655 votes came from. If **Mr. Perkins** can pin down where his 1,307 votes came from and **Mr. Henry** knows his 1,603 supporters, we know what to do—put all our voters together and form our own organization, and

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FORTE

- Misses jail but must pay $4,000 fine
- 10-yr. term suspended in 4 cases

Dr. Allan U. Forte's "good standing in the community" rescued him from a 10-year prison term, Wednesday in Criminal Court.

That was the length of time, plus a total fine of $4,000 and costs that Judge Herman M. Moser levied against the prominent 62-year-old physical therapist.

Dr. Forte of the 1500 block Biddle St., pleaded guilty on Feb. 4 to four charges of illegal operations and one charge of practicing medicine unlawfully.

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AT THE SAME time, his attractive receptionist, Mrs. Ernestine Thomas, 30, 2500 block W. Mosher St., pleaded guilty to one charge of performing an illegal operation.

Judge Moser held the cases under advisement pending a report from the probation department.

The report, presented Wednesday morning, indicated that Dr. Forte was highly thought of in the community and Judge Moser took this into consideration as he suspended the total term of 10 years in the penitentiary and the doctor was placed on probation for five years.

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MRS. THOMAS was given a

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LOUISE GREEN
Slain by Strangler

BASHFUL—Dr. Allan U. Forte avoids facing photographer after receiving 10-year suspended sentence in Criminal Coprt on four charges of illegal operations. He was also fined $4,000 plus court costs.

Former clerks jailed in theft

Admitted taking Provident funds

The two former Provident Hospital clerks who admitted taking nearly $7,000 from hospital funds were sentenced to prison terms, Thursday, in Criminal Court by Chief Judge Emory H. Niles. Both accepted the verdict quietly, made no show of emotion.

Mrs. Mildred Waters, 29, of the 2900 block Rosedale St., was sentenced to one year in the State Reformatory for Women for the embezzlement of $4,186.50. Mrs. Emogene Williams, 26, of the 1600 block Bruce Ct., was sentenced to nine months for embezzling $2,748.50.

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THE THEFTS to which the women pleaded guilty at their December trial were spread over a period of 14 months, and were discovered when an audit of the hospital records for Jan. 1, 1953 to March 31, 1954, showed a total deficit of $13,000. However, only the $7,000 loss could be traced to the two women.

Both women were employed as office cashiers, and according to testimony at their trial, they withheld payments and receipts from the day's total collections, but always credited the payments to the patient's account so there would be no complaint.

The women resigned their jobs at the hospital after discovery of the thefts and obtained other employment which lasted until their trial where they pleaded guilty and were ordered remaned to City Jail while the Probation Department conducted an investigation of their backgrounds.

On the basis of this information Judge Niles passed sentence on the women.

BURSAR GETS 20 YEARS

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Found guilty of embezzling $39,609 at A. and T. College, N. C. Webster, the school's bursar for 30 years, was sentenced to 20 years in prison Thursady.

BODY FOUND HERE—Arrow points to the spot where an unidentified person stumbled over the body of Louise Green, 16, early Wednesday morning. The position of the body and the lack of any signs of a struggle, led police to speculate that the girl had been slain at some other spot and then carried to the above site in the rear of the 100 block N. Schroeder St., only a few doors from her home which she left the night before to purchase a bottle of soda.

BTW pupil slain in S. Balto.

- 3rd slaying in area in five months
- Teen-ager well-liked by everybody

For the third time within five months, a strangler has claimed a victim in the Southwestern area of the city.

This time the victim was a pretty Booker T. Washington Junior High School senior, Louise Green, 16, whose ravished body was found crumpled in a courtyard, a short distance from her home in the 100 block Schroeder St., early on Wednesday morning.

As of late Thursday, police reported that little or no progress had been made in solving the murder and no suspects had been picked up for questioning.

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THE DEATH of Louise marked the third time in recent months that Southwestern District officers have been confronted with a murder in which the killer choked his victims to death.

The first such death was reported on Oct. 6 of last year, when police found the nude body of Mrs. Mary Saulter, 20, in her apartment in the 900 block W. Lexington St.

Carolyn Wasilewski, 14, a Southern High School pupil of Polish extraction, was the second strangulation victim. Her half-nude body was found on Nov. 8 under the Belvedere Ave. bridge. She had been criminally assaulted.

Police have questioned scores of persons in an attempt to solve the two crimes, but have been unsuccessful.

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THE THREE DEATHS, though separated in time, bear a striking resemblance to each other, lending some credence to the theory that a strangler might be on the prowl in Baltimore, with the Southwestern District marked off as his own special preserve.

In each of the three murders, the victim was a young woman who died when the moon was in its first quarter. Criminologists have determined that the murderous instinct in some persons is often aroused by the various phases through which the moon passes.

