OUR CREED

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"Blow, blow, thou Winter wind,
Thou art not so unkind as man's ingratitude."—William Shakespeare

Who is the Dr. McGurk the Sun relies on?

The Morning Sun and the U.S. News and World Report quote one Professor P. C. J. McGurk on the subject of average intelligence scores of colored and white children.

The U.S. News and World Report is an exceedingly conservative pro-segregation weekly news magazine edited by David Laurence.

Dr. McGurk is a one-time Annapolis Naval Academy teacher, now "associate" (not a full) professor of psychology at Villanova, Pa. University.

His eminence (or the lack of it) in the field of psychology may be judged by the fact that this is his first publication except for one paper based upon his doctoral thesis.

He cannot and does not set himself up as a scientific expert and an authority of high repute. His name does not appear in Who's Who in America.

The McGurk quote, which the Sun accepts as valid, is: (1) that tests show the average intelligence of colored children is below that of white and (2) that intelligence does not improve as educational and environmental conditions for colored children are bettered.

What the Villanova associate professor did not point out is, that the same tests score white children in the North ahead of white children in the South and some colored children in the North above some white children in the South.

Dr. Charles S. Thompson's poll of 129 of the nation's leading experts in psychology, sociology, education and anthropology published in 1934, showed only 19% of them in agreement with Dr. McGurk's theories.

No reputable scientist has held that race is the criterion in measuring intelligence.

BALTIMORE PUBLIC school junior high school tests several years ago showed the average colored child a year to a year and a half behind the average white child in the same grade.

Baltimore public schools were segregated.

The U.S. Supreme Court found that segregation of colored and white children in public schools had a detrimental effect on colored children. The tendency to retard educational and mental development."

What we resent is the Sun's acceptance of the McGurk conclusion that the below-average test scores is a result of race rather than of economics and education.

LAST MONTH, the John Pittman Elementary School in St. Louis, recently integrated, reported a higher percentage of colored children tested below average.

Considering the educational and economic inequality which has long existed in the St. Louis colored community, would any sane person expect otherwise?

But in actual numbers, there were 37 colored children and 84 white children below average—that is MORE under-average white than colored children.

SO THE responsibility of educators in St. Louis and in Baltimore is to treat the below-average colored child exactly as they treat the below-average white child.

That is forget his race and give him an opportunity to make good. This may mean better teaching, smaller classes and even longer hours.

On one point we agree with Dr. McGurk.

He says: "That there is need for more information about this problem is more than clear."

But we hasten to ask: Why does the "associate" professor arrive at "conclusions" if he needs more information?

You are needed

During the month of October the Baltimore Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will be conducting its annual drive for members and funds.

The goal this year is for 15,000 members and $100,000 in cash — a sizeable increase over the current 10,000 members and $45,000 raised in last year's drive.

Considerable gains in the field of race relations were made during the past year, but it is everywhere apparent that the struggle in which the Association is now engaged, will be a bitter one.

Your membership and your dollars are needed. JOIN and GIVE when the NAACP representative calls.

The FEEO Commission

There is going to be some mild criticism of the Baltimore Equal Employment Opportunity Commission appointed by Mayor D'Alesandro this week.

First, because the Mayor had been urged to name a representative of the Urban League; secondly, because there are two AFL commissioners and none from the CIO, and thirdly because there is only one woman and one colored person on the Commission.

Also significant is that the ordinance was signed April 18, and it has taken the Mayor five months to complete the membership of the Commission.

All this is over now, and we think the Mayor has appointed an excellent group of men and women to promote fair employment practices by ending discrimination on account of race, religion or national origin.

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BEST KNOWN members of this group include:

Richard W. Emory, chairman. An attorney, he is vice chairman of the board of trustees at Morgan State College and chairman of the executive committee of the board of trustees at Gilman School.

Dr. G. J. Fleming, former newspaper editor, ex-American Friends representative and one-time regional director of the President's Committee on Fair Employment, who now is professor of political science at Morgan State College.

