'Go forth as 1st-class citizens,' Powell tells Md. State grads

PRINCESS ANNE, Md. —"Go forth with a sense of destiny, of mission, of truth. Go forth thinking of yourselves as first class citizens of the world."

So 44 graduates of Maryland State College were admonished Wednesday by Rep. A. Clayton Powell Jr., speaking before 2,000 persons who jammed Kiah Gymnasium for the 70th annual commencement exercises.

"Stand up and speak the truth bravely in God's name," the New York legislator pleaded with his young hearers.

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"ON YOUR shoulders and in your hearts rests the destiny of our nation. Your fight is not just for your people, your fight must be to save the United States of America."

"Some people do not realize it but the world in which we were born is gone — is no more. No forces can bring it back.

"In your lifetime the future of the United States and the future of the world will have been decided. The meeting at Bandung stepped up the timetable of freedom.

"The United States is being judged by what happens to Miss Lucy, to Martin Luther King, to Mrs. Rosa Parks. You are the yardstick by which America is being measured.

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"GO FORTH and walk with Miss Lucy. Go forth and walk togethr children and don't you get weary. For truly a great day is coming."

Mr. Powell was introduced by President John T. Williams of the college as a man of destiny who is a maker of history."

The graduates were presented for degrees by Deans E. W. Waters, M. W. Vaughn, Grace S. Morton and C. O. Stoul.

Three graduating students were commissioned second lieutenants in the U.S. Air Force Reserve by Col. Joseph R. Ambrose, dean of the College of Military Science at the University of Maryland.

They were Benjamin R. Hawkins, Armond C. Proctor and Francis G. Proctor.

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AWARDED the bachelor of arts degree were: Waetina Maria Arnold with high honors; John Dashiell, Pearl Douglas, Jerome Ford, Ernestine Gary, Horace Grant, Benjamin Hawkins, Lola Houston, Donald Jones, Jerelean King, Jeanne Savage, Rosa Stevens and Clarence Thompson Jr.

Bachelor of science degrees were awarded:

Alvin Garfield Foster with high honors; Patricia Ann Young with high honors; Frank Earl Loper, with honors; Samuel Gray, Sylvester Hazel, John Mainor Third, Robert Mayes, Hilton Smith, Armand Trimiet James Wade.

Also Lewis Mason, Armond Proctor, Francis Proctor, Benjamin Turner, William Wright Third, Helen James, Bernice Long, Frances Spencer, Rosemary Washington, Bette Wolfe, Edward Gandy, Darrell Glover.

Also Betty Harmon, Alvin Harris, Agnes Ingram, Earl Johnson, William Norman, Martha Simms, Thomas Stanford, Genevieve Stephens and Murrel Watkins.

Music was furnished by the Maryland State Choir and band. Invocation was offered by the Rev. W. Tycer Nelson, college minister.

TWIN ENTRY—Karen and Sharon Alford are two of East Baltimore's entries in the Baltimore Branch NAACP's annual baby contest, "The Parade of Living Dolls," which will be held Sunday at Sharp St. Memorial Methodist Church. There will be prizes for all entrants, with a gold loving cup going to the first place winner.

Jury indicts 3 park police

The captain of the park police and two of his officers were indicted, Thursday, by the Grand Jury in connection with the "phony lineup" case.

The panel's action came a week after it had presented the trio on charges of malfeasance and assault.

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EXPECTED TO be arraigned in Criminal Court early next week, they include:

Capt. G. Gordon Gaeng and Sgt. Kenneth O'Connor, charged with malfeasance, criminal conspiracy and obstructing justice.

Officer George Savard, charged with assaulting M. Anna M. Nichols, 2001 Pulaski St.

The case grew out of an investigation by the state's attorney's office based on a complaint by Mrs. Nichols that a park policeman had abducted her and made indecent proposals to her last Aug. 28.

'I picked it up at the race track'

"I just saw it lying there and I picked it up. I was going to take it to the lost and found when the cops got me."

Standing in Northern Police Court on Thursday, George Turner, 17, of Chapel Oaks, gave this explanation of how police happened to find him with the wallet of Mrs. Muriel Lesear of Washington, shortly after the blonde had placed a $2 wager on a horse at Pimlico on Memorial Day.