The bodies were all discovered several hours after death, with the Wasilewski girl being found on a Tuesday morning, and Mrs. Saulter and the Green girl being found on a Wednesday morning.

DISCOVERY OF THE latest strangulation victim was made at 7:30 a.m. on Wednesday, when

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Revised Broadway plan unsatisfactory

Groups will take protests to federal government

By JESSE H. WALKER

The Baltimore Redevelopment Commission may be going ahead with its revised plans for early summer construction of the controversial Broadway Redevelopment Area, but it faces growing opposition among colored groups which more than likely will spill over in protests before both the federal government and the Board of Estimates.

The latest development in the East Baltimore redevelopment issue came Wednesday when the City Planning Commission gave its approval to a revised plan for the project which is located near Johns Hopkins Hospital.

But the new plans have been blasted by Furman L. Templeton, director of the Baltimore Urban League.

They make me feel pretty mad," Mr. Templeton told the AFRO. "It's a very bad situation."

Because of the strong disatisfaction to the new plans, Mr. Templeton said he is calling an early meeting of all the groups who oppose the plans "to plan corrective action." A tentative date for the meeting is March 16.

The opposition to the plans stems from the fact that some 1,162 families were displaced from the area by the demolition of the slum clearance project, including 955 colored families.

The area in question is bounded by Monument St., Central ave., Broadway and Orleans St.

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THE NEW plans do not include provision for the construction of any homes for colored occupancy.

Instead they call for an apartment hotel and some garden-type apartments, to be constructed by a private developer and a dormitory to be constructed by Johns Hopkins Uni-

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Girl, 14, seeks 25G in damages

A suit totaling $30,000 was filed in Superior Court, Wednesday, on behalf of a 14-year-old girl who was injured in an automobile accident, last summer.

Named as defendants are Mrs. Arzalia A. Zachary, widow and executrix of the estate of Hubert Marion Zachary; and her son, Hubert McCoy Zachary, 17, of the 1600 block N. Payson St.

The suit charges that on July 19, while enroute to Petersburg, Va., in the car of Hubert Zachary, the girl, Juanita Johnson, 1500 block McKean Ave., sustained serious injuries when the car turned over.

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IT IS ALLEGED that at the time of the accident, young Zachary was behind the wheel. The

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Summons out for policeman

Boy charges 'gun flashing'

A show cause summons was issued on Tuesday for Officer Charles Brown of the Northwestern District, named by a witness as the policeman involved in an alleged "gun flashing" incident on Saturday afternoon.

The officer is scheduled to appear in Southwestern police court at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow (Saturday) before Magistrate Howard Aaron, for a hearing to determine whether a warrant should be issued.

Expected to testify at the hearing are Leonard Whiting, 12, of the 1300 block W. Lexington St., and several other persons who reportedly witnessed an off-duty officer point a gun at the Whiting boy when the child's ball struck his (the officer's) automobile.

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IMMEDIATELY after the incident, a complaint was made to the Southwestern District, and a check of the license number of the automobile used by the officer reportedly showed that the car was registered to Brown.

Armed with this information, the boy's mother appeared in Southwestern police court to request a warrant for the officer's arrest.

Appearing with Mrs. Whiting was Milton Allen, attorney, who

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U.S. grand jury

Mrs. Florence B. Boykin of 414 N. Gilmor St., is one of five women named to serve on the March term Federal grand jury organized this week, before Judge Roszel C. Thomsen.

Hubby jumps from bridge

Upset over an argument he had with his wife, Albert D. Travis, 28, of the 1100 block N. Monroe St., jumped off the Pulaski St. bridge, Tuesday.

He fell 35 feet below on the Erdman Ave. bridge and suffered only a bruised leg.

Patrolman Warren Lewis of the Eastern District said he later found Travis trying to throw himself into the path of a trailer truck around 2 a.m.

The officer went up on the bridge to unsnarl a traffic jam and was told by a motorist: "That guy's trying to kill himself."

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WITNESSES reported that when Officer Lewis grabbed the would-be suicide victim, Travis put up a violent struggle and yelled, "Let me go."

Later he told police that he had started driving around town after arguing with his wife and decided to take his life when he reached the bridge.

Travis was taken to City Hospitals, treated for his injury and held for observation.

