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Dies At Wedding

Urge Mayor To Investigate Fireman In 'Nightie' Case

'This brute forced his way inside'

"When I opened the door, this big brute brushed past the newsboy and said, 'Open this d--- door.'

"He put his foot in the door and forced his way in with his shoulder. I only had a night-

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gown on and he pushed me against the wall and tore it.

"I turned my ankle and wrenched my knee. My head hit a picture frame on the wall, and my back struck the bookcase.

"I am still under the doctor's care."

Mrs. Mary E. Rollins told the AFRO Thursday that after a fire on the first floor of 1437 W. Lanvale St., Sunday morning, a fireman forced himself into her second floor apartment.

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MORRIS MAZELLIS, attorney for Mrs. Rollins, with offices in the Equitable Building, said that he sent a letter to the Mayor and City Council in which he said:

"On the 27th day of May . . . a city employee, a member of the fire department, broke into the apartment of Mrs. Mary E. Rollins and knocked her to the floor with considerable force and violence.

"Mrs. Rollins sustained inju-

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GLORIA, ANDY ON AGAIN

Listeners protest $64,000 rematch

Gloria Lockerman and her challenger, Andy Douglass of Greenwich, Conn., will meet again on the "$64,000 Challenge," CBS-TV program, Sunday night at 10 o'clock to try to break the $64,000 deadlock.

The two 12-year-old youngsters, who are the first pair to reach this level on the show, are vying for the spelling championship which Gloria has held for nearly a year since she won $16,000 on the "$64,000 Question" CBS-TV show.

Should both win, they will split the cash prize which will be placed in a trust fund for their college education by the producers of the show.

If Andy loses, he will receive $1,000 complimentary award. If Gloria loses, she may accept the weekly fee the producers have been holding for her, or she may return the following week in an effort to regain her title.

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MEANWHILE, CBS officials, on Thursday, confirmed reports that they have been swamped with telegrams and letters from listeners all over the country protesting the rules of the contest.

The protestants felt that the $64,000 should have been split between Gloria and Andy last week.

However, as one official told the AFRO:

GLORIA LOCKERMAN
Listeners didn't like decision . . .

"If we had gone ahead and divided the money last week, then we would have had an equal number of those claiming the contest should keep going until one of them wins.

"Now that we say they should come back, listeners are protesting that it is unfair and that

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Dr. Moore new head of Coppin

"I sincerely appreciate the honor which has been bestowed upon me and will make every effort to live up to the scholastic and cultural traditions of the institution."

Thus spoke Dr. Parlette L. Moore as he was formally no-

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tified of his appointment as president of Coppin Teachers College Wednesday at the meeting of the Maryland State Board of Education.

Dr. Moore, former principal of Carver High School and dean of Carver Junior College, Rockville, Montgomery County, was given formal notification of the appointment by Wendell D. Allen, board president.

Dr. Moore succeeds Dr. Miles W. Connor, whose retirement becomes effective this month after 30 years as president of

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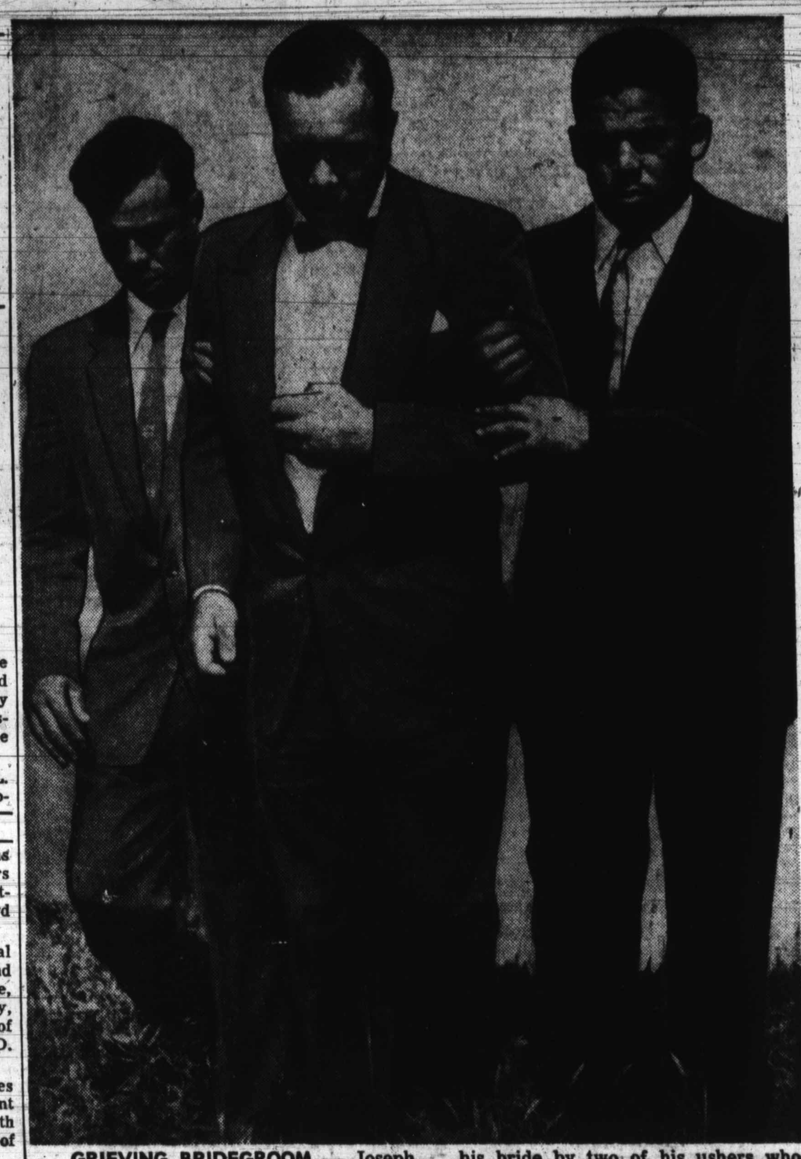