Sgt. Francis Cremein said his attention was drawn to Turner and Richard Deal, 32, of Washington, when:

"They were going from line to line bumping into people. They went into a rest room, and when he followed them they started to run. After we caught them and took them to the office we frisked Turner who dropped the wallet."

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A FEW SECONDS after this took place, the officer said Mrs. Lazear showed up and reported that her wallet had disappeared from her purse where she had placed it after making a bet on the third race.

Turner, who looked several years older than 17, insisted that he had not lifted the wallet with its $20.95.

"All I did was find it," said Turner.

Said Magistrate Henry Rogers:

"Ninety days in City Jail."

Deal was dismissed when police said they found no evidence on him.

Shriners' new potentate here Sunday for joint Jubilee Day

Baltimore Shriners will play host to the Imperial Potentate, Booker T. Alexander, Detroit, who is to be special guest at their Ceremonial and Jubilee Day celebration on Sunday afternoon.

It will mark the first visit to Baltimore of the new imperial potentate since his election last summer to succeed Raymond T. Jackson.

The Joint Jubilee Day celebration will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Christ Methodist Church, Chase and Washington Sts.

It is being sponsored by Mecca Temple and Court of Washington, Magnus Temple of Alexandria, Va., Mocha Temple and Court of Richmond and Jerusalem Temple and Court of Baltimore.

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THE SHRINE Ceremonial will be held on Saturday. It will begin with a street parade which starts in front of the Mosque at 1505 Madison Ave. at 2:30 p.m. and concludes at 6 p.m. at the Temple, Mosher and McCulloh Sts.

Past Potentate Robert J. Hill and Past Potentate Robert M. Julius are in charge of the ceremonial and parade.

Ronald C. Reid is illustrious potentate of Jerusalem Temple. Frank W. Phillip is recorder.

Past Potentate Frederick T. Hicks is chairman of the Joint Jubilee Day celebration.

NOT A SCRATCH—Three-year-old Rosemary Little, 1511 Aisquith St., fell from a second story window at her home to the backyard and escaped uninjured on Monday. A clotheline in the yard broke her fall. She received the scratch on her nose when she fell downstairs earlier in the day. Rosemary is one of five children of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Little. Dad works at Bethlehem Steel. The family formerly resided in Chesterfield, S.C.

'There is no law against wearing feminine attire'

"Godfrey Stewart, that's a man's name."

"It is a man, your honor." Officer Andrew Streubeck was assuring Magistrate Howard L. Aaron in Southwestern Police Court, Thursday, that his eyes were not deceiving him.

Godfrey Stewart was a handsome young man, aged 22, who gave his address as the 1800 block of Thomas Ave.

His naturally black hair was sprayed red, and he was wearing it in an upsweep with curls toward the front.

He wore a black skirt and white lace blouse, nylon stockings and black pumps. Hanging loosely across his shoulders was a black and white plaid jacket. His finely chiseled face was enlivened with rouge and lipstick. He was charged with disorderly conduct.

ACCORDING TO Officer Streubeck, young Stewart was halting traffic in the Baltimore and Schroeder St. area and asking questions of the passers-by.

"I was trying to catch a cab," Mr. Stewart said.

"I live in women's clothes all the time because I'm more comfortable that way. When I walked down the streets people would meddle with me because of my feminine ways."

"What was the crime?" Magistrate Aaron asked the policeman. "There's nothing in the law against dressing 48/feminine attire."

Magistrate Aaron changed the charge to obstructing free passage of pedestrians and fined Mr. Stewart $25.

Provident has not yet named new administrator

Provident Hospital board of trustees has not yet named an administrator and any announcement to that effect is premature, according to Howard Murphy, chairman of the board.

The personnel committee at the board's meeting on Tuesday reported progress in its search for a new administrator to succeed John L. Procope who resigned in March. The board meets again on June 26.

Members of the personnel committee charged with selecting a new administrator are: M. Jenkins Cromwell, chairman; Arnett Frisby, Edgar Ewing, Dr. Alan M. Chesney and John D. Wright.

IT IS understood the committee is considering Mr. Perkins and a number of other applicants for the job.

Mr. Cromwell, chairman of the committee, told the AFRO on Thursday: "We are in the early stages of looking around for a new administrator."