Leon Sachs, able director of the Baltimore Jewish Council, who led the group which sponsored the legislation in the City Council.

Maxwell Alpert, attorney and City Councilman from the Fourth District, who also was an FEPC sponsor.

Francis S. Filbey, president, Baltimore Federation of Labor, and Francis X. Gallagher, a former assistant city solicitor.

Many people think that the Commission is solely for the benefit of colored people, but we predict that the Baltimore Commission will find, as in the case of New York City, there is widespread discrimination in employment against other racial and religious groups, and against women.

Welcome, freshmen

A record 650 freshmen reported to Morgan State College for registration and the beginning of orientation week on Monday.

The new group, reporting to the college for the first time, will boost Morgan's total enrollment to an all-time record of 2,035.

Baltimore extends to the new students a hearty welcome, given with the ohpe that all 650 of them will be present and taking an important part in the commencement activities of 1960.

City Desk Memo

By CHESTER M. HAMPTON

In a recent series of articles in the Cleveland Press, reporter Julian Krawcheck discussed what happens when a residential community desegregates.

He pointed out the same fact that has been pointed out many times before—that property values, appearance and harmony do not deteriorate with the advent of colored owners.

He said in part:

"Colored owners maintain and improve their homes better than the previous white owners.

"For every bombing and rock throwing and threat directed against the first colored people moving into a white area, scores of first colored families have moved with no unpleasantness at all."

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WHAT HE did not fully explain is the fact that in many cases, the property evaluation goes up automatically when colored families move in.

Since the premium on solid, middle, and upper middle class housing is so high, many $12,000 houses suddenly find that they are worth $15,000.

Because of this, the new owners are usually in a shade better financial circumstances than the previous owners—they have to be to afford the tariff.

So you have not only a rise in values but a hike in economic class.

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IN ATLANTA a few years back when colored families were moving into the Cairo St. and Collier Heights areas, there were attempted bombings and rock-throwings to be sure.

But no one wanted to find the culprits more than the white home owners of the area who stood to lose a fat two or three thousand dollar profit if colored families were discouraged from buying in the area.

The emphasis I made on 'solid middle class and upper middle class housing' was partly due to an observation I made while in Atlanta.

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THE NEW YORK of the South' was justly proud of its expensive, attractive Hunter Hills residences.

The area was a show-place to which visitors were ushered to see the wonders of modern architecture.

The only thing that was wrong with the set-up was that's all there was—all colored people didn't live in Hunter Hills in expensive homes.

Therefore the mail clerk, the teacher, the average preacher and the white-collar worker had to find somewhere to live in a maze of weatherbeaten, run-down houses that are epidemic all over the city.

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IT WASN'T until recently that apartments were constructed to house this "lost class"—too rich for slums and too poor for Hunter Hills.

Even more recently, a few homes have been built to attract colored families with middle class incomes.

This has been the problem everywhere and real estate entrepreneurs all over the country could make a respectable hunk of cash just by building solid homes for the middle-income colored family.

Poet's Nook

CHANGE

When I was young, I wrote of love
And knew not what I said . . .
I wrote of death, and yet no one
I loved was lying dead.

Today I write of other things
Because I cannot tell
How sweet is love . . . and as for death,
I know it now . . . too well.

LUCILLE AGNIEL CALMES

Suez and riots

Dear AFRO:

Attention please: Why should we shed any tears over what Col. Nasser of Egypt does with the Suez canal? It is high time that France and England solve their own problems.

I have information from the National Citizens Council for Better Schools that our schools are in a deplorable condition.

Is it a fact we are short of capable teachers and suitable school buildings? What are our leaders doing? What are they expecting to do about it? How can we give billions for foreign aid?

Who is responsible for the wide spread of delinquent youths? If we neglect to train our youth properly, we will need bigger and better jails. Which is more economical? Build better schools now, or better jails later?

What about those who are advocating rebellion against the Supreme Court decision?

If the government cannot maintain order, then give back the country to its original inhabitant, the Indians.