GRIEVING BRIDEGROOM — Joseph M. Proctor is escorted to funeral of his bride by two of his ushers who later served as pallbearers.

'It was so unreal, like bad dream'

ROSARYVILLE, Md. — "It was terrible. He cried. He fell down on his knees beside her and fainted . . ."

Less than 50 paces from the grave of Mrs. Mae Eloise Proctor, her mother, Mrs. Mary Thompson, described, Tuesday, how the dead bride's husband wept beside her lifeless form, approximately 30 minutes after their wedding.

Nearby stood the bridegroom, Joseph Martin Proctor.

As his new mother-in-law told of the death scene, he looked toward the fresh mound of earth where Mrs. Proctor lay buried in her wedding dress, a fingertip veil covering her face. He was led, shaking with sobs, to the family car.

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THE BRIDE, 21, of Melwood, Md., was married Saturday, in ceremonies at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Upper Marlboro, Md., at 11 a.m. She died at 11:30 a.m. of a heart attack at her home during a reception attended by some 200 persons.

"It was so unreal," stated Dr. James I. Boyd, medical examiner of Forrestville, Md. Dr. Boyd determined the cause of death.

"She lay there among all those wedding presents. It was just like a bad dream."

Dr. Boyd stated Mrs. Proctor, the former Miss Mae Eloise Thompson, died of acute congestive heart ftilure. He said she had suffered a heart condition since birth.

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FATHER Michael Kidd of St. Mary's Church, who officiated at Requiem High Mass, Tuesday, said:

"It is so tragic that a few days ago she stood on this altar as a bride. We wish for her a happier life. But for us, it is a lesson of the uncertainty of death."

The mother, Mrs. Thompson, stated that immediately following the wedding, the bride complained of being ill.

"It happened so quickly," Mrs. Thompson said. "They took her home and placed her in the bed. By the time I got to her, she was dead."

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POINTING TO her son-in-law, Mrs. Thompson continued:

"He hasn't acted the same since it happened."

Mr. Proctor, about 24, an employee of the Sanitary Commission, Hartsville, Md., remained silent throughout the burial service.

His ruddy face was streaked with tears.

Occasionally, he dropped his

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Morgan to give degrees to 253

Morgan State College will graduate on Monday, June 4 what appears to be by academic records the smartest class in its history.

The class of 253 candidates for graduation, according to Edward N. Wilson, Registrar, has an unusually high number of honor graduates, constituting the largest percentage of honor students of any class in the school's 89-year history.

Scene of the exercises will be Hughes Memorial Stadium at 6 p.m. The commencement address will be delivered by the Hon. William H. Hastie, judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

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THE MAJORITY of the students, 129 of them, are from Baltimore, while an additional 33 are from other Maryland cities and towns.

New York with 17 students is the state with the next highest representation in the senior class.

The remainder of the students are broken down as follows:

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Four will receive honors at Morgan

The first colored jurist ever appointed to the Federal bench, an educator who was the first of his race to receive professional appointment in the classified Federal service, a Morgan alumnus who has achieved distinction in medicine, and a Baltimore - born mother who has successfully crusaded for full rights for all in the State of Maryland will be honored by

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BRIDAL PARTY AT GRAVE — Father Michael Kidd and relatives gather at grave of Mae Eloise Proctor. She dropped dead 30 minutes after her marriage to Joseph M. Proctor. Mourners wore their wedding outfits to the funeral.

Clerk, mate held on dope charge

Mr. and Mrs. Hector Thomas, 1115 McKean were held in $3,000 bail each on charges of unlawful possession of narcotics in Northwestern Police Court this morning (Friday) by Magistrate Meredith Hoffmeister.

Mrs. Thomas, listed her employment as a stenographer at Jr. High School 182. Mr. Thomas' employment is listed by police as "laborer."

Police testified that they were called to the house at 3 a.m. Thursday by Mrs. Thomas who

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Two get commissions at Naval Academy, one to wed

ANNAPOLIS — Dressed in white starched naval uniforms, two colored midshipmen marched with 679 classmates to graduation exercises at the U.S. Naval Academy this morning (Friday).