Dr. Bernard Harris Sr., who introduced Mr. Perkins at the testimonial banquet for Mr. Procope on Sunday, said on Thursday: "I was ill-advised. Somebody handed me a slip of paper saying he was administrator."

STUDENT INJURED

Warren Lewis, Virginia Union University senior, was one of 17 persons injured Saturday night in a Greyhound bus accident near White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Lewis, who was going to his home in Charleston, W. Va., was only slightly hurt. He is scheduled to graduate with honors on June 4.

Joseph Green honored with Scouting award

"It gives us great pleasure to call you to the altar this morning to present to you, in the presence of your wife and family and your many friends, this Lamb Award, the highest award offered by the Lutheran Church to men serving in the Boy Scout program, and in the church."

With these words on Sunday at St. Philip's Lutheran Church, 512 N. Eden St., Joseph Green, head usher, church treasurer and scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop No. 251, was commended for over ten years of service to the church and Scouting.

Mr. Green was suggested for the honor by the local men's club of St. Philip's Church, the Brotherhood, and the final decision was made on the national level by the Brotherhood of the American Lutheran Church and the National Lutheran Committee on Scouting.

Mr. Green lives at 1200 Waldo Ct. He is married to Mrs. Kathleen Green and they are the parents of three children, Vivian,

5 to be arraigned in coed attack

The five Morgan freshmen, involved in the May 15 criminal attack (rape) on an 18-year-old coed, are scheduled to be arraigned before Criminal Court Judge Joseph Carter at 10 a.m. Monday.

The Grand Jury returned indictments against them Monday. They are:

WILLIAM MERRITT PRATT 20, 615 Front St., Palmyra, N.J. charged with rape and conspiring to commit rape.

STEPHEN S. THOMAS, 19, 237 S. Clinton St., E. Orange, rape and accessory before the fact.

STERLING M. PARKER, 19, 716 60th Ave. Fairmount Heights, Md., conspiring to commit rape and accessory before the fact.

KENNETH W. PARKER, 18, 133 Princess St., Dobbs, Md., conspiring to commit rape and accessory before the fact.

ALAN E. JONES, 19, 14 Weynah Ter., New Rochelle, N.Y., conspiring to commit rape and accessory before the fact.

'When I came home I had to wait for my dinner . . .'

"After working 10 hours a day for six days a week, I think I'm entitled to a night out when I don't have to go to work."

Mrs. Susie White was testifying in Northwestern District Police Court Thursday morning against her 37-year-old husband, Herbert O. White, 1500 block Ellamont St., accused of assaulting and choking her.

"Yesterday my wife was supposed to be home all day long and I had to wait for my dinner."

Mr. White testifying in his own defense. "When I came home, I had to wait for my dinner."

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MR. WHITE denied choking his wife. However, Officer Thomas Tracey related that when he arrived at the White home after receiving a call several men were restraining the defendant.

Magistrate Linwood Koger at first gave Mr. White a $50 suspended fine, but ruled out the suspension when Officer Tracey reiterated that the man was very abusive.

In her testimony, Mrs. White said on her day off she and a girlfriend went out and when she returned, home her husband started a fight.

Mrs. White was neatly attired in a light blouse and skirt. Her husband wore a brown sport coat. Both looked intently at the other as they testified.

Drowning story tips split prize

The almost unbelievable happened this week when four calls came in on the AFRO switchboard at the same time from news tipsters calling on drowning of a 16-year-old Turner Station boy.

As a result, the top $3 award was split among the callers with $2 going to the person who supplied the most exact information and $1-each to the other three.

A tipster who was on the scene when a two-year-old baby girl fell from a third-story window and miraculously escaped injury in the 1500 block of Aisquith St., was the winner of a $3 newstip prize.

A second $3 tip award went to a reader who called about a baby who was abandoned on a back porch in the 1600 block of E. North Ave.

Three $2 prizes went to readers who called in on stories of a man found dead in the 1500 block of McCulloh St., an accident involving three cars on North Point Road, and one involving a mule and an auto at Franklin and Harper Sts.

THE AFRO has $25 to give away each week for newstips. If you are on the scene when something newsworthy happens, call the AFRO city desk and say, "I've got a newstip."

