Man Gets 20 Years In Koger Attempted Robbery

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"We accept the challenge . . . we will keep our eyes on the ball"

JAMES T. BODDIE JR.

Local jet pilot graduates Mon.

"It is with considerable pride that I inform you that your son is scheduled to graduate, Monday March 12, at 9 a.m."

These are the words of Air Force Colonel Milton B. Adams, in a letter to the Rev. and Mrs. J. Timothy Boddie, 821 W. Lanvale St., as he announced the graduation of James Timothy Boddie Jr., a jet pilot.

After graduation, Second Lt. Boddie is being assigned to a jet aircraft experimental station in Austin, Tex., following a month's leave which he will spend with his parents.

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LT. BODDIE, a Douglass High graduate, was a ranking member of the graduating class at Howard University in 1952, with special honors in military work.

Following his graduation, he was the recipient of a bronze trophy from the Convair Aircraft Corp.; a citation for his various contributions to the field of aviation.

The Rev. Mr. Boddie is pastor of New Shiloh Baptist Church.

'I'm feeling fine,' says Dr. Bando

'I am feeling fine..."

This was the comment of Dr. McDonald Bando, who was released this week from a Hagerstown hospital. He is now at his home, 1235 W. Lafayette Ave.

However, he told the AFRO that he and his wife expect to take a trip later in the week. "I haven't decided yet where we will go."

Asked if he expected to be back in his office soon, the physician said, "I can't rush back."

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DR. BANDO has been confined to the hospital since January 30.

He was found in the cellar of his Lafayette Ave. home on January 28, a victim of what police described as "attempted suicide by poison."

Mrs. Bando, who is dean of women at Morgan State College, reported that her husband took an overdose of sleeping tablets because he had lost rest worrying about a serious illness which had confined her to the hospital for several weeks.

She returned to her Morgan duties on March 1.

RAWLINGS RLEASED

William M. Rawlings, 2328 W. Lanvale St., a supervisor with the adult education division of the local school system, was discharged on Thursday from Provident Hospital where he had been admitted on Sunday. He is currently resting at home, and is reported in a "good condition."

'He killed my brother'

"I can never live with my husband again. He killed my brother in cold blood..."

Showing no emotion, Mrs. Ella Pope, 37-year-old mother of two children, stared vacantly at an AFRO reporter as she tried to recall the events leading to the fatal stabbing of Ernest Wise, 19, 1841 W. Fayette St.

Her husband, William Pope, 19, 104 N. Fulton Ave., charged with the slaying is being held without bail pending a preliminary hearing in homicide court.

Young Wise died of knife wounds of the stomach. He was pronounced dead on arrival at Franklin Square Hospital, Saturday night.

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I'VE BEEN having trouble with my in-laws," the attractive mother began. "Saturday, my husband's sister, Hattie Tomkins, came over and they began drinking.

"When it got late, I asked her to leave so that I could put the children to bed. That's when we got in a big fight.

"Both she and my husband jumped me, blacked both my eyes and locked me out the house.

"I came over to my parents' home (Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wise) and my father went back with me.

"When William opened the door, I saw the knife in his shirt. It was a butcher knife. I think he meant to kill me.

"Then my brother, Ernest came over. When he asked Hattie to leave, William suddenly whipped out the knife, and stabbed my brother in the stomach.

"I can never go back to my husband, never. I'm going to see an attorney about getting a divorce."

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THE YOUTH'S mother, Mrs. Bertina Wise, added: "None of us had any idea that Ernest was hurt that bad. It all happened so fast.

"My husband picked him up in his arms and carried him outside. Someone hailed a cab for my husband so that he could take Ernest to the hospital.

"This is the first tragedy to hit our family," Mrs. Wise said.

"It's too bad it had to happen. Ernest was to get married in June. He just bought the engagement ring for his girl, last week. Her name is Bernice Shaw. She's a fine girl. She's quite upset over this.

"He was my oldest child," the mother muttered, choking back the tears.

Funeral services for young Wise were conducted, Thursday afternoon by the Rev J. T. Cummedy at Sweet Hope Freewill Baptist Church.

Burial was in Mt. Olive Cemetery.

Besides his parents and sister, he is survived by another sister, June; two brothers, James and Henry; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

'Keep eye on ball,' Dr. Jenkins urges

"People, who go on to high achievement—'no see fence, keep eye on ball.'"

