Baltimore Afro-American

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—Frederick Douglass

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Good will is the mightiest practical force in the world.

CHARLES FLETCHER DOLE

People will go along

Two mighty effective forces calmed the noisy meeting of 500 Southern Maryland parents at Lothian last Wednesday.

The meeting was widely heralded as a rallying point for starting up public opinion against the abolition of separate schools.

One of the forces was the attorney general's office as represented by Giles Parker, who told his astounded listeners that they need make no mistake about it; segregation was on its way out.

He made it clear that it's now merely a question of how and when the Supreme Court decrees it shall be done.

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WE THINK Mr. Parker is to be commended for his frank and unequivocal statement.

What makes his position all the more noteworthy is that heretofore the attorney general's statements have been wavering and deliberately confusing on this subject.

The other strong calming force was Mr. Bruce Bowman, who is vice-president of the third district, Maryland Parent-Teacher Association.

Mr. Bowman neatly snatched the rug from beneath the Southern Maryland insurgents by politely and firmly letting them know their opposition to desegregation could not have the blessing of the PTA, either state or national.

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BOTH OF these groups, he said, were already on record in support of the Supreme Court's momentous May 17 decision.

The Lothian incident tends to support what we have contended all along. When responsible officials take a definite and firm stand for the right, a majority of the people will unhesitatingly go along.

Overlea bingo season begins

The annual Overlea Bingo season opened Wednesday night at 6805 Belair Road. Games will begin each night at 7:30 o'clock.

A printed announcement which reached our office states that a prospective player can purchase eight cards for $2. Any additional cards sell for 25 cents each.

Winner of Game No. 1 a round robin affair, if he has with 40 numbers or less can collect $500. If 41 or more numbers are needed, the payoff is only $50.

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THE LUCKY player who hits on Game No. 7, called the Letter X game, can collect as much as $1,000 for his initial $2 investment.

The Letter L Game—23 numbers or less—will payoff $500 as will Game No. 20, the full card of 52 numbers or less.

Fifty-three numbers pays $250, while your take is sliced to $200 for 54 numbers. Corners pay off correspondingly.

In addition to the regular plays, after the party a free game with a $1,000 payoff will be staged.

As a further inducement to bingo enthusiasts, a $225 ladies' diamond watch is to be awarded to the lucky door prize winner.

THE AFFAIR is all for 'sweet charity,' being sponsored by the 11th District Public Health Association, Inc.

But what puzzles us is why Commissioner Weber assigns so many of his overworked policemen tracking down and helping impoverished numbers players, while well-heeled bingo bugs are allowed to roam unmolested.

What's the difference between betting $2 on a bingo card and hazarding it on a three-digit number?

Gambling is gambling whether staged for charity or for private gain. Or is it?

Barrett School charges fizzle

A committee of the Board of Managers for the Barrett School for Girls investigating reports of widespread dissention among employees, found such charges exaggerated.

It discovered that the new administration has made considerable progress and advised all concerned that the first consideration is harmony sufficient to insure a satisfactory program.

Whenever a state institution gets a new administrator, there are likely to be some employees who will "view with alarm" the new regime.

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THE BARRETT School committee, through written questionnaires distributed to school employees, found 28 who agreed to cooperate with the new superintendent.

Seven others set certain conditions as a price of cooperation, and one said he was unwilling to cooperate under any circumstances.

These figures are interesting when we remember that no one is forced to work at any state institution. It is purely voluntary.

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CONDITIONS of employment are set up by the superintendent with the advice of the board.

Once this is done, the individual can not determine whether he will cooperate or not.

His choice is to comply or resign.

The seven employees who set a price on their cooperation and the one employee who indicated an unwillingness to cooperate would be happier somewhere else.

Barrett's board expressed confidence in the program of the new superintendent and she should have on her staff only those employees who want to see the program carried out in the manner set forth by her.

Father Casserly

Baltimore has been fortunate in having pastors who believe the kingdom of Heaven is within them.

They have shown that Christianity is at its best not only when it is preached but when it is practiced. They have taken an interest in the people of the community where they serve.