Other $1 awards were made this week to persons who called in tips on a "measles" scare at School 181; a woman found dead in the 100 block of N. Pine St.; an accident at Broadway and Orleans St., a fire in the 1400 block of W. Mulberry St.;

Also a fire in the 2200 block of Barclay St., an accident at Mulberry and Myrtle Ave. and a fire in the 500 block of Orchard St.

Your newstips may be worth money. Just call and ask for the city desk and say, "I've got a news tip." Call MU 5-5015, or MU 5-1812 or MU 5-1813. If there is no answer, call LA. 3-2811.

Six claim Adams' reward

"What happened originally is that a couple of fellows were hunting out in that area and they saw his body lying under a tree. They walked away thinking there was somebody asleep.

"Two other fellows walked down in that area and discovered he was dead. They went to a service station, and the filling station attendant called the police. All claimed the reward."

LeRoy E. Taylor, a Turner Station bondsman, was explaining to the AFRO Tuesday, why a dispute is raging over the $1,000 reward posted last year for information leading to the whereabouts of John Irvin (Top) Adams.

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MR. ADAMS, whose murdered body was found in a wooden area last fall, had figured in Turner Station lottery operations.

"I thought rather than cause an argument, I would file it in court and let the court notify these people. I don't have anything else to do with it," Mr. Taylor said.

So far, six claims have been filed in Towson Circuit Court.

They are for: Arthur R. Miles, 2424 Banger St.; Charles Creager, 1428 Covington St.; Clarence Meadows, 1000 block of Right Rudder Court, who also filed for his two sons, James and Gerald and John H. Koch Jr., 2700 block Huron St.

Pedro Finley Groom, 33, now serving an 18 year sentence in the State Penitentiary, was convicted Tuesday night for the second-degree murder of Mr. Adams.

No bail allowed man accused of attacking child

"Upon the testimony of the little girl here and upon your signed statement (to police) I am going to hold you without bail."

Magistrate Linwood Koger, presiding in Northwestern District Police Court Tuesday morning, made this statement to Alfred G. Dyson, 47, 1100 block N. Fulton Ave., after ordering the man held for action by the grand jury.

Mr. Dyson was arrested for investigation of assaulting and attempting to rape an 8-year-old girl. The alleged rape attempt was said to have occurred Saturday at the Fulton Ave. address.

In court the victim identified Mr. Dyson as her attacker.

Police said Mr. Dyson signed a statement relative to the charge.

Two health clinics planned in county

Child health clinics will be held in Baltimore County at the following locations:

June 5, 1 p.m.—Towson Health Center, Washington and Susquehanna Ave., Towson.

June 7, 1 p.m.—Randallstown School grounds, Oldfield 3-4388.

Attendance at the clinics is by appointment only and on the recommendation of private physicians. For information telephone the appropriate center between 9 and 9:30 a.m. on weekdays.

'Police are expected to be courteous'

"I assure you that our personnel are expected to be courteous in their dealings with the public under all circumstances . . ."

This is the communication Police Commissioner James M. Hepbron sent to Mrs. Winifred Veney of New York this week in reply to a letter which appeared in the May 26 edition of the AFRO.

In her letter, Mrs. Veney complained that she had received discourteous treatment from desk sergeants, here, when she had sought to file a Missing Person's report on her husband.

Burning victim buried Monday

Funeral services were held Monday at St. Paul's Methodist Church for John Alberth (Turk) Makel, who was killed last week while working as a roofer.

Mr. Makel, who lived at 1007 Sarah Ann St., died when a spray gun exploded while he was at work last week. The Rev. C. S. Ball delivered the eulogy.

Banks of flowers surrounded the casket. Cards and other messages were read to the capacity audience.

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IN ADDITION to his wife, Mrs. Estella Makel, he was survived by four daughters, Dolores, 13; Sandra, 12, Barbara, 10, and Grace, 8; a son, John Jr., four months;

Also five sisters: Mmes. Ethel Smith, Beatrice Williams, Marie Tucker, Dorothy Smallwood and Miss Ann Makel, all of Baltimore.

'I never knew how thoughtful young people could be . . .'

BY ARTHUR RANDALL

"I never knew how thoughtful people — and especially young people—could be," Mrs. Juanita Cook, aunt of Marion "Skippy" Johnson, 563 New Pittsburgh Ave., told the AFRO Thursday.

