—Not my son

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at me and I emptied my gun at him."

Pedro was sent back to the New York prison to finish his term.

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"MR. BOOTS" said that the arrest of Crooms for murder was "no more than I expected."

"I want it understood," he said, "that I am no relation to Pedro and he is using my name to discredit me."

"Mr. Boots" said that he owns eight or 10 houses and 60 lots in Edgemere.

AFTER WORLD War I he worked for 21 years as a checker at Bethlehem Steel before quitting to open a tavern.

After his divorce from Josephine Single he remarried. His second divorce came on his birthday—Jan. 27, 1942.

"I don't know if I'll get married again, but there's a strong possibility," he said, admitting that he is now "sweet" on a local girl.

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THE INTERVIEW with "Mr. Boots" took place before Gus Swann, a life-long resident of Edgemere who said he saw "Mr. Boots" get married, divorced and go to war.

Pedro told police that he shot "B" six with "Mr. Boots" when the latter refused to return three $1,000 bills given him for safe keeping.

"I've never seen a $1,000 bill in my life," the tavern owner said.

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"PEDRO USED my name when police arrested him in this Adams case because he knows that I have a lot of prominent friends in Towson."

"Mr. Boots" said that he bought "Al's Inn," better known as "Black's Inn," from Bill Black's widow in 1943.

—God's lessons

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the family, close friends and pallbearers, a sister of the dead man ran between her mother and a cameraman.

When all were inside and seated the pastor spoke softly and quietly—"Often, when there is no other way, God, in his wisdom comes things to happen in order that others may learn . . . The Lord giveth, and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

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THE SOBBING MOTHER, Mrs. Lena Jackson, was led from the chapel by another son, Joseph King. A young daughter Jacqueline, held her other arm.

There followed in succession a grandmother, three sisters and several aunts and an uncle, who entered the first two cars.

Two young girls, each bearing a single floral offering, came out to stand beside the hearse as two of the undertaker's assistants brought the casket through the narrow doorway. At the bottom of the steps four young men stood to take over as pallbearers.

Inside, a flower broken off one of the offerings lay on the floor where the casket had been. Beside it lly a page from the eulogy on which was written "A bitter grief, a shock severe."

—Crooms predicted

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prison, become criminals during their incarceration.

A man lose a great value when he loses respect for a human life; a man's not born a killer, Soloman, there's a turning point in his life that makes him one.

You may not realize how a man feels, who goes through life with his heart full of hate—mistrust; it's terrible when a man's locked out of himself and he wants to live right and can't because of his past and injustices that have been inflicted upon him.

I DON'T know whether you've hated a man just because his skin was white or nursed a grudge in your bosom until you couldn't sleep at night, but I have—I'm tired of living this way.

When a son has no love for his mother—hates his father—what kind of life do you expect this type of individual to live? Well, I can tell how a person lives that will end up—that's in the chair or maybe hanging.

The say that everyone changes sooner or later—well I want to change a little myself. For the first time in my life, I want to really do something to really help myself.

I was thinking of opening up a little Luncheonette, up here in New York, when I come home, and that $3,000 that I never got back from you would come in mighty handy in what I want to do now. I was just thinking of how nice it would be if you would send me my money now that I'll soon be out because when I hit the street, I'll be flat broke, almost. I really could use my money now more than any other time.

In this way you really would be giving me a fresh start in life—also be helping to patch up a lot of the past.

This two years that I'm almost doing could have been avoided had you not been so hasty. I'm willing to forget the whole thing—I'm quite sure you feel different now.

Sometimes the price men put upon their lives is awful cheap; the price I've paid with two more costly years out of my life for practicely nothing has caused me many a painful, sleepless night in this cell.

THAT'S WHY I've vowed a many a day—night that I'll never in life come back to prison again — not for being right—wrong too.

As for all of the news down there, I know what's going on. I've kept posted on everyone, also.

Here's a little joke on you. I know that — — — — — — has her pregnant—she's afraid too, that I'll hear about it, but I know it—she would be surprised if she knew who told me.

I hear the kid is supposed to be born in June. I guess she's have a fit if I visited here the day after it was born, huh?

I wonder what Sherman's going to do when he gets back from Korea?

Say, one more thing, I've often been puzzled about since I've been up here — remember the time that Sank slapped you just before he went into the Army?

Well why is it you didn't have him locked up? What's wrong?

Are you getting soft or just wise to yourself?

You didn't think I know about that, huh? Well'ves get a pair of eyes down there—I bet I could tell you a lot of things you've said in that hair ar night, and a lot of places that you go when you get back—don't believe me? Well, just ask me and I'll tell you which way you walk—drive around Edgemere. (Smiles).