Such a person is the Rt. Rev. Edward V. Casserly, who left Baltimore last week after 18 years service as superior general of the Josephite Fathers and more recently as pastor of St. Peter Claver Church.

AS A member of the Urban League board, Father Casserly was a vocal advocate of equal rights for all citizens.

He was among those who urged the City Council to pass a fair employment practice legislation. He spoke at public gatherings for better housing for his colored neighbors.

He was among the first persons to appear before the Fire Board and urged the appointment of colored firemen. When there was talk that integrated fire units would not work, it was Father Casserly, who gave assurance that they would.

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WE'RE GLAD he remained in Baltimore long enough to see his prediction come true. As of today, there are 70 firemen serving in 13 units throughout the city.

Baltimore has suffered a loss in Father Casserly's transfer to Washington where he will become rector of St. Joseph Seminary. He goes to his new post with the best wishes of his community.

We hope that his successor, the Very Rev. Thomas F. O'Connor, can fill his shoes.

Little Things

By JESSE H. WALKER

SEGUEL — Last week we reported the NAACP was investigating the firing of three electronic workers at Glenn L. Martin on what one of the men called "flimsy reason."

The complaint also claimed his union did not intercede in his case and our report of this brought the cry of "unfair" from the union.

Well, this week we can report the NAACP's investigation is at an end, the men were fired for reasons other than "flimsy," and the union did intercede in the complainant's case.

TO GO FURTHER, the union which has 9,000 members of which approximately 1,800 are colored, reports the following:

One of the fired employees was upgraded to his job at the instigation of Local 738 UAW, CIO.

His discharge, however, followed a series of reprimands for gross absenteeism, loafing, leaving his work without permission and other complaints.

One man had eight reprimands, four complaints for absenteeism and a suspension in his record.

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IN THE case of the worker who complained to the NAACP, however, his grievance was argued twice before the Labor Department, denied, appealed and once again the union representatives were unable to convince the company to return him to his job.

Union representatives said they reviewed the man's case and finally decided it did not merit arbitration. They so notified the complainant but never heard from him again.

Still the fellow could have appealed to the local's executive board, the membership, its rank and file, its executive committee, its regional director or by letter to the offices of the International Union.

He did none of these. He went to the NAACP, an organization already overworked with legitimate complaints.

INCIDENTALLY, colored skilled workers at Glenn L. Martin plant have made huge strides in recent years through the activity of the local to which they belong.

There was a time when colored employees at the plant had special badges, numbers and cards. This is no more and today simply because a man's number is in the 800's does not mean he's colored. It did in the past.

Active in the local are Frank Hutchens, recording secretary and Randolph Dent, fair practice chairman and a shop steward.

John DiFebo is president and Ernest Crofoot, international representative.

Since on at least one other occasion we've heard complaints of disgruntled employees who slandered the local after their discharges we're happy to put note here to a bunch of guys who are quietly, but effectively, changing things and making it possible for everyone to earn a decent living, regardless of race.

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HELPING HAND — While on a labor swing we might mention the case here of the millinery factory owner who this week was trying to get one of his women employees out of City Jail.

Seems the young woman, only employed by the manufacturer for three weeks, got into a little trouble Saturday night and was found guilty of disorderly conduct. She was given a $50 fine or 20 days in jail sentence and not having the 50 bucks went to jail, leaving behind three school-aged boys at home.

Her employer, however, had been impressed with her manner in the short time she had worked for him. And when he heard of her predicament he wanted to pay her fine and get her out of jail.

His only worry was who could manage him that she would show up for work and pay him back the money he advanced for her freedom.

He took the chance and we're hoping the young mother lives up to her employer's faith in her.

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CONCLUSION — Comment heard from woman slighting from No. 15 BTC trolley Tuesday morning which needs no further comments:

"TOMORROW morning I'm going right out and buy myself a car."

Traub's right

Sidney R. Traub, chairman of the State Board of Motion Picture Censors, has deleted a line from the film, "On the Waterfront" in which a character tells a priest to go to hell.

Mr. Traub says it's indecent and we agree.