The huge Dahlgren Hall was filled to capacity as Midshipmen Harold S. Bauduit, 25, of Corona, N.Y., and Edward A. Sechrist, 24, of Washington were handed their commissions and bachelor of science degrees.

Son of Mrs. Lucy A. Bauduit of 3414 103rd St., Corona, Midshipman Bauduit pinned on the bars of a second lieutenant in the Air Force following graduation exercises.

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MIDSHIPMAN SECHRIST, son of Mrs. Ossie G. Sechrist of 1014 Kearney St., NE, Washington, was commissioned an ensign in the Navy.

Ensign Sechrist is one of 45 Annapolis graduates scheduled to wed in the Naval Academy's main chapel at 8 p.m. today.

His bride is to be Miss Margaret A. Thomas of St. Louis, Mo.

'All cats to me,' says Armstrong

Louis Armstrong checke in and out of a Pennsylvania Avenue hotel after the fashion of a will o' the wisp this week.

He was in view long enough however, to have a Druid Hill Ave. laundry launder 100 handkerchiefs fo rhim. The hankie is part and parcel of the Armstrong act.

Secrecy shrouded Armstrong's Baltimore destination when he arrived in the city for a bay engagement for the Edith Mosen Strauss organization.

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West Point grad

Roger R. Blunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Blunt Jr., 73 Blanding Ave., East Provident, R. I., will be graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Tuesday, June 5.

Blunt will be commissioned a second lieutenant in the Engineer Corps and will receive a bachelor of science degree.

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PRINCIPAL

WASHINGTON

"He was nice.

"He often gave money and bought lunches for some of the fellows."

This was how a tall curly-haired 16-year-old youth described L. Roscoe Evans, principal-on-leave from Shaw Junior High School, when

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'He was a good neighbor'

"The entire neighborhood has lost a fine person . . ."

Thus eulogized the Wilson Park Improvement Association of one of its first homesteaders, William H. Dozier, who died Saturday.

The friendly, well-liked 84-year-old man was buried Tuesday in Mt. Auburn Cemetery.

Funeral services were conducted at his home at 4514 St. Georges Ave. by the Rev. Harrison J. Bryant, pastor of Bethel AME Church, where Mr. Dozier was a member.

Mr. Dozier died at his home after an illness resulting from a fall.

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A NATIVE of Baltimore, Mr. Dozier spent most of his life helping others in Wilson Park to keep up their gardens and lawns.

He was a charter member of the Wilson Park Improvement Association and hosted its first meeting at his home.

In his earlier years, Mr.

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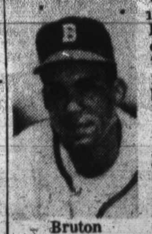
'Beaning wasn't anything'--Bruton

CHICAGO — "Oh, it wasn't anything—everything's all right now."

That was the extent of the comment from Bill Bruton directly concerning a "beaning" incident that erupted into a fight between him and pitcher Russ Meyer in the first game of the Memorial Day doubleheader here.

The star Milwaukee Braves centerfielder was interviewed by the AFRO at his Edgewater Beach Hotel quarters on Thursday morning. The brief fisticuffs between him and the Chicago Cubs righthander occurred in the first inning of the first game on Wednesday.



Bruton

A pitch by Meyer struck Bruton on the protective helmet and floored him. The three previous batters had just hit home runs off the former Mad Monk of Brooklyn.

As Bill regained his feet, he rushed at Russ with bat in hand. Manager Charley Grimm left his third-base coaching box and sought unsuccessfully to in-

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PLUNGE

WASHINGTON

The body of James Skirty, the driver of an auto which plunged off the 11th St. bridge Sunday, is scheduled to be shipped to Abbeville, S.C. Friday (today). Funeral services were held Thursday night.

Services were held at the Johnson-Jenkins Funeral Home, 1702 12th St., NW. at 8 p.m. The body lay in state at his home, 775 Columbia Rd., NW.

Authorities were still investigating the cause of Mr. Skirty's death Tuesday, following recovery of his body from the Anacostia River Sunday night.

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THE VICTIM was found 12 hours after William Worrell, bridge tender, told of seeing a car make a sudden 45 degree turn, crash into the cast iron railing and fall 35 feet into the water below.

Mr. Worrell said there was no sound from the car but he thought he saw "two ladies bouncing up and down in the back seat as the car went over the bridge."

Accident investigation officials

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Baby case hearing

Sixteen - year - old Miss Barbara A. Lee, 1200 block E. Chase St., will receive a preliminary hearing this afternoon (Friday) at 3 o'clock in Central Homicide Court on a charge of causing the death of her newborn baby girl by stuffing tissue paper in her throat.

The baby died on Mother's Day, May 13.

The Medical Examiner lists the cause of death as neo-natal asphyxia caused by a wad of paper in the larynx. The mother is represented by Milton Allen.

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