Is there no law to restrain those who are venting defiance and insult at supreme authority?

By letting those degenerates run wild, we are laying the foundation for national disrespect for law and order. So bend the twig while it is young.

In conclusion, here is what I want to know — Who is going to win this struggle, the Supreme Court or those crackpots rabble-rousers?

ZACCHEUS WHITE

Speak Your Piece

Contributors to this department must sign their names and addresses to their letters if they wish them published. The AFRO will withhold publication of names if requested to do so by the writer.

School integration

Dear AFRO:

Seeing hundreds of children of both races attending the same schools, going to and from school together and generally getting along without any unpleasant incidents is quite refreshing when I think of the predictions of a few years ago that it would "never happen" in Baltimore.

Realizing what has happened in Baltimore gives me all the more reason for feeling that the current furore in the more southern states will also be a temporary thing if firmness is used in pressing the demands for rights and justice.

Democracy stalled?

Dear AFRO:

I have been following the fine articles and letters to the editor and feel that you are making great strides in helping to show the public what the real issues are with regard to the struggle against bigotry and segregation.

But, ever with the courage being demonstrated by your paper and many individuals it seems at times that the engine of democracy is stalled on dead center.

It is a mystery to me to understand why men in high places of leadership are so blind to what this is doing to the United States in the eyes of foreign countries and peoples.

While the banners are being waved by bold spokesmen of our State Department in all lands who are still on friendly terms with us, the masses of people in these countries know that the real facts fail to jibe with the boasting and bragging of freedom in America.

There are enough hate mongers in this country who would go all out to prevent the large masses of white and colored workers from getting together for their own good and safety.

But little by little this is being done through church and union groups and of course the many organizations such as the NAACP and the Elks, to mention a few.

It should be made clear that all forms of struggle ought to be waged morning, noon and night, until no Jim-crow signs are in sight and until all children, regardless of color, have a right to enter any school in any state of the union . . .

Mr. Editor, keep hitting hard on this issue.

R. E. GEE

No comparison

Dear AFRO:

Persons who compare the NAACP with the White Citizens Councils and other hate groups do not know what they are talking about.

The NAACP members and officials do not preach hatred for their fellow citizens.

The NAACP does not condone or encourage violence.

The NAACP is not subversive in any manner, and has taken positive steps to prevent communists or Facist practices being fostered by its members.

THE NAACP has opposed enforced segregation as a violation of the Constitution of the United States as stated by the Founding Fathers.

The NAACP does not oppose legal means of fighting integration, because members know that the laws of man and God are on their side.

ERNEST HARRISON

Hodge Podge

By BOB MATTHEWS

Usually the evening hours around Madhouse Menagerie are punctuated with shrieks, yells, and galloping feet, as the four youngsters try to get as much playing in as possible before being banished to bed.

Last Sunday was different. Seven-thirty, the time when the "Take your bath and go to bed" parade generally starts, (the child making the most noise at the time is first) the Menagerie was as calm and quiet as a cemetery at midnight.

Didn't bother to ponder the reasons why, just enjoyed it. Matter of fact, the kids were so quiet that eight o'clock came before I knew it. Wife and I were comfortably ensconced on the couch reading the paper with one eye and watching television with the other.

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WIFE WHISPERED: "As long as they're quiet, we'll let them stay up a little longer."

Agreed.

Noticed that Number One daughter, age 8½, had parked herself in one of the big chairs in the room and had both eyes glued on the television screen.

In succession she declined: an offer to play "mother" with Number Two Daughter, an offer to play "jacks," a checker game with Number One Son, and a glass of milk and piece of cake. (That last item had me worried)

By now, the Ed Sullivan show was on television and the guest that evening was Elvis Presley.

Now surely, I said to me, she's much too young to be interested in that type of music. After all, she's a long ways from a teenager.

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"AND NOW, we switch to California and Elvis Presley," said Charles Laughton on the Telly.

"Ugh" I said.

"I concur," said Wife.