It's bad enough for one racketeer to tell another to go to Satan's domain, but when the message is given to a priest that's going too far.

There ought to be some decent respect for men of the cloth.

Sob Sister

By RUTH JENKINS

News item: The Massachusetts State Legislature is thinking up something else to be "banned in Boston."

A bill under consideration there would levy a $1,000 fine on firms which use women for radio or TV advertising of liquor and cigarettes.

Great balls of fire, grandma! Was your breath always kissing sweet?

Speak Your Piece

Probation cases

Dear AFRO:

The story of B. M. Phillips of a recipient of support from the Probation Department in a non-support case which appeared in the AFRO Sept. 11 was a most timely bit of much needed enlightenment.

It supplied the general public with the most flagrant shortcoming of the Probation Department.

That dilly dallying about "find your husband and we will bring him" as a requirement for the wife for the stipulated support leads to adult delinquency and to juvenile delinquency.

When the offender is brought in the first time that is the time to tie the strings to him in a fitting manner so that he cannot slip through a slack noose which allows him to throw aside the orders of the court and open the way for him to disregard the purpose of the existence of the Probation Department, thus causing much suffering and degradation all along the line.

The set up, as it now stands, needs a general airing with the purpose of helping to cut down vice and thus reducing the heavy case loads and expenditures carried by the Department of Public Welfare.

MAUD B. SMART

Wants traffic light

Dear AFRO:

I read in a recent issue of the AFRO of the concern of the residents of my vicinity over the lack of a traffic light at North Ave. and Bentalou St.

I wrote a letter on September 10, 1953, to Mr. Barnes requesting a light and received a form letter from his office on Sept. 16, 1953, acknowledging my request.

The petition of which the AFRO article spoke was moving around in this area sometime in mid-summer. I was one of the signers.

You can believe me when I say it is really very, very difficult to cross North Avenue up in this vicinity. I speak from experience, not hearsay, as I must cross it every week - day morning to get to my job as a kindergarten teacher.

Every morning during most of the past school year I walked from my home at 1912 Ruxton Ave. through Walbrook Ave. and down to Smallwood to get across North Ave. where there is a light. This is a distance of three blocks. I live only one-half block above North Ave.

Every morning this school year, except one, I walked this distance. This particular morning I experimented and crossed at Ruxton Ave.—just to see how awful it was.

I'm convinced more than ever how badly we need a light. The condition now has been aggravated by the addition of busses.

There are many school children in this area. In some of the schools there are part-time classes and some of the children have to be in school at an early hour—perhaps before the School Guards are on duty.

How they get across North Ave. without mishap is more than I can understand.

MILDRED G. NICHOLSON

Seek building

Dear AFRO:

The North East Protective Organization club is interested in the Princeton place which is at the boundaries of North, Lafayette and Guilford Ave. and Barclay St.

We understand this is city property. It has been circulated that it will be converted into a playground but we would like to see a building erected on this ground for inter-racial activities.

We need a building or two, now, to keep our young people from playing on the streets and street corners.

(Mrs. ASERLEE McGLOCKLIN, Chairman
(Mrs.) FLORENCE WHITE, Secretary

College dignity

Dear AFRO:

Your reproduction of Morgan's first faculty meeting shows some professors in shirt sleeves.

Assuming a college has dignity and that men wear coats in the presence of women, are professors forgetting their manners?

RAY CLARK

Hears of narcotics

Dear AFRO:

I see in the paper the police are always raiding the colored people's homes for narcotics but never do we read where they raid the homes of white people.

We are glad they do raid those homes and put those people in jail, for narcotics really ruin people's lives.

But that is not why I'm writing you. My cousin lives near the Pimlico race track and says there are many white people using and selling narcotics in their homes near the race track but the police do not want to see this.

If this is true these homes should be raided too, don't you think?

(Mrs.) JAMES JOHNSON

Work Bench

By Clarence Mitchell

WASHINGTON

Ignorance with a dollar to spend is bound to make a silly spectacle of itself. That is what I thought when I saw that full page ad in a Washington daily by calling for continued segregation in the fire department.