Dr. Martin Jenkins, president of Morgan State College was using Yankee catcher Yogi Berra's talk before over 1,000 persons at the 12th annual Blue Ribbon Tea Sunday.

The tea was sponsored by the Women's City-wide Committee for Delinquency Prevention at Dunbar High School in cooperation with the Eastside Community Committee.

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DR. JENKINS pointed out six fences which block achievement among colored persons, and declared:

"These fences are not really there. They can be removed by awareness, knowledge and education."

The "fences" are:

1. Lack of self confidence—the unwillingness to make sacrifices for future goals.

2. Lack of vision — not aware of opportunities and what needs to be accomplished.

3. Lack of political participation.

4. The 'fence' of race or the feeling, "I can't do this because I am colored."

5. "Fence' of tradition — "some families have a tradition for accomplishment and some don't."

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MRS. ETHEL K. DONALDSON chairman of the tea; presided. Mrs. Laura A. Montgomery, treasurer reported that $1615.62 had been turned in bit there were still many hostesses, who had not made reports.

Mrs. Naomi Jenkins, "Miss Eastside of 1956" was presented a bouquet of flowers for raising the most money in a popularity contest in November. The money was used to purchase 1,000 stockings for children at Christmas.

DR. BERNARD HARRIS, one of the speakers on the program, also urged the residents to get out and vote. Dr. Harris was cited by Mrs. Amanda Lowman, president of the women's committee, as one of the East Baltimore citizens who "no see fence, keep eye on ball."

Following the program, over 100 women served their guests refreshments at gaily decorated tables.

MRS. MABEL R. QUEEN, President, Eastside Community Committee.

AFRO not at press meet

Representatives of the Afro-American declined to attend an annual newspapermen's convention held this week at the Lord Baltimore Hotel. Instead, it directed to Mr. Theodore A. Serrill, General Manager of the convention, a memorandum in which it stated that the AFRO delegates would not attend sessions in any hotels in which they would not be welcomed regularly as guests.

In addition, they turned over a resolution to the executive committee urging that hereafter sessions of the convention be held only in those cities in which hotels and restaurants are open without discrimination to all delegates.

The Philadelphia Afro-American is a member of the Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers' Association and the New Jersey AFRO-American is a member of the New Jersey Publishers' Association. These two associations are holding a joint convention here.

The Pittsburgh Courier which is also a member of the Association, joined the AFRO in urging the passage of a resolution and in declining to send delegates.

'He left home but never got back . . .'

"He left home Sunday and took my mother down to Cherry Hill. The last thing he said was 'I'll see you all tomorrow.' And he never got back..."

Mrs. Pauline Eaton, 1229 Myrtle Ave., was recalling the last time she had seen her oldest son.

The son, Airman 2/c Richard F. Dawes, 22, was killed in an auto collision Monday afternoon at the intersection of Myrtle Ave. and Lanvale St., a stone's throw from his own front steps.

Home on a 40-day leave, from Watertown, N.Y. Air Force base, he was scheduled to leave this Saturday for California, and later for overseas duty in Japan.

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A PARATROOPER during World War II, young Dawes reenlisted in the Air Force, and was studying to be a radar technician.

"He was a good boy. It's terrible when it hits you like this," said his mother.

Mrs. Eaton said her son liked to call himself "Don Ricardo" and he liked to sing and play basketball.

He was born October 7, 1932, attended Alexander Elementary School No. 103, Booker Washington Junior High, and Douglass High. He completed his high school work in the Army.

Funeral services for the accident victim were held today (Friday) at New Hope Baptist Church, Harlem and Fremont Aves. Burial was in National Cemetery.

Besides his mother, Airman Dawes is survived by his step father, Hassel Eaton; a brother, Ronald, 8, a student at Washington Junior High; and two sisters, Harriett and Louise Eaton.

RICHARD F. DAWES, Airman killed in crash was bound for Japan

'I feel sorry about it . . .'

"I feel sorry about what happened. I haven't been to see his family because I work at night."

Edward Sydnor of 800 Fulton Ave., a steel worker at Sparrows Point, was speaking Thursday about the fatal auto accident in which Richard F. Dawes, an airman on leave from his Air Force Base in Watertown, N.Y., was killed on Monday.

Young Dawes, who lived at 1229 Myrtle Ave., was driving the car in which three of his friends were riding when the auto collided with another driven by Mr. Sydnor at Myrtle Ave. and Laurens St.