Well I've had my little speech so you take care of yourself as best you can, because No. 18 can't, now Mr. Williams.

If you decide on helping me, it's alright for you to mail or wire my lost, and I hope you do believe me.

Yours sincerely,

PETER SINGLE

P.S. If ever you see Boots around tell him that I said I haven't changed a bit, I'm still hard headed and if wake up to, Peter Reese, I'll be drinking red wine all over him, because I don't lose Peter Single—3654—no women of mine to lose body, because I knows how to love (smiles) dig me.

OTHER CROOMS letters will be printed in subsequent editions of the AFRO.

Pedro and two-persons, Helen Jefferson and Robert Palmer, accused of being accessories after the fact in the Adams murder case, will appear before the Towson Grand Jury on Monday.

—Mrs. Bradley

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jury and acquitted.

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MRS. BRADLEY will be introduced by William Henry Huff, Chicago attorney. The Rev. Harrison J. Bryant is pastor of the church.

In Washington, Mrs. Bradley recently appeared before 12,000 persons. Many wiped away the tears as the mother relived the death of her son.

"One day when I have time I will cry over my son more than I ever have before. I shall stop and weep for him all the tears which I have not had time to shed, but which he was worthy of.

"Prayer is not enough," she said, "we must take action."

The final reports on the current NAACP membership campaign. Will also be given at this meeting. The local branch is seeking 10,000 members.

Pat Rainey latest Farouk interest

MISS PATRICIA RAINEY

ROME, Italy—The international playboy, King Farouk, reportedly has found a new feminine interest in Pat Rainey, Boston socialite, who is now singing in the plush European night clubs.

Pat is the daughter of Julian Rainey, a former assistant U.S. attorney and noted trial attorney of Boston.

The tall-stemmed red head is now singing at Rome's Kit Kat Club. King Farouk was a regular customer since his 49-year old friend, Italian beauty Irma Minutolo left town.

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EACH NIGHT Pat and the former monarch get real chummy at the bar over orange juice.

Pat says "Farouk only drinks orange juice, but he can get quite gay without any alcohol.

"I drink brandy with an orange juice chaser just out of respect to him."

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PAT SAYS: "No I don't call him his majesty, but just 'sir.' After all he is a former monarch."

Farouk's interest in Pat, which his Italian interest is out of town is the talk of Rome.

But Pat insists: "Farouk wants to take me out on dates, but I am setting just for drinks at the bar with him. That's until I find out just how things are."

Pat has been in Europe since early 1954 when she was involved in a narcotics case in New York.

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Dr. Cooke arrested for traffic death

WASHINGTON

Dr. Paul P. Cooke, instructor at D.C. Teachers College, was arrested Wednesday in connection with the accidental death of a 78-year-old pedestrian.

He was released immediately in custody of his attorney, Leonard Hayes to await action by the coroner's jury.

The car, driven by Dr. Cooke, 28, 1203 Girard St., NW, struck Clarence Samuel Hoffner, 3538 13th St., NW, while he was crossing the street at 14th St. and Park Rd. NW.

Cooke told police he did not see the man crossing in front of his car until he had been struck and was on the hood.

Hoffner was pronounced dead at Emergency hospital at 11:25 p.m. Wednesday.

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Bishop Love clears Rev. Robt. Williams

WASHINGTON

The Rev. Robert M. Williams, superintendent of the Washington District of the Methodist church, has been exonerated of charges filed against him by a local grievance committee, the AFRO learned Wednesday.

John M. Ellis, chairman, District conference committee, said he had received a letter from the Annual Conference's Committee on Investigations Tuesday stating, in part, that the committee feels:

"That grievances presented against Rev. Robert Williams seem to point in the direction of errors of judgement and lack of understanding on his part with no involvement of character or malice.

"AND WE therefore felt that charges are not of sufficient nature to warrant the trial," the chairman related.

The committee felt further that in the sale of property at 2211 First St., NW, and acquisition of property at 1710 Varnum St., NW, there is no evidence of fraud and that in reports of the District trustees the committee is convinced that accounts of all the funds involved were accurate, he said.

"Even if provisions of the discipline were not followed, certainly there was no mishandling of the transaction."

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MR. ELLIS said the committee proving the purchase of the new parsonage at a reported cost of $27,500.

The AFRO learned that the committee also found no evidence of fraud in the sale of the old parsonage at 1710 Varnum St., NW, for $9,000.

Rev. Williams called another special adjourned session of the District for Nov. 5 immediately after his clearance by the investigating committee.

The special session, the second within the year since the minister's appointment, is being called for the purpose of reorganization of the District, spokesmen say they have been told.

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MR. ELLIS said he did not know what further action, if any, the grievance subcommittee will vote to take in the matter.