Apparently the sponsors of the ad try to picture the fire department as a nice, cozy little recreation hall where cocktails are served at six and only fraternity brothers associate with each other.

"Firemen don't just work together; they sleep, eat and live together as no other District Government Workers do." This is the opening line of the fine print in the ad.

UNDER THIS line of reasoning it may be presumed that members of the fire department have never taken an overnight ride on a train. If they had to sleep in the same Pullman car and eat in the same diner with the general public, I suppose they would be horrified.

What kind of fire department do we have in the District when the employees are more concerned about the "social life" in the fire station than they are about putting out fires?

Fire fighters, said the ad, live together as closely as any family at home. Does this mean that they sleep two in a bed and gather around the television after that life had to offer. I'm on sound trite but the only word that can sum up Adele is "wonderful."

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Hodge-Podge

By GEORGE H. BENNETT
(Guest Columnist)

We went last week to see "The Egyptian," thinking that Hollywood had perhaps enhanced the brisk and brilliant novel by Mika Waltari. No such luck.

Producer Zanuck and CinemaScope did everything in their power to spoil a masterpiece. Unfortunately, they succeeded only too well.

Our credence was taxed almost to the limit, but one thing we couldn't understand was whether the sultry (?) temptress, ineptly played by Bella Darvi, had contracted leprosy or a (ahem...) social disease. Whichever it was, we feel it was justified.

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THE ARGUMENT OF THE WEEK Miss Darvi, plus barrel - toned Gene Tierney (who waded through the picture and over her lines like some rough-shod Diana) seemed inconsolably emotional. Maybe high-school girls caught making mud-pies.

Victor Mature was his usual self-all teeth and tendons, but no talent. The Egyptian (Edmund Purdom) shows great promise, if Hollywood and movie-cides to revive its old family situation comedies (like Andy Hardy, Henry Aldrich, etc.) Edmund makes a nice Andy.

After his magnificent performance as Nero in "Quo Vadis," Peter Ustinov was disappointing as the beggar. One more such a role, and, for my money, he might well be, stay one.

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THE ONLY refreshing item in the picture was Jean Simmons. She started fresh and vibrant, but after every two hours of struggling to hold up such bulk as Mature and Co., Miss Simmons retired haggard and drooping with an arrow in her shoulder (which shouldn't kill even a child, unless it's loaded with poison).

Michael Wilding was also in the picture.

Hollywood would do well to stop blowing up its inadequacies. Its errors are blatant enough in regular portions. But when one is assailed by CinemaScope, Stereophonic sound, plus a screen the size of a football field, the untalented actor and his equally uninspired vehicle become merely a pip in a pipe.

Remember Eartha Kitt in "New Faces?" The lady's build and ability (if you think she has either) were dwarfed by the acres of screen about her sort of like a titmouse lost in Texas.

Sight Saving

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

The town is still shocked at the death of Mrs. Alice Gelder. The writer of this column remembers her as a gentle and friendly person who loved life and who deserved only the best that life had to offer. It is a sound trite but the only word that can sum up Adele is "wonderful."

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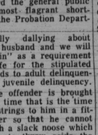
If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

Friendly Towson People . . .

There are so many cranky, impolite, hurried, impatient people in this town of ours, it is refreshing to run across people in public life who are relaxed, friendly, accessible, helpful and courteous.

Maybe the air out Towson way is more relaxing. Whatever it is, the people who make the wheels go round in the Towson Court House can give some lessons to their fellow Baltimore City residents.



Mrs. Phillips

You know what I mean—these as I go in and out of the courthouse I see many of them in our city—who put a chip on their shoulders when they look up to discover the person making the inquiry is colored.

Or, the clerk or secretary who has impatience in his face and voice when the poor brown face turns out to be the next in line and he barks "what can I do for YOU."

Not out Towson Courthouse way. Brother, they're different. From the errand boy or clerk at the information desk to the top judge himself, the attitude, mood, who is an associate judge of the Court of Appeals which is in the Towson Courthouse—they're different.

They have time for a polite "May I help you?" to a "Lovely day—what can we do for you?" or "Maybe I can advise you this . . ."

