Miss Tyler, Mrs. Armstrong among new Peabody trustees

Five new appointments to the Board of Trustees of the Peabody Institute were announced Wednesday by Judge Harrison L. Winter, chairman.

They are Mrs. Margaret D. Armstrong, music specialist in the Baltimore City public schools; Miss Veronica Tyler, 1968 winner of the first international vocal competition in Moscow and leading soprano in the New York City Opera; Jacques Barzun, internationally known author and chairman of the Maryland Educational Broadcasting Commission for Channel 67;

Also, Herbert B. Cahan, vice-president Balto.-Wash. area for Westinghouse Broadcasting Co.; and Mrs. Henry Rosenberg, a trustee at Goucher College and active member in many civic and culture organizations.

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Richard Goldman, president of Peabody, made the announcement at the annual Convocation at the school this week.

"I express great pleasure," he stated, "over the appointment of these distinguished persons."

The two black appointees, Miss Tyler and Mrs. Armstrong are both products of Baltimore schools. Both are fourth generation Marylanders whose families have been outstanding in musical circles.

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Miss Tyler, 33, descended from the family of the Rev. Joshua H. Green, founder of Metropolitan Baptist Church, is a 1960 graduate of Peabody where she first enrolled under an AFRO scholarship.

She credits her Douglass High School teacher, Mrs. Marian Smith with "taking an interest in my voice." Through her she auditioned for a Deiches scholarship.

Miss Tyler made her European debut in 1968 at the Bergen Festival in Norway. A favorite opera and oratorio singer, Miss Tyler will lecture later this year at Peabody.

Mrs. Armstrong, 54, comes from musical families on both sides. Her father, the late Henry O. DeMann was an accomplished singer. Her mother, Mrs. Claudia Thomas DeMann, is also talented.

A music teacher in the Baltimore schools for 24 years, Mrs. Armstrong is a graduate of Douglass High School and Morgan State College.

She currently administers the cultural-enrichment activities in the federal Elementary-Secondary Educational Activities Program for the Baltimore City schools.

Under her direction, the program has grown from 33 performances in 1965 to at present 1,000.

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Mrs. Armstrong has served on the Model Cities Board and the Mayor's Task Force, and the Baltimore Urban League Board. She is presently a member of the Maryland Arts Advisory Council.

She told the AFRO Thursday that the Peabody trustees should be commended for widening representation to black people on the board. She said she felt she could make a contribution which would be beneficial to the school.

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One of the oldest endowed schools of music in the United States, Peabody Conservatory of Music is located in the 100 block E. Mt. Royal Avenue.

Other reknown graduates of the school are: Junetta Jones, soprano; and Jeanette Waters, soloist, both Baltimoreans; Virgil Fox, organist; and Andre Watts, pianist.

MRS. MARGARET ARMSTRONG

MISS VERONICA TYLER

NEW TRUSTEES at famed Peabody Institute are Mrs. Margaret D. Armstrong, public school music specialist and Miss Veronica Tyler soprano and Peabody graduate who got her start on an AFRO scholarship.

Divorces granted

James Brooks from Mary Lou Brooks; Delores Eleanor Matthews from Ronald Albert Matthews; James A. Clay from Annie M. Clay.

Barbara Virginia Cromer from Ernest Marshall Cromer; Vernon Williams from Annie Ruth Williams; Shirley Gertrude Montgomery from Melvin F. Montgomery, Sr.

Karen Leslie Crowe from Richard Lindsay Crowe, Sr.; Sarah Ellen From Elbert Ellen; Emanuel Pack from Gladys R. Pack; Leatrice Curtis from Alan Curtis; Barbara L. Bryan from Harry P. Bryan; Charlotte Owens from Bradford Owen; Lucille Prow from Frank W. Prow.