THE 23-YEAR-OLD airman was pronounced dead of a brain hemorrhage at Provident Hospital. Police said Mr. Sydnor has been charged with failure to yield the right of way.

He also faces a charge of technical homicide as required by Maryland law in a fatal auto accident.

His wife, Mrs. Cora Sydnor, told the AFRO: "I haven't been able to sleep since the accident. Neither of us has been able to get ourselves together.

It's a terrible thing. My husband is very upset."

Their landlady, Mrs. Eliza Grandy, said the couple had been living with her for two years. "They are very fine people," she said. "The accident was very terrible."

The couple belong to Morning Star Baptist Church in the 1000 block W. Fayette St.

'Drew gun on me', says secretary

"We all stayed in the house until 4 p.m. or thereafter, then went downtown and later stopped at a church and got married."

This defense by Mrs. Frances Price, 112 W. 24th St. did not keep her husband, Charles and her best man, John Wesley Jacobs, alias John Jackson, from being found guilty in Criminal Court Thursday.

Jacobs, of 1904 Bolton St., and Price were found guilty of attempting to rob the law office of Linwood Koger Jr., 1607 W. North Ave., around 2 p.m., Feb. 3.

Jacobs was sentenced to 20 years in the Maryland Penitentiary. Price's sentence was withheld pending a motion for a new trial.

MISS LAURA M. JEFFERS, 2000 block E. Hoffman St., Mr. Koger's secretary, testified:

"I was in the office alone. A gentleman came in and asker if we loaned money on cars. I said no.

"He left.

"Then Price and Jacobs came in.

"Price drew a gun on me. He asked me for money and I said there wasn't any money in the office.

"Jacobs was in the front of the office while Price took me in the back with the gun."

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STATE'S ATTORNEY John Weiss, read the records of both men which dated back to 1945.

He stated that despite the fact that Price did not have a job, he deposited over $300 in a bank account between Jan. 17 and Feb. 6 and paid $200 cash for a used car.

At one time, the Prices lived at 926 Rosedale St. and operated a confectionary store at 613 Dolphin St.

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JACOBS, Mr. Weiss said, paid $111 in cash down on a car and spent $242 in cash for repairs on the car, despite the fact he did not have a job.

Jacobs is now serving one year in the House of Correction for allowing Price to use one of his license tags on his car. He kept one on his car.

Lutheran Emergency

The following persons were treated in the accident room at Lutheran Hospital:

MONDAY

Shirley A. Richardson, 3 months, 3118 Normount Ave., fever blisters; Samuel Ruffin, 11, 2526 Lauretta Ave., injured finger; Richard Mason, 8 months, 2949 W. Mulberry, cold.

TUESDAY

Glenn Counsins, 17 months, Ellicott City, drank kerosene; Dowdy Dorsey, 31, 717 Poplar Grove St., arthritis;

WEDNESDAY

Elizabeth Morgan, 58, 1160 Poplar Grove, sprained ankle; Joseph Johnson 16, 2021 Mosher St., lacerated scalp, hit head on wall; Beulah Lee Sabb, 12, 2650 Harlem Ave., cut finger.

'Humiliated by arrest'—Dr. Granger

"It was very humiliating." Dr. Lester B. Granger, executive secretary of the National Urban League, and one of this country's foremost social workers, was commenting on his arrest by a Baltimore policeman, who addressed him by his first name.

Dr. Granger, 58, was driving west on 34th St. and had stopped at the intersection of St. Paul, when another car hit him from the rear.

Northern District Officer C. B. Kaiser, Badge No. 1235, investigating the collision Saturday afternoon charged Dr. Granger with failure to obey a stop sign.

It is reported that the arresting officer advised the well-known social worker that even though his car was standing still, he would have to give bond or summons in order to hold him for a hearing because he was a non-resident.

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AND, EVEN though Dr. Granger insisted that he could drive to police headquarters in his car, the officer insisted that he ride to police headquarters in a police car.

It was learned that Officer Kaiser repeatedly referred to Dr. Granger as "Lester," and stopped only when he expressed his displeasure.

Dr. Granger posted collateral and was released for a hearing in Traffic Court on Monday, where he was found not guilty by Magistrate Standley Richardson.

Magistrate Richardson also exonerated Gene Mohlenbrock, 2800 blk. Star Hill Rd., driver of the other car, on reckless driving charges.