Boy, it's refreshing. Come to think of it—maybe I'll move to Baltimore County. Taxes are lower.

Among the Towsonites we met Friendly C. B. Holland. He is bailiff to Judge J. Howard Murray. Judge Murray is every inch a gentleman if I ever met one. He has a friendly voice, and he does not use one tone for the accused and another for the lawyer on the polished 3A, as some judges do. YOU know what I mean.

He talks in the same polite tones to everybody. And he is solicitous of the people before his bench.

When the mother accused of neglect of her children entered his courtroom and it was apparent that she was expecting soon, he said in a solicitous manner:

"How do you feel?"

When the mother suggested she was not up to scratch, he urged that she sit to testify and not exert herself.

When the accused,'s mother appeared and she was holding a small grandson, he said: "Suppose you come a little closer, mother. Sit here in the witness chair."

In the County Commissioner's office where we inquired of Mr. Hamill, his secretary said with a smile — "He's in conference now—why not finish your other business and come back . . ."

And in Towson Police Court where Hamilton R. Atkinson is the presiding jurist, they have that same friendly air too.

Go out Towson way and see for yourself.

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ONE SOUR NOTE, Towson Court House still has those ugly restroom signs which everyone ignores.

YOU know what I mean—there's one on the first floor which says "Men's Lavatory—White Only," there's another on the second floor which says "Colored Lavatory — men and women." There's still another on the second floor "Ladies' Rest Room—for White Only".

Only unlabeled restroom is opposite the State's Attorney's office. It says simply, "Men's Lavatory."

Come now, Towsonites, this doesn't fit in with your friendly airs. Your signs are out of tune.

Your signs mean your slip is showing!

Notes about people and things . . .

Now Baltimore has two well-known lawyers who share spell their first name Lillian—two I's not three as most Lillians spell their name.

The newest "two-L Lilian" is Miss Lillian Sharpley, the new head of the Baltimore YWCA. She's a dynamic person and there are great things in store for the YW under her administration. You'll be hearing more of and about her.

By the way, back in 1934, she got her start in YW work here in Baltimore where she served here as a business and professional office. She comes to Baltimore this time from New York.

The other "two-L" Lilian in our midst is Mrs. Lilian Lottier who is an active civic and church worker.

Republican lawyers dining at the Madison Ave. Y on Wednesday included: Linwood Koger, John Hargrove, Harry Cole, Everett Lane, W. Emerson Brown, Emory Cole, W. A. C. Hughes, what's cookin'?

Members of the Neighborhood Bible Class, headed by Mrs. Nellie G. Sampson, are singing the praises of Milton J. Cary, the architect and contractor. They say he is a good, good neighbor.

He has made many contributions to Sharp Street Methodist Church. His latest contribution—the "Altar of the Finest," an open-air worship place he has Beach in Anne Arundel County, constructed at Magothy Park.

An Ellamont St. resident who suffered a temporary loss of sanity was committed to the Crownsville State Hospital before he had had time to get home from work and discover the wreck she had made of the home.

Broken furniture was everywhere — windows broken — in fact, the place was in shambles.

But how come the police authorities commit a person without seeing the family first? Anybody's likely to lose his sanity in his family ought to be called first.

Send a note of cheer to the William Alston Family, 721 E. St., Sparrows Point. Their son Raymond, 15, died of leukemia last week.

The rare blood ailment had caused him to lose his left leg last January, and he had been bedridden for the past two months. His death makes two in the immediate family within the past 18 months.

Another son, Harvey Lee, succumbed to a heart ailment last year. Now there are only four Alston boys living.

Francis Wood Handicapped School No. 176 at Schroeder and Franklin Sts., is getting that long overdue facelifting.

The ugly grounds have been graded and sodded, and a wrought iron fence is being erected around the school lawn.

Eighty-two-year-old Mrs. Mamie P. Thomas took her first plane ride this week. She left on Thursday for a two-month visit with her brother Dr. W. W. Peebles in Omaha, Neb.

She'll be on hand when he celebrates his 82rd birthday on Nov. 1.