Wilson J. Curtis from Sheila Curtis; Raymond Theodore Waters from Anna Virginia Waters; Melvin Bright from Gwendolyn Bright; Earl Brooks from Gladys Brooks; David W. Brown from Patsy A. Brown; Lestina Payton from Lawrence Payton; William Pearson from Mae E Pearson; Rose L. Long from Earl E. Long, Jr.; Mildred E. Burke from Hubert V. Burke.

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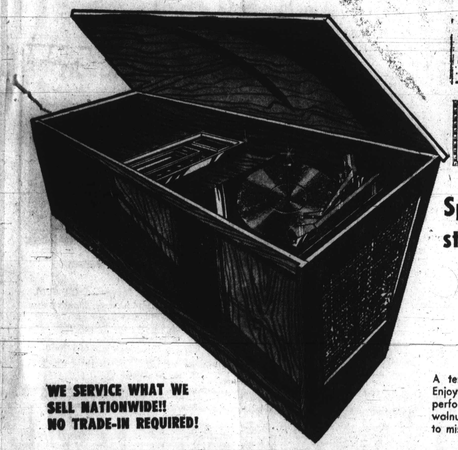

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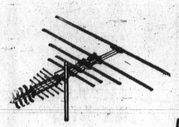

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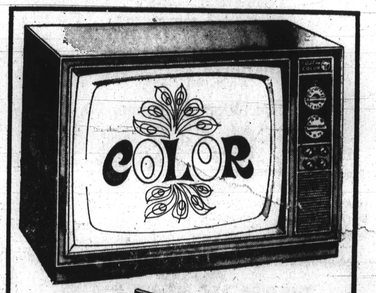

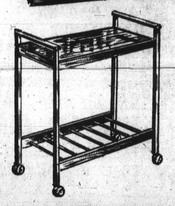

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U.S. Drops Health Premiums

WASHINGTON — A combination of benefit improvements and premium reductions affective Oct. 1, for about 80,000 retired Federal employees and survivor annuitants who are enrolled in the Uniform Plan for health benefits was recently announced by the Civil Service Commission.

The Uniform Plan is available to employees who retired before July 1, 1960, and survivors of employees who retired or died before July 1, 1960. The plan is underwritten by the insurance industry and administered by the Aetna Life and Casualty Company.

The liberalizations in the Uniform Plan have been made possible as a result of the good claims experience the plan has had since Medicare became effective in 1966. The majority of those who are enrolled in the Uniform Plan also have one or both parts of Medicare, and the Uniform Plan has, for the most part, been supplementing Medicare payments.

Nixon nominates six black lawyers to judgeships

President Nixon has nominated six black Washington area lawyers to judicial seats in the expanded Court of General Sessions and D.C. Court of Appeals.

The nominees, selected by the Justice Department, are subject to Senate confirmation. The nominations stem from the D.C. Crime Act of 1970, which calls for incorporating the present Court of General Sessions into a Superior Court in 1971.

The only black woman named, Mrs. Normalie Holloway Johnson, 38, is a Democrat and has been in assistant corporation counsel for the District since 1967.

She is a graduate of D.C. Teachers College and Georgetown University Law School. She was an attorney for the civil division of the Justice Department from 1963 to 1967.

For High School fro 1955 to 1963.

Eugene N. Hamilton, 37, is a trial attorney with the civil division of the Justice Department.

A native of Lake Charles, La., she taught at Taft Jin-School in 1959. He served two years as an attorney with the U.S. Army Signal Corps before joining the Justice Department in 1961.

A Democrat, he graduated from the University of Illinois in 1955 and its Law is in private practice with the Washington law firm of Prast, Bowers and Newman. He was a lawye fro the civil rights division of the Justice Department from 1961 to 1962.

Mr. Newman was an associate with the firm of Houston and Gardner from 1962 to 1968. A graduate of Brown University and Harvard Law School, he is a native of Birmingham, Ala.

John G. Penn, 36, is an assistant chief of the general litigation section of the Department of the Justice's Tax Division. Born in Pittsfield, Mass., he was graduated from the University of Massachusetts and received his law degree from Boston University.

He has been with the Justice Department since 1961.