"Skippy," with two of his Sollers Point High School friends, went swimming in Bear Creek, Monday, testing the icy waters in a pre-Memorial Day splurge.

After swimming across the creek twice, the trio essayed a third crossing. The other boys reached the shore, but were so stricken with terror when they saw "Skippy" go down, that they were unable to attempt to rescue him.

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"HE WENT down right about there," one of the boys told the AFRO, and collapsed as if in a state of shock when he made the statement. Police carried him to City Hospitals for treatment.

Mrs. Cook, who was lying on a lounge when interviewed, said she had shared the job of rearing the twins, "Skip and Hop," Marion and Melvin, since they were ninety days old. Marion would have been 17 in August.

The aunt said that Marion was well mannered and presented no problems in school, where he was in the 10th grade. A good basketball player, he liked all sports and was a good swimmer.

Marion's body will be on view in Charles Law's Turner Station chapel on Friday and Saturday. He will be buried after services in New Shiloh Baptist Church, Sunday, at 1:30 p.m.

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THE REV. HAROLD NIXON, minister of New Life Presbyterian Church, Turner Station, will officiate. Mrs. Cook is a member of the Rev. Mr. Nixon's church, which Marion frequently attended.

In addition to his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Johnson, Marion is survived by a sister, Miss Mamie Johnson, and another brother Percy, in addition to his twin.

The Rev. Mr. Nixon was one of the hundreds of persons who lined Bear Creek, Monday afternoon. Grappling operations were futile for over an hour.

Then a young man crawled out of the crowd, removed his . . . of the wooded pier off which the boys swam . . . and proceeded to strip himself to his shorts and dived off the pier, surfacing and gesturing to a police boat to the place where Marion's body was.

"I hoped he wasn't in there," the Rev. Mr. Nixon told the AFRO. "Now I'll say a prayer for him . . ." The minister waited until the medical examiner arrived and pronounced the boy dead before he went on his way.

Pallbearers for "Skippy" will be Junior Howard, Steve King, Millard Lopax, Donald Banks, Charles Mack and Edward Saunders, all friends of the sophomore high school pupil.

NEATLY FOLDED—The clothing of Marion (Skip) Johnson was vigilantly guarded by his teen-age friends, Monday, while police and firemen in row boats dragged Bear Creek for the body of the 16-year-old Sollers Point High School pupil who drowned while swimming with two companions. His brother, Melvin (Hop) Johnson, was too disturbed over the drowning to reclaim Skip's shoes, shirt and trousers.

Weather too cool; bathers shun state and city beaches

First come, first served.

That was the rule at Fort Smallwood and Sandy Point beaches Memorial Day.

For the first time, the two beaches were open to all Marylanders at the same time.

Because the weather was not warm enough to encourage bathing, attendance at both parks was small.

The small turnout at both beaches, as well as other recreation areas around the state, was attributed to partly cloudy weather which brought on a high of 73 around noon.

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AT SANDY POINT, the 725-acre state park which opened after the process server upheld a ruling of the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, colored and white picnickers used both east and south beaches.

Approximately 45 persons were observed on the east beach, formerly reserved for colored. More than 400 persons of both races romped along the sandy strip on the south beach formerly reserved for white.

However, the majority of fun seekers scurried for home when rain fell in the area around 5 p.m.

A tell gate attendant at Sandy Point estimated that fewer than 500 persons visited the park Wednesday.

The same story held true at the city-owned Fort Smallwood.

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WEATHER
Friday, mostly fair with high around 80. Saturday, partly cloudy and warmer with chance of showers. Sunday, fair and cooler.

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Hold Ex-Boyfriend In Helen's Death

PEARL BAILEY

'YOU JUST LOST A CUSTOMER' snapped Pearl Bailey when asked Thursday if she belonged to the NAACP. She is shown above in the maid's uniform she wears for her role in the new movie "That Certain Feeling" coming soon to Baltimore.

'LOVE'S THE ANSWER'

No NAACP for Pearl Bailey

By CHESTER M. HAMPTON

"Miss Bailey, are you an NAACP member?"

"You just lost a customer," retorted Pearl Bailey to the interviewer at a Paris Plaza press luncheon held in honor

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of her and "That Certain Feeling," a movie starring Miss Bailey which opens here June 27.