Making the trip with her is Miss Lizzie Chaney who flew as far as Chicago to visit her sister. Miss Chaney is 80 and it is her first plane ride too.

Both Mrs. Thomas and Miss Chaney are residents of the N. M. Carroll Home for the Aged. Mrs. Thomas is the widow of the Rev. R. W. S. Thomas who pastored Ames, Metropolitan and John Wesley Methodist Churches here. Remember?

Also a resident of the Carroll Home is a soft-spoken lady who is the most serene person I have ever met.

She answers to the name of Miss Marie Brighton and she hails from Frederick, Md. She has been a resident of the home 9 months.

She is the last of her immediate family and spent her life as a dressmaker in Frederick.

What does she think of the new home?

"I don't like the long waiting line but I like the flat shoulders," she said.

New Baltimore residents Mrs. Ida Delorese Townsend, who resides at 2315 Presstman St., with her postal clerk husband.

She formerly worked as PBX operator for a New York newspaper, is presently looking for a similar job here.

James Smith, 1813 McCulloh St., is helping to formulate plans for Box SHC Fire Association Club's parade which will open Fire Prevention Week on Oct. 3. The association is composted of volunteer firemen.

There's a science about foods and a food expert who recently visited here can tell you all about it. He is Dr. Moses W. Stuart, who attended an institute for food technologists here at the Stafford.

In July, Dr. Vaughn studied the use of catabole rays in sterilization of foods at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

While here for the Baltimore food institute, he visited with his cousin, Mrs. Robbie Stokes, 103 W. Saratoga St.

Pvt. Jerome F. Simms, son of Mr. and Mrs. William R. Simms, 1233 Harford Ave., is now a rifleman with the 504th at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

Methodist Bishop and Mrs. Edgar A. Love have visited Amsterdam, and Rome; move on later this week to Cairo and Bangkok.

Next week they will be in Singapore and Malaya; after that in Manila, Hongkong and Tokyo.

He's on a preaching mission in the Far East. They return home November 17.

The Lafayette Market Fire . . .

The Thursday ayem fire at Lafayette Market seemed like the same old story to stall owners and residents. As they gathered to watch firemen put out the blaze, they shook their heads. They couldn't believe it could happen again.

In the crowd which gathered was Charles Covington—the poultry man. He made the 12-mile trip from his Furnace Branch home in 13 minutes flat!

In the May 1953 fire, he lost everything and he knew if his new store was gone this time, he'd be ruined.

Gordon Minel, the meat man (beef and lamb), suffered over $20,000 loss in this latest fire. The ironic thing is that he was one of those who was reluctant about erecting a temporary stall.

He did so only after much persuasion. And he was a member of the market's disaster committee. That's pretty tough luck!

Volunteer Firemen Delmar Davis and Andy Hardy were on duty again this time. And Box 414 Firemen's Association dispensed hot coffee from a truck.

The fire broke out at 12:45 a.m., and the AFRO's city desk received the first news tip at 12:48 a.m. That's fast work!

Thought of the week

Drop a card to your Jewish neighbors and friends. September 28 and September 29 mark the Jewish New Year 5715.

The New Year is called Rosh Hashana.

There are services in all churches — Orthodox and Reformed. Happy New Year!

There's always hope, there's promise!

Noteworthy

By HERBERT MANGRUM

Ever heard of a shake dancer wiggling her way out of a steady job? That's what happened to a torrid torso twister in a downtown bistro a few days ago.

In a hearing at Central last Thursday police told a story that I dare not repeat here.

Hear tell her dance on the bar among the cocktail glasses received one for the books. Nothing like it had ever been seen on the block.

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DON'T THINK fans over the nation who watched that championship bout via TV were any too pleased. How would you feel if you paid three bucks for a look see and the screen went blank in the fourth and seventh rounds.

Of course they did see six good clear rounds. Can't please everyone though. The blackout originated in equipment at the scene of the fight.

What I wouldn't give to have seen that patrolman standing up on another's shoulders peeping into that Pennsylvania Ave., club before that pre-dawn raid.

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A FUNERAL home to rank with the best in the city is being set up by undertaker Robert Williams at Bond and Lanvale Sts.

