PTA against plan for truck terminal

The Douglass High School PTA held its general monthly meeting on Thursday, with the meeting being opened with a prayer by the Rev. Ward D. Yerby.

This was followed by a delightful operatic presentation of "The Telephone," under the direction of Mrs. Marion T. Smith, featuring Veronica Tyler and Daniel Comegys of the student body.

Following introductory statements by the president, the Rev. Joshua O. Williams, the association was broken down into the following five workshops.

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1. PRESERVATION OF Grounds and Exterior of School

Leader—Dr. Samuel Myers, Department of Economics, Morgan State College.

Recorder—Miss Essie Hughes, coordinator of Douglass High School.

Consultant — Ralph W. Reckling, principal of Douglass High School.

2. School Interior and Needs

Leader—Mrs. E. H. Steele, former president of Douglass High School PTA.

Recorder — Mrs. Alcia Williams, teacher, English Department of Douglass High School.

Consultant — Mrs. Inez D. Key, head of Home Economics Department of Douglass High School.

3. Curricula and Personnel Needs.

Leader—Mrs. Catherine Dawson, parent and alumnus of Douglass

Recorder — Mrs. Fannie W. Howard, chairman of guidance department of Douglass.

Consultant—James R. Hite, vice principal of Douglass.

4. Student Extra-Class Behavior.

Leader—Eugene Stanley, Department of Education, Morgan State College.

Recorder—Mrs. Mary West Jones, teacher of English, Douglass High School.

Consultants — Mrs. Edna O. Gray, vice principal of Douglass High School, Mrs. Evelyn F. Roller, teacher, Mathematics Department of Douglass; Levin West, Cecilia Lofton, Walter Shervington, Student Council Representatives.

5. Reactivating Alumni

Leader—Dr. Robert Hill, president Douglass Alumni Association.

Recorder—Miss Elizabeth Anthony, librarian of Douglass.

Consultants—Miss Nellie Buchanan, teacher, Foreign Language Department of Douglass; Future Alumni — Douglass students.

Among the recommendations presented was one that action be taken to protest to the Mayor and City Council against Ordinance No. 120 and its provisions to commercialize certain areas adjacent to the school campus in establishing a "trucking terminal" there.

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HEALTH COMMITTEE—In an effort to raise funds for a dental program at the Turner Elementary School, this committee met recently to coordinate their plans. The group includes left to right, Mesdames Bertha James, Rosa Adams, Viola Crockett, Riddick, Elean Spriggs, Emma Graves, Pearl Robinson, Loretha Venable and Agnes Williams, school nurse. Mrs. Frances B. Bruce is principal at Turner.

Find woman dead

The body of Mrs. Carrie Hewitt was found by neighbors at 418 Aisquith St. this morning (Friday) in her second-floor rear apartment. She apparently died during the night.

She had been ill for some time, neighbors said, and lived alone. A stepson is believed to be in the army overseas and other relatives are believed to live in Chicago.

Virus attack hits 2 schools

100 absentees at Schools 112, 132

Two Baltimore elementary schools have been hit hard by the mysterious virus attack that has caused between 25 and 33 per cent absenteeism in nearby Virginia schools in Montgomery and Arlington Counties.

One hundred and eighty-nine pupils and five teachers were out of classes due to virus or colds at the William M. Alexander Elementary Schools, Laurens and Calhoun Sts., on Jan. 13 according to Mrs. Viola Jackson, principal.

Mrs. Rosalie McGuire, principal of Coppin Demonstration School, Mount and Riggs, reported that approximately 100 pupils out of a 970 enrollment are currently out of school due to "common colds." She said that the primary grades are hit the hardest.

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POLYTECHNICAL Institute officials reported a slight increase of absentees on Thursday, but Claude A. Burkett, vice principal said that he expects attendence to return to normal by Monday.

Meanwhile, a check with Dr. Huntington Williams of the City Health Department showed that no unusual cases of virus attacks had been reported to his office during the present cold spell.

However, he listed eight steps that may be used to aid in the safe guard and prevention of the "common cold." They are:

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(1.) **AVOID CLOSE** contact with others who have colds.

(2). Avoid continuous fatigue.

(3). Get plenty of sleep and rest.

(4). Guard against overheated or chilly rooms. Proper room temperature is between 68 and 72 degrees. (5). Dress according to the weather. Wear rubbers if it is snowing or raining and always wear an overcoat when it is cold.