"Sh-h-h-h," from Number Two Daughter.

Was stunned into silence. Listened attentively to his first number, then off handedly remarked to Wife: "I still don't think he can sing."

Number Two daughter gave me one of those looks children reserve for grownups whom they think are slightly corny.... Tilted her nose skyward....then announced:

"Well, I think he's cute!"

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WITH THAT she strounged down in her chair and raptly watched, the remainder of the 'Pelvis' performance.

Program over, she reverted to her normal exuberant self turning cartwheels in the dining room, and yelling at the top of her voice. The other kids were caught up in the spirit of the thing.

Banished them all up to bed —Number Two daughter first.

If You Ask Me

By B. M. Phillips

People...places....things

Flash: The Eisenhower Administration has prevented the unfair application of Selective Service regulations under which a Montgomery bus boycott attorney was reclassified and ordered to report for military service.

The Saturday wedding of pretty Shirley Bernardine Lewis and Earl J. Brown unites a number of families.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Madeline Conaway Lewis, of Baltimore and Bernard W. Lewis Sr., now of Los Angeles.

I remember her when she was a baby. It is hard to believe that she is all of 22, old enough to have finished St. Francis Academy, to hold a job as medical records clerk at Sinai Hospital, and to get married! But she is.

Shirley is also the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Conaway Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewis.

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Her bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown Jr.—longtime Myrtle Ave. residents—he's been in the postal service for 35 years—and the ninth of their 10 children. One of his sisters is Chuck Richardson's wife—the former Clarice Brown.

And he is the great grandson of this town's first physician of color — Dr. Nelson Moquette and the grandson of the George Browns Sr.—remember when he conducted the barber shop in the Equitable Building — and of the Thomas E. Smiths.

So, as I say, the union will mean a lot of longtime Baltimoreans can call each other cousin.

And, by the way, the newlyweds will take no honeymoon at this time. She plans to keep her job at the hospital and he is manager of his brother's busy gas station at Pennsylvania Ave. and George St., and this is no time to take a vacation. That's good sense!

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NOTE IN THE mail from hometowner, Kurtis Hurtte, now living in Los Angeles, says:

"I have just been signed to a run of shooting contract at MGM Studios for the picture 'Something of Value,' starring Dana Winters and Rock Hudson.

"My roles, although nonspeaking, will be important to the picture, and especially to me, will be that of one of the vicious Mau-Mau and other scenes. Hope to return to Baltimore for Christmas."

And more good news: Miss Jeanne Phyllis Grove, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Grove is, in Brookings, South Dakota, where she has graduated from college.

Remember she is the Delta scholarship winner, who was graduated from Morgan College where she specialized in speech!

Postcard from Mr. and Mrs. Alvin S. Stanley in Buffalo where they are enjoying a late summer vacation.

Cyrus W. Marshall, the Douglass High math teacher, is resting at home, 2543 McCulloh St. Doctor ordered him to take a rest.

Zeta Chapter of Theta Nu Sigma Sorority, first beautieans group, inducted 28 new members at an impressive ceremony held Sunday at the Beauticians Center. Worship services at Bethel preceded the induction ceremony.

At St. James PE Church Sunday morning, communicants had a choice as to how they desired to receive the sacrament: By their actions, they were overwhelmingly against common use of the cup. Here's how:

Over 200 communed when the wafer was dipped into the wine. Just a dozen went forward to receive the wafer and the wine separately!

More people and things...

Mrs. Madge Rice Cannon, the young mother of five about whom we wrote last year, has enrolled at Coppin Teachers' College.

She finished evening high school with honors.

Members of Business people cooperating: Affable Randolph Collick, the funeral director, is having extensive repairs made to his E. Preston St. funeral home — new ceilings, paneled walls etc.

A fellow funeral director, Charles B. Lewis, has welcomed him to use his parlors at Broadway and E. Lanvale St.