"I don't believe in memberships and groups," she continued. "I think love is the answer; you should love everybody.

"They should take the 'C' out of that name — just make it the National Association for People."

(A white woman reporter nodded in sympathetic agreement.)

"When you help your fellowman, you help everyone," she said. "Live it a little more instead of just talking about it."

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(THE INTERVIEWER assumed that by "it" she referred to her doctrine of "love.")

"I don't like to get into racial issues," she concluded (for the time being).

Getting back to the picture being plugged, she said:

"This is the funniest picture you've ever seen. It's a family picture.

"I feel so proud to be a part of it."

The interviewer asked: "What role do you play in the picture Miss Bailey?"

"I'm maid of George Sanders."

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NOTING THE reporter's half-smile as he jotted down

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Ala. bus jim crow outlawed

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The "walking" citizens of Montgomery have the right to sit anywhere on their city buses.

So ruled a three-judge Federal court panel Tuesday in a case filed by four Montgomery residents, which attacked the constitutionality of bus segregation laws.

Significantly, the ruling came six months to the day after the renowned bus protest began. The boycott of the Montgomery City Lines buses began on Dec. 5, 1955.

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JUDGES Richard T. Rives of the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and Judge Frank M. Johnson Jr. of the U.S. District Court in Birmingham ruled that the segregation laws were unconstitutional.

A dissenting opinion was written by District Court Judge Seybourn Lynne of Montgomery, Ala.

The case was filed by Mrs. Sunia McDonald, 71, Mrs. Aurelia Browder, Miss Claudette Colvin, 15; and Miss Louise Smith, 19.

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DURING THE course of the 4-hour argument Judge Rives observed:

"I don't believe that you are going to argue that a city can pass laws which require a man to surrender his constitutional rights?

To extend it to other Alabama cities would require a separate court case based on today's ruling.

Johnson said it is comparable to the Supreme Court's two-

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Killer of Mills brother to hang

"The law of Maryland has not abolished it (the death penalty) and therefore I am obligated to perform a very unpleasant task."

With these words Thursday morning, Judge Joseph L. Carter sentenced Kelly Briley to be "hanged by the neck until you are dead" for the Jan. 30 slaying of one of the Mills brothers.

Defendants convicted of slayings which occurred after June 1 this year are to be sentenced to death in the gas chamber. As the Mills slaying occurred in January, Briley is to hang.

The victim of the slaying was Jesse Mills, one of the four well-known brothers who operated a string of shoe repair shops in the city. His shop

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EXTRA

Washington

A report circulated here at noon states President Eisenhower was taken suddenly ill at 2 a. m. Friday and his condition is serious.

Val Washington, of the Republican National Committee, said that there is nothing wrong with the President.

He said the rumor was a "Democratic Party plot."

Physician found dead at YMCA

"I just heard it an hour ago . . . he's all I have in the world . . . I don't know what to do."

Sobs broke off further conversation as Mrs. Mary E. Johnson, 2025 Division St., told how she received word that her nephew, Dr. Henry Douglass, was found dead in Washington.

The fully clothed body of the 42-year-old Howard University pathologist, was found Thursday in his fourth-floor room at the 12th St. YMCA.

A native of Baltimore, Dr. Douglass was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Douglass. His father was a postal employee for years. His mother, Mrs. Henrietta J. Douglass, lost a year ago of injuries suffered when she was hit by a motorcycle. She was a well-known church and civic worker.

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Sgt. W. H. Dungee of Precinct 13 in Washington said

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'She wouldn't see him after learning he was married..'

"As the investigation progressed, the more convinced we were that the case belonged in Baltimore. We wrapped it up at 5 p.m, Wednesday . . ."

With these words, Capt. George H. Minions, head of the detective bureau, announced that the mystery surrounding the death of "Helen" Delores Johnson, was solved.

Booked by police in connection with the case is Barclay Wilson, 36-year-old laborer, of the 1700 block E. Lanvale St.

Wilson will face preliminary hearing in Central Police Court at 3 p.m. today (Friday) on charges of assault and shooting,

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thereby causing the death of Helen Johnson with a .22-caliber revolver, May 26.