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DR. GRANGER, whose home is in New York, was en route to the St. Georges Ave. home of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Wheeler, where he was a weekend guest. Mr. Wheeler heads the Turner Station YMCA.

He had just fulfilled a speaking engagement in Richmond and at the St. Paul Polytechnic Institute. Earlier in the week, he was among 15 leaders from all sections of the country who met at Capahosic, Va., to discuss what should be done about race relations in the troubled areas of the nation.

The Granger auto, a sparkling new Chrysler New Yorker, given to him by a friend, was not the extent of $450.

Dr. Granger left for New York Saturday evening but returned by train for the Traffic Court hearing on Monday.

At the hearing, he was represented by David Caplan, attorney and a member of the Baltimore Urban League board.

DR. GRANGER was visiting the Pittsburgh Urban League on

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Weather
Friday, milder temperatures with rain, high around 55 degrees; Friday night around 36 degrees. Outlook for Saturday cloudy and mild, turning colder, high around 52 degrees. Sunday outlook, changing.

Baltimore Afro-American

Prayer For Today
"Immolate us from all fears and worries and may our vision of the highest and noblest never become dimmed or eclipsed by worldly compromise and petty ambitions."

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Cop Calls National Urban League Head 'Lester'

GAMBLER SLAIN

Tears Flow When 3 Boys Get Life

Sobs follow verdict by two judges

Screaming, sobbing mothers. Four court guards trying to subdue a wild-eyed youth over the heads of ducking reporters.

And two judges, James K. Cullen and Cornelius P. Mundy, sitting as a jury saying:

"The verdict of this court is that the three defendants are guilty of murder in the first degree.

A sentence you to the Maryland Penitentiary for the term of your natural life."

The Christmas Eve murder of Louis Pristoop, 51, grocer at

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Laurens and Stricker Sts., was being avenged in Criminal Court Tuesday.

Mrs. Celia Pristoop cried throughout the two-day trial and broke down and sobbed as the judges announced their decision.

Mr. Pristoop was well liked around the neighborhood and was known for his kindness to his colored customers.

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THE THREE clean-cut youths who will grow to be men in the Penitentiary are:

Richard A. Briscoe, 15, 1822 Pennsylvania Ave.

Edward Butler, 15, 1208 Whatcoat St.; and

Tyrone Stokley, 17, 1123 N.

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HERMAN JACKSON, Believed to be 'Fox Burglar'

MRS. CARRIE ROWLETTE, Guilty on narcotics charges

'Fox' loot is described

"Do you think that's him? Is that the 'Fox Burglar?' "

The young man and woman whispered to each other as they edged their way to the front of the police court at Northwestern to get a better look at the man standing before Magistrate Linwood Koger, Thursday morning.

The couple carefully studied the face of Herman Jackson, 25, 400 block N. Fremont Ave., then nodded their heads as Magistrate Koger advised the young man:

"Since you have waived the preliminary hearing and there are 27 burglaries charged against you, I am going to enter a technical plea of not guilty in

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Dope count trips clerk

"I'm just leaving it to the man upstairs."

Mrs. Carrie Myers Rowlette, 42, 618 N. Fulton Ave., made this statement 10 minutes before a Criminal Court jury of 10 men and two women found her guilty Tuesday evening on two charges of violating the narcotics laws.

The jury deliberated 30 minutes. Judge Joseph L. Carter withheld sentencing pending a probation report, and she was sent to City Jail to await the report.

The jury convicted on a charge of possessing narcotics carries a maximum sentence of five years and a $2,000 fine.

Mrs. Rowlette, wife of John Rowlette, barber, has been an

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Ike says he will uphold law of land

By LOUIS LAUTIER

WASHINGTON (NNPA)—President Eisenhower declared Wednesday that he will uphold the U. S. Constitution and see that progress is made in the desegregation of public schools as ordered by the Supreme Court.

MR. EISENHOWER said the bipartisan commission he asked Congress to create in his State of the Union message of Jan. 5 was needed to watch developments.

He said flatly he will not declare, before passage of the Federal aid for school construction bill, that he will withhold funds from states not complying with the Supreme Court decision outlawing segregation in public education.

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THE VIEWS of the Chief Executive were asked during the press conference on threats to block Presidential nominations to the Federal judiciary, the manifesto issued by 19 Senators and 77 Representatives from southern states, four of which are Republican, and the request of eight northern Democrats for a declaration that he will withhold Federal funds for school construction from jim-crow states if the school aid bill is passed.