Miss Frances Logan of Philadelphia, is a first hereabouts. She is assigned to do field work at the Springfield State Hospital at Sykesville. She is a former Atlanta U. instructor, now doing advanced study at the U. of Pa.

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Myra Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, marks its 60th anniversary Sept. 28-30. On the evenings of the 28 and 29, there will be a carnival and mardi gras at McCulloh and Mosher Sts., and on the 30th at 5, the anniversary sermon with Grand Patron Jerry Williams giving the inspirational talk.

Mrs. Naomi Jukius is grand matron and Mrs. Lillie Butler and Mrs. Gladys Dixon are chairmen of the anniversary committee.

Drop a card to Anita Hawkins, 600 Whitmore Ave. Her mother; Mrs. Daisy Brown (1912 Druid Hill Ave.) died Tuesday.

Over 40 singing and praying bands will be in attendance at Ames Methodist Church Sunday when the annual Calvert County Day will be observed. The church is at Carey and Baker Sts. The Rev. F. J. Frye is pastor.

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Why do young people wear steel plates on their heels so at night time you can hear the clack clack of their steps half a block away?

I asked one today who lives in the 1100 block of Carey Street and walks to and from work at the Coppers (Hamburg and Bush Streets), two miles each way.

He says he can make the 24 blocks in half an hour which is less time than he can get a ride on the bus.

He stands all day operating a machine, but the main thing is he says, that rubber heels only last him four months and by using heel plates he can stay away from the shoemakers indefinitely!

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The Prettyman Company has just completed an altar at Israel Baptist Church.

Walter Green Post of American Legion and its ladies auxiliary, holds 38th annual joint memorial services Sunday, 8:15 p.m., at Mt. Ararat Baptist Church, Gwynns Falls and Longwood.

W. Ralph Dean, a carrier at the Druid Post Office, is the new secretary of the local Alliance of Postal Employees. And speaking of the post office, no date has been set for trial of Ellsworth Wilson, who is on leave from the service, pending trial on a charge of misusing stamp funds.

The Harper Brothers lost their lease at Carey and Mosher Sts., and the gas station there is now under new management.

Drop a card to Frank R. Veney, 430 E. 23rd St., housing manager of the Douglass-Somerset Homes. He underwent a serious operation at Provident Sept. 8. He has been home a week, gets the stitches out this weekend.

He tells me Dr. Welcome did a magnificent job. I was a sick man . . . but I'm much better now . . .

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A year ago (Sept. 20) our Rachel weighed in at 7 pounds 14 ounces and pretty as a baby can be.

Today she weighs 22 pounds, and is pretty as a picture. Her eyes light up whenever you come in sight and she has a disarming smile.

She has no teeth. The doctors say they will be out soon—all at once. But she can walk a few steps unaided, and within another month should have good balance alone.

She sings to herself—pats her hands patty-cake, imitates her sister and brother, can call 'Da-Da' and 'Ma-ma' too.

Things are good and strong when she is wet or hungry, but she sleeps well through every night. She is a real doll!

More birthdays: Mrs. Elizabeth McCoy, she's the boss of the Harold Jenifers' household, marked her 50th birthday on Thursday.

Birthday greetings on Sept. 2 to Ida Smith, 1702 N. Carey St.

The Reporters Report To The People

Along the way

By STEVE DUNCAN

On my very first day in the kindergarten back home in St. Louis' I made up my mind that formal education was not the thing for me.

I found that ABC's unexciting. I detested teachers telling me when to take an afternoon nap. And those gosh-awful games we had to play...

As fate would have it mother, the boss, thought otherwise.

So, for a time on school days the boss would see to it that my face and hands were nice and clean, she'd fix my lunchbox and proceed to drag me to school.

BY THE time I proved to the school bully that I was tired of running home every day, and that I could tenaciously lose as many fights as he could win, I'd decided to accept education as one of those necessary evils.

Later, I agreed with the theory that book learning wasn't too bad at all. You see, I became indoctrinated and now I'm one hundred per cent in favor of the three R's.