The complaint committee is scheduled to meet this week-end, action was signed by the Rev. Zerr Williams, superintendent of the North Baltimore District and chairman of the Committee on Investigations. The committee was appointed by Bishop Edgar Love of Baltimore.

The spokesman said this is the first official announcement of action on the prolonged church controversy since a hearing was held several weeks ago in Fairmont Heights, Md. to determine if the Rev. Williams should face a church trial.

The hearing was the outgrowth of complaints filed by a group of Washington Methodists, charging the superintendent and former pastor of Asbury Methodist violated the Methodist Discipline.

CRITICS SAID the violations occurred at a special adjourned session of the Washington District held at the Hamline Methodist Church and in action approved by the Rev. Williams.

Asks Brownell to speak at NAACP rally

Meeting scheduled for Metropolitan Baptist Nov. 13

WASHINGTON

Attorney General Herbert Brownell, director of Department of Justice, has been asked to appear on an NAACP program Nov. 13, with Dr. T. R. M. Howard of Mound Bayou, Miss. Mr. Brownell has been asked to explain the U.S. government's position in the Till case, the AFRO learned Wednesday.

Eugene Davidson, president of the D.C. Branch, said the request was made through the national bureau of the Association in an effort to get the chief U.S. attorney or his representative to appear at the scheduled mass meeting.

The program is tentatively set for 8 p.m. at the Metropolitan Baptist Church, 122 R St., NW. The meeting will be under the auspices of the local NAACP's Freedom Fund Committee headed by Dr. Isaac Cupid.

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MR. DAVIDSON stated, Wednesday, that Dr. Howard had agreed to speak at the rally to give his dramatic account of the current reign of terror in Mississippi.

He will report his observations on the trial of J. W. Milam and Roy Bryant for the murder of 14-year-old Emmett Till.

The prominent Mississippi physician has been speaking before audiences in Baltimore, St. Louis Los Angeles and throughout the country in seeking to mobilize the nation against the growth of "Mississippism."

As an on-the-spot observer of the conditions leading up to the kidnapping, eventual murder of Till and the freeing of the child's alleged slayers, the physician has had to walk with armed body guards at all times. He is also armed himself.

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MR. BROWNELL has been asked to come, or send a representative, to the meeting to explain why the justice department cannot act in Mississippi, although several murders and at least one kidnapping have been reported in recent months.

Clarence Mitchell, director, Washington Bureau, said he personally made the request for the cabinet official at the justice department but had been informed: "It is doubtful at this point that Mr. Brownell will be available."

Mr. Mitchell said he had been assured, however, that in the event the Attorney General is not able to appear, some top-ranking representative of the justice department would attend the mass meeting.

The justice department has previously announced that recent actions in Mississippi do not involve violations of federal laws but observers have charged the population of the state is denied due process of the law in violation of the Constitution.

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Bishop Love and wife on television

Bishop and Mrs. Edgar A. Love appeared recently on the television program, "Parade of Parsonage," sponsored by the Council of Churches of Maryland and Delaware's department of radio and television.

Interviewed by the Rev. Kenneth Jones, pastor, Woodlawn Methodist Church, Bishop and Mrs. Love told of their trip around the world last fall and of their five-week stay on the Malayan peninsula, where they were guests of the Malaya Methodist Annual Conference Board of Evangelism.

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WHEN MRS. MAMIE BRADLEY, mother of Emmett Till, saw her son's body when it reached Chicago from Mississippi she decided to open the casket in the church to spectators so "They can see what they did to my boy." Mrs. Bradley will speak at 8 p.m. Sunday at Bethel AME Church. Till was beaten to death and his body dumped into the river in Mississippi for allegedly "wolf-whistling" at a white store clerk. The filling of the throat and twine (shown in photo) were undertaker's method of shaping up the body after deterioration in the water.

Walkout Can't Halt Debate On S. Africa

Delegation quits UN as issue comes up

By JAMES L. HICKS

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y.—Acting like the spoiled boy who takes his ball home and breaks up the ball game because he cannot be the pitcher, the South African delegation picked up its brief cases Monday and stalked out of the halls of the United Nations when that body began a discussion of the racial situation in South Africa.

The South African walk, the second of such walkouts during the current UN session, evolved in the color question.

It came as the Ad Hoc Political Committee in the UN sat down to discuss the first item on its agenda, "The question of racial conflict in South Africa resulting from the policies of apartheid (segregation) of the government of the Union of South Africa."

THE FIRST WALKOUT staged at this current assembly also came over the color issue when France walked out after refusing to discuss its treatment of the people of Algeria.

In both instances, the strolling colonial powers based their walks on the contention that the UN has no right to discuss issues which they consider their internal affairs.