The structure, with 20 rooms, once served as the taproom of an eastside bar.

The former owner, Mrs. Lucille Clark was the owners who wanted to turn over her Class "A" beer, wine and liquor permit to a neighborhood grocery man.

AA group plans public meeting

A public meeting of the Druid Hill chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held Oct. 1 from 8 to 10 p.m. at the Enoch Pratt Library, Pennsylvania and North Aves.

The meeting is being held to inform the public of the work being accomplished by AA in the treatment of alcoholics and to encourage persons needing such treatment to join the chapter.

Scheduled speakers for the meeting are Magistrate E. Everett Lane, the Rev. B. Irwin McGowan and two members of the Washington chapter of AA.

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ALL INTERESTED persons have been urged to attend this meeting by Dr. Furman Templeton, advisor of the Druid Hill group.

This unit of AA was organized five years ago and held its weekly membership meetings in the Druid Hill Ave. Health Center until last March when it moved to the Druid Hill YMCA.

The basic creed of AA treats alcoholism as an illness from which there is no cure except the complete avoidance of liquor. It has no rigid membership rules and the only requirements for admission is a sincere desire on the part of the applicant to refrain from drinking.

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AT THE HEART of the AA plan of rehabilitation is the weekly public meeting, where members relate their drinking history and encourage others to break away from the use of alcohol.

When a person joins AA he is urged first to recognize that he is an alcoholic and can never control his drinking. To him "one drink is too many and 1,000 are not enough."

The person is then urged to do something about his addiction and encouraged to talk about it, and to help others overcome similar problems.

In the five years the Druid Hill AA has been in operation, it has helped a number of persons, according to Dr. Temple and stands ready to help anyone who seeks assistance in defeating a drinking problem.

VACCINATE EVERYBODY INCLUDING DOGS

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad (NNPA) — Because of two new cases of yellow fever, the Executive Council has voted to vaccinate everybody, including monkeys at the zoo.

Bainbridge pupils bear school expense

Attorneys challenge school segregation on U.S. Naval Base

BAINBRIDGE, Md. — Denied admittance to the school operated on the U.S. Naval Base here, the children of colored Naval personnel are attending the Havre de Grace Consolidated School, with transportation at family expense.

They have employed NAACP attorneys who are complaining to court action if they are not admitted to the school on the base which is attended by children of white service personnel.

This school is operated by the Cecil County school system as an annex to the Perryville, Md. Elementary School which is overcrowded. But, being on the grounds of the military base, it is on Federal property.

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UNDER A DIRECTIVE issued last January 12 by Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, no new schools on military installations were to be opened on a segregated basis.

NAACP attorneys Tucker R. Dearing and William M. Toadvine contend that the Perryville Annex at the Bainbridge Center is a new school since it was not in operation last year.

They contend further that the Supreme Court decision of May 17 which declared segregated schools illegal, immediately outlawed segregation in all public schools.

Cecil county officials maintain that they are bound to continue segregation in the schools because of the ruling of Edward D. E. Rollins, Attorney-General of Maryland that the state law is effective until the Supreme Court hands down its final decision in the school cases.

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OF THE APPROXIMATELY 400 school-age children living on the Bainbridge base, only 13 are colored. Arrangements were made to send them to a colored school in Port Deposit, Md.

Those represented by the NAACP attorneys applied for admission to the Perryville Annex on September 13 and were refused.

Immediately letters were sent to the County Board of Education and to the superintendent of schools asking for a special school board meeting to discuss the situation, and to admit the colored pupils to the Bainbridge school building.

The superintendent of schools is Morris W. Rannells. Members of the board are Everett J. Connellee, president; Peyton Patterson and Mrs. Louise Cameron.

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THE NAACP LETTER stipulated that "If we do not have a reply within ten days from receipt of this letter, we will deem your failure to reply a refusal to act."

Mr. Dearing said Thursday that no reply had been received.

However, Mr. Connellee has been quoted as saying that the board will not call a special meeting, but that the board's lawyer, Mrs. Doris Scott will be instructed to answer the NAACP letter.