After being exposed to things like the Constitution and the Good Book, I've concluded that every child in this country—the land of the free, if you please—has a natural right to the best education the public school system has to offer.

And, as the Supreme Court he'd a couple of years ago, that ole practice of "separate but equal" book learning does not lend the proper atmosphere to this realization.

I think the fountain of knowledge is a part of the public domain. Colored kids and white kids should be able to quench their individual thirsts at this fountain without intimidation.

Drink hearty kids so you won't run the risk of growing up like some of the hoodlum mobs now seeking to cut off the fountain rather than live within the law.

Beaten Path

By ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

Bean pickers are exposed to all kinds of weather, and especially in the early fall when the dew is heavy and the sun comes up late.

A reader tells me that one of the migratory workers who has my home, slept on the roadside, had no relatives, came to a tragic end this week.

The gentleman who told me saw an ambulance arrive and take a worker from the bean pickers' truck. The man was so ill he could not speak. He shook with chills. He was ragged and dirty.

Taken to a hospital in Baltimore, it was found he was in the last stages of pneumonia.

WHEN THE authorities inquired about the man, it was discovered he had no home, had been sleeping in the fields, on the road or in the truck, all season.

The migratory worker had no relatives, no identification except that he had been picking tomatoes, beans, potatoes, and corn around this area.

That's the life of a migratory worker. Like one of them said:

"When you put your shoes on in the morning, you don't know who will take them off of you at night."

Sightseeing

By JAMES D. WILLIAMS

A motorist, cursed with the problem that afflicts so many drivers, that of a rapidly emptying gas tank, pulled into a filling station at Pennsylvania Ave. and Mosher St. on Tuesday and politely asked for 15 cents worth of gas.

The attendant took it all in stride and filled the order, but when the driver asked him to check the oil and water, the man shook his head sadly and walked away...Who could blame him?

In the imposing Towson courthouse, where one would think that politics would be left at the front door, some enterprising citizen has plastered the inside of telephone booths with signs saying: "Vote for Frank Miller for Congress."

This warrants a congressional investigation, no less....

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STATE SENATOR Harry Cole, looking every inch the perfect statesman, standing outside his home at Druid Hill and McMechen St., watching a youth washing his steps and commenting: "They don't wash them like they used to."

Howard Gaskins, who last year was a candidate for the school page, now serving with the Army.

School crossing guard at Druid Hill Ave. and Preston St. stepping bravely out into the heavy flow of early morning traffic to see her charges safely across the street.

Not too many blocks away, another guard doing most of her assistance from the corner.

Yes, it's true

By GARFIELD HINTON

A few days ago, some friends and I motored to New York city. As we sped merrily along, still in the state of 'O Maryland, My Maryland,' suddenly the pangs of hunger struck us.

Our first impulse was to stop and dine at a roadside inn. We realized, alas, that none of these houses by the side of the road, would serve us.

"If we were to go in, they would say we were coming in to start trouble. It wouldn't occur to them that we might be hungry Americans seeking a nice meal amidst pleasant surroundings," somebody smi smilingly commented.

A little way further, we were in New Jersey. Here, we were served both courteously and cordially in a roadside inn.

It seems so ridiculous that an invisible line separating one state from another should make such a difference in human relations.

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FAIR-SKINNED travellers, who a few minutes before would not, or could not break bread with us, now dined all about us without a second thought.

Who can explain this? Are the people in New Jersey more civilized than those in Maryland? Later, on the return trip, we reached Maryland after dark.

'Vacancy' and 'Welcome' signs lit up the highway.

Should we as weary travelers seek repose in any of these places, we thought fully realized, for us, there would be no room in the inn.

Kier's lawyers ask new trial

TOWSON, Md. — "The days of the blackjack and rubber hose are gone. There are new techniques.

"They're not employed to the extreme the way they are in other countries, but we know it is psychologically possible to bend a man's will in any direction.

"In the testimony of Capt. Deyle and Lt. Holmes we find parental treatment on one hand and gruff treatment on the other.