The arrest of the accused brought to a close a six-day probe by city detectives and a deputy sheriff from Charles County.

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THE INVESTIGATION began immediately after the body of the pretty 19-year-old beauty shop maid was found washed ashore near the Potomac River Bridge at Newburg, Md., last Friday.

Her body was weighted with concrete and had a bullet hole in the chest.

Police surmised that Miss Johnson was shot early, May 24 in the Northeast section of Baltimore before she was carried 80 miles south of here and dumped in the river.

The last time Miss Johnson was seen by friends and relatives was at midnight, last Tuesday, when she went out of the home of her mother, Mrs. Henrietta J. Douglass. His father was a postal employee for years. His mother, Mrs. Henrietta J. Douglass, lost a year ago of injuries suffered when she was hit by a motorcycle. She was a well-known church and civic worker.

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WIFE SAYS:

'He's kind who didn't talk much..'

"This is his home. He lives here but I didn't know he was involved in anything until I got to the AFRO.

"I didn't know he had been arrested.

"The police were here Sunday looking for him but they didn't tell me what for.

"I devote my time to the church and my home and I don't run around. He was the kind of man that didn't talk much."

Seated in a lounging chair in the well appointed living room of her home at 1742 E. Lanvale St., Mrs. Luvenia Wilson expressed mild surprise Thursday that her husband, Barclel Wilson, had been arrested in connection with the murder of Helen Delores Johnson.

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THOUGH FIRST questioned by police the day after the body of the attractive beauty shop maid was found washed ashore near the Potomac River Bridge at Newburg, Md., Mrs. Wilson said she had no inkling that her husband knew the girl.

The short, brown-skinned woman with close cropped hair learned for the first time that Mr. Wilson was being held by police, when she arrived home from her job at the Glenn L. Martin Co., Thursday afternoon.

Told by an AFRO reporter that her husband, was being

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AT SLAIN GIRL'S FUNERAL

Mother, Marie Johnson, and sister, Pauline, mourn at funeral of Helen Delores Johnson, river victim.

'She was a sexy looking girl..'

"She was a sexy looking girl all the way and the fellows used to copy her walking in her walk.

"I remember (also) that she had very pretty eyes."

Berkley Village, 2020 N. Washington St., recalled to the AFRO the appearance of Miss Helen Delores Johnson whose body was washed ashore near the Potomac River Bridge near Newburg last Friday.

The dead girl's mother, Mrs Marie Johnson, had stated:

"My daughter was a respectable girl, but everyone laughed at her. The girls called her names and the boys hollered at her because of the way she walked.

"They didn't understand that she had to walk that way because something had been wrong with her hip since birth."

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THE BOYS in the community evidently did not complain, according to William H. Pulliam, 1041 N. Broadway:

"She had the kind of walk, well . . . it's hard to describe.

"The fellows used to come out of the stores when she passed to look at her as she walked up Broadway.

"A beautiful girl all the way; she was not the 'stuck up' kind."

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HER MOTHER'S claim that Helen was a nice girl was supported by neighbors in the neighborhood. Mrs. Blanche Jeffries, 1315 Broadway, said:

"She seemed very nice. I never met the girl but I've seen her around the neighborhood. I've been living here three years and they moved in around last Thanksgiving."

"She always spoke to me," said Miss Ann Jeffries of the same address.

"She had a sweet smile for everybody."

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MRS. SUSIE BOOTH, 631 N.

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Pauline told the AFRO that her sister had just become engaged to Marvin Smith, of Cockeysville, Sunday before she disappeared.

"Delores did say she was going to tell Wilson but I don't know whether she did or not," Pauline said.

The day before Delores disappeared, she received an anonymous, threatening letter warning her to stay away from "the Point" (at Baltimore and Lombard Sts.) and to leave her boyfriend alone.

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FUNERAL SERVICES for the dead girl were held Wednesday, noon, at the William Chatman Funeral Home, 1701 McCulloh, with the the Rev. P. T. Norfleet officiating.

Her body, which was sealed in the coffin, was buried in the family grave near Cuba Rd., in Cockeysville.

Low sobs and a baby's shrill cry echoed throughout the tiny room "as the Rev. Mr. Norfleet delivered a sermon on "There's but one step between us and death."