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SEN. SPESSARD HOLLAND (Dem., Fla.), had said one of the legal means of opposing integration in public schools is "discreet action in the confirmation of judges." Such appointments must be confirmed by the Senate.

It has been suggested that senators favoring segregation in public schools might secure Federal judges sympathetic to their view by opposing confirmation of any others.

The manifesto repeated old arguments in support of segregation which the Supreme Court rejected in the decisions of decisions of May 17, 1954. Questions by reporters and the replies of the President are as follows:

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Q. MR. PRESIDENT, southern members of Congress, including a couple of Republicans, have posed a direct challenge to both the other branches

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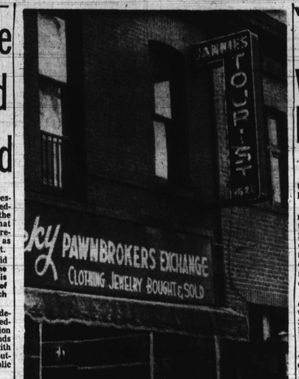

JANNIE'S TOURIST HOME, 1600 BLOCK 7th ST., N.W. *Where slaying of numbers man allegedly occurred*

'I watched while they buried him'

By MARY STRATFORD

WASHINGTON

"I cried. Then I ran back to the car and laid my face in my hands while they buried him."

This was the alleged statement made to police by a witness to the burial of Orell Duncan, 37, 1700 block Faragut St., NW, local reputed numbers figure. His nude body was found early Sunday morning in a shallow grave near Roxbury, Va., 40 miles east of Richmond.

Police Tuesday, charged a local embalming apprentice, Edward James, 27, 500 block 18th St., NW.; the dead man's wife, Mrs. Jannie T. W. Duncan, 36,

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owner of Jannie's Tourist Home, 1600 block Seventh St., NW, and Calvin Simms, 27, 1600 block Eighteenth St., NW, with homicide in the slaying.

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THE WITNESS who told of the lonely burial was identified by Capt. Richard J. Felber, of the homicide squad, as Mrs. Annie Adkins, 27, 1500 block Webster St., Richmond, Va., sister of the woman defendant.

Mrs. Adkins was quoted as saying:

Somebody knocked on the door late Saturday night. I opened it. It was my sister, Jannie.

"She asked me to do her a favor. 'Give me a shovel,' she said.

"I didn't have one. We got in a car and went to Isaac Colman's house (Richmond) to get a shovel.

"I didn't know Orell was dead. Jannie told me she was having trouble with him. She said he had reported her to the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

"They got the shovel from Colman and he went with us. When I saw James and Simms lift Orell's body from the back seat of the other car, I was on the verge of going back. I cried. Then, I ran back to the car and hid my face in my hands while they buried him."

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ACCORDING to Captain Felber, two brothers who were near the scene, witnessed the burial. They were identified as Clarence and Richard Johnson, Providence Forge, Va. Clarence was quoted as saying:

"My brother and I got in our car and drove past the spot. We saw a man squatting with a shovel between his legs. Then we drove on. When we came back, we saw something had been dragged. Then we saw the hump in the ground. That's when we called police."

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RICHMOND State police, who arrived on the scene identified the victim through fingerprints, Captain Felber stated. Duncan had been arrested in July, 1955, and convicted of operating a lottery and possession of numbers slips. He was sentenced to serve three months to a year.

Subsequent investigation led to Mrs. Duncan's disappearance. Mrs. Duncan's husband, who was a prominent Richmond Democrat, was married about a year ago, police

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ORELL DUNCAN

Third Miss. killer freed by Till jury

By L. L. LOMAX

SUMNER, Miss. — Elmer Otis Kimbell, 34-year-old, white, gin mill operator and plantation manager, was found not guilty of the murder of Clinton Melton, 33-year-old colored 1st Station attendant in Glendora, Dec. 3.

The jury of 10 farmers and two laborers returned the verdict before Judge James McClure at 5:25 p.m., Tuesday, after deliberating for four hours and eight minutes.

The trial was held in the courtroom that gained fame when two (who later confessed killing the seven-year-old boy during the Emmett Till case) were acquitted

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Killing stuns digit baron

WASHINGTON

Inside an uptown night club Tuesday night, a well-known numbers baron, when told of Duncan's slaying, crumpled; ran from the restaurant, jumped into a white Cadillac and drove blindly through the lightly falling snow.