The answer will maintain that the school board must abide by the Attorney-General's ruling regarding all county schools.

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THE CHILDREN represented by the NAACP attorneys are: Lorraine Day, 8, and Jimmy Day, 6, children of Mrs. B. Day, Building 915-Apt. 16; Henry Brown Jr., 6, son of Mrs. Ollie Brown, Building 926-Apt. 4; Sandra Barber, 7, Building 918-Apt. 2; Alexander Hainsworth, 11, Building 916-Apt. 15, all of Bainbridge.

Jo Anne Bailey of 244 B. Lafley Ct.; and Betty D. Mitchell, 6, daughter of Mrs. W. L. Mitchell of 241 Laffey Circle, Apt. 2, Port Deposit, Md.

State will build armory at Coppin

$400,000 building to also be auditorium, gymnasium

A $400,000 combination auditorium, gymnasium and armory for Coppin State Teachers College was included in the $9,732,500 building program the State Planning Commission has recommended to the Department of Public Works.

All of the capital improvements are subject to review by the Governor and by the 1955 General Assembly.

The armory at Coppin State, to be used jointly by the State Military Department and supplemented by federal contributions, is expected to house Maryland's jim-crow national guard units unless segregated guard outfits will have been discarded by the time it is constructed.

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IN ADDITION to the auditorium - gymnasium - armory the list includes the following:

For Morgan State College, $291,500 for an addition to Soper Library.

Morgan also received recommendations for the following:

Equipping of Soper Library addition, $35,000.

Campus development (erosion control) $80,000.

Construction of footbridge over Cold Spring Lane, $54,000.

Construction of warehouse and shop, $61,000.

Construction of bedding base, $45,000.

Boiler appurtenances and relocation of utilities, $130,000.

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BOYS' VILLAGE will receive $410,000 for construction of three boys' cottages at $137,000 each, also $103,000 for the construction of an administration building and $45,000 to equip the new cottages.

At Crownsville State Hospital, $227,000 was earmarked for construction of a central kitchen and $59,000 to equip same.

For the Barrett School for Girls $18,000 was recommended for fire protection facilities.

For Henryton State Hospital, $20,000 was earmarked for fire protection and $50,000 for a rear entrance road.

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FOR THE MARYLAND School for the Blind, $370,000 for a residential nursery and kindergarten.

For the Maryland Penitentiary, $750,000 for construction of a new workship building for the House of Correction, $21,000 additional funds for cell block of 10 isolation cells, $18,000 for installation of radio system for inmates, and $100,000 for construction of a new wing on the Penitentiary.

Topping the list was $2,200,000 earmarked for a new library at the University of Maryland.

Among the requests denied by the Planning Commission were Morgan State College's bid for $1,220,000 for an auditorium and music building, two dormitories costing $700,000 and a commerce classroom building for $458,000.

IN TEXAS—A 3c Roy T. Crummedy, son of the Rev. and Mrs. John T. Crummedy, 316 N. Fulton Ave., is assigned to Amarillo Air Force Base, Texas, as a medium bomber student. His father pastors Sweet Hope Free Will Baptist Church.

Lockerman marks Constitution Day

The 6B class at the Joseph Lockerman School No. 100 recently presented a Constitution Day program. Teacher is Miss Lillie A. Ross. A nylon flag was presented to Clarence Roberts, principal, by Mrs. Clara Joyner, school guard, who represented Mrs. Viola Simms, PTA president.

Appearing on the program were:

Minnie Alfred, Margaret Brown, Betty Chase, Dorothy Crockett, Martha Day, Jean Evans, Genevieve George, Camilla Harper, Barbara Hill, Glenn Jones, Classie Little, Mary Price, Ella Randall, Angela Randall, Angela Richburg, Gwendolyn Brown, Catherine Potts, Marie Pinckney, Jessie Morrell, Phillip Alcorne, Arthur Carroll, William Ferguson, Leon Pettaway, James Phillips, Roger Hicks, William Jackson, John Reddish, Marvin Stepney, Christopher Johnson, Herbert Harvey Bolden, Brenda Henderson Johnson, John Matthews, and Delores Graves.

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