In comforting words to the family, the minister said, "Our hearts go out to you. We share your sorrow. Your burden is our burden and we want you to feel we are with you in your hour of sorrow."

The gray coffin, covered with floral sprays of red gladioli, pink carnations and yellow jonquils, was placed at the front

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WOMEN MAKE The News

Yes, it's a woman's world. Featured in this edition are some of the many clubs which make an important contribution to the community. Don't miss — it's a Woman's World' in this issue on pages 12, 14 and 15.

HELEN DELORES JOHNSON
Ex-boy friend charged in her death

$100, costs for striking choir singer

"I feel very much inclined to send you to jail, Mr. Baker . . . But because of your good record, I'm fining you $100 and costs."

Magistrate Linwood Koger made this statement in Northwestern District Police Court Thursday morning to James F. Baker, 47-year-old chauffeur of 3800 block Fear Ave., charged with assaulting and striking his wife, Mrs. Beatrice Baker.

Mrs. Baker, in court with a bandage over an eye injury police said required 10 stitches, related that her husband struck her when she was returning home from visiting an ill friend after choir rehearsal Wednesday night.

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"WHAT DID he use to hit you with?" inquired Magistrate Koger after Officer Harry Hau said the woman's wound required the 10 stitches.

"His fist," answered Mrs. Baker, adding that a ring probably broke the skin.

Mr. Baker pleaded guilty, but contended that his wife did not visit the home of the ill friend as she testified.

'$35 fine for protecting my wife . . .?'

"Your honor, $35 for protecting my wife?"

"You bring your wife to the court to avenge her honor," Magistrate Linwood Koger, presiding at Northwestern District Police Court Thursday morning, said in answer to the question of Norman Nelson, 25, 2400 block Reistertown Rd.

Mr. Nelson and his brother, Raymond Nelson, 28, were in court on a charge of assaulting and striking Augustine M. Renteria, 22, 1000 block W. Lanvale St.

Mr. Renteria was accused of assaulting and striking Mrs. Hattie Nelson. Bail was set at $2,000 for him when he requested a jury trial instead of a hearing before Magistrate Koger.

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HERMAN NELSON was fined the $35 and costs and his brother was found not guilty.

Mrs. Nelson testified that Mr. Renteria got out of a car and struck her after she and another woman became involved in a quarrel.

"She came in crying," **Mr. Nelson said shortly after he arrived home. "She said some man hit her and I asked her to show me the man."**

Mr. Nelson related that he went to a Pennsylvania Avenue tavern to talk to the man, adding: "He hit me, and that's when it started."

Mr. Renteria did not testify.

Couple wins $100 a week for nine years

HOLLYWOOD — For nine straight years, Los Angeles insurance man Steve Rowland and his wife will receive $100 a week from the CBS television show "Do You Trust Your Wife?"

The winning category was sports. Next week, they return to try for $100 a week for the next ten years.

$140,000 sweeps win

NEWARK—"I am not in the least excited, I won't believe it until I see the money."

This was the reaction of Mrs. Laura George, 40, of 176 S. 11th St., when informed Wednesday that she was one of two Jerseyans who had won $140,000 on the Irish Sweepstakes at Epsom Downs in England.

Mrs. George, a grandmother, was at work in the glass department of the Chatham Electronic Corporation in Livingston when she was informed of her good fortune.

She has been with the firm five years and earns $60 a week.

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SHE HELD a ticket on the Derby winner, the French horse "Lavandin."

Her husband John is a truck driver.

Mrs. George was one of three Jerseyans who won a total of $336,000 on the sweepstakes.

The other $140,000 winner was Mrs. Eze Niemeyer of Glen Ridge.

ONE YEAR LATER:

'Black Stocking' leader's wife moves from home they shared

"She has moved and I think she is considering a divorce. If I had known what kind of boy he was before they got married, I would never have let him inside the house."

A pleasant faced woman who identified herself as the grandmother of Mrs. Norma Benjamin, stood on the steps of 610 Arlington Ave., Thursday morning, and gave this appraisal of Paul L. Benjamin, one year after he made headlines as the alleged leader of the "Black Stocking Gang."

When Benjamin began serving his 20-year sentence in the Maryland Penitentiary last June, he left behind him his attractive bride of several months, Mrs. Norma Benjamin, who told reporters at that