"They kept after him to tell the truth, tell the truth, all we want is the truth.'

"We think that approach renders a confession inadmissable."

That criticism of Baltimore county officer's brainwash methods was made by William H. Murphy and David N. Bates, attorneys on Tuesday when they asked two judges not to accept as evidence six oral confessions signed by Carl Daniel Kier.

Kier, a 21-year-old handyman was charged with the murder and rape of Mrs. John H. Bopst Jr., last June 12.

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AFTER DELIBERATING for an hour, Judges Michael Paul Smith and Lester L. Barrett discounted psychological warfare claims and ruled that neither confession had been obtained by inducements or promises.

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ON THURSDAY, Kier's attorneys filed a motion for a new trial. If a new trial is not granted, the case could be carried to the Maryland Court of Appeals.

Mr. Bates and Mr. Murphy asked the new trial on the following grounds:

That the court erred in its ruling on the admissibility of all evidence.

That the verdict is contrary to the evidence;

That the verdict is contrary to the law, and, for such other reasons as may be assigned at a time of hearing.

Judges Smith and Barrett said a hearing on the motion would be held either Monday or Tuesday

The defense had claimed that Kier was never advised that anything he said could be used against him in court.

In one confession signed by the defendant before Capt. Gilbert Deyle, acting county police chief and Lt. J. Gordon Holmes, Kier stated that he found Mrs. Bopst's body when he entered her Charles St., Ave. home and later stole her automobile.

In a second statement, given before county detective sergeants Ross Gagliano and Augh McCusker during while he was being given a physical examination, Kier admitted the slaying.

IN THE LENGTHY cross examination of the two detectives the defense sought every detail of a 10 hour questioning that Kier underwent.

They challenged the officer's rights to take Kier's blood-stained shoes and specimens from his hair without informing him they might be used as evidence.

The presence of a scalpel, a small surgical knife, in the hands of the examining physician was cited by Mr. Bates as a possible factor in Kier's willingness to give the second statement.

Under questioning by the defense, Dr. O'Donnell said he told Kier he was going to take a sperm specimen with the scalpel to find out if he was the guilty party.

The physician said he told Kier that if the scrapings matched the blood of the dead woman he could match them.

The defendant then made the statement which State's Attorney John E. Raine Jr. presented to the court.

In it Kier admitted that he killed the matron as she fought for her life while being stabbed seven times, beaten about the head, and criminally attacked.

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IN AN EFFORT to show that the arrested man was placed under pressure, his attorney's produced what many observers said was the most detailed description of police methods they had ever heard in court testimony.

The defense argued that throughout the interrogation, Kier was warned to tell the truth and that this constituted both a threat and a promise.

Capt. Deyle, and Lt. Holmes

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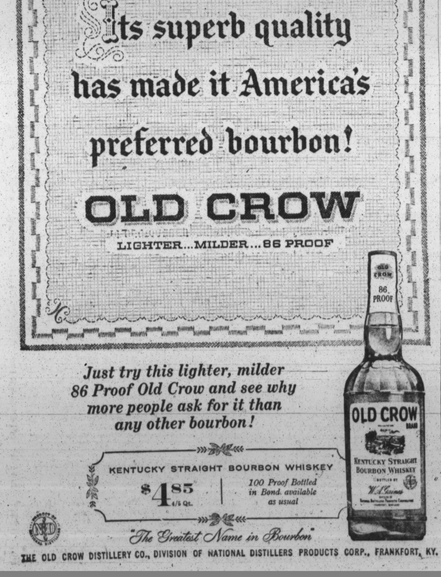

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A mother waits...

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Mrs. Jarvis was Mrs. Patricia Talbott, daughter of the murdered woman. The two never exchanged glances.

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WITH MRS. JARVIS in the courtroom were the Rev. Mrs. Elizabeth Tompkins, pastor of the Mt. Olive Spiritual Church at 1323 Myrtle Ave., and another friend, Mrs. Lillian Sanderlin.