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(6). **ALWAYS WASH** your hands with warm water and soap before eating. Avoid use of common hand towels.

(7). Eat a well balanced diet and avoid sharing use of eating utinsels or drinking cups with others.

(8). Disease tonsils or obstructions to the nose and throat should be given prompt medical attention. These conditions increase the risk of catching colds.

Normal attendance was reported by officials at Douglass and Southern High Schools, Harvey Johnson Jr. High and Junior High No. 181 in the spot survey.

Move launched to build health center in Turner

A public meeting, at which a community committee to build a health center in Turner Station will be set up, has been called for at 8 p.m., Monday in the Community, Center of Ernest Lyons Homes.

Prime movers in the action to get this much-needed facility is the health committee of the Women's Federation of Turner Station, Mrs. Carrie Saunders, president, and Mrs. Emily P. Hardy, public health nurse.

They have the strong backing of three of the medics of the community, Drs. Eugene Byrd (dentist), Harold J. Nichols and William C. Wade (physicians). Also that of leading businessmen Messrs. Abbott, Darden, Avon Collins and N. Shapiro, Sollers Homes proprietor.

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DR. BYRD has even gone so far, as president of the Progressive Club which owns the Community Center, as to promise the health center a site adjacent to the Community Center, when the cost (approximately $3,000) has been raised.)

The health center now being operated in the Sollers Homes administration building, through the sufferance of Mr. Shapiro. The county furnishes the personnel and the medical resources, but the building must be furnished by the community.

The center now is comprised of only two rooms, neither large enough to accommodate a half dozen persons. In the event of an epidemic, many lives might be lost because of the lack of facilities for examination and treatment.

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A HEALTH CENTER'S functions, according to Mrs. Hardy, are to supply:

1. Preventive medicine;
2. Medical resources;
3. Co-operation with family doctors;
4. Monthly chest X-ray clinics;
5. Mental hygiene clinics (for which now patients must travel to Dundalk);
6. Cancer clinics (for which patients now must travel to Essex);
7. Hearing clinics (which now are being conducted in far off Towson);
8. School health services, eye and dental clinics and yearly pre-school-age children's check ups and advice to parents.

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THE LACK of a health center, thus it can be seen, places the community, in which there are so many children, in a very precarious position.

The Women's Federation has been trying to spark-plug a movement to get a health center built since 1953. So far, its officers report, they have received very little community co-operation.

They are therefore inviting all women in the community, all of its service persons like ministers, Scout and Cub workers, businessmen, etc. to be present at the Monday night meeting to form the over-all committee that can implement the securing a health center in the area.

Mrs. Margaret Russell is secretary of the federation group, while Mrs. Roberta Turnipseed is its treasurer.

Mate too free with 'charms'

Wife charges he played all night

An ever-loving husband, who just couldn't refrain from dispensing charm, was free this week to pursue his favorite pastime.

He is Jonale Hawkins, who was divorced by Mrs. Mary E. Hawkins of 615 N. Carey St. "He just never felt his courting days were over," Mrs. Hawkins told an examiner.

"He went right on staying out nights and courting as if he were not married. When I spoke to him about it, he left, and has not returned," she said.

Mrs. Hawkins, said that her husband added injury to insult by striking her because she objected to his courting.

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OSCILLA JONES of 1710 Madison Ave. obtained a divorce from Mrs. Minnie Jones, who, he testified, is housekeeping with a man known as "Sunny" at a Harford Ave. address.

Mr. Jones told the court that his wife has admitted her status with "Sunny," and that he has visited them at the latter's home.

The Joneses are parents of a child which the husband agreed to have live with the mother.

He said that he doesn't think Mrs. Jones is a proper mother, but that he has no facilities, at present, for taking care of the child.

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MRS. DOROTHY PARSON of 2007 Longwood St., won a divorce from Alvin Parson, custody of two of their three children, and $14 per week support for the latter, on a cross-bill.

Mr. Parson, a postal worker, had sought a divorce from his wife. In a cross-bill, she charged him with desertion, testifying that he abandoned her six months prior to the birth of their last child.

A divorce and custody of two children also went to Mrs. Virginia Watkins of Brooklyn, N.Y. from Arthur Watkins of this city.

Hospital names trustee head

Provident elects Howard H. Murphy

Howard H. Murphy, business manager of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers, was elected president of Provident Hospital's Board of Trustees at a meeting on Tuesday.