The man is reputed to have been a first lieutenant of a well-known ex-numbers king.

He packed a gun, a wallop, and a heart beat on vengeance. The dead man had worked for him.

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THIS IS but one of the tales being circulated since the slaying of prominent local numbers figure. Some speculate that his death may have been

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Bus boycotters on trial Monday

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — "We have nothing to fear. We believe that we are right. We face the consequences with the faith that justice ultimately will triumph."

So said the Rev. M. L. King Thursday night, in a throng of supporters of the Montgomery Improvement Association at the

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Minister's widow facing poverty, lawyers charge

Mrs. Ertie T. Allen, widow of the Rev. W. W. Allen, former pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, is facing poverty as a result of a questionable mortgage, her lawyers charged, this week.

J. Howard Payne and Louis E. Macht, attorneys for Mrs. Allen, filed a bill in Circuit Court, Wednesday, to have a mortgage voided, on the grounds that it was obtained by misrepresentation.

The court action is directed against the Continental Home Improvement Co. and the Continental Building and Loan Association.

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THE BILL of complaint charges:

"That on April 30, 1954, Mrs. Allen was owner of three properties, 703 N. Carey St., subject to an annual ground rent each $165, 729 N. Fremont, with ground rent of $102; and 705 N. Fremont, with ground rent of $80.

"The properties were worth about $12,000 with the only indebtedness about $1300 on 729 N. Fremont Ave."

Messrs. Payne and Macht say "A representative of the Continental Home Improvement Company by gross misrepresentation and false statements induced her to execute a paper, which was in effect a mortgage, on 705 N. Carey St. in the amount of $3900, to one Dora Frenkill.

"That the proceeds of the mortgage loan were paid to the Continental Home Improvement Company and that the alleged to have been done at 703 N. Carey St.

"That on May 25, 1954, Mrs. Allen was induced to execute a mortgage in amount $4620 to the Continental Building and Loan Association on properties at 703 N. Carey St. and 729 N. Fremont Ave. That on August 24, 1954 she was induced to execute a mortgage on 703 N. Carey St., 729 N. Fremont Ave. and 705 N. Fremont Ave. for $8040 to the Continental Building and Loan Association."

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THE LAST mortgage is now a lien on the three properties, the prior mortgages having been released when the $8040 mortgage was obtained.

The attorneys further say "that the transactions were handled solely by agents for the company. Mrs. Allen was without advice or counsel and that she was at that time, and still is, a very much disturbed and emotionally upset woman of advanced years, and was incapable of bargaining or even handling her own affairs.

The Continental Building and Loan Company and the Continental Home Improvement Company have the same officers and owners, the attorneys say.

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STATING THAT Mrs. Allen is now involved to the extent of $8060 with no knowledge of where the money went, the attorneys says that in a period of less than six months she has become stripped of her possessions, since she cannot make the payments required under the mortgage.

They point out that she will lose all of the properties, including the home in which she resides; if the mortgage is allowed to be foreclosed.

In charging that their client doesn't know where the $8,060 went, Messrs Payne and Macht say that while some work was done on the Properties at 703 N. Carey St., and No. 729 N. Fremont Ave. by the Continental in no manner could the said work be valued at $5060 as claimed.

They also say that Mrs. Allen never understood that it would cost that much and that she has no settlement sheets in her possession concerning the transactions.

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THE CONTINENTAL'S statement shows the work included papering, electric, carpentry, roofing, chimney work at 703 N. Carey St. $4156; carpentry, painting and roofing at 729 N. Fremont Ave. $1350.

The petition for Mrs. Allen ask that the mortgage now held by the Continental Building and Loan Association be declared null and void, and that she be the home improvement and the building and loan companies be required to account for the monies obtained from her.

Child suffers cuts whe struck by auto

An 8-year-old child suffered cuts of the left ear and bruises of the face and shoulder, Tuesday afternoon, when he was hit by a car at Longwood Ave. and North Ave.

Ray Lamont, 1900 block Bradish Ave., was treated at Lutheran Hospital and released. The driver of the vehicle, Miss Sylvia Rubin, 35, 3900 block Grantley Rd., took the child to the hospital.