"I met Mrs. Jarvis about two years ago when she moved into our neighborhood," the Rev. Mrs. Tompkins said, "she is a fine and a deeply religious woman.

"It has been only her faith in God that has enabled her to bear up under this ordeal."

During one of the series of recess periods his mother and her friends talked to Kier through a wire screen which covered the door of a small room to the right of the judges' bench.

"That boy," the Rev. Mrs. Tompkins said, "all of his thoughts were for his mother. He knew that she hadn't been well. His last words before we stopped talking to him were: 'Mother, I don't want you to stay, because I don't think you can stand it.'

"His mother told him, 'Don't worry about me, Carl, we're putting our hope and trust in the Lord.'"

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ON THE final day of the trial Judges Michael Paul Smith and Lester L. Barrett announced that there would be a night session and ordered recess at 5 p.m.

Mrs. Jarvis remained in her seat in the practically empty courtroom for an hour and 45 minutes before going out into the hallway. Her son watched her anxiously through the wire netting.

At approximately 8 p.m., an hour before the judges delivered their verdict, Mrs. Jarvis became ill and was led out into the dimly lit, empty hallway by Mrs. Sanderlin.

WHEN THE trial ended and the two judges pronounced Kier guilty, it was the Rev. Mrs. Tompkins who left the courtroom in tears to carry the verdict to the mother.

"I knew it—I knew it," Mrs. Jarvis screamed, "you don't have to tell me," and ran for a flight of stairs leading to the street.

The crowd which had surged out into the hallway stood in silence as Mrs. Sanderlin and the Rev. Mrs. Tompkins assisted the grief-stricken mother out into the street.

"When we got out into the street," the Rev. Mrs. Tompkins said, "she broke away again and started half-running down the street. She was crying, and couldn't see where she was going.

"We didn't want her to get out into that traffic, so we held her and put her in a cab and took her home and to bed," the minister added. "She said, 'I don't care what they are going to do. I am still going to put my trust in the Lord."

"Later that night I went to her house again, to see if I could help her. They told me that she had gone to a church up the street to pray. I knew that she was seeking greater consolation than any person could offer."

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FRIENDS SAID that Mrs. Jarvis still does not believe her son committed the crime for which he might have to pay with his life.

When he was first arrested, she told the AFRO: "I don't have any idea that my son did it . . . I don't know . . . but if he did what they said he must have been sick."

And, she added, "Daniel has always been a good boy, good to me and his stepbrother, too. He never talked much, not unless you talked to him.

"I can't believe it . . . I feel sorry for the family of the dead lady too . . . I've always tried to live right and teach my children right . . . he was a good boy . . ."

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Bridegroom-to-be buried; marriage license returned

A marriage license that was never used was returned to the Marriage License Bureau this week.

On the license were the names of Lindsey Calhoun, 30 and Miss Maudie Beckwith, 36, both of 504 Ogston St.

It was never used because Mr. Calhoun is dead.

He died early last Wednesday morning when he stepped out of the Ogston St. home to buy a package of cigarettes and a full load of pellets from a shotgun struck him in the chest and face.

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THE SHOT CAME from a second story window at 500 Bradley St. and was allegedly fired by John Elliott, 47, who was once the sweetheart of Miss Beckwith, the woman the victim intended to marry.

Elliott has been the object of a 14-state search since the shooting, but at press time he had not been apprehended.

When Miss Beckwith returned the license on Monday she gave death of the intended bridegroom as her reason.

Although the license had not been used, and could never be used, Miss Beckwith could not get a refund of the $5 fee.

Funeral services for Mr. Calhoun were held on Monday at the Grace Gospel Church with the Rev. James Miner, officiating.

"You never know how or when you will die. He told the mourners: Let this be a warning to us all—to ask God to see to our souls...."

An Army veteran, Mr. Calhoun is survived by his foster mother, Mrs. Marie Calhoun; two sisters, Mrs. Lee Ann and Al; stepfather, L. E. V. Elmore and other relatives.

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