Mr. Murphy succeeds Edward N. Wilson, Morgan State College registrar, who was commended by the board for his service as president.

Re-elected to office were:

Cortlandt L. Brown, vice president; Otho Pinkett, secretary, and J. Arnett Frisby, treasurer.

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THE BOARD DELAYED the making of appointments to the medical staff until a meeting on Feb. 15.

While no official reason for the delay was given, it has been learned that board members believed the appointments should be delayed to give staff members additional time to complete payment on their pledges made in the 1951 fund raising drive.

Earlier this year it was revealed that staff physicians owed $9,909 of the $17,000 still uncollected. The money was pledged to pay contractors for capital improvements at the hospital.

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IN OTHER actions the board received a survey commission report containing several recommendations for the hospital. They also commended members of the committee for the work they performed in the survey.

The Board also voted that a letter be sent to Senator Harry Cole asking that he postpone introducing any measures in the State Senate dealing with Provident Hospital until a later date.

Lawson conducts

Dean Warner Lawson of Howard University received an ovation at Constitution Hall Wednesday night when he conducted the National Symphony in a concert highlighted by a stirring rendition of Carl Orff's "Carmina Burana."

Over 3,000 music-lovers heard the concert which featured the Howard University Choir and Addie Addison, soprano, Leslie Chabay, tenor, and Lawrence Winters, baritone.

New policy in effect on service discharge papers

The Defense Department has announced a new policy with respect to providing a certificate for lost discharges.

A directive has been issued which provides that on and after Feb. 1, veterans must pay a fee of $1.50 for certificates for lost discharges plus an hourly fee of $2.00 for each hour spent in searching the records.

Charges will also be made for additional information and documentations including a fee of 50 cents to validate a document with seal, or 25 cents without seal.

Applications for Duplicate discharges are available at the Maryland Veterans Commission, 8 South St. Baltimore; County Service Building, Cumberland; City Hall Hagerstown; Winchester Hall, Frederick, 4700 Nowwood Dr. Chevy Chase; Arcade Theatre Bldg. Crisfield, Gunby Bldg. Salisburyp Court House, Elkton; Court House, Leonardtown; High Street Cambridge; and 26 W. Dover Street, Easton.

Dr. R. M. Goff going to Iran

Morgan professor education aid

Dr. Regina M. Goff, professor of education and chairman of the division of the social sciences at Morgan State College, has been appointed Consultant to the Ministry of Education of Iran by the Foreign Operations Administration.

The St. Louis, Missouri-born educator will begin the assignment on February 1, undergoing orientation in Washington, D.C. At the conclusion of this period, she will proceed to Tehran, Iran.

Granted a leave of absence by the college to accept the assignment which is expected to endure for a period of from 18 months to two years, Dr. Goff will serve in Iran in the role of a general educator.

She will work with the Ostan Chiefs of Education in the development of the Middle Eastern Country's teacher-education program.

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A MEMBER of the Morgan faculty since 1950, Dr. Goff holds the A.B. degree from Northwestern University, the M.A. degree, a Professional Diploma in Supervision and the Ph.D. degree from Columbia University.

Two times a Rockefeller Foundation Fellow, the educator is a specialist in child development.

Prior to coming to Morgan, she served as chairman of the division of education at Stowe Teachers College, St. Louis, Mo., head of the child development department at Florida A. and M. College (now University) and as State Supervisor, Elementary Schools, Florida Department of Education.

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HER PROFESSIONAL affiliations include membership in the American Psychological Association, the International Council of Women Psychologists, the American Anthropological Association, the New York Academy of Sciences, the Society for the study of Education and the American Association for the Advancement of Education.

She is also a member of Pi Lambda Theta, an honorary professional association of women in education, Beta Kappa Chi, a national scientific honorary society, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Dr. Goff has written extensively in the area of child development and education. Her articles on the cultural factors in the personality development of colored children have appeared in many educational journals and scholarly publications.

She has served as consultant on seminars and clinics dealing with this area of study at a variety of colleges and universities including the Clinic of Child Psychiatry at the Johns Hopkins University Hospital.

Her community service activities include the psychological testing of children for the Catholic Charities Association.

Sniper fires at Mrs. West

An unknown sniper fired two shots into the home of Dr. and Mrs. Fred R. West on Wednesday night, as Mrs. West stood at a second floor bedroom window.