Cremation follows rites for Dr. J. Leslie Jones

The body of Dr. J. Leslie Jones was cremated following funeral services this morning (Friday) at St. James PE Church, with the Rev. Cedric E. Mills as the officiating minister.

Dr. Jones, a prominent chiropractor and civic leader, died Sunday in Johns Hopkins Hospital after lasping into a coma following an illness of several months.

Serving as pallbearers were: Drs. Melrose A. Nimmo, Thias H. Pitts, James S. Burke, Dr. Aaron Barad.

Honorary pallbearers were members of organizations with which he was affiliated including the Neptune Yacht Club of which he was chaplain.

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DR. JONES was a native of British Guiana where his father was a clergyman and his mother a nurse. He came to this country in 1915, and later became a citizen.

An ordained minister, he was educated at the New York College of Chiropractic, the Physicians and Surgeons College, Chicago, and the National University of Theraputics, Washington.

The chiropractor was active in political and made three unsuccessful bids for election to the City Council, losing one time by the margin of six votes.

An accomplished musician, Dr. Jones organized the Institute of Musical Arts on Lanvale St. near Fremont Ave., to provide musical training for those who were to obtain such training because of the lack of funds.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Peters Jones; a son, J. Leslie Jones Jr. of Jersey City, a brother, Leonard Hugh of New York City.

Yule Eve slaying trial set Monday

Three teen-agers, charged with the Christmas Eve murder of Louis Pristoop, grocer, of 1301 N. Stricker St., will go on trial Monday in Criminal Court before Judge James K. Cullen.

The three are Edward Butler, 15; Tyronne Stokely, 17, and Richard A. Briscoe, 15, who are charged with shooting the 53-year-old grocer to death during an attempted holdup.

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Some lucky reader's picture is circled in each week's edition of the AFRO. That circled picture is worth $5 to the subject it brings a copy of it to the AFRO office at 628 N. Gustav St., before the next edition is printed. Read your AFRO, it pays.

E. Conyer, 51, 1149 Fremont, stab wounds; Clarissa E. Green, 2, 2722 Harlem Ave., swallowed light bulb; William Kelly, 2, 5425 Denmore Ave., drank cleaning fluid; John Grayson, 32, Modena St., fractured skull in fall at Pimlico Race Track.

'I thought he was dead,' says wife who married hubby No. 2

"I was coming here from Annapolis, and I met his aunt. Her name is Rose.

"She asked me if I had heard the news. I said 'what news?' She said that Jack's mother told her he was dead."

Mrs. Virginia L. Waters of 1805 Ellamore St., was explaining to an examiner of Circuit Court I how she happened to marry Raymond H. Duncan when she was already married to John Waters.

"She (Rose) told me that John's mother had told her that he was in a fight or something and got killed. I later got married to Raymond."

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IT DIDN'T know that John was alive until after I had made application to adopt a child."

Here, James L. Bundy, attorney for Mrs. Waters, explained that a worker of the Juvenile Division of Circuit Court asked for evidence of the death of the first husband.

When he wrote Mr. Waters' mother seeking the information, she phoned to say that her son was alive.

Mrs. Virginia Waters testified that she and John Waters had been married on Nov. 21, 1944, and separated six months later.

"We just couldn't get along together. He never made a proper home for me. He was always interfering, so we talked it over and decided that he would go his way and I would go mine."

The court granted her a divorce from Mr. Waters on grounds of desertion. She and Mr. Duncan plan to be remarried.

AMONG OTHERS granted a divorce were:—

Mrs. Helen Austin, 1820 N. Payson St. who said her husband, Paul E. Austin, left her so that she and their three children could get assistance from the Welfare Department.

Mrs. Austin testified that they were married in 1936 and that he deserted her in 1951.

"He came home on July 1 and began putting his things in a bag. He said he didn't have any money to give me and if he stayed all of us would be put out of the house.

"If he left, he said, I wouldn't be put out, that I could get help from the welfare." She was given a divorce.

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TWO WIVES, who said that they and their mates voluntarily ended their marriages were given divorces.

Mrs. Naomi Castle of 1516 E. Monument St., married to Moses Castle on Nov. 17, 1940, testified that they ended the union on Dec. 20, 1942, George L. Parrish was her attorney.

Mrs. Fannie Logan, 641 W. Lafayette Ave. testified that she and Jack Logan married on April 22, 1945 and voluntarily separated on August 23, 1946.