News Summary of Vital Statistics

MARRIAGES

Nine Baltimore couples and three out-of-towners obtained marriage licenses here this week. They were:
WIGGINS-CHILDS — Theodore R., 42, 1104 Druid Hill Ave.; Edith, 34.
SHEPPARD - MASTERS — Roy A., 31, New York, N.Y.; Annie M., 38.
HEZEKIAH-EDWARDS — Deighton 47, Jamaica, N.Y.; Lynes, 39.
WORTHEY-ROBERTS — J. D., 26, 1200 16th St., NE, D.C.; Laura, 23.
YOUNG-GRAVES — Frank, 38, 506 New Pittsburgh Ave., Dundalk, Md.; Ruth, 28.
JOHNSON - SMITH — Charles, 54, 518 Aisquith St.; Alice 50.
WATERS-SMITH — Oscar F. Jr., 23, 938 N. Bentalou St.; Elaine, 24.
HAWKINS-SIMMS — Carrington T., 2408 Madison Ave.; Frances, 33.
BROOKS-SAVOY — Raymond S., 36, 445 Putman St.; Bertha, 25.
RODEN - CARTER — Lee Jr., 22, 1632 Ashland Ave., Sonia, 20.
PLATER-RUSH — James, 19, 322 E. 21st St.; Mary, 17.

DIVORCES FILED

Lena M. Bevan vs. Thomas W. Bevan; Gertrude Ellis vs. Christopher Ellis; Evelyn Elliott vs. Robert Elliott; Ruth Johnson vs. Rudolph Johnson; Ralph Davis vs. Helen Davis;
Alverda Kelley vs. Robert Kelley; Vincent Brown vs. June Brown; Ann Jones vs. Charles Jones; Mary King vs. Melvin King; Evelyn McKnight vs. John McKnight.
Ella Stewart vs. Charles H. Stewart, Mary J. Bichell vs. John J. Bichell; Wilhelmina A. Welday vs. Hervert Welday; Gilda Smith vs. Paul Smith, Benny Butts vs. Dorothy M. Butts; George Paradise vs. Pauline Paradise; Elvira Peterson vs. Edward Peterson; Thelma Freeman vs. Clarence Freeman;
James Wilkins vs. Rosa May Wilkins; Belva Hiner vs Marlin Hiner; Marguerite Payne vs. Lester Payne; Kenneth F. Banks vs. Cecelia Banks; Hilda J. Groome vs. William F. Groome; Katherine Brewis vs. William Brewis.

CRIMINAL COURT

Violation of Narcotic Law—Melvin W. Hedgecock, guilty second count, two years in penitentiary from Jan. 23; Edgar H. Stokel (3 cases) pleaded guilty second count, two years in penitentiary from Jan. 23 in each case, to run concurrently; Harold R. Milburn (2 cases), not guilty.
Gambling — Joseph Norris, guilty, fined $25 and costs; Archie Perkins, guilty, 30 days in jail and fined $150 and costs.
Larceny — Joseph Stewart Jr., guilty, six months in jail sentence suspended upon payment of costs.
Violation of Narcotic Law — Everett Mears, pleaded guilty, sub curia.
Violation of Liquor Law — Preston Childers, guilty fourth count, sentence suspended; Mary Childers, pleaded guilty, fined $100 and costs; Eugene Harvin, not guilty.
Lottery—Eva Cole, pleaded guilty fifth count, fined $100 and costs.

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$25 a week for news TIPS

The person who first called the AFRO about the slaying of a 14-year-old girl is $5 richer this week.

Phone Your News Tip
Call City Desk
MU. 5-6015

What Causes Crownsville Riots?

By JAMES WILLIAMS

What's behind the riots at the Crownsville State Hospital?

The answer to that question is composed of a number of complex factors that have combined to create a situation that in the space of two years has produced three major riots which had to be quelled by police.

First and perhaps foremost of these factors is the overcrowded conditions at Crownsville where the 2,445 patients represented 30 per cent more inmates than the hospital is equipped to handle.

OTHER FACTORS involved include the lack of sufficient personnel, the low per capita appropriations for the hospital, and the lack of close ties with the Baltimore community.

Taken together these factors have created a potentially dangerous situation which reaches a critical point in the hospital's "C" Building, an ancient structure where 300 criminally insane patients are kept under maximum security.

It is this "C" Building which has been the focal points of the past riots, and it is this ouilding which has been criticized by investigating agencies and experts who predicted additional riots would take place unless the overcrowding was reduced.

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THE OVERCROWDING at Crownsville is not a situation that has suddenly sprung into being. It has existed for some time but has assumed increasingly serious proportions in the light of an overall increase of an estimated 85 per cent in the number of mental patients in the last five years.

At Crownsville's "C" Building the increase has meant that 300 patients have had to be confined in a building that can safely take about half that number.

Because of the very nature of their mental illness, these criminally insane patients have to be watched constantly, but the hospital does not have enough personnel to do the job adequately.

On the night of the riot, Feb. 24, there were five attendants on duty to take care of the 300 men, and once the riot started these unarmed attendants could do nothing but call for outside help.

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THE LOW PER capita appropriation has also played a part in the Crownsville Story, since without money, needed improvements and expansion have not been possible. These appropriations, which have generally been lower than those for the white mental hospitals, have played an

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