Police were summoned to the house at 2309 Windsor Ave. where they found that one bullet was buried in the wall of the bedroom, while the other had struck a lamp. A search of the area was made but no trace of the sniper was found.

The Wednesday shooting marked the third time in recent days that an unknown person or persons has fired at residents in the area. Mrs. West escaped injury, but in the other two cases, the victims were injured by shotgun pellets.

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AN INVESTIGATION into the shootings is being conducted by police, and a close watch is being kept on the general area to prevent further shootings.

Mrs. West told police she heard the sound of an automobile outside her home at 11:25 p.m. and looked out of the window in time to see a black car drive away.

"I was at the window because it was around the time when my husband (Dr. Fred West, druggist) comes home from work. I saw the car and it looked like someone was in the front seat.

"Then he turned on the lights moved away. He came back again and turned, blew his horn twice and then drove off and came back again. He fired two shots and I stooped down on the floor and crawled to the telephone where I called police," Mrs. West said.

Mrs. West said that she was unable to offer any clue as to the identity of the man who fired the shot, and the incident was a "frightening experience."

Dr. West is a pharmacist, Mrs. West is a housewife.

Cold day, needs coat, result, dishonest man

As a rule, Willis Nance of the 900 block Mason St., is known to his friends as an honest man, but cold weather made him break a promise last week.

Always of the opinion that he would never take anything that was not his, Nance admitted to himself that he would just have to find himself an overcoat last Tuesday.

He did but it happened to be in the automobile of J. D. Graham of the 1000 block McDonough St. As a result, Nance is now serving 30 days.

That's what Magistrate Samuel Gaboff gave him Saturday at the end of a hearing in Northeastern District Police Court.

Highway litter target of statewide campaign

Maryland motorists will get something 'extra' when they receive the heavy brown envelope containing their 1955 license tag in March.

The 'extra' will be a pamphlet bearing an unattractive black and white striped insect which has become the emblem of the detested 'litter bug.'

The 'litter bug' is the motorist or automobile passenger who rides up and down the highways destroying their natural beauty by strewing paper, beer bottles, empty containers and other trash along the roadside.

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THE PAMPHLET is all part of the educational campaign which is being mapped by the Keep Maryland Beautiful Committee, named last year by Governor McKeldin.

Mrs. M. Francis Mackay, AFRO Clean Block Director, a recognized authority on cleaning up, was chosen a member of the statewide committee last September.

The committee, meeting Monday night at the Roland Ave., residence of Mrs. J. Cookman Boyd, decided to begin teaching Marylanders that littering up the state's highways is not only costly to taxpayers, but is destructive to the value of property.

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THE COMMITTEE learned that Maryland has been chosen by the National "Keep America Beautiful" Committee as its pilot by the national "Keep America area.

This means that the Maryland drive to keep the highways and parkways clean and beautiful will be cited as an example for similar states.

In addition to placing the pamphlet let in the license envelopes, the committee discussed plans for making available litter bags in which motorists can deposit their trash for disposal upon reaching home.

The bags are already being distributed in Washington and suburban areas. The hope is that many thousands of them will be ready for Maryland motorists before the peak summer season arrives.

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New car for $250? can't get those no more—Lane

"A 1954 automobile for $250?? Why you just can't get those no more."

That was what Magistrate E. Everett Lane thought Sunday about the story of a 29-year-old man who bought a "hot" car.

Courtroom spectators were of the opinion that Frank Brown of the 900 block Harlem Ave., and James Brown of the 1000 block W. Lanvale St., "could have thought up a better story than that."

Brown and Brown were charged with larceny of a 1954 Ford belonging to Mrs. Nellie Butler Hill of the 1300 block Brunt St.

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MRS. HILL reported her car stolen from a lot near her home last Nov. 30. The next time she saw it the fenders and top had been repainted.

At Northwestern, officers from the traffic division said they stopped the two Browns who incidentally are not related, when James Brown was speeding.

Upon questioning they discovered that the driver had no registration slip but claimed that he had bought the car for $250 from a man known as Willie Harris.

James Brown testified: "I knew the car had been stolen and I paid for it so I could return it to its owner."

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WHEN MAGISTRATE Lane stated, "I imagine you intended to be a good Samaritan," Brown retaliated with the comment: "A who?"

In addition to the new paint job the car had 4,000 extra miles and carried tags that were taken from another car abandoned over three months ago.