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'Sugar Ray-Olson winner next for me,' says Saxton

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CHICAGO — Johnny Saxton has his sights on Sugar Ray's title time table. And the next step in it is labeled "Sugar Ray Robinson."

The welterweight champion, with 12 bouts behind him in which he could have pondered what he said shortly after regaining the 147 - pound title, reiterated his open challenge to the world middleweight king.

"I am looking to fight with the winner of the Robinson - Robo Olson match, and I'm not kidding," Saxton told the AFRO a little before noon on Thursday. He was interviewed in the Chicago Stadium offices of the International Boxing Club, where he had gone to pick up his check for the preliminary eight matches he went on, "with the idea of using them as preps for the bigger fellows."

Johnny had no particularly preference as to an opponent, asserting that he will "take anybody they give me."

He did say on being pressed,

"After that, I'll get back in the gym. I'd like to have a couple over-the-right matches."

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"We went to bed about 10 o'clock Tuesday night. It was cold so we took the baby out of his bassinet, and put him in bed with us.

"I slept sound that night. I didn't even wake up for his 2 o'clock bottle. When I woke up at six, I reached for the baby first. He felt stiff.

"I jumped up, and yelled at my husband who was downstairs. 'Something's wrong with the baby.' He grabbed his hat and ran out and called the police.

"The police got an ambulance. We rushed to Provident Hospital. After they examined my baby, a nurse came out and said, 'Get in contact with an undertaker.'"

Mrs. Stanley Hall, 608 Collett St., paused a long time. She was recalling the incidents surrounding the death of her five-week-old baby, Stanley Jr.

THE CHILD died of suffocation

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66 St. Marys County children sue to enter nearby schools

LEONARDTOWN — Constance and Alexander Hay live only five blocks away from an elementary school in Leonardtown. Their children attend a school is in session they ride ten miles a day to find one that will accept them as pupils.

The Leonardtown School is for "white only."

Twice each day, once in the morning and again in the afternoon, Russell and Iva Hayward, climb aboard a bus and ride past the Great Mills High and Elementary School.

Their home is within four miles of this school, and yet because they are colored they must travel a total distance of 16 miles to obtain an education.

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FIVE DAYS a week, over 500 children crowd into a converted Navy dormitory in Carver Park, called the Jarboville Consolidated School. The building at one time housed less than 50 men, now it houses more than 500 children.

In some of the rooms, one set of chairs faces one wall, while another set faces the other wall. Two classes use these rooms, and while one is reciting, the other has to study.

Sounds stream through the thin partitions so that teaching is difficult. A few blocks from here is the Frank Knox School, which was built to be a school, and which does not have such a problem of overcrowding.

But the Jarboville School is for colored and the Frank Knox School is for white.

This is the way things are in St. Marys County and why the NAACP filed a suit in U.S. District Court seeking the end of segregation in the county schools.

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THE FILING of the suit, this morning (Friday), marked the

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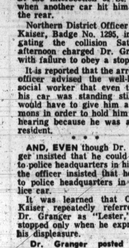

DR. LESTER B. GRANGER, Insulted by Baltimore policeman

AFRO Honor Roll awards Wednesday

Eleven professional and civic leaders and two children who were cited on the 1955 AFRO-AMERICAN Honor Roll, will receive their plaques Wednesday, March 21 at 8 p.m. at Bethel AME Church.

The awards will be made by Dr. Carl Murphy, AFRO president, in connection with the 169th anniversary of Bethel Church which begins Sunday.

Also featured on the Wednesday night program, which has been designated as Citizens Night, are the Morgan State College Choir and the Morris Queen Chorale.

Mayor D'Alesandro will be present to bring greetings to the audience.

The Rev. Harrison T. Bryant is pastor of Bethel Church.

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THE AFRO awards will go to: Jack Greenberg, William Toadvine, Tucker Dearing and Linwood Koger Jr., all NAACP attorneys; Mrs. Gertrude Cooper, Turner Station housewife and mother; Dr. Willard W. Allen, Masonic grand master for the Maryland jurisdiction.

Judge Leon Sachs, director, Baltimore Jewish Council; Stanley Scherr, chief magistrate of Traffic Court; Police Commissioner James M. Hephron.

Dr. Charles Watts, surgeon dentist; Father Richard Swift, rector, St. Monica's Catholic Church; Sylvia Burgess, amputee; and Gloria Lockerman, champion speller.