Prior to its walkout Monday, a South African delegate said that his government had instructed its delegation not to participate in any discussion of the question. Then rising, he said:

"TO THIS END, I shall now withdraw my delegation from this phase of the committee's proceedings but reserve my right to participate in the voting on any resolution that may be submitted for adoption." They then walked out.

Tuesday the committee was back in session, however, doing business as usual.

Committee members listened to a 287-page report on South Africa's harsh treatment of its colored people prepared by Herman Santa Cru of Chile, Henri Laugier of France and Dante Bellegarde of Haiti.

THE COMMITTEE was forced to compile its report from written data on South Africa because the South African government refused it permission to visit the country to get the information first hand.

The report states that South Africa's segregation policies and its harsh treatment of colored people "constitute a serious threat to national life within the union and a seriously disturbing factor in international relations."

Two given jail terms for robbery in office

Two men who were charged with robbing a Cherry Hill rent office of $38.80 were centenced to prison terms Wednesday in Criminal Court.

Bernard Ford, 19, of the 2700 block Mosher St., was sentenced to four years in the reformatory, and Edward James, 24, 1000 block Pennsylvania Ave., was given five years.

Ford and James were arrested when police traced the ownership of a car found abandoned at Poplar Grove St., and Elliott Dr.

WITNESSES identified the car as the one used in the holdup of a rental office in the 200 block Cherry Hill Rd., on Oct. 1.

Warren Clopton of the 600 block Cherston Rd., and Edward T. Mason, agent for the owners of the project, were in the office when two men held them up at pistol point.

Diggs attacks Brownell plan

Judicial program called inadequate

DETROIT, Michigan — Rep. Charles C. Diggs (Dem., Mich) is a veritable "man in motion."

Returning home this week after speaking to an NAACP rally in Mobile, Ala. on Sunday, Congressman Diggs assailed Attorney General Herbert Brownell's judicial program for 1956 as being "inadequate and compromising."

On Oct. 21, the attorney general submitted to President Eisenhower a three-point program.

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THE program, Congressmar. Diggs points out, "completely ignores the obvious need for strong action on civil rights."

The program calls for legislation to outlaw invasion of privacy of juries; construction of two prisons at a cost of $16,500,000; the appointment of Federal public defenders; and creation of 20 additional Federal judgeships.

"Undemocratic treatment of America's colored citizens, especially that of denying them the right to vote is more criminal than any of the problems that Mr. Brownell's program seeks to correct," he stated.

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IN THE MOBILE rally, Mr. Diggs remarked:

"I regret that it took the death of a 14-year-old boy to bring out this crowd. I am here because of the tremendous interest in the situation in Mississippi and what it symbolizes."

He advised his listeners against "being stampeded into mass migration" out of the South and promised "we will get justice in the South one of these days."

Wedding bells no bar to fine

Although the complainant had forgiven and married him, a nearly two - year - old warrant and a record of four previous assault convictions added up to $50 and costs Monday for Roderick J. Duncan Jr., of the 1600 block of Greenmount Ave.

Mr. Duncan was arraigned before Magistrate Linwood G. Koger Sr. in Northwestern Police Court on a warrant sworn out in Nov., 1953, by the then Miss Audrey Wagstaff, who charged him with hitting her with a chair.

However, he was not picked up by police until last weekend, and Miss Wagstaff, New Mrs. Duncan, said that she wasn't interested in having anything done about the warrant.

The arresting officer, however, pointed out Mr. Duncan's record of the earlier conviction.

"You've got to learn control," declared the Magistrate. "You can't go around hitting these women. $50 and costs."

Neighbor held in death of long time friend

For the death of a neighbor who was shot in the neck when he attempted to protect his wife, John Marshall Hobbs of the 100 block W. Cross St. was ordered held without bail in Homicide Court Tuesday.

In a signed statement given to Southern District police on Oct. 3, Hobbs admitted that he pulled a .32 caliber revolver on John Hammett, a long time friend, when he grabbed him from behind.

Mrs. Christine Hammett, wife of the deceased testified that Hobbs shot at her but missed, then fired at her husband when he came outside to see what was wrong.

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WITNESSES SAID the shooting occurred in front of the Hammett home when Hammett came home late, and was scolded in the presence of neighbors by his wife, Mrs. Virginia Hobbs.

Mrs. Hammett said when Mrs. Hobbs asked her husband where he had been all day he replied; "I'll smack you in the mouth."

"I told them if they wanted to fight to go home and that's when John got mad at me," Mrs. Hammett stated.

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Our sincere thanks are conveyed to each one who contributed to the success of the affair.

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The club furnishes shoes to needy children from lists provided by the Welfare Department and from the public schools.

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