Bail for each man was set at $2,500. James Brown however still had another problem.

Before his arrest, his wife, Marie, had taken out a warrant for non support. An additional $500 was immediately tacked on to his bail. He'll have to raise $3,000 to get out of jail before his trial.

Eastside Community elects 10 board members

Ten new members were elected to the 37-member executive board of the Eastside Community Committee Inc., last Thursday.

Among those elected were: Mrs. Catherine Bradford, Mrs. Mary Dorsey, Mrs. Simon Harris, Mrs. Elva Huff, and Miss Frances Hill.

Also, Mrs. Aserlee McGlocklin, Mrs. Mary Moseley, Ralph Ross, Miss Mary Watkins, and Mrs. Cora White. All were nominated for a two year term.

Organized as an agency for community betterment, the Eastside Community Committee is located at 1118 E. Monument St.

It is headed by Gardie Williams, president; Aaron Donaldson, vice-president; Mrs. Martha E. Underwood, recording secretary; Walter S. Lewis, juvenile protective officer; Mrs. Esther M. Harris, secretary; and William S. Taylor coordinator.

Randolph gets club's support

The Citizens Democratic Club held its first meeting of 1955 at the York Hotel, Blue Room Monday night and voted unanimously to work for the election of Lloyal Randolph to the City Council in the Fourth District.

Those present were:

Henry Parks, acting chairman Walter Brown, acting secretary; John S. Miller, Howard A. Cornish, Milton Dorsey, Alonzo Myers, James Rigby, A. L. Nelson, Wm. A. Mackey, Creston L. Wongust, Charles A. Jones, John H. Lee.

Also Askew Gatewood, Howard Mason, William L. Adams, Charles E. Dorsey, Walter C. Brown, R. V. Haysbert, Henry G. Parks, Joseph Neal, Raymond E. Chambers, Otto Blanchard and Arlington C. Phillips.

The Publicity Committee includes: Creston Wongust, Milton Dorsey.

The club's Planning Committee is composed of Capt. Dorsey Joseph Rigby Charles A. Jones, William L. Adams, Walter C. Brown, Charles E. Dorsey, Alonzo Myers, A. L. Nelson and Charles Neal.

MAU MAU FLEEING

NAIROBI, Kenya (NNPA) — Thousands of so-called Mau Mau Africans, seeking to drive whites from Kenya, were on the run as "Operation Hammer," the offensive against them, continued in the Aberdare Forest, an army spokesman said here Thursday.

Defies by-laws

MOUNT VERNON, N.Y. — (CNS) — Defying the "white only" rule of the national parent organization, the Mount Vernon Exchange Club admitted the Rev. Clinton L. Wilcox, who is pastor of the Greater Central Zion AME Church. Immediately the club was suspended by the national organization.

The Mount Vernon club stated it was willing to lose its charter if it had to for taking in a colored member. In fact, it stated it would reorganize as an independent club.

CULINARY ART AWARD—Students of General Vocational High School No. 452 were recent winners of the 86th annual Salon of Culinary Art award. Showing the plaque are Mrs. Gwendolyn Lewis, instructor, Child Care; Reuben Jones, principal, and Mrs. Catherine Adams, instructor in foods and tea room service.

DIMES CAN HELP—Freddie Dowd, seven-year-old Fort Meade youngster who has been a polio victim for two years at Kernan Hospital, is shown with the institution's head of physical therapy, William Neill, as they prepare for the WAAM television March of Dimes show, "The Power of a Dime."