James A. Washington Jr., 55, a Democrat, is general counsel for the Department of Transportation.

A native of Asheville, N.C., he was graduated from Howard University and the law schools at both Howard and Harvard Universities.

He has been dean and vice dean of Howard Law School. He served as chairman of the D.C. Public Service Commission from 1961 to 196.

Mr. Washington was an attorney for the Justice Department from 1942 to 1946.

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750 kids given outing by Woodlawn workers

More than 750 inner-city children were treated to an outing in the country recently at Gunpowder Falls State Park.

About 550 of the young people were in a group sponsored by the Baltimore Federal Executive Board. They arrived in 10 buses provided by the Model Cities Agency and were supplied with generous amounts of food courtesy of the Poet's Athletic Club, Community Action Agency, American Federation of Government Employees Local No. 1923, Social Security Employees Activities Association, and Food Fair, Inc.

Some 125 trophies were awarded the youngsters for their success in various contests. Nat Trader, a Social Security employee representing both the Federal Executive Board and the Poet's Athletic Club, made arrangements for the picnic.

A second group of 200 summer aides from the Social Security Administration arrived in 9 buses supplied by Mayor D'Alesandro's office. Their food was donated by the American Federation of Government Employees Local No. 1923, Social Security Employees Activities Association, Meatcutters Union, Retail Clerks Union, and several business organizations.

Earl Young, Director of Social Security's Summer Aide Program, made all of the arrangements for the second group.

All of the funds used to subsidize the expense of the outings came from private sources.

PLENTY of free food and cold drinks were available to more than 750 inner city children when they were recently treated to a picnic at Gunpowder Falls State Park. The Social Security employees pictured above were some of the volunteers who chaperoned the group.

Nash infant dies

Nine-month-old Rhonda Nash died last night (Thursday) at Sinai Hospital. She was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Nash of the 3400 block Liberty Heights Ave.

Mrs. Nash (Deborah), is employed in the cold type department of the AFRO-AMERICAN.

The Great Lakes form the largest body of fresh water in the world.

The West Coast has the fewest thunderstorms in the United States — less than 10 a year.

REGISTER to VOTE
October 5 last day to register to vote in Nov. 3 GENERAL ELECTION

Pupils evacuated from school; boy exploded tear gas

WASHINGTON

Students at Lincoln Jr. High School, 16th and Irving Sts., NW, were evacuated from the building Wednesday morning after an unidentified pupil exploded a tear gas bomb in the second floor hallway during a recess period.

Evacuated immediately so the building could be aired, the pupils remained outside for about 90 minutes. Vincent Reed, school safety director, said no one was injured and no damage occurred.

Davis, O'Bryant in police shift

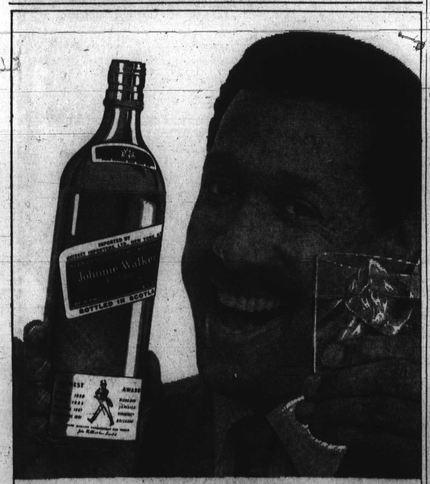
WASHINGTON

Top-level personnel changes in the Police Department were announced by Chief of Police Jerry V. Wilson, this week.

They were: Deputy Chief Owen W. Davis transferred from Commanding Officer, Special Operations Division to Director of Patrol Division.

Deputy Chief Tilmon B. O'Bryant transferred from Director of Patrol Division to the newly-created position of Director of Training and Personnel;

Inspector Thomas R. Estes transferred as Director of Training Division, and detailed to the U.S. Civil Service Commission in order to develop the next promotional examination scheduled for spring, 1971.



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