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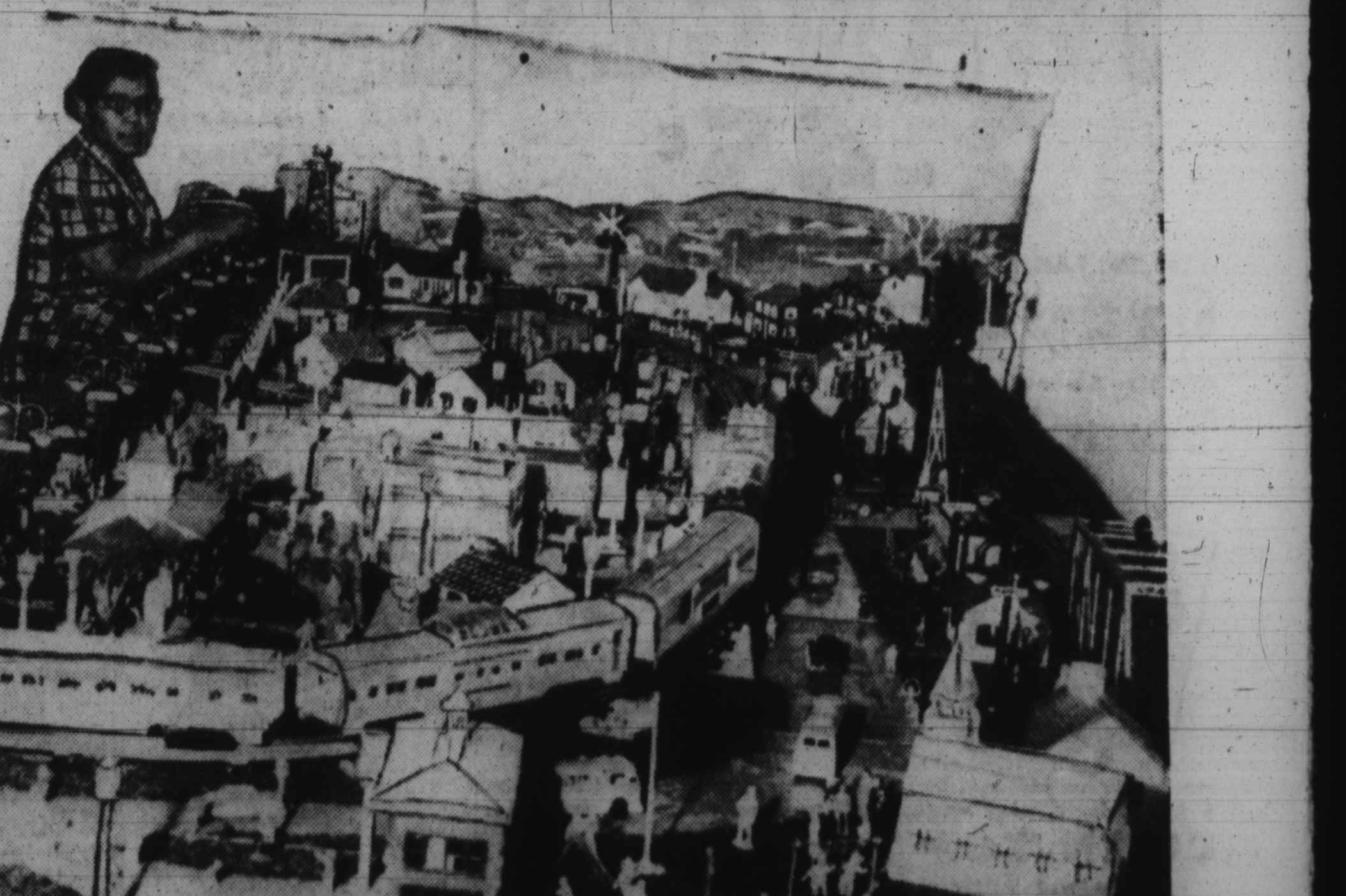
OUT FOR A STROLL — Louise Powell, left, 2024 E. Biddle St., and Hazel Nill, 2137 E. Chase St., selected a cold day for visiting friends. Pupils at Dunbar High School, they stopped in the 1000 block Caldwell St., to talk with still more friends while en route. Both said: "We are fond of cold weather."

DISCUSSING THE FUTURE—For the benefit of nearly 2,700 parolees, conferences with James M. Hepburn, director, Department of Parole at 506 Park Ave., are common place with Parole Officers William Harris (left) and Robert Johnson. Other officers in the department are William G. Contee, Hansel Henry and Stewart Douglass. Mr. Hepburn is also chairman of the Parole Board.

LOVES DRIVER — A 19-year-old youth who police said was carting a stolen stove in back of this wagon was arrested at Winchester and Whatcoat Sts. Officer Russell Keeney had to take the reins and bring in Ole Bess.



EXPENSIVE FUN—Even Casey Jones, the celebrated engineer of song and legend, could be proud of the model railroad which Mrs. Louis Dade has assembled in the basement of her home at 2206 E. Lanvale St. Valued at almost $1,000, the railway is on an 18-foot table. Mrs. Dade started her collection 20 years ago. It takes two weeks to assemble the unit.